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## Alive Again

BY VERNON MILES  
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**A**lfred Dewayne Brown loves the Alexandria Waterfront. He enjoys visiting the shops and restaurants in Old Town and meeting the family of his Alexandrian lawyer, Brian Stolarz. Brown is closer with Stolarz than most clients are with their attorneys. The two are good friends and even have matching tattoos: scales of justice. Brown has the number "154" written above his, because Brown is the 154th inmate on death row to be exonerated. If it weren't for Stolarz, Brown would be dead.

Brown joined Stolarz at the Lee Center on Sept. 29 to talk about Stolarz's new book, "Grace and Justice on Death Row." Stolarz and Brown spoke about visits to death row in Livingston, Texas. In 2003, Brown was accused of murdering two people in Texas, one of them a police officer, in a botched robbery. One of the men who'd committed the murder said Brown had pulled the trigger. But Brown told the court, and his lawyers, that he was at home the whole time, that he'd even called his girlfriend at the time of the murder.

The trial lasted three days. Stolarz called it "fast food justice." Brown's attorneys pressured him to take a guilty plea deal the state was offering, but Brown maintained his innocence. Brown was convicted and sentenced to death.

In 2007, Stolarz was working in his office when a colleague asked if he was interested in taking a pro-bono death penalty case. Stolarz travelled to Livingston. As soon as he met Brown, he knew

**Alexandria lawyer saves innocent man from death row.**



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**Brian Stolarz (left) with Alfred Dewayne Brown on Death Row.**

the man was innocent.

"It was like meeting me wife or child for the first time," said Stolarz. "It was like a shot through my body."

Stolarz shared pictures of Brown's cell, narrow enough that standing in the center Brown could touch both walls. Brown was in the cell 23 hours each day for 10 years. Compared to his cell in the regular jail, Brown said it was like going from a

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## Remembering H. Stewart Dunn, Jr.

**Civil liberties advocate dies at 87.**

BY JEANNE THEISMANN  
GAZETTE PACKET

**S**tew Dunn was known for many things, primarily his commitment to civil liberties and a passion for the City of Alexandria. But not long ago he made a revelation that took even his son Chris by surprise.

"Dad only just recently told me that he played competitive golf with Arnold Palmer," Chris Dunn said. "I knew he grew up in the same area as Palmer but had no idea he was such an avid golfer in his younger days. That was a side of Dad not many people knew."

The Stew Dunn most people knew was a fierce supporter of civil rights, devoting decades of his life to defending civil liberties while actively engaging in a range of civic activities. On Sept. 27, the longest serving board member of the American Civil Liberties Union of Virginia died of complications from a heart procedure. He was 87.

"Stew was involved in many



**Stew Dunn**

things in the community," said Tom Hulfish, former chair of the Board of Architectural Review. "He was such an interesting man and always had such great ideas. He added a unique richness to every Planning Commission docket."

H. Stewart Dunn Jr. was born in Pittsburgh on July 9, 1929, one of five children born to H. Stewart Dunn Sr. and Marie Galvin Dunn. He graduated from Yale University in 1951 and magna cum laude from Harvard Law School in 1954, where he served as an editor of the Harvard Law Review. After serving three years in the U.S. Army, including the Judge Advocates Corp., he joined the Washington, D.C. law firm of Ivins, Phillips & Barker, where he practiced for over 50 years.

Dunn's expertise covered most areas of tax law and in recent years

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## Free Health Fair for Uninsured Returns Nov. 5



PHOTO BY EDEN BROWN/GAZETTE PACKET

**Former Mayor Bill Euille makes a point to the Access Alexandria group.**

**Number of partners joining Health Fair effort soars.**

BY EDEN BROWN  
GAZETTE PACKET

**T**his year, with many more sponsors, Arlene Hewitt, Richard Merritt, Dan Hawkins, Bill Euille, Mary Anne Weber, Dr. John Klousia, Canek Aguirre, Eduardo Mantilla-Torres, and Jamie Conrad have cobbled together another free health fair for the uninsured.

Some of them are part of the Alliance for Alexandria's Uninsured, a lead partner and staffer of the Planning Committee for the fair. They see a difference between last year's fair and this year's: last year, there were five or six spon-

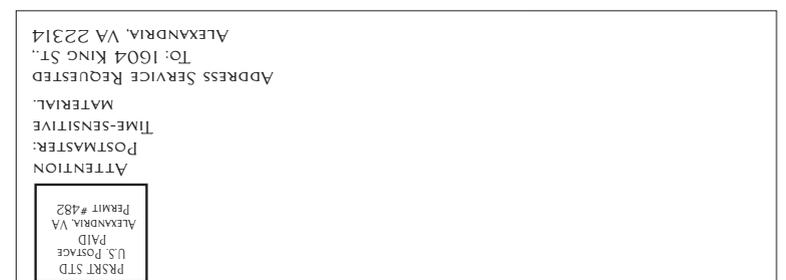
sors: this year there are 54 ... and counting.

The Planning Committee was also a fraction of the size. This year the committee filled a conference room on Sept. 22, at 8 a.m., before many of them went to their day jobs, talking about how to

improve the fair and how much more money they needed to find before Nov. 5.

Sitting around the planning table was a group of faith-based partners, Alexandria Public

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Proceeds from the gala celebrating the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Alexandria Fire Department will help fund the restoration and repair of antique fire equipment, including the Rodgers Suction Engine, which was built in 1851.



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The Alexandria Fire Department, formally established in 1866, will celebrate its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary Oct. 7 with a gala and fundraising event at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Old Town.



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Established on June 23, 1788, the Relief Engine and Truck Company was first located at 319 Prince St. Currently known as Engine 201, the Company disbanded in April of 1863 but reorganized on May 1, 1867 following the end of the Civil War.



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A fire engine purchased for the city by George Washington in 1775 was regarded at the time as the most efficient type of engine. The engine is on display at the Friendship Firehouse Museum on S. Alfred St.

# Fire Department Celebrates 150 Years

## Gala to raise funds for antique equipment restoration.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN  
GAZETTE PACKET

In 1774, the Friendship Fire Company was established as the first volunteer fire company in Alexandria. George Washington was a member of the company and purchased the city its first fire engine in 1775. But it wasn't until 1866 when Joseph Young, at a rate of \$70 per month, became the city's first paid firefighter thus marking the birth of the Alexandria Fire Department.

"To be around for 150 years is quite an

accomplishment for any fire department but especially for a small department like us," said AFD Chief Robert Dube. "We are looking to honor all those who have been a part of our history and to celebrate our service to the community."

The city will celebrate the department's 150th anniversary with a black tie gala Oct. 7 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Old Town. The gala is the premiere event of the fire department's sesquicentennial year celebration and will include a cocktail reception and dinner and a silent auction to benefit the Friendship Firehouse Foundation and the

Alexandria Firefighters and Paramedics IAFF Local 2141 Helping Hands Relief Fund.

"Proceeds from the silent auction will help support the conservation fund for two pieces of apparatus," said Friendship Veterans Fire Engine Association secretary and treasurer Bill Kehoe. "Our overall goal is \$300,000 but once we raise \$150,000 we can get the first piece of equipment to the restoration company, which we hope to do by spring of next year."

Guest speakers for the evening will be U.S. Fire Administrator Ernest Mitchell, Jr. and Chief Billy Goldfeder, director of the

Safety, Health and Survival Section for the International Association of Fire Chiefs. After-dinner music will be provided by Black Tie Entertainment.

"Having served with seven fire chiefs and hundreds of officers and firefighters in the Alexandria Fire Department, I can say it has been an enjoyable, educational and satisfying experience to work with them in providing fire protection and emergency services to the City of Alexandria," Kehoe added.

Tickets are \$75 per person and the event is open to the public. For more information, contact Firefighter Rick Muse, Jr., Community Outreach/Public Information Officer, at rick.musejr@alexandriava.gov or 703-746-5217.

## Who Should Steer Torpedo Factory?

### Artists Association proposes new management structure.

BY VERNON MILES  
GAZETTE PACKET

Starting in October, the City of Alexandria has taken over management of the Torpedo Factory. But even as the city starts its temporary control, the Torpedo Factory Artists Association (TFAA) has presented some different ideas for how the property should be run in the future.

Under the current system, the city now leases studio space directly to the artists and other tenants of the Torpedo Factory. The plan is slated to remain in effect only until the city and Torpedo Factory administrative groups can agree on a new system.

While the review of Torpedo Factory operations by The Cultural Planning Group (CPG) earlier this year recommended an independent board, the TFAA plan calls for a new board led primarily by artists. While city officials would also have a place on the board, TFAA President Don Viehman said the new plan would get the Torpedo Factory back to

its roots as an artist-run facility.

"The artists here are not novices; we've been here for 42 years," said Viehman. "We've been able to manage this place and turn it into a nationally known art center. Most of that came from the artists who are here."

The TFAA plan calls for diversified revenue streams and greater community outreach from the artist community.

"We have an internal community, in that artists that are here are a part of a community, but we also live in Alexandria," said Viehman. "What we need to do, from an artistic point of view but also from a business point of view, is to have an audience and a public [that's eager] to visit. We need to reach out to the community. Not just for the marketplace; we need to do things that engage populations in Alexandria and the region to show them that we're good neighbors."

Viehman says the artists at the TFAA are already working to provide services across the city and show that they can be a public asset. One artist brought a portable forge to T.C. Williams High School and worked

with the art department at the school to set up an iron pour. Students were able to mold and pour hot metal into molds and learn about the basics of metalworking.

"[This kind of activity] makes us engaged," said Viehman. "We're meeting and inspiring kids and being inspired by them. It provides an addition to the arts program in the school and it ultimately means parents come too and get involved."

Under the TFAA plan, artists at the Torpedo Factory would be required to participate in community outreach and engagement objectives in order to maintain their leased space. Availability of space for artists at the Torpedo Factory was one source of controversy under the former Torpedo Factory system. The CPG report found that artists with seniority often held onto valuable spaces at the Torpedo Factory without making proper use of those spaces. Some studios meant to be accessible to the public were closed more often than they were open. Viehman said the new TFAA plan would strictly enforce community engagement and extend minimum hours of artist presence in the studio. Artists using Torpedo

Factory spaces will also undergo assessment for renewal of their artist tenure status.

Currently, the TFAA plan is undergoing review by city staff.

"We have received the plan from the TFAA as well as other documents outlining recommendations for the future of the arts center," said Deputy City Manager Emily Baker in an email. "The city is currently transitioning the leases for the individual studios directly to the city, effective Oct. 1. At the same time, we are developing a community outreach process to help outline the future governance structure for the Torpedo Factory. This process is intended to begin later this fall. The intent is to conduct a robust process that includes internal and external stakeholders as well as the broader Alexandria community."

Baker said the TFAA plan was being considered as one of several proposals submitted to the city.

"We appreciate the time and focus that the TFAA and others are spending to develop recommendations," said Baker. "At this time, it is premature for staff to comment on the recommendations by specific groups. We want to ensure that the public engagement process is able to include a broader range of discussion before any decisions are made."



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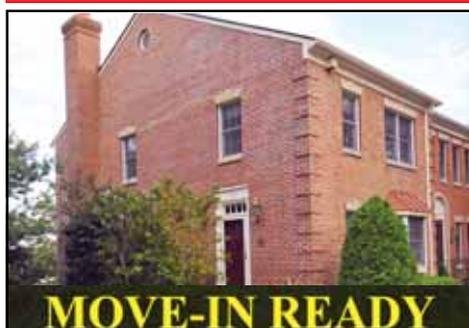
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## NEWS



Fairlington United Methodist Church Pastor Devon Earle, second from right, accepts the Partner of the Year Award at the Raise the Roof fundraiser for Rebuilding Together Alexandria Sept. 22 at Port City Brewery. Pictured are church volunteers Jennifer Ayers, Stephen Ng, RTA president Katharine Dixon and volunteer Bill Kehoe.

PHOTOS BY JOHN BORDNER

## Raise the Roof

### \$50,000 raised for low-income residents.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN  
GAZETTE PACKET

More than 160 people turned out Sept. 22 for Rebuilding Together Alexandria's Raise the Roof fundraiser at Port City Brewery, raising more than \$50,000 to help low-income residents in the city.

"Since our event last fall, 900 volunteers have worked on 127 homes, nonprofit facilities and community spaces in Alexandria," said Rebuilding Together Alexandria President and CEO Katharine Dixon. "By improving housing conditions and common spaces that serve in-need communities, we hope individuals and families remain active members of their neighborhoods, keeping the city economically, socially and culturally diverse."

Led by Pastor Devon Earle, Fairlington United Methodist Church was recognized as Partner of the Year.

"For more than 30 years we have been working with Rebuilding Together Alexan-



Chuck Shepherd of Premiere Works Contracting accepts the award for New Partner of the Year.

dria," Earle said. "It's been a way for us to make friends while serving our community."

Also recognized were Bill Berridge as Volunteer of the Year and Premiere Works Contracting as New Team of the Year.

"It's a privilege for our volunteers to work with Rebuilding Together Alexandria," said Chuck Shepherd of Premiere Works. "We just started this year and look forward to continuing our relationship."

For more information visit [www.rebuildingtogetheralex.org](http://www.rebuildingtogetheralex.org).



Port City Brewery founder Bill Butcher, right, chats with Rebuilding Together board member and event sponsor Scott Burr at the Raise the Roof fundraiser.



Bill Berridge, right, is presented with Rebuilding Together Alexandria's Volunteer of the Year Award from RTA president Katharine Dixon.

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.

## Police Investigate Pedestrian Struck by Vehicle

The Alexandria Police Department is investigating a pedestrian crash that occurred on Monday, Oct. 3, near the 300 block of Yoakum Parkway.

At approximately 7:11 p.m., police responded to the area for a pedestrian struck by a vehicle. Initial investigation indicated a 90-year-old woman was crossing the street when a 51-year-old woman struck her with her vehicle. The driver remained on the scene. The

victim was transported to the hospital and is in critical condition.

Members of the Crash Reconstruction Team are investigating the incident. Alexandria Police ask that witnesses or people with information regarding this incident should contact Investigator Greg Holden at 703-746-6184.

Other incidents this week included:  
**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 5**  
 The Alexandria Police Department is investigating a shooting in the 1100 block of Duke Street. An adult male vic-

tim was transported to a local hospital where he succumbed to his injuries. There is no threat to the public; involved persons are known to each other.

**TUESDAY, OCT. 4**  
 The Alexandria Police Department is investigating a gas station robbery in the 4500 block of Kenmore Avenue. There were no weapons involved, and no one was injured.

**MONDAY, OCT. 3**  
 The Alexandria Police Department is investigating a pedestrian struck traffic crash in the 300 block of Yoakum Parkway. The victim was transported to a local hospital.

### DIVERSITY AWARENESS MONTH

Alexandria Libraries will be hosting a series of special events in October, including workshops, discussions, story times, film screenings, musical performances and book displays to celebrate Alexandria's diversity. Alexandria Library will also have a cultural display travelling to each branch location for a full week during the month of October beginning at Burke Branch, then Beatley Central Library, Barrett Branch and finally Duncan Branch. The cultural display will contain items from library staff's personal cultural experiences and/or international travel. For the full list

of Alexandria Library's Diversity Month programs and its cultural display, visit the Alexandria Library website at [bit.ly/AlexLibDiversityMonth](http://bit.ly/AlexLibDiversityMonth).

