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Somtochukw Aniagboso
enjoys the games and
music at the Potomac
Community Center's
outdoor movie night on
Friday, Sept. 26.

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PHOTOS BY DEBORAH STEVENS/THE ALMANAC

A crowd gathers for the outdoor movie showing of "Rio 2."

Outdoor Movie Night



Natasha Thamundruxsat and her grandmother, Addie, eat hot dogs.



The Aniagboso family attend movie night at the Potomac Community Center.



Zedanin Benschoter enjoys the inflatable slide.



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Park After Dark Draws Capacity Crowd

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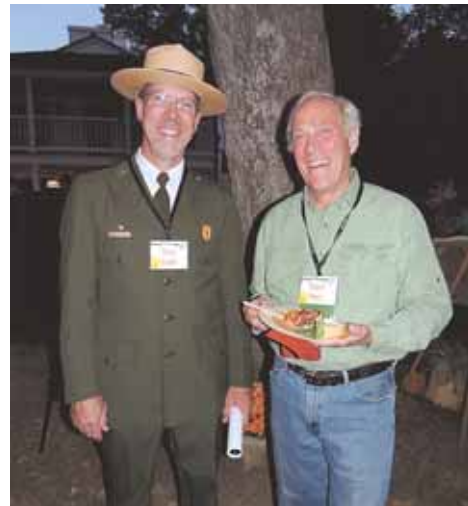
BY SUSAN BELFORD
THE ALMANAC

As the crowd entered the Historic Great Falls Tavern on a balmy September evening, they were greeted by park rangers Mike Griffin and Ned Noddard showing off a bright red 1952 Chevy truck. Since the event celebrated the 60th anniversary of Chief Justice William O. Douglas's walk of the entire 184.5 mile C&O Canal with editors from the Washington Post, a life-like photo of Douglas provided photo opportunities for attendees. The Canal mules, a roaring bonfire, plenty of grog, chili and corn bread and music by "Trouble Brewin" set the mood for the 4th annual Park After Dark celebration and fund-raiser.

The "Pot for Potholes" brimmed with donations for the Towpath resurfacing joint stewardship program between the C&O Canal Trust and the C&O Canal National Historical Park. This money will fund the Towpath Crew's repairs to the towpath, including both small potholes and major wash-outs like the Clear Spring breach. These repairs cost approximately \$5,000 to fund for one week or work. The goal was to raise \$60,000.

Chief Justice Douglas's widow, Cathy Douglas Stone, shared that coming back to the event was a "sentimental journey" for her. "Bill would walk on the canal every weekend and often he would come down here when he wanted to mull over some complex matters," she said. "This is the people's park and I have wonderful memories of the time we spent here."

Richard Marriott was presented with the Stewardship Award for his continued support of the Canal Trust. "I have traveled all over Europe and the world, but there is no more beautiful place than this C&O Canal. I walk and bike on the towpath daily when



Kevin Brandt, superintendent of the C&O National Park, with volunteer Robert Mertz enjoying Park After Dark.



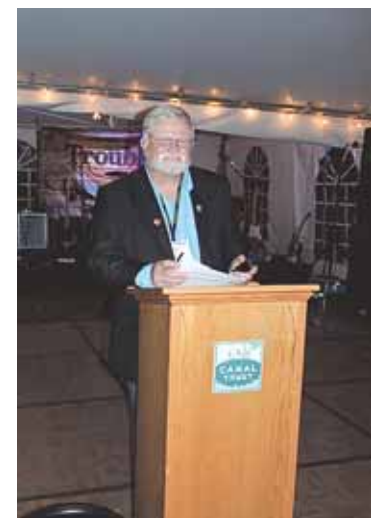
Lisa Berray, Mark Myers and Elizabeth Buchanan with Eva, the mule.



Sarah Madden, niece of Merlo Pusey, historical editor of the Washington Post who accompanied Chief Justice Douglas on the famous walk.



Kevin Brandt and MJ Veverka give the Stewardship Award to Richard Marriott.



Mike Mitchell, incoming chairman of the board.

I am in town. I am pleased that I can help preserve this fabulous national asset and keep it safe for all who use it."

First-time Park After Dark guest Sarah Madden was thrilled to be there. "My uncle Merlo Pusey was the historical editor for the Washington Post," she said. "He wrote

an editorial in favor of building a national highway from Georgetown to Harper's Ferry. However, after seeing Douglas's letter challenging the editors to join him in walking the entire canal – and then joining the walk, he did a complete about-face in his views, and wrote a second editorial sup-

porting turning the C&O Canal into protected land and denouncing the building of a highway." She also chatted with Cathy Douglas Stone who told her when Justice Douglas and Uncle Merlo went on the historic walk, that Douglas helped Uncle Merlo

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The band Trouble Brewin' entertains the crowd.



A fire was available for toasting marshmallows.

OPINION

Think Longscapes, Not Landscapes

BY SUSANNE LEE
WMCCA PRESIDENT

Trees: What's not to love? They provide amazing beauty, shade, and moisture to cool our homes and photosynthesis to provide food for wildlife and people. They filter our drinking water and air; trap nutrient-laden sediment run-off before it reaches the Potomac and the Bay; stabilize stream beds; sequester pollutants; increase biodiversity and property values; and, remove carbon dioxide, a greenhouse gas, from the air.

