

Potomac ALMANAC

Celebrating Potomac

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Lucky the Magical Clown is a favorite of Jacqueline, Lucas and James Morrison. When asked what else they liked about Potomac Day, they said, "Rides, balloons and the food!"

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Sun Shines on Potomac Day

Parade brings community together.

BY SUSAN BELFORD
THE ALMANAC

A perfect day arrived for Potomac Day – blue skies, sunny and warm. The parade, led by Grand Marshal's Cissy and Mac Grant, was a favorite of both children and adults. The parade featured political candidates, lots of classic cars, Miss Maryland candidate Kendall Forward, the Squeals on Wheels Petting Zoo, bands, clowns, free candy, the honorees for Potomac Citizen of the Year,

Youth of the Year and Business People of the Year and more on Saturday, Oct. 25.

The parking lot overflowed with new children's rides, business booths and lots of food choices from local restaurants. Rock and roll music from Retrospect and tunes by a DJ from Exclusively Entertainment kept the crowd jumping and the atmosphere lively.

The Potomac Day festival spilled over to the Safeway parking lot where Vie de France was giving away baked goodies and chocolate-covered strawberries and there were more rides and business booths.



Sarah Goldschmidt-Hopkinson climbed to the top of climbing wall. She said, "I loved climbing up it, but it was really hard and a little scary." She was in the parade with East-West Karate and had fun marching in it.



Marta Hopkinson said, "I love all the fun stuff to do here at Potomac Day. We loved walking in the Parade."

Dylan Kaplan shows off the Big Green Egg grill in front of Strosniders Hardware.



Churchill student Kriza Sy is a Senior Girl Scout (Troup 5900) who is saving bats. Here she demonstrates information about bats — and why the endangered species needs to be saved.



Maeye McGuire liked the rides, **Isabelle Berman** loved the parade, **Malia Bush** was attending for the first time, but she liked it all and **Charlie Berman** loved the candy.



Mark Badalamente with **Froggie** (**Denise Shaw**) were representing the Friends of the Library.



Tooth Fairy Amy Light, DDS says she loves Potomac Day because "the children are so happy and the parents get so excited and enjoy it as much as the children. This is a wonderful family day."



Mimi Lemmar with **Asmaa Seif** at the My Gym Booth. Mimi's mom is the owner of the gym. Mimi said, "I love the parade and all the fun rides that are here."



Potomac Orthodontist Maddy Goodman with 8-month-old daughter **Wesley**. "I am enjoying the beautiful weather and seeing some of my patients. It's just a wonderful family event."



Teaghan and Jemmie Zlotnik loved the candy while **Shannon Pollack** enjoyed "the beautiful day and the wonderful community event."



Makeba Hinds from the Mad Scientist Tutoring for Children teaches the children about dry ice.



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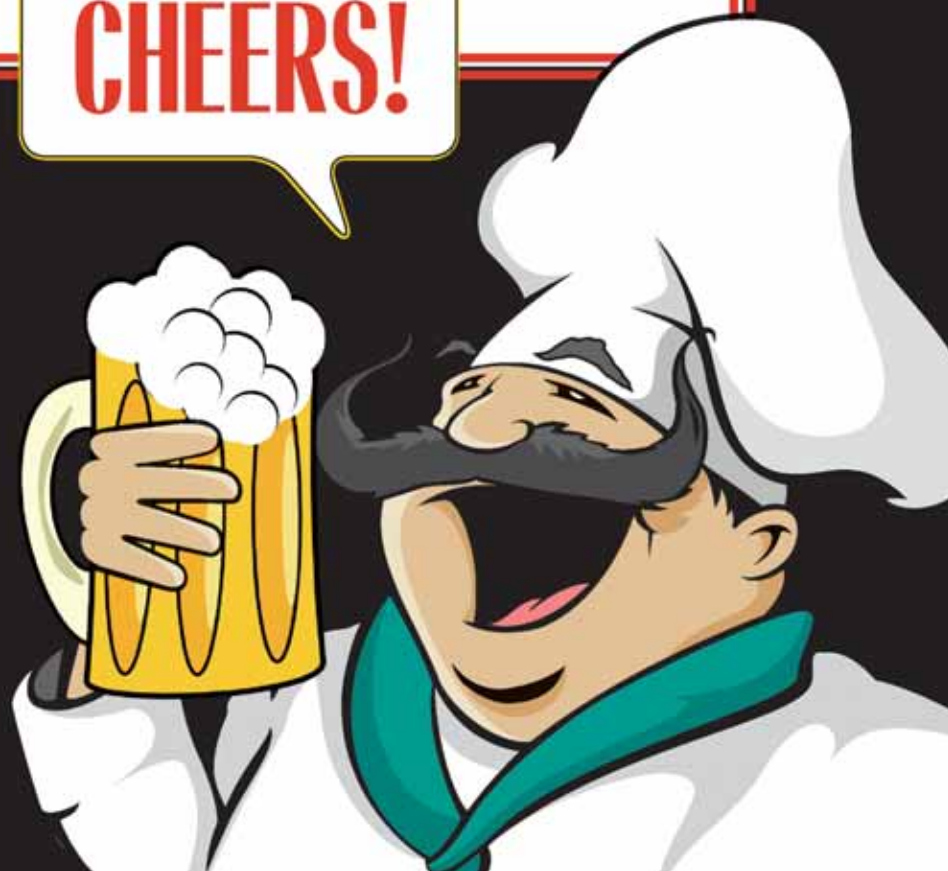
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BUSINESS

Help at a Touch of a Button

Local residents say it will keep them safer.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE ALMANAC

A car accident changed Kenneth Kelley's outlook on life, but not in the expected way. He was an entrepreneur who was working to bring a new product that he thought would be life-saving to market. The accident convinced him that his product could save the lives of a larger population.

"I was at a stop and a 16-year-old kid crashed into my truck," said Kelley. "He not only totaled my car, but he totaled his car and the car in front of me." Kelley lives in Montgomery County.

Kelley is the CEO and founder of Silent Beacon Inc, and his accident convinced him that his product could save the lives. The Bluetooth-powered device, which is still in development, will provide immediate aid to those in need. Users will be able to instantly locate, track and communicate with loved ones who require emergency assistance via their smartphone.

"At first, I thought it would be for women and the elderly," said Kelley. "But during the car accident, the screen on my smart phone shattered and I couldn't call for help. I thought 'this is exactly why I need the Silent Beacon. When you're in a situation where you're not able to use your cell phone, like if someone is trying to rob you, you're not going to be able to use your cell phone.'"

The Silent Beacon, a small device that resembles a key fob, works by allowing its user



Kenneth Kelley (left) and Allan Cohen say that the Silent Beacon will increase safety while decreasing victimization.

to call for help by simply pressing a button. It's different than similar devices because it is a wearable, waterproof, Bluetooth device that connects to smartphones and allows for real-time GPS alerts that are delivered to loved ones and medical personnel. The Bluetooth technology that powers the solution is a combination of both Bluetooth 3.0 and low-energy (4.0), with an average battery life of six months, thus maximizing the energy usage.

The Silent Beacon is a smartphone accessory; however a tablet or home computer with Bluetooth capabilities will also work if the free app is installed.

"With over a year of work and a team of over 20 people, the Silent Beacon app has been fine tuned to assure your message is seamlessly delivered to its recipients," said Kelley. "Our application allows users to see up-to-the-second tracking of any of their loved ones who have pressed the button

on the Silent Beacon. This is a sneak peak at the layout of the new Silent Beacon app."

