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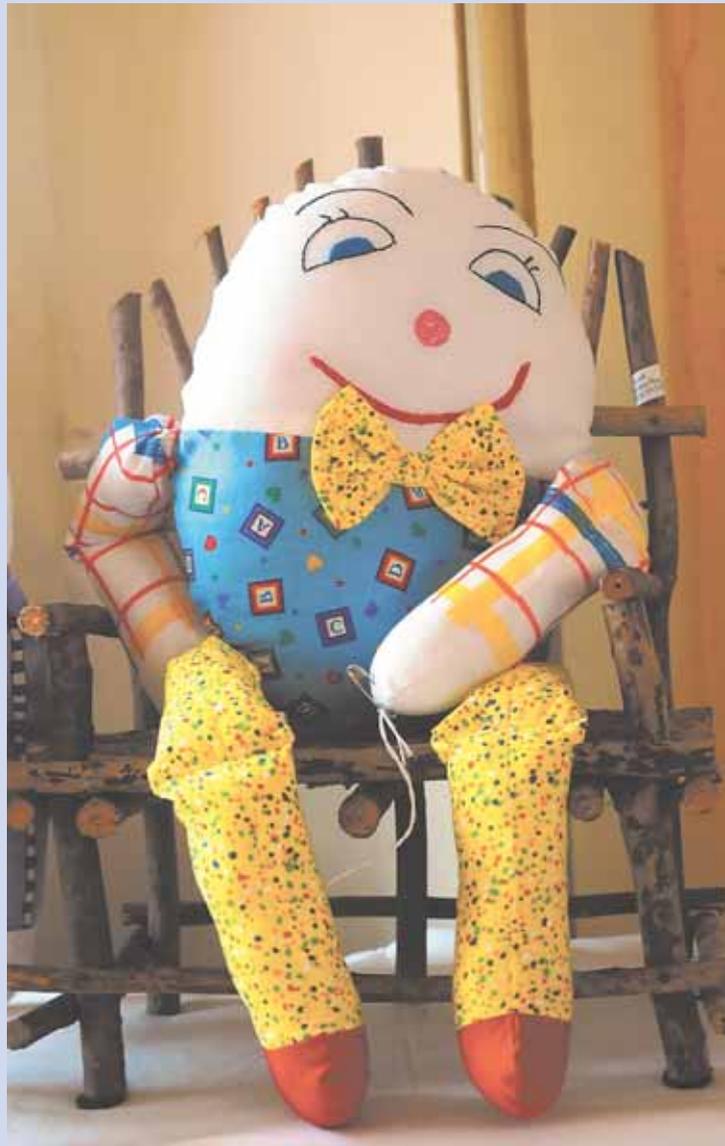


Marilyn Giovanetti displays a pie-keep that she hand-stenciled.



Pincushions styled as cupcakes were donated by one of the Nelly's.

PHOTOS
BY LOUISE KRAFFT
THE GAZETTE



Humpty Dumpty sits tall on a child's chair overlooking the dining room at the bazaar.

Nelly's Needlers Host Fall Bazaar

Hundreds of handmade gifts filled the tables set up in the south dining room of Woodlawn Plantation on Saturday, Oct. 19 for Nelly's Needlers' bi-annual Fall Bazaar. In addition to handmade gifts and items for

the home, the bazaar featured preserves and home-prepared goodies, including lemon meringue pie. Nelly's Needlers is a volunteer auxiliary group which works year-round to raise funds for Woodlawn Plantation.



Susan Fournier shows off her raven and pumpkin that she won in the bazaar raffle on Saturday afternoon.



Nelly's Needlers Fall Bazaar organizers Joanna Holcomb and Sandra Jeckell greet shoppers at the bi-annual sale.

Difficult Choices For Schools

New superintendent says School Board needs to brace for \$100 million worth of cuts.

BY MICHAEL LEE POPE
THE GAZETTE

Should class sizes be increased? Should school employees be laid off? Should students have to pay to take Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate tests?

These are some of the difficult choices before members of the Fairfax County School Board for fiscal year 2015. This week, Superintendent Karen Garza laid out about 50 potential spending items that could be on the chopping block. School officials need to close a \$140 million shortfall. That means even if the Board of Supervisors and the General Assembly kick in more money, School Board

members are going to need to make significant cuts.

"I think it's still yet to be determined what that number is, although we know it's going to be extraordinarily high," Garza told School Board members during a work session Monday. "I think it's going to be at least \$100 million."

Garza, who joined the school system over the summer, was quick to point out that she was not making any recommendations. She described the list as "menu items" that School Board members could order to balance the books. Options on the table include everything from increasing class size and laying off employees to creating a new athletic fee and elimi

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On the Menu

- ❖ \$19.5 million: increase student-to-teacher ratio by one student in general education
- ❖ \$14.6 million: reduce allocations to schools for needs-based staffing
- ❖ \$10.2 million: reduce school counselors
- ❖ \$9.1 million: reduce all employees contract length by one day
- ❖ \$7.9 million: furlough all employees for one day
- ❖ \$6.3 million: reduce all teacher pay scale employees contract length by one day
- ❖ \$6.3 million: eliminate instructional assistants in Kindergarten classes
- ❖ \$5.5 million: eliminate foreign language in elementary schools
- ❖ \$4.5 million: have students pay for AP and IB tests
- ❖ \$4.3 million: eliminate funding for Priority Schools Initiative
- ❖ \$3.9 million: increase student-to-teacher ratio by one student in special education
- ❖ \$3 million: eliminate additional staffing for middle and high school work awareness and transition
- ❖ \$2 million: reduce funding for computer replacement
- ❖ \$1.8 million: increase class size for advanced academic centers
- ❖ \$1.8 million: eliminate 22 instructional coaches
- ❖ \$1.8 million: charge \$100 per student athletic fee
- ❖ \$1.7 million: increase class size for preschool autism classes
- ❖ \$1.7 million: increase class size for English Speakers of Other Languages classes
- ❖ \$1.7 million: reduce allocation for custodial positions
- ❖ \$1.5 million: reduce allocation of technology specialists
- ❖ \$1.1 million: reduce allocation of clerical positions to elementary schools
- ❖ \$900,000 reduce funding for the project management oversight committee
- ❖ \$500,000: reduce allocation of librarian positions
- ❖ \$500,000: reduce contract length for social workers
- ❖ \$300,000: eliminate small school staffing formula
- ❖ \$200,000: reduce transfer to Adult and Community Education
- ❖ \$200,000: increase community use fees for school facilities

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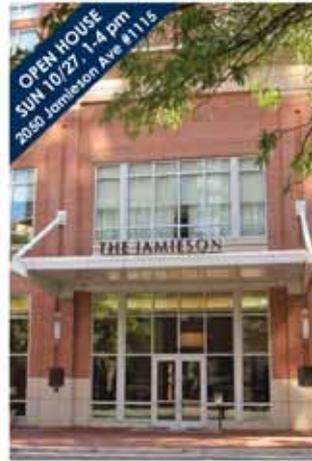
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Mount Vernon-Lee Chamber of Commerce President Ashley Behrens welcomed everyone to the “Celebration!” on the grounds of Inova Mount Vernon on Saturday, Oct. 19 and introduced Fort Belvoir’s Garrison Commander Col. Gregory D. Gadson. The colonel was there to sign the renewal of the Army Community Covenant.



A highlight of the community event was a performance by the Harmony Heritage Singers.

PHOTOS BY RENÉE RUGGLES/THE GAZETTE

‘Mount Vernon-Lee Celebration!’ Attracts Crowds



First to sign the Army Community Covenant (renewal) were (from left) Del. Scott Surovell, Col. Gregory Gadson, Supervisor Gerald Hyland, Chamber of Commerce President Ashley Behrens, and School Board Member Dan Storck.



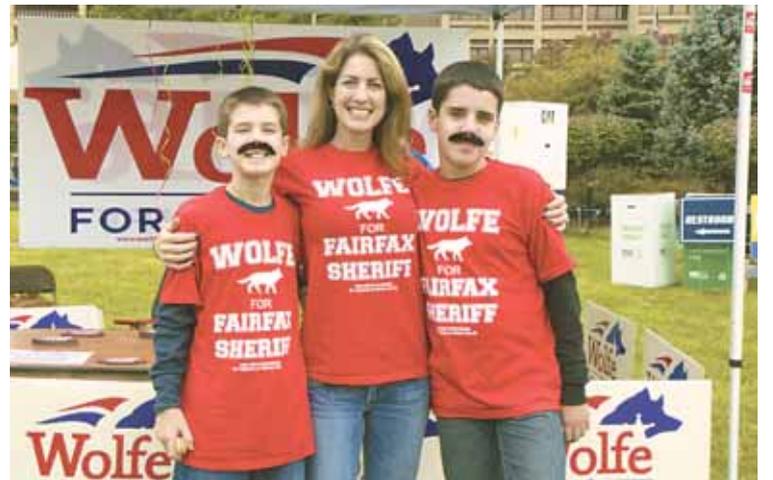
The Army Community Covenant was made available to everyone. Players from Mount Vernon High School’s Football Team stepped forward, eager to participate.



The Occasionally Cake booth, manned by co-owner Marcia Crandall, was filled with tempting baked goods. Ben Hymas was one of the many customers who stopped by.



The family friendly “Celebration!” was filled with activities for children.



Jeb and Cam Wolfe, joined by mom Kelly, were out supporting their father’s campaign and having fun at the family-oriented event.



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PEOPLE

From Diagnosis to Treatment

Writer's first book shares her struggle with breast cancer.

BY ASHLEY CLAIRE SIMPSON
THE GAZETTE

On Oct. 5, Mount Vernon resident Holly Bertone's first book, the autobiographical "The Coconut Head's Survival Guide," made its debut appearance on Amazon.com. Bertone chronicled her breast cancer diagnosis and treatment in her book, and although there are no outright tips or words of advice, she said all cancer patients and survivors can relate to her struggles and triumphs.

Bertone said she lifted a lot of the writing for "The Coconut Head's Survival Guide" from personal entries and e-mails she would write to loved ones.

"It is completely autobiographical, and a lot of it was written in real time, like e-mails to my family, so it was very raw," Bertone said. "If people want to draw their own advice, they can, but it is really a personal journey and a personal story."

The book begins with Bertone's discovery of her breast lump in August 2010, and the story concludes one year later, in March 2011, when she finished treatment.

"It starts the day before I found the lump, and where I was at, and then takes the reader through the journey of that entire first year," Bertone said. "I was diagnosed on my 39th birthday, and then my husband and I got engaged the next day. It ends on my birthday, one year later."

Bertone published "The Coconut Head's Survival Guide" through CreateSpace, a program for self-publishing through Amazon.com. The book is available in soft cover, hard cover, and in e-version for Kindle.

It has been an emotional few years for Bertone, who married her husband in a small Justice of the Peace ceremony 10 days after her treatment ended. The book cover is a graphic based on a photo of she and her husband on her wedding day.

Readers will notice, Bertone said, that her book does not sugarcoat the cancer and treatment process. Bertone used a mixture of honesty and humor to convey the process and how she got through it.

"I am very unconventional," Bertone said. "A lot of women still don't want to talk about breast cancer. I am goofy about it, I want to laugh. It is not meant to belittle, but just to get women to talk about it. I had a friend do the editing for me, she said I laughed



Carter and Holly Bertone on their wedding day.

