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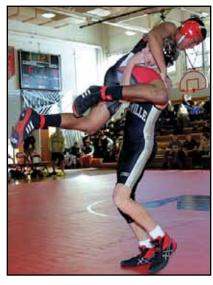
PHS grad Lt. Col. Sean Davis spoke to the Monocacy Lions, and was thanked by King Lion Josh Maisel. We've got more pictures of local events in the Family Album on page 2.



The virtual gardens of Monet? Matherapy? A man who lives in Poolesville? It all comes together in Focus on Business on page 11.



The battle between Ten Mile Creek and more Clarksburg development continues in Local News, on page 7.



What goes up must come down. Read more about the PHS Wrestling Team in Youth Sports on page 12.

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Food Hub for Poolesville?

By Rande Davis

An ad hoc committee made up of persons representing various aspects of the agricultural community in and around Poolesville met on January 22 at the Poolesville Town Hall in an initial step toward developing a food hub in Poolesville.

A food hub would serve as a central collection and distribution facility for local and regional agriculture as well as assisting in pricing, labeling, packaging, and marketing services that would seek to find large buyers such as hospitals, colleges, schools, and restaurants. Nationally, it is estimated that there are as many as 250 food hubs in service to foster the use and sale of locally-grown agricultural products, including fruits, vegetables, and meats. While each hub has its own customized characteristics based on its region,

Coakley Steps Down After Sixteen Years Of Public Service

By Rande Davis

George Coakley officially resigned from the Town of Poolesville's Planning Commission and as its chairman at the January 22 town meeting. Coakley began his voluntary service in 1998 and became the chairman of the commission in 2003, replacing Link Hoewing, who had just been elected as a town commissioner.

The planning commissioners deal with and make recommendations for nearly every major decision regarding the town and its future. After the planning commission reviews and hears

all serve to facilitate the expansion of farming as a vocation, augment commercial and private use of locally-grown fruits and vegetables, and in many instances, the sale of locally -raised beef, chicken, and pork, and other farm animals. Food hubs gener-

ally include but are not exclusive to organic farming.

The meeting was organized by the town commissioners and Mike Knapp, of Orion Venture. Knapp has been commissioned to explore and develop economic opportunities to benefit the Poolesville economy. High on the list of opportunities for economic growth are agriculturally-related industries, with a food hub considered to be one of the brightest opportunities.

Montgomery County is so keen on the notion of a county food



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Large and small farmers, county and town government officials, a produce retailer, and others came together to discuss the merits of a food hub for Poolesville.

hub that three representatives from the county attended this first exploratory meeting: Jeremy Criss, Director of Economic Development, Ag Services; Sarah Miller, Director of Economic Development, Capital Projects; and Daniel Hoffman, Chief Innovation Officer, Office of the County Executive. "It's not a matter of if there will be a food hub, but where and when will our area have one," stated Hoffman.

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testimony by individuals or at a public hearing, and often after months of tedious work, makes its recommendations to the commissioners, who have the final authority on a decision. His sixteen-year tenure is thought to be one of the longest terms of service to the Town of Poolesville by anyone in the

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Family Album



Team Cugini's begins the first step in a national craft beer contest. Scott Smith (from Widmer's Brother's Brewery Co.), Dan Glazier, Dave Stump, and Justin Glazier.



Cora and George Coakley, Dawn Rini, and Tammy Edgar join in celebrations of Coakley's retirement and seventieth birthday.



As part of their annual day of service, these scouts are making Valentine's Day cards for soldiers. Julia Lyons, Charlotte Vogel, Sienna Grimsby, and Cookie Magaha.



This compost-in-a-bottle project is the beginning of a larger Girl Scout Earth Day program. Jessica Mense, Brooke Marshall, Faythe Mullens, MacKenzie Gross, and Beth Roberts (in the back).



Making pet toys out of old t-shirts for the Montgomery County Humane Society are scouts Chelsea Ohman, Jenna Repep, Anne Hundertmark, and Grace Beal.



Business Briefs

Just in Time for Valentine's Day

Members of the Poolesville Wedding Network are offering a very unique selections of gift arrangements for your special person for Valentine's Day that combine beautiful flowers from Stephanie's Secret Garden, baked sweets from Zaglio's Bakery, and jewelry gifts from Glad I Sparkle. You can even have your gift delivered by Val Dickerson's Gopher It. This is a terrific way to give something locally provided that is not available anywhere else. To view the selections of gift arrangements and to place orders, go to stephaniessecretgarden.com or zaglios.com.

Cugini's Craft Beer Enters National Competition

Daniel Glazier, manager at Cugini's, is a craft beer enthusiast, and one of his goals has been to bring in some of the best craft beers for his customers. Dan and his brother have been home brewing for a long time and have enjoyed it personally as a hobby,

so, naturally, he was ecstatic when Cugini's was one of only five bars in Montgomery County selected by the Craft Beer Alliance to participate in the national contest. There are only twenty-five bars in all of Maryland selected to compete, and that winner will move on to the national competition.

The competition begins at the county level with each bar brewing its own craft beer. Dan will submit a six-pack of the Cugini's craft beer to the Anheuser-Busch main office in the District of Columbia for judging.

The winner at the county level will then move on to competing against the other county winners. The winner at the state level will have his beer brewed at Red Hook Brewery in New Hampshire at a much higher volume, kegs of which will be shipped back to Cugini's and the other participating bars.

Dan says that he believes Cugini's was selected for the competition because the restaurant has one of the largest selection of craft bars, as well as due to his personal interest in home brewing. Dan will keep us posted as the contest progresses.

Town of Poolesville

Town Government Report

By Rande Davis

Text Me

Just in case you don't get enough text messages, part of the upgrade in a new website for the Town of Poolesville will be the ability for the town to send text messages to residents. Actually, the service could be immensely useful, especially during times of crisis, in sending up-to-date, accurate, and vital information directly to residents. The town has an email process now, but only about five hundred households have signed up to receive it.

Of course, texting is not the only topic that spurred the commissioners to start the long process of a total redesign for the town's website. Commissioner Chuck Stump spearheaded the new website project. Stump holds a B.S. in

computer science from Virginia Tech and is the Managing Director of Software Engineering at Fortigent, a financial services firm in Rockville. When the commissioners thanked him for his hard work, he just smiled and said, "Hey, it's what I do for a living."

After developing and issuing the request for proposal (RFP), Stump received over thirty applications. He talked to or met with half of them before whittling the applicants down to a half dozen.