Allan Cohen of Potomac, who is familiar with

the device, is very impressed: "It really provides a peace of mind to know that children or grandchildren or just a family friend has to ability to alert me when in need. It is something that is constantly being updated with new options, including a lot of medical abilities in the future. It will help protect people at a very, very low cost."

Kelley's goal is to help decrease the victim rate while increasing overall safety within communities. He says it will be useful to victims of an attack, those with life-threatening illnesses and "and teens, who are more likely to be involved in fatal collisions than other age groups."

Jennifer Tahmasebi's husband



The Silent Beacon will allow users to call for help with the push of a button.

has multiple sclerosis and has fallen when alone. "We're incredibly excited about the Silent Beacon because it is going to allow my husband to have mobility and freedom, as well as the ability to call and get help in a way that works best for him," the Bethesda resident said. "It also gives me incredible peace of mind that he'll be able to call me."

Kelley hopes to have the product, which will sell for \$59.99, on the market within six months. For more information or to preorder, visit www.silentbeacon.com.

LET'S TALK Real Estate



by Michael Matese

Seven Tips to Buying a House

• Choose the Right Realtor®

As a buyer, typically you don't pay the real estate commission, the seller does. But a Realtor® with experience and knowledge will cost you less than someone who's just starting out in the business. A top producer's business is built on repeat clientele, people who've worked with them before and knows that the Realtor® knows what they're doing. Your Realtor® is your financial advisor for what will most likely be the largest transaction of your life. Make sure you choose wisely.

• Location

Location, location, location! The saying holds true and always will. You can re-model, re-design and landscape, but you can't change the location. Where you buy a home is just as important as the home itself, if you've got appreciation of value in mind.

• Home Inspections

A home inspection is the best investment you can make because it can save you, quite literally, thousands of dollars! A licensed home inspector will check structural, mechanical, electrical, plumbing and heating as well as a/c systems to check for defects the home owner may not be aware of and can help you make a decision on whether to close or not.

• Your Lender and Your Loan

Choose your lender wisely; make sure the loan program you apply for is appropriate for your needs and long-term goals. For example, if you know you're going to be in the home for less than five years before you move, why pay closing fees up front? Often, you can save money by raising the interest rate you pay by half a percent. Your monthly payment may be higher, but over time, this choice is more financially sound. A good lender will take the time to find the loan that's best for you.

• Your Own Agent

Always have your own agent in a transaction. New constructions are no exception. It costs you nothing and a good agent will save you money on loan fees and represent your interests.

• Buy a Home You Can Afford

Using a lender's guidelines, decide how much house you can afford. You want to get the most house for your money, but don't want to overextend yourself either. Be careful: a forced sale almost always guarantees a loss.

• Buy a Home You Like

You'll be living in your home—not your relatives! No matter how well intentioned friends and family members are, no one but you should be deciding on which home you choose to buy. You're the final word.

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ELECTION '14

Next Tuesday: Time To Vote

Every state and local office that represents Potomac is on the ballot Nov. 4.

If residents want some choice in whom will represent them on County Council, as County Executive, in the Maryland General Assembly, now is the time to engage. Think it doesn't matter much? These are the people who make land use decisions, decide what to do with county property, who set tax rates, who decide how much money will go to schools, who control services that affect traffic and many other things that affect quality of life more than anything that happens at a national level.

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Incumbent County Executive Isiah Leggett (D), www.ikeleggett.org, will face Republican challenger Jim Shalleck, www.voteshalleck.com.

COUNTY COUNCIL

Potomac residents are represented by the District 1 county councilmember and the four at-large councilmembers. The incumbent Democrats in all of these positions won their primary elections.

Council District 1

Voters choose one candidate.
Incumbent Roger Berliner (D-1)
Republican challenger Jim Kirkland.

County Council at Large

Voters can vote for up to four candidates of the nine names on the ballot. Democrat incumbents will face four Republican challengers and one Green Party candidate.

- ❖ Marc Elrich (D-at large), marcelrich.com
- ❖ Nancy Floreen (D-at large), nancyfloreen.org
- ❖ George Leventhal (D-at large), georgeleventhal.com
- ❖ Han Riemer (D-at large), hansriemer.com
- ❖ Robert Dyer (R), www.RobertDyer.net
- ❖ Chris P. Fiotes Jr. (R)
- ❖ Adol T. Owen-Williams II (R)
- ❖ Shelly Skolnick (R)
- ❖ Tim Willard (Green)

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Incumbent Democrat John McCarthy, johnmccarthy.us
Republican Dan Gaskill, www.facebook.com/pages/Dan-Gaskill-for-States-Attorney/202411253290307

MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

All voters will choose one candidate from each of the four districts.

There are seven members of the Montgomery County Board of Education, plus a student member. Two members serve at-large, while the other five members live in their geographic districts. But all members are elected county-wide by voters across the county, and serve staggered terms. Members of the Board of Education are non-partisan and elected without identifying as belonging to any political party.

This year, one at-large member and members of Districts 1, 3 and 5 are on the ballot.

Board of Education At Large, voters choose one of two:

Shebra Evans, www.shebraevans.com
Jill Ortman-Fouse, www.jill4allkids.com

Board of Education District 1, voters choose one of two:

Judy Docca
Kristin G. Tribble

Board of Education District 3, voters choose one of two:

Laurie Halverson, www.lauriehalverson.com/
Patricia O'Neill, www.patoneill.org

Board of Education District 5, voters choose one of two:

Mike Durso, www.facebook.com/durso4boe
Larry Edmonds, www.facebook.com/pages/Larry-Edmonds-for-Board-of-Education-District-5/389020714546495

U.S. CONGRESS

Potomac is divided between Maryland Congressional Districts 6 and 8.

District 6:

Incumbent John K. Delaney (D), www.delaneyforcongress.com
Dan Bongino (R), www.bongino.com
George Gluck, (Green), georgegluck.com

District 8:

Incumbent Chris Van Hollen (D-8) www.vanhollen.org
Dave Wallace (R) www.wallaceforamerica.com

GOVERNOR/LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Voters will choose one ticket:
Anthony Brown and Ken Ulman (D) www.anthonymbrown.com
Larry Hogan and Boyd Rutherford (R) www.hoganforgovernor.com

Election Day

❖ Nov. 4: Election Day (vote at your polling place between 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.)
<http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/Elections/registration/VoterRegistration.html>
For more see <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/elections> or http://www.elections.maryland.gov/elections/2014/general_candidates/index.html

Shawn Quinn and Lorenzo Gaztanaga (Libertarian)

COMPTROLLER

Incumbent Peter Franchot (D)
William H. Campbell (R)

STATE DELEGATES AND SENATORS

Potomac is split between District 15 and 16. Each resident is represented by one state senator and three state delegates from their district. District 16 includes Bethesda, Chevy Chase and parts of Potomac.

District 15 Senate:

Brian Feldman (D), brianjfeldman.com
Robin Ficker (R), www.fickersfor15.com

District 15 Delegate:

Voters can vote for up to three of the six candidates on the ballot:

Kathleen Dumais (D), www.kathleendumais.com
David Fraser-Hidalgo (D), fraserfor15.org
Aruna Miller (D)
Ed Edmundson (R), ed4md.org
Flynn Ficker (R), fickersfor15.com
Christine Thron (R)

District 16 Senate:

Susan Lee (D), susanleeforsenate.com/
Meyer Marks (R), marksformaryland.org

District 16 Delegate:

Voters can vote for up to three of the six candidates on the ballot:

Bill Frick (D), www.billfrick.com
Ariana Kelly (D), kellyfordelegate.com
Marc Korman (D), marckorman.com
John Andrews (R), www.andrewsfordelegate.com
Lynda del Castillo (R)
Rose Maria Li (R), www.voteroseli.com

BALLOT QUESTIONS:

There will be one Montgomery County question and two statewide questions on the ballot:

Statewide Question 1
Constitutional Amendment (Ch. 422 of the 2013 Legislative Session)
Transportation Trust Fund – Use of Funds
(Amending Article III by adding Section 53 to the Maryland Constitution)

Limits the use of Transportation Trust Funds to the payment of principal and interest on transportation bonds and for constructing and maintaining an ad-

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Electric Entitlement

To the Editor:

Like so many others, I'm excited to see the day where combustion engines are a thing of the past. I commend all early adopters who, for whatever reason, have made the decision to change from their gasoline-powered vehicle(s) to electric one(s). However, the letter that appeared in the Almanac's Oct. 22 issue calling for county-funded facilities to establish automotive charging policies is completely off base.

