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## NEWS AND EVENTS

### New AHS Board Member

Caroline English has been nominated to the board of the Alexandria Historical Society in order to fill an open vacancy. A vote will be taken on the evening of our Wednesday, September 28, 2016 lecture.

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### Grant Established to Honor the Late Anne Smith Paul



AHS is honoring the life of Anne Smith Paul (1941 – 2016) by offering a one-time grant to a community history-focused organization located in Alexandria, Virginia. Anne devoted more than twenty years to the society as a board member, past president and treasurer. She was also a longtime Alexandria resident and dedicated her time, energy and leadership to the betterment of the community and the preservation of its history. The AHS invites nonprofit, governmental and educational organizations to submit proposals to receive a one-time grant in tribute to Anne Smith Paul. **The deadline to submit proposals is August 16, 2016.**

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### Fall Events

**Ivy Hill Cemetery.** AHS is working on plans for an event at Ivy Hill Cemetery this fall. Please refer to our website for information (<http://www.alexandriahistorical.org/>).

**September 28: “From Arlandria to Chirilagua: The Remaking of a Northern Virginia Neighborhood, 1960s – 1980s.”** Dr. Krystyn Moon, Associate Professor of History and American Studies at the University of Mary Washington, will explore a neighborhood that reflects how American immigration and Cold War policies changed the demographics of Northern Virginia. In 1938, Arlandria was home to thousands of white middle-class government workers, but by the 1960s, floods, violence, white flight and stagnation characterized the neighborhood. In 1975, refugees began to make Arlandria their home and the neighborhood soon acquired the nickname “Chirilagua” after a community in El Salvador.

**October 26: “What a Photograph Tells Us: Black Soldiers Fight for Equality on the Battlefield and in the Hospital.”** Charles Joyce, guest researcher and writer for the Spencer Research Library at the University of Kansas, traces the history of Francis Snow’s historical photograph of the United States Colored Troops (USCT) at L’Ouverture Hospital in Alexandria. Not only are images of USCT soldiers uncommon, but remarkably, each man in the photograph has been identified, providing an unusual opportunity to determine what happened to the men following the Civil War.

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The purpose of the Society shall be to promote an active interest in American history and particularly in the history of Alexandria and of Virginia.

The Society is organized exclusively for educational purposes.

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