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**Election Officer Evans Appinh (left) of Mount Vernon verifies Jennifer Morris (right) of Mount Vernon has the correct ballot and then directs her to use a booth designated for that political party affiliation.**

## County Picks Clinton and Rubio

### But Trump joins Clinton in taking Virginia.

BY TIM PETERSON  
THE GAZETTE

**K**atie Hugo, daughter of Del. Tim Hugo (R-4?), turned 18 at the beginning of February and insisted she cast her first official vote with dad, who she said is the reason she's involved and interested in politics.

The two of them arrived at the Clifton precinct polling station around 7 a.m. on Super Tuesday.

"It's important that everyone has the chance to have a say in how government is involved in their life," Katie Hugo said, "how much it's involved."

Tim and Katie Hugo both said they voted for Republican candidate Marco Rubio.

"Abortion was a very big issue for me," Katie said, "eliminating abortion. I believe everyone has a right to life."

Hugo has chaired Rubio's Virginia campaign, SEE VOTERS DISCUSS, PAGE 3

## Four-Cent Tax Limit

### Reconsideration hours later gives same result; board will consider putting meals tax to referendum.

BY KEN MOORE  
THE GAZETTE

**T**uesday morning, the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors voted for a four-cent tax rate increase, advertising a tax rate of \$1.13 per \$100 of assessed value. Hours later, a call to reconsider a higher rate sparked bitterness, anger and even disgust.

In the end, the outcome was the same.

The board rejected Budget Chair Jeff McKay's motion for a five-cent increase on a 5-5 vote and Mount Vernon Supervisor Daniel Storck's motion to have a six-cent increase by a 3-7 vote.

But hours later Tuesday afternoon, March 1 after afternoon public hearings were finalized, Supervisor John Foust's motions to reconsider its advertised tax rate raised jointly by Sully Supervisor Kathy Smith — a tool permitted by Roberts Rules of Order — set off fireworks.

"I'm sorry, it's appalling, it's embarrassing," said Providence Supervisor Linda Smyth. "We're starting a budget session on the worst foot. We had a full discussion this morning."

"A robust discussion," said Hunter Mill Supervisor Cathy Hudgins.

Hudgins said she had come to the meeting planning to advocate for a five-cent increase, but said she was "disturbed" by the reconsideration. "This is childish play, that once you didn't get your way, you're going to bring it back."

Speaking of the School Board, she added, "You can't always have it your way."

Mason Supervisor Penny Gross: "I don't think we should be supporting voter's remorse."

"The ends do not justify the means," said Braddock Supervisor John Cook, who had reluctantly supported the four-cent increase. "I don't want anybody thinking there was a mistake."

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## Arrest Follows Public's Help in Identifying Suspect

### Police credit community involvement.

**C**ommunity members in Mount Vernon saw something and said something, working with patrol officers and detectives from the Fairfax

County Police Department.

Police Chief Edwin Roessler and Captain David M. Smith, commander of the Fairfax County Police Department Major Crimes Division,

praised the collaborative effort that helped bring in Edwin Ponce Martinez, 22, who was charged with burglary, rape and providing false identification to a police officer.

At a Feb. 29 press conference held in Police headquarters in Massey Building in Fairfax, Roessler was proud that Martinez had been apprehended just days following the initial report of crimes committed.

"In this case from the start," Roessler said, "we had zero information as to who this suspect was."

"We partnered as we always have," Roessler continued, "to determine who the suspect was in this case." Police, he said, used "engagement with the community to develop the intelligence needed to take a dangerous suspect off the street."

Smith said Mount Vernon Neighborhood Patrol Unit officers were alerted by concerned citizens about individuals who were



**Edwin Ponce Martinez**

known to loiter in a specific area.

That was "based on the description," of the suspect, Smith said, "before the composite sketch was

done."

Officers were following up on the lead around Lockheed Boulevard and Richmond Highway at roughly around 11 p.m. on Feb. 26 when they saw and approached a vehicle they determined to be suspicious. Martinez was inside.

"Their effort," Smith said in a release, about the officers, "combined with the power of social media to keep residents informed, brought this case to a successful close."

This kind of dedication, diligence and effort is what our community deserves."

Martinez has been charged in connection with a Feb. 20 incident of a man breaking into a 51-year-old woman's house in the 8400 block of Blankenship Street, raping her and fleeing.

The woman was taken to the hospital to be treated for non-life-threatening injuries.

— TIM PETERSON



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**Captain David M. Smith, commander of the Fairfax County Police Department Major Crimes Division, said community involvement played a key role in locating the suspect, with members of the public identifying him as part of a group known to loiter in a specific area.**

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# Voters Discuss What Matters to Them

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and said he's encouraged by the increased Republican turnout in other states' primaries. "With all the excitement, the different candidates' visits to Virginia, I'm expecting a bigger turnout," he said.

When final results were announced, Republican Donald Trump and Democrat Hillary Clinton each carried Virginia decisively. According to the Virginia Public Access Project's unofficial results, Trump's 352,833 (34.78 percent) votes from across the Commonwealth bested closest competitors Marco Rubio's 323,445 (31.88 percent) and Ted Cruz's 171,527 (16.91 percent).

In Fairfax County, however, Rubio edged Trump with 51,211 votes (40.07 percent) versus the businessman's 32,051 (25.08 percent). Kasich also moved ahead of Cruz in the county totals, with 22,480 votes (17.59 percent).

On the Democratic side, former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton's 497,581 total votes (64.34 percent) dominated Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders' 271,839 (35.15 percent).

Numbers at the Fairfax County level were consistent with the rest of the Commonwealth, as Clinton's 84,855 votes (63.15 percent) handily defeated Sanders' 48,798 (36.32 percent). Former Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley was still on the ballot as they were printed before he exited the race — he received 713 votes (.53 percent).

**ANTICIPATING HIGHER VOTER TURNOUT**, Fairfax County Public Schools closed for the day, which election officers said helped prevent parking lot jams and kept hallways clear for voter foot traffic.

Bill Patterson of Springfield, assistant chief election officer at the West Springfield High School polling precinct, said 771 bal-

## VIEWPOINTS

### Who did you vote for and what are some of the most important issues to you in this election?

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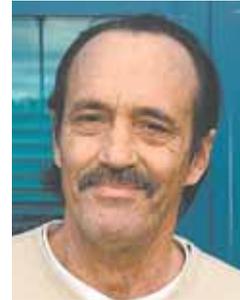
#### Margarito Castro of Mount Vernon

"Hillary Clinton. I like her speeches, and she's trying to push the economy up, promoting small business. Immigration is also an important issue for me."



#### Richard Ellis of Mount Vernon

"John Kasich. It's the only one who's said anything that I like. He's done well in Ohio, I've liked him for a long time. About the business-owners not serving certain types of people, he said something that stuck with me, that it's a place of business, you serve them, that's the law. I feel like I'm throwing away my vote, but you got to vote what you believe in. Women's issues and human rights issues are most important to me."



#### Stacey Kaufman of Mount Vernon

"I think that we need to see a candidate for President who can lead this country with foreign affairs in this heated climate."



lots had been cast as of about noon. "We didn't know what to expect, but it's been steady with little lines," Patterson said. "But 16 people were in line when we opened at 6."

No school also meant students had the opportunity to participate in the major political event in other ways. For members of the West Springfield High School Junior class, that included setting up a large bake sale in front of the school to raise money for expenses when they become seniors.

Junior Michael Montoya is 17 now but will be 18 and eligible to vote in the November election.

"The economy is more important to me than ethical issues," Montoya said. "If I had to choose, it would be between Rubio and Sanders. I prefer Rubio to other Republicans because he's not as strict on immigration policy. Bernie is focused on climate

change, which is something we need to address in the United States right now. But I bounce back and forth, I can't affiliate with one party, and I don't think that's a horrible thing."

South County High School senior Megan Clark is 18 already, and used part of her day off to vote at Silverbrook Elementary School.

"People make fun of younger people for not voting," she said. "It felt important to represent the young population."

Chief Election Officer at West Potomac High School Doris McBryde of Mount Vernon observed many parents bringing their children with them to the polls.

"They're seeing their parents voting," McBryde said, "and seeing the importance of it."

#### IN PREPARATION FOR NOVEMBER,

Fairfax County piloted a new voter sign-in procedure using Apple iPads to scan the voter's driver's license.

Former Board of Supervisors Chairman and current member of the Fairfax County electoral board Kate Hanley said 21 precincts tried the iPads Tuesday, with the hope of getting them in each precinct by the fall. And though the speedier technology should help keep waiting lines to a minimum, Hanley stressed there's no replacement for a warm-blooded election officer.

"This is a big year," Hanley said, referencing the November decision as the 'Super Bowl' of elections. "We always need election officers. Voting is really the bedrock of American democracy. Facilitating it is an important part of civic duties."

For more information about working at a polling site, visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/working.htm](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/elections/working.htm).

## Four-Cent Tax Rate Increase, with Side of Vitriol

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Foust kept composed. If there's not enough support, he said, "we'll find out. We have this process available to us."

Lee Supervisor McKay said, "I support this, to get back to the original, responsible motion that I made," for a 5-cent increase.

Chairman Sharon Bulova kept order, and supported the motion to reconsider.

"There's a process that allows for this," said Bulova. "So I am respectful that a member asked for it to be reconsidered."

The motion to reconsider failed with a 5-to-5 tie vote.

**THE BUDGET BUILT** and presented by County Executive Ed Long calls for a four-cent tax rate increase, about \$300 for the average household in Fairfax County, but also left Fairfax County Public Schools with a shortfall of \$68 million.

The Fairfax County School Board, parents and other school advocates have been leaning heavily on the Board of Supervisors to advertise a higher tax increase to "fully fund" the school budget. The discourse has

not always been collegial.

