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45th Annual Scottish Christmas Walk Parade

The Northern Virginia Firefighters Emerald Society Pipe Band marches up King Street for the mass bands finale of the 45th annual Scottish Christmas Walk parade Dec. 5. More photos, page 3.



Austin Middleton with Roscoe.



Campagna Center CEO Tammy Mann waves to the crowd.



American Legion veterans Dick Evans and Henry Dorton enjoy the parade while bell ringing for the Salvation Army.



Scottish Rite Freemasons Bill Mattison and Dino Rizopoulos enjoy the parade.

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Gang Violence Returns to City

Police suspect gang activity in fourth unsolved murder in 2015.

BY VERNON MILES
GAZETTE PACKET

It took a fourth murder in Four Mile Run Park on Dec. 4, but the Alexandria Police have finally opened the public to a hint of insight into the ongoing investigations. Police Chief Earl Cook spoke to the City Council on Dec. 8, and while he would

not give details on any ongoing investigations, it's clear police suspect the murder may be gang-related.

"The two recent homicides, we're still actively working on that," said Cook. "We have detectives working this evening with witnesses. Those cases are very

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BAR Fight

Old Colony Inn design approved over citizen furor.

BY VERNON MILES
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Often, the city and a group of citizens disagree on something development related. In theory, the city coordinates an effort to have the developers and citizens talk to each other, and all involved parties reach some type of compromise. That's almost exactly what didn't happen at the Board of Architectural Review (BAR) on Dec. 2.

Public discussion surrounding the expansion of the Old Colony Inn along the George Washington Parkway was particularly strident, even for an Old Town development project. Local citizens accused the BAR of shutting the public out of the process, while members of the BAR fired back that the

public had been engaged but had refused to consider any compromise.

The core problem is that the new design is four stories tall, and local residents rejected the possibility of any expansion over three stories. Residents say the height would further overwhelm the homes around it.

"We feel this property is too big for the site," said resident Christopher Newberry. "[It] obstructs our views and is contrary to Washington Street standards."

By this point, the developers had approached the board with several different designs for the project taking specific criticisms into consideration. The tall chimneys had been removed, some top floor rooms had been limited in size and set-back, but the four story height remained.

"I think that in the front the preferred concept has variations in height and depth that are negligible," said Newberry. "In the rear,

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Members of the Alexandria Rugby Club.

Brownie and Daisy Troop members walk in the parade.

Plaid Tidings

45th Annual Scottish Walk Weekend

Teens of thousands of visitors crowded the streets of Old Town Dec. 5 for the Campagna Center's 45th Annual Scottish Christmas Walk Parade. The parade, along with other weekend events including the Taste of Scotland, Holiday Designer Tour of Homes, Heather and

Greens sale and the Holiday Marketplace, serves as the largest fundraising activity for the Campagna Center and is coordinated and planned by The Junior Friends of The Campagna Center.

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— JEANNE THEISMANN



Shamrock and Thistle Pipes and Drums Pipe Sergeant Keith Tice gets help adjusting his uniform during a pause in the parade.



U.S. Rep. Don Beyer (D-8).



Robert Winston behind the wheel of his 1923 Ford T-bucket.



Margaret Gullen and Andrew Palmieri walk as part of the Campagna Center board of directors.



Cadets Oscar Rodriguez and Nana Sarfowah serve as the JROTC king and queen for T.C. Williams High School.



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Increase in Gang Violence

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new. There's not a lot, evidentiary, that we can share at this time. I can say that we are making good progress and can hopefully share some information soon."

But while Cook noted that gang violence has risen in Alexandria since 2014, he urged caution in jumping to conclusions regarding the latest murder.

"We had one major gang crime in 2014," said Cook. "So far in 2015, we've had seven ... but we're not sure yet that they're gang-motivated crimes." Cook estimated that there's anywhere between 150 and 200 active gang members living in Alexandria, but emphasized that this was mostly an educated guess. The estimate is based largely those arrested who self-identify or wear the tattoos of one gang or another. Cook described gang violence as a mobile problem.

"A lot of the violence is concentrated just south of us," said Cook. "We haven't seen as much violence in Alexandria We've had very serious and violent behavior by gangs in the region around us. A lot of felonies, a lot of assaults. The threat is ever present, because it can erupt at any point with a disagreement between the gangs."

That eruption appears to have already started. Police had been searching the park for Eduard David Chandias Almendarez, who had disappeared there on Nov. 28, before he was found last Friday.

Earlier in November, Jose Luis Ferman was found at a playground in Beverly Park with severe neck and head injuries. During the discussion with City Council, Cook grouped these two murders together and said that the police are making progress. Not discussed were the unsolved murders of Leon Williams and Shakkan Elliot-Tibbs near the Braddock Road Metro earlier this year.

"We've had an uptick," Cook said. "It tends to be cyclical, particularly when there's a grievance between gang members. Of the previous five [gang-related crimes] that we had this year, four have been resolved and arrests have been made, one is still pending. We've done great work in trying to identify who those people are."

But Alexandria's diaspora of gangs is diverse, and finding witnesses and leads within gang culture isn't easy.

"We have just about every national gang represented in terms of residency," said Cook. "We have more Hispanic gangs than other traditional gangs, but almost everyone is represented. That doesn't mean all are active, but that people in city identify as part of those gangs."

Joseph Regotti, Alexandria Gang Prevention and Intervention coordinator, noted that the best thing the city could do to curtail gang violence is social programs and constant community outreach.

Cook announced that a meeting is scheduled for Monday, Dec. 14 at 6:30 p.m. at the Cora Kelley Recreation Center gymnasium, to discuss the latest murder with the community.

NEWS BRIEFS

Euilleology

The Dec. 8 City Council meeting marked the last with Mayor William Euille, Alexandria's mayor for 17 years and the first African-American to hold the position. At the beginning of the meeting, a choir sang "Amazing Grace" and former Mayor and U.S. Rep. Jim Moran praised Euille's years of dedication and service. As the City Council began to pay its respects, Wilson commented that the ceremony felt like a funeral, to which Euille responded that he'd already had the pun planned for one of his speeches. Like Moran, members of the council expressed their thanks to Euille and his service to the city.

"When this city started, our people came in chains," said Councilman John Chapman. "Under your leadership, we've seen that a person of color can sit in each and every seat up on the dias. [We've seen] that we are truly a diverse city with opportunity."

Before his departure, Euille listed what he saw as the biggest challenges facing Alexandria. Euille said that the new mayor and council will have to continue to diversify the revenue base and not to shy away from tax increases or decreases where prudent. But the biggest problem, Euille said, will be maintaining Alexandria's affordability and keeping the city welcoming to all residents.

Council Approves Raise

One area Euille won't benefit is the new raise planned for the mayor, City Council, and aides. Currently, the mayor and members of City Council make \$30,500 and \$27,500 for their jobs, listed as part time. The ordinance increases the mayor and council salaries to \$50,000 and \$45,000. However, Councilman Paul Smedberg said that since the last raise in 2003, the job expectations and amount of meetings

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PEOPLE

Mixing Up Traditional with New

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By SHIRLEY L. RUHE
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Victoria Sanchez opens the door at 310 S. Aspah. It is her first visit to consult with the owner, Cheryl Jaeger. Sanchez looks around the room and comments that they don't want paint with yellow undertones because of the west light coming in through the front windows. They are at the very beginning of a process of renovating the space but have been working together for a long time. "This is the best block," Jaeger said. "The houses have so much character with a lot of history and every house on this block is plaqued as historical."

Sanchez is moving ahead and asks, "Are the systems up, where are we with the kitchen?" Jaeger says that she needs help with choosing among the 5,000 shades of white for the kitchen cabinets "because Victoria would know."

Sanchez says the biggest challenge here is working with the small space. Another issue is getting a couch up the 26-28 inch stairway to the TV room upstairs. The bannister has already been removed to accommodate. Sanchez comments that she has guys who make furniture for her and she could see them making three sections that could be assembled together upstairs.

PEOPLE AT WORK Sanchez asks, "How married are you to the moldings? Do you know what is original? What about the chair rail?" She recommends taking out the chair rail which "is like a fat belt on a short person" and shrinks the wall in a small space. "What are your love pieces?"

