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'Tis the Season Holiday tree lights up Market Square.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN
GAZETTE PACKET

Santa Claus made his first official visit to Alexandria to kick off the holiday season at the annual holiday tree lighting Nov. 19 in Market Square.

“By golly, there are some wonderful things happening in this city,” said Santa as he made his way through the crowd.

Santa rode into town on the King Street Trolley and was escorted to the stage by students from Alexandria City High School. He was joined by Mayor Justin Wilson and other local of-

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— Santa Claus at the holiday tree lighting

officials as the crowd helped count down the lighting of the 70-foot tree adorned with 38,150 LED lights.

The Town Crier welcomed the crowd as the Silver Five Brass Quintet provided holiday music entertainment.

“Right now it’s a little chilly in the North Pole but the elves and Mrs. Claus are working very hard,” Santa said. “Mrs. Claus and I split our responsibilities. She is in research, development and production and

I am in charge of deliveries and customer relations and am here to wish everyone Happy Holidays.”



Crowds gather in front of City Hall for the annual holiday tree lighting Nov. 19 in Market Square. More than 38,000 LED lights adorn the 70-foot tree.



Santa is joined by Mayor Justin Wilson and city officials at the holiday tree lighting Nov. 19 in Market Square.



The Silver Five Brass Quintet performs holiday music at the Nov. 19 tree lighting in Market Square.

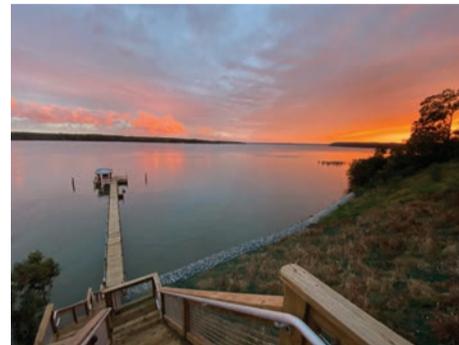


Volunteers from Alexandria City High School prepare to escort Santa to the Holiday Tree Lighting Nov. 19 in Market Square.

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ARHA Honors Melvin Miller

Building renamed for renowned housing advocate.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN
GAZETTE PACKET

A. Melvin Miller, a Civil Rights activist and affordable housing advocate, was honored Nov. 17 as the Alexandria Redevelopment Housing Authority renamed its Wythe Street headquarters building in his honor. The ceremony also unveiled a bust of the late community leader.

"This is truly a wonderful day for my family," said Miller's daughter Ericka Miller. "We are so honored to see my dad remembered in this way."

Miller served as ARHA board chair from 1970-1977 and again from 2001-2012. He died in 2015 at the age of 83. He had a 35-year career at the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, where he served as Deputy Undersecretary during the Carter Administration and Assistant Deputy Secretary from 1997 until his retirement in 2014.

"Is there such a thing as a diminutive giant?" said former DC Deputy Mayor

Merrick Malone, who is a member of the ARHA board of commissioners. "That's who Mel was. He touched so many lives and was a fierce advocate for the underserved. Our city is a much better place because of Melvin Miller."

Following two years of service in the army, Miller moved to Alexandria in 1958 to launch a criminal law practice. He worked pro bono on school desegregation issues and became an advocate for the underserved, notably regarding affordable housing.

"Melvin's work with ARHA was both noteworthy and instrumental in changing the dynamic for families needing support in the housing arena," said John Porter, a member of the committee that spearheaded the renaming of the ARHA building in Miller's honor. "He was always looking out for those in need of support and doing



The ARHA headquarters building was renamed in honor of former board chair and housing advocate A. Melvin Miller during a ceremony Nov. 17 at 401 Wythe Street.

what he could to help make things right for others in our community."

One of Miller's hallmark accomplishments was the negotiation of Resolution 830, an agreement between ARHA and the city that no public housing in Alexandria would be demolished unless there was a provision for one-to-one replacement.

"My father dedicated his entire life to helping improve the lives of others and his passion was making housing accessible, affordable and available," Ericka Miller said. "He knew that was the way to help people move out of poverty and into situations where they could improve their lives."

In addition to new lettering on the building with Miller's name, a bust of Miller by Torpedo Factory artist Tatyana Shramko was unveiled in the building's lobby.

"My dad would be truly humbled by this," said Marc Miller. "ARHA's mission was the mission of my dad - helping people and giving them a hand up. I hope that everyone who works here or comes to this building will remember not only the work that my dad did but will also be inspired to pay it forward."



The family of the late A. Melvin Miller - son Marc Miller, great grandson Jeremiah Miller, grandson Max Miller, and daughter Ericka Miller - stand by the bust of the former ARHA board chair following the Nov. 17 renaming of the ARHA headquarters building in Miller's honor.



Sculptor Tatyana Shramko, an artist at the Torpedo Factory, stands beside her bust of A. Melvin Miller with Miller's daughter Ericka Miller.



The family of A. Melvin Miller gathers for a photo following the Nov. 17 ceremony to rename the ARHA headquarters building on Wythe Street for the family patriarch.

Subaru "Shares the Love" with Senior Services of Alexandria

BY MARGARET SHETLER
MANAGER OF COMMUNITY
OUTREACH

Senior Services of Alexandria is honored to be selected as the "Hometown Charity" for Subaru's "Share the Love" Campaign this year. Committed to improving the lives around us, Subaru's 15th annual giving campaign supports national and hometown charities, including Meals on Wheels America. From Nov. 17 through Jan. 3, 2023, when a new Subaru is purchased or leased, Subaru will donate \$250 to the charity of the buyer's choice, including SSA. After this year, the campaign is on track to have raised



\$250 million for a variety of causes, including the ASPCA, Make-A-Wish, Meals on Wheels America and the National Park Foundation.

Please consider choosing Senior

Services of Alexandria during the "Share the Love" Campaign to support your local Meals on Wheels program and other programs benefiting older adults in Alexandria. Community support allows us to impact the lives of our city's most vulnerable older adults through daily Meals on Wheels deliveries, grocery shopping and free pet food delivery, friendly visits to isolated seniors, and education and outreach for English and Spanish-speakers. This year, SSA's Meals on Wheels Program delivered approximately 50,000 meals to over 160 homebound older adults; 95 clients received bi-weekly grocery

deliveries; 30 seniors were able to receive free pet food; and over 50 isolated seniors were matched with friendly visitors.

