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Fun in the Snow

Luke Pinneo (left) and Bill Vance got their children out for an old-fashioned snowball fight.



The Clanton brothers were among the many youngsters who were out sledding on Friday, Jan. 3.



Traces of winter fun left for all to enjoy at Grist Mill Park.



A little snow did not deter neighborhood youths from playing football.

Much To Be Done

Perspectives from those working on community's front lines.

BY GERALD A. FILL
THE GAZETTE

This is the second in a three-part series on the accomplishments of 2013 and the priorities for 2014 for Mount Vernon. In this part, local community leaders representing private organizations that add to the quality of life in the Mount Vernon area contribute their views.

In the first in this series, county and state elected officials focused on improvements in transportation, expansion of health care services, and meeting the challenge of funding the needs of elementary and secondary education programs. In this second in the series the leaders of private organizations also ranked transportation improvements, expansion of health care services, and funding the needs of public school programs at or near the top of their lists.

SHIRLEY MARSHALL, executive director, United Community Ministries.

Q. What were UCM's top three accomplishments of 2013?

A. ♦ Progresso Literacy and Citizenship Center joined in a partnership with UCM to ensure the continuation and coordination of services to immigrants. Their English as a Second Language classes taught by extraordinary volunteers complement UCM's employment and related services.



♦ Our employment services were expanded to include long-term coaching of clients moving up from minimum wage jobs to more skilled positions.

♦ We partnered with the county, school system, and community leaders to encourage resident participation in their neighborhood and school activities.

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Q. What are UCM's priorities for 2014?

A. They will include:
♦ Moving our Thrift Store and
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State Legislators Head to Richmond

Proposed bills and priorities include ethics reform and ABC transformation.

BY JANELLE GERMANOS
THE GAZETTE



Del. Mark Sickles (D-43)

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Community Leaders Share Perspectives on Mount Vernon

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Work Center to new improved locations. They will remain on Route 1. An announcement will be made in early 2014.

❖ Thanks to a generous bequest we will establish a new vocational training program for local high school graduates.

❖ We will focus on providing inter-generational services to ensure that adults and children are moving forward at the same time.

Q. What is the challenge of providing services for low income households in the greater Alexandria-Mount Vernon area?

A. Multi-ethnic diversity is both a strength but a challenge in our area. It can be uplifting but simultaneously a barrier to mutual communication. As part of that challenge we have to continue to provide training opportunities for people with limited education. Without effective job training low income families will have trouble moving out of poverty, will not be able to afford housing, and they will spend long hours away from their families.

Another challenge that serves as a barrier for families and their children from moving out of poverty is a lack of early child care options. If the parents have limited literacy their children will begin school at a disadvantage; the key is to provide early child learning opportunities. That takes money and accessibility which we will continue to strive to provide.

No one non-profit or government agency can make the difference alone. We need all the community to come together in support of early learning, affordable housing, and job training services. Together we can provide paths for men and women in need to become more self-sustaining.

GLENDA BOOTH, president, Friends of Dyke Marsh

Q. What were the most important environmental accomplishments in the Mount Vernon area in 2013?

A. Federal funding (\$25 million) for the restoration of Dyke Marsh, a 2,200 year old freshwater tidal wetland. Congress added Dyke Marsh to the national park system in 1959. It has been 31 years since the dredging that hauled away the marsh ceased. The U.S. Geological Survey scientists determined that the dredging fundamentally destabilized the marsh. The long awaited restoration plan will be out next year.

Q. What should be the areas top environmental priorities in 2014?

A. Only 6 percent of our county land is left undeveloped. Therefore, the county and others should restore more disturbed and degraded areas and preserve and protect what we have. Many public properties are in need of creative environmental restoration and protection approaches such as

natural landscaping with the goal of creating healthy habitat, create biodiversity, and reduce workload, watering, and pesticide use.

Our area streams are impaired. Stormwater runoff from impervious surfaces is a major contributor; both the volume of runoff and the pollutants runoff transports. We should all work to retain stormwater instead of allowing it to runoff to pollute our sick streams and the Potomac river, a source of drinking water for five million people.

Q. What is the state of the environment in Mount Vernon? What needs to be done to head off the disaster brewing with the rivers and streams beyond what you have already mentioned?

A. Establishing a public mass transit system on U.S. Route 1 will pay big dividends for the environment in the long run. In that connection the currently underway multi-modal transit study is a key step in reducing dependence on automobiles, and reducing ozone pollution.

Litter, in the form of cigarette butts, beverage and fast food containers, and other stuff contribute to the toxicity of our environment. We can do better.

Invasive non-native plants are pervasive and out-competing native plant species. Nurseries don't label plants as native or non-native.

The county should bring about a better balance to Park Authority staffing, funding, and programming and make natural resource parks a higher priority.

HOLLY DOUGHERTY, executive director, Mount Vernon-Lee Chamber of Commerce

Q. From the Chamber perspective, what were the most important events that took place in 2013?

A. Passage of state legislation that provided transportation funding for repair and construction of new roads, and funding to conduct a multi-modal transportation analysis that will eventually provide a plan for and funding for improvements in transportation along the Route 1 corridor. The Chamber supported this legislation and our elected officials should be congratulated for their work.

Another important initiative realized was the inaugural community celebration sponsored by the Chamber: Celebration, Mt Vernon and Lee! This was a great event that brought the community together to showcase all the good things happening with our schools, businesses, and community groups. We plan to make this an annual event and invite all interested parties to join us in celebrating the community.

The Chamber moved to a historic building located at the intersection of Richmond Highway and Memorial Street. We renovated the building and revitalized our own

block of Richmond Highway. The Chamber's long term vision is to turn the building into a Visitors Center to accommodate the tourism needs of our area. The year 2014 marks the 60th anniversary of the founding of our organization and a Task Force of members has designed a new logo and corporate identity to bring us into the 21st Century and commemorate our growth. Our online business directory that promotes local businesses is now receiving about 2,000 hits a month and we hope that will increase as the community looks to shop local first.

Q. Is there anything else you would like to comment on as you look ahead to the Chamber's priorities for 2014?

A. We will continue to advocate for a stable and growing business climate. Transportation improvements will continue to be a high priority for the Chamber and we will monitor and participate in the debate and deliberations as the transit study moves forward and plans are formulated. The Chamber will work to make sure the changes coming will include jobs and economic development — and not just redevelopment. Businesses need certainty in taxes, regulations, financing, and employment issues, and we will make sure the voice of our members will be heard as we move forward on the transit improvements and land use planning for the future.

EDYTHE FRANKEL KELLEHER, executive director, Southeast Fairfax Development Corporation, a non-profit economic development corporation which focuses its efforts on three areas in the Route 1 corridor: marketing, economic restructuring, and urban design. SFDC receives money from Fairfax County under a memorandum of understanding as well as from private and other sources. It was founded in 1981.

Q. In 2013 what was the most important accomplishment for SFDC?

A. The opening and leasing of the first mixed-use development, the Beacon of Groveton. Other new businesses located in our area: Walmart at Kings Crossing; Costco at Route 1 and Sherwood Hall lane.

We have a new president, Walter Clarke, Burke and Herbert Bank, and added new professional staff.

Completed a well attended Summit series for the public and the development community, and installed phase one of the Wayfinding signs program. In addition, the multimodal transportation study was begun by the VDRPT for Route 1.

Q. What are your goals for 2014?

A. Opening the Shelby residential community in the Penn Daw community, breaking ground for the mixed-use Grande of Huntington, completion of the first phase of the Mount Vernon Hospital expansion, and completion of Jeff Todd Way.

SFDC will continue our Summit series, and will launch a new business roundtable series for small businesses. In addition, we will look forward to the recommendations of the VDRT.

Q. Anything else you would like to comment on as you prepare for 2014?

A. Funding to implement the recommendations that emerge from the transit study will be critical, and will help shape the character of development in the years to come. Mixed-use, very popular elsewhere, is coming to Route 1 in a big way. Some zoning applications have been approved and others are still in the pipeline, including the North Gateway Comprehensive Plan nomination. The corridor is also becoming home to more tourist-oriented development, beginning with new hotels. Visit Fairfax estimates that each hotel room generates \$4,000 annually in taxes, in addition to other monies spent by visitors.

BARBARA SULLIVAN, executive director, Mount Vernon AT Home.

This is a private non-profit organization that advocates for independent living services for seniors who wish to remain in their homes as long as they desire and practical. Four years old, it is among a growing number of "senior villages" in the metro area and nationwide that are being created in response to the growth in the number of seniors who wish to remain independent but nevertheless need services. MVAH has approximately 200 dues paying members and according to Sullivan that number is expected to continue to grow in 2014.

Q. What were MVAH's major accomplishments in 2013?

A. MVAH has successfully filled a void in transportation critically needed by seniors. We participate actively with the county to prepare for future needs of the residents. One example is our active involvement in NV Rides, a partnership (hopefully) with other existing non-profits who provide transportation for the county and other organizations.