She works around what the client absolutely needs to have in their space. Sanchez wants to make the downstairs space not Williamsburg, not stuffy but hip, transitional and livable. Sanchez looks around the room absorbing all the details of the space and focuses on the ceiling. She recommends that Jaeger reduce the size of her light fixtures to 3 inches. She asks if the floors are original.

They move on to the kitchen, currently gutted with wires hanging from the walls, bare brick on the wall, a floor crossed with boards which Sanchez negotiates with ease, one foot in front of the other as she checks out the space. "This will be a really nice kitchen," she says visualizing the space. Around the corner is another vision. "Powder rooms are fun, right?" I'm thinking about doing everything including the ceiling in wallpaper, maybe an updated traditional, like floral." "I hear what you are saying; here's what I am thinking," Sanchez says. "I'll be in Charlottesville this weekend and I will look for silver tones."



PHOTOS BY SHIRLEY RUHE/GAZETTE PACKET

Victoria Sanchez walks over the bare boards visualizing the new kitchen in Cheryl Jaeger's historic home at 310 S. Aspah. "The island will be over there? This will be nice."

They discuss the dining room. Jaeger has never had a dining room and is "very excited." She would like a table for entertaining but would like to keep the flow from the front door down the hall and to the backyard. But Sanchez thinks of this as a multi-purpose room, maybe with some drop leaf lunes that could be put up or taken down to make the table but leave the space free for the rest of the time.

Jaeger points out a favorite picture that she wants displayed prominently in the living room. Sanchez says, "This raises little flags. The entire first floor has to follow the pink and purple in the picture." When Jaeger says that purple is her favorite color, Sanchez adjusts and says she has some fabrics in mind. She is snapping pictures to take back and digest the ideas.

Jaeger says the biggest challenge she remembers in her 33-year career was the Turnberry Towers in Rosslyn where she designed two penthouses into one. "It took two years." She said, "I brought in my team of local contractors together with huge contractors in this multi-million dollar project. So I would go every day in my high heels and be a woman making all the complex decisions required in running a multi-million dollar project. "It was a fantastic learning experience, all of the codes and complicated regulations."

Sanchez says she knew this is what she wanted to do from when she was 6, 7 or 10. "I was just born to do it." She says her father bought a lot of houses and took her along and her grandmother took her antiquing." Sanchez opened Sanchez Designs two years ago on S. Union Street. She has owned her own business for 15 years and always worked in the local metropolitan area.

"Now upstairs. Be careful," she says looking toward the narrow, curving stairway. "We had to pry out the bannister. Don't trip."



Victoria Sanchez and Cheryl Jaeger discuss the crown moldings and chair rail in Jaeger's dining room in her historic house on S. Aspah — what is original, how married is she to keeping them? This is their first consultation. As she looks around the space, Sanchez recommends replacing the sizes of the 6-inch light fixtures with 3 inches. Jaeger says, "I have to use Victoria because she knows how to mix up the traditional with the new, how to choose among the 5,000 shades of white."

Stephen Mutty has been named the new executive director of the Alexandria Seaport Foundation.

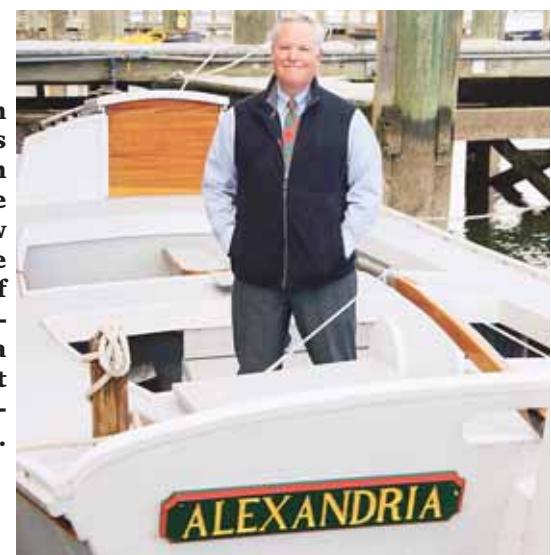


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Mutty Takes Helm

Seaport Foundation announces new executive director.

By JEANNE THEISMANN
GAZETTE PACKET

Stephen D. Mutty, a leader in the commercial real estate industry and long-time supporter of the Alexandria Seaport Foundation, has been named by the organization as its new executive director.

"I'm very excited about this opportunity," said Mutty, who took over the position effective Dec. 1. "The Alexandria Seaport Foundation has been a vital contributor to the well-being of the Alexandria community for 33 years. Through our core programs, the Boat Building Apprentice Program and the Middle School Math Program, ASF has changed the lives of hundreds of young men and women in our community."

Mutty brings to ASF extensive management expertise, personal and professional investment in the City of Alexandria, nonprofit board experience and a life-long dedication to changing young peoples' lives.

"We are excited to have Steve as part of our ASF family," said ASF board chair Candy Clary in making the announcement. "His strong leadership qualities, passion for the mission and his community centric focus will allow us to serve more young people in Alexandria and the surrounding communities through our Apprentice Program and through our Middle School Math Program partnership with the Alexandria City Public Schools."

A resident of Alexandria, Mutty originally hails from a sailing and seafaring family from Boston. He has been a supporter of ASF for several years and has a long history of volunteer and charitable efforts, including work with Best Buddies Virginia, Boy Scouts of America, DC Building Industry Association and two terms on the Alexandria Waterfront Commission. He and his wife, Maryanne, were a host family for Children of Chernobyl for several years.

Mutty brings significant business experience to ASF, having spent more than 30 years in commercial real estate, most recently as senior vice president of Colliers International.

Established in 1982, the ASF is a nonprofit organization that uses traditional boat building to help at-risk and disadvantaged youth improve their lives. ASF's signature Boat Building Apprenticeship Program is a nationally recognized workforce readiness program that teaches at-risk youth between the ages of 18-22.

Along with career and woodworking skills, apprentices improve their academic competencies (reading, math and history) and are introduced to science, technology, engineering and math through project-based learning, carpentry and traditional wooden boat building.

ASF's Middle School Math Program works with local middle school youth teaching math through the building of small projects such as cigar box guitars, skateboards and model boats.

"I'm still getting settled in," said Mutty, who just completed his first week on the job, "But I am excited about the opportunity to expand the reach and benefits of ASF to more of the youth in our community,"

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PEOPLE



Alexandria Cupcake owners Kathy and Adnan Hamidi at the Taste of Scotland.



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Taste of Scotland

John Vickers-Smith II dips glasses in the traditional Maker's Mark red wax during the Taste of Scotland Dec. 4 at the George Washington Masonic Memorial.

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THROUGH DEC. 13

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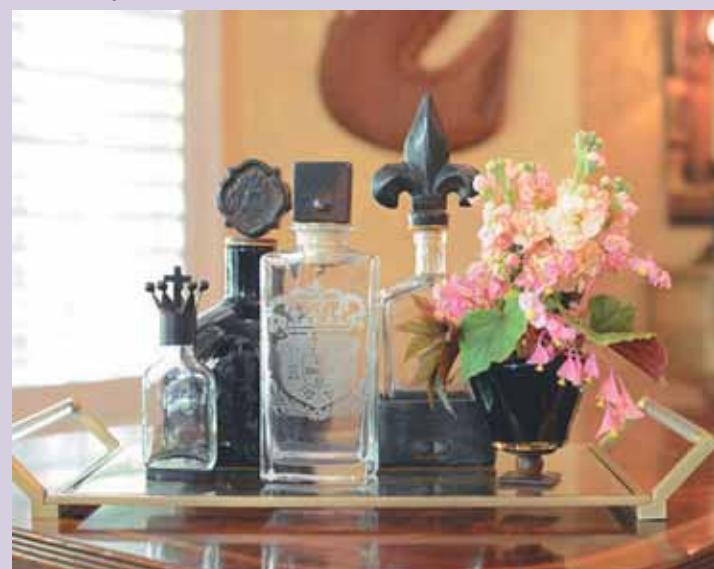
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ARLINGTON \$ 475,000

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Ellen Young 703.990.37617
ALEXANDRIA / Belle View \$ 215,000