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then I cried, and then I said, 'that's perfect.'"

The end to "The Coconut Head's Survival Guide" is no grand finale — as she has yet to write about her recovery post-treatment.

"It ends after the first year," Bertone said. "It's not a cliff hanger, but there is room to write more. And I will write more. I am working on the next chapter after that, a book on recovery. The recovery part that is often overlooked."

A percentage of book proceeds will go to breast cancer charities, Love Research Foundation and Tiger Lily Foundation, and Bertone said she has high expectations for book sales. She also has a campaign, "What's Scariest?" on her website that goes hand in hand with October, Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The campaign, promoting awareness, compares ghouls and goblins to breast lumps.

Beyond book writing, Bertone said she is also looking forward to writing shorter literature for those going through breast cancer treatment.

"I also would like to do some Kindle Singles for cancer patients to read while they are going through chemotherapy," Bertone said.

She said that publishing a book has always been on her list of goals, but this was not the storyline she ever imagined writing.

"It was very difficult to make such a private struggle so public," Bertone said. "People think when you finish cancer treatment, you are automatically better. I am still recovering."

Visit Bertone's website at coconutheadsurvivalguide.com.



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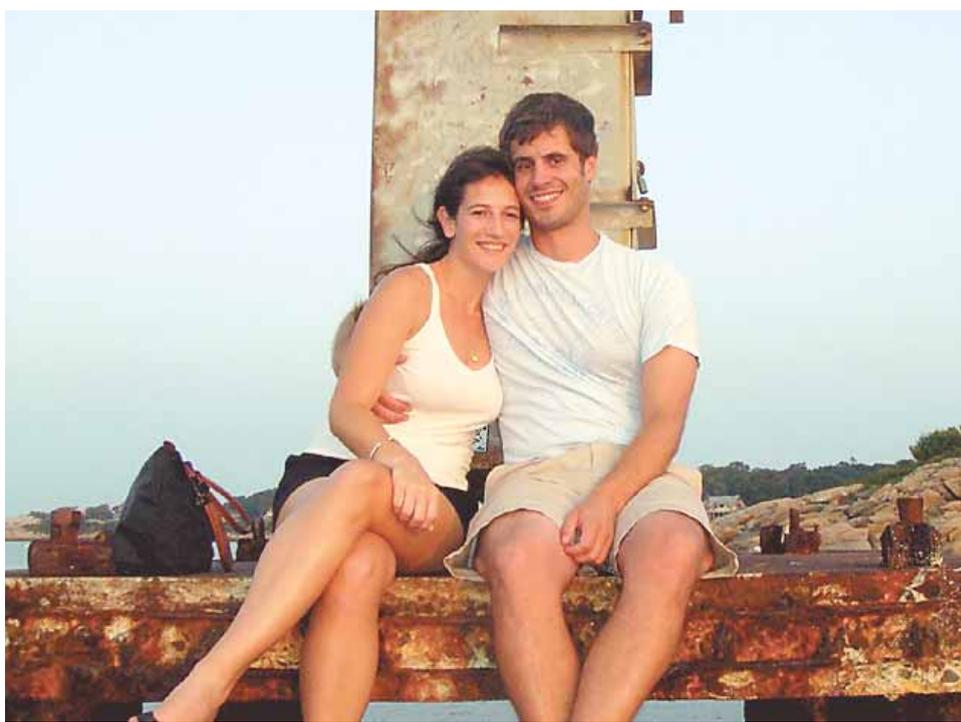


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Garden Club President, Jane Irwin (left), welcomed everyone to the Yacht Haven Garden Club's 30th Annual Fashion Show and Luncheon on Oct. 17 in the Fort Belvoir Officer's Club and introduced honored guests and the club's Second Vice President/Fashion Show Chair Terra Defibaugh.



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Effie Elkorek, Personal Shopping Manager at Tysons Corner Bloomingdale's, describes the Elie Tahari outfit that Linda Herbert is modeling. Along with coordinating the clothes for the show, Elkorek served as emcee.

Yacht Haven Garden Club Hosts 30th Annual Fashion Show



Model Jennifer Kim models a suit by Elie Tahari.



Pam Gaddy, modeling an evening gown by Adrainna Papell, walks through the dining room.



Shari Bredehoft pauses on the runway as Effie Elkorek describes the Calvin Klein dress she is modeling.



Marcia Siegert works the runway, wearing a gold evening gown by David Meister.



Model Deborah Alea pauses in the dining room, so that guests can see the Sandro dress she is wearing.



Belle Bredehoft walks the runway in the colorful fall outfit from Bloomingdale's.

New Schools Superintendent Outlines Possible Cuts

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nating a foreign language program in elementary schools. Avoiding those cuts could mean Fairfax County homeowners are hit with a higher tax bill.

“That’s the Board of Supervisors’ responsibility,” said Dan Storck, School Board member who represents the Mount Vernon District. “If we had the ability to do that on the School Board, I would be happy to make those decisions and explain them to the public.”

FISCAL YEAR 2015 is months away, and Garza will not present her proposed budget until early next year. Last year, budget officials projected a shortfall of \$61.7 million. This year, the shortfall is more than twice that amount, created by lack of revenue from the state and the lack of funds from the Virginia Retirement System reserve fund. That means school officials are about to confront a crunch that could mean very difficult choices for School Board members at a time when enrollment is spiking. School officials estimate that the county has added about 3,000 students every year for the last five years.



PHOTO BY MICHAEL LEE POPE

Members of the Fairfax County School Board meet for a budget work session this week in Merrifield.

“Our enrollment is increasing, and the cost of doing business is increasing,” said Susan Quinn, chief financial officer. “So just based on our projected revenue shortfall and our required expenditures, we are facing \$140.7 million going into 2015 before any transfer increase or any compensation increase for employees.”

Half of the schools that failed to meet state accreditation standards are in Mount Vernon, where science scores were the reason most of the schools failed to meet the cut. Some have advocated that should prompt school officials to restore an old planetarium at Carl Sandburg Middle

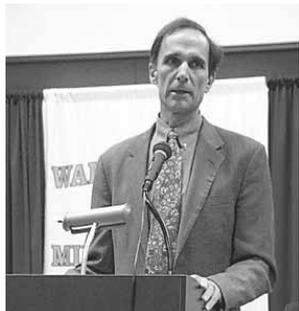
School to be restored. But Storck says the county simply does not have the \$257,000 needed to make that happen, especially now that school officials are trying to close a \$140 million shortfall.

“Our middle school science curriculum does not include a planetarium and really would not involve a planetarium,” said Storck. “I think we have greater challenges than planetarium spending at this point in time, particularly at Sandburg.”

THE FAIRFAX COUNTY public school system is one of the largest in the country, an enterprise with almost 200 schools and

more than 180,000 students. The economy of scale means that the system has one of the lowest costs per pupil in the region, coming in at \$13,427 for each individual student in the system. But the size and scale of the system also comes with its own challenges, one that the new superintendent is coming to recognize now that she’s putting together her first budget.

“We are a very efficient system. That’s the good news,” said Garza. “The bad news is that means we don’t have a lot of places to cut that won’t hurt. They’re all going to hurt, and none of them will we find pleasant.”



School Board Member, Dan Storck, started the meeting by going over their agenda and the intended time for audience questions to begin. He talked about some of planned topics, including the predicted budget shortfall and school overcrowding.



At Large Board Member, Ryan McElveen, delved further into the budget issue, discussing ideas for savings. He also brought up a study underway about school start times and a pilot fresh food kitchen program tested at two schools.



New Schools Superintendent Dr. Janet Garza spent some time talking to the audience, so that they could hear her work history and her concerns and goals as she works for Fairfax County Public Schools.



School Board Chairman Ilryong Moon talked to the audience about the role of the school board, after having explained it to a group of Girl Scouts prior to his arrival the meeting.



Cluster 4 Assistant Superintendent Deborah Tyler discussed spending, as well as answering questions from from the audience and email. She visits schools each Wednesdays through Fridays, so that she can better understand their needs, when making decisions about what is best for them.



District Supervisor Gerald Hyland addressed a question about the need to raise teacher’s salaries and clarified the role that the Board of Supervisors plays. He mentioned that his public service role began with serving as PTA president.



Amy Bevilacqua asked the first question from the audience. She wanted to hear about the plans for new technology in the classrooms, moving beyond the use of white boards.

Garza’s Listening Tour

School Board member Dan Storck led off the question-and-answer session of the Superintendent’s Listening Tour at Walt Whitman Middle School on Oct. 15 by answering questions received via email. The panel took notes and participated in the discussion. From left are Storck, Ryan McElveen, Dr. Karen Garza, Deborah Tyler, Ted Velkoff, and Ilryong Moon).



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NEWS

Saving Pets from Abuse

Initiative promotes domestic violence shelters that accept pets.

BY DONNA MANZ
THE GAZETTE

Approximately 2.3 million people, primarily women, are victims of partner violence. More than 62 percent of the American households have, at least, one pet. Approximately 48 percent of abused women do not leave an abusive situation because they will not leave their pets behind.

Pets are likely to be victimized by the household abuser. The abuser's animal cruelty is used to force compliance from the victims. "What I do to the dog is what I can do to you" is the message the abuser sends, according to Allie Phillips, founder of Sheltering Animals & Families Together (SAF-T).

"As a prosecutor in Michigan, I saw women who stayed with their abusers to protect their pets," said Phillips. "If they leave, the abuser will turn his anger on the pet. The pet usually is the primary target used to control the victim."

"I created the safety program to help get these women out of their abusive homes."

For other abused women, family pets are unconditional love, security and "home." Yet, most domestic violence shelters do not allow pets. But people like Allie Phillips, whose goal is to get abused women and their pets out of abusive homes, are trying to change that. Phillips' goal: to have in-place at least one shelter in each state and the District of Columbia. As of now, the only domestic violence shelter serving the Commonwealth of Virginia and Washington, D.C. that allows victims' pets is one in Arlington that opened in 2009.

Phillips spoke at the Oct. 16 meeting of the Vienna Woman's Club, a community organization which has supported homeless female veterans, veterans and first-responders and the role of pets in PTSD therapy, and homeless teens, all of whom have ties to Fairfax County. More than 30 club members turned out to hear Phillips speak and to make donations to the shelter.

The Vienna Woman's Club collected much-needed items for the Arlington domestic violence/pet shelter, including pet supplies, and made a monetary contribution to the shelter. The unidentified Arlington shelter is in the process of weatherizing its outdoor pet facility.

When still a prosecuting attorney, Phillips founded Sheltering Animals & Families Together (SAF-T) in the mid-1990s, the first and only global initiative helping domestic violence shelters to welcome families with pets. She is the director of the National Center for Prosecution of Animal Abuse and deputy director with the National Center for Prosecution of Child Abuse, programs of the National District Attorneys Association. Phillips lives in Alexandria.

In 2008, Phillips published the first set of guidelines when there were only four known shelters in the U.S. accepting pets. Now there are approximately 80 shelters covering 33 U.S. states, Canada, and Australia. If the victim loved the pet enough not to leave it behind to the hands of the abuser, that pet deserves to be with its guardian. If an abused woman can safely leave the violent situation with her pet, she should do so even if it means the pet will have to be "fostered" off-site. There are approximately 900 domestic violence shelters in the U.S. that partner with animal rescue organizations that will foster a pet until the guardian can once again take control.