"The Board of Supervisors' decision today to set the advertised (maximum) tax rate at four cents is disappointing because it guarantees that the county and schools budgets cannot both be fully funded, denying the community its rightful role in that conversation. Today's decision is discouraging for the thousands of community members who have reached out to the School Board and the Board of Supervisors this year to advocate for a voice in this very important conversation about values and priorities," said School Board Chairman Pat Hynes.

Cook directed a rebuke at the School Board. "If we don't do it exactly the way you want, [you say] 'you are bad people.' We're not. I have children in the school system too."

**THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS** can adopt a tax rate that is lower, but not higher, than what was advertised at its board meeting Tuesday, March 1.

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### Budget Town Meetings

❖ Sully District / Sully District Council Budget Meeting

Monday, March 7, 7 p.m., Rocky Run Middle School - "Little Theatre" - 4400 Stringfellow Road, Chantilly

❖ Providence District Budget Council Budget Town Hall Meeting

Wednesday, March 9, 7 p.m., Providence Community Center - 3001 Vaden Drive, Fairfax - Multi-Purpose Room 2

❖ Mason District Budget Meeting

Wednesday, March 16, 7 p.m., Mason District Government Center, 6507 Columbia Pike, Annandale - Main Community Room

❖ Springfield District Budget Meeting

Wednesday, March 23, 7 p.m., West Springfield Government Center - 6140 Rolling Road, Springfield - Community Room

❖ Dranesville District Budget Meeting / McLean Citizens Association (MCA)

Wednesday, March 23, 7:30 p.m., McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Avenue, McLean

❖ Braddock District Budget Meeting

Monday, March 28, 7:30 p.m., Robinson Secondary School - "Recital Hall" - 5035 Sideburn Road, Fairfax

❖ Lee District Association of Civic Organizations Community Budget Meeting

Wednesday, March 30, 7 p.m., Lee District Governmental Center - 6121 Franconia Road, Alexandria

❖ Dranesville District / Great Falls Citizen's Association Budget Meeting

Thursday, March 31, 7 p.m., The Great Falls Grange, 9818 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls

provides \$23 million in revenue.

The motion to advertise a four-cent increase passed 7-to-3.

"I'm disappointed that the same people who advocated for flexibility voted against flexibility," McKay said. "They've boxed in the Board of Supervisors and tied our hands. It's now nearly impossible to meet the superintendent's request. I strongly believe

that would have been possible at 5 cents and that is why I put forward this responsible rate."

Springfield Supervisor Pat Herrity spoke against raising the tax rate. "Our residents are having to make difficult decisions around their kitchen tables as job and wage growth stagnates. We need to get our

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## NEWS



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### Tis the Season

Members of Girl Scout Troop 2825 from Belle View Elementary School sell cookies in Old Town Feb. 27 as the organization's cookie drive gets underway across the nation. In front are Josie Palazzo, 6, Macy Cherrington, 7, and Heidi Schulte, 6. In back are assistant troop leader Leila Palazzo, Geoff Cherrington and Judith Schulte. To locate a schedule of area cookie sales, visit [www.girlscouts.org](http://www.girlscouts.org). An app is also available for Android and iOS.

### Needlework Exhibition Now at Woodlawn

The 53rd annual Woodlawn Needlework Exhibition at Woodlawn Plantation began March 2 and runs until March 31.

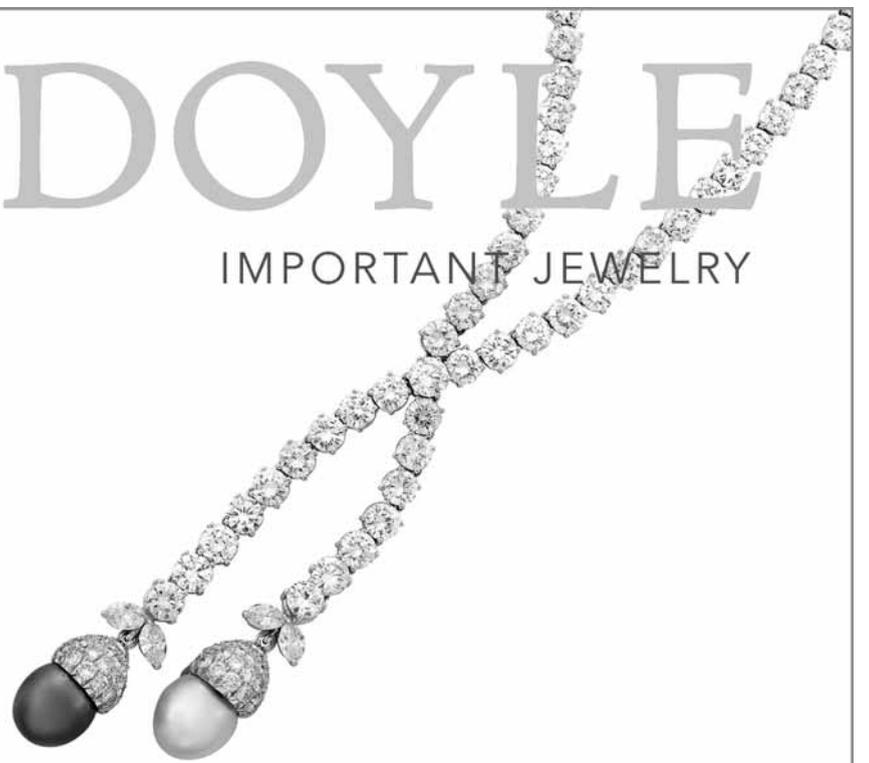
Artists from around the country will be coming to the historic home of Eleanor "Nelly" Custis and showcasing more than 500 pieces of stitched art. Proceeds from the exhibition benefit the Custis Estate and

adjoining Pope-Leighey House.

The exhibition is open daily from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Admission is \$15 for adults, \$6 for children over 5 years old. Woodlawn Plantation is located at 9000 Richmond Highway in Alexandria. For more information, visit [www.woodlawnpopeleighey.org/annualneedleworkshow](http://www.woodlawnpopeleighey.org/annualneedleworkshow).

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From left, Jennifer Harvey, Sue Conway of West Potomac High School, West Potomac Academy teacher Nancy Mantelli, John Harvey, Jackson Harvey, Jeni Pastier of the American Bankers Association, Jane Lichter with Burke & Herbert Bank, Sandra Vasquez with Burke & Herbert Bank, Walter Clarke with Burke & Herbert Bank, West Potomac Academy Principal Kathy Bowdring, and Josh Toth with Burke & Herbert Bank.

## Honored in Bankers Video Contest West Potomac Academy receives \$2,500.

West Potomac Academy student Jackson Harvey placed second in a national video contest sponsored by the American Bankers Association Foundation.

Harvey represented the Alexandria Burke & Herbert Bank in entering the contest, called "Lights, Camera, Save!" that called for creative submissions based on the theme of valuing saving money.

"Not only did I have a great time working on this project," Harvey said in a statement, "I felt like I was learning something that was actually significant in my life."

With his second place finish, Harvey was awarded a \$2,500 prize to go towards his saving goal.

"We are thrilled for Jackson Harvey and are proud to be a part of this major accomplishment," Burke & Herbert Bank Senior Vice President Terry Cole said in a statement. "The best way to connect with young people is through something they enjoy or can relate to, and Jackson's video does just that. Improving the financial prowess of the next generation of consumers is a critical part of what a community bank is all about."

Harvey's video, titled "A Squirrel's Guide to Saving," is available to view online at Facebook.com/BurkeHerbertBank.

— TIM PETERSON

## Four-Cent Tax Rate Increase

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economy going and the commercial tax base back. ... Until then, we have to make the same tough choices that our residents are having to make and until we do I cannot ask them to absorb a six-percent increase this year."

The board also asked for more information regarding putting a meals tax on the ballot in November. The board's legislative agenda has supported diversifying the tax base, taking some tax burden off homeowners, according to a statement by the county. Under state law, if the board wishes to adopt a meals tax, the voters must decide in the form of a referen-

dum. The restaurant industry and chambers of commerce have strongly opposed a meals tax.

The County Executive's Advertised Budget, which calls for a four-cent increase, transfers more than \$2 billion to FCPS and provides over 52 percent of County General Fund revenues to the schools, according to county documents. There are a number of opportunities for residents to share comments and concerns regarding the county budget between now and April 19. In addition to budget town meetings and forums throughout the county, three days of budget public hearings will be held at the Fairfax County Government Center on April 5-7.

### BULLETIN BOARD

Email announcements to [gazette@connectionnewspapers.com](mailto:gazette@connectionnewspapers.com). Include date, time, location, description and contact for event: phone, email and/or website. Photos and artwork welcome. Deadline is Thursday at noon, at least two weeks before event.

#### THURSDAY/MARCH 3

**Business Roundtable.** 8:30 a.m. at SpringHill Suites, 6065 Richmond Highway. SFDC's Free Business Roundtable Speaker Series returns for its third year with Planning 101: Diary of a Growing Business. Come

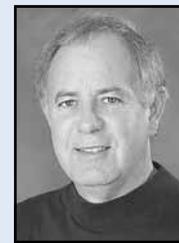
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#### FRIDAY/MARCH 4

**Nomination Deadline.** Fairfax County Public Schools announces the

return of two community engagement awards, Business Partner of the Year (for-profit) and Community Partner of the Year (not-for-profit). Nominations are being accepted until midnight on March 4. Any business or community group currently supporting Fairfax County Public Schools can be nominated, nominees do not need to be official partners. Nomination forms for Business Partner of the Year are available at <http://bit.ly/1mV2K0L>. Nomination forms for the Community

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# OBITUARY

## Claudia E. Gordon

Claudia J. Edwards Gordon, aged 58, died after a long disease, lupus and allied challenges and finally cancer, at Virginia Hospital Center, Arlington, on Thursday, Feb. 18, 2016, with doctors and nurses and her husband, John W. Gordon, by her side. She was a fourth-generation Georgia lawyer whose cause in life was to repre-

sent those who needed help.