"We thank Beyer Subaru of Alexandria for designating SSA as its hometown charity for this year's campaign," said Mary Lee Anderson, Executive Director of Senior Services of Alexandria. "The Share the Love Campaign is an opportunity to bring awareness during the holiday season of the hardships that many older adults face in receiving proper nutrition and combating social isolation."

As a part of the "Share the Love" campaign, Subaru has also teamed

up with SSA for a glove and mitten drive to benefit SSA's Meals on Wheels and other clients. If you are interested in donating new adult-sized gloves or mittens, you can drop off your donation at SSA's Office at 206 N. Washington Street, Suite 301 through December 16.

For more information about "Share the Love," go to www.subaru.com/share-the-love. To learn more about how you can support SSA, including volunteering for the Meals on Wheels Program, go to <https://seniorservicesalex.org/> or contact Marshall Hesse at mealsonwheels@seniorservicesalex.org or 703-836-4414 ext. 112.

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Giving Thanks

Family and favorite meals on the menu.

As Thanksgiving approaches, feelings of gratitude abound along with anticipation of gatherings filled with special memories and meals.

Following two years of scaled back and even virtual celebrations, family and friends are enthusiastically looking forward to the return of large family gatherings and the preparation of traditional family recipes.

“My memories of Thanksgiving are of my mother’s yeast rolls and her pineapple upside down cake,” said Terance Sears, husband to Virginia Lieutenant Governor Winsome Sears. “She passed in 2018 but my sister still makes the rolls. But since

Winsome became Lieutenant Governor, our lives have definitely changed. Our schedule is on a day-to-day basis so I am not sure when we will be able to gather with family and I will have the chance to taste those rolls again.”

The opportunity to bring together generations of family members is at the top of the list for 91-year-old Charles Nelson,

“Anytime you can have your family with you for the holidays, that’s a blessing within itself,” said the Air Force veteran.

Gilberto Barrientos has another reason to be thankful.

“I am thankful that my son finished college at George Mason,” Barrientos said. “He is the first in the family to finish college and is working and doing really good. I could not ask for anything more.”

— JEANNE THEISMANN

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— Nonagenarian Charles Nelson

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SOFIA MELENDEZ CONTRAS AND ERIC TWYMAN - I am very thankful for my family and my marriage. I love my husband and am thankful for the time we get to spend together while my husband Eric is thankful for golf.



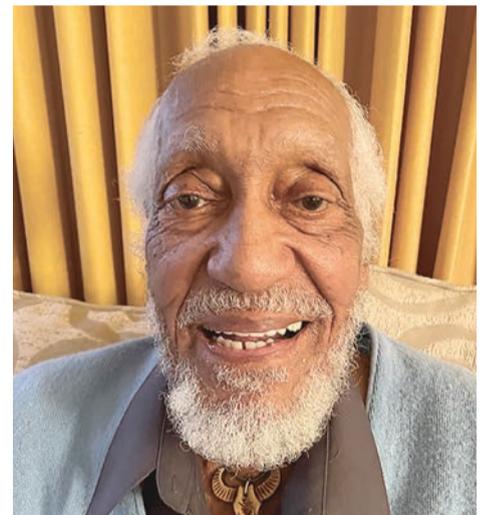
NADIR ELLHIJJI – For Thanksgiving at Del Ray Cafe I will fuse together Moroccan and American traditions. I will invite some American friends to see that turkey can be cooked in different ways and not always what you expect. This year I will make turkey with lemon and olives stuffed with vermicelli and with mushrooms. Plus, I will be cooking some lamb shoulders and some vegetarian options.



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LEO PANELLA - I am thankful for the Marines and everyone who protects our country.



CHARLES NELSON – At 91 years old, I have so many things to be thankful for. I am especially thankful for my family – my children, grandchildren, great grandchildren. So many people do not live to be 90 years of age. Anytime you can have your family with you for the holidays, that’s a blessing within itself.



CLAUDIA JOHNSON – I am thankful for my growing family! My husband Dillon and I can’t wait to welcome our first little boy in January. He is already so loved by family and friends and we are so excited to meet him.



GILBERTO BARRIENTOS – I am thankful that my son finished college at George Mason. He is the first in the family to finish college and is working and doing really good. I could not ask for anything more.



JERRY FILE – I am very thankful for the wonderful family that I have and the opportunity to spend time with them at Thanksgiving.



BOB MARTINI – For Thanksgiving I am going to have some traditional cranberry orange relish. We are going out to dinner so I am not making it but will order it. I have had it since I was young even though my mother probably bought it and didn’t make it either.

AUTHOR



PHOTO BY JANET BARNETT/GAZETTE PACKET

Author Deborah Hall-Greene Thomas gives a presentation on the history and significance of the famed Tuskegee Airmen Nov. 15 at Ferdinand T. Day Elementary School.

‘Soar Like an Eagle’

Tuskegee Airmen author inspires students at Ferdinand Day.

BY JEANNE THEISMANN
GAZETTE PACKET

For decades, the contributions of a group of African American veterans during World War II was primarily absent in American history books. Known as the Tuskegee Airmen, their achievements of excelling in a segregated Army Air Corps in the 1940s had a major impact on civil rights movements in the U.S. and abroad and author Deborah Hall-Greene Thomas is determined to tell their story.

“My mission is to keep the legacy of the Tuskegee Airmen alive,” said Thomas at a special presentation to students at Ferdinand T. Day Elementary School on Nov. 15. “I have been the National Protocol Officer for the Tuskegee Airmen for over 25 years. I travel with these guys and everything I talk about is in their own words.”

Known as Dr. D, Thomas is bringing her mission to a young audience with “They Believed They Could Fly...And They DID! The Tuskegee Airmen,” a recently released book on America’s first group of black military airmen.

“My mission is to keep the legacy of the Tuskegee Airmen alive.”
— Author Deborah Hall-Greene Thomas

“I know firsthand about their struggle,” Thomas said. “I’ve talked with them, I’ve supped with them and I was just inspired by their story. They had the mottos ‘soar like an eagle’ and ‘failure is not an option,’ both that I have adopted myself.”

Rachel Dischner, principal at Ferdinand T. Day, discovered Thomas’ book through a neighbor and immediately set out to arrange the special presentation for her students.

“As soon as I read the book I immediately knew it had a powerful message that was aligned to the message that we are trying to send to our students here at Ferdinand Day about not giving up,” Dischner said. “We’re a STEM school so we also teach the kids the engineering and design process including ‘ask, improve, create and go.’ This ‘improve’ part about not giving up and improving the things we are doing to ultimately get to our goal is in perfect alignment of our school pillars. It is everything that Mr. Day himself stood for.”