Phillips trains on this initiative throughout the country, promoting the value of family-and-pet shelters. When a young child witnesses pet abuse, that child is eight times more likely to become an offender himself. And consider, then, that 76 percent of kids in abusive households witness pet abuse.

Phillips is licensed to practice law in Michigan and Maryland and has been training prosecutors and criminal justice professionals since 1997. As an assistant prosecutor in Michigan, Phillips handled domestic abuse cases, witnessing the relationships between the abused and family pets.

She was the vice president of public policy and then vice president of human-animal strategic initiatives for American Humane Association.

To learn more about creating a pet-welcomed/domestic violence shelter in a community, go to www.animalsandfamilies.org for more information. Talk with local service clubs about sponsorships.

CREATING A PET-FRIENDLY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER

- ❖ Partner with an animal rescue organization for guidance on building structures and care of pets. The Arlington family/pet shelter partners with the Animal Welfare League of Arlington.
- ❖ Have a veterinarian on-call to provide treatment and wellness exams. Many animal hospitals will donate their services or offer them at reduced rates.
- ❖ Let families care for their own pets. It gives the families a sense of usefulness and normalcy.



Allie Phillips, founder, Sheltering Animals & Families Together (SAF-T), said that approximately 48 percent of abused women do not leave an abusive situation because they will not leave their pets to the hands of the abuser.

At the Mega Bazaar

Vendors and shoppers filled the halls and rooms of Hollin Hall Senior Center. The Annual Mega Bazaar was held on Oct. 19. Jennifer Martin and daughter Sara spent time checking out the corner filled with fall decorations for sale.



Joan Danoff, owner of Starland by Hand Jewelry, was one of many jewelry artists at the bazaar. Her copper and sterling silver jewelry is all handmade.

Tanya Nixon, (center) wearing one of the scarves from her own Scarves by Tanya, looks at the stone jewelry being sold by Fred Walker and Johanna Connal (left) at the Wrapped Gems by Fred table. This is Nixon's first show and the second for Fred Walker, who started making the jewelry after rock hunting in North Carolina.



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Janice Collins, who is also a quilter, holds up a set of ear warmers that she has for sale. This was her first time selling at the Hollin Hall Mega Bazaar.



Elaine Throm's business is called Angel Lane. She sells fabric items such as angels, book covers, and luggage locators, which can feature a chosen logo.

OPINION

Halloween Party Safety Net

Make plans for a safe celebration;
SoberRide safety net for those over 21.

Halloween is now a major holiday for adults, especially young adults, and also one of the major holidays each year that involve partying with alcohol and the risks of drinking and driving.

The Washington Regional Alcohol Project offers the SoberRide program for the holiday season from Christmas and holiday parties through New Years Day, Saint Patrick's Day, Independence Day and Halloween, providing a safety net of a free cab ride home (up to \$30) to keep would-be drunk drivers off the roads.

Of course if you, or the young adults you know, plan to be out for Halloween celebrations that will almost certainly include alcohol, make a plan now to do that partying within walking distance, near public trans-

portation or to have a reliable designated driver.

But if someone finds themselves without safe and sober way home, the 2013 Halloween SoberRide program will be offered from 10 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 31 until 4 a.m., Friday, Nov. 1.

EDITORIAL

To receive a free cab ride home (up to a \$30 fare), call 800-200-8294 (TAXI). AT&T customers may dial #WRAP from their wireless phones. To use the SoberRide service, you must be 21 or older.

Parents of teens who will be headed to parties on Halloween and the weekend after should know that it is likely those parties will include alcohol. Parents must be brave and talk to their teens about how they will get home safely since SoberRide is not available for anyone underage.

The Damage Is Already Done

BY GERRY CONNOLLY
U.S. REPRESENTATIVE (D-11)



"Those who cannot learn from history are doomed to repeat it" was sage advice from the philosopher George Santayana.

Nothing more aptly characterizes the recent actions of the Republican majority in the U.S. House of Representatives. The scene that played out on Capitol Hill over the last few weeks was shameful and dangerous, but sadly, not unprecedented. Unfortunately, unwillingness to compromise has become a hallmark of House Republicans.

For too long, the House majority held the American public and economy hostage — and for what? They refused to accept the Affordable Care Act as the law of the land, even after they tried to defeat the ACA in Congress, in the Supreme Court, and at the ballot box. Each time, with each challenge, the law was upheld.

Can the ACA be improved? Yes, and I am eager to join my colleagues in working to that end. But is it worth shutting down the government, forcing dedicated public servants and private sector employees to stay home from work without pay, and threatening our economy? Absolutely not.

Though the shutdown may be over, the damage has been done. The pain inflicted is real and was felt across the country. It meant delays in processing veterans' benefits, federal small business loans, and new social security claims. It threatened national security, public health and NIH research. National parks were shuttered and confidence in the American political system was hurt.

No state was hit harder than Virginia, where

25 percent of our commonwealth's entire economy is tied to federal spending.

Across Fairfax and Prince William, I heard from many of those affected by this shutdown. Whether it was the 12-year-old boy worried because his mom was furloughed or the stressed homeowner with two furloughed family members struggling to figure out how they would

make it through the month, their stories hit home.

The private sector was not spared either. I heard from federal contractors, laid off or forced to use leave time because of suspended contracts, which will likely never be made whole. I heard from the region's chambers of commerce and other business leaders about the effects on their company employees and Northern Virginia's economy.

It is estimated that the shutdown cost Virginia's economy more than \$200 million a day. That's \$1 billion a week. All of this pain could have been avoided entirely if the House Republican majority had allowed an up-or-down vote on the clean funding bill passed by the Senate. A bipartisan majority of Virginia's congressional delegation supported it — and it would have passed the House with strong support from both sides of the aisle.

As if the shutdown wasn't bad enough, Republican leadership allowed the debate over funding the government to spill into debt ceiling negotiations. Recent history has shown us there are real consequences to threatening the full faith and credit of the United States, both in terms of our national economy and the world economy.

I hoped my colleagues in Congress might have learned from that experience. But once again, we heard calls from tea party Republicans that "default wouldn't be that bad," or as one conservative congressman shockingly re-

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Remember that there are other hazards to drinking too much besides the risks of drinking and driving.

— MARY KIMM,

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OPINION

Route 1 Version 2.0

BY SCOTT A. SUROVELL
STATE DELEGATE (D-44)



In my first campaign in 2009 and since, the message I hear from Mount Vernon-area voters is clear — the number one issue in our community is traffic and attracting high-quality economic development to U.S. 1.

People would like to have nearby a good restaurant, an interesting bookstore and quality department stores, for example.

COMMENTARY

While our local government officials have worked hard to generate redevelopment in our area, their ability to attract high-quality development is limited by the lack of infrastructure necessary to move high numbers of people in, out and through the U.S. 1 corridor. Since my first election, turning this around has been high on my list of priorities.

Last week, the Commonwealth of Virginia held its first public meeting to discuss what's called the U.S. 1 Multimodal Alternatives Analysis Study. This study will lay the groundwork for the next 40 years of life in our area. The design of U.S. 1 and the selected mode of transit will determine the

quality of schools, the value of homes, the volume of traffic, the quality of our environment, and our quality of life. Everyone who cares about the future of our community should pay attention and participate in this analysis.

The study is funded by a \$2 million budget amendment secured by state Sen. Toddy Puller and me in the 2013 General Assembly session. It is being managed by the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transit.

The question I hear the most is, why do we need to study U.S. 1 again? The answer: it is legally required.

U.S. 1 is part of the National Highway System and making any improvements to U.S.1 requires Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) approval. The FHWA will not approve any improvements unless the changes have been adequately analyzed and determined to meet various usage, cost and effectiveness metrics.

The study area extends from the Occoquan River on the county's southern border to the Alexandria city line. Prince William County and the City of Alexandria are participating as well.

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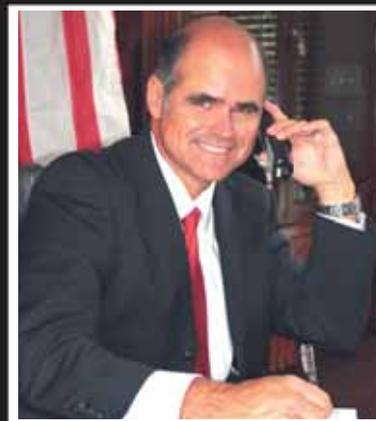
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Duplicitous Signage

To the Editor:

Yet again, we see campaign signs littering public property throughout Mt. Vernon. That sign in your front yard is a cherished right so post it proudly; the 14 signs plastered along the grassy median in your neighborhood are not. They violate Virginia statues prohibiting signs on public areas. This is a settled issued of law, § 33.1-373, and in fact carries with it a civil penalty of \$100 for each offense.

But this year, it's not the candidate's campaign staffers who are responsible; they and their volunteers appear to be obeying the rules, and we appreciate that. No, this season it's the 501(c)(4)s and the political action committees endorsing their particular candidate and they've gotten quite crafty while attempting to circumvent the rules with their crop of signs.

One organization in particular is a standout. It pains me to indict Freedom Works — it's an organization whose values I heartedly endorse — but they have engaged

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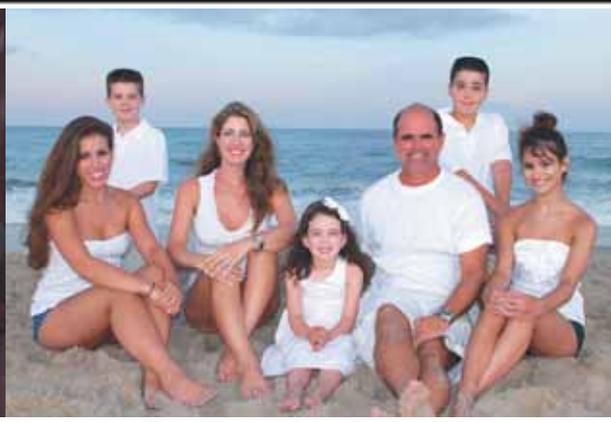
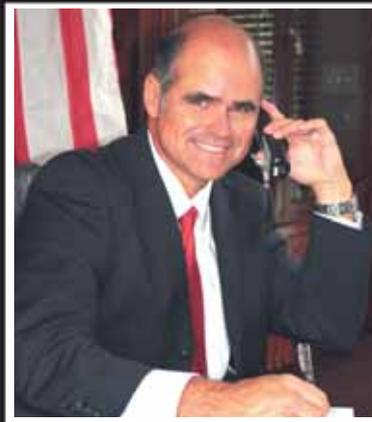
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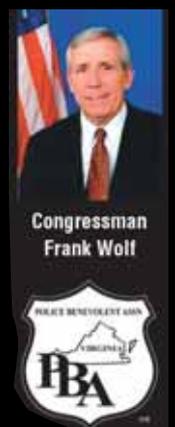
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in a sign posting tactic that gets high marks for creativity but a low score for respecting the rule of law. They evidently know that residents usually remove campaign signs from neighborhood public areas but often overlook the occasional For Sale, extending courtesy to neighbors who may be holding an open house. With that in mind, Freedom Works has created anti-McAuliffe campaign signs disguised as For Sale signs. The small print indicates McAuliffe is selling out Virginia. I counted (and removed) a dozen of them in front of my house on the boulevard.