Q. What should be the county's senior citizen priorities?

A. What the county's priorities should be is hard to gauge at the moment. There are a lot of important conversations taking place about housing, transportation, meals, senior centers, walkable neighborhoods, etc. I have not seen projected priorities; however, there are great conversations going on and a serious look at the future needs of the 50+ age group. In the meantime I am working with the Hollin Hall Senior Center staff and the neighborhood and community services staff to help the folks who need more care, and advising on next steps to address the needs of seniors requiring more care.

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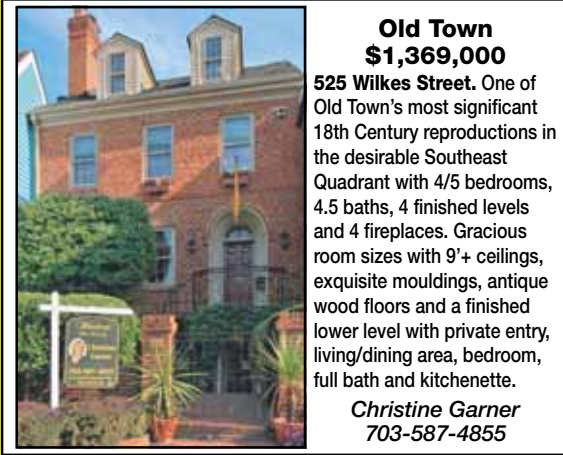
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"While we formally recognized six chamber members, we salute the many exemplary businesses in our chamber of commerce that provide jobs, support the community, and contribute to the great quality of life we all enjoy," said President Ashley McNeff Behrens.

Col. Greg Gadson, commander of Fort Belvoir, was selected Chamber Citizen of the Year. Gadson took command of Fort Belvoir on June 25, 2012. He is married and the father of two Mount Vernon High School graduates. He currently resides in the Mount Vernon community. A 24-year career Army officer, Gadson's life is a portrait of courage in the face of great adversity and was lauded as a true American hero.

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lieve are important to Virginians.

Del. Dave Albo (R-42) proposed a bill that would get rid of the Alcoholic Beverage Commission's three-person board and would replace them with five citizens with business experience who are appointed by the governor and confirmed by the state legislature. Members of the current three-person board make six-digit salaries and are appointed by the governor. Albo's plan would make the position part time and would pay \$50 per day.

"The bill was originally filed when the Governor tried to privatize the ABC stores. The idea was that the private sector could operate them more efficiently. We never could find a way to do it. If we privatized them, in a few years, the state would be losing tens of millions.

So my bill basically keeps the ABC stores with the state, but organizes it as a business/corporation with a board of directors and a CEO," Albo wrote in an email.

Del. Scott Surovell (D-44) has proposed five ethics reform bills, some of which address issues that surfaced in 2013 due to ongoing investigation related to Governor McDonnell's gift scandal.

"I wanted to get those out there early in the process, because I know there are discussions out there on what we should be doing. The bills themselves focus on holes in the states ethics laws," Surovell said.

Surovell's bills include banning economic ties with appointees and eliminating gifts during litigation.

"The last 12 months have raised a lot of questions

among Virginians of how business is conducted in Richmond," Surovell said. "I think we owe it to our constituents to ensure that relationships between elected officials and lobbyists and special interests have as much transparency as possible, so that citizens can make their own decisions as to whether that activity is appropriate or not and every one follows the law."

At the Fairfax County Democratic Committees' Annual Road to Richmond Legislative Brunch, Del. Mark Sickles (D-43) talked about retiring Del. Jim Scott's (D-53) legacy and mentioned the upcoming General Assembly session.

"One year ago, no one thought that we would get a \$1.4 billion per year transportation budget," Sickles said. "So that makes me think that we could get Medicaid."

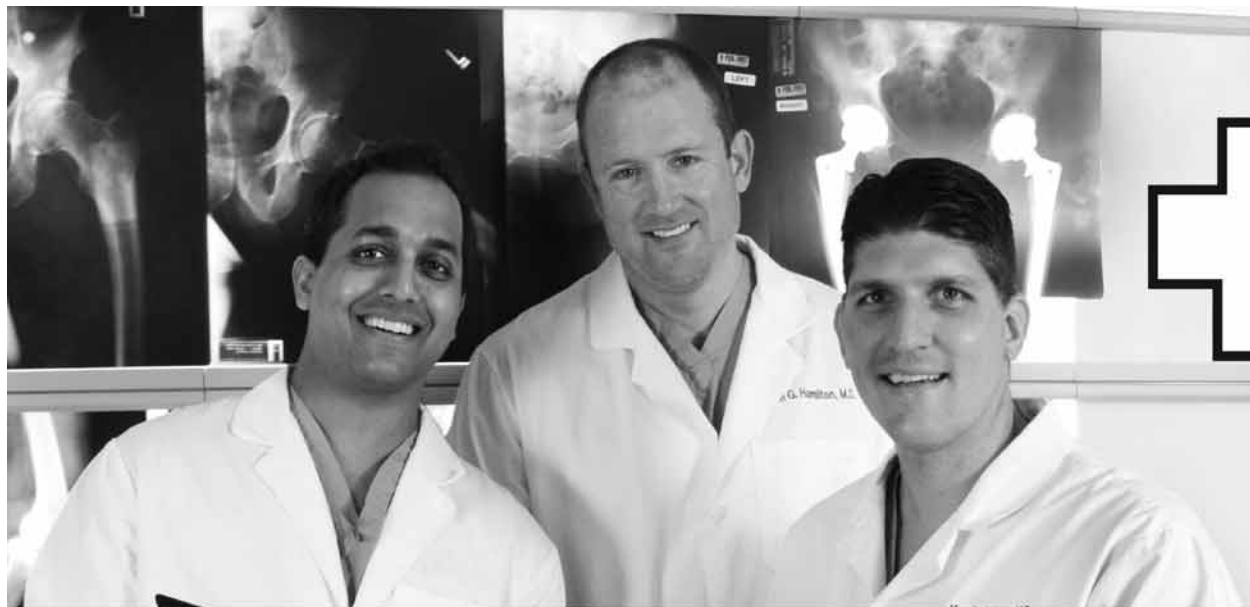
State Sen. Dick Saslaw (D-35) also addressed ethics reform, the expansion of Medicaid, and other legislative priorities at the legislative brunch.

"We're going to have to deal with the ethics issue. It's not as easy to deal with as you think, because you're going to have to distinguish between what's entertainment and what is a gift," Saslaw said. "It's not an easy topic.

We are going to deal with it, we are going to get legislation, and we will get something to the desk of the governor."

According to Saslaw, economic development is one of McAuliffe's top priorities.

"I don't know of any governor in the country that is as well wired with the business community across the planet as that man is," Saslaw said.



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Favoring Heavy Rail

To the Editor:

Del. Scott Surovell has long advocated extension of the Metro Yellow line along the Richmond Highway through Mt. Vernon to Ft. Belvoir as the best solution to engender a long list of urbanistic, spatial, aesthetic, environmental and financial improvements to the entire corridor. He asked recently that others provide their opinion on the matter as the final steps in the study are reaching their conclusion and I am pleased to do so.

In my opinion only Metro (ie. heavy rail) has the strength and regional connection to provide the catalytic thrust and transformational growth that will be required to move this area towards a long-term prosperous future. It is the most expensive, but as is well documented, it is effective in doing this throughout the metropolitan area over its 40-year history. We should recognize this and prepare realistically to make the investment in the future of the Mt. Vernon district it deserves.

There are many aspects pro and con that will be discussed in this study, but a couple of points come to mind about the other options being looked at that should be considered.

Light rail is an enticing option, financially and aesthetically, but in other locales where it works (Portland for example), there is sufficient density in the defined urban core to complete and complement the functional ensemble. I doubt that light rail here would attract the scale and type of development needed to catalyze and sustain the needed transformation in Mt. Vernon. Likewise, more buses on Rte. 1 may serve the existing suburban population better, but their use would not likely attract or compel the population and outside investment to create or sustain a dynamic urban environment analogous to what will occur with Metro.

C. Richard Bierce, AIA

Ensure Qualified Appointments

To the Editor:

At the Dec. 3, 2013 meeting of the Board of Supervisors, at Supervisor Hyland's request, the prospective re-appointment of Elizabeth Martin to an at-large seat on the County Wetlands Board was deferred and letters sent to the BOS in opposition to her re-appointment (including from me) were referred to the County

Attorney's Office so that they can investigate allegations in those letters concerning actions by the Wetlands Board and Ms. Martin, and report back to the Board of Supervisors.