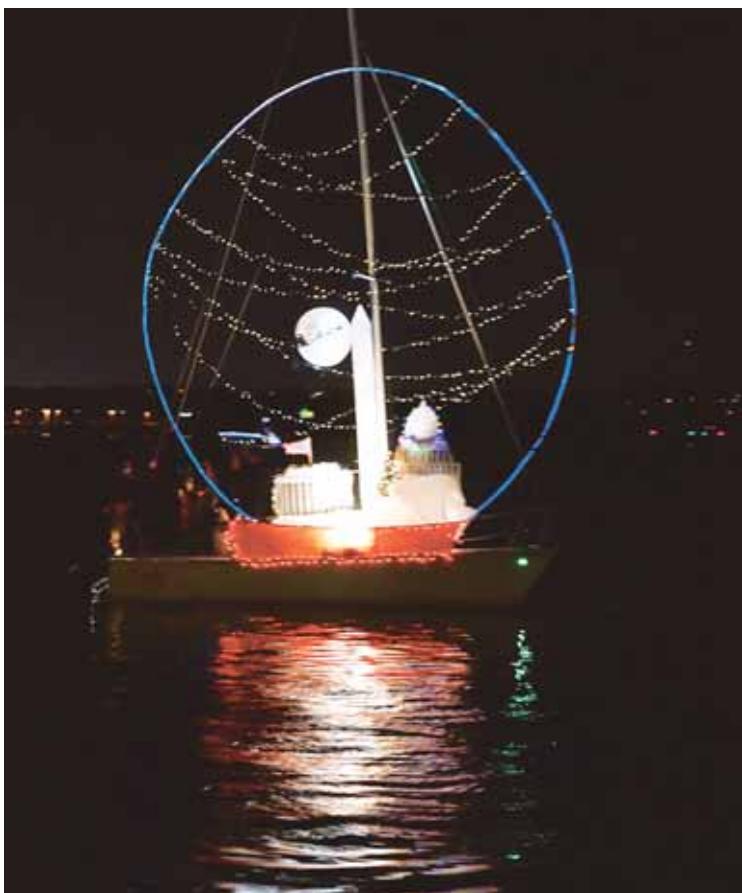
Large 2BR unit with updated kitchen and bath with beautiful ceramic floors. Extra cabinets/counter in kitchen. Closets Plus built-ins in front bedroom. Updated lighting, and 3 ceiling fans. Replacement tilt-in windows with Argon Gas for efficiency. Newly refinished wood floors and freshly painted. Excellent location.



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NEWS



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Let There Be Light

Festively decorated boats illuminated the Alexandria waterfront Dec. 5 as part of the 16th annual Holiday Boat Parade of Lights. Led by the city's fireboat Vigilant and Washington D.C.'s fireboat John Glenn, more than 50 boats from throughout the region participated in the cruise along the Potomac River vying for prizes in a categories including Best in Show, Thinking Outside the Christmas Box and Hardest Souls. DC media personality Tommy McFly of 94.7 Fresh FM served as the parade announcer for the thousands gathered along the waterfront to view the festivities.



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Application Deadline. The City of Alexandria invites local businesses to apply for the Healthy Workplace Award. The Alexandria Healthy Workplace Award program recognizes Alexandria workplaces that have demonstrated a commitment to employee health and wellness in the City of Alexandria. Visit www.helathieralexandria.org for more.

Accepting Donations. Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at 421 King St., Suite 400. Every year, the Alexandria Domestic Violence Program organizes a holiday party for children and

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THROUGH DEC. 16

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OPINION

Safety Net for Holiday Celebrations

It's an opportunity to talk about responsibility, alcohol and planning ahead.

The holiday party season is here, and we will almost all be celebrating in some way. Some ways will involve celebrations that include alcohol.

It's up to you to make a plan to get home safely.

Plan to bring a designated driver. Plan to party (and live) where you can take public transportation. Plan to celebrate at home or someplace where you can spend the night. Plan to abstain.

And if all of that fails, the **EDITORIAL** Washington Regional Alcohol Project has a safety net for you.

WRAP, a local nonprofit organization, will offer free cab rides to would-be impaired drivers throughout Northern Virginia during the winter holidays.

The annual Holiday SoberRide program will operate nightly from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. starting Friday, Dec. 11, 2015, and continuing until Thursday, Jan. 1, 2016 as a way to keep local roads safe from impaired drivers during this traditionally high-risk, holiday period.

During these times, area residents 21-and-

over, celebrating with alcohol can call the toll-free SoberRide phone number 1-800-200-TAXI for a no-cost (up to \$30 fare), safe way home. Callers will be responsible for fare amounts over \$30.

WRAP also offers free cab rides for other holidays, including Halloween, Independence Day, Cinco de Mayo, and more.

Concerns about consequences of driving under the influence are well founded.

In 2013, 10,076 people were killed in alcohol-impaired driving crashes, accounting for nearly one-third of all traffic-related deaths in the United States, according to the CDC. Tens of thousands more were injured. Holidays lead to an increase in impaired driving, the Christmas through New Year season in particular.

In 2014, there were no fatal vehicular accidents in the City of Alexandria. But of the 1,777 total crashes, 99 were alcohol-related; and of the 757 injuries in crashes, 60 were alcohol-related.

Since 1993, WRAP's SoberRide program has provided more than 63,000 free cab rides home to would-be drunk drivers in the Greater Wash-

Safe Ride Home

WRAP's 2015 Holiday SoberRide program will be offered from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. nightly from Dec. 11, 2015 to Jan. 1, 2016. To receive a free cab ride home (up to a \$30 fare), call 800-200-8294 (TAXI). You must be 21 or older to use the SoberRide service. See www.SoberRide.com.

ington area.

We know that many young people over 21 are living at home with parents, or will be visiting for the holidays. Parents, be brave. Have a conversation with your children, whether they are under or over 21. Be sure those over 21 have a plan, and are equipped with the SoberRide number.

SoberRide is not available for underage drinkers, but parents still should talk to their children about their plans, and tell them out loud that you expect them not to drive impaired and not to get into a car with an impaired driver. Tell them to call you, and you'll come get them if necessary.

The consequences and vulnerabilities of drinking to excess are significant, more so for underage drinkers and young adults, even beyond drinking and driving. Don't let the opportunity to talk about it pass you by.

— MARY KIMM
mkimm@connectionnewspapers.com

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

War on Chanukah?

To the Editor:

Every year about this time someone rails about the war on Christmas.

What I am experiencing is a war on Chanukah. When I went to one bookstore, there was not a single item for Chanukah (no one can say that about Christmas). When I went to a CVS, again not a single item for Chanukah.

I was at City Hall this week. People were decorating a Christmas tree in the Vola Lawson Lobby. Again nothing about Chanukah.

When I first moved to Alexandria 40 years ago, there were two synagogues in Alexandria and I felt a Jewish presence

here, among many other cultures.

Now 40 years later, there are three synagogues in Alexandria (and another in Arlington that provides a new Jewish face—Kol Ami, the only Reconstructionist Jewish congregation in Northern Virginia) and many more Jews in Alexandria. We can even take pride in electing the first Jewish woman as mayor of Alexandria. What I cannot find is a business community interested in selling Chanukah-related items.

Undaunted, three synagogues (Agudas Achim Congregation of Alexandria, Congregation Etz Hayim of Arlington and Kol Ami) are joining together with FocusMusic to hold a Chanukah concert Saturday night Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. at Congregation Etz Hayim. Ein Lanu Z'man (ELZ) is the fea-

tured act. ELZ features Hazzan Elisheva Dientsfrey of Agudas Achim Congregation, along with other members of that congregation. Their music comes from the Jewish tradition, with a diverse repertoire that features folk, classical, and rock influences, among others. Their Hebrew name, which means "We have no time" in English, describes their lives. ELZ includes talented and busy members of the Agudas Achim family who work in a variety of professions and who, collectively, have many family and volunteer obligations, but who manage to find the time to create innovative, interesting, and inspiring music together.

Opening will be Hannah Spiro, a Jewish Rock Radio emerging artist and a student at the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College preparing to be a rabbi.

Herb Cooper-Levy/Alexandria

Inattentive Drivers

To the Editor:

As I was leaving the CVS on S. Washington Street (ironically, I was getting a prescription filled to keep me healthy), I was nearly hit by a car. He was turning left from S. Washington Street, in front of oncoming traffic, to get onto Wilkes Street. I was crossing Wilkes Street and I had the white Walk sign. Startled by the car rushing towards me, I froze, and then did a little dance to get out of the way. As the driver went by me, he yelled, "Just keep walking!" as if I was in the wrong.