McAuliffe may well be selling out Virginia and he's not getting my vote for a host of reasons, but we're not going to change hearts and minds by flooding a neighborhood with duplicitous signage. Let's keep our messaging tactics honest, plant signs on lawns owned by residents who've given their permission only, let's maintain decorum in Mt. Vernon and keep it looking tidy.

Bob Dane
Alexandria

Absurd Strategy

To the Editor:

Does Terry McAuliffe think Virginia's women are stupid? His assertions about Ken Cuccinelli's alleged "War on Women" are simply absurd.

Ken has a long-standing record as a Virginia state senator and as attorney general. In no instance has he ever been an advocate for diminishing women's rights in any way. Quite to the contrary: his latest effort as Attorney General has been to require abortion clinics to adhere to standards that will protect the health of women choosing to use them. This is to ensure that nothing can happen in Virginia, as it has in Kermit Gosnell's Philadelphia house of horrors, where a number of women were severely injured by criminally sloppy care — and one died. As far as "banning" access to birth control, I'd love to know how exactly a state governor would accomplish that.

What has McAuliffe done for women's issues other than make baseless accusations? I find

McAuliffe's outrageous and baseless claims insulting to my intelligence, and that of all Virginian women.

Marta Delacre Saltus
Alexandria

Liberal ID Requirements

To the Editor:

Recently the local League of Women Voters conducted a candidates' meet and greet at the Franconia Governmental Center. During the event, Del. Scott Surovell stated that he has fought "every chance I got" against voter ID laws which have made it more difficult for citizens to vote. He cited as one example a number of nuns in his district that do not possess IDs. One would think Delegate Surovell is absolutely delighted with Virginia's Voter Identification law.

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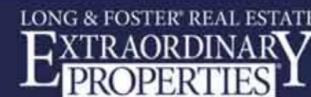
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ONGOING

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 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.

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 reservations. Call 703-683-2205.

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.

Occupied City: Life in Civil War Alexandria Exhibition. At The Lyceum, 201 South Washington St., through Sunday, March 23, 2014. This exhibit traces life in Alexandria following Virginia's decision to secede from the Union in May 1861. The Lyceum is open Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday, 1-5 p.m. Suggested admission is \$2. Visit www.alexandriahistory.org or call 703-746-4994.

Art Exhibit. See the second Front Porch Installation by Ned Egan. "Leci n'est pas une Magrite" is on display at 18 W. Linden St.

Art Exhibit. See "Disconnect" at Target Gallery in the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St., through Nov. 3. This all-media exhibit showcases how technology impacts our lives. Free. Visit www.torpedofactory.org/target.

Theater Performance. Through Sunday, Nov. 3, see the premiere of "Gee's Bend" at MetroStage, 1201 N. Royal St. Watch as the true story of the Pettway family unfolds during the Civil Rights Movement and they become famous for their iconic quilts. Performances for Gee's Bend will be Thursdays and Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m., Sundays at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. For ticket reservations call 800-494-8497 or visit www.metrostage.org. For information and group sales call 703-548-9044.

Art Exhibit. See "Onstage" at the Art League Gallery in the Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. Composed of musicians, instruments and audiences, Cindi Lewis' paintings allow viewers to enjoy a musical performance from a visual perspective. The display is open from Oct. 10-No. 4. Visit www.theartleague.org or 703-683-1780.

Art Exhibit. "Sacred Earth, Healing Water" by Anne Bouie at Schlesinger Center Margaret W. & Joseph L. Fisher Gallery, 3001 N. Beauregard St. Runs through Nov. 11. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday and during performances. Visit www.nvcc.edu/schlesingercenter/ for more.

Art Exhibit. Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery presents "Colors of Autumn" in Studio 18 at Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Exhibit



Following the grand marshal and official judges, participants move down the avenue in Del Ray's 2011 Halloween Parade.

17th Annual Del Ray Halloween Parade

The Annual Del Ray Halloween Parade is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 27 at 2 p.m. In past years, more than 5,000 have participated in this annual event which included more than 2,000 children, dignitaries and elected officials; more than 50 pets in Halloween costumes; and 25 decorated strollers. The grand marshal this year is Raven Baker from Cora Kelly.

The parade begins at 2 p.m. at Mt. Vernon Avenue, south of E. Bellefonte and continues down to the Mount Vernon Recreational Center play fields at Mt. Vernon and Commonwealth avenues. Children, pets, and strollers in costumes are invited to march and show off their finest and scariest Halloween garb.

This year's parade will feature awards for Best Pet Costume, Best Decorated Business, Best Decorated Home and Best Decorated Stroller. Judges include elected officials and City dignitaries.

Awards will be given out at a brief ceremony following the parade, along with refreshments (hot dogs donated by 7-Eleven, cider, and cookies) and goodie bags for children (including — as long as they last — bags that will not have any candy). Entertainment will be provided by Mars Rodeo and there will be games and activities for the children, thanks to the Alexandria Jaycees, at the Mt. Vernon fields immediately following the parade. The Parade and all activities are free.

There is a change for Stroller Entries registration location and judging. Based on feedback from parents, judging for the Stroller Competition will be done prior to the parade. Stroller entries must register by 1:30 p.m. at the corner of Mt. Vernon Avenue and E. Howell. Look for long string of orange balloons and signs. There is no fee to register and there are lots of prizes donated by local businesses. Categories are: creative, humorous, best group

starts on Oct. 22 and closes Nov. 17. Free. Some items will be for sale. Visit www.potomacfiberarts.com or 703-548-0935.

Art Exhibit. See never-before-seen hats from Dr. Seuss's private collection along with prints and sculpture from the art of Dr. Seuss Collection. Runs Nov. 2-17 at P&C Art Gallery, 212 King St. Visit www.pcart.com.

Theater Performance. See "Shiloh Rules" by Doris Baizley, the second production that is part of "A Salute to the American Voice." Performances are Friday-Saturday, Nov. 8-9, 15-16, 22-23 and Tuesday, Nov. 19 at 8 p.m.; Saturday matinees Nov. 16, 23

at 2 p.m. All performances are at Port City Playhouse, 1819 N. Quaker Lane. \$18/adult; \$16/senior, military and student; \$14/groups of 10 or more. Visit www.portcityplayhouse.org/ for more.

Theater Performance. See "High School Musical" by Mount Vernon Community Children's Theatre at Bryant Alternative High School, 2709 Popkins Lane. \$12/person or \$11 for groups of 10 or more. Visit mvcct.org for more. Features over 40 members from local schools.

Art Exhibit. See "Concrete, Glass and Color," mosaic art by Jane Pettit at Crossroads Gallery at Goodwin

House Bailey's Crossroads, 3440 S. Jefferson St., Falls Church. Free. The exhibit runs Oct. 16 through Nov. 24. 703-578-7201.

Art Exhibit. See "Portent" in the Athenaeum Gallery, 201 Prince St., from Oct. 24 through Dec. 8. The works attempt to visually come to terms with, reflect or represent the magnitude of natural events. Free. Visit www.nvfaa.org for more.

Art Exhibit. Discover Graphics Atelier, Inc. is celebrating 30 years with an exhibit at the Frame Factory, 212 Dominion Road, N.E., Vienna. The exhibit runs from Nov. 6-Dec. 15. They have a print shop in Torpedo



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Factory. Free. Visit www.discovergraphics.org for more.

Friday Affair Market. Noon-4 p.m. at Historic Hollin Hall on the grounds of Mount Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane. Held the first and third Fridays through December. Vendors vary from week to week, but usually include baked goods, jewelry, pet items and more. Visit <http://mvuc.org> for more.

Art Exhibit. See "Photographers at the Factory" Nov. 1 through Dec. 31 at Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. The exhibit celebrates FotoWeekDC. Hours are Thursdays 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; all other days from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Photographs will line the hall walls and in multiple studios. Free. Visit www.torpedofactory.org for more.

Art Exhibit. Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery presents "Holiday Sizzle" in Studio 18 at Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Exhibit starts on Nov. 19, additional items will be added Dec. 9 and the exhibit closes Jan. 5. Free. Some items will be for sale. Visit www.potomacfiberartsgallery.com or 703-548-0935.

Art Exhibit. Artist John Gascot of Studio 4, 218 N. Lee St., suite 101, creates an art exhibit to honor the life journeys of transgender individuals. It will be on display the month of January. Gallery hours are Thursday-Saturday, noon-7 p.m. and Sunday from noon-5 p.m. or by appointment. Visit www.studio4oldtown.com for more.

African American Activists Exhibition. Through Saturday, Jan. 4, 2014, Living Legends of Alexandria is an ongoing photo-documentary 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.

PUMPKINS

Pumpkin Patch Sale. Browse pumpkins from Oct. 6-31 from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. at Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill, 3606 Seminary Road. Proceeds benefit many local charities including ALIVE, Carpenter's Shelter. Autumn crafts and cookies, brownies, cake, candy, hearty soups, gourds, mini pumpkins, apple crisps, Indian corn and cornstalks are also available.

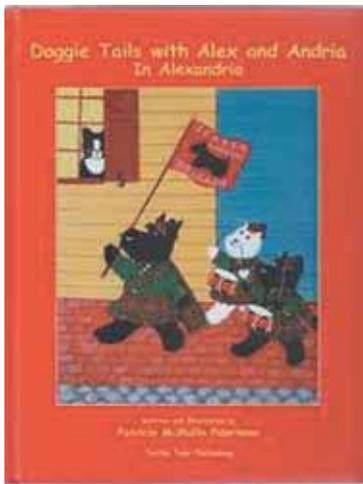
CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Learn How to Make Toscana Food. Saturday, Oct. 26 at 11 a.m. at Osteria Marzano, 6361 Walker Lane. Learn how to make the dishes with Chef Carmine Marzano and then dine on the food you've made. \$85/person. RSVP with name, number of participants, and contact info to info@osteriamarzano.com.

Art Classes. Tuesdays from 7-8:30 p.m. at Art at the Center, 2804 Sherwood Hall Lane. For children ages 12 and up. Begin with drawing figures and lines and work up to drawing in detail and on larger scale. Visit www.artatthecenter.org/registration.htm to register.

Art Classes. Wednesdays from 7-8:30 p.m. for children ages 9 and up. Focuses on clay work in the studio. Begins Sept. 11 at Art at the Center, 2804 Sherwood Hall Lane. Visit www.artatthecenter.org/registration.htm to register.

Registration Still Open. The Art League School has openings in more than 200 classes and 50 workshops, from painting, jewelry, photography and more. Visit www.theartleague.org to register.



Doggie Tails

Join City Councilman John Taylor Chapman and Dee Botkin for a Halloween reading of "Doggie Tails with Alex and Andria" Saturday, Oct. 26, 9-10 a.m. at the bandstand in Market Square, 301 King St., during the Old Town Farmers Market. Written and illustrated by local author and artist Patricia Palermino, "Doggie Tails" introduces young readers to the adventures of living in a small colonial city through the eyes of two little Scotty dogs. The feisty canines go to the many events in Alexandria which are dog friendly and also fun for children. A portion of book sales will go directly to local City of Alexandria Elementary School PTAs. Contact Jay Palermino at 571-259-1385 or jaypalermino@gmail.com.