With just a couple of miles of charge remaining, this particular driver pulled into the Potomac Community Center's parking lot to avoid stalling in the middle of Falls

Road. Good idea. However, after allegedly being unable to locate Community Center staff to help, she took it upon herself to pull her car onto the curb and plug her vehicle into one of the center's outdoor electrical outlets. One can't help but wonder what she would have done if the Community Center had a gas pump on the premises and she needed a bit of gasoline.

In her letter, this particular reader rather harshly criticizes the Potomac Community Center's staff for not doing more to help her and makes a public plea for all county-funded facilities to create a policy regarding electric cars. Seriously? Now it's the county's responsibility to ensure that your electric car is charged?

Any reasonable, energy-con-

scious individual would be in favor of increased access to automotive charging stations and would stand behind the county's efforts to work with Tesla and other manufacturers to do so. However, this particular case is not an issue of publicly accessible electricity. Instead, it's simply a matter of someone who believes she's entitled. Regardless of what she may believe, being a taxpaying county resident does not permit anyone to plug in anywhere they please.

Drivers of electric vehicles need to fully understand the compromises that come with being an early adopter and be prepared to deal with the consequences. Running out of battery [energy] is no different than running out of gas. It's not the county's concern to ensure that residents' cars are ad-

equately charged.

Next time call AAA.

Gary Albert
Potomac

Revenue Stream

To the Editor:

I don't advocate leaving electric receptacles available for anyone to plug in, but it seems reasonable to have a mechanism that is profitable to the county here and elsewhere so residents can plug in at an hourly rate that would enable residents to avoid causing traffic jams because their batteries went dead.

David Epstein
Potomac

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HOME SALES

In September 2014, 50 Potomac homes sold between \$2,985,000-\$340,000.

Address	BR	FB	HB	Postal City	Sold Price	Type	Lot AC	Postal Code	Subdivision
11005 CRIPPLEGATE RD	6	6	3	POTOMAC	\$2,985,000	Detached	2.56	20854	POTOMAC FALLS
12313 PINEY MEETINGHOUSE RD	6	8	2	POTOMAC	\$2,550,000	Detached	2.42	20854	PINEY GLEN FARMS
9943 POTOMAC MANORS DR	8	6	2	POTOMAC	\$2,500,000	Detached	1.21	20854	POTOMAC MANOR
11108 SOUTH GLEN RD	7	6	3	POTOMAC	\$2,125,000	Detached	2.04	20854	POTOMAC OUTSIDE
9752 AVENEL FARM DR	5	5	1	POTOMAC	\$1,809,000	Detached	1.10	20854	AVENEL
1 PINEY MEETINGHOUSE CT	6	5	1	POTOMAC	\$1,800,000	Detached	2.07	20854	POTOMAC VIEW ESTS
10001 APPLE HILL CT	6	5	1	POTOMAC	\$1,700,000	Detached	0.76	20854	POTOMAC OUTSIDE
16 BEMAN WOODS CT	4	6	1	POTOMAC	\$1,650,000	Detached	0.17	20854	AVENEL
10601 BIT AND SPUR LN	6	5	2	POTOMAC	\$1,580,000	Detached	2.10	20854	POTOMAC MANOR
10213 SORREL AVE	8	5	3	POTOMAC	\$1,500,000	Detached	0.46	20854	BLLENHEIM
10831 LOCKLAND RD	5	5	2	POTOMAC	\$1,500,000	Detached	2.03	20854	POTOMAC OUTSIDE
11512 BIG PINEY WAY	5	6	2	POTOMAC	\$1,450,000	Detached	2.00	20854	SADDLE RIDGE
9716 THE CORRAL DR	5	4	2	POTOMAC	\$1,400,000	Detached	2.10	20854	POTOMAC MANOR
10708 STANMORE DR	4	3	1	ROCKVILLE	\$1,375,000	Detached	2.01	20854	GREAT FALLS ESTATES
8304 LARKMEADE TER	4	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,285,000	Detached	0.18	20854	BELLS MILL ESTATES
9809 WOODFORD RD	5	5	1	POTOMAC	\$1,250,000	Detached	0.51	20854	BLLENHEIM
11516 GLEN RD	4	4	2	POTOMAC	\$1,245,000	Detached	2.01	20854	DARNESTOWN OUTSIDE
9621 BEMAN WOODS WAY	2	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,219,000	Townhouse	0.14	20854	AVENEL
12403 GLEN MILL RD	5	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,210,000	Detached	0.57	20854	GLEN MEADOWS
9710 GLYNESHIRE WAY	7	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,210,000	Detached	0.20	20854	CLAGETT FARM
10104 S GLEN RD	4	4	0	POTOMAC	\$1,180,000	Detached	0.99	20854	POTOMAC HILLS
7805 CADBURY AVE	4	3	2	POTOMAC	\$1,175,000	Townhouse	0.05	20854	PARK POTOMAC
13430 BISSEL LN	4	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,162,000	Detached	2.00	20854	STONEY CREEK ESTATES
9532 FOX HOLLOW DR	5	5	1	POTOMAC	\$1,131,000	Detached	0.25	20854	FALLSWICK
12514 PENNYFIELD LOCK RD	4	3	1	POTOMAC	\$1,125,000	Detached	6.25	20854	LONGACRES PRESERVE
10414 OAKLYN DR	4	4	1	ROCKVILLE	\$1,115,000	Detached	0.01	20854	POTOMAC OUTSIDE
10412 BUCKBOARD PL	5	3	2	ROCKVILLE	\$1,100,000	Detached	0.43	20854	RIVER FALLS
8015 COBBLE CREEK CIR	4	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,035,000	Detached	0.36	20854	POTOMAC CREST
10001 GAINSBOROUGH RD	5	3	1	POTOMAC	\$1,030,000	Detached	0.31	20854	RIDGELEIGH
11525 FRONT FIELD LN	6	6	1	POTOMAC	\$1,000,000	Detached	3.06	20854	PINEY SPRING
11805 GREENLEAF AVE	6	3	1	ROCKVILLE	\$975,000	Detached	0.28	20854	WILLERBURN ACRES
6 OVER RIDGE CT	5	3	1	POTOMAC	\$870,000	Detached	0.28	20854	COPENHAVER
14 ELDWICK CT	3	3	1	POTOMAC	\$860,000	Detached	0.25	20854	BEDFORDSHIRE
11420 CEDAR RIDGE DR	3	3	1	POTOMAC	\$850,000	Townhouse	0.06	20854	POTOMAC CREST
9212 COPENHAVER DR	4	2	1	POTOMAC	\$800,000	Detached	0.29	20854	COPENHAVER
11500 BEDFORDSHIRE AVE	5	3	0	POTOMAC	\$790,000	Detached	0.24	20854	BEDFORDSHIRE
8707 POSTOAK RD	4	2	2	POTOMAC	\$760,000	Detached	0.18	20854	HIGHLAND STONE
11710 KAREN DR	4	3	0	POTOMAC	\$742,500	Detached	0.52	20854	LAKE NORMANDY ESTS
13 PADDOCK CT	4	2	1	POTOMAC	\$725,000	Detached	0.24	20854	FOX HILLS WEST
1 ROYAL OAK CT	5	2	1	POTOMAC	\$719,000	Detached	0.23	20854	HORIZON HILL
8560 HORSESHOE LN	4	3	0	POTOMAC	\$700,000	Detached	2.00	20854	POTOMAC RANCH
8614 BUNNELL DR	4	2	1	ROCKVILLE	\$680,000	Detached	0.19	20854	HIGHLAND STONE
12304 OLD CANAL RD	4	2	1	POTOMAC	\$675,000	Detached	0.25	20854	MONTGOMERY SQUARE
8500 BUCKHANNON DR	5	3	1	POTOMAC	\$675,000	Detached	0.18	20854	HIGHLAND STONE
7707 HEATHERTON LN	3	2	2	POTOMAC	\$580,000	Townhouse	0.05	20854	INVERNESS KNOLLS
11713 CASTLEWOOD CT	5	3	0	POTOMAC	\$525,000	Detached	0.32	20854	REGENCY ESTATES
7960 INVERNESS RIDGE RD	3	2	2	POTOMAC	\$495,000	Townhouse	0.05	20854	INVERNESS FOREST TH
10612 MUIRFIELD DR	3	3	1	POTOMAC	\$458,900	Townhouse	0.03	20854	INVERNESS NORTH
11611 GEORGETOWNE CT	5	2	1	POTOMAC	\$441,289	Detached	0.29	20854	REGENCY ESTATES
10846 WHITERIM DR	3	1	0	POTOMAC	\$340,000	Townhouse	0.03	20854	FAWSETT FARMS MANOR