While a final decision to award the RFP was not made at the town meeting, Civic Plus, a company which reports assisting over 1,600 governments of varying sizes in the United States, Canada, and Australia, has received Stump's recommendation. He did so based on pricing that was within the range of most other applicants, the technical features offered, staff size (150-plus), range of training programs and services, their ongoing rollout of new features, and having been in business for fifteen years. The firm's local references

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Commentary

Winter and Discontent

By John Clayton

The cold weather and snow dominate my thoughts and give me new tasks to occupy my time, and I have fought to resist the temptation to write about it. Admittedly, writing about the weather has been a frequent writer's crutch, a way to limber up and get my thought process rolling before I (hopefully) start writing about something else—a slow jogging start before I hit full stride.

In my first draft of this column I actually stayed with the weather, and it almost became the column. In fact, I wrote a list of those myriad activities created by the polar vortex, the snow, and whatever this current non-vortex cold is called. The list described the fun of getting and keeping our long steep driveway passable for cars not built for such things, equipment breakdowns, heavy tire chains, grumpy livestock, broken pipes, and so on. It wasn't bad, just mildly amusing, and not particularly funny.

Then I realized I was writing all this because there were things I didn't want to write about, but that I kept thinking about. The topic most on my mind was the shootings at the Columbia Mall. I find it hard to shake the horror of two more young people with their lives ended for no discernible reason. Trying to understand the motives for such things is a topic unto itself, well beyond my philosophical capabilities to be sure. Does dying in a suicide bomber's attack or at the hands of Syrian troops lend itself more to some kind of reason? The young girl walking along Muncaster Mill Road who was killed by an out-of-control automobile recently wasn't granted any reason for her demise. I suppose the word "random" is at work somewhere in all of these events, and we just have to accept a certain degree of random unfairness.

Yes, bad things happen to innocent people all the time; they are upsetting when they happen to strangers and would be devastating if one were to have a personal connection to a victim. Even without a personal connection, any geographical proximity or familiarity with the location makes the tragedy a little more personal. I'm familiar with that sensation, as I'm sure most people are.

I watch the evening network news most nights, being of that particular demographic group, and I am routinely treated to wars and other cruelties, as well as natural disasters galore, night after night. I see disturbing images, but I don't usually walk around with any burden the next day. A slight geographic connection and the relentless unfairness of it all seem to make a profound difference.

We live quite comfortably with a certain volume of violent death here in the United States. We are also blessed to be relatively free of terrorism and insurrection, and the odds of any of us fleeing for our lives to live in refugee camps or being dragged away in the dark to some hellhole of a prison for our beliefs are infinitesimal. We do manage to kill over thirty thousand of ourselves on the highways, and a comparable number from firearms one way or the other, but at least with the former, the number seems to be going down. In either case, whether in a vehicle or from a firearm, many of these tragedies, at least in part, occur due to actions or omissions by the victims. It may still be unfair, but it isn't necessarilv random. When we see someone lose his or her life or wellbeing totally by chance, through no fault or contribution of his/her own, it disturbs us in an entirely different way, or at least it does me. I never want to believe that such a thing could happen to someone I love, or even someone I just know.

From what we know of the Columbia Mall shootings, there isn't much to latch on to for those who want a nice, clean reason for it happening, or perhaps to make a point about ignoring mental illness, or sensible gun controls, or mall security, or pretty much anything that we should have done or should be doing. It appears that a reasonably-sociable young man, not the usual brooding loner,

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Rande(m) Thoughts Hubba, Hubba, Step Right Up and Join our Food Hub

By Rande Davis

I admit it. I am a Yankee wimp. For a northerner, I have already had it with this winter even though I have had to shovel the driveway only once. I remember being warned by a northern relative about shoveling in the cold, and I self-righteously replied that in Maryland shoveling is called melting. Oh, well, guess with that smugness I deserve this extra cold, extra snowy winter. We used to say In like a lion, Out like a lamb, so maybe, just maybe, we will get an early spring.

With white covering everything, it is only natural to be yearning for green and colorful things, and while attending a meeting last week about a possible food hub in Poolesville, I was able to leave behind the thoughts of winter for a moment and think about spring and summer.

Being in the heart of the Ag Reserve, a food hub seems like a natural fit. Food hubs benefit the smaller, less sophisticated farming operations that do not have the capital or expertise in marketing, branding, packaging, and pricing that a larger farm might have. A food hub can help with all that. Farms like Lewis Orchards and Kingsbury's have been food hubs before food hubs became cool, but it seems to me that even they could benefit from the marketing expertise of a local hub and might even make diversifying of product mix easier. After all, most farmers don't have the time to sell to new markets, and yes, a food hub could help expand their customer base, too.

Building a food hub in Poolesville would be easier and much less of a bureaucratic hassle than anywhere else in the county and possibly even the state. Of course, the hub doesn't necessarily have to be within town limits. It's going to cost a lot of money, but the good news is that the county appears quite anxious to increase farming in the Ag Reserve, and they do not want to lose out to

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Food Hub for Poolesville?

The county is one of an estimated half dozen counties or other governmental and private entities interested in developing a food hub. It was reported that Prince George's County has allocated as much as \$250,000 to do so. Jeremy Criss cautioned about an undue rush to move on a hub, emphasizing, "Do it right," but also confirmed that Poolesville is in a good position both geographically and strategically to compete.

Jim Brown, town commission president, said, "We see this meeting as the first step to distill a role for Poolesville in a service perfect for our location in the county and state."

Mike Knapp, opened the meeting by noting that this is just the first of many such meetings and that many other farmers and interested persons in the ag community will be invited to participate as the process goes on. At the Wednesday meeting, Robert Butz of Windridge Farm represented the larger commodity farming operation, Tyler Butler of Butler Farms represented the mid-sized farm, while Gregg Glen of Rockland Farm and Michael Protas of One Acre Farm in Boyds were the representatives of the small farm operator. Monica Bulat, of Mixed Greens, a local produce and meat retailer located at Hearthside Gardens in Poolesville also attended.

Knapp posed over a dozen questions to the attendees for feedback on the viability of a food hub designed to gauge interest by local farmers and to try to find out areas that would be most helpful to them as services provided by the hub.

Bulat reported that there is great interest by local growers for commercial kitchen services that would enable them to process their products into retail items such as salsa, humus, sauces, etc.

Caroline Taylor of Montgomery Countryside Alliance was in attendance and presented a survey of MCA's membership on interest and use of a hub. She confirmed a desire for a commercial kitchen aspect within the food hub and emphasized the need for slaughtering and butchering services as well.