The prospective re-appointment may very well be on the agenda of next Tuesday's Board of Supervisors' meeting. The County Attorney's Office has only one client: the Board of Supervisors. Their investigation must not amount to a "white wash" of the important issues raised by the letters. I asked Supervisor Hyland to share the County Attorney's report with me. I have not heard back from him as to whether (1) the report was completed or (2) he will share it.

People who are not qualified by technical expertise, temperament, and the judgment to recognize and avoid appearances of impropriety and conflicts of interest should refrain from volunteering for boards, authorities, and commissions that require those attributes. If they volunteer, they should not be appointed by the Board of Supervisors. Period.

There is no question the Wetlands Board requires serious oversight and significant reform of its practices. At the September 2013 meeting of the Wetlands Board, in response to comments made by a witness, the chairman admitted that she lacks technical expertise. The stated purpose of the Wetlands Board is to "preserve and prevent the despoliation and destruction of wetlands within its jurisdiction while accommodating necessary economic development in a manner consistent with wetlands preservation." All too often the impression is that the "economic development" part isn't given the required deference.

At the September meeting, a hearing was conducted concerning alleged violations of the wetlands laws by a couple living on or near Little Hunting Creek. The Wetlands Board failed to ascertain the identity of the owner of the property fronting on the creek where the alleged transgressions had occurred, yet still heard the case and issued an order, even though that order could potentially require the couple involved to trespass on someone else's property if, in fact, they don't own that property. More egregiously, the Wetlands Board failed to ascertain if they even have jurisdiction over the property. The Wetlands Board's jurisdiction is strictly defined by land elevation. The Wetlands Board failed to conduct a survey to determine the elevation of the property in question and therefore could not possibly know if their jurisdiction ex-



New Manager at UCM's Food Pantry

Jose Flores, center, has been named manager of the Cynthia N. Hull Food Pantry at United Community Ministries. From left, he is with Richard Dobber, UCM director of social services, and Shirley Marshall, UCM executive director. An average 80 to 100 families visit the pantry for food assistance.

tended to some or all of the property or, in fact, none of it.

At the hearing, I raised the ownership and jurisdiction issues and urged the Wetlands Board to defer any decision until they were able to ascertain the identity of the property owner and the elevations of the property. They ignored me.

At the beginning of the hearing, board members were asked if they had any "disclosures" to make. Elizabeth Martin was recognized and explained that she was friends with the property owners, that they had participated in volunteer community activities she had organized and which she appreciated, and that she couldn't imagine these property owners would commit an environmental transgression. Despite these disclosures, she didn't recuse herself.

This is one of the many reasons why I have opposed Ms. Martin's re-appointment.

Improving the quality and performance of the Wetlands Board starts with appointing citizens to that board who have the requisite technical expertise, judgment, and ability to recognize conflicts and studiously avoid them.

I am optimistic the County Attorney will make strong recommendations that will lead to improvements in the Wetlands Board, starting with those who populate it. The Board of Supervisors is ultimately responsible to voters when they make irresponsible appointments and allow a County Board to operate in an irresponsible manner.

H. Jay Spiegel
Mount Vernon

Surovell Offers Ethics Reform Bills

Del. Scott Surovell (D-44) is introducing five bills for consideration by the General Assembly designed to close loopholes of ethics abuses identified in 2013.

❖ HB 245: Banning Economic Ties With Appointees (Chief Patron): This bill prevents the Governor from having special contracts with appointed Secretary or agency heads while they are serving in office.

❖ HB 246: No Gifts or Contributions During Litigation: HB246 prohibits acceptance by the Governor or Attorney General of campaign contributions or gifts worth more than \$50 from parties who are in ongoing litigation with the Commonwealth and also prohibits litigants from making such contributions and gifts.

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❖ HB 248: Assuring Equity in Charges for Special Counsel (Chief Patron): This bill would cap outside attorneys fees at \$1,235, the fee for a court-appointed attorney defending someone charged with a felony punishable by over 20 years in jail.

❖ HB 252: Preventing Use of Public Assets in Political Activities (Chief Patron): This bill limits the use of public assets for private or personal purposes unrelated to official duties or any other legitimate government interest.

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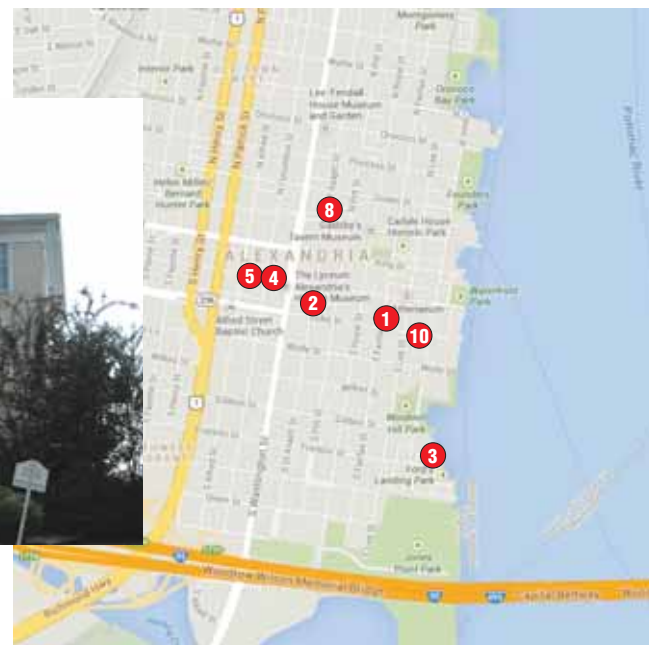
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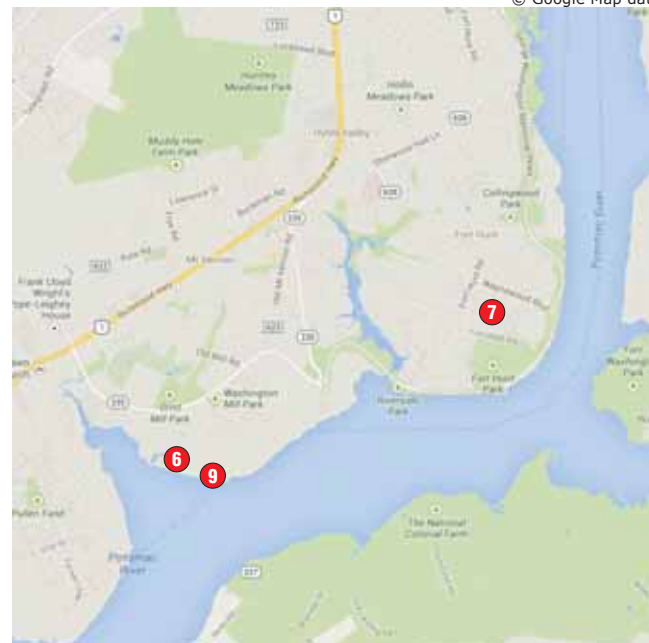
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Top Designs of 2013 Local builders look back on their most impressive spaces.

By MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE GAZETTE

From outdoor patios with the comforts of indoor family rooms to a stark white bathroom replete with Carrara marble flooring, local designers said they've created some spectacular living spaces in 2013. Their personal favorites may be surprising, and include a lot of kitchens and bathrooms.

JOE STARKEY, of Old Town Kitchen and Bath in Alexandria, also gives an Arlington space the top honor. "We had many projects throughout 2013, but the one that comes to mind was a kitchen on Washington Boulevard in Arlington," he said. "By expanding slightly into an adjacent area, we managed to turn a dated, awkward kitchen and miniature powder room into fully functional, comfortable, useable, family-friendly area."

Starkey said that the homeowners have children and trying to prepare meals had become difficult. "By completing the redesign, we were able to make a genuine improvement to someone's life," he said. "That makes for a memorable job."

BILL MILLHOLLAND, executive vice president of Case Design/Remodeling, with offices in Bethesda and Falls Church, said there are three projects that he considers among his company's best work of 2013.

He gives a nod to a McLean renovation by Allie Mann and Steve Scholl: "This project involved the total renovation of a kitchen, including opening it to the family room and breakfast room, as well as creating a mudroom," he said. "The scale of the kitchen as well as its crisp, all-white, transitional look and high-end finishes make it



PHOTO COURTESY OF TWO POOR TEACHERS

Ken Nies of Two Poor Teachers says floor-to-ceiling glass tile used in the remodel of this Arlington bathroom helps make it one of his company's most spectacular projects of 2013.

a standout project."

Also noteworthy, said Millholland, is a Falls Church project by Jim Wrenn. The owners wanted to improve their home's layout and add amenities such as a wine cellar. "This project involved several additions, including digging out a basement to add a wine room [with] a staircase up to a new exercise area, screened porch and patio," said Millholland. "The renovations also include a reoriented staircase leading from the family room to the upper level bedrooms, including a new master suite."