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Realtor and Potomac Chamber Board member Andy Alderdice of WC&AN Miller with her driver and husband. She is part of the organizing committee for Potomac Day.



Fred Goldman, attorney and Potomac Chamber Board member, part of the organizing committee for Potomac Day.



The parade was full of state and local candidates, with the election approaching on Nov. 4. One state-wide candidate to appear was Larry Hogan, Republican running for Governor.



Cabin John Volunteer Fire Chief Jim Seavey.



Jennifer Matheson, chamber secretary and Potomac Day executive director, with Adam Greenberg of Potomac Pizza.



From left: Edie Wingate, Margaret Vogel, Doris Valis and Karin Currie with the Friends of the Potomac Library.

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The 2nd photo starting left is the Climbing Wall;

GETTING AROUND



The band, Retrospect, performs.



Tally-Ho Restaurant at the parade.



East West Tae Kwon Do



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Youths kept the rides busy.



Goliath the llama



From the Potomac Almanac: writer Susan Belford, account executive Kenny Lourie, writer Ken Moore and publisher Mary Kimm.



Mounted police lead the Potomac Day parade on Saturday, Oct. 25.

PHOTO BY ANDREA RAZAK

Comfortably ensconced in a folding chair while keeping watch over the gathering area for horses involved in the Potomac Day Parade last Saturday, Ted Cain basked under a warm sun, on a gorgeous fall morning.

Cain, 94, no stranger to parade day preparation, for years has been posted in many locations, wherever his wife, Elie, parade organizer, would need help. "I thought it would be a good idea to give him a place to sit this year," she said.

Not only was he able to sit, his location was across River Road from where dozens of marchers, vehicles, dogs, representatives of a petting zoo, vehicles of all vintages and a marvelous gathering of all ages congregated.

"It was great," Ted admitted. "One kind soul dropped by and brought me water and a banana," he added.

It was the banana he relished, having had breakfast quite early. The horses were on

their return trip to their trailers following their forward parade positions. Most of the other participants had not even started.

"I peeled my banana and had really enjoyed the first few bites," he recalled. Suddenly, he had company ... the four-legged kind.

Up in his face, as close as he could possibly get without causing a virtual upset, was "Maurice." Apparently, "Maurice" loves bananas. "He was a beautiful, big, black horse. He was determined to eat my banana, at least share it," Ted laughingly reported. The more Ted resisted, the more determined the horse got. Eric Smart, astride his horse, and other members of the Potomac Bridle and Hiking Trails looked on. "They were all laughing uproariously as I was," said Ted, no stranger to horses.

It may have seemed like minutes, but probably it was only seconds before the horse's patience gave out. "He started slobbering," Ted reported. He was still seated and holding the banana as far away as possible.

The tantalizing aroma of banana was too much for "Maurice." He took one deep



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Grand Marshals Cissy and Mac Grant

breath, opened his mouth wide and let go. "I was covered from head to toe," Ted later explained, still laughing over the incident after mopping up. It was not reported who got the last bite, but "Maurice" definitely got the last laugh.

It is not an unusual delicacy for a horse. "I take bananas to the barn, give the horses a bite, and I take a bite. Their bites are always bigger," Lyne Morgan laughingly advised.

There were, no doubt numerous incidents during the 32nd annual Potomac Parade Day

and one quiet moment.

The horses, among the first starters had come to a standstill in front of the reviewing locale, when the magnificent rendition of the "Star Spangled Banner" sung by Chrissellene Petropoulos, reached from the Village crossroad down River Road to the parade assembly. Her beautiful, clear soprano voice put a hold on all participants, spectators and animals. Not even "Maurice" uttered a whinny.

Petropoulos has performed this traditional rite since the parade started on Counselman Road in front of St. Francis Church and stopped at Falls Road, at most a five minute walk. "I remember Mr. Kiplinger (Austin) holding an umbrella over my head while I sang. It must have been 1984. I was recently back from my European tour," she said.

Former Maryland State Sen. Jean Roesser also remembered that rainy Saturday. "It was pouring. I was standing on River Road in front of The Surrey," she recalled. "I think there were only two other spectators," she reminisced.

The parade passes by as do the memories.



Some of the animals in the Squeals on Wheels petting zoo; Squeals on Wheels owners Jill and John Phillips are Potomac Business People of the Year.

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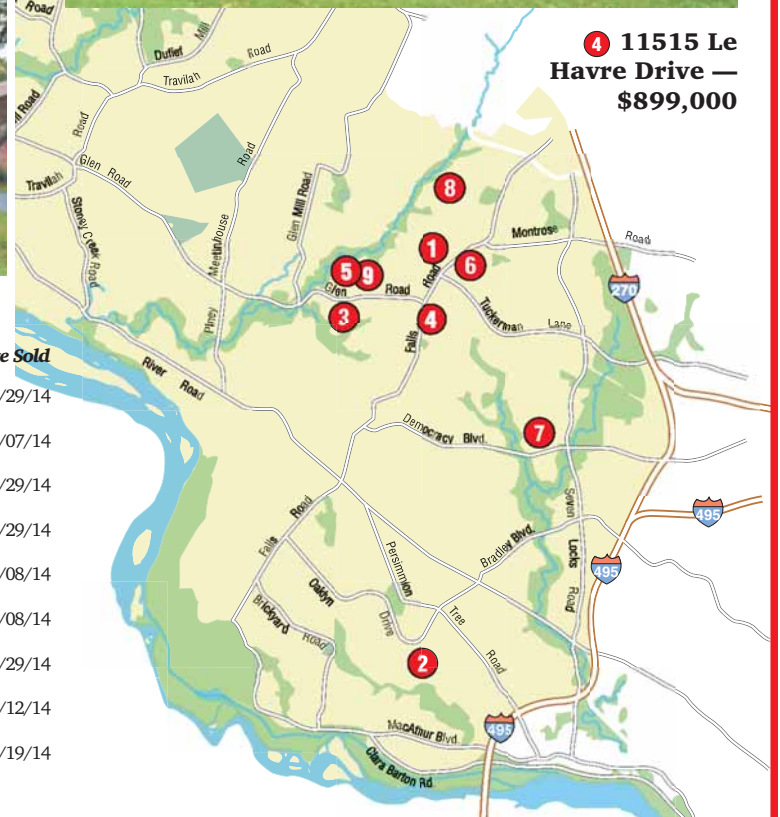


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ONGOING

“Grease.” Runs from Friday, Oct. 31-Sunday, Nov. 16 at The Fitzgerald Theatre, 603 Edmonston Drive, Rockville. Rockville Musical Theatre’s fall production follows high school “greasers” in 1959 through love, lust, peer pressure, teen rebellion, a pregnancy scare, bullying, sexism, cliques and dance parties. Tickets are \$22. Call 240-314-8690 or visit www.r-m-t.org for more.