Accompanied by her son Derrick, who grew up around the Tuskegee Airmen, Thomas displayed a collection of medals, photographs, model airplanes, a Tuskegee Airman action figure and memorabilia from an HBO documentary and movie about the squadron.

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Support Alexandria Scholarship Fund with Tax Credit

BY KEVIN W. JAHNS
SFA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

If you could pay part of your annual tax bill in the form of a donation to a local charitable organization instead of through a check to the government, would you?

Believe it or not, a little-known Virginia program called The Neighborhood Assistance Act Tax Credit Program for Education allows you to do just that. The program, offered through the Virginia Department of Education, offers tax credits of up to 65% for donations to just over 80 approved neighborhood organizations, including the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria (SFA).

These tax credits are a powerful tool for Virginia taxpayers, both individuals and companies, interested in supporting education at the local level. Approved organizations like the SFA can offer you a 65% tax credit to be applied to your Virginia state income taxes. If you were to give \$1,000 to the Scholarship Fund, you would re-

ceive a \$650 tax credit to pay your Virginia state tax bill. This is a tax credit, not a tax deduction – directly reducing your total tax bill.

There are also ways in which this tool can be even more powerful. When you pay your tax bill, you must pay it in cash. But your donation to an approved neighborhood organization like the SFA can be made with appreciated securities, enabling you to avoid a potentially substantial capital gain on the eventual sale of the securities. Or it can be made as part of your required minimum distribution (RMD) from your Individual retirement account (IRA).

Your donations to the Scholarship Fund of Alexandria are also a powerful tool. As a SFA donor and volunteer I see year after year the difference our supporters have made in the lives of Alexandria City High School students and families in our community. Not only with scholarships; many students would never make it through the complicated college application process or know how to apply

to career and technical programs without the substantial advisory help provided by Scholarship Fund of Alexandria staff. Students would struggle to find their way to the right program with a financial aid package that works for their family and they'd still have a tuition gap to close – which is where an SFA scholarship often makes the difference in making college possible.

Some compelling numbers that help illustrate the need, the effort and the support provided by SFA:

- ❖ More than 60% of Alexandria City High School students are living at or below the federal poverty level

- ❖ More than 60% of SFA scholarship recipients are the first in their family to apply to college

- ❖ \$1.4 million in scholarship funds were provided through SFA in 2022

- ❖ Community members and businesses, including SFA recipients, have helped over 5,200 students attend college

- ❖ Over the past 36 years, SFA has granted \$17,000,000 in schol-

arships to Alexandria students.

Since its inception, Scholarship Fund of Alexandria has been a great example of broad community support at work. The vast majority of SFA funding comes via relatively modest donations from parents, teachers, administrators, businesses, neighbors and friends who understand the importance of supporting education at the community level. While the amount of each donation certainly matters, the sheer number of supporters is what has made the difference to so many students over time.

I hope you'll consider joining me and so many Alexandria community members in supporting the SFA and taking advantage of the Neighborhood Assistance Act Tax Credit Program.

For information, I encourage you to contact the Scholarship Fund today at scholarshipfund@acps.k12.va.us or (703) 824-6730 and they will be happy to provide you with the necessary information to make the tax credit process quick and easy.

Casinos Coming to Bristol, Portsmouth, Danville, Norfolk

Casino update in two parts

BY DEL. PAUL KRIZEK

Part one of two.

Like many Virginians who remember the big announcement a couple of years ago that Virginia would soon have its very own casinos where you could stay at a five star hotel, enjoy a musical performance or laugh with comedians, eat and drink all night at exciting new restaurants, and also visit the local sites in different and interesting parts of the state, you may be wondering just what is happening with those casinos that were coming to Virginia? Well, funny you should ask, because just last week the Virginia Lottery Board, which oversees the regulatory framework governing the establishment and operation of the lottery and privately-operated sports betting and casino gaming programs, unanimously approved the casino facility operator's license for the Rivers Casino in Portsmouth. It is now the second casino operator's license issued in Virginia. The first was awarded in April to Bristol's Hard Rock Hotel and Casino, which opened a temporary casino facility in July. There

are two more proposed casinos working through this arduous process: Caesars, with an ownership interest from the Eastern Band of Cherokees, in Danville, and the Pamunkey Indians' Headwaters Casino in Norfolk.



Krizek

There is so much to write about that I am publishing this casino update in two parts, this week and next.

In 2020, the General Assembly passed legislation to legalize gaming in Virginia. As a member of the House General Laws Committee and Chair of the ABC & Gaming Subcommittee, I had the opportunity to play a role in working with my colleagues, and especially the patron of the bill, Chairman of Appropriations, Delegate Barry Knight, to adopt this landmark legislation. The bill authorized casinos in five Virginia cities – Bristol, Portsmouth, Danville, Norfolk, and Richmond – pending approval by residents in a local voter referendum in each locality. Richmond's referendum failed, but the voters overwhelmingly supported the casinos in the other four cities. Also, the legislation allows each project to open a 'temporary casino' while the permanent location is being constructed.

I am pleased to share that Vir-

ginia's first casino – a temporary facility in Bristol - opened in July, following a festive Grand Opening ceremony which I had the pleasure to attend, along with other state leaders. 'Bristol Casino – Future Home of Hard Rock'

(<https://www.hardrockhotelcasinobristol.com/>) is the first casino to be licensed and opened in Virginia, which is a historic milestone for the Commonwealth. The Bristol casino was the first to open because it had secured an existing

location for the project, the former Bristol Mall. This temporary facility is operating until the permanent location opens in late 2024, which also will be located on that same site.

Each of these casino projects will bring significant tax revenue to the state, along with critical economic development opportunities – in terms of jobs and revenue – to their host city, and the surrounding region. I am particularly proud of the positive impact the Bristol project will have on all of the communities in Southwest Virginia. The General

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Christmas Tree and Wreath Sale at St. Aidan's Church

One of the highlights of the holiday season in the Mount Vernon area is the annual Christmas Tree and Wreath Sale at St. Aidan's Church at 8531 Riverside Road in Alexandria. This festive annual sell-out event offering beautiful freshly cut Spruce and Balsam trees and hand-decorated wreaths at fantastic prices draws buyers from the entire Alexandria area.

The event begins the day after Thanksgiving from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and continues through the weekend and again the next weekend or until the trees are all gone.