### THROUGH OCT. 31

**"Fuel the Pool."** At Reunions, 1709 Centre Plaza. During October, Reunions, a neighborhood specialty shop of antiques, home furnishings, gifts and accessories located in Fairlington Centre, will donate 5 percent of its sales to Advocates for Alexandria Aquatics (AAA), a nonprofit organization that is

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(Left to right) Ted Johnson, Erik Dorn, Shannon Catlett, Charlie Collum, Pam De Candio and Kerry Donley

# New Boutique Opens in City

BY SHIRLEY RUHE  
GAZETTE PACKET

**E**lizabeth Todd picks up the phone. “Hey, we just got in this great Veronica Beard classic jacket with a zip-in dickey — just your style. Do you want me to hold it for you?” Todd says she has a loyal client base and she calls to let them know what has just arrived. “I get to know who needs comfortable shoes to walk in on the Hill.”

Todd has just opened the Hive, described as a luxury lifestyle and clothing boutique, at 301 Cameron St.

Todd said they leased the space in July and had a very quick turnaround with lots of steps to be finished in a few months. “We completely gutted the space from a former barber shop, put in all new electrical and things like required water fountains. I had to hire an architect to go through with the city all of the requirements for an occupancy change.”

This store follows on the heels of The Shoe Hive, just a couple of blocks away at 127 S. Fairfax St. Todd says she opened The Shoe Hive 13 years ago. Todd said she started to carry some clothing in the shoe boutique three years ago and it started to do well. “People would buy the Rag and Bone shoes and then ask ‘where are the clothes?’”

Todd says she loves being in retail. “I thought there was a void in the market in Alexandria for shoes.” Todd had been involved in politics in Ohio where she ran a direct mail firm for 10 years. “I travelled a lot to state capitals and I saw all these great shoe stores. When I moved here, I thought why don’t we have one?” She said she enrolled in 10,000 small businesses, a three-month small boot camp, to help figure out the next best step. After establishing a successful shoe boutique, in a few years it was time to expand. “I thought I might open up more shoe stores in different locations. But I know the customer base here and there is a resurgence of women’s fashion in Old Town.” So she made the decision to branch



**Elizabeth Todd pulls one of the unusual selections off the rack at the Hive and explains: “It could be worn here in the store or at a party or in the winter with boots and a jacket.”**



PHOTOS BY SHIRLEY RUHE/GAZETTE PACKET

**Elizabeth Todd, owner of the newly-opened Hive boutique, opens the jacket to show a zip-in leather dickey: “It gives the appearance of layers but without the bulk. These are very popular this year.”**

out by opening a clothing boutique just down the way.

A row of hats is displayed above the racks of One Grey Day, an LA knitware-focused brand, and Alicia Adams Alpaca capes made in New York. “Alexandria is a place where a lot of people walk around and they wear hats to protect their face from the weather or some wear a hat for fashion. I wear a hat when I walk my kids to school. I sell a lot of hats.” Todd says that she selects clothing brands “that I selfishly want and had followed for years. I try to have stuff that I know people are looking for but also a mix of unique selections that people can’t get other places and with a range of prices.”

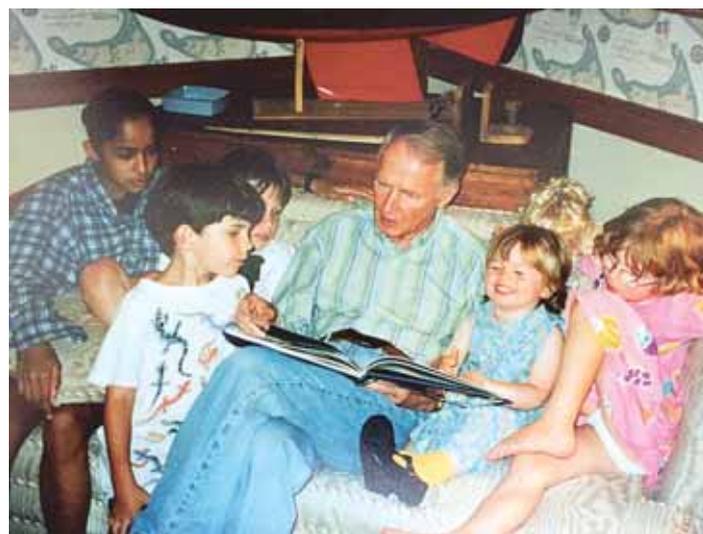
Todd says she thinks people more and more want to buy investment pieces. They will spend more money to get something well made that will last and hold up over time. As the door opens, a cheerful voice rings out, “Hello, I just stopped in to check out your new place.” The customer is wearing her Wolford stockings from the Shoe Hive. “They feel so good. They are worth the \$50 they cost.” Todd says that 80 percent of her customers are local.

She looks at her watch. “Almost time for my kids to be dropped off from school. Then I’m a mom until they go to bed.” Later at night it’s back to work on the Alexandria Stylebook, a daily on-line email created by Todd and sponsored by four stores.

And the paperwork.

“Honestly I could do paperwork all day long.” Todd says there is no “normal day” since one day she could be busy with customers or there could be a lot of merchandise coming with a day of manual labor unpacking vendors, and there is always plenty of marketing. She could be in New York where she finds most of the items she sells in the boutique. “I spend a lot of time on Amtrak.”

But what she loves best is being in the shop with customers. “I enjoy it just as much as the beginning.” The Hive will have its grand opening Friday, Oct. 7-Sunday, Oct. 9. Events tumble through Friday and Saturday including demonstrations, a book signing, juice and bubbly, coffee and donuts, chocolates and cocktails with face painting and glitter tattoos for the children.



**Stew Dunn with his grandchildren.**

## Recalling Dunn

FROM PAGE 1

became a nationally recognized expert on trusts and estates. Between 1970 and 1973 he served as vice-chair of the American Bar Association’s Section on Taxation. He was a member of the American Bar Foundation, the American Law Institute, the American College of Tax Counsel and the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel. He served as a member of the United States Committee on the Selection of Federal Judicial Officers in 1977-1979 and as the chair from 1979 to 1981. He taught for a semester at Harvard Law School and at the Georgetown University Law Center.

But it was his work with the ACLU that fueled his passion.

“What people in Alexandria saw of Dad reflects what he was really about,” Chris Dunn said. “He was a family guy that was passionate about civic affairs, politics and local issues. They may not be fun topics but free speech rights and civil liberties are what got him excited and kept him going throughout his life.”



**Stew and Loti Dunn were married in 1978.**

Since 1981 Dunn was a member of the board of directors of the ACLU of the National Capital Area and served as its president from 1986 to 1988. He also served as a member of the board of directors of the ACLU of Virginia since 1991 and as a vice-president since 2005.

From 1988 until 1996 and then from 2000 to 2005, he served on the national board of directors of the American Civil Liberties Union. Dunn provided significant financial support to all three organizations, including through a foundation he created and funded to honor his son Tony, who died in a car accident in 1980.

Dunn recently stepped down as a member of the Alexandria Planning Commission, where he served since 1995 and as vice-chair since 2008. At the time of his death he was a trustee of the Historic Alexandria Foundation and a member of the Alexandria Democratic Committee.

“Stew Dunn was a giant of a man,” said John Bordner, who worked with Dunn on the Waterfront Commission. “His intellect, accomplishments and presence could easily intimidate, but his character and warmth brought him back to a human scale, which always assured you that you were with a true friend.”

Dunn moved to the Washington, D.C. area in the 1950s and he and his wife, Loti, moved to Alexandria in 1980. Dunn was

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# PEOPLE

## Historic Christ Church Welcomes New Rector

### From Atlanta to Alexandria.

By RIKKI GEORGE  
GAZETTE PACKET

Alexandria welcomed the Rev. Noelle York-Simmons, the 28<sup>th</sup> rector of the 243-year-old Christ Church, in September. She's the first female rector, and among the youngest at 40 or under, in the church's history of attending to the spiritual needs of U.S. presidents to the very poor and everyone in between.

"I've had a marvelous welcome," York-Simmons said. "Leaders across denominations have extended themselves."

York-Simmons comes from Atlanta, and has more than a decade of experience serving as senior rector and associate rector at Atlanta's All Saints' Episcopal Church whose membership tops 3,000.

She's performed priest-in-charge duties, clergy functions of preaching, liturgical planning and pastoral care, much like she's doing now at Christ Church as rector.

A wife, mother of two, an avid reader in-



PHOTO BY CHRISTIANNE M. WITTEN  
**The Rev. Noelle York-Simmons on her first Sunday at Christ Church, with husband Kevin, son Eli, 10, and daughter Linden, 7.**

trigued by social justice, York-Simmons earned her undergraduate degree from Emory University — BA in English and Women's Studies — and later matriculated to Berkeley Divinity School at Yale — Mas-

ter of Divinity. "That was a great experience," she said, "a great mix of deep intellectual thought and expertise."

"The Christ Church staff is energized by Noelle's arrival," said Meredith Bracco, com-

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— The Rev. Noelle York-Simmons

munications manager. "We've been in a state of transition for over two years, with all of the ups and downs that come with changes in leadership, so we're excited to live in Noelle's vision for the mission and ministry of Christ Church in Alexandria and beyond."

York-Simmons replaces her predecessor, the Rev. Pierce Klemmt, who retired in 2014 after 20 years with the church.

Her goal now is to get to know Christ Church and to show the community her style of leading, speaking, working and "inspiring people to go do good things in the world."

"The church is easy to love," York-Simmons said. "I'm deeply impressed and proud of the good work the church is doing."

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## Voting Never Mattered More

Consider voting absentee in person since large turnout on Election Day is expected.

The Alexandria ballot will include President and Vice President of the United States, U.S. House of Representatives (Eighth Congressional District), and two proposed amendments to the Virginia Constitution. There are no local ballot questions or local offices particular to Alexandria on the ballot this year, but voter turnout in the City of Alexandria could well have an impact on the outcome of the presidential contest in Virginia.

### Absentee Voting in Person in Alexandria

Voting began Sept. 23, and with record turnout possible, voting early if you qualify is a good choice.

There are 19 valid reasons to vote absentee in Virginia, including working and commuting to and from home for 11 or more hours between 6 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Election Day. Check the Virginia Department of Elections list to see if you are eligible. <http://elections.virginia.gov/casting-a-ballot/absentee-voting/index.html>

There are two ways to vote absentee, in-person and by mail. To do either, you should first check your voter registration status to make sure it is up-to-date. If you vote absentee in-person you will fill out the application when you arrive at the in-person absentee location. There are two locations in Alexandria, the Office of Elections and the Beatley Library.

### Office of Voter Registration & Elections

132 North Royal Street, Suite 100  
In-person absentee voting at the Voter Registration Office ends on Saturday, Nov. 5 at 5 p.m.

Regular hours for in-person absentee voting are Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Closed on Monday, Oct. 10.)

Extended hours for in-person absentee voting:

Saturdays, Oct. 8, 15, 22, 29 and Nov. 5 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 27, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 28, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 31, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 1, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 2, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 3, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 4, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

You may complete your absentee application when you come to vote.

### Beatley Library, beginning Thursday, Oct. 27

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Thursday, Oct. 27, noon to 8 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 28, noon to 6 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 29, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 31, noon to 8 p.m.

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Friday, Nov. 4, noon to 6 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 5, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Virginia Voter ID

Virginia has a stringent voter identification requirement, plan to bring photo identification with you to vote, whether that is absentee or on Election Day.

Among accepted ID: valid Virginia Driver's License or Identification Card; valid Virginia DMV issued Veteran's ID card; valid U.S. Passport; other government-issued photo identification cards issued by the U.S. Government, the Commonwealth of Virginia, or a political subdivision of the Commonwealth; valid college or university student photo identification card from an institution of higher education located in Virginia; valid student ID issued by a public school or private school in Virginia displaying a photo; employee identification card containing a photograph of the voter and issued by an employer of the voter in the ordinary course of the employer's business.

### Upcoming Deadlines

On Election Day, polls are open from 6 a.m. - 7 p.m. To determine whether you are eligible and registered to vote in this election, visit the Virginia Department of Elections website at <http://elections.virginia.gov/>.

❖ **Oct. 17:** Voter Registration Deadline - In-Person: 5 p.m., Online [www.vote.virginia.gov](http://www.vote.virginia.gov) 11:59 p.m.

❖ **Nov. 1:** Last Day to Apply for an Absentee Ballot by Mail, Fax, Email or Online: 5 p.m.

❖ **Nov. 5:** Final Day for In-Person Absentee Voting

❖ **Nov. 8:** Absentee Ballot Return Deadline: 7 p.m.

### CONTACT

Call the Alexandria Voter Registration Office at 703-746-4050

Email [anna.leider@alexandriava.gov](mailto:anna.leider@alexandriava.gov)  
[www.alexandriava.gov/Elections](http://www.alexandriava.gov/Elections)

A voter who does not bring an acceptable photo ID to the polls will be offered a provisional ballot.

Any registered voter who does not have one of the required forms of identification can apply for a free Virginia Voter Photo Identification from any general registrar's office in the Commonwealth. Voters applying for the Virginia Voter Photo ID complete the Virginia Voter Photo Identification Card Application, have their picture taken, and sign the digital signature pad. Once the application is processed, the card will be mailed directly to the voter.

A voter who does not bring an acceptable photo ID to the polls will be offered a provisional ballot.

### Provisional Ballot Process for Voters Who Arrive Without Identification

If you arrive at your polling place on Election Day without an acceptable form of photo identification, don't panic or give up. You will be given the opportunity to vote a provisional ballot. After completing the provisional ballot, the individual voting will be given written instructions from the election officials on how to submit a copy of his/her identification so that his/her vote can be counted.

A voter will have until noon on the Friday following the election to deliver a copy of the identification to the local electoral board or to appear in person to apply for a Virginia Voter Photo ID Card. Voters may submit a copy of their ID via fax, email, in-person submission, or through USPS or commercial delivery service. Please note that the copy of the ID must be delivered to the electoral board by noon on Friday, or the provisional ballot cannot be counted.

Also by noon on Friday following the election, the voter may appear in-person in the office of the general registrar, in the locality in which the provisional ballot was cast, and apply for a Virginia Voter Photo ID Card. At the completion of the application process, the voter may request a Temporary Identification Document. This document may be provided to the electoral board to suffice the identification requirement.



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# LETTERS

## Historical Fabric

To the Editor:

*An open letter to Mayor Silberberg and the members of the Alexandria City Council.*

The Alexandria Archeological Commission (AAC) strongly opposes the recent vote by City Council to seek authorization from the Virginia legislature to move the Appomattox statue from its current location at the center of Washington and Prince streets. Both the statue and its placement at the site Alexandrians left for war, a context with which it is intertwined as a piece of art, are important elements of Alexandria's history — and our nation's. We view moving the statue as destruction of our vanishing local historical fabric, and in effect obscuring important truths about our city and community.

