



JPMS sixth grader Gwendolyn Boe wrote a story that won a contest, and you can read it in School News on page xx.



This is Suzanne Shorts of Chique Antiques, a new business you can read about in Business Briefs on page 3.



Dawn Hancock paints Owen Bingham's face at the Find-a-Cure fundraiser for the JM Foundation. More pictures are in the Family Album on page 2.



Amelia Hobart from Troop 3880 won a Poolesville Day Patch Design contest. See Tidbits on Page 9..

# The Monocacy MONOCLE

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## Solar Array Project Put in Limbo

By Rande Davis

A few hours before the commissioners' meeting on June 3, town attorney Jay Gullo learned of a surprising turn of events in the discussions and negotiations on a proposed electrical energy solar array for the town.

Standard Solar, the firm that would have been tasked to build, operate, and manage the energy grid service, informed Mr. Gullo that the financier of the project, Urban Grid, inexplicably decided not to continue discussion with the town on a possible power purchase agreement.

The commissioners began looking at the potential of solar energy in February 2012 to help defray energy costs for the town. More recently, there had been a sense of urgency to make a final decision and enter into a deal with Urban Grid through Standard Solar before the end of June. This timetable would have allowed the construction of the project to begin this fall with enough time for investors to take full advantage of tax incentives prior to the end of this year. It has not been determined how this announcement by Urban Grid

will impact the project.

Through a series of work sessions, the commissioners had narrowed their concerns and questions on the project and, prior to making a final decision, had requested the town attorney to enter into preliminary negotiations with Standard Solar.

Urban Grid made their decision to pull out with no comment or explanation as to why they no longer had an interest in the project. Standard Solar maintains that a new financial partner can still be found, and they plan to move forward in their efforts to find one.

## When Poolesville Was a Jungle

By Dominique Agnew

On Saturday, June 1, the stage of the Poolesville High School auditorium was transformed into Rudyard Kipling's *Jungle Book* in an entrancing performance by Hope Garden Children's Ballet Theatre (HGCBT). From the moment the curtains opened to reveal the incredible scenery of flowers and landscape, the audience was riveted to the story unfolding before them. The mix of adorable baby bumble bees and elegant grown up swans was expertly choreographed by the incomparable Ms. Fran Ichijo, artistic director of HGCBT.

In addition to her own students showcased in the delightful spectacle, Fran also had a



Olivia Romano as Kaa the snake, Kimora Maier as the panther Bagheera, and Bubby Roland Jones as Mowgli in *The Jungle Book*.

number of guest artists. Shinhai Ventura, 17, from Italy, came to Hope Garden to have the particular instruction of Fran to help her prepare for company auditions. She was spectacular in the famous grand pas

de deux from "The Flames of Paris" by Boris Asafyev which she performed with the indomitable Kota Fujishima, a guest

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*Justina Ababio, Lenox Knudson, and Claudia Ababio pitched in to run the bean bag toss and bowling to help raise funds for the JM Foundation.*



*The Emery family organized a fundraiser at Whalen Commons in honor of their daughter Gracey to help find a cure for juvenile myositis. They raised more than their goal of \$2,000. Parents Kim and Bryan with their children Sydney, Hadley, and Gracey.*



*The Falcons, three-years undefeated in Montgomery County Recreation League basketball. Kneeling: Julianna Hitchcock, Holly Raines, Sabrina Edwards, Heather Robinson, Sydney Allentuck, Rachel Onderko. Standing: Coach Steve Lightcap, Jessica Convers, Hailee Williams, Rachel Tievy, Alyson Gotlewski, Lindsey Lightcap and Coach Brenda Edwards.*



*Local author Steve Vogel (left) with Head of School John Huber following a lecture and Q&A at the Barnesville School by Vogel on his new book, Through the Perilous Fight.*

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## Business Briefs

### Rumor Has It

Poolesville may be moving in the direction of becoming a bit of an antique mecca, which, of course, would bring important support to not only other retailers in town, especially restaurants and historical sites, but will boost the town's employment opportunities as well. In the last few weeks, we have had two new antique retailers open their doors to join Hearthside Gardens and Antiques, and now a little bird has landed on our shoulder to tell us that an antique emporium may

be headed our way.

No, the new retailers are not targeting the space at Selby's, but it is said to be another historical location in town. The *Monocle* has our eye on this one, and we may be able to confirm with more information in the next issue.

### Just the Facts at Artifacts

Talking about new retailers in town, Artifacts, the new shop offering unique antiques, vintage ware, custom hand-painted furniture, and home décor items, which had their grand opening at the end of May had an error in its ad in the last issue of the *Monocle*. The proprietor, Alorin Harris, offers themed weekends on occasion and her weekend theme of

Silver will be on Father's Day, June 16 not June 23. Then on June 30 her special theme will be Kids of All Ages. For all you weekend shopping warriors who take shopping locally seriously and who love Hearthside Gardens and Mixed Greens, don't forget to take a look at Artifacts and to say hello to Alorin.