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Local Weston A. Price Class Focuses on Homeopathy

BY SHIRLEY RUHE
GAZETTE PACKET

Aaron Stiner's current passion for homeopathy goes back to his adoption of a 4-1/2 year old son many years ago. "He came to us suffering from a background of trauma and abuse as well as depression. We struggled with him, and before you knew it he was on three medications which took the edge off and made him manageable but weren't curative."

Stiner said something inside of him said there must be another way. Then he stumbled onto a pediatrician who used homeopathy. "In a year and a half our son was off the medications, doing better in school, more relaxed and no longer oppositional."

Stiner's view on how it works: It's not the homeopathy doing the remedy but your own life source stimulating your own response.

Stiner explains that homeopathy is 200 years old with the same remedies used to treat the same symptoms with consistent, repeatable results. "It has a clear track record for success."

Now Stiner is a homeopathist with a degree from the UK and a practice in Alexandria "and I'm happy to be here with like-minded people finding ways to live healthy and fill our bodies with healthy substances." Stiner sits on a stool in a room packed with 25 people. He is making a presentation on Saturday, Nov. 12 on "Homeopathy for First Aid" to a meeting of the Weston A. Price Foundation Alexandria chapter at the home of its co-chapter leader Janice Curtin.

Stiner says he meets with people to make a full review of mental, emotional and physical symptoms. They may have persistent migraines, anxiety, chronic pain, digestive upset.

"A typical intake can be two hours taking the full history and



Alana Sugar, co-leader of the Alexandria chapter of Weston A. Price, listens to Aaron Stiner's presentation on Homeopathy for First Aid on Nov. 12.

really trying to understand. You may have a cold with discharge or not. You may have a dry cough, a wet cough, a spasmodic cough. Each takes a different remedy."

Stiner helps develop an individualized remedy for each patient. "The remedies are incredibly inexpensive. This little vial will last 3-6 months and costs ten dollars." He said the intent is to use the smallest dose possible to give a subtle nudge to your life source.

Homeopathy is a medical system based on the belief that the body can cure itself, reports WebMD on its website. "Those who practice it use tiny amounts of natural substances, like plants and minerals. They believe these stimulate the healing process."

The idea is that a substance that can cause a reaction in a healthy person but can be used in a diluted format to treat symptoms and illnesses. Through a process of dilution and shaking, called succussion, a substance is created that has almost none of the original substance left. He explains you take the original source substance and dilute it with 100 drops of water and then you may dilute it



Weston A. Price Alexandria chapter members spend Saturday morning enjoying a delicious, healthy brunch combined with a class on using homeopathy.

again.

Stiner says that homeopathy can be safely and easily used at home for everyone. "For almost any acute condition, you can treat yourself at home. These remedies are all natural from plants or minerals or animal products. They are not synthetic with no drug build up." He adds that they are regulated by the FDA. He says it never has any contraindications with other medications.

Stiner hands out a sheet of first aid homeopathic remedies. "I always keep Arnica around. It is number one for injuries, shock and trauma." Stiner suggests pellets under the tongue every 15-30 minutes for the first four doses and then every 1-2 hours if symptoms persist. He says it can be used before and after dental work, surgery, childbirth "and also helps lift the dark mood that can characterize those times."

"Arnica is good when kids get hit by the ball in my son's baseball game. The sooner you take the remedy, the better it works. In 45 minutes the bump on my son's arm disappeared."

WebMD says: "Arnica is an herb sometimes used to flavor foods. It can be poisonous when consumed in larger amounts. Arnica gel can

be applied to the skin for osteoarthritis.

"The active chemicals in arnica may reduce swelling, decrease pain, and act as antibiotics. But arnica can be unsafe when taken by mouth unless it's used in homeopathic dilutions. Homeopathic products contain extreme dilutions of the active chemicals.

"People most commonly use arnica for pain caused by osteoarthritis. It is also used for bleeding, bruising, swelling after surgery, and other conditions, but there is no good scientific evidence to support these uses."

Apis can relieve pain, swelling and itching from bug bites and alleviates irritability and fear accompanying bites and stings, according to Stiner. Stiner suggested Arsenicum is useful for symptoms of food poisoning, including diarrhea and vomiting. A discussion ensued about the benefit of the homeopathic remedy cocculus instead for nausea and car sickness. Stiner suggested that cocculus works for this as well and might best be used for hangovers.

Stiner is asked to explain one of his biggest success stories and recalls one of his son's ten-year-old classmates. "He was on medication. He had a neck tic, ADHD

symptoms, a lot of anxiety. He was afraid airplanes would fall out of the sky. He was restless at school and completely overwhelmed. He would hear voices at night." Stiner explains, "Over nine months of homeopathic treatment he is completely freed of symptoms."

Questions from the group of over 25 Weston Price members included queries about when to see a homeopath and when to self treat; the panacea or placebo effect; the difference between compound medication and homeopathy; whether a trauma early in childhood can affect a person's health today; the issues with the sugar content of homeopathic nuggets; the major centers of homeopathic learning in the era of today's globalization.

The group is of mixed backgrounds including a therapist, nutritionist, chiropractor, leader of the Fairfax Weston Price chapter and daughter of a farmer, but they come with similar interests in a healthy lifestyle.

Sugar says, "Many people come because they are not well and they are not getting better following standard nutrition and medical advice. They are looking for a different way and a different understanding of food and the connection between food and healing. Still others want to be part of our community because they have a broad interest in traditional foods, farming and healing arts."

The Weston A. Price Foundation is a tax exempt group founded in 1999 dedicated to restoring nutrient dense foods to the diet through education, research and activism. Curtin says her chapter of Weston Price meets periodically to discuss issues of interest to the members. The last meeting was about being prepared for hard times, especially with nutrient rich foods. "I just hope this presentation today will allow some people to think differently."

Be Part of 2022 Children's and Teens' Gazette

One week of December for many years, this newspaper has devoted its pages to the creativity of local students, teens and children. The results are always remarkable. It is a keepsake edition for many families. Even readers without children of that age spend time admiring and chuckling over the issue. The annual Children's Gazette, the Children's Connection and Children's Almanac, comprise a long-time tradition.

You can see last year's editions by visiting <http://connectionarchives.com/PDF/2021/121521/Alexandria.pdf>

We welcome contributions from public and private schools, art classes, individuals and homeschoolers. We publish artwork, poetry, essays, creative writing, opinion pieces, short stories, photography, photos of sculpture, gardens and any other creative efforts.