Our common history is not a series of trivial details and stories, but a continuing, dense weave of human tragedies, triumphs, and lessons. That history culminates not only in who we are now, but also in our path to the future. Appomattox speaks to the most difficult and painful aspects of our history and in doing so it does not celebrate them, it remembers and acknowledges that experience. As Golda Meir once observed, "one cannot and must not try to erase the past merely because it does not fit the present." By displacing or concealing what happened during the Civil War through altering the fabric left behind, we further skew the memory, lessons and ultimately our understanding of the causes behind

what came to pass. All experiences and perspectives on the war are important if we are to understand it and learn from it. History is not only what and how, but why. Materials such as Appomattox serve a continuing purpose to explore "why."

The goal of archaeology, and the preservation of physical historical evidence, is that "history" is not just what is written and re-written, or argued and reargued, in books and papers; it is also a myriad of surviving sources and materials, objects, and locations. Furthermore, the spirit of such preservation is not to treat what was left behind by previous generations, by accident or design, as a collection of sacred relics. These materials, and sometimes their location as well, in of themselves are part how we continually interpret and reinterpret what occurred and what we learn of those important events — and their lasting consequences. Each generation comes to its own conclusions about those who came before and what they build upon. Our duty is to preserve what little material historic evidence we have as authentically as we can if we are to ensure that a truthful and full account of the past is passed to the future.

Little remains in the city that is directly connected to Alexandria's specific and unique experience of the Civil War, and of a community and nation torn apart. The city, often led by Alexandria Archaeology, has striven to recover important portions of our

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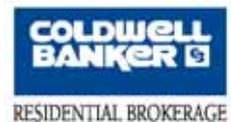
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# Blancato to Keynote Senior Law Day Event

BY RACHEL BAUER, ESQ.  
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As the trees on the Potomac once again start to change color and the end of the year approaches, most people take stock of things they meant to do this year, but never started. We often postpone tackling situations that we feel are un-

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pleasant or out of our control. And, it's easy to feel out of control when thinking about end-of-life decisions, or like it's easier to not think about the whole subject. But, we can make plans now that will guide our future, both financially and medically. These plans and forethought allow us to make the decisions that we want,

based on our values, and lessen the burden on our loved ones, giving them comfort and guidance.

On Saturday, Oct. 15, come and learn more at the Sixth Annual Senior Law Day event, "Determining Your Destiny: Understanding the Need to Plan," sponsored by Senior Services of Alexandria (SSA) and the Alexandria Bar Association. Senior Law Day will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Alexandria, located at 2932 King St. (near T.C. Williams High School). There is plenty of free parking and a light breakfast will be provided.

Headlining the event is nationally-recognized advocate for seniors' rights, Robert

(Bob) Blancato, national coordinator for the bipartisan 3,000-member Elder Justice, and the executive director of the National Association of Nutrition and Aging Services Programs. He has more than 20 years of service in the Congressional and Executive branches, including the senior staff of the U.S. House Select Committee on Aging. Most recently, Mr. Blancato was selected as the chair of the board of the American Society on Aging and on the National Board of AARP. He also serves on the board of the National Council on Aging and the Advisory Panel on Outreach and Education of the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services.

In addition, Janet Essix, strategic planning director with Capital Caring, will explain POST (Physician Orders for Scope of Treatment), which are signed by a doctor, similar to a Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) order,

but are more thorough and specific regarding your wishes. Ms. Essix will discuss the development of POST in Virginia and how these orders can help people plan for a medical crisis.

In addition to our speakers, the seminar will include panels of local estate planning attorneys, financial planners, and geriatric care managers discussing how you can help shape your future by planning now. You will be able to ask questions of the panelists and get more information about local resources from the event sponsors, who will have tables set up at the event. Further, the AARP "shred truck" will be onsite. So, please help prevent identity theft and reduce clutter by bringing your unwanted papers to shred.

You can learn more and register online at seniorservicesalex.org or call Senior Services at 703-836-4414, ext. 110.

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past lost to neglect, willful or otherwise, such as the Freedmen's Cemetery and our work at Fort Ward, not to mention extensive efforts to deepen and broaden our focus on and interpretation of African-American site across the city. Appomattox should be preserved in the same spirit, and to ensure that we retain our full heritage for future generations, for their own reflection and judgment on the actions and lessons of the past — including our part in that story.

AAC strongly urges City Council not to move forward with its request to move Appomattox.

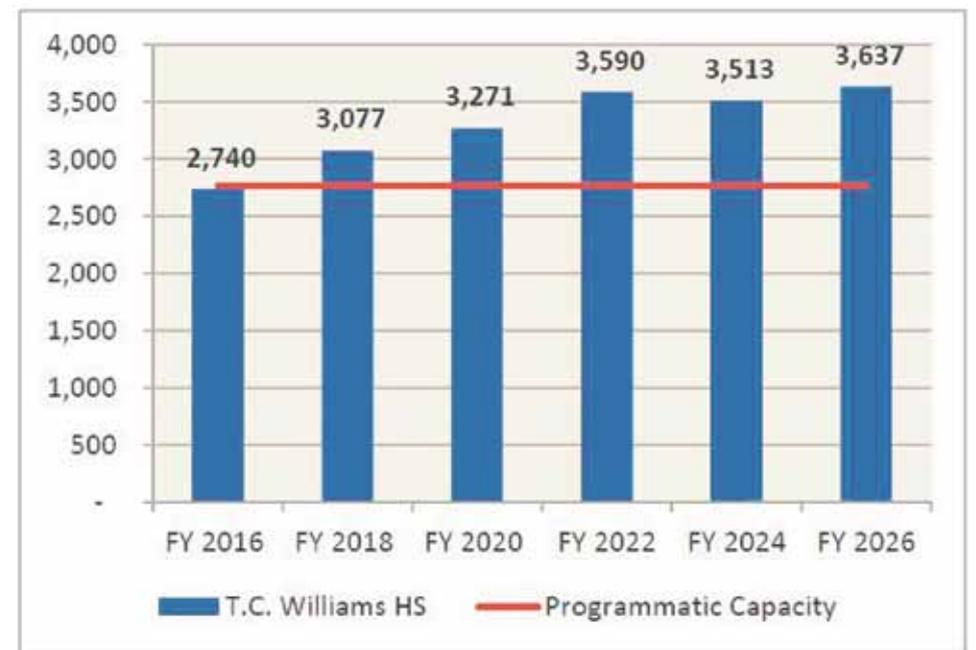
**Elizabeth McCall**  
Chair, Alexandria Archaeological Commission

with Vice Mayor Justin Wilson on a beautiful Sunday, Sept. 25. More than 100 Alexandrians, including TC students and teachers, and members of City Council and School Board, came to Beatley Library to discuss what to do about our crowded high school.

Talking about talking, or process, is a necessary element of government at every level. In June 2015, after a lengthy investigation, the council endorsed, and the board adopted, a joint Long Range Educational Facilities Plan that outlined an approach to deal with the capacity needs of our schools which have added 5,000 students (for a total of almost 15,000 students) over 10 years. That plan did not address the capacity issues in grades 9-12. In January 2017 the board and council will begin Phase II of the planning process that will address the secondary grades. The recommendations from Phase II may not be known for years.

At the town hall, numerous parents asked variations of several questions about our crowded secondary schools: "How did things get in this condition? What do you plan to do to fix the problem now?" Or, as one parent asked, "Who do we have to harass?"

Process is important and the joint planning efforts of the board and council are



SOURCE: 2017-2026 ACPS PROPOSED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BUDGET

### Projected Enrollment and Capacity: T.C. Williams

commendable. However, there are times when circumstances combine such that deliberative planning processes compound, not relieve, compelling community problems. This is one of those times.

The board will start deliberating its capital budget in October. The council will take

up its capital budget, which includes the ACPS capital budget, next spring. In ordinary circumstances the board and council might be tempted to defer decisions regarding the long-term infrastructure needs of

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## Time to Stop Talking about Talking

To the Editor:

"Well, it was a lot of talking about talking," was T.C. Williams junior Sam Wingfield's reaction after attending a town hall meeting on the overcrowding at TC's King Street and Minnie Howard campuses

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the secondary schools until completion of Phase II of the Long Range Facilities Plan. But, we are not in ordinary circumstances. Here are some facts:

❖ The capacity of TC's King Street campus is 2,766. Enrollment on Sept. 23 was 2,945. We are well on the way to 3,000 students at the "new" building on King Street which will be 10 years old next fall.

❖ The enrollment pressure on TC will continue unabated as enrollments at the middle schools, George Washington (1,334 on Sept. 23) and Francis Hammond (1,408 on Sept. 23), continue to rise at rates not expected to subside for years.

❖ TC's staff and students are increasingly apprehensive about safety in circumstances involving the movement of large groups of students, for example, passing times, dismissal and fire drills.

❖ Our superintendent, Dr. Crawley, who spoke at the town hall meeting, acknowledged the need for near-term "temporary solutions," meaning, probably, trailers. While short-term remedies are necessary, they are not sufficient. A long-term vision coupled with action is required.

❖ The long-delayed 10-classroom addition planned for TC's Minnie Howard campus has been publicly called a "Band Aid" by board members and openly described by council members as inadequate for the number of students projected for Minnie Howard.

What do we do?

We should not invest so much in the short term that some will believe the problem has been solved. We need a long-term solution that is educationally sound, deliverable in a reasonable time and comprehensive. Much as some might wish for it, 23 acres in Alexandria (the minimum high school site required by Virginia Department of Education guidelines) for a second high school is not likely to materialize. The best alternative is the construction of a new multi-story facility on the 13-acre Minnie Howard site to accommodate the growth in TC's enrollment.

The Minnie Howard property is large enough to accommodate a new facility for our secondary students — a partner to the nearby King Street building — that the community can be proud of. The issue of grade and program configuration — should a rebuilt Minnie Howard house grades 9 and 10 or more grades or specific programs? — can be debated as the planning goes forward on a swifter timeline than that originally contemplated for Phase II of the Long Range Educational Facilities Plan.

The council and the board should act expeditiously to give Alexandria's public school students and families hope — a vision of, and action on, one great high school in two state-of-the-art facilities.

**Yvonne and Brian Folkerts  
Nancy and Marc Williams  
Brooksie Koopman  
and Mark Eaton**

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# ENTERTAINMENT

## BurgerFi Sets Up Shop in Old Town

With its opening last week, local co-owners celebrate a homecoming.

BY HOPE NELSON  
GAZETTE PACKET

**P**eer down the 100 block of North Pitt Street and it's easy to spot a new neighbor. The erstwhile Pat Troy's Ireland's Own, shuttered for several years, now has new life in the form of the city's first BurgerFi. Open since Sept. 26, the locally owned franchise has begun to generate quite a bit of foot traffic — and prelaunch interest, too, with would-be customers peeking in the front door in anticipation.

But you haven't missed a grand opening event, franchise co-owner David Landry says.

"We just sort of unlocked the door and let the word get out that we were serving food," he said. "I'm pretty pleased with the reaction. We're doing a great lunch business, which I expected we would. There's a lot of fine dining in Old Town but not a lot of fast casual."

For Landry, the restaurant's new home on North Pitt Street is a

family affair — and a homecoming of sorts. He co-owns the restaurant — and its sister BurgerFi in Leesburg — with his son, Chris Landry, and their family friend, Tim Kelly. And David Landry has longstanding roots within Alexandria, having grown up in the city, making their second location a natural fit.

Just two weeks into the new location's opening, the team is settling in nicely.

"The reaction's been great," Landry said. "I've heard nothing negative about the food, but I didn't expect I would because the food's fantastic."

And about that food: Don't expect a cookie-cutter, from-a-package experience, Landry says.

"We don't pour anything frozen out of a bag. Our French fries are potatoes in the morning and they become French fries. Our onion rings are huge jumbo onions in the morning and they become onion rings. Everything's made from scratch. Unlike a lot of faster-casual restaurants, we just don't take any shortcuts," he said.

But the real reason people are coming to

### DETAILS

**BurgerFi**, 111 N. Pitt St.  
**Hours:** 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Sunday-Thursday; 11 a.m.-11 p.m. Friday-Saturday.

**Try this:** The Breakfast All Day (aka BAD) Burger. Topped with maple syrup, ketchup, a fried egg, hash browns and bacon, "it has a cult following like you wouldn't believe," co-owner David Landry said.

### CALENDAR

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.

#### ONGOING

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Alexandria Live Music Week.** Through Oct. 8, various times at various locations throughout Alexandria. The 2nd Annual Alexandria Live Music Week, presented by Alexandria Live and On Tap Magazine, is a citywide music event featuring Alexandria's diverse music scene and musicians, as well as the clubs, bars, restaurants, shops and venues that feature and promote live music in Alexandria. This year there will be over 50 participating venues and over 300 performances, including a full schedule of music during Del Ray's Art on the Avenue. Admission varies by venue. Visit [www.livemusicweek.com](http://www.livemusicweek.com) for more.

**Blackberry Daze.** Through Oct. 9, various times at MetroStage, 1201 N. Royal St. This is an adaptation from the novel "Blackberry Days of Summer" by Ruth P. Watson. Tickets are \$60. Visit [www.metrostage.org](http://www.metrostage.org) for more.

**Crybaby Art Studio.** Thursdays through Oct. 13, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

at Convergence, 1801 N. Quaker Lane. CryBaby Art Studio is an art class designed for parents with infants (0-1) to relax and exercise their creativity learning watercolor techniques each week with baby by their side. Registration is \$100 for four-week series / \$25 per class (art supplies included). Visit [www.metamorphosisaec.com](http://www.metamorphosisaec.com).

**Photo Exhibit: "Never Forget."** Through Oct. 16, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. daily at Multiple Exposures Gallery — Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. The photographs in this exhibit follow photographer Alan Sisen's 15-year photographic journey beginning before 9/11, and continuing today. Free. Visit [www.multipleexposuresgallery.com](http://www.multipleexposuresgallery.com) for more.

**"A (Mis)Perceived Physique: Bodyscapes by Three Women Artists."** Through Oct. 16, gallery hours at Target Gallery, 105 N. Union St. Target Gallery, the contemporary exhibition space for the Torpedo Factory Art Center, presents work by three women who use the female body to explore issues of equity, power, politics, and memory. Free. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org](http://www.torpedofactory.org) for more.

**Exhibit: "Garden Muse."** Through Oct. 23, 9-4:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 12-4:30 p.m. Sunday at Green Springs Garden — Horticultural

Center, 4603 Green Spring Road. The Horticulture Center at Green Spring Gardens is featuring the award-winning photographs of Cindy Dyer, a graphic designer, photographer and USPS Stamp Artist. Free. Visit [www.gardenmuseshow.com](http://www.gardenmuseshow.com).

**Exhibit: "The Fanciful in Daily Life."** Through Oct. 23, gallery hours at The Associates' Gallery at the Torpedo Factory, 105 N. Union St. "Upside Down: Inside Out: The Fanciful in Daily Life" features three-dimensional work by Erika Cleveland. This imaginative fiber artist explores the fanciful in daily life with her needle-felted dolls, from life-sized to small, flying from a trapeze to hanging from a vine. Free. Call 703-524-5723 or email [assoc.gallery@gmail.com](mailto:assoc.gallery@gmail.com) for more.