Photo Slam: The Exhibit. Through Nov. 17. Reception and Gallery Talk, Sunday Nov. 9, 6-8 p.m. Photoworks Gallery, Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Photoworks presents award-winning images from last year’s Photo Slam and Busboys and Poets. Featured photographers are Michele Egan, Serli Lala, Julie Miller and Pablo de Loy. Free. Visit www.glenechophotoworks.org

The 3 Billy Goats Gruff. Through Nov. 21. The Puppet Co., Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. The Puppet Co. presents a marionette romp in which three brothers get the goat of a hen-pecked troll, in their attempts to trip-trap-tromp to where the grass is greener. Three variety numbers precede the performance, demonstrating the making of a simple hand puppet, and manipulation of rod puppets and marionettes, as an introduction to the Art of Puppetry. Visit www.thepuppetco.org to learn more and to purchase tickets.

Ancient Materials, Modern Aesthetic. Saturdays and Sundays, 12-6 p.m., through Nov. 23. Stone Tower Gallery, Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Lime Stucco Plaster in Contemporary Mosaics. Stone Tower Gallery, Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Visit www.glenechopark.org or call 301-634-2222.

Late Night Comedy. Fridays (open mic night) and Saturdays (established comedians) at Benny’s Bar & Grill, 7747 Tuckerman Lane, Potomac. Benny’s is open 8 a.m.-1 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays. Visit www.BennysBarGrill.com.

Drop in Art Activities. Every Saturday 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Candy Corner Studio at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., parents and children can explore a new art form or theme. \$10/child, parent combo. Drop-in only. Visit www.pgip.org for more.

Live Music & Dancing. Fridays and Saturdays, 7-11 p.m. in Margery’s Lounge, Normandie Farm Restaurant 10710 Falls Road. Dance to the music of Barry Gurley. Call 301-983-8838 or visit www.popovers.com for more.

WEDNESDAY/OCT29-SATURDAY/NOV1

Halloween Trains. Weekdays 3-8 p.m., Saturday 1-8 p.m. Cabin John Regional Park, 10610 Westlake Drive, Rockville. Passengers will spy items in the woods as they ride through the park. Family Halloween movies are shown every evening. For children 8 and under. Visit www.cabinjohntrain.com or call 301-765-8670.

THURSDAY/OCT. 30

Not-So-Spooky Halloween Skate. 4:30-6:15 p.m. Cabin John Ice Rink, Cabin John Regional Park, 10610 Westlake Drive, Rockville. The skating sessions take place on a fully lit rink and feature a costume contest

with prizes. Visit www.cabinjohnice.com or call 301-765-8620

Contra Techno Dance. 7:30-11 p.m. Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Admission \$8, \$6 for FSGW members, and age 17 and under. Experience a Halloween edition of Contra music. FSGW presents a Techno Contra Dance with a DJ spinning an eclectic mix of music and a caller leading the dances. Beginner lesson at 7:30 p.m. followed by dancing from 8-11 p.m. Visit www.glenechopark.org or call 301-634-2222

Blues Dance. 8:15-11:30 p.m. Back Room Annex, Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Admission \$8. A beginner workshop from 8:15-9 p.m. offers partnering basics for new dancers. The class is included in admission, no partner necessary. Dancing runs from 9-11:30 p.m. to blues music from every corner of the genre. Visit www.glenechopark.org or call 301-634-2222.

FRIDAY/OCT. 31

Spooky Halloween Skate. 1, 8-10 p.m. Cabin John Ice Rink, Cabin John Regional Park, 10610 Westlake Drive, Rockville. Spooky skating session at both rinks feature creepy Halloween tunes and a darkened rink lit by a magical mystical ball. Visit www.cabinjohnice.com or call 301-765-8620

Otus the Owl Halloween Storytime. 10-10:45 a.m. Meadowside Nature Center, 5100 Meadowside Lane, Rockville. Halloween tales with mascot Otus the Owl. For children 2-10 years old. \$3. Course #294257. www.parkpass.org

Halloween Night. 6-9 p.m. Good Hope Recreation Center, 14715 Good Hope Road, Silver Spring. All ages welcome. Games, dancing, costume contest. Call 240-777-8055 for more.

Night Hike. 7-9 p.m. at Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park, 16501 Norwood Road, Sandy Spring. Journey back in time to the 1800s on this two mile night hike. Admission is \$5. Visit HistoryInTheParks.org for more.

Halloween Contra Dance. 7:30-11:30 p.m. Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. The Friday Night Dancers present their annual Halloween Contra dance with some square dances and waltzes. Contra dance lesson from 7:30-8:15 p.m. followed by the called dance to live music from 8:30-11:30 p.m. Beginners are welcome. Visit www.glenechopark.org or call 301-634-2222.

NOVEMBER 2014

The Potomac Chamber of Commerce’s Annual Awards Dinner. Normandie Farm, 10710 Falls Road. The Potomac Chamber of Commerce honors Potomac’s citizen, businessperson and youth of the year. Visit www.potomacchamber.org for more.

Potomac Community Center Open Flea Market. The Potomac Community Center, 11315 Falls Road, has been regularly scheduled on a biannual basis in November and May. Call 240-777-6960 for more.

Lessons Family Annual Book Festival. The Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington, 6125 Montrose Road, Rockville. Call 301-881-0100. Visit www.jccgw.org.

Bazaar. Greek Orthodox Church of Saint George, 7701 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda. Handmade artistry, holiday decorations, jewelry, specialty crafts, and Greek delicacies, including its

famous baklava. Visit www.stgeorge.org or call 301-469-7990 for more.

SATURDAY/NOV. 1

Fiber Art Show and Sale. 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. at St. Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Road, Rockville. This 25th annual sale of wearable art and fiber art supplies by 25 members of the Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery will offer handcrafted scarves, hats, garments, handbags, jewelry, yarn and fabrics. Visit www.wearableartfallshow.com for more.

Trail Guide Hikes. 9:30 a.m. at Woodlawn Manor Cultural Park, 16501 Norwood Road, Sandy Spring. Conductors lead one way, 90-minute interpretive hikes of the two-mile natural surface trail from Woodlawn Manor to the historic Sandy Spring Friends Meetinghouse. Shuttle buses will transport hikers back to Woodlawn Manor. Admission is free. Visit HistoryInTheParks.org for more.

Blacksmiths and Traditional Arts Show. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Montgomery Park. Visit www.MontgomeryParks.org for more.