And wow — do we have trees. The Potomac Subregion is home to not just the C&O Canal, stream valley and other local parks, but also very good neighbors who value trees, plant them, and fight to protect them. But this year, in addition to tree loss due to land development, PEPCO's tree removal and trimming activities have left great holes, and in some cases, changed the entire character of portions of neighborhoods, even prompting some neighbors to file legal action for violating their property rights.

We leave aside the lingering question of whether the gigantic amount PEPCO continues to spend for cutting trees and installing new taller poles could not have been better spent, at least in some neighborhoods, on just burying the lines. Instead, we at WMCCA are redoubling our previous efforts to not just maintain our "green wedge," but increase it, especially the tree canopy and forested areas. We are influenced by the many who have documented the benefits of "greening up," not just particular spaces such as the Potomac Village, but encouraging connectivity, corridors, between green spaces, especially canopied forested areas.

E.O. Wilson, the preeminent evolutionary biologist (think ants) and champion of

biodiversity, in an interview in the September 2014 Smithsonian Magazine, promotes the concept of setting aside half the earth for protection of species other than humans. He and others have proven that separate tracts of land, even if very large, are in essence like isolated island habitats.

Over time, they are inadequate to preserve species. Instead, what has proven successful, and what he and others advocate, is linking up national and local parks and private land in cores and corridors — longscapes not landscapes — to increase the possibilities for plant and animal biodiversity and their successful adaptations to climate change. We cannot begin to engage on the scale Wilson is promoting; however, the concepts hold true on smaller parcels as well.

Fortunately, the Montgomery County Planning Department already has excellent tools for identifying key environmental features, such as tree canopy, and ways in which to identify and address critical environmental issues: <http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/environment/#forests>. WMCCA plans to use this information to better inform our decisions about what future activities and actions would be most effective. We begin with a program in October on the important new tree canopy protection statutes. Given the adverse impact of deer on the forest understory, the speaker for the November meeting will address the new deer hunting statute. Please join us at our monthly meetings. In the meantime, we challenge you all to plant more trees, protect the ones you have, and in at least a little portion, if not half of your property, "to get your wild on."

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

BY GINNY BARNES:

❖ Horizon Hill - Glen Mill Road and

WMCCA Meeting

The next meeting of the West Montgomery County Citizens Association will be held at the Potomac Community Center on Wednesday, Oct. 8, at 7:15 p.m. If schools are closed because of inclement weather, the meeting will be cancelled.

The speaker will be Mark Etheridge, manager, Water Resources Section of the Department of Permitting Services. Montgomery County has a Forest Conservation Law which applies to properties of 40,000 sq.ft. or larger. But smaller properties, particularly in older neighborhoods now undergoing redevelopment, have seen tree loss severe enough to affect community character. In the summer of 2013, the County Council passed two pieces of legislation intended to provide additional protection for trees on smaller lots (Bill 35-12, Tree Canopy Conservation) as well as trees in the roadside right of way (Bill 41-12). Both went into effect earlier this year. How do each of them impact your property, the street where you live, or any plans you may have to make structural improvements on your property? Etheridge is currently responsible for compliance with these bills and will talk about how they function, who they apply to, and how they are being enforced. The public is welcome to attend.

Red Barn Lane - The development proposal for four lots has been stalled because the applicant does not wish to use Red Barn Lane for all the needed driveways and seeks an additional driveway off Glen Mill Road parallel to an existing driveway which serves several homes. Because Glen Mill Road is a Rustic Road, the Rustic Roads Advisory Committee reviewed the request but did not support the single driveway, nor did the planning staff. The applicant wishes to move forward and let the Planning Commission decide in an upcoming hearing, but there is a specimen tree subject to a waiver. The waiver application needs approval from the Department of Environmental Protection. WMCCA opposes the additional driveway and the waiver to remove the tree.

❖ **Hannibal Farms - 12001 Glen Road** - Proposed development across from the Glenstone Museum that is currently being expanded. The majority of this large, RE-2 zoned property has already been through subdivision for 15- 17 lots though none have been sold. Moving forward would require that additional roads be constructed. However, a remnant portion along Glen Road, which did not previously perc, is being retested by the owner with an eye toward further subdivision. The applicant is also seeking public water. The property is outside the sewer envelope and will be on septic.

GLEN HILLS SEWER STUDY

BY SUSANNE LEE

According to Alan Soukup, the Montgomery County Department of Environmental Protection staff director for the Glen Hills Sewer Study, DEP has finalized its recommendations regarding the study. The next step is a meeting to present them to County Executive Isiah Leggett for his decision regarding forwarding them to the Montgomery County Council. He stated that the recommendations are still secret and have not been disclosed to anyone outside DEP. They will not be shared with the public, any members of the County Council, or even the Citizens Advisory Committee appointed by DEP, until the County Executive decides when and in what form to do so.

See WMCCA.org.