**Exhibit: "Song of the Woods."** Through Oct. 24, gallery hours at Green Springs Garden — Historical House, 4603 Green Spring Road. Artist Mary Exline displays her abstract expressionist paintings. Free. Visit [www.artis.com/maryexline](http://www.artis.com/maryexline).

**Exhibit: "In All Things."** Through Oct. 29, gallery hours at The Gallery at Convergence, 1801 N. Quaker Lane. The Convergence Arts Initiative will feature the work of artist and educator, Glenn Howell in his latest exhibit, "In All Things." The title of Howell's photography and print show reflects the diversity of his image

making and his belief in the promise of redemption of all things. It is a juxtaposition of the "dystopian" elements seen in our world with a vision of Heaven as evidence of God's grace. Free. Visit [www.ourconvergence.org](http://www.ourconvergence.org) for more.

**Poe Immersive Theater: "A Dream Within a Dream."** Through Oct. 31, 8 p.m. or 10 p.m. at Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. This show is a surreal interpretation of the life, works, and mad genius of Edgar Allan Poe, as seen through the lens of the characters in his works and the people in his life. Tickets are \$5-40. Visit [www.torpedofactory.org/Poe](http://www.torpedofactory.org/Poe) for more.

**"Transformations: Tapestries in Glass."** Through Nov. 6, gallery hours at The Art League Gallery, 105 N. Union St. Anita Bucsay Damron's vibrant mosaics draw from many sources, both traditional and contemporary. Inspired by tapestries from Rajasthan and Gujarat, India, her pieces incorporate crystal from Austria and the Czech Republic, specialty glass from Murano, Italy, and found objects such as beads, brooches, and cameos. Damron notes that "new applications of mosaic art encourage recycling and reuse," and her creative reuse of materials is what gives this ancient art form its exciting new sparkle. Free. Visit [www.theartleague.org](http://www.theartleague.org) for more.

**Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery: "Salute to Secondary Colors."** Through Nov. 6, gallery hours at 105 N. Union St. The secondary colors orange, green, and purple are the theme for this show. Artists were challenged to use these hues individually, paired, or in a triadic color scheme. Free. Visit [www.potomacfiberartsgallery.com](http://www.potomacfiberartsgallery.com).

**"Oh The Joy."** Through Nov. 6, Gallery hours at The Athenaeum, 201 S. Prince St. Artists from across the region were asked to interpret the theme, "Oh! The joy!" The selected entries represent the wealth of art being created in D.C., Maryland, and Virginia. Free. Visit [www.nvfaa.org](http://www.nvfaa.org).

**John M. Adams: "Current Interrupted."** Through Nov. 13, gallery hours at The Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall and Arts Center at Northern Virginia Community College, 4915 E. Campus Drive. Free. Visit [www.thefullempy.com](http://www.thefullempy.com) for more.

**Matthew Grimes: "(In)Material" and "Pliant."** Through Nov. 14, gallery hours at The Rachel M. Schlesinger Concert Hall and Arts Center at Northern Virginia Community College, 4915 E. Campus Drive. Free. Visit [www.nvcc.edu/schlesingercenter](http://www.nvcc.edu/schlesingercenter) for more.

**Young at Art Exhibition.** Through Nov. 17, gallery hours at Durant arts Center, 1605 Cameron St. Calling all



BurgerFi, which opened last week in the former location of Pat Troy's Ireland's Own, has begun to see steady business already.

BurgerFi are the, well, burgers. And Landry insists that customers won't be disappointed.

"That's what we do is burgers; the meat is the best we can buy," Landry said. "People are smarter these days. People are paying attention to what they put in their bodies. And while I will never pretend that a cheeseburger is health food, Americans are always going to eat cheeseburgers. And if you're going to eat a cheeseburger, then you really ought to eat this one. No junk, no additives, no hormones, no antibiotics; it's humanely raised and source-verified. You just can't buy a better meat."

While the neighborhood has quickly em-

braced BurgerFi, Landry and his team are eager to give back once they have the restaurant fully launched and running smoothly.

"Right now we're focused on honing our skills with all our new people and doing things right, and turning this new location into a place that people are excited to go to, but certainly we plan on getting heavily involved in the local community," including local schools, sports teams, and law-enforcement and veteran's organizations, he said.

Hope Nelson operates the Kitchen Recessionista blog, located at [www.kitchenrecessionista.com](http://www.kitchenrecessionista.com). Email her any time at [hope@kitchenrecessionista.com](mailto:hope@kitchenrecessionista.com).

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senior artists. This annual event is cosponsored by Senior Services of Alexandria and Goodwin House Foundation. The Call for Art is Oct. 4, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. \$20 fee to submit up to three works of art. Visit [www.seniorservicesalex.org](http://www.seniorservicesalex.org).

**Thursday Mornings with Kathryn Coneway.** Dec. 8, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Road. The themes in the book, "The Artist's Rule," will be a foundation to share experiences with creative practice. Each session will begin with a quiet time and exploration of materials before transitioning to a discussion of the themes and practices outlined in the chapter. Participants should purchase a copy of "The Artist's Rule" and read the introduction and first chapter prior to the first meeting. Registration is \$50. Visit [www.staidansepiscopal.com/Center-for-Spiritual-Deepening](http://www.staidansepiscopal.com/Center-for-Spiritual-Deepening) for more.

**Art Making as Meditation with Kathryn Coneway.** Second Wednesday of each month, 7-8:30 p.m. at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Road. Each session begins with a short reading and a brief introduction to materials. Silence for making and meditation lasts an hour followed by sharing images or insights gained through the process, if desired. Children able to participate in silence are welcome to come with a parent's quiet supervision. RSVP not necessary for attendance, but helpful for planning purposes. Email [info@centerforspiritualdeepening.org](mailto:info@centerforspiritualdeepening.org).

## THURSDAY-SATURDAY/OCT. 6-8

**Preview: "By the Seashore."** 10:30 a.m. Thursday-Friday, 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Saturday at The Lab at



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**Asleep at the Wheel is touring in support of their album "Still the King: Celebrating the Music of Bob Wills and His Texas Playboys." They will perform on Oct. 12 at 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Tickets are \$35. Visit [www.birchmere.com](http://www.birchmere.com) for more.**

Convergence, 1819 N. Quaker Lane. Join Arts on the Horizon for a special sneak peek performance of this work-in-progress. From birds and fish, to sand and water, and everything in-between, young audience members explore the shore, ocean, and the sky. Using an imaginative mix of puppetry, movement, and sound, this sensory-filled production is specifically designed for babies and young toddlers. Tickets are \$3. Visit

[www.artsonthehorizon.org](http://www.artsonthehorizon.org) for more.

## THURSDAY/OCT. 6-27

**"Co-Creating the Cosmos."** 7:30-9 p.m. at St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Road. Frank Frost is an award-winning documentary film producer. His current work - The Teilhard de Chardin Project - is a television biography in production for public television on the life and

thought of the revolutionary Teilhard de Chardin: Jesuit priest, paleontologist, visionary. Registration is \$25. Visit [www.staidansepiscopal.com/Center-for-Spiritual-Deepening](http://www.staidansepiscopal.com/Center-for-Spiritual-Deepening).

## FRIDAY/OCT. 7

**Curious Critters Children's Puppet Performance and Book Signing.** 10:30 a.m. at Hooray for Books!

1555 King St. David FitzSimmons will put on a young children's "animational" program, complete with puppets and take home activities, as well as sign copies of his award-winning "Curious Critters" children's books. Free. Call 703-548-4092 for more.

**Alexandria Fire Department Black Tie Gala.** 6 p.m. at Embassy Suites Hotel, 1900 Diagonal Road. The gala will include a cocktail reception and dinner, and a silent auction (to benefit the Friendship Firehouse Foundation and the Alexandria Firefighters and Paramedics IAFF Local 2141 Helping Hands Relief Fund). Guest speakers for the evening will be United States Fire Administrator Ernest Mitchell, Jr. and Chief Billy Goldfeder, Director of the Safety, Health and Survival Section for the International Association of Fire Chiefs. Tickets are \$75. E-mail [FD-Gala@alexandriava.gov](mailto:FD-Gala@alexandriava.gov) or call 703.746.5241.

**Family Art Night.** 6-8:30 p.m. at Durant Arts Center, 1605 Cameron St. Pizza, soda and water will be on hand, complements of the Office of the Arts. Choose from painting, mosaics, cardboards games and poetry pictures. Advance per person reservations: \$5 residents; \$10 nonresidents. At door: \$10 residents; \$15 nonresidents. Visit [www.alexandriava.gov/webtrac](http://www.alexandriava.gov/webtrac).

**Cameron Run Rocks.** 6:30-9:30 p.m. at Cameron Run Regional Park, 4001 Eisenhower Ave. Batting cage, mini golf, rock wall, games and prizes. Free. Visit [www.nvrpa.org](http://www.nvrpa.org) for more.

## FRIDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 7-9

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## OCT. 7-25

**Silent Auction: "Birdhouses of Del Ray."** Gallery hours at Del Ray Artisans Gallery, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. Del Ray Artisans' artists have created one-of-a-kind birdhouses for the "Birdhouses of Del Ray" silent auction fundraiser. Artists used a wide range of materials to create and decorate their birdhouses. Free to participate. Visit [www.delrayartisans.org](http://www.delrayartisans.org) for more.

## OCT. 7-30

**Art Exhibit: "Local Flavor."** Gallery hours at Del Ray Artisans, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave. "Local Flavor" art exhibit at Del Ray Artisans showcases member artwork that highlight the things they adore, crave, and experience in their beloved neck of the woods—and celebrate the special touches found in community. Free. Visit [www.DelRayArtisans.org](http://www.DelRayArtisans.org).

## SATURDAY/OCT. 8

**Plants and Birds and Rocks and Things.** 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. at Ellen Coolidge Burke Branch Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Geologist Tony Fleming, author of the recently published *Geologic Atlas of the City of Alexandria, Virginia and Vicinity* (2016) and several other publications on local geology, will guide us through the history and structure of the atlas, and highlight how to use it to answer questions

about the local landscape using several geologically-dependent natural communities as examples. The presentation will also set the stage for the afternoon excursion in and around Holmes Run Gorge, one of the most geologically and ecologically diverse places in northern Virginia. Free. Visit [www.vnps.org/potowmack](http://www.vnps.org/potowmack).

**Art Safari.** 12-4 p.m. at Torpedo Factory Art Center, 105 N. Union St. An Alexandria family tradition, Art Safari returns to the Torpedo Factory Art Center for its 21st year. Resident and visiting artists lead young visitors in an afternoon full of hands-on creative activities such as papier-mâché, fiber, and printmaking. Enjoy the Alexandria Archaeology Museum's special activities featuring their collection of 18<sup>th</sup>- and 19<sup>th</sup>-century pottery and china, as well as The Art League's popular Gallery Scavenger Hunt. Free. Visit [www.TorpedoFactory.org](http://www.TorpedoFactory.org).

**Family Fun: Leaf Critter Crafternoon.** 1-2 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Children will enjoy creating animal images from different leaf shapes, glue and wiggly eyes. Make one to take home and one to hang in our nature gallery. Children must be accompanied by a registered adult. This family-friendly nature program is intended for ages 5 and up. Tickets are \$6. Register online at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring) using code 290 487 3801 or call 703-642-5173.

**Poetry Exchange.** 1-4 p.m. at Martha Washington Library, 6614 Fort Hunt Road. The Poetry Society of Virginia invites you to its annual Poetry Exchange. Bill Glose, author of "Personal Geography," and Henry Hart, author of "Background Radiation," will read from their works. Free. Call 703-930-5214 for more.

**Gardening With Virginia Natives.** 2-3:30 p.m. at Burke Branch Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Learn the best management practices for growing plants native to Northern Virginia. Master Gardeners of Arlington and Alexandria will cover the basics of sustainable landscaping practices that make the most of available water, improve soil health and reduce maintenance. Free. Visit [www.mgnv.org](http://www.mgnv.org) for more.

**Living With Difference.** 3-4:30 p.m. at Duncan Branch Library, 2501 Commonwealth Ave. Come

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### SUNDAY/OCT. 9

**Opera Nova Brunch.** 12:30 p.m. at Washington Golf & Country Club, 3017 N. Glebe Road. Opera singers including Jose Sacin will perform opera arias and Broadway show tunes, as well as selections from "Treemonisha," Scott Joplin's opera, to be staged for children next spring by Opera Nova. Tickets are \$60. Visit [www.operanova.org](http://www.operanova.org).

### MONDAY/OCT. 10

**Riley Etheridge Jr and Leon Russell.** 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Tickets are \$39.50. Visit [www.thebirchmere.com](http://www.thebirchmere.com) for more.

### WEDNESDAY/OCT. 12

**Asleep at the Wheel.** 7:30 p.m. at The Birchmere Music Hall, 3701 Mount Vernon Ave. Touring in support of their Grammy Award-winning album "Still the King: Celebrating the Music of Bob Wills and His Texas Playboys," Asleep at the Wheel perform. Tickets are \$35. Visit [www.birchmere.com](http://www.birchmere.com) for more.

### THURSDAY/OCT. 13

**Yacht Haven Garden Club Fashion Show.** 10 a.m. at Fort Belvoir Officers Club, 5500 Schulz Circle, Fort Belvoir. Fashions for women of all sizes will be provided by Details of Occoquan. Tickets are \$40. Call 703-354-3728 for more.

**Community Partner Night.** 5:30-8:30 p.m. at Alexandria City Hall, 301 King St. The Alexandria City Chapter of Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc. will host "A Salute to Community Service and Partnership" in honor of its 10-year anniversary. Free. Email [alexciytld@gmail.com](mailto:alexciytld@gmail.com) for more.

**Lecture: "Foreign Policy Issues and Election 2016: More Light than Heat."** 7-8:30 p.m. at Cameron Station Clubhouse, 200 Cameron Station Blvd. Dr. Larry Korb will discuss the foreign policy positions of the candidates with time for your questions. Free. Call 202-494-9796.

### FRIDAY/OCT. 14

**Garden Talks with Master Gardeners: Fall Beauty.** 1:30-2:30 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Master Gardeners show off a variety of gorgeous perennials, shrubs and trees in rich gold, burnt orange, brilliant burgundy and vibrant red shades that can add to an existing plantings for remarkable, colorful results. Tickets are \$10. Register online at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring) using code 290 488 5101 or call 703-642-5173.

**Port City Black Veil Happy Hour & Female Stranger Mystery Quest.** 6-8 p.m. happy hour, 8-10 p.m. mystery quest at Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St. Join Port City Brewing Co. and Gadsby's Tavern Museum to celebrate the release of the Long Black Veil, a special craft beer inspired by the famous tale of the Female Stranger. Ticket prices not yet announced. Visit [shop.AlexandriaVA.gov/Events.aspx](http://shop.AlexandriaVA.gov/Events.aspx) for more.

### SATURDAY/OCT. 15

**The Mount Vernon Masonic Temple Open House.** 8:30-11:30 a.m. at 8717 Fort Hunt Road. Free breakfast will be served. Visit [mountvernonlodge219.wordpress.com](http://mountvernonlodge219.wordpress.com).