In facilitating the process, the Town of Poolesville anticipates that along with its standard economic benefits in providing up to twenty jobs, it could also provide retail services that would help supply some of the grocery needs lost when Selby's Market closed.

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Winter and Discontent

bought a fairly routine weapon, a base-model shotgun, and discussed its utility for home defense in a normal, non-threatening, non-warning-flag-arousing manner. He subsequently drove to a mall and killed two young people in a skateboard shop. I don't know what that means or how to prevent it from happening tomorrow, but I'm having a hard time not thinking about it, and it isn't helping me deal with the cold.

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Coakley Steps Down after Sixteen Years of Public Service

town's history. Under his leadership, he has guided the development of the two defining Master Plans for Poolesville. Additionally, he helped develop the town's critically-important water allocation plan and served on the town hall search committee when it moved from the Old Town Hall to the space near Kicks Karate and, of course, through the process of building the new town hall on Whalen Commons. It was noted that, if not for George, the town hall might have been constructed at the corner of Wootton and Fisher Avenues.

The planning commission's role and Coakley's leadership and guidance of it played the central role in the development of Brightwell Crossings and Stony Springs. Other highlights of his contributions can been seen in his work to establish the town's Streetscape Committee, Alternative Energy Ordinance, Wellhead Protection Ordinance, and Ethics Review Board and criteria. Most recently, he helped guide recommendations for town rezoning and mapping which will be on the commissioners' agenda for final decision in the coming weeks.

Commission president Jim Brown, in presenting a plaque of appreciation and flag in a triangular display case to Coakley, noted his heartfelt appreciation for George's hard work and thanked him for "everything you have done, for the advice you have given to me, your fellow committee members, and to the other commissioners, for your unique perspective, and especially for the way you treat people in a fair, honest, and gentle way. It's been an amazing run."

Commissioner Jerry Klobukowski who served with Coakley the longest of the commissioners, noted that while he did not always agree with every recommendation, he considered George to be among the very best of planning commission members and chairmen and that "he and the town will be eternally grateful for his service."

Coakley, in his deliberative and thoughtful style of speaking, thanked the commissioners, town manager, committee participants, and everyone past and present for their help in his efforts. "I got along famously with everyone and always felt they always gave me everything I needed to do the job. It was a real pleasure."

Kevin Schramm was voted to the planning commission, and a new chairman will be decided at the next planning meeting.

Tidbits

WUMCO End of Year Report Upbeat

The Board of Directors of WUMCO received a positive report from its executive director, Jane Stearns, at its annual end-of-the-year meeting on January 15.

Although the organization lost IBM this year as a Thanksgiving donor, others like Boyds Presbyterian Church stepped up to the plate to help with a \$1,000 donation. Covanta once again was bold in its help to WUMCO with not only donating fifteen food baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas, but by also donating \$2,500 for toys for the children.

Lockheed Martin joined in with thirty Thanksgiving dinners as well as joining the annual stalwarts of giving: Monocacy Lions Club, Odd Fellows Lodge #97, St. Peter's Church, Memorial United Methodist, Poolesville Presbyterian, St. Mary's, Our Lady of the Presentation, and Dickerson Methodist Church. Other sponsors included Corporate Network Services, Western Montgomery Charge United Methodist Women, and Wheels of Thunder Motorcycle Club of Silver Spring.

All told, 136 families received a Thanksgiving basket, 158 families received a Christmas basket, and 301 children received toys. Of course, the dedication of Valaree Dickerson, who coordinated the Toy Drive once again this year, was remarkable in acquiring just under 700 toys.

WUMCO distributed over 12,000 pounds of food while helping sixty-eight families in need with housing needs and seventy-three families with help with their utility bills.

The BOD has been on a two-year quest to prepare for a time when the leadership of the Upcounty help organization will change. Of course, the beloved Jane Stearns is going to lead the group for many years to come, but the BOD felt the responsibility to put in motion a plan for whenever the day comes that she can no longer lead. Part of the plan is to establish an office and food

distribution point in Poolesville. While the organization has been in discussions with Memorial United Methodist Church to host the facility at their brick building to the rear of the old rectory home that is on Elgin Road, other groups who might want to have their facilities considered may do so by contacting WUMCO.

Budd Road Park Named

As has already been reported in the Monocle, the town of Poolesville is establishing a new park to host soccer/lacrosse practice at its land on Budd Road. The site surrounds the pump station on Budd. The recommendation from the Parks Board and accepted by the commissioners was to name the park Hoewing Park to honor both Ray and Link Hoewing for their many dedicated years of service to the town.

Ray is a member Board of Directors of WUMCO, co-chair of Helping Hands, leader of Rebuilding Together, member of the steering committee of the Gathering Place Senior Organization, past president of the Poolesville Elementary School PTSA, past member of the Board of Directors of the Poolesville Area Chamber of Commerce, past and long time member of the Poolesville Day Committee, and a lay leader at United Memorial Methodist Church. Ray Hoewing was honored as grand marshal of Poolesville Day. Link has volunteered for many things over the years, including as PTA president, MCPS Cluster Coordinator, Town Planning Commission, town commissioner, and continues to volunteer to help the community today by working on the Poolesville Day committee and Historic Medley, among others.

Smile, You're on Candid Camera

Beginning this past January, several MCPS school buses have been equipped with automated cameras that will capture images of vehicles that pass stopped school buses. MCPS is working with the Montgomery County Police Department in the effort to reduce the number of vehicles

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Tidbits of the Past

By Jack Toomey

January 6, 1949 Jack Rutter's fifteen points sparked Poolesville in a 56-26 defeat of Brunswick on the Poolesville court. Poolesville denied Brunswick a point until well into the second quarter.

January 6, 1949 The school board announced plans to identify 150 "spastic children" living in Montgomery County to provide them the needed services that they deserved. It was said that for the most part, these children were hidden from the public and neighbors because of shame, ignorance, fear of ridicule, and false motives. Dr. Mitchell said that parents "must not hide these children" and urged the parents to enroll the children in schools that can help development.

January 12, 1949 A survey of Montgomery County parents revealed that they preferred a return to the "three Rs." In another matter, the county announced that it would offer parents an insurance policy to protect children from accidents while traveling to and from school and while attending school. The premium was three dollars a year per child.