We ask that all submissions be digital so they can be sent through email. Writing should be submitted in text format: docx or google docs, or pasted in the body of an email. Artwork should be photographed or scanned and provided in jpeg format. These can be submitted via google drive as well. Please share all google drive files with kimm.mary@gmail.com

Some suggestions, but different ideas are welcome: Drawings or paintings or photographs of your family, friends, pets or some favorite

activity. These should be photographed or scanned and submitted in jpeg format. Photos of sculpture or larger art projects are also welcome.

Short answers: What is one thing that you would change about school? What do you want to be when you grow up? What is your favorite animal? What is your favorite possession? What makes a good friend? What is the best gift you've ever received?

Your opinion (100 words) about movies, food, music, sports, restaurants, video games, toys, trends, politics, etc.

Poetry, short story or other creative writing.

News stories or photos from school newspapers.

We must be able to print the full first and last name of the student artist/writer with the submission, along with student's age, grade and school or town name.

Identify each piece of writing or art, including the student's full name, age, grade and town of residence, plus the name of the school, name of teacher and town of school location. Home schoolers' contributions are welcomed.

Please send all submissions by Monday, Dec. 5, 2022. The Children's Gazette will publish the middle of December, the edition with publication date Dec. 14, 2022.

Email submissions for the Children's Gazette to kimm.mary@gmail.com

Local Jazz Artist Wows Crowds Worldwide and at Laporta's on Duke Street

Sharon Clark's "Straight Ahead" jazz style is just the ticket.

BY MIKE SALMON
THE GAZETTE

A fire burned Fort Hunt High School in late 1978, so local jazz singer Sharon Clark had to finish out her degree at Mount Vernon High School. This move didn't douse the fire inside, igniting her singing career and leading her to performances around the world.

Clark travels for about six months out of the year, performing in places as far away as Italy, but she always comes back to her hometown in Alexandria where she stuns audiences at Laporta's Restaurant on Duke Street. "She's well known in the community," said restaurant owner Phil Laporta, "I get at least three calls a week asking if she's playing that week," he said.

At Laporta's, Clark sings in a "Straight Ahead," jazz style, which works at this local restaurant. "Straight Ahead," is a type of jazz music that was developed in the 1960s and

relies on acoustic instruments, piano, walking bass patterns, and swing or bop drums. It does not include rock music or free jazz sounds. Clark's vocals compliment this style.

"She's kind of an Ella Fitzgerald style singer," said Laporta.

"I started singing in church. Woodlawn United Methodist on Fordson Road in Gum Springs right off of Rt. 1 in Hybla Valley," she said.

During high school she was a part of the award-winning Fort Hunt Madrigals under the leadership of Jack Murray, as well as a singing group she formed called Eve.

"We sang three-part harmony in the style of the Andrews Sisters," Clark said. "Later in high school, I joined the Bottle Caps, a promotional music band for Coca-Cola."

After attending Berklee College of Music in Boston, Clark started to work every job available, slowly building a local reputation. She began singing at Laporta's Restaurant on Duke Street in Alexandria in 1998 and has been there ever since on Saturday nights.

She's received accolades on many different levels. She's performed as a featured soloist with the Duke Ellington Orchestra, Smithsonian Jazz Masterworks Orchestra,



Sharon Clark.

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the Richmond Symphony, and the Baltimore Symphony. Clark won the top prize at the Savannah Music Festival's American Traditions Competition and was awarded first place in the Billie Holiday Vocal Competi-

tion, along with a featured appearance with the Baltimore Symphony, as reported on "Instant Seats" ticket service. On the international scene, she was even reviewed in the Moscow Times.

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ENTERTAINMENT

NOW THRU NOV. 27

Alexandria Film Festival. The 16th annual Alexandria Film Festival will take place November 10-27, 2022. This year, the festival will be a hybrid format, with in person and online screenings. Accessing the films online is simple. Viewers can watch the films anytime within the two-week period beginning November 13, through midnight on Black Friday. Showcase tickets are \$12 while an all-festival pass is \$75. Showcases—blocks of films organized around a theme—include numerous Q&A sessions with film directors, producers, actors, and composers. Purchase in person, online tickets and All Fest Passes at [AlexFilmFest.com](https://alexfilmfest.com). Festival patrons can again look forward to the popular Burke & Herbert Bank Family Showcase, which features films by and about young people. The “Salute to Service Members” Showcase will be offered free of charge to active and retired service members to celebrate the Veteran’s Day Weekend falling on the same dates as the festival. All-festival passes and showcase tickets are on sale at <https://alexfilmfest.eventive.org/> welcome.



The Holiday Boat Parade of Lights will take place Saturday, Dec. 3, 2022 in Alexandria.

NOW THRU DECEMBER

Nightly Spirits. Thursdays through Sundays from 7:30 to 10 p.m.; 8:30 to 11 p.m. Admission: 21 and over at \$25 plus tax. Tours meet at The Alexandrian, 480 King Street, Alexandria. Sip a local beverage and listen to the secret and spooky lore of Alexandria’s haunted past. Hear tales of the ghosts that wander the streets of Alexandria and haunt local establishments. These tours are for individuals ages 21 and over. Haunted private tours are also available for all ages.

NOV. 4-27

\$100 & Under Exhibit. At Del Ray Artisans Gallery, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave., Alexandria. Del Ray Artisans “\$100 & Under” exhibit showcases members’ artwork all priced at \$100 or less. The art will be sold on an art-to-go basis. The gallery walls are packed with great art at prices all art-lovers can afford. Opening Reception: Friday, November 4, 7-9 p.m. Open Thursdays 12-6 p.m., Fridays 12-9 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays 12-6 p.m. Visit DelRayArtisans.org/exhibits

NOV. 11 - DEC. 29

An Eye for Nature Exhibition. At Mount Vernon Unitarian Church, 1909 Windmill Lane, Alexandria. Nina Tisara and Steven Halperson have teamed up for an exhibition of Tisara’s mosaic art and Halperson’s fine art photography. The exhibit may be seen from 10 a.m. to noon, Mondays and Tuesdays and 7 to 9 p.m. on Thursdays except for Thanksgiving. To schedule other hours contact ninat@ninatisara.com.

NOV. 17-JAN. 8, 2023

The Botanical Gourmet. Botanical Arts Society of the National Capital Region. At The Athenaeum, Alexandria. Reception, Sunday, November 20, 4 — 6 p.m. For eons, animals ranging from massive leaf-eating dinosaurs to minuscule nectar sipping insects have been attuned to the healthful benefits of a plant-based diet. For their part, plants have enlisted the help of animals by attracting them with visual and other cues for purposes of reproduction. These interactions, while necessary, are purely transactional. They lack the aesthetic spirit. That’s where botanical artists step in. Botanical art is neither scientific illustration nor decorative floral composition, but an engaging combination of the two. Like blue jays or cabbage moths, botanical artists are drawn to shiny red berries and bright yellow flowers, but unlike other creatures, they have the means to depict their attraction. The works in this exhibit focus specifically on plants that have health-giving nutritional properties for people.