150th Anniversary of Maryland Emancipation Day. Button Farm, 16820 Black Rock Road, Germantown. Bring a picnic or purchase food onsite. Button Farm is a living history center depicting 19th-century slave plantation life. Enjoy a full afternoon of activities for the whole family. Visit www.heritagemontgomery.org for more.

Historical Afternoon. Noon-4 p.m. at 3610 Brookeville Road, Olney. In celebration of the 150th anniversary of Maryland’s Emancipation, Oakley Cabin will host an afternoon of live music, living history demonstrations, tours of the historic century log cabin, games and crafts. Visit HistoryInTheParks.org for more.

Tour and Demonstration. Noon-4 p.m. at 1400 Glenallen Ave., Wheaton. Visit the Harper 1870s Homestead to learn how families lived off the land. Visit HistoryInTheParks.org for more.

Art Gallery Open House. Noon-4 p.m. at 18524 Brooke Road, Sandy Spring. Sandy Spring Slave Museum will present a new 60-minute documentary featuring five of Montgomery County’s church communities. Visit www.sandyspringmuseum.org for more.

Museum Open House. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at 17901 Bentley Road, Sandy Spring. Join Harriet Lynn, of the Heritage Theatre Artists’ Consortium, and six area residents who will share their personal stories and insights on these subjects on the 150th anniversary of the Maryland Emancipation. Visit www.sandyspringmuseum.org.

Tours and Demonstration. Noon-4 p.m. at 16820 Black Rock Road., Germantown. Journey to the Historic Button Farm and Living History Center to learn about plantation life in Maryland. Visit buttonfarm.org.

Historical Park Open House. Noon-4 p.m. at 103 West Montgomery Ave., Rockville. Maryland Emancipation Day at the Beall-Dawson House and Stonestreet Museum of 19th Century Medicine will feature music by the Washington Revels Jubilee Voices and President Lincoln reading the Emancipation Proclamation. Visit www.montgomeryhistory.org.

Annual Fundraiser Dinner. 6:30-10 p.m. at Universities at Shady Grove Conference Center, 9630 Gudelsky Drive, Rockville. This annual fundraising dinner will benefit the

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Christmas Comes to Potomac

Two local home decor stores to hold holiday open houses.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE ALMANAC

While many are making last minute preparations for Halloween, some local merchants are putting the final touches on their Christmas displays.

Indeed, shops, especially small specialty stores and gift shops, are unveiling their holiday décor. Two Potomac home furnishing and accessory boutiques are hosting holiday open houses during the first two weekends in November. JT Interiors and Flora's Feathered Nest, both on River Road, will unveil holiday wonderlands the first and second weekends of the month, respectively.

JT Interiors' open house will be Saturday, Nov. 1 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

"We're a specialty shop," said Terri Downs, owner of JT Interiors. "The things that we have are unusual. When people come in to shop, they are looking for things that can't be found in big box stores. We sell a lot of custom-made items that you can't find in big box stores. It's first come first serve — once they're gone, they're gone."

Shoppers can enjoy refreshments while browsing through the festive boutique. "Our Christmas trees and Christmas decorations will be out," said Downs. "We will have Christmas candles, potpourri, pretty host-



PHOTO COURTESY OF JT INTERIORS

JT Interiors in Potomac will host a holiday open house this weekend, offering festive items ranging from candles to potpourri.

Holiday Open Houses

JT Interiors
Saturday, Nov. 1
11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Flora's Holiday Open House
Nov. 7, 8 and 9

ess gifts, cards, and we carry a nice line of Michael Aram products."

Some of the holiday merchandise will be

on sale. The following weekend, Nov. 7, 8 and 9, the halls of Flora's Feathered Nest will be decked with holiday cheer.

"This old barn really shines this time of year," said Marcia Copenhaver, owner of Flora's Feathered Nest, describing her shop. "We offer the finest in natural or big punches of color. I have designed these trees for 20 years. I am constantly looking for something new. Ribbon can make any concept new. I am not timid in my designs, but



Marcia Copenhaver of Flora's Feathered Nest in Potomac offers the holiday decor in natural or big punches of color.



PHOTO BY MARILYN CAMPBELL

make it possible to reproduce."

For those who need help pulling together the décor, both stores offer personal design services by appointment. Some shoppers appreciate the personalized attention.

"I only shop at boutiques," said Erin Corsig of Potomac. "First, I hate the crowds and impersonal customer service at larger stores. I like the individual attention that you get in small boutiques. And I love to keep my money in the community."

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Montgomery County Muslim Foundations various community service programs. Email mcmfmd@gmail.com for more.

SUNDAY/NOV. 2

Rockville 10K/5K. 8:15 a.m. Annual race. Visit www.mcrrc.org for more.

Oil Painting Collection. Noon-8 p.m. at Yellow Barn Gallery, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. Nassera Dahmani will present a collection of oil paintings. Visit www.yellowbarnstudio.com or call 301-371-5593.

Josiah Henson Park Open House.

Noon-4 p.m. at 11420 Old Georgetown Road, North Bethesda. Enjoy guided tours and join Park archaeologists at the archaeology dig on site. Visit HistoryInTheParks.org for more.

Nature Center Tour. Noon-4 p.m. at 1400 Glenallen Ave., Wheaton. Visit the Harper 1870s Homestead to learn how families lived off the land. Visit HistoryInTheParks.org for more.

Sandy Spring Museum Open House.

Noon-5 p.m. at 17901 Bentley Road, Sandy Spring. The Museum chronicles the history of the families that lived and grew up here on farms and in trades, creating one of the oldest sustained communities of African American landowners in the nation. Visit www.sandyspringmuseum.org for more.

Waltz Dance. 2:45-6 p.m. Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Admission \$10, no partner required. Dance lesson from 2:45-3:30 p.m., followed by dancing until 6 p.m. Call Joan Koury at 202-238-0230 or Glen Echo Park at 301-

634-2222 or visit www.waltztimedances.org or email info@waltztimedances.org.

MONDAY/NOV. 3

Todd Marcus Orchestra. 7:30 p.m. at Saint Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Road, Rockville. 2014 Baker Artist Award winner Todd Marcus will debut his new CD, "Blues for Tahir," with a nine-piece jazz orchestra. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Visit www.imtfolk.org for more.

THURSDAY/NOV. 6

An Evening with Molly Ringwald. 7:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington, 6125 Montrose Road, Rockville. Known for her roles in various '80s films, Ringwald will perform songs from her first jazz album "Except Sometimes." Call 301-468-6701 or visit jccgw.org for more.

THURSDAY-SUNDAY/NOV.6-16

The Lessans Family Annual Book Festival. Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington, 6125 Montrose Road, Rockville. For more details on specific times, admission costs and reservations, go to jccgw.org/bookfestival, call 301-348-3805 or visit the JCCGW Box Office.

FRIDAY/NOV.7

Author Event. Noon at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington, 6125 Montrose Road, Rockville. Author Catherine Zacks Gildenhorn, "Redefining Moments:End of Life Stories for Better Living," offers the perspective

of a man at the end of a rewarding life, who instead of succumbing to grief, channels his positive energy. Tickets \$40, includes lunch. Visit www.jccgw.org/bookfestival or call 301-348-3805.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/NOV. 7-9

Festival and Bazaar. Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Sunday, noon-4 p.m. at St. Mark Orthodox Church, 7124 River Road. Russian and Eastern European food, baked goods, jewelry, pottery, nutrition products, icons, religious books and gifts will be offered. Visit www.stmarkoca.org or call 301-229-6300 for more.

FRIDAYS/NOV. 7-DEC. 19

Gingerbread House Decorating. 7-9:30 p.m. at VisiArts Rockville, 155 Gibbs St., Rockville. VisArts provides the gingerbread house, candy and one glass of wine. Tickets \$45. Participants must be 21 years or older. Visit www.visartscenter.org or call 301-315-8200.