January 14, 1949 Six Negro ministers and businessmen charged Montgomery County with total disregard for the 8400 Negro students in the county. They

alleged that the conditions of the schools were deplorable and that roads to the (segregated schools) were often impassible. They also demanded that Jim Crow-era signs be removed from restrooms at the county courthouse, the extension of water lines to their rural communities be expedited, and the appointment of Negro policemen be implemented.

January 14, 1949 Newly-promoted Johnny Fyffe scored fourteen points and led Poolesville to a 38-29 victory over Walkers-ville. Fyffe had been on the junior varsity team before that game and impressed his coach and earned the promotion to varsity. Wynne and Hough each scored seven points for Poolesville.

January 16, 1949 It was announced that all county schools, banks, and courts would be closed on January 20 for President Truman's inauguration. Unlike other jurisdictions, Montgomery County had school the next day, a Friday, while other districts had that day off.

January 21, 1949 The Maryland State Float, on the way home from a parade, broke down on the Colesville Pike and could not be moved. Police were assigned to keep an eye on it overnight.

January 23, 1949 Three Maryland boys placed second in the National 4-H Poultry Show held in Boston. The Maryland team was headed by Frank Thompson of Poolesville.

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Town Government Report

include Frederick City, Frederick County, and City of Bowie. The commissioners requested that Stump do more follow-up with the local clients of Civic Plus before a final decision is made at the next town meeting.

The website is expected to improve the town's licensing and permitting processes and all areas of communication which could include video. Once approved, the new site should take from six to eight weeks to be fully operational.

Dots and Ts

The commissioners put some final edits in the Communications

Plan 2014 submitted by Van Eperen and Company, the marketing firm tasked with marketing the town's residential, business, and tourist potential. Their efforts should result in Poolesville being promoted in area newspapers, magazines, and TV/radio. If you aren't careful, you may even show up on Instagram or YouTube. Best not to leave the house without looking your best.

What's in a Name?

Plenty when you are naming a town park. The commissioners decided to go for a twofer in selecting Hoewing Park as the name of the new park on Budd Road, thereby honoring the dedicated work of father and son: Ray and Link.

Local News

County Council Heading for Final Decision on Ten Mile Creek Development

The Montgomery County Council will decide in February on a proposed amendment to the 1994 Clarksburg Master Plan on building homes in the Ten Mile Creek area. The council received a report from its Planning Board last October that would amend the original plan to allow up to 656 new homes to be built on the Pulte and King properties in Clarksburg and Boyds. The area straddles I-270. The planning board's decision has not made either side of the debate happy. Both the developer and environmental groups have rejected the recommendation.

Environmental groups have opposed the board's recommendation citing their concern over potential damage to Ten Mile Creek and Little Seneca Reservoir.

Pulte, on the other hand, had plans to build 1000 homes on its 538-acre property and is displeased with the number of homes recommended.

In its report to the county council, the planning board did recognize that any increase in the developed area within a watershed will result in increased impacts to receiving water bodies, but note their recommendation calls for significantly less development in Ten Mile Creek.

The planning board cites reviews by the environmental staff from the Department of Environmental Protection, WSSC, and Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin that indicated that as a result of the reservoir's limited role in a much larger system, proposed development in the reservoir watershed does not threaten the region's drinking water supply.

Montgomery Countryside Alliance (MCA) disputes these claims and notes on its statement to its members that the planning

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DO WE NEED CLEAN DRINKING WATER?

Normally, we do not need to reflect on an answer to this question. We who live in the AgReserve use fresh and clean well water every day and how often do we think about our regional neighbors down-county? A grim reminder to all of us has been the West Virginia chemical spill that contaminated the drinking water for some 300,000 people and which made a journalist ask the question "whether local communities have a firm grasp on potential threats to drinking water."

So what is this to us? You may have read Sugarloaf's newsletters in the recent past on the importance of the Ten Mile Creek and the Little Seneca Reservoir that is an important backup drinking water supply for the down-county. We have mentioned that the Montgomery Planning Commission has neglected to carry out a scientific study of the pollution of Ten Mile Creek that would certainly result from the massive building projects proposed by several companies for the Clarksburg area.

The recommendations by the Planning Board have now been submitted to the County Council and a Council vote may come as early as February this year. The outcome is still uncertain (because it is an election year?) despite the testimony by a Coalition of 23 organizations and individual residents on the importance of preventing a degradation of Ten Mile Creek.

Recently, the County Executive has taken a step in the right direction to support efforts to save the drinking water supply. In a letter January 9, 2014 the County Executive wrote "protecting the environment is a priority of mine" and "I am committed to protecting Ten Mile Creek" and as a contribution in this sense he has decided not to build on two County properties which would reduce the impervious surface resulting from building and thus "protecting the environmental resources in this watershed."

The Coalition, including Sugarloaf Citizens Association, is urging the members of the County Council "to follow the Executive's example" which would include not approving the Planning Board's recommendations and thus forego development that would degrade Ten Mile Creek.

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that violate the law by passing school buses that are stopped to pick-up or discharge students. When a violation is detected by the camera, and verified by the police, a \$125 ticket will be issued to the owner of the vehicle. The cameras are being placed on buses that serve every part of the county.

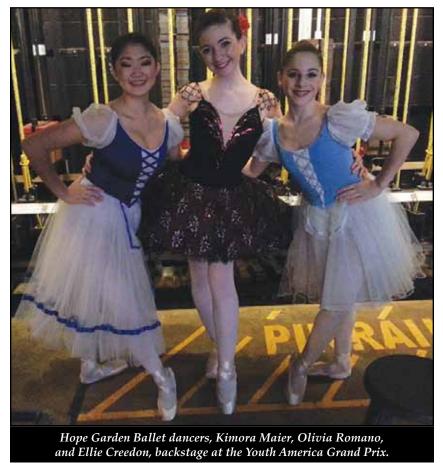
Hope Garden Ballet Shines at YAGP

Dancers from Poolesville's Hope Garden Ballet Children's Theatre (HGBCT) strutted their stuff at the competitive Youth America Grand Prix. "The girls were poised and professional, dancing beautifully," says HGBCT Artistic Director Fran Ichijo.

An ensemble piece that HGBCT dancer Suzanne Creedon choreographed was announced in the top twelve in competition against college-aged kids and some of the best in the Mid-Atlantic Region.

Ellie Creedon and John Foster were also selected in the top twelve ensemble group for their pas de deux, outdoing the only other two classical pas de deux—which were by college students.