### Poolesville Pickers Takes a Bold Step

Tim and Suzanne Shorts went to an antique auction on their second date and, since then, the couple's passionate affair with historical items has even spread to their sixteen-year-old son, Ryan, who has a special interest in World War I and II fare. Tim's picker interest developed early as a young boy. As a result, over the years, he has become an authority on antiques and collectibles. The Shorts' avocation for antiques has been an avid hobby throughout their twenty-three-year marriage, but now the pastime is turning the corner and becoming a business.

While they sell some items on Ebay and Craig's List, they set up Poolesville Pickers Facebook site to promote their interest in antiques and they also explored retail sales last Poolesville Day. The result was beyond their expectations.

As fall came, however, life took a turn for the Shorts. Tim was laid off from his executive position at Lockheed Martin and then in November, things got worse as he suffered a stroke and has been on the slow but steady road to recovery ever since. Suzanne, who has been a para-educator at Monocacy Elementary School and will return to MES this fall as a Media Assistant, decided to take the next bold step and set up retail shop in a space next to Bob's Bikes near the rear of Poolesville Hardware.

The result is their new



*These young scholars are headed to kindergarten after graduating from Little Learners Child Care: Maya Vines, Diego Rodriguez, Cailyn Deyo, Jessica Peyton, and Lizzie McCoy.*

adventure—Chique Antiques—a wonderful little place with intriguing and delightful items from unique desks, frames, fascinating collectibles, furniture, chests, jewelry, and more. They will also be offering a limited selection of gift items. Be sure to stop by and welcome them as the newest retailer in town and see for yourself their array of chique fare. They are open from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each Saturday and Sunday, Friday afternoon or by appointment.

### It's Cap and Gown Time, but Not What You Expect

Frankly, we have to report that the local high school graduates just got upstaged by some other students wearing caps and gowns—at least in the area of cuteness. Five little ones from Little Learners Child Care graduated from the daycare center and are now headed to the tougher world of kindergarten. The daycare, which opened in 2011, is a place where children can learn, grow, and explore. The first class of graduates in full regalia of cap and gown, Cailyn Deyo, Jessica Peyton, Diego Rodriguez, Lizzie McKoy, and Maya Vines, received their diploma, and now they look forward to their new world of elementary school.

### South of the Border Delivery

No, this is not about delivery from the famous souvenir place in South Carolina, but instead

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# Commentary

## Time Enough to Be Confused

By John Clayton

We no longer have school-age children in the house, so I find that I am becoming less sensitized to the academic calendar. We are still associated with college-age young adults, but that's not quite the same thing. When the empty-nest thing started late last summer, one of the things I noticed was that when the telephone rang around the dinner hour, I would first glance to see if it was 7:00, because that meant it was a daily message from the principal of Poolesville High School, and I didn't have to worry about answering—all I had to do was listen to the message, if I even did that. We unfortunately get plenty of telephone calls around that hour, to this very day, and very few of them are anyone we wish to talk to, except perhaps to say, "Do you have a No Call List? Good. Please put us on it." The absence of a connection to the local school system changed the rhythm of life in this very small way, added to all the large ways that have to do with the kids moving on. We were connected to the school system for seventeen years—which doesn't hold a candle to many others I know of, but it was still seventeen years—so as the end of the school year approaches, I didn't even know the date of the last day of school, which for Montgomery County, I now know, is an early release on June 14. I used to be more on the ball, knew the date, and would list the Days Remaining in our Things to Do column every once in a while, just for fun. Part of the fun of course was ragging my kids with this special knowledge—"only thirty-seven days left"—and that sort of thing. Now that it's not personal, I suppose it didn't seem like as much fun. If it was fun for anyone else, well, sorry about that—maybe next year.

I realized that as we shivered through spring this year, suddenly my college student daughters were all done before I was even thinking much about summer. They had been laboring through their final exams and papers, but I barely saw the end coming. Meanwhile, all those K-12 kids soldier on until mid-June, when summer really begins, and everything begins to slow up a little. That's what the real calendar is—the school year. The baseball season is too long to mark the summer's beginning and ending. After all, they're likely to play baseball in the snow on both ends of the schedule. It's a season unto itself, like all the other sports seasons, and they all transcend those meteorological and astronomical seasons.

Days are getting a little hard to keep track of, as well. I have little pill trays with the days of the week on them that I fill up and then empty one little cell at a time, and at one time they were to help me remember to take the pills. Then I realized their purpose was to let me know I had already taken that day's pills, so I wouldn't overdo it. Now I realize their real purpose is to let me know what day of the week it is. I don't remember this being an issue seventeen years ago.

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## Town Government Report

By Rande Davis

### Marketing a Marketing Firm for Poolesville

The commissioners have instructed town manager Wade Yost to put together a Formal Request for Proposal (RFP) to accept bids from marketing and communications firms to manage a marketing department for the town. The purpose of the new department is to advance the economic wellbeing of the town through programs and events that will bring more consumers into Poolesville, find businesses to fill vacant commercial space, and, subsequently, improve employment opportunities.