A condominium renovation by Valery Tessier that included both a kitchen remodel and a new master bathroom is also among the most impressive spaces completed by Case in 2013 says Millholland. "The contrast of the rich espresso cabinet stain with



PHOTO COURTESY OF BOWA BUILDERS, INC.

The kitchen of an Arlington condominium that includes a custom-designed range hood is among the top 2013 spaces by BOWA Builders, Inc.

the cool palette of the countertop, backsplash and walls is very soothing, but gives an edge to this kitchen," said Tessier. "The galley layout with the peninsula offers multiple work areas and the open shelves lighten up the corner."

BETH WALTERS, spokeswoman for Sun Design, Inc., which has offices in Fairfax County, listed projects in Vienna, Great Falls and Oak Hill as the company's best for 2013.

In Vienna, a construction project tied a home's indoor entertainment space with the outdoors. The new space includes a rear, screened porch with a pizza oven, lounge and dining areas. Tile flooring, recessed lighting, pendant lighting, a chandelier, a tray ceiling with handcrafted wood trim and an outdoor surround sound give this outdoor space the feel of a cozy family room.

In Oak Hill, a kitchen renovation created an open floor plan that allows the cook to move freely while guests relax at an expansive, triangular center island. The kitchen includes a coffered, wave accent tile featuring both Carrara mosaic tiling and black marble borders over the range, two full-sized refrigerators in the kitchen, one hidden behind cherry wood facing to match the cabinets. A Great Falls master bathroom is another project of which Sun Design is proud, said Walters. The new space, which includes his and her vanities, a large walk in shower and foot ledge for shaving, allows two people to use it simultaneously.

JOSHUA E. BAKER, founder and cochairman of BOWA Builders, Inc. names two condominium projects as his company's best.

"As some of our clients are moving in closer to the city and sizing down, they're looking to bring with them the luxury and residential feel of their single family homes," said Baker. "Projects range from pull-and-replace kitchens to remodeled

master suites to whole-unit renovations."

For example, the kitchen of an Arlington condominium includes a custom-designed range hood that was built on site, and a space in Chevy Chase, Md., features intricate woodwork. Baker says these rank among his company's chiest spaces.

"The [Chevy Chase] project really shows how a simple, boring condo hallway can be transformed into a beautiful, customized gallery," said Baker. "Custom woodwork in the walls and built-ins ... in the hallways maximize space."

KEN NIES, owner and cofounder of Two Poor Teachers in Reston, says an Arlington bathroom remodel ranks as his company's top project. His crew installed, "floor-to-ceiling glass tile that went from dark to lighter, and incorporated 'wood tile' (tile that resembles hardwood) for a rustic feel," Nies explained. "[The space] was modernized with LED lights. The shower is a steam unit that was enclosed with a frameless glass pivot door. A Jacuzzi tub and pendant lighting spruced it up even further."

GUY SEMMES, of Hopkins & Porter Construction, Inc. in Potomac, named a whole house renovation that resulted in a clean, modern space as one of his company's top jobs. The remodel included a white kitchen with stainless steel appliances.

"It used to be a galley kitchen and we added an 8-by-10-foot addition to make it larger," said Semmes. "The owner wanted to make things accessible with open shelves, rather than hiding them with cabinetry."

Semmes says remodeling a 1960s Bethesda home is also among his company's top projects. "The fireplace was in the living room and the kitchen was half the size it is now," he said. "We gutted the house. We opened up the wall going into the den and added a first floor powder room."



PHOTO COURTESY OF CASE DESIGN/REMODELING, INC.

This wine cellar was added during the remodel of a Falls Church home by Case Design/Remodeling, Inc. Bill Millholland, the company's executive vice president, says it ranks among the company's top projects for 2013.

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'Curtain Up!'

Alexandria actress takes the stage in Signature's production of "Gypsy."

BY JEANNE THEISMANN
THE GAZETTE

She was always more tease than strip, and ever since she first shared the stage with Tessie the Tassel Twirler in the 1920s, she was determined to be famous for more than feathers and falsies. She was Gypsy Rose Lee, the queen of burlesque, whose 1959 memoirs inspired the award-winning Broadway musical "Gypsy," now playing at Shirlington's Signature Theatre.

Born Rose Louise Hovick, we meet her as Louise, the gawky daughter of the quintessential stage mother Rose. When her prettier and more talented sister June (later to become the actress June Havoc) abruptly runs away from the family's vaudeville act, Louise awkwardly steps into the spotlight and out of her clothes in an effort to fulfill her mother's show business aspirations.

But while the title may suggest that the show is about the famous stripper, it is really about Mama Rose, the unrelenting stage mother played by such legendary actresses as Ethel Merman, Rosalind Russell, Angela Lansbury, Bernadette Peters and Patti LuPone. Add to that list Sherri L. Edelen, who takes command of the stage to belt out a vibrant score by Jules Styne and Stephen Sondheim that includes "Let Me Entertain You," "Together, Wherever We Go," and the signature "Everything's Coming Up Roses."

From her first entrance into the theatre, barking "Sing out, Louise!" as she marches up the audience aisle, Edelen completely inhabits the role of Rose, a mother who steamrolls her way onto vaudeville stages across the country. Too late to achieve her own stardom, Rose is undaunted in pursuing it vicariously through her two daughters.

Edelen, a two-time Helen Hayes award winner, portrays a dangerously obsessive Rose whose need for success is palpable from the opening strains of "Some People" to the bittersweet finale "Roses Turn." From belting to ballads, Edelen is spellbinding as she nails the challenging range of songs with a performance that outshines her Broadway peers.

Mitchell Hebert is Herbie, an endearing but lonely soul who hooks up with Rose after a chance meeting at an audition. Hebert delivers a tender performance as Herbie falls painfully in love with Rose and endures far more and stays far longer than any man should. He and Edelen have a visible chemistry that is ultimately doomed by Rose's unquenchable need to succeed no matter the cost to those around her.

Maria Rizzo plays the title role of Gypsy, and her unexpected conversion from self-conscious wallflower to the voluptuous star is convincing and captivating. She particularly shines in the touching and melancholy ballad "Little Lamb," yet with each step across the stage, Rizzo visibly transforms from the sweet Louise into the savvy stripper who became world renown.

Joe Calarco directs the multitalented and multi-generational cast and coaxes engaging performances from Erin Cearlock as Baby June and Alexandria's own Ellen Roberts as Young Louise. In an especially clever use of staging and strobe lights, Calarco magically transforms the tots into teens during the Karma



It's "Rose's Turn" to be a star as Momma Rose (Sherri L. Edelen) imagines a different life for herself in the musical "Gypsy," playing now through Jan. 26 at Signature Theatre.

Camp choreography to "Baby June and Her Newsboys."

Vincent Kempinski stands out as Tulsa, one of the older newsboys, with an enthusiastic song-and-dance routine in "All I Need is the Girl." But its Sandy Bainum, Donna Migliaccio and Tracy Lynn Olivera as the trio of strippers who long ago should have hung up their G-strings that stop the show with an uproarious rendition of "You Gotta Get a Gimmick."

Under the talented baton of Jon Kalbfleisch, Styne's musical score is superb and the 11-piece orchestra, punctuated by the richness of bright brass and woodwinds, electrified the audience and earned an ovation of its own.

Artistic Director Eric Schaeffer and Managing Director Maggie Boland have staged a production full of vitality that is enhanced by James Kronzer's scenic design and impressive period costumes by Frank Labovitz.

But in the end, the success of any production of Gypsy will always be determined by the strength of its Rose, and Edelen, with an aching in her voice, perfectly nails the brash humor, the manicured tyranny and even the faint glimmers of vulnerability as Rose's determination turns to disappointment and despair.

"Make them beg for more and then don't give it to them!" was the mantra of Mama Rose, and the real Gypsy never actually appeared nude on stage — her art was in being sexy, funny and clever all at once. So, curtain up! Let Signature Theatre entertain you with a spectacular production of one of theatre's consummate and most enduring musicals.

"Gypsy" is playing now through Jan. 26 at Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave., Arlington. For tickets or more information, call 703- or visit www.signature-theatre.org.

Email announcements to gazette@connectionnewspapers.com. Photos and artwork are encouraged. Deadline is Thursday at noon.

ONGOING

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.

Art Exhibit. "Small Works," juried by Irene Owsley will run Nov. 26-Jan. 5, at the Multiple Exposures Gallery in the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Visit www.torpedofactory.org for more.

Art Exhibit. See "IMPART," a project that is a collaboration between The Art League and the Wounded Warriors at Ft. Belvoir. Features ceramics by eight artists showcased at The Art League in the Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. Exhibit runs through Jan. 5. Visit www.theartleague.org for more.

"The Street Sense Project." Thien-Kim Pham presents "Portraits of People Who Live and Work on the Streets" in studio 21 at the Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. The exhibit runs Dec. 5 through Jan. 6. A portion of the sales will be donated to a local charity related to the subject matter depicted in the piece. Visit www.theartleague.org or 703-683-1780 for more.