She was preceded in death by her father, the late Robert Joel Edwards, and her younger brother, Robert Joel Edwards, Jr. She is survived by her mother, Mary Brannon Northcutt Edwards, Atlanta, and her sisters, Pamela Edwards Sharpe, Atlanta, and Katherine Edwards Volatile, M.D., Asheville, N.C., her nephews,



Stokely and Ryan and niece Katherine Volatile, her cousin Samuel F. Roach, Ph.D., and her husband of 20 years, John W. Gordon, Alexandria.

Mrs. Gordon was born Nov. 8, 1957, in Crawford Long Hospital, Atlanta, the daughter of Robert J. Edwards and Mary Northcutt Edwards. Growing up just north of the Emory campus, she swam with the

Dynamos and emerged in first place in state and Southeastern AAU meets in freestyle, backstroke, and butterfly. She was a graduate of The Westminster Schools, class of 1975, where she participated in a full array of student activities, to include captain of the drill team and fund-raising support for the Decatur Kiwanis Club with its commitment to the overseas medical missions of Project Concern in Southeast Asia and Mexico.

She graduated in 1979 from Southern Methodist University in Dallas, where she was active in student government, the Pan-Hellenic Council, on the dean's list, and was an intern with Merrill Lynch. She became the first woman elected president of the business majors' honorary society, Delta Sigma Pi. Accepted into SMU's JD-MBA program, she chose instead to attend her great grandfather's school, Mercer Law, in Macon. There she became the first woman elected president of the honorary legal society of which her great grandfather had been a member, and passed the Georgia Bar while still a third-year law student. She joined the firm of Northcutt-Edwards, eventually achieving the rank of partner, and was active in Westminster, SMU, and Mercer alumni activities. Her focus as a plaintiff's attorney was cases involving injury or death resulting from tractor-trailer accidents. In 1992 she gained the "AV Preeminent," or "highest possible peer review rating in legal ability and ethical standards," from

Martindale Hubbell. She was a member of the Lawyers Club in Atlanta, as were her father and grandfather. In addition to her litigation work, she was an active presenter and program chair of Continuing Legal Education for the Georgia Trial Lawyers and the State Bar, and gave of her time to do pro bono legal work and to judge high school students' moot court sessions.

When her husband accepted a position with the Marine Corps University at Quantico in summer 2001, she relocated to Northern Virginia. She served on the board of the Georgetown-based Civil Justice Foundation and as its executive director, planning conferences in Washington, Florida, California and other locations, until her illness compelled her doctors to take her off work. She was active in the Mount Vernon Yacht Club and remained a participant in the alumni organizations of the schools she attended, and supporting also her husband in the Rotary Club of Alexandria. She will be greatly missed by friends, classmates, and surviving family. A visitation will be held from 5-8 p.m. Thursday, March 3, at Everly-Wheatley Funeral Home, 1500 West Braddock Road, Alexandria.

The interment will be held at a date to be announced at Arlington National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers please send contributions to the American Cancer Society, PO Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123. A guest book may be found at [www.everlywheatley.com](http://www.everlywheatley.com).

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### MONDAY/MARCH 7

**Application Deadline.** Learn more about the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department. Apply to the Citizens Fire & Rescue Academy; applications will be accepted until March 7, 2016, or until the class of 25 is filled. The Academy will begin March 24, 2016, and will meet for nine consecutive Thursdays, from 6-9 p.m. at various locations. To sign up for this free program, you must be 18 years of age and apply online at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fr/cfa](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fr/cfa).

### THURSDAY/MARCH 10

**Power Networking.** 8-9:30 a.m. Monthly Business Breakfast of Mount Vernon Lee Chamber of Commerce at Belle Haven Country Club, 6023 Fort Hunt Road. Bring business cards and make new contacts. Cost is \$25 per person for Chamber members and \$35 for non-Chamber which includes a buffet breakfast. Register at [www.MtVernon-LeeChamber.org](http://www.MtVernon-LeeChamber.org) or call 703-360-6925.

### FRIDAY/MARCH 11

**Tax Relief.** 10 a.m. A program at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road, to provide help

filling out applications for Fairfax County tax relief. Seniors 65 years and older and people who are totally and permanently disabled may apply for tax relief from real estate and personal property taxes. Applicants must meet certain income and asset eligibility requirements to qualify. Registration required. Call 703-765-4573 for reservation.

### MONDAY/MARCH 14

**AARP Virginia Dinner Group.** 4-8 p.m. at Lucky's Sports Theatre and Grill, 7027 B Manchester Blvd., Franconia. AARP has reserved the private room of Lucky's Sports Theatre and Grill for members and friends to enjoy dinner together with a 10 percent discount on dinner entrees. Full menu ordering is available. Free parking. Register at [aarp.cvent.com/Franconia31416VA](http://aarp.cvent.com/Franconia31416VA).

### WEDNESDAY/MARCH 16

**Managing Digital Accounts.** 1 p.m. Estate planning attorney, Deborah Matthews, presents a program at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road, on what happens to one's digital life when it can no longer be maintained. She will talk about how to prevent the struggle that loved ones face with managing someone else's digital affairs. Free. Open to the public. RSVP to Mount Vernon at Home, 703-303-4060.

## City of Alexandria FISCAL YEAR 2017 PROPOSED BUDGET

A summary of the City of Alexandria's proposed Fiscal Year 2017 budget is set out below. Notice is hereby given of a public hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year 2017 budget for the City of Alexandria. The hearing will be held in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia, on Monday, March 14, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. Persons wishing to speak on the proposed budget may sign up prior to the public hearing by calling the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council at (703) 746-4550. Presenters are requested to provide a copy of their text to the City Clerk and Clerk of Council. Persons with disabilities who wish to request an accommodation for this public hearing should contact the Office of the City Clerk and Clerk of Council at (703) 746-4550 (TTY/TDD (703) 838-5056) prior to March 14, 2016, if possible.

### SUMMARY OF PROPOSED BUDGET FY 2017

	General Fund PROPOSED FY 2017 (1)	All Funds PROPOSED FY 2017 (2)	FY 2017 Capital Improvements (3)
City Council	\$526,434	\$526,434	
City Manager	\$2,464,732	\$2,464,732	\$200,000
City Attorney	\$2,866,163	\$2,866,163	
City Clerk and Clerk of Council	\$445,562	\$445,562	
18th Circuit Court	\$1,662,220	\$1,662,220	\$80,000
18th General District Court	\$146,919	\$146,919	
Clerk of the Circuit Court	\$1,663,647	\$1,728,647	
Commonwealth's Attorney	\$3,220,905	\$3,509,078	
Court Service Unit	\$1,621,166	\$1,747,155	
Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court	\$80,415	\$80,415	
Other Criminal and Justice Services	\$4,246,268	\$4,430,445	\$356,506
Registrar of Voters	\$1,413,610	\$1,413,610	
Sheriff	\$31,014,177	\$32,159,463	\$643,000
Finance	\$13,098,450	\$13,908,066	\$300,000
General Services	\$14,082,850	\$14,312,141	\$4,707,500
Human Rights	\$789,655	\$835,177	
Information Technology Services	\$10,229,438	\$10,672,468	\$4,740,000
Internal Audit	\$315,991	\$315,991	
Management and Budget	\$1,301,434	\$1,301,434	
Non-Departmental - Debt Service	\$66,751,022	\$66,751,022	
Non-Departmental - Contingent Reserve	\$3,674,806	\$3,674,806	
Non-Departmental - Insurance, Memberships, Other	\$9,042,740	\$10,042,740	
Human Resources	\$3,512,923	\$3,512,923	
Communications & Public Information	\$1,306,061	\$1,306,061	
Performance and Accountability	\$622,641	\$622,641	
Fire	\$49,711,802	\$51,991,748	\$1,578,000
Code Administration	\$114,000	\$7,773,419	
Emergency Communications	\$7,158,590	\$7,187,117	
Police	\$60,067,761	\$62,272,025	\$1,100,000
Health	\$6,878,517	\$6,924,974	\$6,774,000
Community and Human Services	\$50,008,320	\$90,088,253	\$400,000
Other Health Activities	\$1,781,250	\$1,781,250	
Housing	\$3,114,823	\$3,823,543	
Economic Development Activities	\$5,415,493	\$5,415,493	
Project Implementation	\$1,895,590	\$3,349,975	\$975,000
Planning and Zoning	\$5,543,691	\$5,902,487	
Historic Alexandria	\$3,038,902	\$4,142,217	\$356,000
Library	\$6,849,201	\$7,387,075	\$312,000
Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities	\$21,809,875	\$22,897,132	\$16,085,978
Transit Subsidies	\$20,472,378	\$31,076,378	\$275,800,000
Transportation and Environmental Services	\$30,777,399	\$51,507,421	\$28,804,200
Other Educational Activities	\$12,131	\$12,131	\$349,268
Schools	\$203,561,472	\$271,831,185	\$35,935,000
Cash Capital	\$17,277,504	\$17,277,504	
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$671,588,927</b>	<b>\$833,077,640</b>	<b>\$379,496,452</b>

Any person desiring to review the proposed budget may visit the City's website ([alexandriava.gov/budget](http://alexandriava.gov/budget)) or visit City Hall, Office of Management and Budget, Room 3400, Monday through Friday (excluding holidays), 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### PROPERTY TAXES

The proposed budget includes a \$0.01 cent increase in the real property tax rate from \$1.043 cents to \$1.053 per \$100 of assessed valuation based upon an assessment ratio of 100% fair market value. It should be noted that City Council will set the maximum tax rate to be advertised at its March 15, 2016, meeting at 9:00 pm in the City Council Chambers and that Council may not adopt a rate that exceeds this tax rate, but may adopt an equal or lesser tax rate. The proposed budget includes no change in the current motor vehicle personal property tax rate of \$5.00 per \$100 of assessed value. All other personal property tax rates, including vehicles specially equipped to transport persons with disabilities, which are proposed to be taxed at the present rate of \$3.55 per \$100 of assessed value; machinery and tools, which are proposed to be taxed at the present rate of \$4.50 per \$100 of assessed value and privately owned boats and water craft that are used for recreational purposes only which are proposed to be taxed at the present rate of \$0.01 per \$100 of assessed value, are unchanged. The amount of real estate tax rate dedicated for affordable housing and to support existing debt service related to affordable housing is 0.6 cents.