Holiday Boat Parade of Lights

Old Town’s waterfront will shine for the 22nd Annual Alexandria Holiday Boat Parade of Lights sponsored by Amazon on Saturday, December 3, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. when more than 50 brightly lit boats cruise along one mile of the Potomac River shoreline. Boat parade dockside festivities will entertain parade-goers from 2 to 8 p.m. The boat parade is part of a weekend of festivities including the 51st annual Alexandria Scottish Christmas Walk Parade. Head to Waterfront Park at the foot of King Street, near the official parade start line at the Alexandria City Marina, for festivities from 2 to 8 p.m. including a pop-up beer garden from Alexandria’s award-winning Port City Brewing Company, hot chocolate from Dolci Gelati, gourmet popcorn from America’s Favorite Gourmet Popcorn and holiday music from 97.1 WASH-FM.

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SUNDAY/NOV. 27

Sunday Funday. 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. At Ainslie Arts Center, 3900 West Braddock Road, Alexandria. This event will feature a cast of local musical theater talent and singing drag queens, a three-piece band, as well as bottomless signature drinks. Presented by the Monumental Theatre Company. Tickets will be available online at <https://www.monumentaltheatre.org/>.

DEC. 2-3

Alexandria Scottish Christmas Walk Weekend. Taste of Scotland: Friday, December 2, 2022; Parade: Saturday, December 3, 2022. Campagna Center is pleased to announce a new presenting partnership for the 51st Annual Alexandria Scottish Christmas Walk Parade on Saturday, December 3. The parade will be produced by Visit Alexandria in partnership with Campagna Center and the City of Alexandria, as part of Alexandria’s Biggest Holiday Weekend. Learn more about the 2022 parade at ALXscottishwalk.com, or send questions directly to alxscottishwalk@visitalexva.com.

DEC. 2-18

Del Ray Artisans Holiday Market. At 2704 Mount Vernon Ave., Alexandria. Offers unique hand-made fine arts and crafts from local artists. Choose from wall art, pottery, photography, jewelry, glass, and much more! Plus 2023 wall calendars to support Del Ray Artisans nonprofit. Free admission. Market is the first three weekends in December (Dec 2-4, Dec 9-11, Dec 16-18). Different artists each weekend! Open Fridays 6-9 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Details: delrayartisans.org/holiday-market

December. Visit www.artsherndon.org. Call 703-956-6590.

DEC. 2-17

The PARC at Tysons Holiday Market. Fridays and Saturdays. Celebrate the holiday season with local makers, crafters, and artisans from the Fairfax County area! Visit the holiday market at The PARC at Tysons on the first three Fridays and Saturdays of December for a pop-up shop of local artisans and

SEE HOLIDAY CALENDAR, PAGE 14

The McLean Holiday Art & Crafts Festival will take place Dec. 2-3, 2022 at the McLean Community Center.

Holiday Events at Lorton Workhouse Art Center

Small Business Saturdays - 20% Off Saturdays, Nov. 26, Dec. 3, Dec 10

Visitors can celebrate Small Business Saturday by supporting artists at the Workhouse Arts Center with a 20% discount on all items in gift shops, galleries, and artist studios! For three consecutive Saturdays—Nov. 26, Dec. 3, and Dec. 10—visitors can get a head start on their holiday shopping while supporting artists and their small businesses.

Thanksgiving Weekend Comedy Showcase

Saturday, Nov. 26, 7 - 8:30 pm

Comedy showcase featuring comedians Patrice DeVeaux, Charlie Ross, Prince Arora, and Eddie Morrison. Tickets are \$20. The show will be held in the McGuireWoods Gallery in building W16.

Holiday Card Making: Family Workshop

Saturday, Dec. 3, 10 am - 12 pm

In this one-day workshop families will design and decorate holiday cards together. From drawing a family of penguins singing holiday songs to a giraffe wishing a happy birthday, this workshop will add joy and cheer to the festive season. Tuition is \$55; materials provided. Location, Room 30, building W3.

Ceramic Gingerbread Houses

Saturday, Dec. 3, 1 – 5 pm

In this one-day workshop participants will create a “gingerbread” house made out of clay. Students will construct the house and decorate it using cut-outs, sprigging, and applied colors. Students are encouraged to bring ideas, photos, and favorite tools if they have them. Post-workshops finishes will also be discussed. Materials provided. Tuition is \$110; materials included. Location, Ceramics building W8.

New Year’s Eve In Lorton with Anthony DeVito

Saturday, Dec. 31 – Showtimes 7 pm and 9:30 pm

New Year’s Eve comedy celebration. Participants will ring in the new year with one of the hottest comics in the country, Anthony DeVito. The show is hosted by Apple Brown Betty, and features comedian Dwayne White. Tickets are \$55 for the 7 pm show. Tickets for the 9:30 show, which includes music until midnight and a champagne toast, are \$65. Both shows will be held in the McGuireWoods Gallery in building W16.

HOLIDAY FUN CALENDAR

FRIDAY/NOV. 25

Reston Holiday Parade. 11 a.m. At Reston Town Center, Reston. Reston Town Center launches the season with the annual Reston Holiday Parade. The one-of-a-kind, one-hour, half-mile parade along Market Street also welcomes the arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus in a horse-drawn carriage. Since 1992, rain or shine, the parade has been an annual tradition on the day after Thanksgiving. The Clauses will return for the annual Tree Lighting at 6 p.m.

frozen forest, a lonely boy builds a girl from snow. When she mysteriously comes to life, mischief, laughter, and enchantment abound. But what will happen when the ice begins to melt? Told through dazzling movement, dance, and acrobatics, Snow Maiden is a magical tale of hope, friendship and the transformative power of dreams. Based on the beloved folktale Snegurochka, Snow Maiden is a holiday treat for friends and fans of all ages.

DEC. 1-31

Home for the Holidays Art Show. At Arts Herndon, 750 Center Street, Herndon. Works by local artists on display the entire month of

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE**

Notice of Realty Action: Proposed exchange of Federally owned land and interests in land located in the City of Alexandria (CoA), Virginia, for non-Federal land located in Prince William County, Virginia.