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Final Decision on Ten Mile Creek Development

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As part of its preparation for the February meeting, the council held a two-day public hearing last December that had over eighty speakers, with a strong majority voicing objection to the planning board's recommendations. In her statement at the meeting, Caroline Taylor of MCA

"You are being asked to rely on untested, unproven ESD (ecologically sustainable development) technology and modeling, and to disregard best available science to permit development density that is, astonishingly, greater than provided in the 1994 Master Plan and that will result in degradation to Ten Mile Creek."





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Police Blotter: Past and Present

By Jack Toomey

Present Crime

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Past Crime

February 16, 1954 A Bethesda woman was injured when her dog accidentally started the family car which then rolled down the driveway, throwing the woman against a tree. Montgomery County Police said that the housewife was unloading groceries from the car when the dog bounded into the front seat and knocked the car into reverse gear which caused it to roll backwards.

February 19, 1955 The Maryland General Assembly passed a law that would make hunting or carrying firearms while drunk a misdemeanor.

February 22, 1954 A combination of Midwest dust storms and light rain caused the telephone lines of the Montgomery County Police headquarters to short out. As a result, no calls from the public could be received. Captain Carroll Miller then requested that the telephone

company reroute all emergency calls to his house. Captain Miller then received the calls, walked out to a cruiser parked out front, and relayed the call over the cruiser radio. February 26, 1955 A Rockville jury found sixteen-year-old Marion Mosely guilty of murder in the slaying of her seven-year-old half-sister in their Rockville home. Prosecutors said that the child bride drank beer, smoked cigarettes, and was fully aware of the facts of life. Police officers had testified that they found the seven-year-old strangled with a towel. An officer also said that when he arrived at the scene, Moseley asked, "When you strangle someone, do their tongues always stick out?" Moseley, however, testified that she had been playing dress-up with her sister when the death occurred.

February 27, 1955 A fire destroyed the kitchen of the Hunting Hill Baptist Church on Route 28 five miles west of Rockville. The pastor said that the last time that the kitchen had been used was the previous Saturday when the annual oyster and ham dinner was served.

Some of the material in this column was taken from the archives of the Washington Post.

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Hubba, Hubba, Step Right Up and Join our Food Hub

other counties. Hopefully, this means the county can put some money on the table to make things happen sooner rather than later.

The town has very limited land to offer with the solar array taking up one of its larger parcels of land. There is some land on Budd Road, but it is designated for parkland. Looks like our best bet is a good public/ private partnership of effort. For me, most of what I have heard seems very positive. Right now the discussions are still in the upbeat mode, and the downside hasn't come out much at all. More jobs, more farms, more food—what's not to like? Then again, maybe the more we learn, the more we may not like the idea. This is a time for all sides to speak out, and we have some of the best resources and expertise in farming right here to help. We need to hear from everyone as much as possible.

POOLESVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing will be held on February 12, 2014 at 7:30 p.m., Poolesville Town Hall, 19721 Beall Street, Poolesville, Maryland pursuant to Appendix A - Subdivision Regulations, Section 27.E on the commercial site plan application submitted by J.P. Property Investments, LLC for improvements to the site for a proposed tenant Tractor Supply Company located at 19610 Fisher Avenue, Poolesville, Maryland. Copies of this site plan are available for review at Town Hall.



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Focus on Business

The Real and Virtual Worlds of Ed Begley

By Susan Petro

Ed Begley, a mathematical and computational scientist from Poolesville, recognizes that a key stumbling block for many people, both young and old, is math. We fear it, loathe it, or downright avoid it. Our educational and career opportunities are often limited because we don't believe we can master complicated math concepts. According to Begley, "Many people avoid mathematics because they do not understand its relevance to their lives or, worse, suffer anxiety and even distress when they encounter it."

I understand all too well this concept of math anxiety. Although I was quite competent in mathematics in my early years, I became increasingly alienated from the subject after a required seventh grade Probability class. My love of math went downhill from there. Algebra simply did not click with me. I managed to graduate from high school with the bare minimum of math requirements and spent the next few decades avoiding all but the simplest math-related tasks. As a result, my career options were limited.

Eventually, I realized that my career opportunities would be forever stymied if I did not face my fears head-on, go back to school, and complete the required math coursework to obtain a college degree; however, this endeavor did not come without severe anxiety

on my part. In order to pass the mathematics coursework, I had to rely on the help of my teenaged son, my co-workers, and a paid tutor (who clearly thought I was a lost cause). I memorized enough equations to pass my tests but did not develop a true competence in the field. Obviously, I needed some serious Matherapy—exactly the service Begley offers today.

Begley defines Matherapy as a customized approach he takes "to help people develop mathematical literacy within the context of their personal, academic, or professional interests and needs." Begley states, "In the case of Matherapy, the idea is not to tutor individuals or groups in specific areas of mathematics but rather to help people overcome their fears, frustrations, and failures with mathematics so that they can develop the confidence and competence they need to move ahead with their personal, academic, or professional goals." Although Begley offers this service to all age groups, he is especially interested in helping adults who are restarting their educations to advance their professional goals. Begley takes a personalized approach for each client to ensure his/her goals are realized.

Another area of expertise that is dear to Begley's heart is the exploration and experimentation of Virtual World Research, especially in the fields of education and tourism. Begley first began his exploration into the world of virtual reality while working as a research computer scientist for the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). In 2007, he left NIST to pursue his interest in virtual reality

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Youth Sports

PHS Wrestling Rebuilding Year Rewarding

By Dominique Agnew

Last year was a very good year for the Poolesville wrestling team: They won their second straight divisional title and earned the number three seed in the region dual meet championship. They also took their fifth straight trip

format (which requires that wrestlers get ready on their own rather than with their teammates) showed. owever the coaches were Over the years, the team got better, and the coaches gradually dropped the dual meet tournaments in favor of a more rigorous schedule to better prepare for the end-of-season tournaments. The team attended the Bear Cave Brawl at Oakdale, the Damascus Holiday Tournament, and the Grapple at the Brook at Springbrook High School, all high-level wrestling tournaments and grueling competition. With the



PHS wrestler Leon Tsai hard at work. (The wrestling pictures here and on page one were taken by Jacob Abramson and edited by Katie Truppo.)

to the 1A/2A championship at Glenelg High School which features the top four teams from each region. The Falcons had a veteran lineup loaded with experienced seniors that were highly-seeded for the county and region tournaments. They had come a long way since Coaches Kevin Dorsey and Mark Agnew took over the wrestling program at Poolesville eight years ago. At that time, the team did all dual meet tournaments instead of individual tournaments. Dual meet tournaments guarantee seven to eight matches per wrestler; whereas, individual tournaments pose the possibility of wrestling twice, losing twice, and being done. Dual meet tournaments are ideal when you have a team with mostly new and inexperienced wrestlers; however, the coaches quickly became quite aware that their early teams did not seem to know how to prepare for the county tournament at the end of the year. Their lack of experience wrestling in the individual tournament

conclusion of last season, Coaches Agnew and Dorsey were left contemplating what the following season would bring, knowing that their team would be mostly young and inexperienced. They hoped to try to add a dual meet tournament to their schedule (to give the potentially-inexperienced wrestlers more bouts) and drop Springbrook Tournament. Unable to locate a dual meet tournament during that time, they decided on the Winter Blitz Tournament at Prince George's CH Flowers High School.