The town has been engaged in discussions with Van Eperen and Company, a Rockville-based communications firm recommended by Mike Knapp. Mr. Knapp was contracted to find options and alternatives for increasing economic activity, tourism, and quality of life for Poolesville residents, and one of his recommendations was to hire a marketing company to manage the day-to-day responsibilities of promoting the town.

Representatives from Van Eperen and Company met with the CEDC members to explore more precisely what the committee might expect from a marketing firm so that an appropriate RFP could be created to find and contract with a prospective company. Valaree Dickerson, the commissioner liaison to the CEDC, reported strong support

to move forward on the RFP from committee members.

A proposed RFP will be presented to the commissioners for approval by the first part of July.

### Odds and Ends

The commissioners approved, 4-1, Ordinance 193 that meshes the town fire marshal inspection process with that of the county. Previously, the town required a fire inspection for commercial establishments at the time of permitting and whenever there was a significant change in use of the original permit. The county no longer provides change-of-use inspections. Commissioner Klobukowski voted against the proposed ordinance.

John Strong, town engineer, reported that four companies submitted bids for Tom Fox Road repaving, sidewalk, and miscellaneous repairs. Finley Asphalt and Sealing was awarded the contract for \$662,171.10. The project is expected to begin as soon as schools close, and the sidewalk aspect of the project will be completed prior to the start of the fall semester.

Mr. Strong also reported that the West Willard Road sidewalk project is jeopardized by county red tape. The town has proposed building sidewalks along West Willard Road across from the high school as a public safety need so that students and other pedestrians will not be forced into the road when walking in the area. Since West Willard is a county road, the county must approve the project and, based on restrictions being made by the county, the cost of adding the sidewalks could prove unreasonable. The town is asking for due consideration and a waiver.



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## Youth Sports

# Weaverling Leads PHS Elite 8 at State Track Meet

By Jeff Stuart

All eight state qualifiers for PHS scored points in the Maryland State Outdoor Track and Field Championships on Friday May 24 and Saturday May 25. "We are ending the season very strong," said Head Coach Mike Trumbull. "At the regionals, we had fourteen performances that were personal bests for the kids. You cannot ask for more at this point of the season."

Friday started out well. The girls' 4x800 relay team of Claire Beautz, Chelsie Pennello, Denise Larson, and Rebecca Basehore finished in fourth place with a time of 9:45.40. It was eight seconds better than their previous best time of the season. That time was also less than three seconds off the school record and is the third fastest in school history.

The boys' 4x800 relay team did not disappoint, running their second best time of the season, 8:23.10. The sixth place finishing team of Chase Weaverling, Nick

Eppard, Elan Guzman, and Will Stamm was only .10 seconds off of its best time of the season. It was the fourth fastest time in school history.

On Friday, in the 3200m, Claire Beautz was looking great and had just taken the lead going into the first mile when her race was stopped for lightning. She ran the race again the next day and finished second in the 3200 with a time of 11:18.42. Capping off a very successful day was Chase Weaverling winning the 2A 3200m State Championship. His 9:22.33 was his second fastest time ever. He pulled away from his only competitor in the last 400m with a blistering sixty-five-second last lap. His time was only five seconds off the state record. Needless to say, that record is going to be in jeopardy next year if all goes to plan.

On Saturday morning, Weaverling took first in the 1600, running a personal best 4:24.50. Chelsie Pennello finished sixth in the 1600.

The *Monocle* caught up with the qualifiers at practice for states on Tuesday, May 21 to get reactions from some of the runners.

"The season is going really well," said junior Chase Weaverling. "I have come a long way. I got injured at the end of the cross-country season, but I have come back strong." What was his most rewarding moment of the year? "Probably the Penn Relays. I ran

a breakout race. I ran 8:36 for 3000 meters which is equivalent to a 9:10 two-mile. Chase finished four places better than his seed.

*About being the first PHS boy to win a county title in a number of years?* "It feels pretty good." He quickly deferred to teammates. "Our 4x800 team just qualified for states last week. We were extremely happy about that. We didn't think that we were going to be able to do it. We hadn't run nearly as fast as we needed to do it, but I'm so proud of all of them. We showed up that day and really ran well in the regional. My man Elan right here, he ran a huge PR (personal record) that day and helped us get under the time."

Chase became the first Poolesville boy to win a county championship by winning the 3200 indoor in January and repeated with another win in the 3200 in the outdoor this spring. He defeated friendly rival Will Bertrand, a Clarksburg senior headed for Princeton.