CALENDAR

Seasonal Cupcake Decorating Classes. Tuesdays from 5-7 p.m., Wednesdays from 5-7 p.m., Saturdays as scheduled and Sundays from 3-5 p.m. at Occasionally Cake, 207 King St. Learn four different designs for take-home cupcakes. \$60/person. Age 11 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Visit www.occasionallycake.com or 703-647-9638. Call for designs.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

Submit Art for The Christmas Attic's Holiday Advent Calendar Art Celebration. The Christmas Attic is looking for 25 artist and/or community organizations (churches, schools, charities, businesses, individuals) who are interested in participating in this project. Each day at sundown, one advent art piece will be revealed and illuminated. Visit www.christmasattic.com on how to submit the art. Sign up by Nov. 1.

OCT. 4 THROUGH 27

Art Exhibit. See "Del-Ray-geous" at Del Ray Artisans, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. The exhibit focuses on the outrageous parts of Del Ray and community. Free. Visit www.TheDelRayArtisans.org for more.

THURSDAY/OCT. 24

Real Kids Read Books. 7 p.m. at John Marshall Library, 6614 Fort Hunt Road. Children ages 10-13 can discuss "My Side of the Mountain" by Jean Craighead George. Free. 703-971-0010.

Evening Storytime. 7 p.m. at Sherwood Library, 2501 Sherwood Hall Lane. Children of all ages can wear pajamas and enjoy stories and activities about bedtime. Free. Registration required, 703-765-3645.

Hair Ball Dance Class. 7:30-9 p.m. at Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St. Learn 18th-century English country dancing. \$12/class or \$30/series. Reservations recommended. Visit www.gadsbystavern.org or 703-746-4242.

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Halloween Concert. 7:30-8:30 p.m. at Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall and Arts Center, 3001 N. Beauregard St. The Alexandria NOVA Band will perform "Spooktacular Sounds in the Haunted Hall: A Halloween Concert." Attendees can come in costume and receive special prizes. Everyone who attends will receive a goodie bag. Free. Visit www.nvcc.edu/schlesingercenter/ for more.

FRIDAY/OCT. 25

Annual Holiday Crafts Bazaar. 1-7 p.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church - Sharon Chapel, 3421 Franconia Road. Free. Visit www.sharonchapel.org for more.

Ghosts and Folklore of Alexandria. 7 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Hear stories of Alexandria's haunted past. A dessert reception and short ghost walk will follow. \$10/person. Visit www.nvfaa.org or 703-548-0035.

Music Performance. 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Noam Pikelný will perform. Visit www.birchmere.com or call 703-549-7500.

SATURDAY/OCT. 26

Family Dig Day. At Alexandria Archaeology 105 N. Union Street. Learn and assist City archaeologists as they examine soil and artifacts gathered from a real dig. The day begins with a lesson on the history and archaeology of Shuter's Hill and continues with a tour and an opportunity to sift through excavated soil in search of artifacts. \$5;

children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Equipment provided. Reservations required. Call 703-746-4399 or visit www.alexandriava.gov/Archaeology.

Annual Holiday Crafts Bazaar. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church - Sharon Chapel, 3421 Franconia Road. Free. Visit www.sharonchapel.org for more.

Bark or Treat Halloween Canine Cruise. 10 a.m. or 11 a.m. at Alexandria City Marina, 0 Cameron St. Cruise around the Potomac River with your costumed canine companion. \$15/adult; \$9/child; dogs are free. Visit www.potomacriverboatco.com or 703-684-0580.

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.

Trick or Treat with the Boo-tiques. 11 a.m.-6 p.m. around Old Town Boutique District. All ages welcome. Visit www.oldtownboutiquedistrict.com for more.

Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting. 11 a.m. at SweetFrog Frozen Yogurt, 7770-A Richmond Highway. Enjoy freebies, discounts, raffles and more. Proceeds to benefit the local Wounded Warriors of Fort Belvoir.

Old Town Haunted Halloween Scavenger Hunt. 1-7 p.m. around Old Town. Solve mysteries and perform challenges. Proceeds benefit King Street Cats. \$10/person. Ends at a local bar. Must be 21 and older. Register at <https://tickets.ontaponline.com/Haunted-Halloween-Scavenger-Hunt&Tickets>.

Ghoulish Graveyard at The Sugar

Walk to Fight Breast Cancer

The 20th annual Walk to Fight Breast Cancer will be held Saturday, Oct. 26 at 8 a.m. at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Participants have the option of a 1.5K, 3.5K or 5K walk or run. The route is accessible to wheelchairs and strollers. All proceeds will benefit the Alexandria Breast Cancer Walk Fund for Early Detection and Education at Inova Alexandria Hospital, which provides mammograms to uninsured women and men or to those in financial need. The Walk will begin and end at 600 Dulany St. Visit www.alexcancerwalk.com for registration and location details.



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Members of the women's Ministry of Russell Temple CME Church participate in the 2012 Walk to Fight Breast Cancer.

Cube. 1:30-3 p.m. at 1218 King St. Children age 6 and up can create chocolate pudding "dirt" and chocolate skulls. \$35/child. Visit www.sugarcubesweets.com or 703-548-2868 to register.

Halloween Story Time Tea. 2-4 p.m. at The Grill at Morrison House, 116 S. Alfred St. Children can come dressed in a costume and enjoy an activity. Children can enjoy a pot of hot chocolate, sandwiches and more. There is an adult menu available, which includes scones, tea, smoked salmon and more. Reservations are required. \$38 for adults and \$28 for

children. To book, guests can call 703-838-8000 or e-mail storytime@morrisonhouse.com.

Costume Party and Art Reception. 6-9 p.m. at Studio 4 Old Town, 218 N. Lee St. Artful prizes will be awarded for best costume. Free. Visit www.studio4oldtown.com for more.

Carlyle Funeral Re-Enactment and Historic Haunts Tour. 6:15-9:30 p.m. at Carlyle House Historic Park, 121 N. Fairfax St. Admission includes a ghost tour of Old Town, during which participants will visit the candlelit Carlyle House to view the coffin and pay respects to surviving

family members of John Carlyle. \$15/person for the full event; \$5/visit Carlyle House Museum for the Death and Mourning program; \$10/visit museum and attend the funeral re-enactment. Reservations recommended. For ghost tour reservations call 703-683-3451. For all other reservations visit www.carlylehouse.org.

Cabaret Macabre. Sideshow starts at 5:30 p.m., dinner concert starts at 6:30 p.m. and the cabaret starts at 7:30 p.m. Suitable for adults over 18. At The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701

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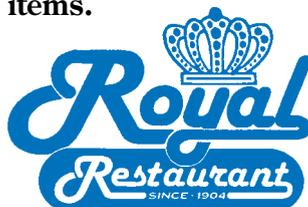
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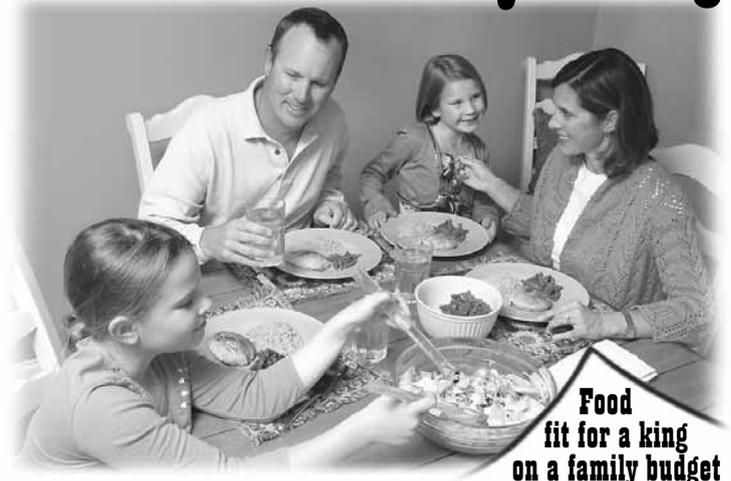
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Fall Festival. 12:30-2 p.m. at Aldersgate Church, 1301 Collingwood Road. Features live music by Close2Home and the U.S. Army Voices. There will also be games, petting zoo and food trucks. Children are encouraged to come dressed as their favorite hero. Visit www.aldersgate.net for more.

Fall Feast. 1-2:30 p.m., 2:45-4:15 p.m. or 4:30-6 p.m. at Union Street Public House, 121 S. Union St. Enjoy seasonal dishes including locally-raised grass-fed beef. \$49.95 excluding taxes, gratuity and beverages. Visit www.unionstreetpublichouse.com or 703-548-1785.

PARTNERS for the Arts Awards Competition. 2:30 p.m. at The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Hear eight finalists perform. Free. Visit www.partners4thearts.org for more.

Closing Awards. 3-6 p.m. awards from the "Del-Ray-geous" at Del Ray Artisans, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave., exhibit will be presented. The exhibit focuses on the outrageous parts of Del Ray and community. Free. Visit www.TheDelRayArtisans.org for more.

Performance. 3 p.m. at Vienna Presbyterian Church, 124 Park St., N.E., Vienna. Ready Hands Home Care in Alexandria sponsors the event, which features humorist Jeanne Robertson. \$20/advance; \$25/door. Proceeds benefit the Shepherd's Center of Oakton-Vienna. Visit www.scov.org or 703-281-0538 for tickets.

Music Performance. 4 p.m. at Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall and Arts Center, 3001 N. Beauregard St. New Dominion Chorale will premiere Thomas Beveridge's new piece "Orpheus with his Lute." Visit www.newdominion.wildapricot.org/ for information.

Opening Reception. 4-6 p.m., see "Portent" in the Athenaeum Gallery, 201 Prince St., from Oct. 24 through Dec. 8. The works attempt to visually come to terms with, reflect or represent the magnitude of natural events. Free. Visit www.nvfaa.org for more.

Music Performance. 7 p.m. at Bishop Ireton High School, 201 Cambridge Ave. Washington Metropolitan Philharmonic will perform. \$20/adult; 18 and under are free. Visit www.wmpmusic.org or 703-799-8229.

MONDAY/OCT. 28
Rainbow Readers: Halloween Parade. 10:30 a.m. at Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre. Children ages 3-5 can wear a costume and enjoy stories and songs.

Free. Reservations required, 703-339-4610.

Libraries for Homeschoolers. 2 p.m. at Sherwood Library, 2501 Sherwood Hall Lane. Children ages 7-11 with adult can learn how the library can benefit families that homeschool. Free. 703-765-3645.

Food Day Celebration. 3-5 p.m. at Hollin Meadows Elementary School, 2310 Nordok Place. See demonstrations of recipes that are healthy, delicious and child-friendly. There will also be a chance to garden, sample food, take part in races, games, and more. Free. Visit www.realfoodforkids.org for more.

Performance. See Peter Wolf at Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Visit www.birchmere.com or call 703-549-7500.

Superstition and Magic in the Classical World. 7 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Learn about the role of magic and superstition in the everyday lives and homes of ancient people. Free. Visit www.nvfaa.org or 703-548-0035.

TUESDAY/OCT. 29

Boo! It's Halloween. 10:30 a.m. at Martha Washington Library, 6614 Fort Hunt Road. Children ages 2-3 can enjoy stories, songs and activities about Halloween. Costumes encouraged. Free. 703-768-6700.

Quilt Auction and Bake Sale. 12:30-4 p.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. Hand-made and vintage items, gifts and lunch will also be available. Cash and checks only. 703-527-7544.

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Planetarium Show. 7 p.m. at T.C. Williams High School, 3330 King St. Mark the 56th anniversary of Sputnik launch with a show. Limited to the first 35 people who register online or call 703-824-6805 ext. 6300.