I. The following described Federally owned land and interests in land, which are administered by the National Park Service, have been determined to be suitable for disposal by exchange. The authority for this exchange is 54 U.S.C. § 102901(b), which authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to acquire property within a unit of the National Park System in exchange for Federally owned property under the Secretary's jurisdiction that the Secretary determines is suitable for disposal and that is in the same State as the non-Federal property to be acquired.

The selected Federal land and interests in land are currently managed by the George Washington Memorial Parkway (GWMP). The property to be conveyed is required for the construction of the Potomac Yard Metro Station and is no longer required for inclusion in the GWMP. The land has been surveyed for cultural resources, endangered species, and threatened species. A Statement of Findings document was also prepared to comply with NPS wetlands protection and floodplain management procedures and Executive Orders 11988, 11990, and 13690.

The Federal interests to be conveyed to the CoA are fee title to GWMP Tract 108-014A, consisting of 0.33 acres, more or less, and a scenic easement in GWMP Tract 108-028A, consisting of 2.19 acres, more or less. Tract 108-014A is a portion of those same lands which were transferred from the Administrator of Civil Aeronautics, Department of Commerce to the Department of the Interior, National Park Service by Executive Order 9851 dated May 13, 1947. Tract 108-028A is a portion of the scenic easement conveyed to the United States from Commonwealth Atlantic Properties, Inc. et al. by that certain deed dated March 24, 2000, and recorded on March 30, 2000, among the land records of the City of Alexandria, VA, in Deed Book 5341 on Page 24. The United States of America will convey title by quitclaim deed.

II. In exchange for the lands identified in Paragraph I, the United States of America will acquire title to two tracts located in Prince William Forest Park (PRWI). The non-Federal tracts to be conveyed are PRWI Tracts 02-102 and 02-103, which contain 7.96 and 7.13 acres, more or less, respectively. These parcels are not located within a floodplain. The United States will acquire fee simple title to these lands, subject only to encumbrances of record.

The value of the properties to be exchanged has been determined by fair market value appraisals. The value of the land or interests in land to be conveyed by the CoA to the United States is less than the value of the land or interests in land to be conveyed by the United States to the CoA. To equalize value, the CoA will include a cash equalization payment with its land to be exchanged. The CoA will convey title by quitclaim deed.

Detailed information about this exchange, including precise legal descriptions, survey plats, the Record of Decision, and other documentation concerning the NPS's compliance with applicable Federal laws, is available online at: <https://parkplanning.nps.gov/PotomacYardLandExchange>.

Comments may be submitted at: <https://parkplanning.nps.gov/PotomacYardLandExchange> or by email to gwmp_superintendent@nps.gov or by mail to Realty Officer, Land Resources Program Center, National Capital Region, National Park Service, 1100 Ohio Drive SW, Washington D.C. 20242. Comments must be postmarked or submitted online within 45 calendar days of the date of publication of this notice to receive consideration. The NPS will evaluate all timely comments and may modify or vacate the realty action in response to them. In the absence of any action to modify or vacate, this realty action will become the final determination of the Department of Interior.

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Vibrant and nuanced artwork

**Torpedo Factory Artists Take
Their Works On the Road**

**Show at Mark Center is
one of many planned for
other parts of Alexandria.**

BY MIKE SALMON
THE GAZETTE

In an effort to spread the Torpedo Factory art around town and enhance the city's "Vibrancy Initiative," program, a group of artists and officials recently did a mini "On the Road," art show at the Hilton Mark Center to further the arts effort in the west end of Alexandria.

"This brings the people together," said Vice Mayor Jackson. "It helps with our action plan for equity."

Hilton general manager Greg Langweg agreed, noting that the energy the art brings to the space in the lobby is a big factor. "Art is a conversation piece, food is a conversation piece, and we think the two together is a good combination," he said.

Alanna Rivera had her upbeat painting called the "Ice Cream Parlor," on display in one of the cases. "It's one of the ice cream spots at Harpers Ferry, I was trying to remember a calmer place," she said. Rivera is from Arlington and is new at the Torpedo Factory.

So is Rashad Ali Muhammad, and his painting was a system of collaging that came off the canvas. His mother Kathi was there as well and remembers the artist emerging as a child. "At one point, he drew all over the walls, that's when we knew he was into art," she said.

Rivera and Muhammad were among the 15 artists at the event, with a few displays of their works, which were for sale as well. Whether a hotel guest sees a painting they like or someone who lives in the west end was there for a meeting, these are people who might not regularly go to the Torpedo Factory, so the shows are a way to reach a broader audience. It's a new opportunity for the artists as well. "We're meeting people where they are," said Jackson.

According to Brett Johnson, the director at the Torpedo Factory, more 'On the Road' exhibitions will be planned in 2023.



Alanna Rivera's "Ice Cream Parlor," was partially intended as an escape from the local politics and tension.



Alexandria City Council Member Sarah Bagley and Vice Mayor Amy Jackson

The City of Alexandria recently launched the "Vibrancy Initiative," program to shape the appeal at the Torpedo Factory. The goal of the Vibrancy Initiative program is to improve the efficiency of operations and sustainability of Torpedo Factory Art Center while also broadening and deepening its connections to the community and re-configuring the first-floor spaces to create a more dynamic public experience of the Art Center, city information said.

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Ellen M. Horton (Young), 88, of Alexandria, VA died peacefully November 15, 2022. She was born in Arlington, VA, the daughter of Archie and Elizabeth (Smith) Young.

Ellen retired from General Services Administration after 25 years of service. She was a member of Del Ray United Methodist Church and past president of United Methodist Women. Her Christian faith sustained her. She enjoyed sewing and gardening. She will forever be remembered for her kind smile and distinctive laugh.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her brother, Tim and her son Benny. Surviving are her sons Douglas of Alexandria; Bill (Lynn) of Catharpin; daughters Sharon of Belleview, FL and Peggy (Patrick) of Stafford; grandchildren Valerie, Maureen, Laura and Cary; and seven great grandchildren; sisters Ann and Janice (Denny); brothers Bob (Barbara) and Keith (Janice); many nieces and nephews and cherished friends.

A service of remembrance will be held at 12:00 noon on Saturday, December 17, 2022, at Del Ray UMC, 100 East Windsor Ave., Alexandria, VA.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Del Ray UMC Angel Tree or Rising Hope UMC, 8220 Russell Road, Alexandria, VA 22309

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Weight For It, Wait ...