Next we talked to William

Stamm, a junior, and wanted to know his favorite moment. "That PR—I got my best time in the 800, that was a rewarding moment (Stamm ran a 201.16 in the 800 at the County Championships), but I gotta say that when we qualified for the states in the 4x800, none of us saw it coming. We thought we were barely going to reach the 8:27 that we needed, and we got it by about five seconds. Every one of us had our best times of the season. On the 4x8, none of us are seniors. That means we are really going to be set next season. I look forward to that. I would also like to give a shout out to Elan. He ran a personal best time by four seconds. That was huge. It knocked us below that qualifying time."

Sophomore Denise Larson's most rewarding moment? "Actually running in the regionals and qualifying for the states in the 4x800 for the second year in a row. We ran a great time. We were all on top of the world.

That was really cool to have both

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Will Stamm, Rebecca Basehore, Chase Weaverling, Claire Beautz, Nick Eppard, Denise Larson, Elan Guzman.

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## Local News

### Planning Board

By Kristen Milton

Darby Store Gets \$5000 Grant  
More than two thousand votes didn't get Beallsville's century-old Darby Store as much cash as the county would have liked in a recent historic preservation pageant, but it provided valuable community awareness, officials said.

The store at the corner of Routes 28 and 109 was one of twenty-four metro-area historic sites competing for a portion of one million dollars offered by Partners in Preservation, a program funded by American Express in partnership with the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

During the seventeen-day competition, ending May 10, the Montgomery County Department of Parks held activities and made postings on social media to encourage fans to vote. An open house was also held. The site eventually garnered over 118,000 points in the contest wherein each vote was worth fifty points.

The showing earned the store a \$5,000 grant, the minimum award.

Built in 1910, the Darby Store served Upcountry residents until its closure in 1958. The Montgomery County Department of Parks purchased the twenty-six acres encompassing the general store with Legacy Open Space funds in 2004. In 2011, the store was moved twenty-seven feet to a new foundation further off the intersection

where its porch was once torn off by a passing vehicle.

#### Peachtree Property Gains Waiver

The planning board approved a waiver at their May 16 meeting that will give Peach Tree Road a new neighbor.

The board accepted an easement along the rustic road in place of the full dedication that would usually be necessary since the latter would have left the Dickerson property slightly too small to qualify for a home. As it is, the five-acre lot at 21710 Peach Tree Road can be used because it predates the restrictions of the 1981 Agricultural Reserve, which generally requires twenty-five acres for a home.

James Clifford, an attorney for property owner Walt Prichard, said Prichard purchased the land in 1972 and lived several years in an old home that has since been demolished. Prichard now plans to sell the property to a farming family who will rebuild on the old home's site, Clifford said. A barn on the property is currently used to store agricultural equipment.

Planning chair Françoise Carrier asked if an agricultural use had been considered.

"That would be trading in a dollar for a dime," Clifford responded. "It's just not a good trade-off."

In addition to the road right-of-way, planner Rich Weaver said the pre-preliminary plan identified a location for a cistern on the site in the event that fire and rescue services ever needed to install such a reservoir Upcountry.

The waiver was unanimously approved by the board.

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## Things to Do

### Town of Poolesville Summer Recreation Program

June 17 to August 2 at Stevens Park. For camp schedule, registration, and policies, visit Poolesville.com. 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

### Summer Exercise Group

Personal trainer Zach Etheridge and nutritionist Kim Sain are offering free fitness sessions every Sunday morning at Poolesville's Whalen Commons. This is for teens and adults only. Wear exercise clothing, shoes, and bring your own towel, water bottle, and mat. 9:00 a.m.

Every Wednesday:

### Poolesville Public Library

UMD Master Gardeners' Clinics. 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

### Poolesville Presbyterian Church

Connection Café – free computer services and help. Coffee and snacks. 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

June 7

### Asian House of Poolesville Entertainment Night

Featuring: Ron Kemp. 8:30 p.m.

June 8

### Poolesville Relay for Life

Annual fundraising event for the American Cancer Society. Join the PRFL teams as they walk the park in tribute to those lost to cancer and those surviving with cancer. Games, activities, music, food, and musical performances. There will also be an Inova Bloodmobile on hand to accept blood donations. Whalen Commons in Poolesville

Opening Ceremony and Survivors' Walk – 2:00 p.m. Luminaria – Dusk. Sunday Closing Ceremonies – 7:00 a.m.

### Circle of Hope Walkathon

Circle of Hope Therapeutic Riding Center's sixth annual walk-a-thon will be at Cabin John Regional Park, 7400 Tuckerman Lane, Rockville. The theme this year will be Paws for the Cause, and participants are encouraged to bring their canine companions to walk with them. For details,

please see Tidbits elsewhere in this issue. Registration will take place from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. The walk will begin at 10:30 a.m.