This is the second time this week that I have almost been hit by a car. On Wednesday evening, I was crossing S. Washington Street to get home and a car coming from Jefferson Street onto S. Washington Street nearly ran into me. Again, I had the white Walk sign. This time the driver apologized and said she hadn't seen me.

When are the police going to patrol our unsafe streets in Old Town and prevent accidents? Believe me, these aren't the only times I have nearly been run over by inattentive or careless drivers.

Carolyn Ostrom/Alexandria

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The presentation of a portrait of George Washington by the George Washington Chapter to Saint Mary's School with Joe Dooley, president general, National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution 2013-14; Janet Cantwell, Saint Mary's principal; Dwight Whitney, president, George Washington Chapter; and Mike Elston, second vice president, Virginia Society.

Honoring Washington

BY PAUL WALDEN
TREASURER, GEORGE WASHINGTON CHAPTER, VASSAR

Alexandria has many ties to the American Revolution, including George Washington, often referred to as the founding father of the United States. After securing American independence, many of General Washington's staff

And his soldiers.

from the Continental Army moved to Alexandria to be near their old commander. One of Washington's closest friends was his Aide de Camp, Col. John Fitzgerald, who served with him throughout the Revolutionary War. He had, in his own right, played a promi-

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HISTORY

Founding Father for St. Mary's Catholic Church and Cemetery

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nent role during the war. He was also a very prominent Alexandria citizen and was elected and served as mayor 1786-7.

Washington and Fitzgerald remained close friends in the years following the war and Washington's retirement from the Presidency. What is not generally known is that Washington played

a very significant role as a founding father of St. Mary's Catholic Church and cemetery, the oldest Catholic parish and cemetery in Virginia. In 1795, Col. Fitzgerald with the help of Washington founded St. Mary's, along with its cemetery. St. Mary's is still located at the original site at 310 South Royal St. The cemetery occupies an oblong plot between Royal and Washington streets bounded on

the north by St. Mary's School and on the south by the busy Interstate I-95 approach to the Woodrow Wilson Bridge. It is bounded by a wrought iron and brick fence with a gate at the north end at Washington Street indicating a "1795" date. There is a plaque at the church which states:

"In grateful acknowledgement of their aid in establishing this church the three trees to the north

of this stone have been dedicated as follows to General George Washington as subscriber to the building, Colonel John Fitzgerald, his favorite Aide de Camp, as the collector of the building fund, Colonel Robert Hooe, Major of Alexandria, as the donor of the acre of land."

Col. Fitzgerald died on Dec. 16, 1799. Although reported as having been buried at St. Mary's cemetery, the better evidence suggests he was buried across the Potomac River on property he owned in Maryland.

A few years ago the George Washington Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution marked the grave of Private Lawrence Hurdle who died in 1848 at the age of 98. Full honors were provided, including a color guard. Two of the church parish priests participated in the ceremony. There is a brass plaque and commemorating marker at his grave in the Hurdle family plot that cites his service in the American Revolution. Members of the Hurdle family are still members of the church and attended the program.

Several other Revolutionary War

soldiers are known to be buried in the cemetery. Unfortunately, the early records of burial plots are missing. Alexandria Historian Michael Miller, in his book "Burials in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery 1799-1983," identified the first known burial at the new cemetery as Caven Boa who died Aug. 20, 1799. He was a member of the Corps of Artillery and was buried by full military honors. His grave site is among those unknown. Local historian Wesley E. Pippenger in his "Tombstone Inscriptions of Alexandria" identified known Revolutionary soldiers buried at St. Mary's that included Hurdle. Two other identified were Francis Ignatius Hagen who died in 1830 at age 76; and Pierre La Croix who died in 1830 at the age 88. La Croix served in the French and Indian War under Gen. Montcalm and later in the Revolutionary War under General Montgomery.

This historic cemetery includes many other soldiers from other wars. For example there are over 40 soldiers from the Civil War buried there. All of this is a reminder of the importance that Alexandria has in the history and development of the United States.

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HOLIDAY GUIDE

Baked Treats Decorate Firehook's Holiday Table

The buche de Noel, sugar cookies, and sourdough bread won't disappoint at next holiday dinner party.

By HOPE NELSON
GAZETTE PACKET

Think about the holidays for a moment. What comes to mind first? Maybe a Christmas carol, or maybe the Fraser fir that sits stately in the living room. But surely the thought of cookies and milk — or pies and pastries — isn't far behind. At APPETITE Firehook Bakery, such sweets (as well as savory treats) are at the top of mind every day — and especially so during the holiday season.

After more than 20 years in Alexandria, Firehook's bakers and staff have gotten their holiday season plans down to a science, says co-founder Pierre Abushacra. During the ramp-up to last year's Christmas season, "We were panicked because there was no panic!" he laughed. "... We're lucky in that we have same really great people and bakers that have been with us since Day One (and) are still with the company."

That longevity certainly comes in handy this time of year, when holiday items are being rolled out at a rapid pace. From sugar cookies to pear-cran-

berry almond tarts to many sweets in between, the treats are seemingly endless. But one stands out as a centerpiece just waiting to be put into the spotlight: The buche de Noel.

"The one dessert that has been a staple for us at Firehook and has a little bit of personal history for me is the Yule log, the buche de Noel," Abushacra said, explaining that his own mother spent many holiday seasons decorating Yule logs in his uncle's bakery. Each year, "we would get a free Yule log for the family, and I never, never thought I would carry on that tradition years later."

But throughout the years at Firehook, Abushacra has done just that. And the Yule log has become one of the bakery's staples each and every holiday season.

So too have Firehook's breads, a savory treat so often overlooked (but desperately needed for the dinner table) during the holiday season. Whereas the bakery once

played host to 250 different kinds of bread, Firehook has recently pared its selection down to 25. And that, Abushacra says, has made all the difference in terms of quality and bakers' inspiration. Now, bakers can spend more time on each loaf of bread and can



Holiday treats abound at Firehook Bakery on South Washington Street.

offer customers fresh-baked loaves on a set timetable, allowing for 5 or 6 breads on the permanent rotation every day of the week, plus a rotating schedule of a half-dozen more as each day goes by.

Along with the new bread lineup, Firehook has introduced a new sourdough starter that hits very close to home: Bakers harvested the grapevine garden grapes from Firehook's Cleveland Park location and made their own sourdough starter with it. That starter now serves as the base for all of the bakery's sourdough bread in every store, Abushacra says.

"The grapes came from a garden that's about 55 years old," adjacent to the former Roma Restaurant (and current Firehook) in Cleveland Park, Abushacra said. And in

terms of the bread menu at large, "the quality of the breads really makes me proud of what we've done. Maintaining and bringing that back is great. It makes me feel good."

Longtime Alexandrians will remember that Firehook took over the space formerly occupied by the old Shuman's Bakery, another holiday destination year in and year out. Abushacra says it's an honor to have been in the space for so long.

"We are blessed that we started in Old Town and we remained as part of the community. We're very proud of our roots."

Hope Nelson owns and operates the Kitchen Recessionista blog, located at www.kitchenrecessionista.com. Email her any time at hope@kitchenrecessionista.com.

Details

Firehook Bakery

Address: 430 S. Washington St.
Hours: 6:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Friday; 7 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday.

For your holiday party: "The Yule log tends to get the celebration started," co-founder Pierre Abushacra says. "... It's great because you can slice it thin and it keeps very well. It's a delicious, light cake. We have two — a chocolate and a Grand Marnier. It looks beautiful as a presentation for a centerpiece, and it's easy to serve. You can slice it and once it's sliced the slices look nice."

HOLIDAY CALENDAR

Family Events

THROUGH DEC. 15

Holiday Gift Drive. At Hollin Meadows Elementary School, 2310 Nordok Place. Donate an unwrapped gift to help Hollin Meadows students and families. Toys, books, LEGOs, puzzles, multicultural dolls, board games, and gift cards are being accepted. Contact Nancy Engler at recordingsecretaryhmpta@gmail.com.

THROUGH JAN. 6

Christmas at Mount Vernon. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at George Washington's Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway. Visit George Washington's estate and see Aladdin the camel on the grounds, in honor of the camel that Washington paid to visit Mount Vernon in 1787. Stroll through Mount Vernon's modern buildings and view sparkling holiday decorations, featuring 12 dazzling Christmas trees, and historical chocolate-making demonstrations. Also visit the rarely-open third floor of the Mansion. All is included in the general admission price which is \$17 for adults, \$16 for seniors, \$9 for youth ages 6-11, and free for children 5 and under. Visit www.mountvernon.org/christmas for more.