### "Music of My Life," Milagros Mateu 'Local Flavor' Opens Oct. 7

This October Del Ray Artisans presents a collection of artwork from member artists that highlight the things they adore, crave, and experience in their unique and beloved neck of the woods. "Local Flavor" celebrates the special touches found in community. Come to the opening reception on Friday, Oct. 7, 7-9 p.m. to meet many of the artists and vote for the "People's Choice." Also, attend workshops on Oct. 27 and 29. Visit [www.DelRayArtisans.org](http://www.DelRayArtisans.org).

### Beauty in Sustainability

**Symposium.** 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. In this double header program, learn how to plan and plant a home garden that is a source for beauty, labor savings and environmental change. Get to know lovely native alternatives to some common exotic plants. These natives will not only provide lasting beauty to your garden, but also benefit native wildlife. Rethink some traditional, labor intensive gardening practices that are at odds with nature's rhythms. Tickets are \$38. Register online at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring) using code 290 484 7201 or call 703-642-5173.

**Hollin Hall Senior Center Annual Mega Bazaar/Craft Fair.** 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at 1500 Shenandoah Road. Find more 30 crafters, silent auction, bake sale, and door prizes. Free. Call 703-765-4573.

**En Plein Air Painting at Mount Vernon.** 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Highway, Mount Vernon. Join Mount Vernon for this rare opportunity to create your own watercolor masterpieces while enjoying the beauty of the estate. Instruction includes how to find and focus on a landscape subject, create a small value sketch, and complete several paintings. Both days conclude with a thoughtful and positive group critique. The class is limited to 15 participants. Tickets are \$95 per person. Supplies are not included. Visit [www.mountvernon.org](http://www.mountvernon.org) for more.

**Family Fall Festival.** 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Armistead L. Booth Park, 520 Cameron Station Blvd. A family favorite event featuring fall activities such as scarecrow making, pumpkin and face painting, arts and crafts, exhibitors, food vendors, puppet show, pony rides, and band performance. Free to attend. Call 703-746-5592 for more.

**Burgundy Fall Fair.** 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at Burgundy Farm Country Day School, 3700 Burgundy Road. Family fun for

all ages: pumpkin painting, zombie run, moon bounce, craft mart, used book and kids' closet sale, food tent. Free admission. Proceeds from activity tickets and food and merchandise sale benefit student financial aid. Rain or shine. Visit [www.burgundyfarm.org](http://www.burgundyfarm.org) or call 703-960-3431.

**National Diversity Awareness Month Poetry Reading.** 1-3 p.m. at Duncan Branch Library, 2501 Commonwealth Ave. Wendi R. Kaplan, Alexandria Poet Laureate, will read poetry that highlights diversity and welcomes others to share poetry and stories about diversity. Free. Visit [alexlibraryva.org](http://alexlibraryva.org).

**Dogue Run Tour.** 1-5 p.m. at Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Highway, Mount Vernon. Enjoy private guided tours of the Distillery & Gristmill site and Historic Woodlawn Estate during this tour! Watch demonstrations of the Gristmill's operating system, and distillers in action as they make apple brandy, in addition to sampling Mount Vernon whiskey. From the Distillery & Gristmill, guests will move to Woodlawn, the home of Martha Washington's granddaughter, Eleanor (Nelly) Parke Custis, and her husband, Lawrence Lewis. Tickets are \$25. Visit [www.mountvernon.org](http://www.mountvernon.org) for more.

**Oral History Project.** 2-3 p.m. at Burke Branch Library, 4701 Seminary Road. Bring your family heirloom and stories for a history "show-and-tell" co-sponsored by the Alexandria Library and Office of Historic Alexandria. Oral historians will be on hand to document the objects and stories as part of the City's oral history archive. Participants should arrive a few minutes early to complete consent forms. All are welcome to come and enjoy local history through the perspective of fellow residents. Free. Visit [www.historicalexandria.org](http://www.historicalexandria.org).

**Port Wine Tasting Party.** 4-6 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Revive the lost art of the aperitif and the digestif. Discover

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## OCT. 15-25

**Apple Brandy Production at Mount Vernon.** 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Highway, Mount Vernon. Watch as this special distillation project utilizes a variety of apples that were grown by Washington on his Estate, such as Newton Pippin and Hughes. In addition to rye whiskey, George Washington's Distillery produced small amounts of apple and peach brandy. Some of the brandy was sold in the market, while the remainder was taken to the Mansion and enjoyed with guests visiting the Washingtons. Included in general admission. Tickets are \$9-20, with a discount for buying online. Visit [www.mountvernon.org](http://www.mountvernon.org).

## SUNDAY/OCT. 16

**Walk to Bust Cancer.** 8 a.m. at Fort Hunt Park, 8999 Fort Hunt Road. The Walk to Bust Cancer will bring together breast cancer survivors and their families, those currently facing the disease, and anyone who wishes to walk to show their support. Registration is free for children, \$15 for children ages 7-12, and \$35 for adults. Visit [www.walktobustcancer.org](http://www.walktobustcancer.org) for more.

**The Native Plant Movement in North America.** 1-3 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. C. Colston Burrell is an acclaimed lecturer, garden designer and photographer. The late 19<sup>th</sup> century set the stage for the blossoming of a national love affair with native plants. From the Victorian passion for the outdoors and the birth of the field guide, to the environmental movement and the blossoming of modern native plant nurseries, native plants have become integral to horticulture and design in America. Free. Visit [www.vnps.org/potowmack](http://www.vnps.org/potowmack).

## TUESDAY/OCT. 18

**Following the Trails – Migration Routes in America.** 1-3 p.m. at Hollin Hall Senior Center, 1500 Shenandoah Road. Genealogist Sharon Hodges talks about major trails, waterways, and roads used by migrating families from colonial times to 1850. Free. Visit [www.mvgenalogy.org](http://www.mvgenalogy.org) or call 703-768-4101.

**Lecture: "William the Conqueror."** 7-9 p.m. at The Lyceum, 201 S. Washington Ave. This October marks the 950th anniversary of the Battle of Hastings, where William of Normandy became "William the Conqueror" of England. But the Norman invasion of England in 1066 should not have succeeded. Dr. Paxton will discuss the military tactics and strategy combined with incredible good luck that changed the course of history. \$5 suggested donation. Visit [williamtheconqueror.eventbrite.com](http://williamtheconqueror.eventbrite.com).

## WEDNESDAY/OCT. 19

**Book Discussion: "For Whom the Bell Tolls."** 7-9 p.m. at Duncan Branch Library, 2501 Commonwealth Ave. Free. Call 703-746-1781.

## THURSDAY/OCT. 20

**Garden Tour and Tea.** 1-3 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Tour the glorious

demonstration gardens with Master Gardener docents. Hear about Green Spring's fascinating history, our educational mission and how we can help your gardens grow. Afterward, enjoy a traditional English afternoon tea served in the 1784 Historic House. Tickets are \$32. To make reservations, call Historic Green Spring at 703-941-7987.

**Lecture and Book Signing.** 7 p.m. at Alexandria Black History Museum, 902 Wythe St. A lecture and book signing by historian Chandra Manning. By the end of the Civil War, nearly half a million slaves had taken refuge behind Union lines, in what became known as "contraband camps." These were crowded, dangerous places, yet some 12-15 percent of the Confederacy's slave population took almost unimaginable risks to reach them, and they became the first places Northerners came to know former slaves en masse. Ranging from stories of individuals to those of armies on the move to the debates in Congress, Troubled Refuge probes what the camps were really like and how former slaves and Union soldiers warily united there. Chandra Manning is an Associate Professor at Georgetown University specializing in 19<sup>th</sup> century American History. Free. Call 703-746-4356 for more.

## FRIDAY/OCT. 21

**Fine Arts, Flowers, and Tea.** 9 a.m.-6 p.m. leaving from Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Get away to the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts in Richmond to enjoy the 13th Fine Arts & Flowers exhibit, which features dazzling floral design interpretations of masterpieces from the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. Have a light lunch at the museum and end the day at the Jefferson Hotel with an afternoon tea under the Tiffany stained-glass ceiling of the Palm Court lobby. Tickets are \$103 per person includes motor coach, exhibit entrance fee and full English tea. Register online at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring) using code 290 493 4101 or call 703-642-5173.

## SATURDAY/OCT. 22

**Garden Program: Fall Tree ID Walk.** 10-11:30 a.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Learn the basics of fall tree identification and practice our skills while admiring the lovely colors of the season. Tickets are \$18. Register online at [www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/greenspring) using code 290 401 5701 or call 703-642-5173.

**The General's Tour.** 1 p.m. at Lee-Fendall House, 614 Oronoco St. The tour will highlight locations and stories associated with Robert E. Lee's life in Alexandria, his hometown from the age of 5 and residence of his "earliest and oldest friends." The tour will last approximately 90 minutes. Tickets are available in advance for \$10 through the museum's website, or for \$15 at the door. Visit [www.leefendallhouse.org](http://www.leefendallhouse.org).

**Apocalyptic Beliefs – An Alexandria Diversity Month Program.** 2-4 p.m. at Duncan Branch Library, 2501 Commonwealth Ave. Studying other cultures helps to understand the social forces that lead to apocalyptic and related messianic, prophetic, and millenarian religious beliefs. Are these forces present in our society today? - presented by Mary McCutcheon. Free. Call 703-746-1781.

**Nerf Attack.** 6 p.m. at Oronoco Park, 100 Madison St. Zombies-Nerf Attack is a live action zombie simulation. It's a two-hour game in which participants immerse themselves in a zombie apocalyptic environment.

Every 20 minutes the living will rotate. Tickets are \$100. Visit [www.zombiesthemovie.com](http://www.zombiesthemovie.com) for more.

**Fall Dance Concert.** 7 p.m. at St. Aidan Episcopal Church, 8531 Riverside Road. The members of Choreographer Collaborative Project team up for a concert. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 seniors and teenagers, and free for children. Visit [www.ccpdance.org](http://www.ccpdance.org) for more.

**A Mansion House Whiskey Tasting.** 7-9 p.m. at Carlyle House, 121 N. Fairfax St. Come join history lovers and fans of the PBS drama series "Mercy Street" for an inspired evening of Mansion House Hotel elegance. This bourbon tasting will harken back to the Civil War era and include a delicious menu of small bites and cheese pairings. Must be 21+ to attend. Tickets are \$50. Visit [www.carlylehouse.org](http://www.carlylehouse.org) for more.

## SATURDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 22-23

**Fall Harvest Family Days.** 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Mount Vernon, 3200 Mount Vernon Highway, Mount Vernon. Watch as a replica of one of Washington's boats launches into the Potomac River with a costumed crew. The entire family enjoys autumn activities including wagon rides, wheat treading in the 16-sided barn, 18th-century dancing demonstrations, a straw bale maze, farrier (blacksmithing), corn husk dolls demonstrations and early-American games and music. Potomac River sightseeing cruises are half-price this weekend only. Fall Harvest Family Days is included in general admission. Tickets are \$9-20, with a discount for buying online. Visit [www.mountvernon.org](http://www.mountvernon.org).

## SUNDAY/OCT. 23

**A Cranberry Cornucopia.** 1-3 p.m. at Green Spring Gardens, 4603 Green Spring Road. Learn the story of this American native fruit, share innovative recipes, and offer ideas for holiday decorating with cranberries. Sample and take home a cranberry sauce. Tickets are \$32. To make reservations, call Historic Green Spring at 703-941-7987.

## TUESDAY/OCT. 25

**Centenarians Luncheon.** 12-2 p.m. at The Fairfax, 9140 Belvoir Woods Parkway, Fort Belvoir. Celebrate the life of Northern Virginia's oldest citizens. This year's speaker will be Lynn Peters Adler, J. D., a centenarian expert and older adults advocate. Tickets are \$40, available start Sept. 16. Visit [www.celebratecentenarians.com](http://www.celebratecentenarians.com) for more.

**The Female Stranger: The Making of a Legend.** 1-2:30 p.m. at Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St. Hear the story of the Female Stranger and how it has evolved over time as we explore this local legend through the centuries. Combines history and language arts. Tickets are \$8 per child, adults free. Pre-registration is required. Visit [shop.alexandriava.gov](http://shop.alexandriava.gov).

**Lecture: "Can't We Get Along? Washington's Break with Two Virginias."** 7:30 p.m. at Gadsby's Tavern Museum, 134 N. Royal St. While many people look back to the "good old days" when everyone got along, it is interesting to note that over time Washington completely severed his relationship with five famous Virginians. In this lecture, the focus will be on James Madison and James Monroe. Professor Henriques will examine these breaks and see if there is a common thread between them. Tickets \$12 per person, \$10 for GTMS members and volunteers. Visit [shop.alexandriava.gov](http://shop.alexandriava.gov).