Art Exhibit. "Small Worlds," a multimedia juried exhibition with a focus on artists who work in miniature or small scales will run Dec. 6-Jan. 12, at the Target Gallery in the Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. Visit www.torpedofactory.org for more.

Solo Artist Preview Exhibit. Runs Jan. 9-23 at the Torpedo Factory Art Center, on the waterfront in Old Town Alexandria at 105 N. Union St. Call 703-683-1780 or visit www.theartleague.org. The Art League's Solo Artist Preview Exhibit premieres one piece by each of the nine solo artists on the 2014 exhibition calendar, which include photographers, collage artists, sculptors, and painters. A panel of outside jurors select the solo exhibits at The Art League in a process that happens two years in advance.

Theater Performance. Aldersgate Church Community Theater presents Disney's "Beauty and the Beast, Jr." The show runs Jan. 17-26. \$10-\$12. Visit acctonline.org.

Art Exhibit. See "No Room For Doubt," abstract works on wood, canvas and paper by Kristen Hayes through Jan. 26 at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Free. Visit nvfaa.org or 703-548-0035.

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 through 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.

Art Exhibit. See "Primary Colors" art exhibit from Jan. 3-Feb. 2 at The Del Ray Artisans, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Artists use the three primary colors without mixing them. Free. Visit www.TheDelRayArtisans.org for more.

Theater Performance. See "The Ballad of the Red Knight" by Red Knight Productions at Port City

Playhouse, 1819 N. Quaker Lane. Runs Jan. 24 through Feb. 8. Performances are Friday at 8 p.m. and Saturdays at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. For tickets visit www.portcityplayhouse.org.

Art Exhibit. See a solo photographic exhibit "Darkness Visible" by Timothy Hyde at Multiple Exposures Gallery in the Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. Runs Jan. 7 through Feb. 16. Hyde's photography examines the mysteries hidden in the shadows. Visit www.torpedofactory.org for more.

Theater Performance. Arts on the Horizon presents "Under the Canopy," a 20-minute interactive, nonverbal show for children up to age 4. Performances are Feb. 12-14, 16, 17, 19-21, 23 at 10:30 a.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. \$5/person. Visit www.artsonthehorizon.org for tickets. They can be purchased at the door.

Celebrate Black History Month. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Feb. 1-28 at Mount Vernon Estate. In observance of Black History Month, George Washington's Mount Vernon highlights the lives and contributions of the slaves who built and operated the plantation home of George and Martha Washington. A wreathlaying and presentation occurs daily at the slave memorial site throughout the month of February. Black History Month activities are included in admission: adults, \$18; senior citizens, \$17; children age 6-11, when accompanied by an adult, \$9; and children under age 5, free. Visit www.mountvernon.org or 703-780-2000.

Art Exhibit. See "Reincarnations" art exhibit at Del Ray Artisans, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Features art from salvaged items, art from encyclopedias and more. Free. Runs Feb. 7 through March 2. Visit www.thedelrayartisans.org for more.

Art Exhibit. See "Frances Gallardo: Meteorology" Jan. 18 through March 2 at the Target Gallery in the Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. Free. Visit www.torpedofactory.org/target for more.

Occupied City: Life in Civil War Alexandria Exhibition. At The Lyceum, 201 South Washington St., through Sunday, March 23. 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.

CLASSES

Acting Classes. Acting classes for children begin the week of Jan. 14 at the Little Theatre of Alexandria, 600 Wolfe Street in Old Town. There are after school classes on Tues/Thurs for K-2nd graders, Fairy Fun for 5 year olds on Tuesdays and classes for all ages on Saturdays/some on Sundays. Visit www.thelittletheatre.com or call 703-683-5778, ext. 2. Open House at the theatre Saturday, Jan. 11, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. to meet the teachers.

Metro Club After-School Program. From Sept. 9-June 2014, the Metropolitan School of Arts presents an after-school 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 will focus on the arts, including music, dance, theatre, yoga and academics, as well as designated homework time. The program will run Mondays, 1-6 p.m., and Tuesday-Friday, 3-6 p.m. Tuition runs from

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\$130-150. Call 703-339-0444 or visit www.metropolitanarts.org.

Life Drawing. Del Ray Artisans offers a range of open life drawing sessions for anyone to develop life-drawing skills further. Just drop-in for the session and bring your supplies to draw or paint our live models. Fee ranges from \$8-\$12. All skill levels are welcome. Del Ray Artisans is located at 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Visit www.TheDelRayArtisans.org for a schedule.

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.

AUDITIONS

Audition for MVCCT's "Once Upon a Mattress" on Monday, Jan. 13 and Tuesday, Jan. 14 at Bryant High School, 2709 Popkins Lane. Anyone age 8-18 years of age can audition. Register online at mvcct.org for a time slot.

THURSDAY/JAN. 9

Opening Reception. 6:30-8 p.m. at the Torpedo Factory Art Center, on the waterfront in Old Town Alexandria at 105 N Union St. Call 703-683-1780 or visit www.theartleague.org. The Art League's Solo Artist Preview Exhibit premieres one piece by each of the nine solo artists on the 2014 exhibition calendar, which include photographers, collage artists, sculptors, and painters.

Second Thursday Music. 7:30 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. The Noctonals will perform. \$10. Visit <http://nvfaa.org> for more.

FRIDAY/JAN. 10

Music Performance. See Ricky Skaggs & Kentucky Thunder at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. 7:30 p.m. \$39.50. Visit www.birchmere.com or 703-549-7500 for tickets.

Music Performance. 8 p.m. at Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill, 3606 Seminary Road. The Singers' Theatre of Washington presents "Ariadne auf Naxos." \$20/general; \$15/senior and student. Buy tickets at www.singerstheatre.com or at the door.

SATURDAY/JAN. 11

Dance Performance. 2 p.m. at Theatre on the Run, 3700 S. Four Mile Run Drive. Jane Franklin Dance performs "Mouse of Amherst," adapted from the book "Mouse in

MVCCT Spring Musical



Auditions for Mount Vernon Community Children's Theater's spring musical "Once Upon A Mattress" will take place Monday Jan. 13 and Tuesday Jan. 14 at Bryant Alternative High School, 2709 Popkins Lane. Children aged 8-10 may sign up to audition from 5:30-7 p.m. on either day. Those aged 11-18 may sign up to audition from 7-8:30 p.m. on either day. Register online to audition at www.mvcct.org.

House" by Elizabeth Spire. \$15/adult; \$10/child. Visit www.janefranklin.com or 703-933-1111.

Dance Performance. 7 p.m. Jane Franklin Dance presents "See" at Theatre on the Run, 3700 S. Four Mile Run Drive. \$20. Visit janefranklin.com or 703-933-1111.

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SUNDAY/JAN. 12

Performance. Doors open at 1:30 p.m., show at 2 p.m. at Grace Episcopal School, 3601 Russell Road. Families can enjoy a performance by Rocknoceros. \$5/person. Visit rocknoceros.com for more.

Gallery Talk. 2-3:30 p.m. Kristen Hayes will lead a talk about her exhibit "No Room For Doubt" at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Free. Visit nvfaa.org or 703-548-0035.

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Music Performance. 4 p.m. at Immanuel Church-on-the-Hill, 3606 Seminary Road. The Singers' Theatre of Washington presents "Ariadne auf Naxos." \$20/general; \$15/senior and student. Buy tickets at

www.singerstheatre.com or at the door.

MONDAY/JAN. 13

Music Performance. 7:30 p.m. at West Potomac High School Springbank Auditorium, 6500 Quander Road. Boston Brass will perform with West Potomac's Symphonic Winds. \$11/senior or student; \$12.50/general. Visit www.brownpapertickets.com/event/531160 or email bandadmin@wolverineband.com for tickets.

WEDNESDAY/JAN. 15

Cabaret Night. 7 p.m. in the Springbank Auditorium, 6500 Quander Road. Soloists from West Potomac High School choirs will perform. Free. 703-718-2687.

Swing Dance. 9-11 p.m. at Nick's Nightclub, 642 S. Pickett St. Dance to music by The Grandsons. \$10.

FRIDAY/JAN. 17

Swing Dance. 7:30-9:30 p.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. Dance to live music. \$4/person. 703-765-4573.

Music Performance. 7:30 p.m. at Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Jackson Edwards (of the WeatherVanes) will open for Junior Brown. Visit www.birchmere.com or 703-549-7500 for tickets.

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Dance Performance. 7 p.m. at Theatre on the Run, 3700 S. Four Mile Run Drive. Jane Franklin Dance performs "The Trickster," a multidisciplinary work in collaboration with percussionist Tom Teasley. \$20/person. Visit www.janefranklin.com or 703-933-1111. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

Performance. 7:30 p.m. at The George Washington Masonic Memorial Theatre, 101 Callahan Drive. Watch Greek dancing by Dynami and a performance of "Dyskolos." Presented by Ambassador Theater. Tickets are \$15-\$30. Visit www.aticc.org/home/box-office for tickets.