Writing Contest

The Gaithersburg Book Festival has launched its fifth annual short story contest for Washington, D.C., area high school students. To participate in the short story contest, individuals must be enrolled in grades 9-12 at a public or private school, or in a homeschool program, for the 2014-15 school year, and reside in Maryland, Virginia or the District of Columbia. Stories must be no longer than 1,000 words and must be inspired by one of the three photographs posted on the Gaithersburg Book Festival website.

Stories must be submitted as a Word document to writingcontest@gaitersburgbookfestival.org by midnight ET on Feb. 20, 2015.

Up to 12 stories will be selected as finalists and posted on the Gaithersburg Book Festival website prior to the Book Festival. The first-, second- and third-place winners will be announced at the Festival on Saturday, May 16, 2015, and will be awarded \$100, \$50 and \$25 gift certificates, respectively, courtesy of the Johns Hopkins University Montgomery County Campus. The three photographs, plus complete rules and regulations for the contest, can be found online at <http://gaitersburgbookfestival.org/gbf-programs/short-story-contest/>.

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ALTERNATE POLLING PLACES

Voters in Maryland are assigned to a specific polling place. This is important because there are different local contests on the ballot. However, voters may request a different polling place for two reasons — accessibility concerns or religious principles.

❖ Accessibility Concerns: For the 2014

Gubernatorial Elections, all Montgomery County polling places are compliant with Maryland State Board of Elections accessibility guidelines. Contact the Board of Elections if there is concern about a specific disability.

❖ Religious Principles: If an assigned polling place is a religious institution, and entering that site conflicts with a voter's religious beliefs and practices, the voter may request a nearby polling place. Reassignment request forms are available from the Maryland State Board of Elections at http://www.elections.state.md.us/pdf/Request_for_Accessible_Polling_Place.pdf, by calling

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OBITUARY

Kurt Hupe Dies

BY CISSY FINLEY GRANT
THE ALMANAC

Kurt Howard Hupe, former Potomac resident, died suddenly Aug. 31, in Portland, Ore. He was 45.

Born in Mountain View, Calif, Hupe was the son of Patricia Gignilliat of Savannah, Ga. and Howard H. Hupe of Sequim, Wash. When living in Potomac, Hupe was a student at Landon School and attended St. Francis Episcopal Church where his mother was a member of the church choir.

A close friend of the family, Marilyn Shockey, of Potomac, said, "Kurt found it hard to accept injustices in this world. He turned his brilliant energy toward contribution: ecological design and engineering; sustainability, and above all, trees and wood."

Hupe, was a graduate of Duke University where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics with a minor in biological anthropology and a Master's Degree in environmental management.

His mother, speaking from her home in Savannah, said her son spoke French, Spanish, German and Arabic. He was also known as a talented singer and artist.

During his professional career Hupe served as director and communications specialist for land trusts, guided investors to support ethical investments, spoke at the United Nations about ethical trade and created wood sculptures out



Hupe

of reclaimed timber.

One of his wood sculptures will be donated to the Duke University Nicholas School of

Environment.

At the time of his death Hupe was in the process of writing two books, "Twisted and Untwisted," a nonfiction related to healing physical and psychic injuries and "Two Dogs" a short story about his beloved "Guru" and "Dogwood." He was also choreographing a ballet opera.

Shockey recalled, "He sent a card a week before his death where he wrote: 'I know beauty will continue to unfold. I know Love with flourish. And, I know we must gruel sometimes to get to our joy. P.S. Never used gruel as a verb before. Works.'"

Additional survivors include his stepfather Heyward Gignilliat, of Savannah, and his sister Pallas Hupe Cotter, of Wellington, New Zealand.

Donations in memory of Kurt Hupe may be made to "Kurt Care" and will benefit the Oregon Humane Society, the Rainforest Alliance or the Ponheary Ly Foundation. They may be mailed to c/o 116 East McDonough Street, Savannah, GA 31401.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Montgomery County Volunteer Center. 12900 Middlebrook Road, #1600, Germantown. The volunteer center is in need of volunteers to help villages grow into organizations. Training and individual assistance will be provided. Email the Volunteer Center's pro bono consultant program or visit www.montgomeryserves.org/volunteers/pro-bono-consulting-program.

Parks need support from the surrounding communities for volunteers to work at many visitor centers. Volunteers are needed to help visitors, take phone calls, operate the cash register and keep small gift shop stocked, and assist with special events and programming. For Great Falls or Georgetown, contact Becca Jameson at 301-767-3709 or rebecca_jameson@nps.gov.

LET'S TALK Real Estate



by Michael Matese

The Secret to Successful Buying

There's an old secret to buying a new home that Realtors® have known for years. Don't buy the most expensive property in the community. This secret is a tactic that's been tested and proven over time, and if you follow it while shopping for your dream home, you'll be investing in both your home and your future possibilities for its resale value. While it's appealing to buy a home in a well-established community full of modern homes and meticulously maintained lawns, what happens to that neighborhood in a soft market? What would the ramifications be for your home, valued highest in the neighborhood, is suddenly flanked on all sides by a slew of lesser-valued homes? What happens is this: your perfectly maintained home will be undermined, despite its state-of-the-art amenities, its sleek, modern kitchen and its impressive whirlpool tubs. Your ability to sell your home will be compromised by its proximity to a number of lesser-priced homes, while those same homes will benefit from their proximity to your home. In a market evaluation, this phenomenon is called the negative effect. As a home buyer, it's incredibly important to be informed and educated in home value trends and the real estate market, especially in light of the turbulence of recent years. Every home is an investment, so make sure you engage the services of a professional Realtor® to help you make an informed, well-planned decision and don't forget to keep the secret of successful buying in mind as your tour your potential dream home.