SATURDAY/DEC. 12

Breakfast with Santa. 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. at Mount Vernon High School, 8515 Old Mount Vernon Road. Eat a pancake breakfast, make crafts, and play games. \$5 per person, families of 5 or more pay a flat \$25 family rate. Visit www.facebook.com/MVHSClassof2019.

Civil War Christmas in Camp at Fort Ward. 12-4 p.m. at Fort Ward Museum & Historic Site, 4301 W. Braddock Road. Visitors meet a Civil War-era Santa at this holiday event exploring how Christmas was observed during the Civil War. The program features living-history interpreters, a Victorian Christmas tree, refreshments, readings of The Night Before Christmas and a patriotic Santa Claus inspired by a Thomas Nast illustration for Harper's Weekly newspaper. Suggested donation is \$2 for adults, \$1 for children. Call 703-746-4848 or www.fortward.org.

Christmas Candlelight Service. 5:45-8 p.m. at Alexandria

Presbyterian Church, 2405 Russell Road. This service of lessons and carols will feature APC choirs, brass quintet and carol singing. Reception to follow. Free. Visit www.alexandriapres.org for more.

"A Christmas Carol." 7 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. NYC actor

/ playwright, Greg Oliver Bodine performs "A Christmas Carol." This one-man play is based on the condensed version Dickens himself used on his historic reading tours of the United States. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for children. Visit www.mountvernon.org/christmas.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/DEC. 12-13

Christmas Tree Sale. 12-4:30 p.m. at 2911 Cameron Mills Road. Find 4-13 foot fresh-cut fir trees. Trees priced \$35-175. Call 304-703-1350.

Historic Alexandria Candlelight Tours. 6-9 p.m. on Saturday, 3-6 p.m. on Sunday at Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St; Carlyle House, 121 N. Fairfax St; Lee-Fendall House, 614 Oronoco St.; and The Lloyd House, 220 N. Washington St. Tour Gadsby's Tavern Museum, Carlyle House, The Lloyd House and Lee-Fendall House. Seasonal libations may be purchased along the tour. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$20 for active military and seniors (65 and older), and \$5 for children (ages 6-17). Visit www.shop.alexandriava.gov.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY/DEC. 18-19

Christmas Illuminations at Mount Vernon. 5:30-9 p.m. at George Washington's Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway.

Enjoy choir performances, fireworks, visit with re-enactors, learn 18th-century dance moves, learn how chocolate was made in the 18th century, and more. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$20 for youth. Visit www.mountvernon.org/christmas.

SATURDAY/DEC. 19

Brunch with Santa. 9-11:30 a.m. at The Pub by Wegmans, 7905 Hilltop Village Center Drive. Families are invited to a breakfast with a special brunch menu and a visit from Santa. Free to attend. Call 571-527-2465.

SUNDAY/DEC. 20

Mount Vernon by Candlelight. 5-8 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays, at George Washington's Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway. Take character-guided tours, listen to caroling, watch 18th-century dancing, and see a reproduction of Martha Washington's "Great Cake" recipe. "Mrs. Washington" and Aladdin the Christmas camel will also be on site. Tickets are \$22 for adults and \$15 for youth. Visit www.mountvernon.org/christmas.

TUESDAY-THURSDAY/DEC. 22-24

Meet Santa. 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m. at Union Street Public House, 121 S. Union St. Children get approximately

five minutes to meet and take pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus. A \$20 fee reserves a time slot, professional photos will be available for purchase. Visit www.unionstreetpublichouse.com.

THURSDAY/DEC. 24

Water Skiing Santa. 1-2 p.m. at Old Town Alexandria Waterfront, between King and Oronoco streets. Attend a holiday-themed watersports show along the Potomac. Free. Visit www.waterskiingsanta.com.

THURSDAY/DEC. 31

First Night Alexandria. 2 p.m.-12 a.m. at venues throughout Old Town and Alexandria. This 21st annual New Year's Eve celebration will feature more than 175 performances at 29 indoor venues, with live music, dancing, children's face painting and games. The afternoon's Seventh Annual Fun Hunt is accompanied by all-new activities for families and pets. There's an old fashioned carnival at the Mount Vernon Recreation Center in Del Ray. First Night's fireworks finale returns with a spectacular display over the Potomac River at midnight. Tickets are \$20 before Dec. 14, \$30 after. Admission for children 12 and under, seniors, military, and volunteers are free. Visit

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Fine Arts

THROUGH JAN. 3

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Performing Arts

THROUGH DEC. 19

"A Christmas Carol." 8 p.m. Thursday-Friday, 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. Saturday-Sunday. The Little Theatre of Alexandria performs the classic Victorian tale of Ebenezer Scrooge who travels with ghostly guides through Christmas past, present and

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THROUGH DEC. 27

"A Broadway Christmas Carol."

Various times at MetroStage, 1201 N. Royal St. Created by Kathy Feininger and directed by Michael Sharp, this MetroStage holiday tradition is a cross between the classic Dickens' tale and Broadway parodies. Tickets are \$50. Visit www.metrostage.org.

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SATURDAY/DEC. 12

"A Christmas Carol." 7 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. NYC actor

/ playwright, Greg Oliver Bodine performs "A Christmas Carol." This one-man play is based on the condensed version Dickens himself used on his historic reading tours of the United States. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for children. Visit www.nvfaa.org.

SUNDAY/DEC. 13

"Nutcracker in a Nutshell."

1 p.m. at Nannie J. Lee Center-Kauffman Auditorium, 1108 Jefferson St. Metropolitan School of the Arts, of Alexandria and Lorton, presents a 30-minute Nutcracker performance for younger audiences, who are looking for an abbreviated version of the classic Nutcracker. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for ages 9 and younger. Visit www.metropolitanarts.org.

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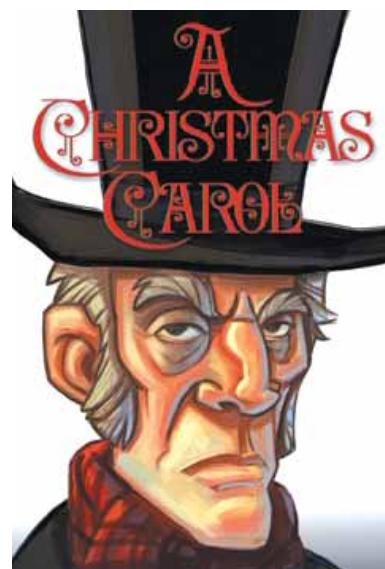
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Personalize Hostess Gifts for the Season

From one end of King Street to the other.

Want to branch out from the traditional flowers and wine to present a personalized hostess gift this year? Local Alexandria businesses offer a wide variety of gifts for that holiday party or dinner.

— SHIRLEY L. RUHE



Olio at 1223 King Street offers a combination of 50 olive oils and vinegars. Penny Willimann, an employee at the store, says the most popular purchase is the gift boxes which allow customization of a box of four small bottles of oil and or vinegars. At this time of the year fig basalmic and rosemary olive oil or cranberry basalmic and blood orange olive oil are popular combinations. William says the store has a tasting room so people can come in anytime and taste any of the selections before they decide on their purchase.

PHOTOS BY SHIRLEY RUHE/GAZETTE PACKET

Gift boxes of miniature peanut butter cookies shaped like Christmas trees, paw prints and candy canes greet the canine or human visitor to The Dog Park at 705 King St. Anna Fitzgerald, the owner, says the cookies don't have any sugar so they wouldn't taste good to us but dogs love them." She said a customer had just bought a box to take to a party for her boss's dog. Just inside the door is a wall of toys. "My Australian cattle dog mix loves this one, a gingerbread with a bite mark on the foot." There is also a selection of Hanukkah cookies as well as individual larger treats in bright holiday shapes. Holiday dog-themed towels are also a popular gift. A set of stone coasters for either dogs or cats proclaims "UR sitting in my chair" or "put down UR drink and pet me."