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# HOME SALES

In August 2016, 217 Alexandria homes sold between \$1,710,000-\$120,000.  
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| 416 LEE ST S                  | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$1,133,000 | Townhouse           | 0.04 | 22314  | OLD TOWN                  |             |
| 2415 RIDGE ROAD DR            | 4  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$1,060,000 | Detached            | 0.20 | 22302  | BRADDOCK HEIGHTS          |             |
| 1415 GAILLARD ST N            | 4  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$1,050,000 | Detached            | 0.46 | 22304  | VAUXCLEUSE                |             |
| 420 PITT ST N                 | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$1,045,000 | Townhouse           | 0.03 | 22314  | BULFINCH SQUARE           |             |
| 400 MADISON ST #2108          | 3  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$1,000,000 | Hi-Rise 9+ Floors   |      | 22314  | ALEXANDRIA HOUSE          |             |
| 102 UNION ST #TH102           | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$965,000   | Townhouse           |      | 22314  | TORPEDO FACTORY           |             |
| 4911 JOHN TICER DR            | 4  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$959,500   | Detached            | 0.08 | 22304  | CAMERON STATION           |             |
| 115 PAYNE ST N                | 5  | 3  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$950,000   | Townhouse           | 0.08 | 22314  | OLD TOWN                  |             |
| 508 COLUMBUS ST N             | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$949,900   | Attach/Row Hse      | 0.04 | 22314  | CARRIAGE WORKS            |             |
| 331 SAINT ASAPH ST N          | 2  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$900,000   | Townhouse           | 0.05 | 22314  | OLD TOWN                  |             |
| 200 VASSAR PL                 | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$897,000   | Detached            | 0.24 | 22314  | CLOVER                    |             |
| 721 ANNIE ROSE AVE            | 3  | 4  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$890,000   | Townhouse           | 0.00 | 22301  | POTOMAC YARD              |             |
| 2181 JAMIESON AVE #2110       | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$875,000   | Hi-Rise 9+ Floors   |      | 22314  | CARLYLE TOWERS            |             |
| 3507 HALCYON DR               | 3  | 4  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$870,000   | Detached            | 0.20 | 22305  | BEVERLY HILLS             |             |
| 3305 OLD DOMINION BLVD        | 4  | 2  | 2  | ALEXANDRIA | \$867,500   | Detached            | 0.13 | 22305  | BEVERLY HILLS             |             |
| 914 OVERLOOK DR N             | 5  | 3  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$849,900   | Detached            | 0.23 | 22305  | BEVERLY FOREST            |             |
| 2116 MARLBORO DR              | 4  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$839,900   | Detached            | 0.21 | 22304  | MARLBORO ESTATES          |             |
| 1850 CARPENTER RD             | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$826,000   | Townhouse           | 0.03 | 22314  | POTOMAC GREENS            |             |
| 310 E BELLEFONTE AVE          | 3  | 1  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$800,000   | Detached            | 0.10 | 22301  | DEL RAY                   |             |
| 3900 GRESHAM PL               | 3  | 3  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$799,000   | Detached            | 0.22 | 22305  | BEVERLY FOREST            |             |
| 303 HENRY ST S                | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$790,000   | Townhouse           | 0.02 | 22314  | OLD TOWN VILLAGE          |             |
| 1123 LYNN CT                  | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$782,000   | Detached            | 0.21 | 22302  | OLD ALEXANDRIA            |             |
| 2403 CAMERON MILLS RD         | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$780,000   | Detached            | 0.10 | 22302  | JEFFERSON PARK            |             |
| 711 LEE ST S                  | 2  | 1  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$780,000   | Townhouse           | 0.05 | 22314  | OLD TOWN                  |             |
| 1110 HOWARD ST                | 4  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$779,000   | Detached            | 0.29 | 22304  | FOREST KNOLL              |             |
| 121 N PEYTON ST               | 2  | 3  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$775,000   | Attach/Row Hse      | 0.04 | 22314  | NONE                      |             |
| 1250 WASHINGTON ST #101       | 2  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$771,000   | Mid-Rise 5-8 Floors |      | 22314  | PORTO VECCHIO             |             |
| 1116 PITT ST N                | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$770,000   | Townhouse           | 0.03 | 22314  | CANAL WAY                 |             |
| 701 NORFOLK LN                | 4  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$769,000   | Semi-Detached       | 0.03 | 22314  | OLD TOWN GREENS           |             |
| 5237 BRAUNER PL               | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$768,000   | Townhouse           | 0.06 | 22304  | CAMERON STATION           |             |
| 907 BERNARD ST                | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$760,000   | Townhouse           | 0.05 | 22314  | OLD TOWN CRESCENT         |             |
| 711 GRANDVIEW DR              | 3  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$750,000   | Detached            | 0.16 | 22305  | BEVERLY HILLS             |             |
| 708 LYLES LN                  | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$740,000   | Townhouse           | 0.02 | 22314  | POTOMAC GREENS            |             |
| 2405 CREST ST                 | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$730,000   | Detached            | 0.17 | 22302  | BRADDOCK HEIGHTS          |             |
| 125 PITT ST S                 | 2  | 1  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$730,000   | Detached            | 0.02 | 22314  | OLD TOWN                  |             |
| 391 CAMERON STATION BLVD      | 4  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$725,000   | Townhouse           | 0.05 | 22304  | CAMERON STATION           |             |
| 4702 NEWCOMB PL               | 5  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$725,000   | Detached            | 0.45 | 22304  | BELLE WOOD                |             |
| 1166 PITT ST                  | 3  | 3  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$725,000   | Townhouse           | 0.02 | 22314  | CANAL WAY                 |             |
| 421 CUSTIS AVE E              | 3  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$720,000   | Detached            | 0.13 | 22301  | DEL RAY                   |             |
| 264 MEDLOCK LN                | 3  | 2  | 2  | ALEXANDRIA | \$720,000   | Townhouse           | 0.03 | 22304  | CAMERON STATION           |             |
| 4647 KIRKLAND PL              | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$710,000   | Townhouse           | 0.12 | 22311  | STONEGATE                 |             |
| 208 UHLER TER                 | 3  | 1  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$701,000   | Detached            | 0.09 | 22301  | GROVES                    |             |
| 1026 CROSS DR                 | 4  | 2  | 2  | ALEXANDRIA | \$699,300   | Detached            | 0.11 | 22302  | OVERLOOK TERRACE          |             |
| 8A ALEXANDRIA AVE E           | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$688,500   | Townhouse           | 0.07 | 22301  | DEL RAY                   |             |
| 2A CHAPMAN ST W               | 3  | 2  | 2  | ALEXANDRIA | \$685,000   | Townhouse           | 0.04 | 22301  | ROSEMONT PARK             |             |
| 940 LINDSAY PL                | 4  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$682,000   | Detached            | 0.29 | 22304  | BELLE WOOD                |             |
| 2315 JEFFERSON DAVIS HWY #101 | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$679,500   | Townhouse           |      | 22301  | POTOMAC YARD              |             |
| 326 CLIFFORD AVE              | 2  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$675,000   | Detached            | 0.12 | 22305  | WILMAR PARK               |             |
| 5122 KNAPP PL                 | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$670,000   | Townhouse           | 0.03 | 22304  | CAMERON STATION           |             |
| 1015 QUEEN ST                 | 2  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$660,000   | Detached            | 0.05 | 22314  | PARKER GRAY HISTORIC DIST |             |
| 507 TOBACCO QUAY              | 2  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$660,000   | Townhouse           | 0.03 | 22314  | TOBACCO KEY               |             |
| 418 COLUMBUS ST N             | 2  | 1  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$655,000   | Townhouse           | 0.04 | 22314  | CARRIAGE WORKS            |             |
| 454 FERDINAND DAY DR          | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$650,000   | Townhouse           | 0.02 | 22304  | CAMERON STATION           |             |
| 239 MURTHA ST                 | 3  | 2  | 2  | ALEXANDRIA | \$650,000   | Townhouse           | 0.04 | 22304  | CAMERON STATION           |             |
| 4806 PEACOCK AVE              | 4  | 3  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$649,900   | Detached            | 0.28 | 22304  | BELLE WOOD                |             |
| 140 SANBORN PL                | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$645,000   | Townhouse           | 0.06 | 22305  | MT VERNON COURT           |             |
| 18 WINDSOR AVE E              | 3  | 1  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$642,000   | Duplex              | 0.07 | 22301  | DEL RAY                   |             |
| 400 MADISON ST #204           | 2  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$635,000   | Hi-Rise 9+ Floors   |      | 22314  | ALEXANDRIA HOUSE          |             |
| 213 ADAMS AVE                 | 3  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$630,000   | Duplex              | 0.05 | 22301  | TEMPLE PARK               |             |
| 107 CAMERON STATION BLVD      | 3  | 2  | 2  | ALEXANDRIA | \$630,000   | Townhouse           | 0.04 | 22304  | CAMERON STATION           |             |
| 612S PAYNE ST                 | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$628,000   | Townhouse           | 0.05 | 22314  | JEFFERSON HOMES           |             |
| 5018 GARDNER DR               | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$622,000   | Townhouse           | 0.04 | 22304  | CAMERON STATION           |             |
| 2009 JEFFERSON DAVIS HWY #101 | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$620,000   | Townhouse           |      | 22301  | POTOMAC YARD              |             |
| 636 ALFRED ST N               | 2  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$613,000   | Semi-Detached       | 0.03 | 22314  | OLD TOWN / PAKER-GRAY     |             |
| 1308 ROUNDHOUSE LN #1308      | 2  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$612,000   | Mid-Rise 5-8 Floors |      | 22314  | OLD TOWN VILLAGE          |             |
| 2249 EARLY ST N               | 3  | 3  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$605,000   | Detached            | 0.20 | 22302  | ALEXANDRIA                |             |
| 1134 QUAKER HILL CT           | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$605,000   | Townhouse           | 0.04 | 22314  | QUAKER HILL               |             |
| 1224 DARTMOUTH RD             | 3  | 2  | 2  | ALEXANDRIA | \$604,500   | Townhouse           | 0.04 | 22314  | QUAKER HILL               |             |
| 1017 PITT ST N                | 2  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$601,000   | Townhouse           |      | 22314  | WATERGATE OF ALEXANDRIA   |             |
| 302 ALFRED ST N               | 2  | 1  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$600,000   | Townhouse           | 0.02 | 22314  | PARKER-GRAY HISTORIC DIST |             |
| 272 CAMERON STATION BLVD      | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$595,000   | Townhouse           | 0.02 | 22304  | CAMERON STATION           |             |
| 633 COLUMBUS ST S             | 3  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$590,000   | Townhouse           |      | 22314  | ARCH HALL                 |             |
| 160 MARTIN LN                 | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$585,000   | Townhouse           | 0.02 | 22304  | CAMERON STATION           |             |
| 260 CAMERON STATION BLVD      | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$584,000   | Townhouse           | 0.02 | 22304  | CAMERON STATION           |             |
| 525 FAYETTE ST N #406         | 2  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$571,990   | Mid-Rise 5-8 Floors |      | 22314  | THE HENRY                 |             |
| 168 MARTIN LN                 | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$570,000   | Townhouse           | 0.03 | 22304  | CAMERON STATION           |             |
| 1106 MICHIGAN CT              | 2  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$570,000   | Townhouse           | 0.02 | 22314  | VIRGINIA VILLAGE          |             |
| 1401 PORTNER RD               | 2  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$569,000   | Townhouse           | 0.04 | 22314  | BASHFORD LANE CLUSTER     |             |
| 1249 QUAKER HILL DR           | 3  | 2  | 2  | ALEXANDRIA | \$565,000   | Townhouse           | 0.05 | 22314  | QUAKER HILL               |             |
| 507 LURAY AVE E               | 3  | 1  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$557,000   | Townhouse           | 0.04 | 22301  | BRENTON                   |             |
| 3805 ELBERT AVE               | 2  | 2  | 2  | ALEXANDRIA | \$552,000   | Townhouse           | 0.05 | 22305  | SUNNYSIDE                 |             |
| 2181 JAMIESON AVE #1501       | 2  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$550,000   | Hi-Rise 9+ Floors   |      | 22314  | CARLYLE TOWERS            |             |
| 630 S. PAYNE ST               | 3  | 1  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$550,000   | Townhouse           | 0.11 | 22314  | JEFFERSON HOMES           |             |
| 4652 KIRKLAND PL              | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$549,990   | Townhouse           | 0.04 | 22311  | STONEGATE                 |             |
| 5840 LOWELL AVE               | 3  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$530,000   | Detached            | 0.29 | 22312  | LINCOLNIA HILLS           |             |
| 3811 ELBERT AVE               | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$525,000   | Townhouse           | 0.05 | 22305  | SUNNYSIDE                 |             |
| 5141 HERITAGE LN              | 3  | 2  | 2  | ALEXANDRIA | \$517,000   | Townhouse           | 0.06 | 22311  | SEMINARY PARK             |             |
| 1111 ORONOCO ST #436          | 2  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$515,000   | Mid-Rise 5-8 Floors |      | 22314  | THE HENRY                 |             |
| 223 TAYLOR RUN PKWY           | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$510,000   | Duplex              | 0.08 | 22314  | TAYLOR RUN PKWY           |             |
| 702 NORFOLK LN #A             | 2  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$510,000   | Garden 1-4 Floors   |      | 22314  | OLD TOWN GREENS           |             |
| 5120 DONOVAN DR #404          | 3  | 3  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$500,000   | Garden 1-4 Floors   |      | 22304  | CARLTON PLACE             |             |
| 3819 WATKINS MILL DR          | 3  | 2  | 2  | ALEXANDRIA | \$492,000   | Townhouse           | 0.03 | 22304  | TOWNES AT CAMERON PARKE   |             |
| 605 ALFRED ST N               | 3  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$486,000   | Detached            | 0.04 | 22314  | PARKER GRAY               |             |
| 27 CARRIAGE HOUSE CIR         | 3  | 2  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$477,000   | Townhouse           | 0.03 | 22304  | COLONIAL HEIGHTS          |             |
| 632 HENRY ST S                | 2  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$475,000   | Attach/Row Hse      | 0.03 | 22314  | JEFFERSON HOMES           |             |
| 1602 SUTER ST                 | 2  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$475,000   | Townhouse           | 0.03 | 22314  | BAGGETT TRACT             |             |
| 5820 COWLING CT               | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$470,000   | Townhouse           | 0.02 | 22304  | SUMMERS GROVE             |             |
| 2305 SIBLEY ST                | 3  | 3  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$469,000   | Townhouse           | 0.08 | 22311  | WESTRIDGE OF ALEXANDRIA   |             |
| 806 PENDLETON ST              | 2  | 1  | 1  | ALEXANDRIA | \$460,000   | Attach/Row Hse      | 0.03 | 22314  | MARIE BLUNTS PROP         |             |
| 2151 JAMIESON AVE #605        | 2  | 2  | 0  | ALEXANDRIA | \$455,500   | Hi-Rise 9+ Floors   |      | 22314  | CARLYLE TOWERS            |             |

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# Alexandria Lawyer Saves Innocent Man from Death Row

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dog kennel to a bird cage.

"This place breaks people," said Stolarz. "One guy gouged out his eye and ate it. After they took him to the infirmary, he gouged out the other one and ate it too."

"I was able to learn how to read," said Brown. "I didn't let the cell get to me."

While there, Stolarz said he also saw executions, showing the crowd the gurney where the state carries out lethal injections. Stolarz said he promised Brown he would never face execution, but wasn't sure at the time if he could keep that promise. When he left the jail for the first time, Stolarz said he threw up in the parking lot when the gravity of what he was about to work on hit him. This was the beginning of a decade-long struggle for Stolarz, working pro-bono, to prove Brown's innocence.

The case against Brown was weak from the start. There was no forensic evidence, DNA, gunshot residue, or fingerprints that put him at the scene. The state's case was built on the testimony of one of the murderers and a witness. Stolarz started with the witness, going out to the scene where the witness said she'd been and realized there was no way she

**"It took a team of people hundreds of hours to save one life. If we hadn't taken this case, he'd be dead."**

— Brian Stolarz

could have seen Brown clearly from that position. Stolarz found and confronted the witness about this, who said that she hadn't really seen him but that there was pressure from the District Attorney's office.

"The police told her they'd take her kids away unless she testified," said Stolarz.

Brown had also had a witness working in his favor, his girlfriend Ericka Dockery, who'd said Brown was home the whole day and had called her from home. But like the other witness, she was harassed by the District Attorney and even jailed for four months until she agreed to recant her testimony.

"I interviewed her later and she said she'd had to choose between Dwayne [Brown] and her children,"

said Stolarz.

Dockery was difficult to find, but she eventually agreed to talk to Stolarz. She told Stolarz that Brown had been home at the time of the murders, as she'd originally said.

The more he looked into the case, the more Stolarz said he found the signs that it had been mishandled by the state. The foreman of the grand jury for the



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Alfred Dewayne Brown (left) with Brian Stolarz at Alexandria's Lee Center.

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## LIVING LEGENDS

# Their Leadership Preserved Gadsby's Tavern

## Foley and McNamara ensured Post 24's historic gift to the city.

BY JOSEPH S. SHUMARD

In the early 20<sup>th</sup> century, Gadsby's Tavern and the adjoining City Hotel were in such a dilapidated condition that the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City made an offer to purchase some of the woodwork, including the ballroom, to preserve its history because the destruction of these buildings seemed imminent. The buildings were prominent in the 18<sup>th</sup> century as a meeting place for patriots of the revolution, including George Washington and Thomas Jefferson. Each of the first five presidents of the United States was entertained there.

In 1928 members of American Legion Post 24, who were veterans of World War I, were seeking to establish a tribute to those who died in that war. They learned that the Gadsby's Tavern buildings were to be razed and decided to acquire them as a memorial to the war dead, to restore one of the most historic buildings in America, and as a home for Post 24. A portion of the purchase funding was raised from donations and members of the Post leadership initially took ownership. In 1932 a corporation was formed to hold the property in trust for Post 24: Gadsby's Tavern and City Hotel, Incorporated.