Fast-forward one year to the start of the 2013-2014 wrestling season, and the Falcons had barely put together a patchwork lineup consisting of only two wrestlers that had been in the varsity lineup the previous year. They still had gaping holes at the 113- and 195-pound weight classes. They finally were able to fill the 195 spot with a first-year wrestler after giving him a few junior varsity matches to gain some experience. The 113-pound spot

was filled by a freshman wrestler who went to weight certification late and had to wait until after December to wrestle. The rest of the lineup consisted of either new wrestlers or those who had wrestled mainly JV the previous year. "If you had asked me before this season started what I thought about how we would do this year, I would have responded that it would be a rebuilding year," says Coach Agnew. "I knew we had a lot of talented sophomores coming back, but we were graduating most of our big guys, and I wasn't sure how we could put it all together."

This season has been a pleasant surprise for everyone. The Falcons just won their third straight division title with a 39-24 win over Rockville, giving them a 5-0 division record and 9-2 overall with their only losses coming against Springbrook, a 34-34 tie that resulted in Poolesville losing due to tie-breaking criteria, and a 70-9 loss to a very-talented, undefeated Damascus team. They still face an extremely tough final

three matches—Sherwood, Northwest, and Quince Orchard—that will determine whether or not they qualify for their fifth straight region dual meet tournament championship. The results for Sherwood, senior night and the last home match, will be too late for the printing of this issue.

Wrestling is not just about the individual wrestlers on the mat, battling mano a mano. The wrestlers and their parents recognize and appreciate the partnership between the coaches—a relationship that creates a symbiosis through all echelons of the team. The coaches demand discipline, commitment—and a lot of hard work. The parents step up to help the coaches and the wrestlers in any manner possible. The wrestlers admire and want to work hard for their coaches-and their teammates. In return, the coaches respect their wrestlers. "We're a young team with a lot of heart, and they wrestle very well as a team,"

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Ed Begley

(VR). "As a researcher involved with scientific information modeling in a laboratory setting," Begley says, "many types of VR applications seem possible."

Today's generation mostly associates the world of VR with video gaming; however, gaming represents only a small fraction of the potential applications in the realm of VR. Begley describes an array of possible educational uses for VR, such as: virtual classrooms and field trips; task-based training simulations such as complex surgical practice and emergency response to hazardous environments that would be too expensive or unsafe in a real-life setting; and visualization assistance in practically every field of study, including space exploration, engineering, history, archaeology, and mathematics. "The technology requires active interaction rather than passivity, which leads to deeper learning and material retention," he explains. "It encourages collaboration; it gives students the flexibility to learn at their own pace, on their own time schedules, and to repeat and review lessons as

often as desired."

To showcase how VR can be used to promote tourism, Begley used his extensive design and development skills to create high-quality and realistic virtual simulations of famous gardens located around the world that can be viewed on his website: www.efbegley.com. "Virtual reality is a form of advertising that raises customer awareness through an interactive, social, always-available, and easily-updated portal to the destination simulation," Begley says.

Begley's revolutionary ideas for promoting math literacy and his extensive knowledge in the field of VR will provide invaluable resources for those looking to take the next step in their personal or professional growth. Whether you are a mathematically-challenged individual looking to restart your education or advance your career; an educational, business, or travel professional seeking to learn how VR applications can move your operations to a new level; or simply curious about the concepts of Matherapy or Virtual World Research, a visit to Begley's website will provide a glimpse of the possibilities that lie ahead.



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PHS Wrestling

says Coach Dorsey. "They're coming together well as a team. I can't emphasize that enough—from 106 all the way to heavyweight."

This cohesive team did very well at the tournament recently at CH Flowers, placing third overall out of nineteen teams behind Paint Branch and two-time defending tournament champ Parkdale. Junior Luke Maher was the champion of the 120-pound weight class. Finishing second were junior David Frendlich at 138, senior Noah Blaker at 152, and junior Chase Garrett at 182. Freshman Brian Truppo and junior Dmitri Agnew finished third at the 106- and 126-pound weight classes, respectively. Freshman Christopher Danna finished fourth in the 113-pound weight class. Junior Michael Bent advanced to the semifinal round by winning his first two matches but was injured during a match and had to default out of the

tournament. Junior Joe Mansfield placed sixth overall at the 220-pound weight class, and first-year wrestler sophomore Kyle Wilkins finished sixth in the 285-pound weight class.

The goal for the rest of the season for the team is to qualify and win the 1A/2A South Region dual meet tournament and to qualify all fourteen wrestlers for the individual region tournament being held at Southern High School on March 1.

The JV county wrestling tournament will be held at Gaithersburg High School on Saturday, February 15, and the varsity county tournament will be held the following week on Friday and Saturday, also at Gaithersburg High School. The expectations for this season have gone up since the season began, and there is no longer talk of rebuilding. Now the wrestlers are simply building on the momentum they have gained coming down the homestretch of their surprisingly-successful season.



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AHOP Entertainment Night

DJ Slim Pickens. 8:30 p.m.

February 4

Cugini's Entertainment: Trivia Family Night

Register: 6:30 p.m., games: 7:00 p.m. February 5

Community Dinner

Poolesville Memorial Methodist invites one and all to its first of several community dinners scheduled for 2014 at the church at 17821 Elgin Road. The menu will feature tacos with plenty of fixings and sides, as well as dessert and Starbucks coffee. 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

AHOP Entertainment Night

Trivia Night

7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. DJ at 9:00 p.m. February 6

Join the 2014 Poolesville **Day Committee**

It's hard to believe, but the first Poolesville Day Committee meeting for the 2014 event is scheduled for the Poolesville Town Hall. Anyone interested in joining the committee is encouraged to come. 7:30 p.m.