SATURDAY/NOV. 8

Potomac Library Book Sale. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. 10101 Glenolden Dr. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library, Potomac Chapter. Most hardbacks will be \$1 and most paperbacks will be \$0.50 Visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov/Library/branches/potomac.html or call 240-777-0690 or 301-765-4083 for more.

2nd Annual Bazaar. 10 a.m-3 p.m. Ingleside at King Farm, 701 King Farm Blvd., Rockville. Will sell books, crafts, holiday decorations, handmade items, ceramics, DVDs/

CDs, jewelry, art work, attic treasures and a bake sale. There will also be a face painter. Free parking and attendance, lunch is available in Ingleside's Market Place. Contact Joan Harrison at 301-330-1297 or parjoanie@aol.com.

Love Ball. 6:30-11 p.m. at the Hilton, 1750 Rockville Pike, Rockville. Gala and fundraiser, with a cocktail reception, silent and live auctions, three-course dinner and dancing. Regular tickets, \$160; Deluxe tickets, \$200; VIP tickets, \$230. Save 10 percent when reserving a table of 10. Visit www.mchumane.org/loveball14.shtml for more.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/NOV. 8-9

Canal Quarters Open Houses Celebrate 5th Anniversary. Noon-3 p.m. Open houses at all six Canal Quarters lockhouses. Saturday, visit lockhouses 22, 25 and 28; Sunday, visit lockhouses 6, 10 and 49. Each lockhouse will have special programming. Visit www.canaltrust.org for more.

SUNDAY/NOV. 9

Gingerbread House Decorating. 12-2:30 p.m. at VisArts Rockville, 155 Gibbs St., Rockville. VisArts provides the juice and cider to keep the holiday mood going. For children 6 and up. Two people can share one house but all children must be accompanied by an adult. Tickets \$45. Visit www.visartscenter.org or call 301-315-8200.

TUESDAY/NOV. 11

Author Event. 12 p.m., Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington, 6125 Montrose Road,

Rockville. Author Mark Lee Greenblatt, "Valor: Unsung Heroes from Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Home Front," talks about his book of interviews with U.S. servicemen from 21st century wars. Tickets \$12. Free for U.S. veterans. Visit www.jccgw.org/bookfestival, or call 301-348-3805.

Author Event. 4:30 p.m. Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington, 6125 Montrose Road, Rockville. Author Debbie Levy, "We Shall Overcome: The Story of a Song," with illustrations by Vanessa Brantley-Newton, pays tribute to the heroic spirit of the famous song that encompasses American history. Student program, ages 6-8. Tickets \$8. Visit www.jccgw.org/bookfestival, or call 301-348-3805.

WEDNESDAY/NOV. 12

West Montgomery County Citizens Association (WMCCA) Meeting. Second Wednesday each month, October-May, 7:15-8:45 p.m. Potomac's umbrella citizens association is scheduled to hold its first general meeting. Visit www.wmcca.org for more.

THURSDAY, NOV.13

Author Event. 12 p.m. Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington, 6125 Montrose Road, Rockville. Author Martin Goldsmith, "Alex's Wake: A Voyage of Betrayal and a Journey of Remembrance," details his six-week quest to retrace the journey his grandfather and uncle made, a contemporary travelogue and heartfelt memoir of a second-generation American Jew trying to make sense of his heritage. Tickets \$12. Visit www.jccgw.org/bookfestival, or call 301-348-3805.

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What's on the Ballot?

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Statewide Question 2

Constitutional Amendment (Ch. 261 of the 2014 Legislative Session)

Special Election to fill Vacancy in Office of Chief Executive Officer or County Executive

(Amending Article XI-A, Section 3 and Article XVIII, Section 2 of the Maryland Constitution)

Authorizes charter counties to provide for special elections to fill a vacancy in the office of chief executive officer or county executive, and exempts a special election to fill a vacancy in the office of chief executive officer or county

executive of a charter county from the constitutional requirement that elections for state and county officers be held on a specified four-year cycle. Under existing law, charter counties may only authorize special elections to fill vacancies on the county council.

Montgomery County Question A, Charter Amendment by Act of County Council

District Councilmember Residency Requirement Amend Sections 102, 104, 106, and 114 of the County Charter to:

- ❖ clarify that a candidate for a District Council seat must reside in the district at the time of the primary and general election;

- ❖ provide that a councilmember elected by a district must reside in that district during the member's entire term;

- ❖ provide that any change in the district boundaries during a district councilmember's term does not render the councilmember ineligible to complete that term;

- ❖ clarify that any revised Council District boundaries apply in any special election held to fill a vacancy after the boundaries are amended; and

- ❖ clarify that, if a vacancy occurs, the Council appointee, or the candidate elected in a special election to fill the vacancy, must reside in the district as it exists when the vacancy occurs.

BUSINESS NOTES

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

The Quicken Loans National will be played at TPC Potomac at Avenel Farm in Potomac during the PGA Tour's 2016-2017 season, officials from the Tour, Tiger Woods Foundation and Quicken Loans announced. This will mark the first PGA Tour tournament TPC Potomac has held since 2006. Formerly known as TPC Avenel, the facility became the host venue for what then was known as the Kemper Open in 1987 and continued until the tournament's final year in 2006. The golf course and clubhouse underwent a multi-million dollar renovation two years later.

Lisa Marie Riggins has joined The Karp Frosh, Wigodsky & Norwind Law Firm, P.A. as "Of Counsel" attorney with the firm. Riggins earned her Bachelor of Arts at American University and completed her Juris Doctor from Fordham University School of Law. Riggins will be resident in their Rockville, Maryland offices, responsible for litigation involving criminal and civil matters. Prior to joining Karp Frosh, Wigodsky & Norwind, P.A., Riggins was employed as an Assistant State's Attorney for Montgomery County. During that time she prosecuted both District and Circuit Court cases. In addition her experience includes managing all aspects of criminal defense, family law, and civil complaint cases while an associate attorney for Phillips, Beckwith Hall & Chase based in Fairfax, Va.

Riggins is a member of the Maryland, District of Columbia and Virginia State Bar Associations. She resides in Cabin John with her husband, NFL Hall of Famer John Riggins and two daughters, Hannah and Coco.

The new **Prostate Cancer Multidisciplinary Clinic** at the Johns Hopkins Sidney Kimmel Comprehensive Cancer Center at Sibley Memorial Hospital, offers quality care and evaluation for patients with newly diagnosed, biopsy-proven prostate cancer. At the MDC, patients will have access to world-renowned specialists in surgical urology, radiation oncology, medical oncology, pathology and radiology. Patients will also have access to cutting-edge clinical trials that are open at Sibley for different stages of prostate cancer.

According to the **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency** announced that Montgomery County ranks fifth among top 30 local governments in green power usage. The City of Rockville ranks 26th. Montgomery County has led a coalition of Montgomery County agencies and municipalities to purchase electricity supply generated from clean national wind energy. The coalition has increased its percentage of green power to 26 percent of annual electricity consumption, six times the initial 2004 commitment. The City of Rockville's green power commitment qualifies the city for EPA's green power leadership club, a distinction given to EPA green power partnership organizations that have significantly exceeded

EPA's minimum requirements.

Montgomery County's 311 customer service center has launched a new Twitter account that allows residents to get non-emergency county government information and request services via Twitter at @311MC311. Tweet MC311 with a request for service and get the service request number and an estimate of when to expect a follow-up response regarding action taken by the county. MC311 also will tweet information about some of the most common topics MC311 receives: Ride On Bus real time information, reporting a dead animal along the roadway, reporting a street light outage, reporting a pothole on a county road and more.