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SUNDAY/JAN. 19

Celebrate Community 5k & 1K Fun Run/Walk. 9 a.m. at 2021 Eisenhower Ave., near the U.S. Patent Office. Benefits ALIVE! Bring a non-perishable food item. Families and strollers welcome. \$25/5K before Jan. 16; \$35/race day. \$15/1K before Jan. 16; \$20/race day. Visit www.prracing.racebx.com or 703-998-6460.

"From Board Game to Book." Noon-4 p.m. at Del Ray Artisans gallery at the Nicholas A. Colasanto Center, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Stacy Rausch teaches participants to create a one-of-a-kind art book using a board game as the cover with traditional book-binding methods and materials. The fee (all supplies included) is just \$48 for Del Ray Artisans members, \$53 for non-members. Register at www.TheDelRayArtisans.org.

Winter Warmer Tea. 3-4:30 p.m. at Gadsby's Tavern, 138 N. Royal St. Eat period-inspired delicacies while enjoying tea and American Heritage Chocolate. A historic guest will be visiting. \$35/person and is all inclusive. Reservations required, shop.alexandriava.gov or 703-746-4242.

Performance. 5 p.m. at The George Washington Masonic Memorial Theatre, 101 Callahan Drive. Watch Greek dancing by Dynami and a performance of "Dyskolos." Presented by Ambassador Theater. Tickets are \$15-\$30. Visit www.aticc.org/home/box-office for tickets.

Music Performance. 7 p.m. at Episcopal Church of the Resurrection, 2280 N. Beauregard St. Focus Music presents folk singer-songwriters Joe Crookston with Tiffany Thompson. \$18/door; \$15/advance or member. 703-380-3151.

MONDAY/JAN. 20

Theatre Production. 12:30 p.m. at Agudas Achim, 2908 Valley Drive. See "The Meeting," which depicts what might have happened had Malcolm X and Martin Luther King, Jr. met before they were assassinated. \$10/adult; \$5/student. Visit 703-998-6460.

Talk. 7 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Michael Mark Ludlow will discuss "19th Century Conspicuous Consumption: Artistic Examples of Alexandria's Unique Cast Iron Downspouts." Free. Visit www.nvfaa.org or 703-548-0035.

Give Together. Families with school-age children can volunteer together at Heritage Presbyterian Church, 8503 Fort Hunt Road. Register at www.volunteerfairfax.org.

TUESDAY/JAN. 21

Special Tour. 1:30 p.m. at Mount Vernon Estate. Take a special tour of the new Fred W. Smith. SEE ENTERTAINMENT, PAGE 22

AT THE LIBRARY

Martha Washington Library, 6614 Fort Hunt Road. Call 703-768-6700.

Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Centre. Call 703-339-4610.

John Marshall Library, 6209 Rose Hill Drive. Call 703-971-0010.

Sherwood Library, 2501 Sherwood Hall Lane. Call 703-765-3645.

SATURDAY/JAN. 11

Friends Book Sale. 10 a.m. at Kingstowne Library. All ages can find something.

Wag A Tale. 10:30-11:30 a.m. at Kingstowne Library. Children ages 5-12 can register to read aloud to a reading therapy dog. Registration required, 703-339-4610.

MONDAY/JAN. 13

Fun for 2s & 3s. 10:30 a.m. or 11 a.m. at John Marshall Library. Children ages 2-3 can enjoy stories and activities. Free. Registration required.

Terrific Twos and Threes. 10:30 a.m. at Kingstowne Library. Children ages 2-3 can enjoy stories, songs and fingerplays. Free. Registration required.

Cliffhanger Book Club. 7 p.m. at Martha Washington Library. Children ages 8-10 can listen to a story being read aloud. Free. Registration required.

Books and Ideas. 7:30 p.m. at Sherwood Regional Library. Discuss "Midnight's Children" by Salman Rushdie. Free. Registration required.

TUESDAY/JAN. 14

Winter Fun. 10:30 a.m. at Martha Washington Library. Children up to 23 months can enjoy stories, songs and movement activities. Free. Registration required.

Small Wonders. 10:30 a.m. at Sherwood Library. Stories, songs and games for ages 12-23 months with an adult. Registration required.

Martha's Book Discussion. 7 p.m. at Martha Washington Library. Adults can discuss "Quiet" by Susan Cain. Free.

Second Tuesday Book Group. 7 p.m. at Kingstowne Library. Discuss "The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society" by Mary Ann Shaffer. Free. Visit secondtuesdaybookgroup.blogspot.com.

WEDNESDAY/JAN. 15

A to Zoo Storytime. 10:30 a.m. at John Marshall Library. Children ages 3-5 can enjoy stories and activities. Free. Registration required.

THURSDAY/JAN. 16

Martha's Poetry Discussion. 2 p.m. at Martha Washington Library. Discuss the poetry of Emily Dickson. Free.

Book Discussion. 7:15 p.m. at John Marshall Library. Discuss "Long Walk to Freedom: An Autobiography" by Nelson Mandela. Free.

FRIDAY/JAN. 17

Child and Me Yoga. 10:30 a.m. at Kingstowne Library. Children ages 1-3 can use yoga pose, songs and nursery rhymes to imitate animals you see at the zoo. Bring a yoga mat or beach towel. Free. Registration required.

SATURDAY/JAN. 18

Preschool Story Time. 10:30 a.m. at Sherwood Library. Children ages 3-5 can enjoy stories, songs and fingerplays. Free. Registration required.

Early American Dancing. 10:30 a.m. at John Marshall Library. All ages can learn the history of colonial English country dancing. Free. Registration required.

Wag A Tale. 10:30-11:30 a.m. at Kingstowne Library. Children ages 5-12 can register to read aloud to a reading therapy dog. Registration required.

Sherwood Writers Group. 1 p.m. at Sherwood Library. Inaugural meeting for writers interested in meeting twice per month. Free.

MONDAY/JAN. 20

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From the Front Lines

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Q. What are the overall needs of seniors in the county? What should we be doing to prepare for the so-called "Silver Tsunami"?

A. We need a focus for and more advocacy for seniors within the county government. It is there, but more needs to happen. The current 50+ study I am confident will be looking at coming up with recommendations to strengthen our advocacy and focus and raise awareness and priorities for action to help seniors. We need effective advocacy at the federal, state, and local levels on transportation assistance; affordable housing; alternative housing; more grants for assisted living; better communication on a cross-cutting basis within the county, and intergovernmental cooperation.

GRACE LYNCH, director of communications, Department of Family Services, Fairfax County government.

The Board of Supervisors and the Fairfax Commission on Aging held public forums across the county this summer to listen to residents offer their ideas on creating a more aging-friendly community. More than 750 attended the forums. Subsequently, a 50+ Plan Steering Committee was formed to review the ideas suggested and propose initiatives for the Board of Supervisors to include in its 50+ Plan. This study process is still underway and it is anticipated that early in the year the Board of Supervisors will receive a set of recommendations to consider.

According to the 2010 Census summaries there are 26,080 residents living in the Mount Vernon Magisterial District that are 55 and over. That amounts to approximately 22 percent of the Mount Vernon population. County-wide there are approximately 255,200 people who are 55 and over.

FRANK COHN, transportation commissioner, Mt Vernon District

Q. What was the most important transportation initiative accomplished in 2013?

A. We received the money to widen the road to six lanes in the Ft. Belvoir area, and design work has begun. Fort Belvoir finished widening the roadway bridge over Route 1 and studies are underway to determine the type of mass transit for the highway, as well as looking at the priority for widening the highway at the other two segments where the highway remains as a four lane road.

Q. What should be the top priority transportation issue for 2014?



A. To see that we gain agreement that rail should be the primary mass transit focus on Route 1. The type of mass transit is negotiable. In addition, I would like to see more work on sidewalks on both sides of Route 1 — and we should not have to wait until the highway is widened. Also, we should correct the bike trail on Fort Hunt road at the country club segment; it has a dangerous configuration and at one spot it is non-existent.

Q. What is the state of transportation in Mount Vernon District? What are the most pressing needs?

A. In Mount Vernon we have issues pending with all modes of transportation. We have to widen roads, install turn-lanes, construct sidewalks and bike paths, and improve safety for our school children who walk to school. Last but not least we have to solve our mass transit deficiency. The trick is to move forward on all these issues simultaneously. We have a long way to go before we have satisfied the many pressing transportation needs in our District.

RITA WAKEFIELD, marketing manager, Inova Mount Vernon Hospital.

Q. Inova Mount Vernon Hospital is in the midst of a major expansion of the hospital. What is the status of the expansion?