PHS Home Varsity Sports

Girls' basketball versus Northwest. 7:00 p.m.

February 7 & 8

AHOP Entertainment Night

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February 7

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February 9

Historic Medley Annual Meeting Open to members and all persons interested in learning more about the mission and activities of the guardians of the John Poole House, Old Town Hall Bank Museum, and Seneca Schoolhouse. Refreshments. Old Town Hall. 3:00 p.m.

February 11

PHS Home Varsity Sports

Boys' basketball versus Einstein. 5:15 p.m.

Girls' basketball versus Einstein. 7:00 p.m.

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February 12

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Cugini's Fundraiser for JPMS Phantom Players

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February 14

PHS Home Varsity Sports

Boys' basketball versus Seneca Valley. 5:15 p.m.

Girls' basketball versus Seneca Valley. 7:00 p.m.

Valentine's Day

Special menu offers at Bassett's, Cugini's (including heart-shaped pizza at Cugini's), and AHOP.

Garden

The Throwaway Society

By Maureen O'Connell

Adam Minter is an American journalist who is currently the Shanghai correspondent Bloomberg World News. His new book Junkyard Planet: Travels in the Billion-Dollar Trash Trade was published in the United States November 12, 2013. When I was in London last week, I attended a talk Mr. Minter gave about his book at the Royal Geographic Society. He speaks about trash with a degree of authority as he was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota to a family of scrap dealers. He learned everything about the business and developed a passion for reporting about it. In his book, he takes us on a journey around the world's scrap yards, providing an incredible amount of information and human interest stories about the hidden world of globalized recycling from the United States to China to points in between. This is a \$500 billion business that touches the lives of ragpickers to street bin scavengers to scrap metal trader millionaires. Recycling is the world's largest industry after agriculture. Everything from discarded Christmas tree lights from a home in Barnesville to tons of unwanted cars, appliances, mobile phones, computers, television sets, and everything else someone does not want goes into shipping containers in U.S. ports and are shipped to places such as China where giant machines pulverize, grind, strip, and shred the world's unwanted goods and glean the raw materials that are needed to make new, shiny products to sell back to the countries from where the trash came. Why don't we do all of this in the U.S.? It is cheaper to send a filled container, which delivered finished goods to the U.S., halfway around the world to a small town in China than it is to ship it to North Carolina.

Is the world, especially the U.S., producing more trash than we did years ago? Yes, we increasingly live in a Throwaway

Society where many industries survive on and engineer products with planned obsolescence. We protect our investments by buying extended warranties. We have become greedier: More people want shiny, new cars, the newest mobile phone or iPad, and bigger appliances and television sets with all the bells and whistles. Junkyard Planet provides us with amazing figures that show that this junk recycling phenomenon is not limited to the rich, developed countries. As China's economy grows, a middle class is starting to grow and to want more of the world's gadgets and conveniences. Between 2000 and 2008, China's pre-packaged food industry grew by eleven percent. In 2010, China was the biggest consumer of computers and electronic gadgets; today China throws out 160 million appliances every year.

Adam Minter has traveled the world visiting junkyards and recycling-processing factories. In his book, he focuses on the U.S. and China and their relationship in this high-end industry. He began his talk at the Royal Geographic Society by asking the audience a question: "What really happens to your Christmas tree lights when you recycle them? That's a question I've been asking since 2011 on my first visit to Shijiao, a small town in China that I call the Christmas Tree Light Recycling Capital of the World." Every year, twenty million pounds of discarded holiday lights make their way to Shijiao. Imagine the scale of this when you think of the weight of a single strand of a Christmas tree light. Minter describes seeing hay balesized blocks of compacted tree light strands, each weighing more than a ton, in factories waiting to be processed into products such as slipper soles.

Though China is by far the world's largest recipient of throwaways from other countries, it is now the world's largest generator of garbage. The U.S. is still four to five times more wasteful on a per capita basis. In his book, Minter poses the question: Why does most U.S. trash go to China? Surprisingly, it is not because of China's low

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The Throwaway Society

cost of labor and weak environmental protection laws (at least, not primarily). It is because China's booming factories increasingly require more and more raw materials to produce all their stuff. If you look at the label of a piece of clothing you are now wearing, there is a very good chance the label reads: Made in China.

The vast amount of information that Minter provides begs the question: Are there pros and cons to recycling, and is there a morality tale in this globalization of junk? Is it the old story of the rich getting richer on the backs of the labor of the poorest people in the poorest countries? Minter does not see the global scrap trade business as a tale of good and evil. He sees it as a thriving eco-friendly business that is a core element of the world economy. It provides many people with jobs (some of them with good pay) and reduces the number of landfills and new mining operations. He believes that Waste Harvesting works, "not because it is ethical," but because (and here comes the bottom line) it makes money. In today's world, the recycling process creates a product that is a "commodity, nothing more, nothing less."

Despite Minter's enthusiastic statistics and stories, he is not blind to the problems of the global scrap trade. He points out that his story is often viewed in the U.S. through a moral lens. Americans feel that they are doing their part to keep the planet green by dutifully placing their used Diet Coke can in a recycling bin. He feels that belief is too simple minded. All the recycling in the world cannot change the fact that we all need to consume less stuff. We must find the proper balance between consuming and conserving.

Minter's book raises many questions, but it prods us to think more carefully about our throw-it-away-and-buy-new society. It is well worth the read.

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Remembrance

Jean T. Schultz

Jean Thomas Schultz died on January 11, 2014 at the age of 88.

Jean was born in Washington, D.C. in 1925. Her parents had moved from Charlottesville, Virginia to D.C. for better jobs. Both parents worked for the Government Printing Office, her father, in the bookbinding division for over fifty years, and her mother as a proofreader.

Jean and her older brother Ray grew up in D.C. and attended Roosevelt High School. When Ray went off to war, Jean attended George Washington University and worked part time at Stott's Office Supply Company. During the war, the family received a letter stating Ray was missing in action. He was a medic and his unit had strayed behind enemy lines. Jean was very close to her brother and often said this was the worst time in her life. Luckily, he was found alive, the only remaining soldier in his unit.

As the war escalated, Jean left college to work full time since so

many positions were vacated by the men who left for war. She took a full time position at Stott's. Years later, Jean met Bob Schultz, who had just returned to Stott's where he had worked prior to his service in WWII. It is reported that when he walked back into the office, he saw Jean and immediately said to everyone, "I'm going to ask that girl out."