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HomeLifeStyle PULLOUT: Deadline is 9/25/14.....10/8/14
A+ Camps & Schools.....10/15/14
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NOVEMBER

Election Day is Tuesday, November 4.

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HomeLifeStyle.....11/12/14
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A+11/25/14
Thanksgiving is November 27.

DECEMBER

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HomeLifeStyle: Home for the Holidays.....12/10/14
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ONGOING

“Stuart Little.” Through Sunday, Oct. 26 at Adventure Theatre MTC, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo, in the historic Glen Echo Park. Stuart Little is no ordinary mouse. Born to a family of humans, he lives in New York City with his parents, his older brother George, and Snowbell the cat. Children under the 12 months are free. Tickets are \$19 each, with group and field trip rates available, and can be purchased by calling 301-634-2270 or online at www.adventuretheatre-mtc.org.
Art Lecture Series. Runs from Oct. 25-Nov. 15 at the Arcade Building Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. Four veteran and award photographers will talk about their work and passion for the telling image. Email photoworks.gallery@gmail.com.

CAMPS, CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Golf Group Lessons. “Get Golf Ready”, a series of five, 60-90 minute group golf lessons is designed for those who have never played the game or want to brush up on their fundamentals. Price varies depending on location. Area locations hosting lessons include Falls Road Golf Course, Potomac; Needwood Golf Club, Rockville; and Northwest Golf Course, Silver Spring. Visit GetGolfReady.com for more.
Art Explorers Open Studio. Every Saturday, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at The Candy Corner Studio, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Art activities for parents and children. Activities change weekly and there is no pre-registration; \$10 per child. Visit www.glenechopark.org/saturday-art-explorers for more.
Ceramic Classes. Various dates and times. VisArts, 155 Gibbs St, Rockville. An opportunity to try the new ceramic workshops. For a limited time, the price is \$20 instead of \$30. Use PLATTER20 when registering. Visit www.visartsatrockville.org/ceramics.

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 1

Yappy Hour. 5-8 p.m. at Redwood Restaurant, 7121 Bethesda Lane. Features will include new American fare, locally grown food, organic food, a wine cellar and café seating. Proceeds benefit MCHS’ work on behalf of homeless animals. Visit www.mchumane.org for more.
Reservation Deadline. Book and author event takes place Oct. 15 at Norbeck Country Club, 17200 Cashell Road, Rockville. Brandeis National Committee Greater Washington Chapter Book and Author Luncheon. E-mail Laura.leppie244@yahoo.com.

FRIDAY-SATURDAY/OCT.3-4

Country House Tour and Festival. Friday, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday, noon-5 p.m. at Francis Episcopal Church, 10033 River Road. House tours and various activities will be offered during this event. Visit www.potomaccountryhousetour.org for more.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/OCT.4-5

Art Presentation. 5-7 p.m. at the Glen Echo Gallery. Luis Bitencourt will present “Visions,” a selection of his recent artwork. Open to the public. Call 301-492-6229 or e-mail the artist at bitencourt.luis@gmail.com.

SATURDAY/OCT. 4

Avenel Flea Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Avenel Swim & Tennis Club, 10001, Oaklyn Drive, Potomac. First annual Avenel Flea Market. Please visit www.avenelswimandtennisclub.com

SUNDAY/OCT. 5

Waltz Dance. 2:45-3:30 p.m. Waltz Workshop, 3:30-6 p.m. Dance. Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Begins with 30 minutes introductory Waltz workshop followed by a more advanced move presented for the last 15 minutes of the dance lesson. Social dancing follows. Admission is \$10. No partner required. Call Joan Koury at 202-238-0230 or Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222, visit www.waltztimedances.org or email info@waltztimedances.org.
Book Signing. 4-6 p.m. at Potomac Grocer, 10107 River Road. Carla Hall from “The Chew” will be signing copies of her cookbooks. Visit www.carlahall.com for more.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 5-6

Potomac Country Vintage Arts Festival. Event kickoff, Oct. 5, 4-7 p.m. and the Arts Festival, Oct. 6, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at St. Francis Episcopal Church, 10333 River Road, Potomac. This event is organized by Saint Francis Episcopal Church to help raise funds for dozens of local charities. Visit www.potomaccountryhousetour.org for listing of activities and this year’s schedule.

FRIDAY/OCT. 10

Art Walk in the Park. Every second

Friday May through October, 6-8 p.m. at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Artist demonstrations, refreshments, open studios and galleries. Free. Visit www.glenechopark.org for more.