Blüprint Chocolatiers at 1001 King Street have two new holiday boxes with 12 candies each including "Let it Snow," the non-alcoholic selection, and "Holiday Cheer," the alcoholic selection including eggnog with dark rum, glögg with brandy and dry red wine and candy cane with Rumple Minze peppermint schnapps. Kim Gustafson, owner with her husband, said the most popular is the ginger, ginger, ginger which is a milk and dark chocolate ganache with fresh ginger, crystallized ginger and roasted ginger on top and also the simple vanilla bean with the "cute as can be colorful sparkling purple on top." Gustafson said the local support is about 70 percent of the business and has been great since they opened mid-April. She said, "If the store was burning down and you could take only one candy with you mine would be 'the porto,' a rich dark chocolate ganache with Six Grapes Port."



Carluccio's at 100 King St. offers a large selection of Italian products that would be perfect for hostess gifts. Mickey Asnicar, director of U.S. Marketing, says the Panettone or "big bread" is the traditional national Christmas cake in Italy. The legend is that Tone was working in a baking shop and sought to impress the daughter of his master so he made a big sweet cake and won her heart. In addition, Baci di Dama, hazelnut biscuits from the Piedmont, are a good gift if the family has children. Fiocchi di Neve are meringues with crushed hazelnuts, good for sharing at the end of a meal. And the hostess would especially appreciate a package of pappardelle fine egg pasta from Italy with a jar of porcini and tomato sauce or the fresh lasagna or Lugiana sausage or pesto sauce that she can serve the next day to eliminate cooking the "day after."

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features folk, classical, and rock influences, among others. Tickets are \$15 in advance for adults, \$18 at the door, \$10 for students, and \$5 for preschool-aged children. Visit www.focusmusic.org for more.

SUNDAY/DEC. 13

Music in the Gallery: The Mount Vernon Flutes. 2 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. The Mount Vernon Flutes perform holiday classics. Free. Visit www.nvfaa.org.

Colonial Handbell Ringers.

2 p.m. and 4 p.m. at the Lyceum—Alexandria's History Museum, 201 S. Washington St. The Colonial English Handbell Ringers features performers from across the Maryland/D.C./Virginia area clad in colonial attire, bringing a five-octave set of nearly 80 handbells from the world-famous Whitechapel foundry in London. Free. Visit www.alexandriahistory.org.

MONDAY/DEC. 14

The Aimee Mann & Ted Leo Christmas Show. 7:30 p.m. at The

Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Aimee Mann and Ted Leo share the stage with Jonathan Coulton, Liz Phair, and more. Tickets are \$49.50 plus service fee. Visit www.birchmere.com for more.

SUNDAY/DEC. 20

Alexandria Symphony Orchestra: Family Holiday Concert. 3 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 228 S. Pitt St. Select musicians of the Alexandria Symphony Orchestra perform holiday classics. Tickets are \$20 and \$5 for youth. Visit www.carlyleclub.com for more.

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Carol Sing and Pageant. 5:30 p.m. at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Road. Cider and desserts will follow a children's nativity pageant. Free. Visit www.staidansepiscopal.com.

A Sinatra Christmas. 7 p.m. at The Carlyle Club, 2050 Ballenger Ave.

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TUESDAY/DEC. 29

Mint Condition Holiday Show. 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. R&B group performs. Tickets are \$65. Visit www.birchmere.com for more.

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Food & Drink

THURSDAY/DEC. 10

All That Glows. 7 p.m. at Woodlawn, 9000 Richmond Highway. The Woodlawn Council invites the public to a holiday open house with a "reimagined" 19th century menu. Tickets are \$200. Visit www.eventbrite.com/e/all-that-glow-tickets-19335619358.

SUNDAY/DEC. 13

Cookie & Beer Tasting. 1-6 p.m. at Port City Brewing Company, 3950 Wheeler Ave. Herndon's Nosh cookie company pairs up with Port City beer. Tours are \$10. Visit www.portcitybrewing.com for more.

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"Printed Matter" Opening

Reception. 6-8 p.m. at The Target Gallery, 105 N. Union St. Printed Matter features a mix of works (printed media, such as xerography, book arts, and graphic design) created using traditional techniques as well as newer or reimaged ones. Free. Visit www.torpedofactory.org.

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"Art Uniting People" Reception.

6:30 p.m. at the Durant Arts Center, 1605 Cameron St. "Art Uniting People - A Celebration of Recovery, Creativity and Mental Health," is an art exhibition presented every year to showcase the artwork by local individuals. Free. Visit www.artunitingpeople.wix.com/artunitingpeople.

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Breakfast with Santa. 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. at Mount Vernon High School, 8515 Old Mount Vernon Road. Eat a pancake breakfast, make crafts, and play games. \$5 per person, families of 5 or more pay a flat \$25 family rate. Visit www.facebook.com/MVHSClassof2019.

Brunch with Santa. 9-11:30 a.m. at The Pub by Wegmans, 7905 Hilltop Village Center Drive. Families are invited to a breakfast with a special brunch menu and a visit from Santa. Free to attend. Call 571-527-2465.

Lecture. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at Alexandria Archaeology Museum, 105 N. Union St., #327. Learn the history and impact of Jonathan Roberts, a Civil War Quaker Scout and Sheriff. Free. Call 703-746-4399 for more.

Civil War Christmas in Camp at Fort Ward. 12-4 p.m. at Fort Ward Museum & Historic Site, 4301 W. Braddock Road. Visitors meet a Civil War-era Santa at this holiday event exploring how Christmas was observed during the Civil War. The program features living-history interpreters, a Victorian Christmas tree, refreshments, readings of The Night Before Christmas and a patriotic Santa Claus inspired by a Thomas Nast illustration for Harper's Weekly newspaper. Suggested donation is \$2 for adults, \$1 for children. Call 703-746-4848 or www.fortward.org.

Chinquapin Park 30th Anniversary Party.

1-6 p.m. at Chinquapin Park Recreation Center & Aquatics Facility, 3210 King St. Patrons will have free use of the facility, including the indoor pool, racquetball courts, fitness room, and soft play room. Additional activities will include class demonstrations; swim lesson skill assessments; facility tours; and light refreshments. Free. Call 703-746-4343 for more.

Christmas Candlelight Service.

5:45-8 p.m. at Alexandria Presbyterian Church, 2405 Russell Road. This service of lessons and carols will feature APC choirs, brass quintet and carol singing. Reception to follow. Free. Visit www.alexandriapres.org for more.

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Tour Mount Vernon by Candlelight

The final installment of "Mount Vernon by Candlelight" will be on Sunday, Dec. 20. Take a character-guided tour of the estate (3200 Mount Vernon Highway), listen to caroling, watch 18th-century dancing, and see a reproduction of Martha Washington's "Great Cake" recipe. "Mrs. Washington" and Aladdin the Christmas camel will also be on site. Tickets are \$22 for adults and \$15 for youth. Visit www.mountvernon.org/christmas for more.



Repeat Reneaux." Tickets are \$35. Visit www.birchmere.com for more.

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Suzanne Stryk: "Notes on the State of Virginia." Gallery hours at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Suzanne Stryk's art exhibit includes a series of assemblages inspired by Thomas Jefferson's book "Notes on the State of Virginia." Free. Visit www.nvfaa.org.

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Christmas Illuminations at Mount Vernon. 5:30-9 p.m. at George Washington's Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway. Enjoy choir performances, fireworks, visit with re-enactors, learn 18th-century dance moves, learn how chocolate was made in the 18th century, and more. Tickets are \$30 for adults and \$20 for youth. Visit www.mountvernon.org/christmas.

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From traditional to glamorous, fresh to faux and high-end to old school, local tastemakers tell how they create dazzling holiday design extravaganzas.

Karen Velehoski and the rest of the design team at Merrifield Garden Center in Fair Oaks spend nearly a year planning and building the holiday displays that overtake each store during the Yuletide season.

In creating the holiday wonderlands, the designers assemble each space around a theme, maintaining consistency in style, color and texture. Their goal is to dream up design concepts that will inspire.

"We hope that people will get ideas for their own homes, but the first step is to focus on color," said Velehoski. "You can incorporate family heirlooms or decorations that you've had for years if you coordinate the colors. You can really use ribbons to tie the colors together easily."

"I love the mood and ambiance of white lights."

—Gretchen Fuss,
Tchoupitoulas Furnishings

For example, they designed a rustic space that draws inspiration from a snow-covered forest. "It's decorated

with things like branches, berries, birds and other outdoor animals," said Velehoski. "And we used red, plaid ribbon to keep the outdoorsy feel."