Jean and Bob were married in 1946. They bought a house in Gaithersburg and had two daughters. In 1961, they bought a bigger house in Silver Spring so they could take in Jean's father who was now a widower. Six months after moving in, their house was destroyed by fire caused by a nail that was accidentally driven into a wire in the attic. Jean was the only resident on the block that had purchased fire insurance. They were able to live off their savings for six months until the insurance company finished its investigation and gave them their first refund check. Jean and Bob knew how to save money for the what-ifs in life.

The bigger house in Silver Spring was always a home for relatives that needed to stay for a short time or longer. Their door was

always open. Sometimes, whoever was the guest at the time would help Jean with the cooking, since Jean worked full time for Bob as his bookkeeper for over thirty years.

As Bob got closer to retirement, he followed his Farming Dream out to Poolesville, where they purchased some land, raised berries, and red maple trees. This quickly became a family project, especially when the berries needed to be picked and sold.

Jean loved living in Poolesville and helping Bob with his crops. She was fortunate to have lived next door to her eldest daughter and grandchildren and was very much a part of their childhood activities. Jean was the consummate Poolesville Fan.

Mrs. Schultz was a big supporter of UMAC baseball, the Merchants Basketball program, and Poolesville High School athletics.

Jean was a card player and she belonged to several bridge clubs. She especially loved hosting those events in her home.

She leaves her husband Robert of Frederick, her daughters Jan (Aaron) and Carla, two grandchildren, Matthew (Katie), and Karen (Sean), and a great-granddaughter.



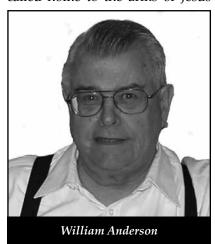
She was predeceased by her brother Raymond.

Mrs. Jean Schultz will be missed by her family and friends. She leaves a legacy of being an incredibly kind, honest, and loving person who had a witty yet generous spirit to all.

Donations in Mrs. Schultz's name may be made to the Country Meadows Coworker Foundation, 5955 Quinn Orchard Rd., Frederick, MD, 21704 or to the Montgomery County Humane Society.

William P. Anderson

William Potter Anderson, 81, of Gaithersburg was born in Bethesda on May 27, 1932 and was called home to the arms of Jesus



on January 17, 2014 after a brief illness. He was the son of the late Mary Potter Anderson, the first public health nurse in Montgomery County and the late Otto Watson Anderson, the first

Montgomery County Farm Agent. He graduated from Gaithersburg High School and later from the University of Maryland. During his service in the army, Bill was stationed in Germany for three years. After an honorable discharge in 1957, he began several entrepreneurships including Anderson & Kelly, located in Boyds. Bill ran for the Montgomery County Council and the House of Delegates. As an active member in the community, Bill participated in the Farmers Club, the Farm Bureau, serving as president for five years, the Montgomery County Agricultural Fair, the Monocacy Lions Club, the Tax Payers League, and as a former president of the Lions Club Eye Bank. He participated in many land use and agriculture committees and served on several bank boards. He obtained his pilot's license around the age of sixty and enjoyed aviation. He is survived by his loving and

devoted wife of fifty-eight years, Sue S. Anderson; his three children: daughter Pamela and husband Ron Spadin of Poolesville, and their son Gavin and his wife Kathryn; daughter Mary Lu and husband Christopher Jones of Barnesville, and their four children, Emily and her husband Andrew Cuga, Marjory, Logan, and Meredith; son Otto Anderson

and his wife Kristy of North Carolina, and their three children Ava, Sophia, and Farrah.

Bill also leaves two sisters: Sally Hitchcock and husband Bill, and Grace Beacham and husband Bob.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Bill's name to the American Diabetes Association (www.diabetes.org).



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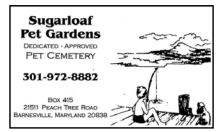


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The Nose Knows

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For many years there have been anecdotal (unsubstantiated) accounts of dogs, mostly, being able to identify specific abnormal tissues or fluids coming from a human body. There have been reports of dogs identifying cancer cells in the skin before any evidence of a tumor was present. There have been stories of dogs identifying internal organ disease from what seemed to be otherwise normal body waste. We have known for over 150 years that our canine friends possess the most amazing noses. Dogs can smell scents in parts per trillion. Some of them are capable of finding one drop of blood in enough water to fill 200 swimming pools.

In 1989, the possibility that an animal's Nose Knows gained global attention when a letter to the editor from two dermatologists was published in the medical journal, The Lancet. The letter stated that their patient's dog wouldn't leave alone a small mole on the patient's leg. The dog continued to fuss at the mole until, one day, she pounced on and bit at it. The dog ignored other moles on the same patient's arm. The patient insisted that the mole be biopsied. It turned out to be an early malignant melanoma.

There has been an increase over the last 20 years of now-specialized animal trainers called "Medical Scent Detection Experts". Dogs that excel at this type of service are all shapes and sizes. They have a very high play drive and a very high affinity for being with people. A current study of nine specifically-trained dogs that detect early ovarian cancer found positive correlation in over 95% of the screened patients.



Could your family friend be a medical scent detector? Several websites can give you guidelines on finding expert detection trainers and determining if your pet has the characteristics. Google "Medical Scent Detection K9" to see more information. Good sniffing.



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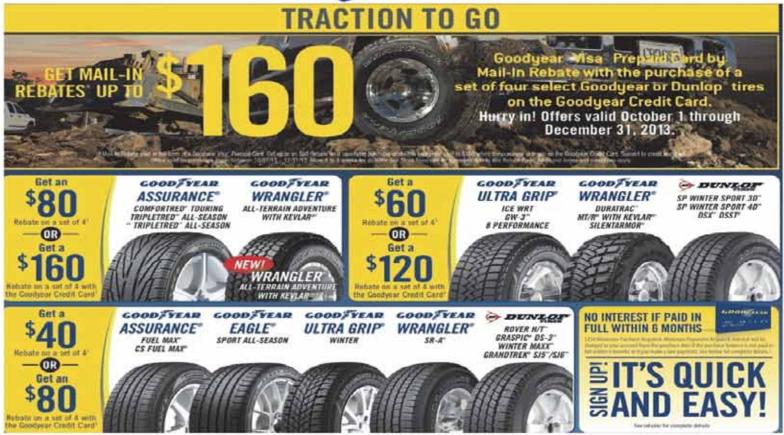
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