Harry Warden Foley and William McNamara are veterans of World War II who met in the 1950s at Alexandria's American

Legion Post 24. Foley was born in Berryville, Va. in 1927. He spent his Navy service in the Pacific Theater on the Marinas Islands and with the Seabees on Saipan.

McNamara was born in 1921 in Washington State and joined the Washington National Guard Headquarters Troop 24th Cavalry Division at age 15. His unit was called up in 1940 and sent to the European Theatre in 1944. At age 23, he was the youngest Army major in Europe and established Stars and Stripes newspaper operations in the United Kingdom and in France after D-Day.

In the years following WWII, Foley and McNamara rose in standing as members of Post 24.

Both served on the Executive Board (Foley still serves there to this day) and each served as Post Commander. They both contributed to maintaining the Gadsby's Tavern buildings, to promote the history of the buildings, and to encourage the Post membership to be involved. They enlisted the support of organizations such as the Colonial Dames and the Daughters of the American Revolution who supported the American Legion Auxiliary in seeking donations of historic furnishings and in carrying out



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**H. Warden Foley and William McNamara**

many history-related activities in Gadsby's Tavern.

Foley did considerable maintenance on the site using his engineering prowess and was there to open the building for historic tours most weekends for decades. McNamara did significant research for grants and other support available from charitable foundations to help defray the ever-increasing costs of owning this historic property. He eventually became president of Gadsby's Tavern and City Hotel, Incorporated.

## Living Legends: The Project

Living Legends of Alexandria is an ongoing 501(c)(3) photo-documentary project to identify, honor and chronicle the people making current history in Alexandria. The project was conceived in 2006 to create an enduring artistic record of the people whose vision and dedication make a positive, tangible difference to the quality of life in Alexandria. For information, to volunteer, become a sponsor or nominate a future Legend, visit [www.AlexandriaLegends.org](http://www.AlexandriaLegends.org) or contact [AlexandriaLegends@outlook.com](mailto:AlexandriaLegends@outlook.com).

In 1972, when significant Federal funding became available, Gadsby's Tavern and the City Hotel buildings and furnishings were offered to the City of Alexandria as a gift of American Legion Post 24. Many officers and members of Post 24 were involved with this gift, including

15 members who are still alive today. But because of their positions of leadership at American Legion Post 24 over many decades, and the recognition that this gift would never have happened without them, Warden Foley and Bill McNamara have been selected as Living Legends. They exemplify selflessness in their service to the city and citizens of Alexandria and in their dedication to the preservation of this historic landmark, which has become the cornerstone of Historic Alexandria.

# Making a Difference One Child at a Time

## Steve Nearman began his volunteering at Child & Family Network Centers.

BY PAM ST. CLAIR

Many read news stories or hear about young people doing something dangerous or illegal and then wonder why in the world they did that. Then they move on. Steve Nearman did the same thing until 20 years ago when he decided he couldn't change things for every young person, but he might make a difference for one child; help them see a different option and take the better fork in the road.

A chance meeting at an Alexandria Chamber of Commerce event drew him to Child & Family Network Centers (CFNC). CFNC was begun by Cameron Valley Network, a group of mothers residing in public housing who were determined to help their young children succeed in school. A network of preschools and family services, CFNC provides for three and four-year olds living below the poverty line in Arlington and Alexandria and has served 3,500 chil-

dren since 1984.

In 1999, Nearman, a financial planner, volunteered for the CFNC program at Cora Kelly School "monitoring the boys' sports games and letting the girls dress me up, cook for me, etc." He also bought needed materials for the classroom and arranged and paid for field trips to petting farms and an indoor amusement park.

CFNC founder and longtime executive director Barbara Fox Mason asked if he would serve on the board. In June 2015, he retired after serving 13 years as chairman. He led the purchase of 3700 Wheeler Ave. as CFNC headquarters and classroom space. Nearman said one of the biggest challenges was maintaining funding for the programs after the 2008 recession. A major supporter, the Freddie Mac Foundation, began liquidating and cut much of its huge financial contribution to the Washington metro nonprofit world. Eventually all Freddie Mac's funding ended. Through community fundraising, the programs were kept



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**Steve Nearman**

alive for 50 staff and nearly 200 children as well as support systems for parents and siblings.

Nearman was recognized in 2015 by Volunteer Alexandria with the Joan White Grass Roots award "given to a volunteer in Alexandria who has selflessly committed time, energy and skills to help a nonprofit further its mission."

Nearman received his Bachelor of Arts

degree in biology and economics from the University of Rochester and his M.B.A. from George Washington University in 1985.

Nearman also is a passionate member of the running community. He founded the Woodrow Wilson Bridge Half Marathon and 6k which serves as a fundraising opportunity for area charities, whose first race in 2010 drew 4,000 runners. Locally, both CFNC and RunningBrooke Fund have benefited. He takes great pride in his work on the Visually Impaired (VI) National Half Marathon Championships which brought blind and VI runners from around the nation to run across the Woodrow Wilson Bridge. He has been inspired since the mid-'90s by a blind runner, Joseph Aukward, whom he has traveled with and guided to VI and invitational meets around the U.S. and Canada.

Now he combines his love of running and devotion to young people by coaching cross-country and track at Edison High School, where his 16-year-old son with autism now attends and completed his first season of cross-country.

He would be happy if in 40 years he hears from someone who says he made a difference in their life.

# SPORTS



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## Against South County

Running back Jaren Hillian is surrounded during T.C. Williams High School's game against South County. TC lost 56-19, dropping its record to 2-3.

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## ODBC Rowers Start Strong

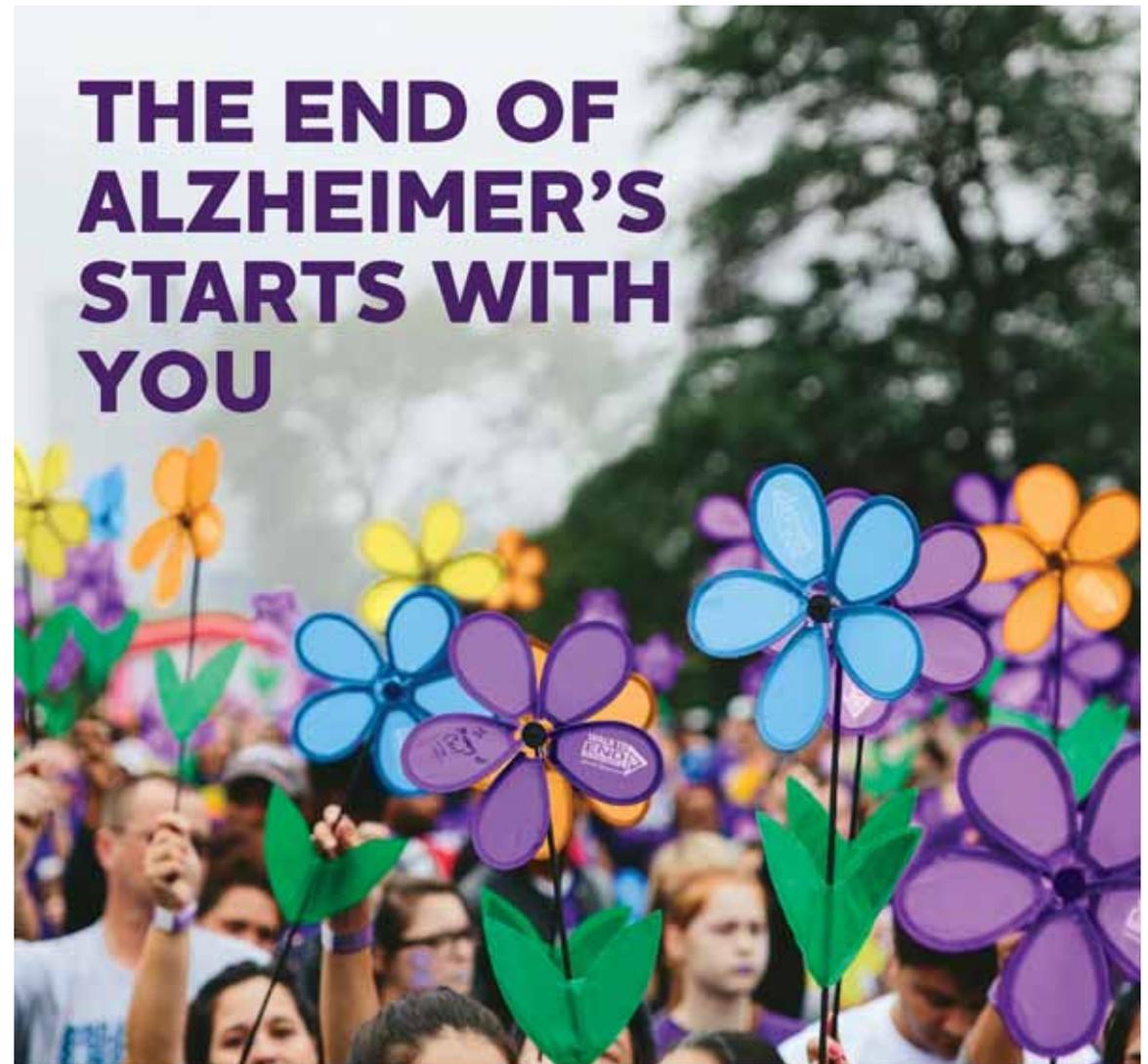
The Old Dominion Boat Club (ODBC) crew team roared into the fall competitive season on Sunday, Sept. 25 with a strong showing at the 36th Annual Charlie Butt Scullers Head of the Potomac (SHOP) Regatta. Bright sunshine and cool temperatures provided ideal conditions for the 13 ODBC boats competing in three different races on the Potomac River across from the Georgetown/Foggy Bottom waterfront in Washington, D.C.

The ODBC program includes student athletes from TC Williams in Alexandria and other local high schools, including McLean, West Potomac, Yorktown, Wakefield, HB Woodlawn, Annandale, and Gonzaga. At the SHOP Regatta, they competed against 10 other crew programs mostly from Virginia, Maryland, and Washington, DC.

The 23-boat Women's Youth Eight category included

six boats each from ODBC and rival Thompson Boat Center (TBC). For the fourth year in a row, the ODBC A boat took top honors in this race with a time 16:19:8, a minute and a half faster than their SHOP regatta winning time last year. Making another strong statement about the competitiveness of the ODBC women's program, the ODBC C boat placed second with a time of 16:37.6, followed by third place TBC. Both ODBC and TBC have claimed the top three places in this race for the last three years, but this year for the first time ODBC took two of those winning slots. And like the ODBC men, with a 6<sup>th</sup> place finish by the women's ODBC D boat, ODBC women went home with three finishes in the top 10. Head coach Patrick Marquardt guides the ODBC Women's crew program.

After an in-house scrimmage on Oct. 1 at the Dee Campbell Rowing Center in Alexandria, ODBC rowers next will compete at the Occoquan Challenge on Sunday, Oct. 9.



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# Free Health Fair for Uninsured Returns Nov. 5

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Schools, Community and Human Services officials, community organizers, health practitioners, and citizens.

Jamie Conrad, from the Immanuel Church on the Hill — he described it as the “Pumpkin Church” because of their annual pumpkin sale — pointed out that the list of sponsors was so long that it would no longer fit on the flyer about the fair. Conrad also represents the Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy on the planning committee.

McArthur Myers, of “In God’s Hands” ministry, talked about his work getting DASH to put up posters in buses to publicize the fair and his efforts to find minivans to help transport people to the event. Myers said he had been to T.C. Williams High School to try to find volunteers among the students there who speak as many as 158 different languages. Language assistance is important at the fair, where many attendees are immigrants.

Former Mayor Bill Euille said he would talk with the West End Rotary Club.

Several said they would locate tables.

Kaiser Permanente was recognized for its \$3,000 donation.

Marion Brunken, who had been with the Advocacy for Alleviating Homelessness, and is now executive director of Volunteer Alexandria, went through the volunteer needs. The health fair was still looking for donors of food and water for the volunteers.

One of the issues discussed was follow-up care. Barbara Nowak, nurse practitioner at Alexandria City Public Schools, noted that last year some attendees at the fair had presented serious health problems, high blood pressure for instance, but they had just walked out without a follow-up plan. “Ethically,” she said, “medical practitioners aren’t comfortable with lack of follow-up, so something has to be done about that this year.” Post screening referrals will go to Neighborhood Health, which currently has a ceiling of 900 patients but will triage any serious issues.

Following last year’s health fair, the Alliance for Alexandria’s Uninsured focused its attention on convincing City Council of the need for additional dollars to support follow up care, especially for those low-income uninsured adults who are without a medi-



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**Canek Aguirre, Jamie Conrad, Richard Merritt and Arlene Hewitt — all members of the Alliance for Alexandria’s Uninsured — caught up with Lt. Governor Ralph Northam (in the middle) on Sept. 11 following a presentation on Medicaid expansion and informed him of what the city and community of Alexandria are doing to provide primary health care services and a free health fair for many of the city’s low-income uninsured who have been denied Medicaid coverage by the General Assembly.**



**Daneena Santos, Virginia program manager, Kaiser Permanente, at the health fair planning meeting. Last year the founders of the event didn’t ask for donations: they funded the fair from volunteer contributions. Kaiser Permanente donated \$3,000 to the health fair this year.**



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**Richard Merritt and Neighborhood Health’s Eduardo Mantilla-Torres discuss follow up care.**

sible for community relations with Inova Alexandria Hospital. Simplicity Clinic won’t be competing with Neighborhood Health because they only serve adults. The Planning Committee hoped the new clinic would be at the fair to ensure a hand-off to their clinic if someone needs a PSA test or mammogram.

Health and wellness activities will also be part of the fair this year. Nutritional meal planning for low income families will also be a feature. Glen Hopkins of Hopkins House, new to the committee, said they would provide activities for children.

Tai Chi, CPR training, and fitness and wellness activities for adults and children will also be part of the health fair.

In an email to the Health Fair Committee on Sept. 21, Mayor Allison Silberberg extended her thanks to each of the planning committee members for their hard work and dedication. “All of us can be proud that Alexandria is a compassionate city. We are a city that is concerned about our most vul-

## Volunteer Needs

According to Ionela Lutai, the emergency preparedness manager at Volunteer Alexandria, the following needs remain unmet for the health fair:

- ❖ Friday, Nov. 4 - Set-up from 4-8 p.m., 10 volunteers will assist providers and other volunteers with the set up process of the fair.
- ❖ Saturday, Nov. 5 Health Fair - Shifts are available.
  - ❖ Parking Lot Attendants, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., eight volunteers needed to help direct participants to the best place to park and ensure that they do not block entrances or exists.
  - ❖ Greeters, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., six volunteers will greet participants at the door, ensure they are in the right place, and direct them to the proper check in stations.
  - ❖ Guest Registration/Intake, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., 16 volunteers will check-in attendees as they come in and direct them to the proper stations.
  - ❖ Provider check-in, 7:30 a.m.-9 a.m., six volunteers will check-in providers as they come in and direct them to the proper stations.
  - ❖ Volunteer check-in, 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., eight volunteers will check-in other volunteers, offer their lunch tickets and distribute shirts/vests.
  - ❖ Guest Guides, 8:45 a.m.-4:30 p.m., eight volunteers will guide people from station to station and ensure they are prepared for the next station.
  - ❖ Security and Room monitors, 8:45 a.m.-4:30 p.m., eight volunteers will assist with walking the premises of the fair to ensure everyone is safe.
  - ❖ Exit interviews, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., 16 volunteers will ensure participants have all their required information completed. Check their fair passports and make sure they went through at least three stations.
  - ❖ Translators, 8:45 a.m.-4:30 p.m., 16 volunteers will assist with translating services, answering questions and guiding guests as needed.
  - ❖ Children’s area, 8:45 a.m.-4:30 p.m., eight volunteers will monitor and entertain the children.
  - ❖ Runners between 8:45 a.m.-4:30 p.m., six volunteers will assist providers, guests and other volunteers as needed.
  - ❖ Lions Club Volunteers between 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., 10 volunteers will assist with crowd control and help with the lines.