June 8 to 15

### 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Carroll Manor Fire Company Carnival

Too tired to cook? Stop by for some of their famous fried chicken, country ham, pizza, fresh cut fries, and so much more. June 8: car show at 5:00 p.m. June 9: super seven bingo at 2:00 p.m. June 13: parade night. Live musical entertainment nightly. Midway by Snyder's Amusements from June 10 to June 15; open nightly from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

June 9

### John Poole House and Old Town Hall Bank Civil War Museum

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

### St. Mary's Church: Special Dining Out Fundraiser

Bennigan's Restaurant in Clarksburg is offering twenty percent of food sales to St. Mary's all day. Bring flyer or copy of ad in this issue. 23315 Frederick Road, Clarksburg 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

June 13

### AHOP Entertainment Night

Featuring: Jay Summerour. 8:30 p.m.

June 14

### UMCVFD Auxiliary Bingo

Come join the Upper Montgomery County Volunteer Fire Department's Auxiliary for a fun and exciting game of bingo. Doors open: 5:30 p.m. for seats, food, and snacks. Games begin: 7:00 p.m.

### AHOP Entertainment Night

Featuring: Fred Tepper Band 8:30 p.m.

June 15

### Warren Historical Site Yard and Bake Sale

Come one, come all to support your community's historical church. There will be clothing, furniture, shoes, handbags, TVs, and lots more. Enjoy homemade baked goods for sale, such as pies, cookies, cakes, and brownies. Lunch is available for purchase, including hot dogs,

hamburgers, chips, and drinks. Warren Historical Site, 22625 White's Ferry Road, Dickerson. 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Town of Poolesville Skate Contest

Dr. Thomas Dillingham Park, 19701 Wootton Avenue. Registration: 8:30 a.m. Contest begins: 10:00 a.m.

### AHOP Entertainment Night

Featuring: DJ. 8:30 p.m.

June 16

### John Poole House and Old Town Hall Bank Civil War Museum

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

June 17

### Day Trip to Annapolis

The Gathering Place Senior Activity Center will charter a bus to downtown Annapolis for a day on the water. Enjoy lunch at your favorite restaurant, bring your own lunch and picnic in the harbor, or take a boat ride while we are there. You won't want to miss the fabulous shopping on Main Street as well. \$15 per person for the bus charter. Other activities will be an additional charge based on your plan for the day. Call 301-349-2799 for more information. 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

June 18

### Poolesville Commissioners' Meeting

Poolesville Town Hall. 7:30 p.m.

June 19

### Cugini's Entertainment Night

Featuring: Heavy Seas Brewing Company's Tasting: Steal the Pint Night. 8:30 p.m.

June 20

### Cugini's Special Fundraiser

10% of proceeds go to support Poolesville Military Support Groups Wounded Warrior Outing and the Fisher House Foundation.

June 21

### Cugini's Entertainment Night:

Featuring: Martha Capone Band. 8:30 p.m.

### AHOP Entertainment Night

Featuring: Jay Summer-

our. 8:30 p.m.

June 22

### Wounded Warrior Support Outing

Sponsored by the Poolesville Military Support Group. Annual event provides a day of fishing, fun, relaxation, food, and entertainment for wounded warriors from Walter Reed Army Medical Center and Ft. Belvoir Warrior Transition Unit. Public welcome. Donations of money, food, and volunteer workers requested. For more information, please call 301-972-1116. For motorcycle escort, call 240-994-2805. Funds needed to pay for event and to support Fisher House Foundation. Location: White's Ferry Pavilion. 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

June 26

### Poolesville Library Book Appraisal Event

Allen Stypeck, a Poolesville resident and proprietor of Second Story Books in Rockville and an authority on antique books featured on public radio and TV, will discuss valuation of old books. Bring in your old books and first editions for free evaluation. 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

June 28

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## Tidbits

### Wanna Wiffle?

The Wiffleball Club at Monocacy Elementary school, a brainchild of fourth grade teacher Steven Howington, just ended a successful spring season. Mr. Howington said he wanted to “create some bonding time with the students out of class, in addition to exposing them to a sport they might not have had an op-

portunity to try.” For six weeks, Mr. Howington volunteered his time to nearly two dozen children every Wednesday after school, teaching them not only the rules of the game, but also skills like pitching and batting. With Sugarloaf Mountain as the backdrop, Monocacy students from the third, fourth, and fifth grades were able to test their abilities within the safe boundaries of the school. A couple of older students from John Poole



Teacher Steven Howington and the members of the Monocacy Elementary school Wiffleball Club.



Girl Scout Unit Managers Marilyn Manse (left) and Julie Sanchez (right) present to Commissioner Val Dickerson a plaque of appreciation for support from the Town of Poolesville.

Middle School earned SSL hours by helping Mr. Howington on the field, and one parent, Troy Lipp, assisted. The program was so successful, the students are hopeful that Mr. Howington will resume it, or something like it, this fall. One student’s grandparent, Jane Chapman, commented, “Mr. Howington teaches as if he were each student’s father. He really invests himself into these kids. This donation of his personal time is a perfect example of it.

He’s truly a gem for Monocacy.”