SATURDAY/OCT. 11

Potomac Library Book Sale. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. 10101 Glenolden Dr., Potomac. The Potomac Library Book Sale is sponsored by the Friends of the Library, Potomac Chapter. Books will be on sale, hardbacks \$1 and most paperbacks \$.50. Call 240-777-0690 or 301-765-4083 or visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov/Library/branches/potomac.html.
Montgomery Modern Bike Tour. 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Newport Middle School, 11311 Newport Mill Road, Kensington. The 13.5-mile route will follow the Rock Creek Park trail through entire subdivisions of contemporary homes designed in the 1950s. Interested tour participants are required to bring their own bicycles and wear helmets. Visit haiapv.org/event/montgomery-modern-bike-tour-2 for more.
The 25th Annual Taste of Bethesda. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. held in Bethesda’s Woodmont Triangle. Located three blocks from the Bethesda Metro. Sixty restaurants and five stages of entertainment will be present for the Taste of Bethesda, along with a kids corner with face paint and arts and crafts. Admission is free. Taste tickets sold in bundles of 4 for \$5. Call 301-215-6660 or visit www.bethesda.org for more.

SUNDAY/OCT. 12

Great Chefs Community Cooking

Series Launch. 3-5 p.m. 6101 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda. Bethesda Jewish Congregation launches its cooking series with Chef Todd and Ellen Kassoff Gray. Visit bethesdajewish.org/registration.

TUESDAY/OCT. 14

Nocturnal Neighbors Festival. 5 p.m. -8 p.m. at Locust Grove Nature Center. Visit www.MontgomeryParks.org.
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Sugarloaf Crafts Festival. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Montgomery County Fairgrounds, 16 Chestnut St., Gaithersburg. Admission: adults \$8; \$10 at the door, free for children under 12. Live music, children’s entertainment and food will be available to sample and buy as well as handcrafted goods. Visit www.sugarloa crafts.com or call 800-210-9900.

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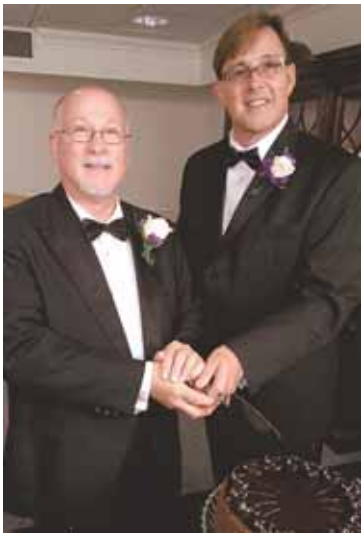

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PEOPLE



Stephen Welsh and TJ Cannady renewed their vows.



The Sarah and Carmen Facciobene Family: The children enjoyed seeing their parents renew their vows.



Todd and Angie Bardwell and family

PHOTOS BY BOB PETERSON AND SUSAN BELFORD



Peggy and Dick Conn of Potomac have been married 62 years.



The Jacobs have married each other two separate times.



Pastor Ann Laprade and her husband Tom of 18 years also renewed their vows.

'This Is My Solemn Vow ...' Potomac United Methodist Church holds Renewal of Vows ceremony.

BY SUSAN BELFORD
THE ALMANAC

When Peggy Conn suggested to her husband of 62 years that they participate in a Renewal of Marriage Vows ceremony with other couples from the Potomac United Methodist Church, her husband Dick responded, "I had no idea our marriage had expired."

The Conns, along with 17 other couples, celebrated and paid tribute to their spouses, marriages and families. Couples who had been married from one to 62 years convened in the sanctuary of the church along with the church's choir, choral director Rosemary Dyer and Pastor Ann Laprade, families and friends. Pastor Ann Laprade and

her husband Tom also reaffirmed their vows. They have been married 18 years.

"I want to sanctify these couples. I send you a blessing for keeping marriage as a Covenant," Laprade said. "We are here to celebrate your marriages and committed partnerships. Love is a blessing. It is more important to love than to be loved — to give, than to be given to. Marriage is not a 50-50 proposition. Marriage is each person giving 100 percent. If you give beyond 50 percent and put the other person first, then joy will come. The more you give, the more it comes back to you."

Every couple had a story to share. The Conns were married 62 years ago in Kansas City, Mo. Dick Conn advised couples to "Stay the course. I keep wondering where the years went. It seemed like only yester-



Thirty-eight years: Bob and Michele Peterson of Cabin John.

day that we got married."

Suzanne and Bill Doggett, Pam and Paul Zambrotta, Angie and Todd Bardwell as well as several other couples were married at Potomac United Methodist Church and shared memories of their weddings. Katie Jacob and her husband had actually been married two times to each other. They dated in high school, married at age 28, divorced at age 44, remarried at 47 and were thrilled to reaffirm their vows. "Being together now means more to us than ever," said Katie Jacob.

Angie Bardwell said, "My husband, Todd and I are renewing our vows on Saturday. We were married at Potomac United Meth-



From left: Pastor Ann Laprade, Michele Peterson and Choir Director Rosie Dyer put the event together.

odist Church in 2008 and have three daughters. We really decided to do it because our three princesses, who all want to marry their 'Daddy' and will thoroughly enjoy being a part of this fun occasion. Pastor Ann called it 'family friendly' so they will be dressed accordingly, probably like princesses."