# NEWS



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## \$18,000 Raised

The 2016 Wolverine Athletic Booster Club/PTSA/Fort Hunt Sportsmen's Valentine's Dinner Dance Fundraiser attracted 180 West Potomac High School supporters who enjoyed dinner and dancing at the Mt. Vernon Country Club on Feb. 13. Through their generosity, more than \$18,000 was raised for sports programs in the area and at WPHS, and with the majority of the money to be used for the Wolverine Green Project, transforming the center island into an outdoor learning center and gathering area using green building technology and sustainable landscaping.



## Jazzercise Aids Women in Need

Mount Vernon Jazzercise recently raised \$500 for Gifts of Hope, an alternative gift-giving program that serves as an intermediary between donors and organizations serving individuals and families in need in the D.C. metro area and internationally.

The fundraiser was part of a specialty class to celebrate a milestone anniversary of one of their long-time instructors — Harmony Allen Barbera.

"Harmony has been teaching Jazzercise for 20 years and we

wanted to celebrate the occasion by having a dance party," said Mindy LaBruno, owner of the Mt. Vernon Jazzercise location. "It was Harmony's idea to do raise some money for a cause near to her heart. Obviously we are very passionate about the health and fitness of our students, but we are also passionate about our community."

All of the money raised will help provide homeless and low-income women in the D.C. area with nutritious food.

Visit [jazzercise.com](http://jazzercise.com).

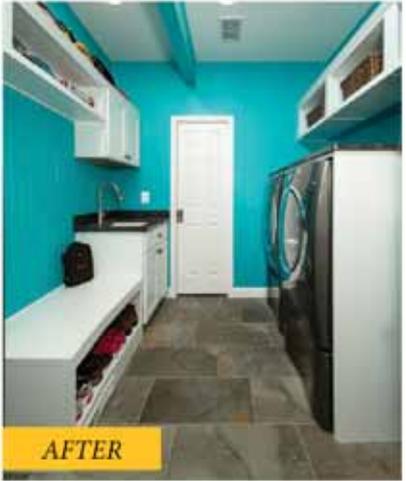
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# OPINION

## Accelerating into the Future

BY DAN STORCK  
SUPERVISOR, MOUNT  
VERNON DISTRICT



This past Saturday, I had the privilege of conducting the annual Mount Vernon Town Meeting for the first time. Gerry Hyland, my predecessor and its initiator 28 years ago, joined me and drove our virtual “bus” as he gave a tour and spoke of the past year’s challenges, changes, and accomplishments. Afterward, he passed the “keys to the bus” to me, along with his strong words of encouragement to continue meeting the needs of each member of our community. I then talked about my plans and initiatives for moving the Mount Vernon District forward.

The keys to our continued growth and development are our people; building and fostering relationships within and between communities, organizations, businesses and core constituencies is the foundation for everything we do. Relationships become better through communication and engagement. Our office is committed to both. The annual town meeting,

our regular e-mail newsletter, newspaper articles, social media, meeting attendance, etc. are our ways of better connecting and, hopefully, meeting your needs. We look forward to it.

My theme during the town meeting virtual “bus” tour was “Accelerating into the Future.” Our planned transportation improvements, which we are calling “Embark,” are integral to new development and job growth. Over the next decades, the Embark process will result in major changes in the Richmond Highway Corridor as we expand the highway to provide more lanes, bus rapid transit and, eventually, extension of the Yellow Line to Beacon Hill, Hybla Valley and, even later, beyond. The first phase of the Embark process is planning-focused, bringing people together to recommend changes to our area’s Comprehensive Plan.

These Embark plan changes will result in smart growth transit-oriented development with increased densities and other changes in areas near the highway that are essential to ultimately secure the billions of dollars in public transportation funding necessary for modernization.

This process and these changes will also di-

rectly support our local economy by bringing in new residents, improving tourism to our historic sites, facilitating the continued expansion of our hospitals and health care services, growing Fort Belvoir and providing other business opportunities.

I heard your voices clearly at Mount Vernon’s 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Town Meeting and your hundreds of e-mails and phone calls about how we can streamline and improve county and school services.

Schools and their funding have always been, for this former School Board member, my first priority. Quality schools are crucial to our future and will continue to have my full funding commitment. I also support the changes recommended by the County Executive to increase police and firefighter personnel and human services benefiting the district.

I urge you to sign-up to speak at the Budget Public Hearings scheduled for April 5, 6 and 7 at the Fairfax County Government Center. I am working now, so that someday soon, you will be able to testify for those hearings at our local South County Government Center.

It is an honor to represent you. Please contact me anytime at 703-780-7518 or MtVernon@fairfaxcounty.gov.

### COMMENTARY

## Ups and Downs of the House Budget

BY PAUL KRIZEK  
STATE DELEGATE (D-44)



This past Thursday, the House of Delegates passed the 2016-2018 state budget in a bipartisan 98 to 2 vote. This new budget addresses important needs in the Commonwealth, such as an additional \$1 billion in education spending. According to the House budget, Fairfax County Public Schools should see an increase in funding of over \$25 million in FY 2017 and \$39 million, a \$14 million increase over FY 2017, in FY 2018. While the extra funding is appreciated, it is not nearly enough to meet Fairfax County Public Schools’ (FCPS) funding needs from Richmond.

Although there are some great items in this budget, there are also some missed opportunities where we could have done even more to help Virginians. This budget takes a step backward though defunding women’s health programs, failing to expand Medicaid, and not

providing enough money for public schools.

There are two measures that block funding toward women’s health services in the House budget. One prevents state funding on abortion services, except when required by federal law or state statute. Unfortunately, this measure passed on a party-line vote 63 to 34. Another eliminates \$3 million in 2017 and \$6 million in 2018 of federal funding from a Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) block grant, providing long-acting reversible contraceptives through the Virginia Department of Health. This would have mitigated the cost of IUDs and birth control implants. I also voted against this amendment. However, it passed 67 to 31.

It is hypocritical of the government to reduce funding for contraception while also reducing funding for abortions. Women deserve equal-access to safe, legal healthcare, and these measures will prove detrimental to women’s healthcare equality.

The other big missed opportunity in the House budget is the failure to expand Medic-

aid. Virginia could recover \$2.1 billion of tax payer revenue from the federal government every biennium. This is money that we Virginians have already paid in our taxes and yet we are receiving nothing for them.

There are over 4,000 people in this portion of Lee and Mount Vernon who would be eligible for healthcare coverage if we proceeded with Medicaid expansion. The failure to expand Medicaid is passing up over \$30 million in direct funding that should have gone to FCPS.

Despite these disappointing missed opportunities, compromise is the nature of democracy. I voted for the budget, along with 97 other colleagues, because the budget contains funding for many other worthwhile services and programs. There is an increase in funding for affordable housing, economic development, and conservation programs. It is my hope that we will be able to correct funding for women’s health programs, education funding and Medicaid this week in conference, before sending the final budget to the Governor.

### COMMENTARY

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## A ‘Free-for-All’

To the Editor:

Once more, H. Jay Spiegel [Letter, “Wrong Side of the Issues,” Feb. 25] has made it clear that he doesn’t agree with state Sen. Scott Surovell, notwithstanding the voters of his district repeatedly re-electing him as delegate and electing him as senator.

More to the point of Mr. Spiegel’s letter, Senator Surovell has done exactly what he was

elected to do, stand up for his constituency. In this case, for reasonable gun control, even if other Democrats did not vote the same way. Considering Governor McAuliffe’s betrayal of his own attorney general’s public stance against more concealed weapons in the Commonwealth, we can be clear that at least some Democrats don’t have a clue how to serve their constituency.

Virginia is notoriously a free-for-all of guns, so it is not surprising

that the majority of delegates and senators voted to allow judges and former judges to be able to carry concealed weapons without a permit. I assume that means without any safety training also. How big is this problem that judges should be singled out for no-control access to guns?

Why wouldn’t judges just apply for a gun permit if they believe themselves at risk? Could they not pass a background check? How long before a judge, former or oth-

erwise, gets jittery about the end-of-sentence release of someone he/she sentenced and shoots at the first startling movement around his house? What innocent or family member will die or be wounded as a result of this law?

Instead of authorizing more guns on the street, the legislature should have looked in the other direction, closing up the wide open access to guns allowed by current Commonwealth laws. Judges

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# The Senate Budget Emerges

BY SCOTT SUROVELL  
STATE SENATOR (D-36)



This week, the seventh of this session of the Virginia General Assembly, both the Senate and House of Delegates are considering the state's two-year budget. After each house passes a budget, a joint conference committee resolves the differences. The Senate budget has good news and bad news.