A. The expansion is progressing on schedule. The Tower and the Operating Rooms are scheduled for completion in the Fall of 2014. The total cost of the expansion is \$43.6 million. However, built into the expansion will be additional capabilities realized on the new third floor which will require an additional \$10 million. We are now working on a capital campaign to raise the money that will be needed to complete the third floor expansion.

Q. Can you describe some of the details of the expansion, number of beds, etc?

A. We are not increasing the number of beds in the hospital, but the number of private bedroom suites will be expanded. The project includes a new medical surgical patient tower, and two large operating rooms. In addition, the project will add three additional stories to our hospital. Space will be built to more efficiently accommodate our heating, ventilation, and air conditioning needs. The fourth and fifth floors will have 20 finished private patient rooms on each floor. The addition of these rooms will also decompress the existing floors to create additional private rooms.

We now perform approximately 2,000 joint replacement surgeries annually. The expansion will enable the hospital to operate more efficiently and effectively, and expand our capacity to serve the residents' health care needs.

BULLETIN BOARD

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

FRIDAY/JAN. 10

Application Deadline. The Mount Vernon Council of Citizens Associations is seeking to recognize a high school senior from Mount Vernon HS, South County SS and/or West Potomac HS. The award will be made during the MVCCA Annual Gala on April 26, 2014. Visit www.mvcca.org.

Speaker Series Kickoff. 8:30-10 a.m. at the SpringHill Suites, 6065 Richmond Highway, Southeast Fairfax Development Corporation

will host a free speaker series to encourage the startup and growth of small businesses in Southeast Fairfax County. The series will be held on the second Friday of every month. Coffee and light breakfast will be served. RSVP to info@sfdc.org. Visit www.sfdc.org.

SATURDAY/JAN. 11

Cancelled. Office hours for school board representative Dan Storck have been cancelled. Call 571-423-1086 or email Daniel.Storck@fcps.edu.

TUESDAY/JAN. 14

Pet Loss Support Group. 1:30-2:30 p.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center,

1500 Shenandoah Road. Talk with others who are dealing with the death of a beloved pet. Free, register by calling 703-333-6963.

Training Session. 7-8 p.m. at Kingstowne Library, 6500 Landsdowne Center. Learn the aspects of trap-neuter-return program from Community Cats. Free. RSVP to animals13@verizon.net.

WEDNESDAY/JAN. 15

Discussion. 9:30 a.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. Richard Lilienthal, a collector of antique bottles made in the D.C. and Alexandria area will share his collection. Free. 703-765-4573.

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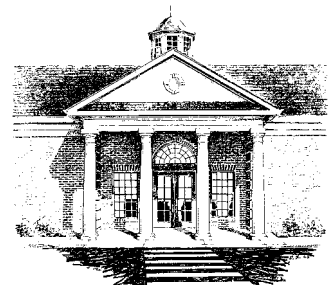
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Chamber Presents 'The Best' Business Awards for 2013

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andria Compounding Pharmacy.

Alexandria Compounding Pharmacy is a personal and professional pharmacy focused on the improvement of patient care through the art and science of compounding for more than 50 years. Kennedy is a preceptor for several pharmacy schools including: VCU, Howard University, The Ohio State and UNC. She formerly spent two years as an adjunct professor at Howard University. She also speaks on compounding at conferences and seminars, and she consults on pain therapy and hormone replacement. She also volunteers at the Carpenter's Shelter.

"The Best" Large Business of the Year went to Davis Industries in Lorton and was accepted by President Fred Bonnett.

Family-owned and operated for more than 70 years, Davis Industries specializes in buying ferrous and nonferrous metals. Davis Industries is the premier location for metal recycling in the greater Mount Vernon area. Each year, more than 30,000 cars are recycled which otherwise would be sitting in landfills. Davis Industries works with the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department to provide cars for training personnel on car fires and rescues. They have made contributions to local charities and to the Women's Suffrage Museum at the Lorton Workhouse.

This year, the chamber Board of Directors has decided to introduce a new award to recognize the outstanding non-profit organizations based in its service area. Receiving the award for "The Best" Organization of the Year was Mount Vernon Community Children's Theatre.

Mount Vernon Community Children's Theatre was founded in 1980 as a not-for-profit organization to provide area youth with quality theatrical experiences that are educational, creative, engaging and supportive. Through the use of hands-on learning of the theatrical arts, MVCCT offers children, ages 3-18, the opportunity to enhance their development — building self-confidence, character, self-expression, autonomy and responsibility.

SPORTS BRIEFS

WP Gymnastics Places Second at TJ

The West Potomac gymnastics team placed second in a five-team meet on Jan. 6 at Thomas Jefferson. But if the past performance of the Wolverines' top gymnast is any indication, the Wolverines should continue to improve as the conference meet approaches. West Potomac posted a score of 111, finishing behind meet-winner Robinson and its score of 125. Jefferson placed third with a score of 103.575, followed by T.C. Williams (94.2) and Annandale (38.5).

West Potomac senior Monica Thompson placed second in the all-around with a total of 33.375. She finished second on bars (8.375), third on vault (8.65) and beam



"The Best" Large Business of the Year is Davis Industries. Sean O'Connell, Chamber vice president, and Ashley McNeff, Chamber president, congratulate Fred Bonnett, Davis Industries president & CEO, with Michael Gailliot, Chamber chairman.



"The Best" New Business of the Year is Mount Vernon CrossFit. The trainers from Mount Vernon CrossFit join owner Vanessa Wheeler (holding plaque) in accepting the 2013 award.

"The Best" New Business award went to Mount Vernon CrossFit.

Mount Vernon Cross was a joint effort of Sean Dunston, Vanessa Wheeler and John Johnston.

CrossFit is the principal strength and conditioning program for hundreds of other elite and professional athletes worldwide.

(7.9), and seventh on floor (8.45).

Thompson qualified for regionals last season in all four events. Head coach Pete Novgrod said Thompson has room for improvement, including throwing a more difficult vault, as do the Wolverines.

"We're pulling 111 now," Novgrod said, "I don't see why we can't get into the 120s, for sure, and maybe more."

West Potomac's Sarah Mueh finished 12th in the all-around, placing fifth on vault (8.45), seventh on beam (7.6) and 11th on bars (5.825). Alison Bird finished 10th on vault (8.1). Lilian Hernandez, Cassie Crotzer, Ashley Pak, Annie Hunger, Eva Hughes and Olivia Manous also competed for the Wolverines.

West Potomac will host a meet on Jan. 23. The Wolverines will face South County, Lake Braddock, Lee and T.C. Williams.



"The Best" Mid-Size Business of the Year is Alexandria Compounding Pharmacy. Ashley McNeff, Chamber president, congratulates Farzana Kennedy, owner of Alexandria Compounding Pharmacy.



"The Best" Small Business of the Year is Personal Pride Floor Services. Ashley McNeff, Chamber president, presents the award to Damon Hinshaw, owner of Personal Pride Floor Services, with Michael Gailliot, Chamber chairman.

The program at Mount Vernon CrossFit delivers fitness that is, by design, broad, general, and inclusive. A CrossFit for Kids class is being held twice a week and the CrossFit Teen class is preparing many local youth to excel on their high school sports teams.

One more special guest recognized was a celebrity graduate of West Potomac High

School, Dr. Michael Nickens, head of the "Green Machine" pep band at George Mason University. Nickens showed a video of the GMU Band and spoke briefly.

Special music for the evening was provided by the West Potomac Chamber quartet under the direction of Alicia Day-Javkhan.

— JON ROETMAN

West Potomac Girls' Basketball Wins 7 of 10

The West Potomac girls' basketball team completed the 2013 portion of its schedule with a 7-3 record, one of the program's best starts in recent years.

The Wolverines won each of its holiday tournament games, beating Thomas Jefferson 58-32 on Dec. 28 and Marshall 57-40 on Dec. 28. West Potomac then lost a non-district game to Bishop Ireton 63-59 on Dec. 30 to fall to 7-3.

West Potomac will host Centreville on Jan. 13.



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West Potomac senior Monica Thompson placed second in the all-around during a Jan. 6 meet at Thomas Jefferson.

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LEGAL NOTICE

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OBITUARY

Funeral services for **Mr. Rush Gibson Mosley, age 75**, of Spanish Fort, AL, were held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, January 4, 2014, at Mosley Bridge Congregational Methodist Church in Gilbertown, AL, with Reverend Grant Barber, Reverend Chris Sowell, Reverend Clovis Lewis, and John A. Boney, Sr. officiating. Interment was in the Mosley Cemetery in Gilbertown, AL.

Mr. Mosley passed away on Wednesday, January 1, 2014, at his residence in Spanish Fort, AL.