Vincent Youmans performed "Through the Years" and Laprade read, "Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God" from the book of John.

The service ended with Shakespeare's Sonnet CXVI: "Let me not to the marriage of true minds ..."

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bandage his many blisters. Her Uncle Merlo was not a hiker; as a "desk jockey" he spent many hours hunched over his typewriter writing.

The event also honored MJ Veverka, chairman of the board of directors for the Canal Trust who is retiring this year. The new chairman of the board, Mike

Mitchell, commented on her many contributions to the Canal Trust: "Under her leadership, the Canal Trust has made great strides in preserving this national asset. She is leaving a lasting legacy."

Later in the evening, guests enjoyed dancing to the band, toasting marshmallows over the bonfire and walking to their cars on a moonlit night.

HOME SALES

In August 2014, 63 Potomac homes sold between \$3,725,000-\$250,000. This week's list represents those homes sold in the \$3,725,000-\$725,000 range. For the complete list, visit www.ConnectionNewspapers.com

Address	BR	FB	HB	Postal City...	Sold Price ...	Type	Lot AC	PostalCode	Subdivision
10841 STANMORE DR	8	8	2	POTOMAC	\$3,725,000	Detached	2.10	20854	GREAT FALLS ESTATES
10905 ROCK RUN DR	6	6	3	POTOMAC	\$2,530,000	Detached	0.99	20854	FAWCETT FARMS
11508 SKIPWITH LN	7	6	2	POTOMAC	\$2,525,000	Detached	2.00	20854	POTOMAC FALLS
11718 GAINSBOROUGH RD	5	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,975,000	Detached	1.26	20854	WILLERBURN ACRES
10017 CHAPEL RD	6	3	0	POTOMAC	\$1,937,500	Detached	3.75	20854	POTOMAC OUTSIDE
13210 RIVER RD	6	4	4	POTOMAC	\$1,735,000	Detached	4.59	20854	MERRY GO ROUND FARM
11108 GILCHRIST CT	7	7	1	POTOMAC	\$1,700,000	Detached	2.03	20854	POTOMAC FALLS
9852 AVENEL FARM DR	6	5	1	POTOMAC	\$1,600,000	Detached	0.53	20854	AVENEL
10705 BALANTRE LN	6	5	2	POTOMAC	\$1,500,000	Detached	2.07	20854	POTOMAC VIEW ESTS
9317 CRIMSON LEAF TER	4	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,450,000	Detached	0.42	20854	AVENEL
11416 PATRIOT LN	4	6	1	POTOMAC	\$1,400,000	Detached	0.17	20854	POTOMAC CREST
12041 WETHERFIELD LN	5	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,400,000	Detached	3.57	20854	LAKE POTOMAC
7821 CADBURY AVE	5	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,310,000	Townhouse	0.04	20854	PARK POTOMAC
8105 GAINSBOROUGH CT E	5	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,310,000	Detached	0.53	20854	EAST GATE OF POTOMAC
10559 MACARTHUR BLVD	6	5	1	POTOMAC	\$1,300,000	Detached	0.80	20854	RIVER FALLS
9724 BEMAN WOODS WAY	5	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,285,000	Detached	0.19	20854	AVENEL
8311 LARKMEADE TER	5	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,277,500	Detached	0.18	20854	BELLS MILL ESTATES
12105 DREWS CT	5	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,199,000	Detached	2.00	20854	BEALLMOUNT
11001 LARKMEADE LN	5	4	1	ROCKVILLE	\$1,170,000	Detached	0.18	20854	BELLS MILL ESTATES
8552 HORSESHOE LN	3	3	0	POTOMAC	\$1,155,000	Detached	2.00	20854	POTOMAC RANCH
7412 BRICKYARD RD	6	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,150,000	Detached	0.36	20854	RIVER FALLS
8733 HICKORY BEND TRL	5	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,150,000	Detached	0.28	20854	FOX HILLS
7404 BRICKYARD RD	4	2	2	POTOMAC	\$1,105,000	Detached	0.36	20854	RIVER FALLS
7901 COACH ST	4	3	1	ROCKVILLE	\$1,091,000	Detached	0.40	20854	RIVER FALLS
13224 MAPLECREST DR	4	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,025,000	Detached	0.24	20854	PINEY GLEN VILLAGE
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11216 ANGUS PL	4	3	0	POTOMAC	\$795,000	Detached	0.18	20854	HILLTOP ESTATES
913 WHITE PINE PL	4	3	1	POTOMAC	\$790,018	Detached	0.20	20854	ORCHARD RIDGE
8744 SLEEPY HOLLOW LN	4	2	1	POTOMAC	\$785,000	Detached	0.25	20854	FOX HILLS
11909 REYNOLDS AVE	4	3	1	POTOMAC	\$780,000	Detached	0.29	20854	WILLERBURN ACRES
10423 FLOWERFIELD WAY	4	3	1	POTOMAC	\$772,000	Townhouse	0.05	20854	PINEY GLEN VILLAGE
8442 BELLS RIDGE TER	3	3	1	ROCKVILLE	\$769,900	Townhouse	0.05	20854	BELLS MILL ESTATES
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Pre-Chemo Peek



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

I realize, given last week's column: "Post-Chemo Week," this week's column about the preceding week (week-of, actually) of chemotherapy might be a bit bass-ackward, but it seemed reasonable to me that if you regular readers had an interest in the week-after, perhaps you'd have a similar interest in the week-before.