## GOOD NEWS

Revenues have increased more than expenses for the first time in seven years, offering opportunities to address unmet needs. The Senate Budget makes significant investments in education including an additional \$80 million for Fairfax County, \$32 million for Prince William County and \$22 million for Stafford County over last year's appropriations including \$16 million for a program called "Cost to Compete" which is supplemental funding for high-cost areas like Northern Virginia to pay teachers and support staff. The plan also includes a two-percent salary increase for all elementary-secondary school teachers.

The budget increases funds for our state colleges and universities by \$223 million, increases student financial aid

and limits tuition increases to three percent. The Senate budget has about \$1.4 billion in construction projects, including \$350 million to modernize the Port of Virginia, construct college

buildings and renovate state park facilities.

It adds over 800 "waiver" slots due to the closure of Virginia's training centers and an additional 400 new slots for adults with developmental disabilities so they can receive needed services.

The Senate budget begins the closures of Virginia's Juvenile Detention facilities, adds 11 new mental health positions in probation offices and provides \$2.5 million for mental health pilot projects in our jails. It also funds one new General District Court judge position in Prince William County and one Circuit Court spot in Stafford County.

The Senate budget includes my amendment to increase funds for court-appointed criminal attorney by \$1.2 million, the first increase since the program's inception.

It also includes funds to keep down costs at Dulles Airport and to begin planning the widening Interstate 66.

## BAD NEWS

A major disappointment to me is the omission of Gov. Terry McAuliffe's proposed Medicaid expansion, to provide health care to more low-income and disabled people. Rejecting Medicaid and the available federal funding represent legislative malpractice, but the votes simply are not there to pass it.

Second, the budget fails to fund three desperately needed Fairfax County judgeship positions — Circuit, General District and Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court. Fewer judges means more delays in access to justice.

Unfortunately, the Senate budget also cuts capital improvements to Widewater State Park. This desperately needed project would create the only public access to the Potomac River in Stafford County.

I am working hard to pass a budget that addresses our needs and to get my bills passed by the mid-March adjournment.

Please share your views and suggestions at [scott@scottsurovell.org](mailto:scott@scottsurovell.org).

## COMMENTARY

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surely have a front row seat to the results of these wide-open gun laws and the crimes that have been committed with guns. Why would any judge want to expand this danger to the Commonwealth's citizenry?

With the Commonwealth issuing anti-government "don't tread on me" license plates — aside from the irony of anti-government people paying the government for the plates — and the hate speech that is so prevalent in the presidential competition, maybe all federal, commonwealth, and local current and former government workers should have the same access to guns as judges ... that is, for their safety. Maybe guns should be issued to newborns with social security numbers in maternity wards so everyone is "protected" from everyone else. Yes, two absurd ideas. But no more than opening yet another loophole for guns in Virginia.

**William Zaccagnino**  
Alexandria

## Mainstream Constituents

To the Editor:

I thought the letter ["Wrong Side of the Issues," Feb. 25] from Jay Spiegel criticizing state Sen. Scott Surovell was markedly offbase. Mr. Spiegel's asserts that Sen. Surovell's action in voting against the bill to exempt judges from needing concealed weapons permits demonstrates that Sen. Surovell is "out of the mainstream." My belief regarding Sen. Surovell's action in this issue is that he definitely represents my interest and definitely is in the mainstream and he certainly has taken a reasoned vote in opposing the exemption.

Mr. Spiegel seems to base his criticism on the fact that the majority of legislators voted for the judges exemption. The fact that Sen. Surovell goes against

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# Managing Medication

**"Let's Talk about RxSM" helps seniors avoid prescription drug mishaps.**

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL  
 THE GAZETTE



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**A new study shows that that 20 percent of seniors who take more than five medications had problems taking their prescription drugs as directed by their doctor.**

It was around 2 a.m. on a frigid winter night when Janet Russell was awakened from her sleep by the sound of woman calling for help. The cries were coming from the front lawn of her Arlington home. She ventured out into the cold to find her 84-year-old neighbor lying on the ground, believing that dozens of bugs were crawling on her skin.

"She was having bad hallucinations, and it turns out that she'd taken the wrong combination of medicines," said Russell. "She was on about 11 different medications, some for her blood pressure, and she was administering them to herself."

**MEDICATION ERRORS** are not uncommon, according to a recent survey by Home Instead Senior Care. Their survey showed that 20 percent of seniors who take more than five medications had problems taking them as prescribed. Unintentional medication

**"... their medication is something that people generally like to have control over."**

— Ian Lovejoy, Home Instead Senior Care

misuse, such as forgetting to take a dose or taking more or less than the required dose, can have devastating results. Home Instead is encouraging families to talk with their loved ones about medication management and are offering suggestions on how to approach such conversations.

"If you notice a change in personality or thinking, or if they're they having a mobility issue or if they seem sluggish, those are signs of medication mismanagement," said Ian Lovejoy, director of operations of Home Instead Senior Care in Fairfax County.

Home Instead has created a program called "Let's Talk about RxSM" (prescription self medication). This program is designed to inform seniors' families about the dangers of medication mismanagement as well as offer tips for minimizing the risks and suggestions for starting a dialogue about taking medication as prescribed.

"Our goal is to keep seniors at home and safe," said Lovejoy. "We want the daughter and the son not have to focus on the pill bottle."

Discovering that an elderly patient is taking more than five medications could be a warning sign that they may lose track or get confused about the timing and dosage for each prescription.

"If an adult child sees that their parent is on many medications, I would suggest what I call brown bagging: putting all of the medications in a brown paper bag and taking them with you to the next doctor visit," said Omobola Oyeleye, an assistant professor of nursing at Northern Virginia Community College who teaches a class in drug dosage calculations.

**For More Information**

<http://www.caregiverstress.com/senior-safety/lets-talk-about-rx/risk-solutions-guide/>

"They can go through each medication with the doctor and find out what it's for. Sometimes, for example, someone might be taking a medication that was prescribed six months ago for a condition that has already cleared up."

Oyeleye suggests a conducting what she calls a medication reconciliation in order to determine whether someone is taking multiple medications for the same condition. "What you might find is that one medication exacerbates or even negates the other," she said.

Trisha Brechling Miller, 57 of McLean, has managed the medications for both her 85-year old husband, Larry, and her 84-year old mother. After Larry fell, broke his hip and became immobile, Muller began using a calendar to keep his medication schedule in order. "I have a calendar that helps keep me organized as to what he needs to take and when," she said. "If it changes, I update it." Miller, a Home Instead Senior Care client, is also assisting her mother in creating a medications calendar.

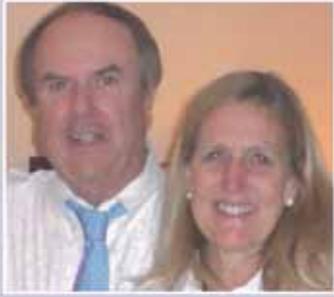
**CONVERSATION ABOUT MEDICATION** can be fraught with tension. A perceived loss of freedom is one factor that can make getting involved in managing family members' medication complicated, says Lovejoy.

"It's just one more thing that they're losing control over," he said. "Along with the car and their mobility, their medication is something that people generally like to have control over."

Clear lines of communication are necessary, as families often play a critical role in intervening and preventing a possible negative outcomes.

"My husband is on 10 different medications, and we're able to manage his medications, but there are people who can't do that. Those people tend to rely on family," said Sheila Moldover of the Potomac Community Village in Potomac, Md. "They need children or close friends who handle it for them." The Potomac Community Village offers programs and services designed to help seniors lead healthy lives and remain in their homes as long as possible.

Gaining empathy from a parent and making it about the child's feelings is one way to open communication, so Lovejoy suggests that caregivers start by finding a common ground. "It's important to communicate the emotional stress that potential medication mistakes can cause for a loved one," he said. "Let your parent know that you are concerned. Your parents don't want you to be upset."



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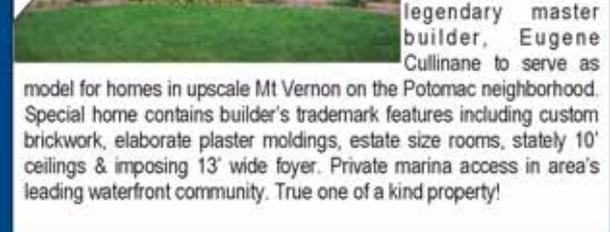
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## ACCT Stages 'Little Women'

Classic tale follows four sisters during the Civil War.

BY STEVE HIBBARD  
THE GAZETTE

**A**ldersgate Church Community Theatre (ACCT) is putting on "Little Women" from March 4-20. Written by Louisa May Alcott, the story traces the lives and loves of four sisters: Meg, Jo, Beth, and Amy. During the Civil War, their father is away serving in the army, leaving his "little women" in the care of their mother. The family, headed by Marmee, struggles to make ends meet with the help of their wealthy neighbor, Mr. Lawrence, and his grandson, Laurie.

Director Ashley Amidon said she wanted to bring "Little Women" to life in a way that connects the audience to a story occurring 150 years ago. "It can be hard whenever a theater tackles a period piece, because the language, the setting, the motivations — they can seem so old-fashioned and disconnected from our lives," she said. "This story is such a gem though; at a time when women didn't even have the right to vote and slavery was still an everyday thing, we get a peek inside a very modern family tackling issues that are absolutely relevant to today."

She added: "For me, the best part is charting Jo (Heather Norcross) as she figures out who she is and what she wants in life. We watch her figure out what she wants to do as a career, what type of love she wants ... how many of us have our lives figured out that well?"

She said her challenges as a director were modernization and authenticity. "We are keeping the original setting of 1860s New England, and the March family was very progressive for their time, but making sure the actors portray an authentic yet modern interpretation of these characters is key," she said. She said the scene between John Brooke (Brendan Quinn) and Meg (Emily Golden) where both characters have to overcome language that, while commonplace at the time of writing, might make modern audiences uncomfortable, particularly the stridency of Mr. Brooke while wooing Meg. "However, I am very lucky to have incredibly talented actors who bring a softness to a scene that I think transcends the time and language," she added. "We are seeing a man who desperately, deeply loves a woman, and is uncertain of her feelings, while she in turn feels torn between her love and her family; that's a modern theme that I think many people in the audience can appreciate."