### Hobart Wins Patch Design Contest

Congratulations to Amelia Hobart of Brownie Troop 3880 for winning a Poolesville Day patch design contest. Girl Scouts in Poolesville area Service Unit 32-11 were challenged to par-

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participate in a patch design contest for this year's Poolesville Day. The winning design will be the inspiration for the patch SU 32-11 will create and sell at its booth on Poolesville Day.

Guidelines for the contest required that the design should be simple and unique and should be able to be easily reproduced as a patch. Each entry had to be the contestant's original, hand-done creation, and the words "Poolesville Day 2013" must be incorporated in the design.

**Healthy and Wealthy**

This spring, more than 6,100 MCPS employees logged their miles of activity, tracked their progress, and competed for prizes as part of the Well Aware Million Mile Challenge. They walked, ran, played tennis, and gardened to collectively reach one million miles of activity by the end of the

school year.

Congratulations to the JPMS Office Team for being one of only five middle schools that were awarded a grand prize of a \$1,000 grant to be used for physical education equipment or to support staff wellness.

**Falcon Fifth Graders End Season Undefeated**

Congratulations to the Poolesville Falcon fifth grade girls on ending their three Montgomery County Recreation Seasons with a record of 24-0. The team was coached by Steve Lightcap, Chris Hall, and Brenda Edwards.

**Circle of Hope Holds Sixth Annual Walkathon**

Circle of Hope Therapeutic Riding Center will be having its sixth annual walk-a-thon on Saturday, June 8. The walk will begin at 10:30 a.m. This year's theme is Paws for the Cause, and participants are encouraged to bring their canine companions to walk with them. The event will be

held at Cabin John Regional Park at 7400 Tuckerman Lane in Rockville. Registration will take place from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. on the day of the event. Refreshments and bandanas will be provided at the event. All donations will benefit Circle of Hope and help make a huge difference in the lives of children and adults with disabilities. Donations can also be made at [www.firstgiving.com/circleof-hope](http://www.firstgiving.com/circleof-hope).

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## Remembrance

### Henry E. Johnson



Former PHS schoolteacher Henry E. Johnson, 85, of Taneytown, died peacefully on May 28, 2013. He was the husband of the late Elizabeth I. Johnson. Born on March 9, 1928 in Trout, West Virginia, he was the son of the late William F. and Virgie (Lewis) Johnson. Mr. Johnson served his country in the United States Army from 1946 to 1948. He was also a business teacher at Poolesville High School for thirty-

two years, from 1955 to 1987. Surviving Mr. Johnson are his children, Donna Sue Armfield (Thomas) of Westminster, F. Steve Johnson of Virginia; one brother, Howard F. Johnson; one sister, Loretta A. Judy; seven grandchildren; and eleven great grandchildren.

### Daniel J. Flynn, Jr.

Daniel J. Flynn, Jr., 78, of Poolesville, died on May 25, 2013. He was the loving husband of Dolores Flynn. Born on November 19, 1934, in Pottsville, Pennsylvania, he was the son of the late Daniel J. and Eleanor (Patten) Flynn, Sr. Dan served in the United States Navy from 1952 to 1979.

Surviving Mr. Flynn besides his wife are his children, Martha Robertson and husband Scott, Daniel Flynn and fiancée Lisa Fronczek, Andrew Flynn and wife Sandra, Timothy Flynn; sister, Gertrude Zerbe; and grandchildren, Colleen and James Robertson.

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## Police Blotter: Past and Present

By Jack Toomey

### Present Crime

**Assault:** 20000 block of Peach Tree Road.

**Burglary:** 19500 block of Wootton Avenue, 16900 block of Hoskinson Avenue.

**Theft from vehicle:** 19500 block of Fisher Avenue.

**Theft:** 19800 block of Beatriz Avenue, 19400 block of Peach Tree Road.

**Disorderly conduct:** 19600 block of Gott Street.

### Past Crime

**June 7, 1936** The tenth wedding anniversary of Delbert and Lillian Corbett did not end well after Mr. Corbett lost control of the family car and it struck a tree near the Rockville courthouse. Mr. Corbett, his wife, and three children were all attended to for cuts and bruises. Officer Burdine charged Mr. Corbett with reckless driving.

**June 24, 1934** Sergeant Guy


Jones was attempting to serve a warrant on a Sandy Spring man when he attacked the officer. Sergeant Jones drew his weapon and shot the man three times. The suspect was taken to the Montgomery General Hospital where his condition was described as serious.

**June 25, 1935** A six-month-old baby was killed after a car crash at Dawsonville. Police determined that the baby's father was driving and was rounding the curve on the Darnestown Road when it went up an embankment and overturned, trapping the child in the wreckage. An older child wiggled out of the wreckage and ran to the nearby house of Doctor Upton Nourse (on today's Sugarland Road). Dr. Nourse came to the scene, but it was too late to save the baby.