Generally speaking, other than the anticipation that comes with knowing that your next infusion is a few days away — along with the subsequent eating/taste/after taste issues discussed in last week's column, which are also a few days away, the preceding week is easy. Most of the issues I described last week: eating/tasting, lack of sleep, depression, irritability have subsided. In fact, other than the underlying issue/diagnosis, I almost feel normal, two weeks out of every three I do, anyway. What makes the week different however, is the pre-chemotherapy lab work that I need to complete. No hardship, really. The lab is 10 minutes from my house, the wait when I arrive is usually minimal and the staff is certainly familiar after nearly six years and are always pleasant and professional. Typically, I go to the lab on Wednesday mornings, more than enough time for the results to be emailed to my oncologist to evaluate before my Friday-morning infusion. As simple and straightforward as the process is, if certain levels in my lab work are too high or too low, depending, my infusion could be cancelled. Accordingly, until I receive those results electronically (Wednesday p.m./Thursday a.m.), I am anxious and ill at ease. Skipping an infusion for such reasons has a disproportionate effect on me. Delaying a scheduled infusion by one week may or may not matter in the long run (short and/or middle, too), but to me, it feels catastrophic, especially emotionally. I don't want to miss any scheduled treatments because my lab work has indicated a potential adverse consequence. I want to remain 100-percent on track so the cancer doesn't get any ideas that it's safe to come out and harm. For all I know about such medical realities, the week off may actually give my body some much needed rest. Or it may not. Who knows, really? And my oncologist can't say for sure either. Still, I'd rather not stop — or have to stop. Stopping the infusions has been suggested previously. Over the course of the previous 67 months of treatment, situations have presented themselves that have caused Team Lourie to consider stopping/taking a break from treatment. I have always opted to continue. And so long as my body continues to tolerate the treatment — as indicated by my every-three-week lab work (and any associated symptoms), life, as I've come to know and appreciate it, can go on. However, if my lab work — and the inevitable retest — indicates otherwise, I may be in trouble. This week preceding is when I will know first hand if this party is beginning to break up. Other than that...

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Churchill Football Suffers First Loss

The Churchill football team dropped to 3-1 with a 39-29 loss to Paint Branch on Sept. 26 at Churchill High School.

The Bulldogs had outscored their first three opponents — B-CC, WJ, Wootton — 115-14, but fell short against the Panthers, their toughest opponent to date.

Churchill quarterback Colin Smyth completed 13 of 25 passes for 244 yards and two touchdowns. He was intercepted once. He also rushed nine times for 34 yards and a score.

Marquette Lewis caught seven passes for 165 yards and a touchdown. Jesse Locke had four receptions for 65 yards and a touchdown. Andrew Zuckerman carried nine times for 24 yards and a score.

Linebacker Blake Dove had a big defensive game, recording 16 tackles and a forced fumble. Austin Le had nine tackles, and Nathan Chung, Giulian Groce, Andrew Marders and Paolo Tranquill each had eight.

Churchill will host Quince Orchard at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 2.



Churchill quarterback Colin Smyth, seen earlier this season against Wootton, threw two touchdown passes against Paint Branch on Sept. 26.



Wootton quarterback Sam Ellis, seen earlier this season against Churchill, helped the Patriots beat Whitman on Sept. 26.

Churchill Field Hockey Falls to B-CC

The Churchill field hockey team lost to Bethesda-Chevy Chase 2-1 in overtime on Sept. 29, dropping the Bulldogs' record to 6-3.

Jenny Langerman scored Churchill's goal with an assist from Dani Weinberg. Senior goalkeeper Sophie Ascher recorded 14 saves.

On Sept. 27, Churchill beat Richard Montgomery 2-0. Madison Kanstoroom scored

both Bulldog goals. Weinberg had two assists.

Wootton Football Edges Whitman

The Wootton football team beat Whitman 7-6 on Sept. 26, improving the Patriots' record to 3-1. Whitman fell to 2-2.

Whitman's Gunnar Morton carried 20

times for 158 yards. Nolan Hanessian had three catches for 21 yards and a touchdown.

Wootton will host Gaithersburg at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 2. Whitman will travel to face Richard Montgomery.

Bullis Football Improves to 3-1

The Bullis football team beat Friendship

Collegiate Academy 42-21 on Sept. 26, improving its record to 3-1.

Bullis quarterback Dwayne Haskins Jr. completed 21 of 29 passes for 202 yards and five touchdowns. Running back Devonte Williams carried 30 times for 205 yards and a score. Jonathan Holland had seven receptions for 90 yards and two scores.

Bullis will host Avalon School at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 2.

SCHOOL NOTES

Email announcements to almanac@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Thursday at noon. Photos are welcome.