She said she hopes audiences walk away struck by the resilience of a family (or any group of people that love each other really)

in the face of both hardships and joy. "I think part of what makes 'Little Women' so wonderful is that it isn't an ideal world where nothing goes wrong and there is no real test of character for anyone. This story has stood the test

of time because it encompasses the mundane, everyday test of character as well as the big hurdles ... We follow a family over almost 10 years, and we see the aches and pains that come from being part of such a vibrant and diverse family, and by the end, their trials are ours, because we recognize something of ourselves in these characters."

Co-Producer Leah Hays said "Little Women" was one of her favorite books when growing up. "The dog-eared pages of my unabridged copy provides good evidence of that. With every read I would choose a different March sister to imagine myself as; but, like many of my peers, I admired Jo's spirit the most."

She added: "My connection to the book and support of Aldersgate Community Theatre drove my decision to co-produce 'Little Women.' I am so excited to see the story come to life with our talented actors in their beautiful costumes against our attractive, period-appropriate set."

Each member of the March family has a distinctive personality, she said, which contributes energy to their interactions and can give rise to emotions from time to time. "Yet through all the trials they face, they do so united, with love and devotion to each other. While the story is set during the Civil War times with specific issues and a culture that is somewhat different from today, its messages about the strength of love, the value of family ties, the importance of independence and staying true to yourself are still appropriate now."

Heather Norcross plays the role of Jo March, who is a strong, opinionated and impulsive character. "As she says in the play, she 'can't get over her disappointment in not being a boy.' This is because she wants to be independent and have all the options open to her, which is generally not the case in the 1860s for women. She has a quick temper that sometimes gets her into trouble, but she loves her friends and family so deeply she makes the effort to control herself," she said.

The challenge was memorizing so many lines, she said. "Jo is in every scene of the



Casey Kniseley stars as Beth; Heather Norcross as Jo; Sophia Manicone as Amy; and Emily Golden as Meg in "Little Women."

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play and likes to talk in paragraphs. I had to use every trick in my arsenal for memorization and even asked friends for their go-to strategies," she said. "The play spans about five years also, so I had to find a way to convincingly play a girl in her impulsive teenage years who matures into adulthood over the course of a two-hour show."

John Trope plays the role of Theodore Lawrence, a neighbor to the March household who lives with his grandfather and is an heir to his great fortune. "He prefers to be called Laurie and develops a love interest for Jo, one of the March sisters. He desperately wants to be accepted into the March family," he said.

He said Laurie is used to getting what he wants and has trouble accepting the fact that Jo doesn't have the same feelings for him. "It was difficult to identify my average lifestyle to his upper-class privileges."

Casey Kniseley plays the role of Beth March, the quietest personality of the sisters, but she's also the most selfless and kind. "She's shy and kind of a shrinking violet, but she always wants to help others, even if it means putting herself at risk," she said.

As far as challenges, she said, "I think the hardest part about doing 'Little Women' in play form is portraying just how much time elapses for the family. The book spans a huge portion of the girls' lives, and reflecting that growth and change in a matter of hours is tough."

She added: "The book really was a girl power story for its time, and a lot of that still translates when you read it today. I hope that carries over in our show and the audience sees that."

Sophia Manicone plays the role of Amy March, the youngest of the March sisters. "She's sort of 'fancy' and loves art. She's a little jealous of her older sisters' going out to do fun things without her. And sometimes she gets a little sulky," she said.

She added: "I think people often see Amy as spoiled and selfish, so the challenge in this role is trying to show that she isn't all bad. She can be thoughtful and generous,

like the scene where she surprises her sisters with a Christmas gift for their mother that costs a lot of money. This is one of the times when you have the chance to see that there's more to Amy than most people think."

Elizabeth Replogle plays the role of Marmee, the March girls' mother. "One of my favorite things about her is that she treats each of her children as a person, meaning she doesn't talk down to them and isn't dismissive of their problems," she said. "She recognizes that they each have different strengths, doesn't shield them from life's difficulties, and isn't afraid of sharing her own vulnerability."

She added: "The first thing I thought about after being cast was whether I'd really be able to do justice to this quintessential maternal role, because I have no children in real life. Luckily I have a strong relationship with my own mom, and so many of my close friends are amazing mothers, so I was able to look to some of their experiences to inform how I approached the role."

Deborah Sapolsky plays the role of Hannah Mullet, the housekeeper for the March family for many years. "She is a middle-aged, kindly-looking woman," she said. "She is a no-nonsense worker and has such regard and love for her 'family' and always tries to help whenever possible, knowing their strained circumstances and their father being away during the war."

As far as challenges, she said, although Hannah was a servant to the March household, she is also treated and loved like a family member, which was not the norm for that time period. "There is this fine line to show the deference — being humble, always listening, yet perhaps wanting to say something," she said.

Aldersgate Church Community Theatre (ACCT) is staging "Little Women" March 4-20. Shows are Fridays-Saturdays at 8 p.m.; and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$12-15. ACCT is located at 1301 Collingwood Road. Visit the website at [www.acctonline.org](http://www.acctonline.org).

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**Art Exhibit: “Storytelling/Global Narratives.”** Through March 13, gallery hours at Schlesinger Center’s Fisher Gallery at Northern Virginia Community College’s Alexandria Campus, 4915 E. Campus Drive. Part of the regional project “Al-Mutanabbi Street Starts Here DC 2016”, a book, arts and cultural festival through March throughout the Washington, D.C. area. “Storytelling/Global Narratives” will commemorate the 2007 bombing of Baghdad’s historic bookselling street and celebrate the free exchange of ideas and knowledge. Free. Visit [www.nvcc.edu](http://www.nvcc.edu) for more.

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The 53rd Annual Needlework exhibition opens on March 2 at the Woodlawn Mansion, 9000 Richmond Highway. The show and sale will feature both contemporary and traditional needlework, but this year it will also allow pieces to be sold and picked up after the final day. The exhibit is open every day 10 a.m.-4 p.m. through March 31 except Tuesdays. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$6 for students, and free for children under 5. Visit [www.woodlawnpopeleighey.org](http://www.woodlawnpopeleighey.org) for more.

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**Family Woodcock Walk.** 5:30 p.m. at Huntley Meadows Park, 3701 Lockheed Blvd. Listen for the call of the male woodcock and hopefully see his courtship dance and flight. \$6 for residents of Fairfax County, \$8 for non-residents. Visit [www.fairfaxcounty.gov](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov) for more.

## MARCH 5-20

**March 150 Exhibition.** Gallery hours at The Target Gallery, 105 N. Union St. The two-week exhibition will feature more than 150 square panels created by more than 100 regional artists, nearly 30 of whom are affiliated with the Torpedo Factory. Free. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org](http://www.torpedofactory.org) for more.

## SUNDAY/MARCH 6

**Beau Soir Ensemble.** 1 p.m. at The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Violist Jennifer Ries and harpist Michelle Lundy welcome guest flutist David Lonkevich in a program of music by Respighi, Telemann and Puccini, as well as Irish jigs and Jewish folk songs. Free, but donations accepted. Visit [www.beausoir.org](http://www.beausoir.org) for more.

**Meet the Artist: "Contradictions."** 6-8 p.m. at The Associates Gallery at the Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. Working in the medium of encaustic Julia Dzikiewicz paints, prints and constructs three-dimensional objects with bold colors embedding crystals, pearls or even metals. Free. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org](http://www.torpedofactory.org) for more.

## MONDAY/MARCH 7

**Winter Warmer Tea.** 3-4:30 p.m. at

Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 138 N. Royal St. Drink a special blend of tea or a cup of American Heritage Chocolate, eat period-inspired delicacies, with "Martha Washington." During the tea, "Mrs. Washington" will be sharing stories from her life and visiting with each guest. Also take a tour at 2:15. Tea is \$35 per person, all inclusive, reservations are required. To make reservations call 703.746.4242 or visit [shop.alexandriava.gov](http://shop.alexandriava.gov).

### "Build a Beast" Textile Workshop.

6-9 p.m. at The Del Ray Artisans Gallery, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Learn how to construct a fantasy creature from your own doodles. The workshop fee is \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members, plus a \$5 supply fee. Visit [www.TheDelRayArtisans.org](http://www.TheDelRayArtisans.org).

**Lecture: Women of Alexandria.** 7 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. "Women of Alexandria, from Antebellum to the 20th Century" will depict the effect of the Civil War on the lives of Alexandria's women before, during, and after the war. Free. Visit [www.nvfaa.org](http://www.nvfaa.org) or call 703-548-0035.

## MARCH 7-14

**NOVA Restaurant Week.** The Arlington Chamber of Commerce again partners with the Virginia Restaurant, Lodging, and Travel Association to present the 2016 Northern Virginia Restaurant Week. Visit [www.rosslynva.org](http://www.rosslynva.org) for more.

## TUESDAY/MARCH 8

**Homeschool Day at Mount Vernon.** 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at George Washington's Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Highway, Mount Vernon. At the Pioneer Farm, watch costumed interpreters produce 18th-

century goods and learn about George Washington's innovative farming practices. Visit a reconstructed slave cabin, play colonial games, and see horses, mules, sheep, and oxen. Free for children 5 and under, \$9 for homeschool students ages 6-18, \$10 for adults. Visit [www.mountvernon.org](http://www.mountvernon.org).