There's another winter scene that sparkles with décor in hues of gold, copper and platinum, and a classic display that pays homage to time-honored traditions. "It appeals to people who like greens, reds and poinsettias," said Velehoski. "This year we incorporated a little bit of black with that red, white and green which is pretty."

There's even inspiration for those with a penchant for pastels. "It has an icy look," said Velehoski. "It has an icy, frozen winter

wonderland feel with snowflakes and icicles. We used a lot of pale blue, pink and a touch of silver."

Simple, clean and fresh are words that Gretchen Fuss, an interior designer with Tchoupitoulas Furnishings in Alexandria, uses to characterize her holiday design aesthetic.

"I don't like to over do it when it comes to holiday design," she said. "I love the mood and ambiance of white lights. It changes the feel of a room. I like candlelit rooms."

Fuss says she uses a minimalist approach to incorporating family heirlooms with new acquisitions. "I do little vignettes where I'll have a piece, for example, that my mother once used to store ornaments in, and I'll use that to display fresh greenery."

The designer has even created holiday adornments of her own. "I've made holiday sculptures," said Fuss. "I even made little flower-shaped sculptures that I put together to make a six-foot tall Christmas tree."

Fuss adds white back-lighting, which shines through each flower petal, illuminating the tree.

Candles, ribbons and bows hanging on a mantle, swags of greenery and garlands draped over wall art and mirrors are what visitors who enter the spaces created by the designers of Patina Polished Living in Alexandria will see.

"... A string of lights combined with ornaments might flow down the center of a table, or shine inside a cloche combined with a winter wonderland theme," said designer Amanda Mertins.

For an exterior space, Mertins advises using a twinkling wreath or a lit arrangement in an urn to greet guests at the front door.

Local designers create opulent holiday designs.



PHOTO COURTESY OF GRETCHEN FUSS

Gretchen Fuss, an interior designer with Tchoupitoulas Furnishings, created this holiday tree.



PHOTO COURTESY OF PATINA POLISHED LIVING
Amanda Mertins of Patina Polished Living advises using an urn to greet guests at the front door.

Maintaining thematic consistency is a precept that designer Jenne Whitlaw, of GTM Architects in Bethesda, Md., recommends when conceiving ideas for holiday spaces. "Pick a central focal point, and echo the sentiment around the space, for both indoor and outdoor," she said. "This allows the eye to bounce around your holiday canvas, experiencing asymmetrical visual harmony and balance."

For those who prefer holiday decor in muted hues, Whitlaw suggests, "neutrals [like] winter white and pale greys, when paired with light, reflective metallics and sparkle add elegance and a sense of timeless wonder to every room."

For a touch of whimsy, Whitlaw recommends adding decorations to unexpected places.

"For a surprising embellishment, how about placing ornaments around the vanity in your powder room?" asks Whitlaw. "Chandeliers are also a perfect theatre in the round for cascading trinkets and greenery."

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SPORTS

TC Boys Drop Fourth Straight to Wakefield



T.C. Williams guard Tavaris James scored 17 points against Wakefield on Dec. 5.



T.C. Williams guard Jordan Jones scored 15 of his 17 points against Wakefield in the second half.

PHOTOS BY JEFF MCCULLIN

Titans motivated by 2015 season-ending loss.

BY JON ROETMAN
GAZETTE PACKET

Senior guard Tavaris James scored T.C. Williams' final six points of the first quarter, including a runner in the lane during the final seconds.

Senior guard Jordan Jones got into early foul trouble and scored just two points in the first half, but responded with 15 in the second.

There were bright spots for the T.C. Williams boys' basketball team during Saturday's matchup with Wakefield, including the performances of James and Jones, who each scored 17 points. But the Titans failed to chip away at a nine-point halftime deficit and lost their fourth straight meeting with the Warriors, 74-56, on Dec. 5 in Arlington.

T.C. Williams trailed by 14 in the second quarter, but closed the first half on a 7-2 run, cutting the Wakefield lead to 36-27 on a bucket by Andrew Tovsky.

A 3-pointer by Jones with 7:05 left in the third quarter brought TC within nine at 39-30, but Wakefield started to pull away and led by as many as 24 in the fourth quarter.

The loss dropped TC's record to 1-1.

"I think we played OK, but we didn't play up to where we know and our coaches know we could play," James wrote in an email. "[We] missed open shots. [I] just thought it wasn't what we were capable of doing."

Freshman guard Jaquan Johnson Terry and Tovsky each scored six points for TC. Junior forward Fahmni Mamo had five points and 10 rebounds.

"Yes, we still have that sour taste in our mouths. It makes us motivated, especially me, to get back ... "

— Tavaris James,
T.C. Williams guard

Last season, Bryan Hill's first as head coach of the Titans, TC earned the No. 2 seed in the Conference 7 tournament, but suffered a season-ending 59-55 loss to No. 7 South County. After finishing at the bottom of the regular-season conference standings, the Stallions went on to beat Lake Braddock in the semifinals and defeated Woodson in triple overtime in the conference championship game.

"Yes, we still have that sour taste in our mouths," James wrote. "It makes us motivated, especially me, to get back ... and also play my best against every team so we can come out the No. 1 seed instead of the No. 2 seed."

T.C. Williams will host Ballou at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 12 and will open conference play with a road game against Lake Braddock on Tuesday, Dec. 15.

"I expect us to do everything we were taught better than we did last year," James wrote. "I think that if everyone buys into what the coaches say, we could be effective and dominant."



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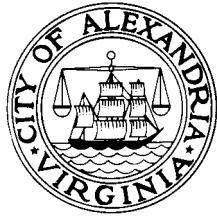
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Public Hearing will be held by the City Council of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, City of Alexandria, Virginia, on Saturday, December 12, 2015, at 9:30 a.m., or as soon as may be heard on the hereinafter described items.

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 12-2-1
(ESTABLISHMENT; COMPOSITION; APPOINTMENT; TERM
OF OFFICE; REMOVAL) of Chapter 2 (ALEXANDRIA
COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD), Title 12 (EDUCATION,
SOCIAL SERVICES AND WELFARE) of the Code of the City
of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

The proposed ordinance will reduce the membership of the Alexandria Community Services Board from sixteen (16) members to twelve (12) members. It eliminates the requirement that one member be a licensed physician. It increases, from one-third to one-half, the number of Board members who must be either consumers or family members of consumers. Reduction of members will be accomplished by attrition.

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the Owner of property located at 700-710 North Washington Street to construct and maintain an encroachment for a bow window at that location.
The proposed ordinance permits the owner of 700-710 North Washington Street to construct a bow window with a cornice that encroaches into the air space above the public sidewalk at that location. This encroachment was approved by City Council on June 13, 2015.

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain the Master Plan of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, by adopting and incorporating therein the amendment approved by City Council on November 14, 2015 to the Alexandria West Chapter of such master plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2015-0001 and no other amendments, and to repeal all provisions of the said master plan as may be inconsistent with such amendment (The Gateway at King and Beauregard).

The proposed ordinance accomplished the final adoption of Master Plan Amendment No. 2015-0001 to amend the height map and land use map in the Alexandria West Chapter of the Master Plan to allow the Gateway at King and Beauregard project.

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Sheet No. 003.04 of the "Official Zoning Map, Alexandria, Virginia," adopted by Section 1-300 (OFFICIAL ZONING MAP AND DISTRICT BOUNDARIES), of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning the property at 4530, 4600, 4600B, 4600D and 4622 King Street and 3451 North Beauregard Street from OCM(100)/Office Commercial Medium with Proffer to CRMU-H/Commercial Residential Mixed Use High in accordance with the said zoning map amendment approved by City Council on

November 14, 2015 as Rezoning No. 2015-0001 (The Gateway at King and Beauregard).

The proposed ordinance accomplishes the final adoption of Rezoning No. 2015-0001 to rezone the property at 4530, 4600, 4600B, 4600D and 4622 King Street and 3451 North Beauregard Street from, OCM(100)/Office Commercial Medium with Proffer to CRMU-H/Commercial Residential Mixed Use High to allow for the Gateway at King and Beauregard Project.

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain the Master Plan of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, by adopting and incorporating therein the amendment approved by City Council on November 14, 2015 to the Landmark/Van Dorn chapter of such master plan and to add a new chapter of the master plan known as the Eisenhower West Small Area Plan as Master Plan Amendment No. 2015-0006 and no other amendments, and to repeal all provisions of the said master plan as may be inconsistent with such amendment.