People can sign up on [www.volunteeralexandria.org](http://www.volunteeralexandria.org) and enter “fair” in the search button or call 703-836-2176.

nerable. Having one’s health is crucial, and you and the upcoming Health Fair are a significant part of this commitment.”

Having helped to get an additional 700 adults primary care, but aware that this would still only cover about 40 percent of the low-income population, the Alliance pledged to try to raise additional funds from the community — between \$50,000 to \$75,000 — to add to what Neighborhood Health got from the city, thereby “nudging” the total number in the community that could qualify for primary care services through Neighborhood Health closer to 1,000.

“With the city’s investment in Neighborhood Health and the generosity of so many in the Alexandria community, many low-income residents should no longer face overwhelming obstacles to obtaining timely and affordable primary health care services,” according to Richard Merritt, one of the Alliance’s founding members and a co-chair of the planning committee for the health fair.

For more information, including a full list of partners for the health fair see [www.accessalexandria.org](http://www.accessalexandria.org). To donate to the effort, Alexandria Cares for the Uninsured is the 501(c)(3) with ACT for Alexandria.



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**Dan Hawkins, co-chair of the alliance and 25-year Alexandria resident, with Richard Merritt, addresses the group.**

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**MORRISON, James Thomas, 36**, of Alexandria, Va., passed away September 27, 2016. James was born into a military family on April 22, 1980 in Honolulu, Hawaii to parents Thomas Allen & Karen Ann (Petit) Morrison who survive him. He is also survived by an older sister, Kelly Morrison Pop and husband Maximilian, and an older brother Douglas Morrison and wife Emily and niece/nephew Ella Grace and Wesley Allen. He lived as a child in Charleston, S.C., San Pedro, Calif., and Springfield, Va. Growing up he loved swimming, skateboarding with friends, and played football, baseball, and soccer for various youth programs. He graduated from Robert E. Lee High School in Springfield where he was honored for his photographic talents. He attended Northern Virginia Community College where he graduated with an Associate's Degree. His commitment to the food and beverage industry was very evident in his dedication to friends and patrons at the Evening Star Café where he worked for twelve years. He loved playing team sports - roller blade hockey, bowling and fantasy football-and enjoyed summers at the beach and pool. He was a regular attendee at Washington National's baseball games and enjoyed watching Redskins football, LA Kings hockey and Liverpool soccer. He liked vegetable gardening, sharing his crops with housemates and friends and making creative culinary delights. James was founder of "Monday Taco Night" which under his tutelage grew to become a regular and much beloved affair in the Del Ray community of Alexandria.

James will be especially remembered for his sense of humor and social acumen. A Memorial Mass was celebrated Wednesday October 5, at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Richmond, Va. Online condolences received at [woodyfuneralhomeparham.com](http://woodyfuneralhomeparham.com).

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Sealed Proposals with the notation RFP# 16-10-01 Coaching Programs for Education Leaders will be received in the Central Procurement Office, 1340 Braddock Place, Suite 620, Alexandria, Virginia 22314, on or before 3:00 pm, October 25, 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 703-619-8343, or by downloading the RFP from the ACPS website at <http://www.acps.k12.va.us/financial-services/purchasing/>

All questions answered will be posted as an addendum to the ACPS web site.

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# Freed from Death Row

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police officer shooting case was a police officer, put in place by the judge. Brown's lawyer worked at a desk right next to the lawyer representing another murder suspect in the case. Brown also has an IQ of 69 and legally someone with an IQ below 70 cannot be executed. However, the state turned to Dr. George Denkowski who gave Brown four extra points on the IQ test because he said Brown was stressed at the time. As the investigation continued, Denkowski was reprimanded by the state and agreed to stop reviewing death penalty cases. Texas also abolished the "pick-a-pal" law that allowed judges to select who served on juries.

The overlooked evidence of Brown's innocence kept piling up. Brown had received a letter in jail from someone essentially confessing to the murder, who included details of the murder that had never been made public.

"Dobbie [Brown], that wasn't nothing but one big set up for you," the letter read.

Stolarz also spoke with one of the other men accused of murder, who swore an affidavit that Brown was not there at the time of the murder.

The final piece of evidence that emerged came out of a retired police officer's garage. After years of searching for a document that would prove Brown made a call from the phone at home during the murder, a police officer found a record buried deep in his garage. The record showed that not only had a phone call been made from the house at the time of the murder, but an attached note signified that the prosecutors had seen this document and did not share it with the defense or submit it as evidence.

Stolarz reached into his pocket and presented the piece of paper.

"We spent eight years looking for this one piece of paper," said Stolarz. "All that work and it was found in a box in a police officer's garage."

Even after the District Attorney agreed to a new trial, it took 17 months before the state's Court of Criminal Appeals accepted the motion.

Throughout the struggle to collect enough evidence to prove Brown's innocence,

Stolarz said there were several moments where he'd get depressed and feel like the case was hopeless. It was in those moments, Stolarz said, that Brown would give him the reassurance he needed. At first, Brown said it took him three years to really trust Stolarz, but after he trusted the lawyer Brown said he never once lost faith that Stolarz would fulfill his promise to get Brown free.

On June 8, 2015, that promise was fulfilled when the District Attorney's office agreed to drop all charges. Now, Brown and Stolarz travel together to talk about the experience and advocate for criminal justice reform. On their visit to Alexandria, Stolarz said he and Brown went to the waterfront and watched the boats on the Potomac.

"It took a team of people hundreds of hours to save one life," said Stolarz. "If we hadn't taken this case, he'd be dead."

Brown and Stolarz's story resonated with those in attendance at the Lee Center. Several spoke to Brown and Stolarz and asked questions. Afterwards, several police and sheriff's deputies gathered around the two and took pictures with them.

"This is a man who was pushed but did not fall," said Hadi Kamara, an 11th grader at T.C. Williams High School. "Being here today and listening may create some anger and disdain, rightfully so, but that's not why we're here. It's about forgiveness."

"I'm a 26-year veteran of the sheriff's office, I love my job," said Deputy E. Todd Stubblefield. "All police are not bad. We have to learn to love and forgive. We're in a crisis. We have to learn to work together, whether it's Charlotte or Alexandria."

Barbara Swanigan said she has a brother she believes is in a similar situation and said listening to Stolarz gave her hope.

"It was like a movie that came to life," said Benjamin Savage. "You have to believe in yourself and never give up hope."

Behind Texas and Oklahoma, Virginia is the state with the third most executions. Stolarz said many of the legal problems that exist in Texas also exist in Virginia.

"We need change in this state too," said Stolarz. "There is inadequate defense for people [accused in death penalty cases]."

# Recalling Stew Dunn

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predeceased by his first wife, Martha Jay Hoolver, son Tony and siblings Thomas, Elizabeth, James and Jonathan. He is survived by his wife, Loti, and five children: Chris Dunn (Leyla Vural), Tim Dunn (Ellen Stofan), Rhett Savage and Eliza Savage. He also leaves behind six grandchildren.

"Stew was always the most eloquent and of course the best dressed one in any room," Bordner added. "But it was his genuine kindness that drew you in and made you a fan. He epitomizes the gentleman all men should strive to be."

A memorial service will take place in Old Town later this month. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria, 3330 King St., Alexandria, VA, 22302.

## Correction

The Sept. 29 edition of the Alexandria Gazette Packet reported the wrong location for the upcoming Walk to Bust Cancer. The location of the Oct. 16 walk is Fort Hunt Park. For more information visit [www.walktobustcancer.org](http://www.walktobustcancer.org).

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Alexandria resident Mark Harris beat out his competition in the 50-54 group breaststroke to win a gold medal at the Claude Moore Recreation Center in Sterling on Sept. 16.



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**Joanne Brenton from Alexandria swims her way to gold in the 55-59 age group breaststroke at the Claude Moore Recreation Center in Sterling on Sept. 16.**



**Mark Harris from Alexandria comes up for air during the 50 yard breaststroke in the 50-54 age group. Harris won a gold medal in the event at the Claude Moore Recreation Center on Sept. 16.**

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982 participants signed up for 2016 Northern Virginia Senior Olympics.

The Northern Virginia Senior Olympics (NVSO) opened Sept. 10 and ran through Sept. 21 with another record registration of 918 participants. Saturday opening day ceremonies were followed by track and rowing events at Thomas Jefferson Community Center in Arlington and diving competition at Yorktown High School Aquatic Center.

Fifty events were held at 25 different venues across Northern Virginia including horseshoes and bocce at Fairfax Senior Center-Green Acres, field events at Stone Bridge High School Stadium, swimming at Claude Moore Recreation Center, tennis mixed doubles at Wakefield District Park and Wii Bowling at Greenspring Retirement Community Center in Springfield. There were two 100+ age group entries this year, Vera Punke from Arlington and Hilda Gross from Burke entered in the duplicate bridge competition held at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Arlington.

— SHIRLEY RUHE



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**ABOVE: Bob Shellhouse of Alexandria and Wayne Bell show off their medals following the 80-89 age group finals match on Sept. 14. Shellhouse won gold by defeating Bell 8-3 (8 game pro set) in the championship held at Wakefield District Park in Annandale.**



**Mark Harris sporting his gold medal for breaststroke.**

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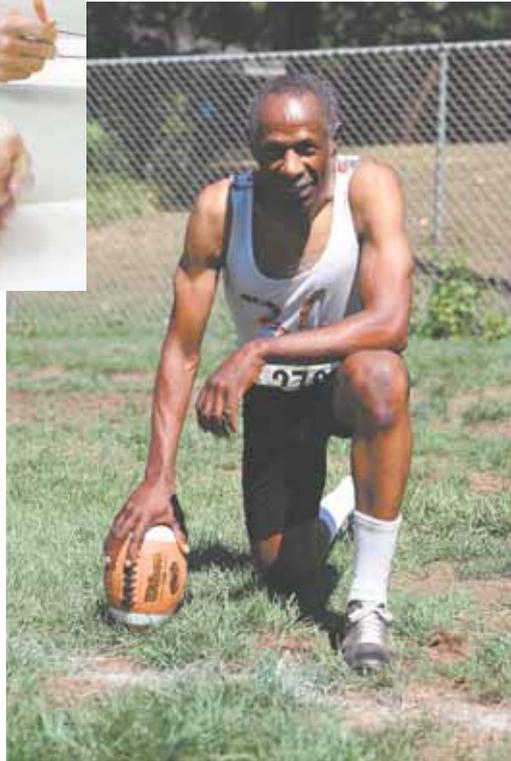
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**The Senior Olympics Spelling Bee, held at Lee Community Center on Lee Highway in Arlington, rounded out the 12 days of competition in the Northern Virginia Senior Olympics from Sept. 10-21.**



### Senior Olympics Football Throw

Clarence John Wells-Martin, 70, strikes a winning pose after setting a new record in the Football Throw event on Sept. 14 at Wakefield District Park in Annandale in the 70-74 age group with a distance of 115' 2". Wells-Martin beat the previous record of 104' 3" that was set in 2012.

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# Regaining Mobility

Local orthopedic surgeons offer keys for successful joint replacement surgery.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL  
THE CONNECTION

Tired of the limited mobility and pain that have thwarted her love of foreign travel and fall hiking, Lynda S. Johnson, 72, scheduled a knee replacement surgery for later this month. She chose a doctor, found a pet sitter to watch her Cairn terrier, and enlisted her sister to live with her while she recovers.

"I had been debating for months about whether to have it," she said. "I was in so much pain, though, that I don't really think I have anything to lose."

For Johnson and approximately 7 million other Americans living with a hip or knee replacement, the decision to undergo such a surgery is fueled by a quest for less pain, more mobility and an overall boost to their quality of life.

Nearly 90 percent of patients who have knee replacement surgery experience less pain and 85 percent of the replacement joints still work after 20 years, according to the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases. Most patients will feel better, and feel better quickly.

Addressing overall health issues like high blood pressure, diabetes and obesity can boost the chances that a joint replacement surgery will be successful, says Dr. C. Anderson "Andy" Engh orthopedic surgeon, Anderson Orthopedic Clinic at Inova Mount Vernon. "Work on both your overall health and conditioning," he said.

Patients should be up and out of their hospital beds as soon as possible. "Patients are walking with assistance hours after their surgery. The reason patients do better when they get up and move around is that they decrease the risk of pneumonia and blood clots," said Dr. Mark P. Madden, an orthopedic surgeon with OrthoVirginia. "We start out with patients using a walker and having someone assist them in walking, and they generally progress to become fully weight bearing without any assistance at all."

Also, have a support system in place prior to surgery, whether it's a significant other, grown child or close friend. Often dubbed coach or advocate, that person might at-

tend medical appointments with a patient prior to surgery, serve as their point of contact the day of surgery and provide morale support throughout the recovery process.

"The more eyes and ears in addition to the patient's, the better," said Engh, explaining why it's so helpful to have someone with the patient at appointments and throughout the recovery. "We approach things that we have to do with set expectations, and sometimes those expectations can keep us from hearing other things. Having another person there is a good reality check and note taker."

The coach should be able to spend a significant amount of time with the patient during the early recovery period. "That person can expect to be with you 16 hours a day for two to five days after surgery," said Engh. "I don't want someone alone by themselves all day during work hours. The coach or advocate is like a safety marshal who keeps the patient safe and reminds them to take their time during their recovery."

Dr. George Aguiar, an orthopedic surgeon at Reston Hospital Center, advises patients to determine how they will get help with grocery shopping, transportation, pet care and house cleaning in advance. "Having these types of things handled before you go into surgery can only help the recovery process."

Patients should plan ahead to safety-proof. "Do everything you can do to avoid a fall within the first two to three months after your surgery," said Engh. "Have clear pathways and be aware of rugs that can catch your feet. Have good, secure handrails on stairways to help prevent falls."

Timing also plays a role in the success of joint replacement surgeries. "Some patients ask if they're too old to have surgery," said Engh. "Don't wait until you're home bound to have this surgery because the recovery will be quite long."

To decide whether joint replacement surgery is the best option, says Madden, work with a physician and weigh the effect the pain is having on one's quality of life.

"There's no right answer for every patient," said Madden. "The real answer is to work with your doctor to find the right treatment."