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 30

Monster Mash. 10:30 a.m. or 11 a.m. at John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive. Children ages 2-3 can enjoy stories and activities. Costumes encouraged. Free. 703-971-0010.

Yappy Hour. 5-8 p.m. at Caprese in the Embassy Suites Hotel, 1900 Diagonal Road. Pups can enjoy treats such as cake bon bons and bacon cheddar bones. Enjoy live music and a halloween costume contest for the dogs.

Baker Opens for America. At The Birchmere 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Call 703-549-7500 or visit www.birchmere.com or www.bakersongs.com.

THURSDAY/OCT. 31

Pumpkin Parade. 10:30 a.m. at Sherwood Library, 2501 Sherwood Hall Lane. Children up to age 5 can enjoy stories and songs while parading around the library for non-food treats. Costumes or pumpkin orange colored clothing encouraged for both children and adults. Free. Registration required, 703-765-3645.

Children's Photographs. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. at Pink & Brown Boutique, 1212 King St. Children in costume can have their photos taken and then be eligible to win a gift card. Visit www.pinkandbrownboutique.com/ for more.

Martha's Family Movie. 7 p.m. at Martha Washington Library, 6614 Fort Hunt Road. All ages can watch a film based on a children's classic book. Free. Registration required. 703-768-6700.

Marc Broussard. At The Birchmere 3701 Mt Vernon Ave. Tickets on sale now. Visit www.marcbroussard.com

or www.birchmere.com.
Halloween at the Athenaeum. Twilight-9 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Drop by for hot cider and trick-or-treating. Free. Visit www.nvfaa.org or 703-548-0035.

FRIDAY/NOV. 1

Dailey & Vincent. At The Birchmere 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. \$29.50. Call 703-549-7500 or visit www.birchmere.com or <http://daileyandvincent.bombplates.com/>.

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 the first and third Fridays of every month through December. Call 202-256-5332.

Opening Reception. 7-10 p.m. see "Del Ray Dozen Invitational Photography Show" at Del Ray Artisans, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Subject matter ranges from landscapes to portraits and a little bit of everything in between and the select photographers approach their craft in different ways—as traditional film shooters, digital image-makers, darkroom junkies, print makers, and experimentalists. For more information, visit www.TheDelRayArtisans.org.

SATURDAY/NOV. 2

Ornament Decorating Workshop. 10 a.m.-noon at Alexandria Archaeology Museum in the Torpedo Factory Arts Center, 105 N. Union St. Bring cookie sheets, rolling pins, lunch and wear comfortable clothes and roll out, cut and bake dough ornaments in the shape of artifacts. Free. RSVP to www.alexandriaarchaeology.org or 703-746-4719.

Art Sale and Exhibit. 11 a.m.- 5 p.m. at Snyder Center, 6450 S. Van Dorn St. The Kingstowne Area Artists will exhibit and sell a variety of media including acrylics, pen and ink, photography and more. Free. Visit www.kingstowne.org.

Author Signing Event. 3 p.m. at Dunbar Boys & Girls Club of Alexandria, 401 N. Payne St. Monet Bradley will sign copies of her book "The Prodigal Daughter." Free.

Reception. 4-9 p.m. see never-before-seen hats from Dr. Seuss's private collection along with prints and sculpture from the art of Dr. Seuss Collection at P&C Art Gallery, 212 King St. Visit www.pcart.com.

Music Performance. 7 p.m. at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Road. IONA performs. \$18/general; \$15/advance. Visit focusmusic.org for tickets.

SUNDAY/NOV. 3

Christmas Sale. 8:45 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Parish House Meade Room, 121 N. Columbus St. The Historic Christ Church Gift Shop holds its annual Birthday Bash Christmas Sale featuring Christmas decorations, cards, calendars, gift items and more. All profits go to outreach and missions. Free.

Art Sale and Exhibit. Noon- 4p.m. at Snyder Center, 6450 S. Van Dorn St. The Kingstowne Area Artists will exhibit and sell a variety of media including acrylics, pen and ink, photography and more. Free. Visit www.kingstowne.org.

Artist Talk & Reception. 4-6 p.m. see "Concrete, Glass and Color," mosaic art by Jane Pettit at Crossroads Gallery at Goodwin House Bailey's Crossroads, 3440 S. Jefferson St., Falls Church. Free. 703-578-7201.

Performance. 7:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 228 S. Pitt St. Enjoy an All Saints' Sunday Choral Evensong. Free-will offering taken for the Lazarus Ministry. 703-549-3312.



The first floor lobby, at Inova Mount Vernon, was set up as a screening center. The free Senior Health Fair was held on Oct. 17.

Inova Hosts Senior Health Fair



Nurse Alicia Cook screened for sun damage and potential skin cancer.

PHOTOS BY
RENÉE RUGGLES
THE GAZETTE



Physical Therapist Angela Moody gives William Hall a flexibility test.



Robert Trijo gets his test results from nurse Mary Crosby.



Patricia Birch (left), assistant director at Hollin Hall Senior Center, set up a table full of fliers on different resources in the community. Here, she helps Esther Jones, who represents the AARP.

Creating a Spooky Halloween Dinner

Local culinary experts offer ideas for turning an ordinary meal into a ghoulish adventure.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE GAZETTE

Halloween dinner in Christine Wisnewski's Vienna home is often a balancing act between healthy and sugary. On the sweetest holiday of the year, for example, the mother and culinary instructor at Culinary Cooking School, also in Vienna, prepares a wholesome dinner for her eager trick-or-treaters, managing candy-induced sugar highs and inevitable post-confection lows.

"It is a treat-themed holiday. ... No parent wants to be a killjoy, so if you are going to sanction having the candy around, there has to be a strategy for managing it," she said.

Whether it's ghoulish or cutesy, Halloween dinner can set the tone for the rest of the evening, as well as help manage those sugar highs and lows. Not an easy feat. "Dinner on Halloween can be a particular challenge with kids eager to get out the door," said Wisnewski.

Preparing dinner in advance of the holiday and rolling it out before trick-or-treaters set out on their candy-collecting treks is often effective. "This way they leave the house with the fuel they need to get to every last house in the neighborhood and are less likely to dig into the stash they are collecting," said Wisnewski.

Wisnewski and other local chefs suggest slipping in a family meal without a rebellion by setting a



Ordinary breadsticks can take on spooky forms for fun Halloween treats.

spooky tone for dinner and preparing eerily bewitching recipes.

Traditional shepherd's pie — hearty ground beef or lamb and vegetables buried under a mountain of fluffy mashed potatoes — becomes a graveyard on Halloween in the hands of Chef Kristen Robinson, an Arlington resident and an instructor at The International Culinary School at The Art Institute of Washington, also in Ar-

lington. "[Print] cardboard cut-outs in the shape of tombstones for your children to decorate while dinner is being prepared," she said. "Serve with the decorated tombstone propped up behind your casserole and enjoy your graveyard pie."

"Turkey and avocado or hummus sandwiches are more fun when they take the shape of ghosts and bats."

— Christine Wisnewski

Halloween cookie cutters can also put a spine-chilling spin on everyday fare, says Wisnewski. "Turkey and avocado or hummus sandwiches are more fun when they take the shape of ghosts and bats," she said. "Cheese and crackers can be embellished with green or black olive 'eyes.' Black bean dip, white bean dip or guacamole look creepy dished up with some carved jicama fingers poking out, or some bat shaped whole wheat tortillas or blue corn tortilla chips for dipping."

For a frightful appetizer or snack, Robinson puts a spooky twist on breadsticks. "You serve a pile of bones, which are really crunchy breadsticks that you make using dough that you shape like

More Fun Food

For those looking for more frightful Halloween feast ideas, Christine Wisnewski is teaching a parent-child Healthy Halloween class at Culinary, Oct. 26, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Recipes on the schedule include Spider-web Eggs, Savory Pumpkin Puffs, "Bats & Cobwebs" with Romaine Salad; and Jackson-Pollock Candied Apples. Visit www.culinarycookingchool.com.

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THURSDAY/OCT. 24

Meeting. 7 p.m. at Martha Washington Library, 6614 Fort Hunt Road. The Virginia Citizens Coalition for Police Accountability will hold a general meeting. Free. 703-768-6700.
Transit Dialogue. 7-9 p.m. at Mount Vernon Rec Center, 1701 Commonwealth Ave. Discuss the DC Streetcar system and its effects on Northern Virginia. The Columbia Pike line will initially take passengers from Pentagon City to the edge of the NOVA-Alexandria campus. The Crystal City line will run to the Alexandria city limits and possibly to a metro stop. Contact Linda Rodriguez at lrodriguez@nvcc.edu or 703-933-8099.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY/OCT. 25-26

Family Life Weekend Conference. John Trent will lead the conference, discussing faith in different aspects of life and how to encourage and build up family members and friends. \$25/couple; \$15/person. Friday, 7-9 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m.-noon at Plymouth Haven Baptist Church, 8600 Plymouth Road. RSVP to www.plymouthhaven.org or 703-360-4370.

SATURDAY/OCT. 26

Open House for High School Students. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at Northern Virginia Community College, Alexandria Campus, Bisdorf Bldg., campus cafeteria, 3001 N. Beauregard St. Meet faculty, staff and get a tour of the campus. Receive information about applying and enrolling to the college, majors, transferring to a four-year college and more. Refreshments will be served. Go to <http://blogs.nvcc.edu/alhsoutreach/> for more information and to RSVP.

MONDAY/OCT. 28

Alzheimer's Association Presentation. 1 p.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. "The Basics: Memory Loss, Dementia and Alzheimer's Disease." Free. 703-765-4573 TTY: 711.

DONATIONS

Help the Homeless Campaign. United Community Ministries (UCM) invites busy community members to support its annual "Help the Homeless" Campaign in a new way this year. UCM's "Sleep In To Help Out" is an online "virtual" event, where no physical attendance is required - but all funds donated go directly to benefit UCM programs that help end poverty and prevent homelessness in Southeast Fairfax County. It takes just a few minutes to register online by the Nov. 2 deadline at www.hthwalks.org/site/TR?team_id=20280&fr_id=1862&pg=team. The online registration donation is \$30 for adults and \$20 for youth (ages 25 and younger) - and is 100 percent tax-deductible. Additional information is available at UCM's Help the Homeless Campaign headquarters webpage at: www.ucmagency.org/HelpTheHomeless.html or contact Diane Hill at diane.hill@ucmagency.org or phone 571-255-8978.

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 30

Winter Coat Distribution. 11 a.m. at Penn Daw Fire and Rescue Station 11, 6624 Hulvey Terrace. Fairfax County firefighters, in cooperation with Operation Warm, Coats for Kids Foundation, Apple Federal Credit Union, Progressive Firefighters of Fairfax County, and Fairfax County Professional Firefighters and Paramedics, will distribute new winter coats for children and youths through middle school age. For the first time, these coats have been made in America, and are tagged "Firefighters Coats for Kids."

THURSDAY/OCT. 31

Free Cab Rides. Offered by the nonprofit Washington Regional Alcohol Program, the Halloween SoberRide program will operate from 10 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 31 until 4 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 1, as a way to keep impaired drivers off the road during this traditionally high-risk, holiday period. Area residents ages 21 and older celebrating with alcohol may call the

FRIDAY/NOV. 1

Film and Discussion. 7 p.m. at Mount Vernon Unitarian Church, 1900 Windmill Lane. "Money & Life" will be shown and discussed. Free.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/NOV. 1-3

Auditions. Aldersgate Church Community Theater, 1301 Collingwood Road, presents Disney's "Beauty and the Beast, Jr." Auditions held Nov. 1 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. and Nov. 2 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. with callbacks on Nov. 3. Children ages 8-18 can audition. There will be dancing, singing and acting. Visit actonline.org for the audition form.