The proposed ordinance accomplishes the final adoption of Master Plan Amendment No. 2015-0006 to adopt the Eisenhower West Chapter of the Master Plan.

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Title 5 (TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES), Chapter 1 (SOLID WASTE CONTROL), Article A (GENERAL PROVISION) and Article C (SOLID WASTE COLLECTION GENERALLY) of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended.

The proposed ordinance amends two section of the existing solid waste code to clarify what the residential solid waste fee covers and that the costs of collecting recyclable material and leaves are included in the costs covered by that fee.

AN ORDINANCE increasing the Mayor, Council Members and Council Aides Annual Salaries.

The proposed ordinance establishes increases for the Mayor's annual salary and Council members' annual salaries starting in 2016.

PUBLIC HEARING and Consideration of the Report of the City Council Naming Committee on a proposed Plaque to be installed at the Alexandria Union Station in Honor of Lois Walker.

PUBLIC HEARING and Consideration of the Report of the City Council Naming Committee proposal on the naming of the Pat Miller Neighborhood Square.

THE PUBLIC IS ADVISED THAT AMENDMENTS OR ADDITIONS MAY BE MADE TO PROPOSED ORDINANCES WITHOUT FURTHER PUBLICATION. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT PERSONS INTERESTED IN ANY OF THESE ORDINANCES OBTAIN FREE FULL-TEXT COPIES FROM THE CITY CLERK AT CITY HALL. JACKIE M. HENDERSON, MMC, CITY CLERK

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Clinton, SC

OBITUARY

Edith Rich Ettinger, age 96, of 408 Chestnut Street, and widow of Carl Ettinger, Jr., passed away Friday, December 4, 2015 at NHC of Clinton.

She was born in Schenectady, NY and was the daughter of the late Edwin and Florence Rich.

Mrs. Ettinger was active in her community in Alexandria, VA and Clinton, SC, those activities included Meals on Wheels, and the Northern Virginia Visiting Nurses Association. She was honored to be named Volunteer of the Year for Laurens County.

She is survived by her sons, Ed Ettinger (Cheryl) of Kinards and Carl Ettinger, III (Josephine) of Notasulga, AL; four grandchildren, Erica Eadicicco (Peter), Amber Ettinger (Cameron Kenley), Carl Ettinger, IV and Jonathan Ettinger (Dana); and one great-grandchild, Nissley Grace Ettinger.

Graveside services will be held on Monday, December 7th at 1 PM at Bush River Baptist Church Cemetery.

The family will greet friends following the graveside service at the home of Ed and Cheryl Ettinger, 3028 Hopewell Church Road, Kinards, SC 29355.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 154 Milestone Way, Greenville, SC 29615 or the charity of one's choice.

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Notice of Availability of a
Supplemental Environmental Assessment and
Draft Finding of No Significant Impact for
Founders Hall at the National Museum of the United States
Army, Fort Belvoir, Virginia

Interested parties are hereby notified that the United States (U.S.) Army has prepared a Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) and a Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI) in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, and regulations implementing the procedural provisions of the NEPA, 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 1500-1508, and Environmental Analysis of Army Actions, 32 CFR 651.

The SEA analyzed the potential environmental impacts that may occur as a result of the proposed changes to the development assessed in the "Environmental Assessment for the National Museum of the United States Army" dated September 2010. The changes include a building addition, "Founders Hall", to the National Museum of the United States Army (NMUSA) complex. Founders Hall would be a two-story building with a 29 space parking lot situated at the entrance of Liberty Drive and would serve as a visitor center and multi-purpose facility at the NMUSA complex. The SEA is incorporated by reference in the Draft FNSI. Based on the SEA, the Army has determined that implementation of the Proposed Action would have no significant adverse direct, indirect, or cumulative effects on the quality of the human or natural environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

A copy of the SEA and Draft FNSI are available for review and comment at the following libraries: Fort Belvoir Van Noy Library, Lorton Branch, Sherwood Regional Branch, and Kingstowne Branch. The documents are also available at: <http://www.belvoir.army.mil/environmentalsection2.asp>. Comments on the SEA and Draft FNSI should be submitted to Mr. Felix M. Mariani, Fort Belvoir DPW Environmental and Natural Resources Division, Building 1442, 9430 Jackson Loop, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060, or usarmy.belvoir.imcom-atlantic.mbx.enrd@mail.mil.

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Figure 1. STAFF ALTERNATE for Washington Street (west) elevation.
Design proposal with "bookends" favored by the BAR.

No Space for Compromise

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developer's presentation said they had made efforts to reduce height in rear. We would like to see heights reduced, period."

The issue grew beyond the local residents, drawing in the North Old Town Independent Citizens Civic Association (NOTICe).

"[We] do not believe the changes meet the standards," said Tom Soapes, president of NOTICe.

"The height of the proposed building is incompatible with neighboring heights. We do not believe this proposal should be approved."

But the back of the building wasn't the only issue of height facing critical feedback. Stephen Pisani, historical architect for the George Washington Memorial Parkway, argued that the building's status on the parkway should limit the proposed expansion.

"I still feel that the mass and scale are too large for Washington Street," said Pisani. "It serves as a transition from more pastoral setting up by Daingerfield Island as we transition into more urban section of King Street corridor."

As the meeting went on, frustrations from the public began to boil over.

"If I was the developer, I'd be embarrassed by the submission," said North Old Town resident Jonathan Shiner. "It clearly sacrifices aesthetic considerations for economic considerations ... If I was the architect, I'd be embarrassed by my design of the building ... the rear side comes close to resembling an example of Soviet-style Stalin era massiveness. If I was the attorney I would also be embarrassed because of my arrogance and my condescension to the neighborhood."

"This is the third work session to discuss the concept for this building," said Kathy

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attended has risen considerably.

"There's never a good time to do this, there's always 10 excuses not to do this," said Smedberg, "but if we don't do something now, it will be 2020 or 2019 before something changes."

The last raise was in 2002. The council unanimously approved the ordinance.

Seyoum Legal Battles End

Following two murder trials in which the jury was unable to reach a verdict, Dawit

Puskar, an attorney for Old Colony Inn LLC. "We have tried to work, it is not a farce, we have gone a long way towards addressing concerns. We have tried very earnestly to address the concerns of the urban design advisory committee, staff, the BAR, and citizens."

The BAR seemed to agree. Board member Margaret Miller made a final effort to urge the community to compromise, but it was met with laughs and jeers from the audience.

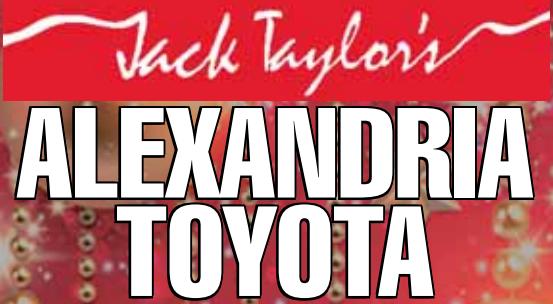
"You're dealing with someone who's interested in what the community wants," said Miller. "I think they're willing to improve on it. I would work with them."

Members of the public raised their hands to speak after the public hearing had closed, some beginning to talk before being shut down by BAR chair John Von Senden. "With what we have before us, it's obvious that the neighborhood is opposed to this development," he said. "To some extent, there's such an opposition that it's going to be a challenge to work out any compromise design, which is kind of sad. You do have someone who is willing to work with the community, that's an opportunity that shouldn't be forsaken."

During a review of the building's dimensions, members of the public repeatedly called up for the board to lower the building height, but the BAR pushed back in the opposite direction. The BAR approved the proposal, and even asked to consider bringing back the wide building bookends that had been removed earlier to reduce the building's mass and scale. The BAR unanimously approved of the design, with the special use permit expected to be reviewed by the Planning Commission and City Council in winter 2016.

Seyoum was found not guilty by reason of insanity for the murder of Carolyn Cross. On Sept. 7, 2014, Seyoum followed Cross home and strangled her before returning to his own apartment and attempting suicide. Seyoum confessed to the crime after he was taken to the hospital.

Seyoum will be transferred to the Department of Behavioral Health and housed in a maximum security mental facility outside Petersburg. According to Commonwealth Attorney Bryan Porter, any future release must be precipitated on a court ruling at an annual review that he does not constitute a threat to himself or others and that it would be medically appropriate to release him.



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