He is survived by his wife, JoAnn Anthony Mosley of Spanish Fort, AL; one son, Joe Mosley (Cindy) of Daphne, AL; one daughter, Cheri Ferral (George) of Las Cruces, NM; one brother, Phil Mosley (Linda) of Gilbertown, AL; one sister, Sherry McBride (Wayne) of Fairhope, AL; four grandchildren, Lucy Mosley, Russ Mosley, Zachary Ferral, and Kelsey Ferral; and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father Thomas Leon Mosley, his mother Eula Gibson Mosley, and one sister Lona Gay Mitchum.

Serving as pallbearers were Russ Mosley, Zachary Ferral, Jason Mosley, Michael Druhan, Sr., Michael Druhan, Jr., Crimson Lewis, Adam Wilson, and Johnny Boney.

Visitation was held Saturday, January 4, 2014, from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at Mosley Bridge Congregational Methodist Church. Phillips Funeral Home in Gilbertown, AL, was in charge of arrangements.

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**OBITUARY
Ruth Eaton Weber**



Ruth Eaton Weber, age 54, formerly of State College, died in Pittsburgh, Pa., on December 12, 2013, of complications following a bone marrow transplant. During months in the hospital, Ruth gallantly fought setbacks, displaying her customary courage, strength of character, tenacity, and sense of humor. Ruth's spirit touched many lives. She was greatly loved by her family and friends. She will be missed by all who knew her.

Ruth was born in Bellefonte, Pa., on December 2, 1959, the fourth and youngest child of Robert L. and Marion F. Weber. She graduated from the State College Area High School. She went on to earn her bachelor of arts from the Pennsylvania State University in 1981, graduating with highest distinction in sociology; she received a masters in public administration in 1986. As an undergraduate student, Ruth played for four years in the Blue Band. She was proud to be the first woman to play the sousaphone in the Band and to serve as rank leader.

Ruth spent most of her career in public service. She served as manager of Penn*Link for the Pennsylvania Department of Education, policy director for the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, and special assistant to the administrator, Federal Highway Administration, the U.S. Department of Transportation. She continued her career with Michael Baker, Jr., Inc., where she rose from communications and customer care director to assistant vice president.

Ruth was a member of Phi Beta Kappa honor society, the American Association of University Women, the Project Management Institute, and the Society for Marketing Professional Services. She received professional awards and honors from the U.S. Department of Transportation Secretary's Office of Public Affairs, the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, and the Central Pennsylvania Business Journal.

Ruth had a wonderful quick wit. She cared deeply for people, and was a loyal and loving friend. Some of her treasured friendships reached back to childhood including her years as a camper and later a counselor at Camp Kehonka on Lake Winnepesaukee, NH. Ruth enjoyed travel. She visited the United Kingdom and Europe as a member of the Ambassadors of Music. Later, she visited the United Kingdom, Ireland, France, and Italy on trips with friends or family.

Ruth's many friends rallied to assist her as she faced the challenges of her long illness. Ruth also received professional care and many kindnesses from the nurses and doctors at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center in Shadyside. The family wishes to express their gratitude to all these caring individuals.

Ruth was preceded in death by her sister Karen Louise, parents Robert L. and Marion F. Weber, and aunt and uncle Constance and Norton Cashen. She is survived by her sister Meredith Anne Weber of State College, Pa., brother Robert F. and his wife Anne of Sun Prairie, Wis., nieces Alexandra and Katja, and nephew James.

A memorial service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 18, 2014, at the State College Presbyterian Church, 132 W. Beaver Ave., State College, with the Rev. Dean Lindsey officiating. A reception will be held immediately after the service (details to follow).

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Bone Marrow Transplant Patient Assistance Fund, UPMC Cancer Center, UPMC Cancer Pavilion, Suite 1B, 5150 Centre Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15232 (memo line: "Ruth E. Weber"). Those who wish to sign up to become a bone marrow donor or to contribute to the work of the bone marrow registry may do so online at www.bethematch.org.

Arrangements are under the care of Koch Funeral Home in State College. Online condolences and signing of the guest book may be entered at www.kochfuneralhome.com

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Richard E. Gutting, Jr.

Richard E. Gutting, Jr. died December 24, 2013 in Alexandria, VA. He was 70. Mr. Gutting graduated from Stanford University and Stanford Law School in 1968 to pursue a 45-year career of law, government service, writing and teaching. He was President of the National Fisheries Institute and partner with the law firm of Redmon, Peyton and Braswell. Mr. Gutting also served as general counsel for fisheries of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, counsel for the Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation of the U.S. House of Representatives and as legal advisor to the President's Council on Environmental Quality. He is survived by his wife of 37 years, Jimmie B. Cook, his son David J. Gutting and his wife Monica of Santa Rosa, California, his daughter Gretchen E. Curtis of Menlo Park, California, four granddaughters Alondra Gutting of Santa Rosa, CA, Linnea Gutting of Santa Rosa, CA, Natalie J. Curtis of Menlo Park, CA, and Stella M. Curtis of Menlo Park, CA. He also leaves one sister Anne L. Gutting of Huntington, NY. His family thanks Richard's many friends and neighbors for the extraordinary love and support as he battled his final illness. Services will be private. Expressions of sympathy may be made in the form of a donation to the Alexandria Seaport Foundation, P.O. Box 25036, Alexandria, VA 22313 www.alexandriaseaport.org

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National Library for the study of George Washington. Included in admission. Visit www.mountvernon.org or 703-780-2000.

Jewelry information Session. 12:30 p.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. Bring a piece of jewelry and get information on it, such as how old it is, how to restore and repair it. Free. 703-765-4573.

Chamber Performance. 7:30 p.m. at Pendleton Hall, Episcopal High School, 3900 W. Braddock Road. The National Chamber Players with guest artist Nurit Bar-Josef perform Paganini's Duet for violin and bassoon, Igor Frolov's Divertimento for two violins and piano, and Mozart's Quintet in A Major for clarinet and strings. Free, no tickets required. Call 703-933-4135 or visit www.episcopalhighschool.org/arts.

Birthday Celebration. Jackson 20 is holding specials, including a lobster boil, in honor of the restaurant's 6th birthday. Located at 480 King St. For reservations 703-842-2790.

SATURDAY/JAN. 25

Dance Performance. 2 p.m. at Theatre on the Run, 3700 S. Four Mile Run Drive. Jane Franklin Dance performs "Penelope's Pesky Pen," inspired by a children's book by Frank Dormer. \$10-\$15/person. Visit www.janefranklin.com or 703-933-1111.

Dance Performance. 7 p.m. at Theatre on the Run, 3700 S. Four Mile Run Drive. Jane Franklin Dance performs "The Trickster," a multidisciplinary work in collaboration with percussionist Tom Teasley. \$20/person. Visit www.janefranklin.com or 703-933-1111. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

Annual Dinner. 7 p.m. at Carlyle Club, 411 John Carlyle St. The Dunbar Alexandria-Olympic Boys & Girls Club will recognize community leaders. \$100/person and includes dinner, dancing and silent auction. All proceeds benefit the club. Visit www.2014bgcdinner.eventbrite.com or 703-549-3077.

Lecture and Bourbon Tasting. 7 p.m. at Lee-Fendall House Museum and Garden, 614 Oronoco St. Hear about Revolutionary War hero and governor of Virginia, Gen. Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee and his son Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee. A tasting of bourbons will be available after the lecture. \$7/lecture; \$15/tasting or \$20/both. Visit www.lee-fendallhouse.org/ for more.

Music Performance. 7:30 p.m. at Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. The Manhattans featuring Gerald Alston and Blue Lovett will perform. \$45. Visit www.birchmere.com or 703-549-7500 for tickets.

Civil War Ball. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., and event from 8-11 p.m. in Gadsby's Tavern Ballroom, 138 N. Royal St. Features dancing, live music, desserts. Period attire or after-five wear. Reservations recommended. Visit shop.alexandriava.gov or 703-746-4242 for tickets.

SUNDAY/JAN. 26

Dance Performance. 2 p.m. at Theatre on the Run, 3700 S. Four Mile Run Drive. Jane Franklin Dance performs "Penelope's Pesky Pen," inspired by a children's book by Frank Dormer. \$10-\$15/person. Visit www.janefranklin.com or 703-933-1111.

Winter Warmer Tea. 3-4:30 p.m. at Gadsby's Tavern, 138 N. Royal St. Eat period-inspired delicacies while enjoying tea and American Heritage Chocolate. A historic guest will be visiting. \$35/person and is all inclusive. Reservations required, shop.alexandriava.gov or 703-746-4242.

MONDAY/JAN. 27

Music Performance. 7:30 p.m. at Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Robin Zander of Cheap Trick will perform a solo concert. \$35. Visit www.birchmere.com or 703-549-7500 for tickets.

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Warehouse Sale. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at the George Washington Masonic Memorial, 101 Callahan Drive. Browse high-end boutique merchandise during the 9th annual Old Town Boutique District Warehouse Sale. Visit www.oldtownboutiquedistrict.com or facebook.com/ALXWarehouseSale for more.

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