**June 26, 1939** Bethesda police were investigating what they thought was a murder case that had happened on East West Highway. A deputy U.S. Marshall

had reported that he saw two youths beating another and then hauling the body into a wooded area. Officers were called in from home to search for the body. Meanwhile, other officers picked up the two boys and took them in for questioning. While they were questioning the youths, they were startled when the "victim" walked into the police station. The victim told the police that the whole thing had been a misunderstanding after a night of revelry at a Prince George's County roadhouse.

**June 27, 1935** William Harold and James Poindexter were hanged at the Baltimore Penitentiary for the rape of a Chevy Chase teenager that happened in 1934. The girl had been walking in a wooded area when the two attacked her. They were convicted after a jury trial at Rockville.



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## In the Garden

### Annuals A to Z

By Maureen O'Connell

Annuals are an invaluable addition to your summer flower gardens. They can provide a mixture of big-color blooms and subtle, pale shades, and fill vases in your homes with cut flowers from June to October. There are annuals for sunny locations as well as for shady nooks. Some are for colorful blooms, interesting foliage, or for their fragrance. Annuals are usually less expensive to buy as established plants than are most perennials, so you can afford to experiment a bit. The number of annuals featured at local garden centers can be overwhelming, so here are ten annuals that I recommend for your gardens. As always, I only recommend plants that I have tried in my gardens; I know they will react well to our Monocacy weather conditions.

**Agastache.** In addition to its beautiful flowers, deer resistance, heat and drought tolerance, and long season of bloom, this plant is the number one favorite of bees and butterflies. It comes in shades of salmon, coral, orange, yellow, and white, but my favorite variety is 'Blue Fortune.'

**Angelonia.** This snapdragon look-alike is a first class garden plant. It gets bushy and full, growing to about two feet tall. Its small, gracefully-lipped flowers bloom faithfully from June to September, and they are not bothered by our hot, dry summers. 'Archangel Purple' is my favorite variety.

**Calibrachoa.** This nonstop bloomer is a petunia look-alike, but does not need to be dead-headed. Give it full sun and it will bloom from June to September.

**Coleus.** I didn't use to like this plant; it was boring, as it came only in a few drab colors, but, in the last decade, it has blossomed into an immense range of color combinations, patterns, and textures. Grow them not for their flowers, which are insignificant,

but for their elegant foliage. Play around with their locations in your garden; some do well with full sun, while other varieties need a bit of shade.

**Heliotropium.** I recommend this plant with a little reticence because it does not entirely like our hot, dry summers, but I forgive it that because nothing can duplicate its intoxicating, vanilla perfume, strongest at sunrise and sunset. This is what makes a Heliotrope a Heliotrope.

**Lantana.** Here is another Big Winner in my book. This tropical genus blooms abundantly and constantly every day all summer long. It loves sun, heat, and drought, and comes in a rainbow of colors. I particularly like the 'Landmark' series.

**Petunia.** Now this plant is no newcomer on the block, but it now comes in so many more new colors, shapes, and flower heads than in your grandmother's days. Several years ago, the 'Tidal Wave' series came on the market and made quite a splash. As the name implies, it grows

and spreads quickly and needs no deadheading, but I must warn you to be careful where you plant it, as it can rapidly outgrow its allotted space and head for the lawn.

**Rudbeckia.** This daisy-like flowering plant is a genus of wildflowers that has been around for a long time. They are particularly valuable in containers and mixed borders; they are easy to grow in average garden soil and full sun and will bloom from June to September. One of my favorite varieties is 'Prairie Sun.'

**Verbena.** While many plants are troubled by our intense heat of summer and lie gasping on the ground by the end of July, verbena continues all summer with gorgeous blooms. 'Sissinghurst' and 'Homestead Purple' are two of my favorite varieties.

**Zinnia.** This annual in the daisy family has long been a favorite of gardeners. In the last decade, they have acquired a new

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### "Weaverling Leads PHS" Continued From Page 6.

the boys' and girls' 4x800 teams going." Larson ran a personal best, 5:31.75, in the 1600 at the regional.

Rebecca Basehore concurred with Denise. "I could say the same. We worked so hard all together in the 4x8."

"I am really proud of our 4x8. It's really fun," said Beautz.

"I'd have to say making it to the states in the 4x8 is my most rewarding moment," said Nick Eppard. "This is the first time I have run the event this year. I focused mostly on the 200 and 400. I had a full second drop in my best time in the 200 meter during the regionals this year.

In the 400 meter relay, we were so close to making it. We didn't think we had a chance this year, but we were fifteen seconds faster at the regional than we had run during the season. My friend Dakota Baumbach (Jr), and Andre Butler (Sr) and Stephan

Marsh (Jr) put it all out there. We tried. We missed by half a second."

The highlight for sophomore Elan Guzman was "definitely qualifying for the states with these guys in the 4x8. None of us expected it really, going into it. Not only did we get in, we actually ended up crushing the time we expected to get."

Junior Matthew Psaltakis ran with the boys' 4x800 team during the season. "My highlight was that I ran a great PR at the county B meet, in the 3200, and the 4x8 team had a lot of great PRs during the regular season." Matthew also had a personal best in the 800 and 1600 at the county meet.