THURSDAY/NOV. 7

Contacts-for-Contracts Breakfast. 7:30-9:30 a.m. at Springfield Hilton, 6500 Loisdale Road, Springfield. Features an update on Fort Belvoir and more. \$35/person. Visit www.mtvernon-leechamber.org or 703-360-6925.

TUESDAY/NOV. 19

Genealogical Society Meeting. 1 p.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. "Genealogy and New Deal Relief" presented by John Deeben of the National Archives. Free. Visit www.mvgenalogy.org or 703-866-2478.

WEDNESDAY/NOV. 20

Meeting. 1 p.m. at South County Building, 8350 Richmond Highway. The South County Task Force for Human Services will meet with Mount Vernon District Supervisor Gerry Hyland, Lee District Supervisor Jeff McKay, and Patricia Harrison, Deputy County Executive for Human Services, and others for this meeting. Free.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Fairfax County needs **Somali-speaking volunteers** to provide rides to an older adult in the Lorton area. Call 703-324-5406, TTY 711, visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults and link to Volunteer Solutions or e-mail at VolunteerSolutions@fairfaxcounty.gov for information.
Fairfax County's Adult Day Health Care Centers need **outreach volunteers** for 4 hours/week. Requires travel around the county. Marketing experience preferred. Call 703-324-5406, TTY 711, visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/olderadults and link to Volunteer Solutions or e-mail VolunteerSolutions@fairfaxcounty.gov for information.

The Mount Vernon Adult Day Health Care Program needs a volunteer to greet people and answer phones one day per week from 10:30 a.m.-noon to start as soon as possible. Contact Fairfax County's Volunteer Solutions at 703-324-5406, TTY 703-449-1186, VolunteerSolutions@fairfaxcounty.gov, or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices and click on volunteers.

Fairfax County's Meals on Wheels needs drivers and a coordinator. Contact Fairfax County's Volunteer Solutions at 703-324-5406, TTY 703-449-1186, VolunteerSolutions@fairfaxcounty.gov or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dfs/olderadultservices and click on volunteers.

AARP Tax-Aide, a national volunteer-run tax counseling and preparation service for low to moderate income and elderly citizens, needs volunteers to electronically complete and file federal and state income tax forms for the 2013 tax season. The program offers free five-day training using IRS computers and software. Volunteers become IRS Certified Tax Counselors after completing and passing the IRS examination. Visit www.aarp.org/money/taxes/info-2006/volunteer_aarp_tax_aide.html.

ONGOING

The Groveton High School class of 1964 is looking for contact information for as many classmates as possible. The planning for the 50th reunion is underway, however only a small number of people have been contacted. If you are a Groveton graduate of '64 and interested in

Marymount Gears Up for 19th Annual Halloweenfest

University offers safe and festive Halloween celebration for disadvantaged children.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE GAZETTE

Local college students are working to ensure that some underserved area school children have a festive Halloween this year. Students at Marymount University, in Arlington, are turning their resident halls into themed wonderlands that run the gamut from Disney princesses to superheroes.

The celebration is part of Marymount's 19th annual Halloweenfest, scheduled for Friday, Oct. 25, 3:30-7 p.m. "Each year, Marymount University opens its doors to disadvantaged children in the area to provide a safe and fun place to celebrate Halloween," said Ashley Wells, community outreach coordinator at the school's Office of Campus Ministry.

During Halloweenfest, children receive free Halloween costumes and take tours through the resident halls where they trick or treat for candy donated by students, faculty, staff and community members. After trick or treating, they spend time participating in activities on the basketball court of the university's Rose Benté Lee Center.

"The gym is completely decorated and children have a blast as they visit over 35 tables with different activities ... like face painting, crafts and games," said Wells. "A dinner ... is provided for each guest."

The Office of Campus Ministry collaborates with the Office of Student Activities and the Office of Campus and Residential Services to put on the event. "We invite



Marymount University, in Arlington, hosts an annual Halloweenfest for disadvantaged children. Students turn the Lee Center gym into a festival with face painting, crafts and games.

families and children from local homeless shelters and after-school programs in the northern Virginia area," said Wells. "We invite these groups to offer them a ... place to celebrate a holiday for free."

Laurie Callahan, director of public relations for Marymount said, "Most of the activities will be between 4 and 5:30 p.m., [including] trick or treating in the residence halls, games and crafts in the Lee Center. The event ends with a pizza dinner. The

entire Marymount community gets involved. There's a contest for the best decorated residence hall, and students, faculty and staff all volunteer at the event."

The children are invited from Virginia facilities that include the Katherine K. Hanley Family Shelter in Fairfax, the Patrick Henry Family Shelter in Falls Church, Carpenter's Shelter in Alexandria, and Greenbrier Learning Center and the Lubber Run Community Center in Arlington,

as well as the Arlington-Alexandria Coalition for the Homeless.

"We give preference to children who many not have anywhere else to go for trick or treating on Halloween," said Mallon. "The children love hanging out with cool college kids."

According to Wells, "Marymount is very committed to serving the community and Halloweenfest is one of the many ways we give back to those in need. It takes hundreds of volunteers to make Halloweenfest a success. It is an opportunity for student clubs, athletic teams and departments to collaborate and work as a team to offer a day of fun to the community."

The reaction from the children makes the hard work worthwhile. "Last year, a young boy from a local family shelter screamed with joy as he found a superhero costume his size in the costume bin," said Wells. "The Lee Center is always filled with loud laughter and excited chatter."

Mallon agrees, saying Halloweenfest energizes the campus. "The spirit on campus is beautiful," she said. "There are very few events on campus when the entire community comes together in the spirit of service. Whenever kids are around, you're reminded about little things in life and the joys in life, and the college kids forget about their homework and studies for a while and just have fun with the children."

Wells said that the university could use donations from the community. "We are in great need of candy and child-sized costumes," she said.

Turning an Ordinary Meal into a Ghoulish Adventure

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bones and then bake," she said. "After the bones cool, you can serve them with roasted red pepper hummus or sun-dried tomato hummus and tell your children their snack is a pile of bones with mashed monster brains."

FOR A LESS SPOOKY, but still festive dish, Arlington culinary instructor Andrea Nelson of Creative Kids Kitchen recommends a quick and easy pumpkin seed bread. "It's a great bread because it's got the texture of a cake bread, like banana bread, but is not as sweet and has extra nutrients from the wheat germ, buttermilk and of course the pumpkin seeds," she said, suggesting that parents roast the seeds from pumpkins their families carved rather than use store-bought seeds for some extra festive spirit.

Don't be afraid to try healthy Halloween treats, either. Anna Reeves, culinary instructor and owner of Tiny Chefs, which has locations in Arlington, Alexandria, McLean and Fairfax, Va., and Potomac, Md., said, "There are definitely lots of healthy alternatives to sugary sweets like fresh or dried fruits and granola or energy mixes."

Details

Find the recipes from the story at www.connectionnewspapers.com/news/2013/oct/22/creating-spooky-halloween-dinner/.

Even fruit can become scream-worthy. Both Robinson and Wisniewski turn ordinary bananas into ghosts and ghouls. "Make some banana ghosts by putting half a banana on a popsicle stick, dip the banana in orange juice and roll it in shredded coconut. You can add two mini-chocolate chips for eyes and freeze the ghosts until they are firm," said Wisniewski.

In Robinson's kitchen, the curvy, yellow fruit becomes a monster with a few strokes of a makeshift paintbrush. "Cut the bananas lengthwise and dip them into different colored chocolates and let your children decorate them with more colored chocolate, or sprinkles, pretzels and raisins," she said. "Your children can use the back end of the skewer as a paintbrush to paint faces on their Frankenstein, ghost or vampire bananas." Colored chocolate can be found at many craft stores. It's OK if you don't have a lot of time, Wisniewski said. "At the very least, label that bowl of grapes on the kitchen counter 'zombie eyes.'"



Chef Kristen Robinson shapes dough into bones to turn ordinary bread sticks into a Halloween snack.



PHOTOS BY RICHARD MAPLE

West Potomac quarterback DeMornay Pierson-El carries against South County on Oct. 18.



West Potomac fullback Darien Pickett runs with the ball against South County on Oct. 18.

West Potomac Football Falls to South County

West Potomac became the latest football team to surrender at least 40 points to South County during a 49-22 loss to the Stallions on Oct. 18 in Lorton.

South County is averaging 49 points per game and has scored at least 40 points in six of seven contests, surpassing 50 four times.

Against West Potomac, South County running back LeVaughn Davis carried 18 times for 200 yards and two touchdowns, according to the Washington Post's allmetsports.com. Ed Kargbo rushed 18 times for 170 yards and three scores. Quarterback David Symmes threw a 22-yard touchdown pass to Kevin Quigley.

While the West Potomac defense surrendered more than 40 points, the unit got a touchdown back when defensive back DeMornay Pierson-El returned an interception 93 yards for a score in the fourth quarter.

Darien Pickett led the Wolverines with 71 rushing yards and a touchdown on 10 carries. Quarterback Pierson-El carried 14 times for 39 yards and completed 5 of 11 passes for 139 yards, with one touchdown

and two interceptions. He threw a 29-yard touchdown pass to George Williams IV, who finished with two catches for 57 yards.

Jordan Alexander had two catches for 53 yards for the Wolverines. CJ Burch had one reception for 29 yards.

West Potomac dropped to 2-5 while South County improved to 6-1.

West Potomac has three games remaining on its regular-season schedule. The Wolverines will host Lee (2-5) on Oct. 25 and Annandale (1-6) on Nov. 1 before traveling to face rival T.C. Williams (5-2) on Nov. 9.

Former WP Student Wins Silver in Skating

Former West Potomac High School student Ashley Wagner won silver last week at 2013 Hilton HHonors Skate America as part of the 2013 International Skating Union (ISU) Grand Prix of Figure Skating Series.

Wagner represents the Skating Club of Wilmington, trains in Lake Arrowhead, Calif., and is coached by Rafael Arutunian.

Two-time reigning U.S. champion Wagner opened her "Romeo and Juliet" free skate with a clean triple flip-triple toe, her second clean triple-triple combination of the event. She earned 124.55 points for the segment, en route to 193.81 points overall. The silver medal is her seventh on the circuit. She has a medal in each of the last five Grand Prix seasons.

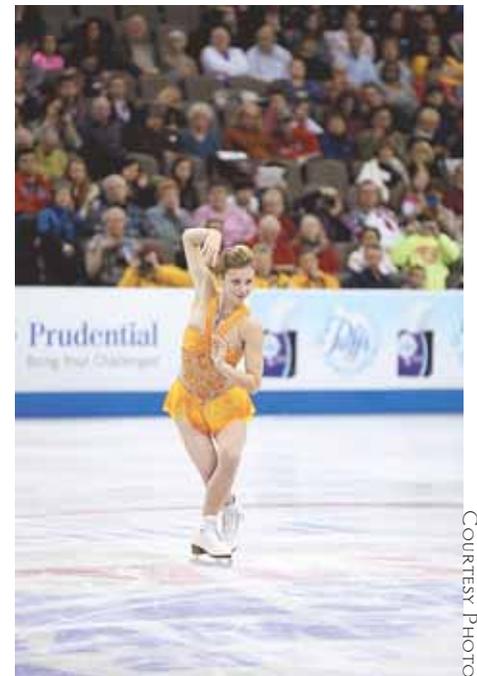
The gold medal went to two-time World champion and 2010 Olympic silver medalist Mao Asada of Japan while the bronze went to 14-year old Elena Radionova of Russia.