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

For the first time in almost my entire six-decades plus of eating, I heard something from a doctor (my oncologist) that I had never heard before: "Kenny, you need to gain some weight."

The first reaction I had was to recall (in my mind) Robert Di Niro's famous "You talking to me?" bit from the movie "Taxi Driver." But since I was the only cancer patient sitting in the examining room and the oncologist was speaking directly to me from approximately three feet away, it was me. I just couldn't believe, process even, these never-before-heard words.

These words were directed at me for good reason. I'm not even fitting into my older brother's hand-me-down jeans anymore, almost all of which were too tight. Now, these jeans are all too big. In addition, my belt hangs around my waist as it no longer has enough holes to make for a tight fit anymore. And when I had to wear a suit last week to attend a funeral, it was very nearly tent city. To say I was swimming conjures water. Let me assure you, there was no water where I was swimming. I was on dry land and standing helplessly in front of a mirror reflecting on my appearance. Ultimately, I did find something to wear. However, the problem was; I was the one wearing it, not the Kenny from last year.

This juxtaposition from my normal overweight to this very uncharacteristic underweight was not exactly my intention. It's more a combination of teeth issues and the dry-mouth side effect of my thyroid cancer medication. Though I'm not exactly a shell of my former self, I am nonetheless, svelte, you might say? And why might I be svelte? Because I've never heard the word used to describe me before so I'm not sure it applies. But to quote Popeye, that famous sailor: "I y'am what I y'am." I just hope that my future weight gain doesn't involve eating spinach out of a can. Early suggestions from the peanut gallery suggest otherwise: to include drinking multiple cans of boost per day, eating Ben & Jerry's ice cream at will, without caring which one is will, and eating more than a bagel and cream cheese for breakfast/lunch every day.

This need to eat – for my health, is the complete and total reversal of my lifelong relationship with food. Generally speaking, I am not a "healthy" eater. I'm more a carbohydrate kind of person who prefers cake, cookies, and ice cream. Vegetables, fresh fruit, fish and the like were never much on my dietary radar. If they ever were, I'd try and jam the signal so I wouldn't be embarrassed by my refusal to even try anything different. Eating has always been the bane of my existence. I'm a meat and potatoes chocoholic who doesn't eat well in front of others. A dinner invitation to eat a meal at somebody's home is fraught with anxiety for me. Invariably, there will be food I won't eat. As such, I'll try to sit next to my wife at the far end of the table away from the hosts so I can sneak food I don't eat onto her plate. Since she's a good eater, possibly what I discard onto her plate won't be left in limbo.

This self-assessment comes from a former adolescent who spent countless hours in the Husky Department in Filenes, Jordan Marsh, Kennedy's, and Raleigh's in downtown Boston trying to find "school clothes." As a result, I've stood over so many piles of clothes in dressing rooms which didn't fit and/or had to try on and then walk a kind of shame onto the floor where my mother was anxiously waiting to see if what I had tried on, even fit and if it did, would it meet with her approval. Twice a year, I endured this shopping hell; fall and winter, spring and summer. I remain partially traumatized to this day. Not to mention all the "fat"-type nicknames my brother had for me: "Fatso," "Blimp," "Endicott Chubb," and "Corpulent," to name a few. But since he was my biggest booster, it never really bothered me. Still, I was never ever told I needed to eat. Far from it. I ate plenty, just the wrong stuff. Yet, in 2022, that's what I'm being told. Eat anything I want; whatever it takes to gain weight.

You might as well try to turn an ocean liner around after it's headed out to sea. It hardly turns on a dime, and as far as my eating habits/tendencies, et cetera, neither do I.

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OPINION

Casinos Coming to Bristol, Portsmouth, Danville, Norfolk

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Assembly included in the legislation a provision that revenue proceeds from the Bristol casino would be shared with the 12 counties and two cities in what has historically been an economically depressed region. Quarterly payments to those local governments are being used to fund a host of critical education, transportation, and public safety projects benefiting local residents. In just the first month of operation, the Bristol casino generated over \$2 million to be shared among these localities.

'Bristol Casino – Future Home of Hard Rock' has already become a major tourism destination, befitting any property that is connected with the legendary Hard Rock brand owned by the Seminole Indians. Within weeks of opening, the casino has attracted visitors from every US state, including Hawaii and Alaska, including yours truly who came to witness the grand opening. While the current site is temporary, I can tell you that it very much is a full-service casino, with 30,000 square feet of gaming space, featuring 870 slots, 21 tables and a sportsbook, all open to the public 7 days a week, 24 hours a day, with ample parking.

The space includes a main casino floor as well as non-smoking and high-limit gaming areas. Guests are able to enjoy Mr. Lucky's restaurant, Brick'd (a brick oven pizza and grab-and-go food outlet), and Bristol Bar, a sports bar and lounge with live entertainment. For fans of apparel featuring Hard Rock's iconic logo, the casino has a retail shop offering the brand's signature Rock Shop merchandise, and this is just the temporary casino.

I would encourage my constituents and all of us throughout Northern Virginia, to schedule a vacation to check out the new casino in Bristol, which is an easy interstate drive to reach and a great weekend getaway trip. Bristol, famous as the 'Birthplace of Country Music,' is a friendly and charming community, nestled in the mountain foothills, surrounded by lots of natural beauty and offering plenty of fun entertainment and outdoor adventure for the entire family.

Just this past week, Portsmouth announced that The Rivers Casino will open a temporary site, on January 15th, 2023. When completed it will be a \$300 million-plus facility creating over 1,000 permanent jobs and will be the largest private sector investment in Portsmouth's history. They are keeping to a promise to include meaningful local minority investment, and have surpassed their goal of \$5 million in equity investment from private investors who are minorities or minority-owned businesses, half of which came from Portsmouth. Already, the newly hired employees are active in the community with charitable works including a recent program lending a hand to Portsmouth's Wesley Community Service Center packaging food, and clothing, and sorting books.

Next week I will write about the progress on the casinos in Norfolk and Danville and importantly, what is being done to increase the Commonwealth's commitment to protecting the public from problem gambling now that more people will have easier access to gaming. Also, Virginia has a Problem Gambling Hotline at 1-888-532-3500.

HOLIDAY FUN CALENDAR

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small businesses offering holiday-inspired goods. The PARC will be transformed into a festive indoors and outdoors winter village, featuring a local holiday market and (free!) snowtastic activities for the whole family to enjoy! Food and beverages can be purchased onsite from local businesses as well.

DEC. 2-18

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DEC. 2-11

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DEC. 2-3

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DEC. 2-3 AND 9-10

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