## Local News

### Boe Wins Writing contest

Montgomery County Public Schools, Montgomery County Public Library, The Friends of the MoCo Public Library, along with Johns Hopkins University hosted the winners of the Celebrating Diversity through Creative Writing Contest on May 28. Local sixth grade John Poole Middle School student Gwendolyn Boe competed against eighteen other Montgomery County middle schools to place first in the short story division. Teachers Mrs. Rice and Mrs. Vega were in attendance as JPMS staff representatives.

Gwendolyn's winning essay follows:

#### A Mixture to Remember

By Gwendolyn Boe

A long, long time ago, the vanilla and chocolate flavors were never mixed together in any way. One day during that time, a French chef by the name of Pierre Marble created a concoction so tasty, it was out of this world.

It all started when Pierre bought a bakery in Vanillaville and named it Marble's Coffee and Dessert Shoppe. Business was going well until he tried to serve Dark Chocolate Cake. No one bought it, and there were less and less people in the shop every day. Pierre did not understand. He had previously owned a shop in Chocolate Town where the people loved his dark chocolate desserts. Then he recalled a

time when he lived in Chocolate Town and tried to serve vanilla ice cream. The same thing had happened.

Pierre didn't like the separation of flavors. There were so many different dark chocolate recipes he couldn't use now that he lived in Vanillaville. Then a creative thought came to Pierre's mind. "Why do the flavors have to be separate?" he asked himself. "Why not mix them together without one flavor dominating over the other? It's good to have different flavors." So he tried it. Pierre put vanilla cake batter in a bowl. Then he drizzled chocolate cake batter in swirls on the top. Pierre baked the batter, and when it came out it was vanilla and chocolate swirled. He called this dessert Marble Cake since he, Pierre Marble, created it.

The next day, a customer walked in the door and saw the tasty new dessert. "What flavor is that?" the customer asked.

"Marble," Pierre replied.

"I think I'll try it," the first customer decided. As soon as she took a bite, she grinned. "I like it because it is different. Here in Vanillaville very few people like chocolate, I just followed them, but now I see that it was silly to not eat chocolate when you can have both flavors. This is delicious."

The new dessert spread far and wide, and from that day forward, we have eaten Marble Cake to celebrate many occasions with both flavors. Being different is good, so be yourself, and don't worry about Blending in.

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dancer borrowed from the Kirov Academy of Ballet in Washington, D.C. The audience will not soon forget him. As a matter of fact, when Kota is an international star, audience members will be able to say they saw him as a seventeen-year-old dancing with the HGCBT in Poolesville. Another Kirov guest was Kazuki Ayagi, a sixteen-year-old Japanese student studying at the Kirov, like Kota. Logan Hillman, of Northern Virginia, returned as a guest for perhaps the last time as he has just signed a contract with the Columbia Classical Ballet.

More than just dancers and choreographer, for HGCBT to be able to stage a ballet of the professional caliber that Fran manages requires many helping hands behind the scenes. Parents and relatives of the dancers contribute in numerous areas of the production. Fran could certainly not realize the beauty and cleverness of her productions without the help

of husband-wife team, Jeff Jones and Beth Fayard-Jones. "The beauty of it is: I have the vision, they execute what I want," says Fran. "It's a beautiful relationship. I'm lucky to have them."

*The Jungle Book* was, of course, not the first time the HGCBT has put on a high-quality production. By now, the audience expects it. *The Jungle Book* was sold out a full month before the show. An extra section of the auditorium had to be opened to try to accommodate the extra crowd. While Fran always wants a fresh show, *The Jungle Book* was such a hit that HGCBT may repeat it every other year. There's something for everyone in it.

This summer, many of Hope Garden's advanced dancers have been invited to attend numerous summer intensives. Veronica Contreras will attend the Bolshoi Ballet Academy in New York this summer. Last year she was invited to attend the academy year-round in Russia. Olivia Romano, Ellie Creedon, John

Foster, and Shinhai Ventura are all going to the Kirov Academy of Ballet. Renée Terragno, Suzanne Creedon, and Hannah Wills are going to Next Generation Ballet in Orlando, Florida. Kimora Maier, Grace Beal, Megan Roldan, Bubby Roland Jones and the above-mentioned dancers will attend Hope Garden Ballet Academy's exciting local summer intensive with Peter Merz and Tony Wilson in August.

Hope Garden will stage its

next performances the weekend of December 13, 2013, *A Christmas Carol*, HGCBT's tradition. "It's our tradition," explains Fran. "We enjoy to do it, and people enjoy to come." There will be three shows.

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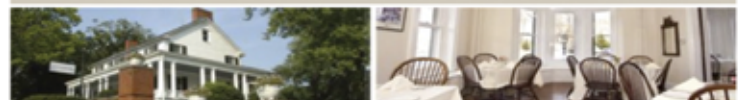
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