### Creative Exploration Open Studio.

10-11:30 a.m. at Convergence, 1801 N. Quaker Lane. Learn simple watercolor techniques and doodle designs with your child. Tickets are \$30 for parent/caregiver and child. Contact 703-944-4381 or [info@metamorphosisaec.com](mailto:info@metamorphosisaec.com), or visit [www.metamorphosisaec.com/mama/classes](http://www.metamorphosisaec.com/mama/classes).

**Silhouette Artist.** 2-5 p.m. at Robcyns, 3660 King St. Artist Erik Johnson cuts free hand silhouettes for a close likeness. Original silhouettes are \$25, duplicates are \$15, and framing is available for \$20. Call 703-683-2918 or visit [www.purplegoose2016.eventbrite.com](http://www.purplegoose2016.eventbrite.com) for an appointment.

## WEDNESDAY/MARCH 9

**Sanctuary Studio.** 10:15-11:45 a.m. and 7-8:30 p.m. at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Road. Using drawing, watercolor, and collage materials, explore line, shape, and color as a meditative process. Free, but donations accepted. Visit [www.staidansepiscopal.com](http://www.staidansepiscopal.com).

**Meet With a Professional Organizer.** 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Mount Vernon Presbyterian Church, 2001 Sherwood Hall Lane. A professional organizer will speak at the MOMS Club of Alexandria South monthly meeting. Children of all ages are welcome at the meeting. MOMS Club of Alexandria South serves at-

home parents as well as parents who work part-time or have home-based businesses and who reside in zip codes 22303, 22306 and 22307. Free. Email [Southalexmomms@yahoo.com](mailto:Southalexmomms@yahoo.com) or [visitsouthalexandriamommsclub.webs.com](http://visitsouthalexandriamommsclub.webs.com).

**CryBaby Art Studio.** 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Convergence, 1801 N. Quaker Lane. Learn simple art techniques and exercise your creativity with your baby by your side. Tickets are \$20. Contact 703-944-4381 or [info@metamorphosisaec.com](mailto:info@metamorphosisaec.com), or visit [www.metamorphosisaec.com/mama/classes](http://www.metamorphosisaec.com/mama/classes).

## THURSDAY/MARCH 10

**"Speak, Sister."** 7:30 p.m. at The Athenaeum, 201 Prince St. Local actors will read from diaries and letters of women, Harriet Jacobs, Isabel Emerson and Anne Frobel, who lived in Alexandria during the Civil War, and bluegrass band Dead Men's Hollow will play songs of the Civil War. Tickets are \$20. Visit [www.nvfaa.org](http://www.nvfaa.org) for more.

## FRIDAY/MARCH 11

**Spaghetti Dinner: Rising Hope Food Pantry.** 5-8 p.m. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 8009 Fort Hunt Road. St. Luke's Episcopal Church is holding a spaghetti dinner to support Rising Hope's Food Pantry and two other food programs in the community. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$6 for children 12 and under, and \$30 for families. Call 703-298-5987 for more.

**Family Fun Night.** 6-9 p.m. at Chinguapin Park Recreation Center & Aquatics Facility, 3210 King St. Pool games include beach ball relays, water basketball, diving for prizes on the "Aqua Challenge" floating obstacle course. Participate in swimming skill assessments for

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youth, learn pool safety tips and more. Tickets are \$4. Visit [www.shop.alexandriava.gov](http://www.shop.alexandriava.gov) for more.

**Ladies Night Out: Painting Van Gogh Style.** 7-9:30 p.m. at Convergence, 1801 N. Quaker Lane. Tickets are \$45. Contact 703-944-438.

## MARCH 11-APRIL 10

**All City High School Visual Art Exhibition.** 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Fridays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturdays at The Gallery @ Convergence, 1801 N. Quaker Lane. Convergence presents the "Alexandria City High School Art Exhibit," a joint effort between Bishop Ireton High School, Episcopal High School, St. Stephen's & St. Agnes School, and T.C. Williams High School. In an effort to recognize and encourage the creative pursuits of visual art students from across the city, art teachers from each of the four schools have collaborated in what they hope will be an annual event. Free. Visit [www.ourconvergence.org](http://www.ourconvergence.org) for more.

## SATURDAY/MARCH 12

**Talent Hunt.** 12-3 p.m. at Mount Vernon High School, 8515 Old Mount Vernon Road. Psi Nu Chapter, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. of Alexandria hosts a talent hunt for high school with a \$400 first place prize. Free. Email [talenthuntpsinu@gmail.com](mailto:talenthuntpsinu@gmail.com).

**Tea with Lady Washington.** 2-3 p.m. at George Washington's Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Highway, Mount Vernon. Join "Lady Washington" for an intimate fireside tea and conversation. Tickets are \$30 for adults, \$20 for children. Visit

[www.mountvernon.org](http://www.mountvernon.org) for more.  
**"Her Story: Women in Action for Girl Scout Daisies and Brownies."** 3-4:15 p.m. at the Lyceum, 201 S. Washington St. Girl Scout Daisies, Brownies, and their accompanying adults will participate in hands-on activities and add their own future goals to a timeline of Juliette Gordon Low's story. Participants will talk with a panel of current and former Girl Scouts and discover how scouting empowered them. Tickets are \$6. Visit [www.alexandriahistory.org](http://www.alexandriahistory.org) for more.

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**Generation to Generation Gala.** 6-11 p.m. at Hilton Alexandria Mark Center, 5000 Seminary Road. Support Senior Services of Alexandria. Find cocktails, dinner, and dancing. Tickets are \$150. Visit [www.seniorservicesalex.org](http://www.seniorservicesalex.org) for more.

**The Music of Ralph Vaughan Williams.** 7 p.m. at Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall & Arts Center, 4915 E. Campus Lane. In collaboration with the Amadeus Orchestra, the Fairfax Choral Society Adult Symphonic Chorus, Youth Concert Choir, and Women of the Master Singers present "Quintessentially British." Tickets \$20-45, \$5 discount if purchased in advance. Student tickets are \$10. Visit [www.fairfaxchoralsociety.org](http://www.fairfaxchoralsociety.org) for more.

**Wounded Warrior Bowl-O-Rama.** Fort Myers Bowling Center, 224 McNair Road, Fort Myers. Psi Nu Chapter, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity,

Inc. of Alexandria hosts an event benefitting the Wounded Warrior Project. Tickets are \$20. Visit [www.woundedwarriorproject.org](http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org).

## SUNDAY/MARCH 13

**The Architecture of Carlyle House: Behind the Scenes Tour.** 11 a.m.-12 p.m. at Carlyle House Historic Park, 121 N. Fairfax St. Learn about the architectural history of the only stone mansion in Alexandria. Tickets for the general public are \$10; \$5 for Friends of Carlyle House. Visit [www.carlylehouse.org](http://www.carlylehouse.org) for more.

**Concert: "Nature's Whimsy."** 4-5:30 p.m. at George Washington Masonic National Memorial, 101 Callahan Drive. Join Virginia Bronze for a variety of handbell compositions. Tickets are \$5-10. Visit [www.vabronze.org](http://www.vabronze.org) for more.

## MONDAY/MARCH 14

**Generative Digital Art Program.** 7-8 p.m. at The Del Ray Artisans Gallery, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Presentation by computer engineer and artist Cameron Turner. Tickets are \$5 for members, \$10 for non-members. Visit [www.TheDelRayArtisans.org](http://www.TheDelRayArtisans.org).

## TUESDAY/MARCH 15

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Jamie Sara led West Potomac with 19 points during a loss to West Springfield in the third-place game of the 6A North region tournament on Feb. 27.



West Potomac's Daryl Mackey Jr. scored 11 points against West Springfield on Feb. 27.



Khalil Williams Diggins earned first-team all-region honors.

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## West Potomac To Face 6A South Champ Woodside

Wolverines suffer back-to-back losses at region tournament.

BY JON ROETMAN  
THE GAZETTE

After winning six consecutive games and 15 of 17, the West Potomac boys' basketball team suffered back-to-back losses in the region tournament, falling to Battlefield in the semifinals and West Springfield in the third-place game.

As far as head coach David Houston III is concerned, however, the Wolverines are confident and ready to move on to states.

"I don't think it was much of a bump in the road," Houston said. "I think my kids played hard. ... They're still positive and confident in what we're doing."

West Potomac, the No. 4 seed from the 6A North region, will travel to Richmond to face 6A South champion Woodside (Newport News) in the state quarterfinals at 9 p.m. on Friday, March 4 at VCU. It will be the Wolverines' first state tournament appearance since 1998.

West Potomac won 10 of its final 12 regular season games and earned the No. 2 seed in the Conference 7 tournament. After saving their season with a come-from-behind victory against South County in the quarterfinals, the Wolverines beat Woodson in the semifinals and knocked off top seed West Springfield in the tournament final, capturing the program's first conference/district title since 2010.

West Potomac beat Patriot in the opening round of regionals, then earned a state berth with a 59-53 win against Robinson in the

semifinals on Feb. 24. But the Wolverines' hopes for a region title ended when they lost to Battlefield in the semifinals, 82-70, on Feb. 26 at Robinson Secondary School. West Potomac led 45-44 when junior forward Da'Juan Bellfield scored on a putback with 3:25 remaining in the third quarter, but the Bobcats responded with a 22-4 run and took control of the contest.

Freshman guard Daryl Mackey Jr. led West Potomac with 21 points. Jamie Sara and Da'Jon Bellfield each had 14 points.

The following day, West Potomac lost to West Springfield, 63-60, in the third-place game. The Spartans never trailed and led by as many as 13 points. The Wolverines cut the Spartan lead to 54-51 when Mackey scored on a putback with 3:23 remaining, but West Potomac got no closer.

Sara led the Wolverines with 19 points. Khalil Williams Diggins, a first-team all-region selection, and Mackey each scored 11.