Wagner will also compete at Trophée Bompard, Nov. 15-17 in Paris as part of the 2013 ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Series.

Mount Vernon Loses To Falls Church

The Mount Vernon football team lost to Falls Church 42-17 on Oct. 18, according to the Washington Post's allmetsports.com, dropping the Majors' record to 3-4.

Mount Vernon quarterback Brendon Maturey threw a pair of touchdown passes.



COURTESY PHOTO

Alexandria native Ashley Wagner won silver last week at a 2013 International Skating Union Grand Prix of Figure Skating Series event.

Helping Out

The Mount Vernon Majors football team supported the Mount Vernon-Lee Celebration and Community Showcase on Saturday, Oct. 19.

This event was held on the grounds of the Mount Vernon Inova Hospital as a family-friendly fair that highlighted businesses and services available in the local community. The student-athletes joined the Garrison Commander of Fort Belvoir, Colonel Gregory Gadson, in renewing the Community Covenant. The team also volunteered in the Kid's Zone activity center and at the entry gates welcoming community members.



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attending next September's reunion please email contact information to GHS64@verizon.net.

The New Gum Springs Civic Association will start a new **Cub Scout Pack** for boys ages 6-10 and adult leaders. For more information call 888-740-6009 or visit www.gumspingscivicassociation.com.

School Board Member, **Dan Storck**, Mount Vernon District representative, hosts community office hours the second Saturday of each month: Sherwood Hall Library: 1-3 p.m. Members of the community are invited to stop by to ask questions or to discuss concerns. No appointment necessary. Contact Dan Storck at Dan.Storck@fcps.edu or his assistant, Barb Larsen at Barbara.Larsen@fcps.edu.

Band musicians are invited to join the **Mount Vernon Community Band**. Rehearsals are Tuesday 7:30-9:30 p.m. in the Mount Vernon High School band room, 8515 Old Mount Vernon Road. There are no auditions. The Mount Vernon Community Band is a nonprofit community service organization that has

performed in the Mount Vernon area since 1978. 703-768-4172 or www.mvbands.com.

Postpartum Support Virginia sponsors a free, bi-monthly support group for women suffering depression and/or anxiety during pregnancy or in the first year following childbirth. Meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at Inova Alexandria Hospital, Health Education Center, rooms 1-2, 4320 Seminary Road. Contact co-moderator Susan Doyle at suzjdoyle@gmail.com or 571-403-0673.

Alzheimer's Association support groups provide a place for people with Alzheimer's, their caregivers, family members, and/or friends to share valuable information, caregiving tips and concerns. Groups are ongoing, free and open to the community. There is a meeting on the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 8710 Mount Vernon Highway. Call the Alzheimer's Association 24/7 Helpline at 703-359-4440 or 800-272-3900 before attending a group for the first time to verify meeting. All groups in the region can be viewed at www.alz.org/nca.

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If someone conceivably fails to possess one of these forms of identification, many of which do not even require a photo, that person can vote using a provisional ballot and bring one of these forms of ID to the required location by the Friday after the election. That person can also obtain a photo ID card from a Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) office free of charge if they are 70 years old or older and/or have never had such a photo ID card before.

Concerning the nuns mentioned

by Delegate Surovell, I do not know of any church or diocese that does not have at least one vehicle at its disposal, often a van. Those nuns can easily be driven to a DMV office to obtain a photo ID free of charge.

With an election just days away, there cannot possibly be any excuse for any citizen to fail to be in possession of some form of identification acceptable at a polling place. Concerning voter identification requirements, Virginia is surely one of the most liberal states in the union.

Delegate Surovell's party sought to reverse the action of Virginia purging from the voter rolls 38,000 people who were found to have registered to vote in another state after having registered to vote in Virginia. Thankfully, Judge Claude Hilton of the Alexandria Federal Court ruled against restoring these multi-state vote registrants to Virginia's voter rolls. I find myself wondering what Delegate Surovell thinks about voters who maintain eligibility to vote in separate states.

H. Jay Spiegel
Mount Vernon

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OPINION

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nami of people and jobs are coming to our community. Second, major economic redevelopment is on hold because no one knows what kind of transit or road configuration will exist on U.S. 1 30 years from now.

Fort Belvoir is at the heart of the study. Today, Fort Belvoir employs more people than the Pentagon. Over 70,000 cars go through its gates daily. Fort Belvoir's only transit is two bus lines which means that virtually everyone commutes by car. The \$1 billion Fort Belvoir Community Hospital, PX and other facilities generate thousands of daily trips. The U.S. Army Museum is scheduled to open near U.S. 1 and the Fairfax County Parkway intersection and bring half a million visitors a year. The next round of base realignments, known as BRAC, and probably more development are just several years away.

On top of that, the U.S. 1 corridor between Woodlawn and Alexandria is projected to add 20,000

jobs and over 44,000 people within one-half a mile of U.S. 1 over the next 30 years. That area currently has about 110,000 residents.

The study will evaluate a range of possible improvements or combination of improvements. These include road widening, extending the Metro subway Yellow Line, light rail, monorail, bus rapid transit, bicycle and pedestrian enhancements and doing nothing.

I believe that a Yellow Line Metro extension to Lorton is the best alternative, but the study professionals will evaluate that against other options.

Over the coming weeks, I am will write a series of articles describing how the choices we make today will affect our schools, traffic, the environment and economic development. I will also explain why I believe extending the Yellow Line to Lorton is the best approach for our community.

I look forward to your feedback and participation in this process. It is an honor to serve as your state delegate.

SCHOOL NOTES

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

Cameron Kahl, class of 2016, is a member of the Denison University football team. Kahl is a graduate of Potomac School.

Adrianna Watson from was selected to perform in Randolph College's production of "Our Town" in October.

Watson was cast as Emily Webb, one of the play's central characters. Watson is a member of the class of 2017 at Randolph College.

Kami Richter started coursework at Fort Lewis College. Richter's major is anthropology.

Emily Whitby has been chosen to participate in the White House Internship Program. Emily is a student at Christopher Newport University.

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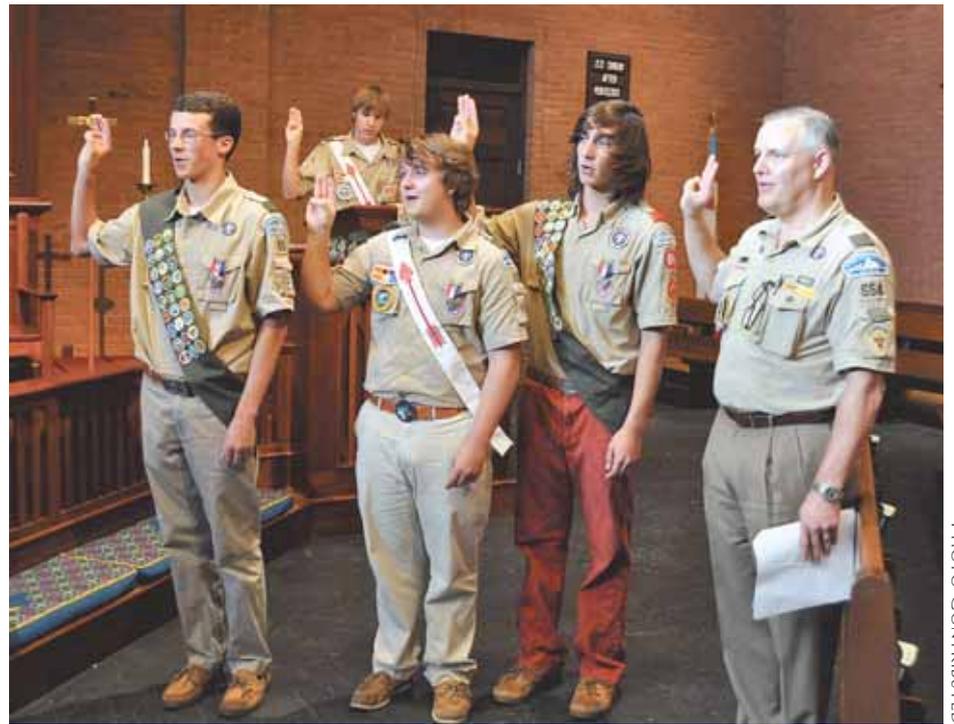


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Scouts Earn Eagle Rank

Three Mount Vernon boys — (from left) Jonathan Dalch, Thomas Hanna, and Lucas Perez — received the rank of Eagle Scout in a ceremony, Oct. 20, at St Luke's Episcopal Church on Fort Hunt Road. They are members of the church's Boy Scout Troop 654 and attend West Potomac High School. At right is Scoutmaster William Hanna. For their Eagle projects, Jonathan Dalch installed an irrigation system in the Baptismal Garden at Aldersgate United Methodist Church; Thomas Hanna constructed a new hiking path at Pohick Regional Park; and Luke Perez restored the pond trail in Huntley Meadows Park.



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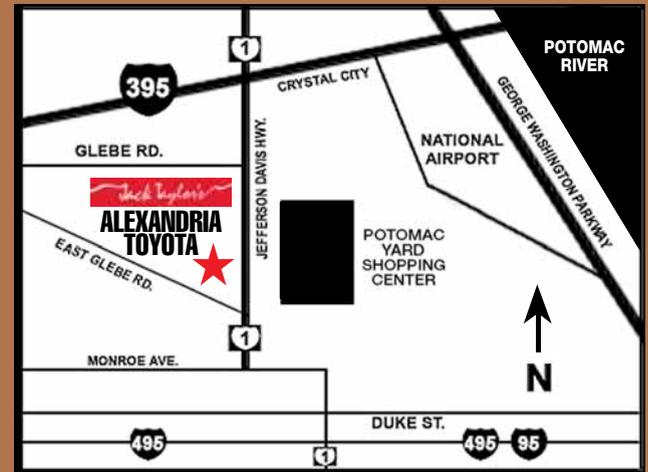
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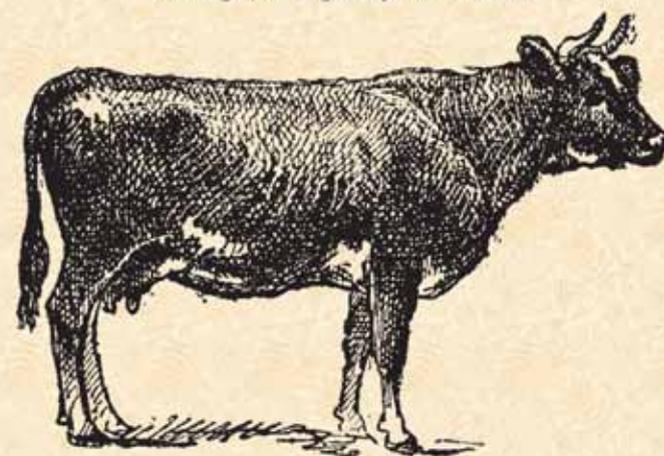


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