Officials of National Merit Scholarship Corporation announced the names of approximately 16,000 semifinalists in the 60th annual National Merit Scholarship Program. These high school seniors have an opportunity to continue in the competition for some 7,600 National Merit Scholarships worth about \$33 million that will be offered next spring.

Walt Whitman High School: Talia Brenner, Sophia M. Caldera, Jonathan H. Chen, Max E. Goldberg, Arielle N. Hollies, Bronte D. Nevins, Lauren M. Nevins, Benjamin E. Stein-Lubrano, Ethan L. Taswell, Benjamin M. Titlebaum, Finn Todd and Lucas F. Weals

Winston Churchill High School: Annie Fang, Hanna Jia, Emily W. Jin, Paula S. Kleyman, Marisa Lu, Neil Luo, Juncheng Shen, Chaitanya Singh, Billie Sun, Janet Y. Sun and Olivia Whitener

Thomas Sprigg Wootton High School: Hyunsoo Chung, Jeremy J. Chung, Jack Z. Dai, Alex A. Danoff, Jacob N. Glueck, Lindsay Gong, Jason A. Hall, David C. Ho, Jonathan D. Kim, Katherine I. Kim, Nipun Kottage, Maya Krishna-Rogers, Alexander G. Mazze,

Paul M. Neves, Arda E. Sahiner, Karrie M. Shi, Brandon J. Shim, Eric Wang, Jasmine R. Wung, Victoria H. Yu and Kevin Zhu

Micaela Pereira, a 10th grader at Walt Whitman High School, earned a place in the Bard College at Simon's Rock fall 2014 entering class. The campus in Great Barrington, Mass., is home to more than 400 students. Early college students are on track to graduate from college one or two years ahead of their peers.

Colgate University spring 2014 dean's award recipients include: **Juliane Wiese**, majoring in philosophy; **Katherine Sotos**, majoring in biology; **Stacey Stein**, majoring in history undeclared; **Avery Albert**, majoring in psychology; and **Natalie Abrams**, majoring in computer science. Colgate is located in Hamilton, N.Y.

David Myer, a new business management student at the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford, has received a Panther Scholarship from the university. Panther merit scholarships are awarded at the time of admission. Myer graduated from Thomas Sprigg Wootton High School.

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Christine Rzeszut at 240-777-8585, or by e-mail to nancy.rzeszut@montgomerycountymd.gov. Requests must be received by 9 p.m. Oct. 14, 2014, for the General Election. If a substitute polling place with the same contests on the ballot is not available, voters may prefer to vote at an early voting center or by mail. Early voting will be held from Oct. 23-30, from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. at nine Montgomery County locations. Visit www.777vote.org, call 240-777-8550, or e-mail absentee@montgomerycountymd.gov. Application for a ballot by mail must be received by Oct. 28.

MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS

Catholic Bible Study. Monday evenings and Wednesday mornings at Our Lady of Mercy Catholic Church, 9222 Kentsdale Drive, Potomac. The local chapter of "Walking With Purpose" invites women to personal study, small group discussion and speakers designed to link everyday challenges with biblical teaching. Childcare available. Visit walkingwithpurpose.com or email www.olom.details@gmail.com.

SATURDAY/OCT. 4

Avenel Flea Market. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Avenel Swim & Tennis Club, 10001 Oaklyn Drive, Potomac. Browse and buy at the inaugural Avenel Flea Market. Parking is free at the adjacent Avenel Park. Visit www.avenelswimandtennisclub.com.

TUESDAY/OCT. 7

Public Hearing. 1:30 p.m. in the Third Floor Hearing Room of the Council Office Building, 100 Maryland Ave., Rockville. The Montgomery County Council will hold a public hearing on Expedited Bill 42-14 that would establish the deadline for submission to the Council by the County Executive of a report that evaluates the County's minority-owned business purchasing program; extends the sunset date for the program; and generally amends the program. The meeting will be televised live by County Cable Montgomery and can be viewed through the County website at www.montgomerycountymd.gov. **Training Session.** 7-9 p.m. at the Planning Department Auditorium, 8787 Georgia Ave., Silver Spring. The session is open to the public and will include a presentation by Planning

Department staff on the new zoning code followed by a question and answer session. The new zoning code and zoning map have been adopted by the County Council and will become effective on Oct. 30, 2014. Visit www.montgomeryplanning.org/zoning for more.

MONDAY/OCT. 13

Special Education Committee. 6:30 p.m. at MCPS Board of Education offices, Carver Cafeteria, 850 Hungerford Drive, Rockville. The MCCPTA Special Education Committee will hold its first meeting of the 2014-2015 school year, a "meet and greet" networking session. All meetings are free and open to the public. Email Parents_Coalition@yahoogroups.com. **Civic Federation Meeting.** 7:45-10 p.m. in the 1st Floor Auditorium of the County Council Office Building, 100 Maryland Ave., Rockville. The program topic will be "How to Get Your Community's Request in the County's Capital Improvements Program (CIP)." There will be a panel presentation followed by the opportunity to ask questions and then a session with updates on local issues. Visit www.montgomerycivic.org for more.

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