"After beating [West Springfield] twice, we came into the game knowing they were going to get up early and play hard," Sara wrote in an email. "We [definitely] had more energy and were hitting more shots [in] the championship game. We're still a better team than them, that's why we have the banner, but they wanted that win on Saturday."

Now, West Potomac must find a way return to its winning ways.

"We have the same mindset going into the state tournament," Sara wrote. "Play hard, rebound, defense, and run. We have to go into that state game with our own energy,

getting up early, and attacking the glass will be our [key to] success like it has been most of the year."

West Potomac (18-10) will face a Woodside team with a 19-5 record, according to maxpreps.com. Woodside defeated Oscar Smith in the Conference 2 and 6A South region championship games.

"Right now, our mindset is we've played with a lot of tough teams, especially in Conference 7," Da'Jon Bellfield said. "... [W]e weren't able to take a night off. ... We've been playing [tough competition] every night since November. ... We can go down south and make some noise."

West Potomac experienced a four-game losing streak in December and closed the 2015 portion of its schedule by dropping five of six games, including its final two contests at the Wakefield holiday tournament. The Wolverines responded by opening 2016 with a five-game win streak. Houston, who went to the state tournament as a player with West Springfield in 1991, will make his first appearance as a coach.

"My kids are resilient," he said. "We had a four-game losing streak in [December] and they didn't miss a beat in terms of listening to me and moving on to the next game."



West Potomac's David Houston III will make his first head-coaching appearance at the state tournament.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NUMBER 16-02-03

The Alexandria City School Board dba Alexandria City Public Schools is seeking competitive proposals from qualified Offerors to provide Dental Services.

Sealed Proposals with the notation RFP# 16-02-03 Dental Services will be received in the Central Procurement Office, 1340 Braddock Place, Suite 620, Alexandria, Virginia 22314, on or before 3:00 pm, March 18, 2016. The time of receipt shall be determined by the time clock stamp in the Procurement office. Proposals appropriately received will be opened and the names of the firms responding will be read aloud. RFP documents may be obtained at the above Procurement Office or by calling 703-619-8181, or by downloading the RFP from the ACPs website at <http://www.acps.k12.va.us/financial-services/purchasing/bids.php>

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**ALEXANDRIA CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NUMBER 16-02-05

The Alexandria City School Board dba Alexandria City Public Schools is seeking competitive proposals from qualified Offerors to provide Professional Development on Differentiation, Instruction and Assessment for Immigrant Youth.

Unsealed Proposals with the notation RFP# 16-02-05 Professional Development on Differentiation, Instruction and Assessment for Immigrant Youth will be received via email at christopher.guy@acps.k12.va.us. Proposals shall be transmitted with a date and time stamp on or before 3:00 PM on March 14, 2016. RFP documents may be obtained at the above Procurement Office or by calling 703-619-8181, or by downloading the RFP from the ACPs website at <http://www.acps.k12.va.us/financial-services/purchasing/bids.php>

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**Joyce Sherwood Keir**  
**August 28, 1923 - February 20, 2016**

Joyce Sherwood Keir passed away at her home in Hollin Hills in Fairfax County, Virginia, on Saturday, February 20, 2016, succumbing to kidney failure at the age of 92. She was born on August 28, 1923 in a town so small that it no longer graces the map - Leetsville, Michigan, a crossroads in Rapid River Township northeast of Kalkaska, Michigan. Her family moved into the town of Kalkaska when she was three years old, and she grew up there. One of her favorite pastimes was to climb a tree with a good book in the hope of avoiding a few household chores. Afternoons were often spent around the radio listening to Charlie Gehringer and Hank Greenberg play ball for the Detroit Tigers.

Joyce was an excellent student, and aspired to attend the University of Michigan. However, as a young woman in the Midwest at mid-century, she was constrained to attend the school that offered the most scholarship money, and attended Central Michigan University instead, graduating in 1945. Nonetheless, she remained an ardent fan of the Michigan Wolverines for the rest of her life.

After college, she moved to Detroit, where she taught middle school math, worked for the Wayne County Health Department, and ultimately got a job at General Motors. She left Michigan for Washington, D.C. in the early 1950s to attend graduate school at The George Washington University, where she earned a Master's Degree in Government and Economic Policy in 1954. Thereafter, she worked for five years as an economist at the International Monetary Fund, traveling on several missions to Costa Rica and

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**ALEXANDRIA CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
and  
**THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA**  
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS NUMBER 16-01-02

The Alexandria City School Board dba Alexandria City Public Schools and the City of Alexandria, Virginia are seeking qualification proposals for Construction Manager at Risk Services for Patrick Henry PreK-8 School and Recreational Facility.

Sealed Qualification Proposals with the notation RFQ# 16-01-02 - CM@Risk Services PH, will be received in the Financial Services Department, Procurement Office, located at 1340 Braddock Place, Suite 620, Alexandria, Virginia 22314, on or before 3:00 pm, MARCH 8, 2016. The time of receipt shall be determined by the time clock stamp in the Procurement office. Proposals appropriately received will be opened and the names of the firms responding will be read aloud. RFQ documents may be obtained at the above Procurement Office or by calling 703-619-8343, or by downloading the RFQ from the ACPs website at [www.acps.k12.va.us](http://www.acps.k12.va.us), Administration, Financial Services, Procurement and General Services - Current Bids and Request for Proposals.

All questions should be submitted before 4:30 p.m., March 1, 2016. If necessary, an addendum will be issued and posted to the ACPs web site.

No RFQ may be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) days after the opening of proposals except as may be set forth in the RFQ.

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Sharon T. Lewis M.P.S., CPPB, VCO  
Director of Procurement & General Services

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**Nicaragua.**

In 1958, a mutual friend introduced her to Peter Keir, a recently divorced fellow economist, with two young children. Shortly thereafter, she embarked on a new and very different stage of life as a wife and mother. Although she officially "retired" from the work force in 1959, she remained active as a volunteer in the public schools, as a political campaign stalwart, and in a number of community activities and other recreational pursuits. Her home was always a welcoming place, where dinner was served promptly at 7 pm, with generous portions for all. Certain relatives and family friends were known to time their arrival in town for the seven o'clock hour in order not to miss the evening meal.

She is survived by her husband of more than 56 years, Peter M. Keir, of Hollin Hills; her sister, Kay Ryckman of South Boardman, Michigan; stepdaughter Ellen Keir and former son-in-law Mark Bobseine, both of Duxbury, Massachusetts; stepson Bruce Keir and daughter-in-law Patricia Wittbold Keir of Davie, Florida; and son David Keir and daughter-in-law Lorraine Predham Keir of Alexandria, Virginia, as well as six grandchildren, Haley, Sam and Peter Bobseine; Christopher and Heather Keir, and Caroline Joyce Keir. She was preceded in death by her younger brother Clayton C. Sherwood of Tekonsha, Michigan, who passed away last April at age 89, and her parents, Clayton and Mamie Sherwood, who each died in 1993, at the ages of 95 and 94 respectively.

The family wishes to thank the staff of Adult Companion Care in Alexandria who provided excellent care and friendship to Joyce and the entire family during the last years of her life, in particular caregivers Dionne Pressley, Willie Mae Batts and Lillian Opoku, and nurses Kathy Schrader and Lavonne Rolincik.

Joyce loved the springtime, when the countryside turns green and the flowers bloom. Accordingly, a Celebration of Life will be held at 2pm on April 23, 2016 at the Mount Vernon Unitarian Church. Further details of that celebration will be announced at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to the following organizations: the Alzheimer's Association, P.O. Box 96011, Washington, DC 20090-6011; the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123; or the Esophageal Cancer Action Network, P.O. Box 243, Stevenson, MD 21153.

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the majority of the other Virginia Senators is certainly no mark of unreasonableness given the sad itinerary of Virginia legislation. Sen. Surovell is elected to represent his constituents, not kow tow to the majority of other senators.

Also disturbing, it seems that Mr. Spiegel incorrectly addresses the substance of the legislation. Currently, there is certainly no restriction on judges acquiring and carrying weapons, as there are no such restrictions for any Virginia adult. A concealed weapons permit is a special privilege but still is not overly difficult to obtain.

Exempting a person who is or was a judge from the moderate permitting process seems inexplicable, especially when the legislation makes no provision for judges who were removed from office for crimes, abuse, or mental instability. Also, and even judges tend to agree, that giving judges special treatment tends to make the judges less sensitive to the everyday procedures of the citizenry and thus less empathetic in their judicial duties.

Mr. Spiegel does himself a disservice in voicing criticism of Sen. Surovell on this issue since many of Mr. Spiegel's other opinions on government and the environment are usually more enlightened and well reasoned. I can only wish that Sen. Surovell's legislator compatriots were more mainstream in their vote to treat judges as regular people and not an ill defined, pampered, personage.

Jay Jupiter/Mt. Vernon



Osprey nest viewing returns.

**Ospreys Up Close**

To the Editor:

In 2013, I installed a camera in the osprey nest behind my home and established a web page where those interested in these birds could view their activities. In June 2015, a severe thunderstorm resulted in lightning strikes that destroyed the wireless transmission link between nest and computer. At that time, our osprey parents were raising two chicks and it was not possible to access the nest to perform repairs. As such, the web page went dark for the remainder of 2015.

New equipment has been installed including a higher quality camera which includes infrared lighting for night viewing and the web page is now operational. Since 2013, the web page has enjoyed almost 20,000 visitors. We anticipate arrival of ospreys within the next week or so and hope the community enjoys the opportunity for a close-up view of the life cycle of beautiful raptors. The web page is accessible at [www.littlehuntingcreek.org/ospreycam.html](http://www.littlehuntingcreek.org/ospreycam.html).

H. Jay Spiegel/Mount Vernon

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