The Montgomery County Planning Department has created a new webpage dedicated to bikeways in Montgomery County. The page allows visitors to view all of the existing and proposed bikeways in the county complete with an interactive map. It also features the Silver Spring Bicycle Parking Station Study, which evaluates future demand and potential locations for a bicycle parking station near the Silver Spring Transit Center and the planned connection of the Capital Crescent Trail and Metropolitan Branch Trail. Visitors can also review "An Assessment of Purple Line Corridor Bicycle and Pedestrian Issues" for the proposed Capital Crescent Trail between Bethesda and Silver Spring and pedestrian issues around the Purple Line. For questions or comments contact David Anspacher at 301-495-2191.

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Running Out of Efficacy



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Not that I'm the least bit worried (actually, I'm the most bit worried), but surviving a terminal cancer diagnosis years beyond one's original prognosis does present its own unique set of problems. Most notably, and most personally for me, they concern treatment options. Specifically, what drugs, targeted or otherwise, can be infused and/or swallowed (when in pill form, like Tarceva) and for how long, when signs of internal organ damage are indicated on regular lab tests? The answer is, generally speaking, so long as your body – as indicated by lab work and any physical symptoms/diagnostic scans – tolerates it. Once the results turn negative, however, and the drug no longer appears to be working, change – in the form of new medicine – is warranted, according to my oncologist. Cancer cells figure it out eventually, and the drugs become ineffective. Moreover, going back to previous drugs – infused or orally (first line, second line, etc.) – that were likewise once effective and then no longer were, is also rarely advisable since the drugs don't magically become re-effective with non-use. Apparently, the cancer cells don't forget, either.

The problem then becomes/has become, for me, given some of the now pre-existing internal organ damage nearly six years of non-stop chemotherapy can cause, is that a patient can run out of treatment options. In fact, I'm on the last oncologist-recommended one, of those with acceptable risks and side effects. Barring any new drug making it out of the research/FDA-approval pipeline, my next option is experimental/a clinical-type study (N.I.H./Johns Hopkins come to mind) or alternatively, a 100-percent non-Western approach. Fortunately, I'm not quite there yet; I was almost there last September after a week-long stay in a hospital due to fluid build-up in my lungs, when after my release, my oncologist took a bit of a chance and prescribed Alimta (an infused chemotherapy drug, the one he characterizes as "the last miracle drug" on the market) for me, which has been miraculous. I'm not cancer-free, but neither am I curled up in a fetal position. Alimta has become my new best friend.

I can't say I worry about "what next" every minute of every day, but I certainly worry about it most days, and most definitely worry about it every third Thursday while I await the results from my every-three-week, pre-chemotherapy lab work. Once my creatinine and bilirubin (kidney, liver respectively), exceed acceptable levels, my chemotherapy stops (and if my next CT Scan shows tumor growth and/or movement, likewise the chemotherapy stops) and the "what next" question rears its ugly head. Quality of life, quality of treatment. I'll have entered the land of the unknown. No more FDA-approved protocols, no more drugs whose efficacy can be measured. No more predictability. Life as I've come to I know and love it will likely take a turn for the scary.

So far, my body – and my mind, have mostly withstood the chemical and emotional onslaught that almost six years of chemotherapy can exact. I don't imagine, given my original "13 month to two-year prognosis" back in late February, 2009, that this routine goes on forever. As much as I want to believe and live like I have a future, sometimes it's difficult not to live day-to-day, or at most, every-three-weeks-to-every-three-weeks.

Kenny Lourie is an Advertising Representative for The Potomac Almanac & The Connection Newspapers.

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Churchill's Annie Moshyedi scored two goals against Richard Montgomery in the opening round of the 4A South region tournament on Oct. 23.



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Churchill's Carly Kabelac scored twice against Richard Montgomery on Oct. 23.

Churchill Field Hockey Ends Season in Sectional Final

After a convincing 5-0 victory against Richard Montgomery in the opening round of the 4A West region tournament, the Churchill field hockey team's season ended at the hands of an opponent few have been able to defeat.

The Wootton Patriots beat Churchill 2-0 in the Section II final of the 4A South region bracket on Monday at Wootton High School. The Patriots finished state runner-up last season, with their only loss coming in the state championship game.

This year, Monday's victory improved Wootton to 13-2, with only one loss coming against a Maryland opponent.

"I think that we played a great game," Churchill head coach Cay Miller said. "We showed a lot of heart and determination."

One of Churchill's goals, Miller said, was to not let Wootton score early, after the Patriots found the back of the cage twice in the first five minutes during their 2-0 win over the Bulldogs during the regular season. On Monday, Churchill held Wootton scoreless for about 15 minutes before the Patriots broke through.

Marisa Morakis and Lacey Rubin scored goals for Wootton. The Patriots will face Bethesda-Chevy Chase on Wednesday, Oct.

29 in the region final.

Churchill goalkeeper Sophie Ascher finished with 10 saves, including a diving save and clear that Miller said was quite impressive. "Sophie had an amazing game," Miller said. "She had probably the best clear I've ever seen a goalie make."

Churchill was without one of its top players, senior captain Carly Kabelac, who attended a family funeral, Miller said.

"I didn't know what to expect with her not being there," Miller said, "because she is a huge leader."

Kabelac showed her skills during Churchill's 5-0 win over Richard Montgomery on Oct. 23. Kabelac and junior Annie Moshyedi each scored two goals against the Rockets. Sophomore Jenny Langerman also scored a goal. Langerman, Moshyedi, sophomore Jocelyn Kelly and freshman Faith Kean (2) had assists for the Bulldogs.

Churchill finished the season with a 9-5 record. Moshyedi is expected to be a team leader and one of the Bulldogs' top players next season.

Whitman Football Blasts WJ

The Whitman football team set a season

high for points scored during a 50-24 victory over Walter Johnson on Oct. 24.

Whitman quarterback Evan Smith completed 16 of 27 passes for 321 yards and three touchdowns. Austin Deramus caught five passes for 120 yards and a touchdown. Nolan Hanessian and Anton Casey each had a touchdown reception.

Jacob Pitsenberger had seven carries for 41 yards and four touchdowns.

The victory improved Whitman's record to 4-4. The Vikings will travel to face Churchill at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 31.

Churchill Football Blanked by Springbrook

The Churchill football team lost to Springbrook 6-0 on Oct. 24, dropping its record to 5-3.

The Bulldogs were limited to 166 yards of offense. It was the second time they were held without a touchdown this season.

Quarterback Colin Smyth completed 7 of 14 passes for 59 yards and was intercepted once. Running back Andrew Zuckerman led the Bulldogs with nine carries for 40 yards. Paolo Tranquill had 10 tackles and two

sacks. Blake Dove and Giulian Groce each had nine. Groce had one sack.

Churchill will host Whitman at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 31.

Bullis Beats Landon, Improves to 7-1

The Bullis football team defeated Landon 41-14 on Oct. 24, improving the Bulldogs' record to 7-1, including 3-0 in the IAC.

Quarterback Dwayne Haskins completed 19 of 29 passes for 190 yards and two touchdowns. Running back Devonte Williams carried 24 times for 264 yards and four scores. Patrick Johnson had five catches for 44 yards and a touchdown.

Bullis will host Episcopal at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 31.

Wootton Football Beats RM

The Wootton football team improved to 4-4 with a 36-32 victory over Richard Montgomery on Oct. 24. The victory came after back-to-back losses for the Patriots.

Wootton will host Rockville at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 31.

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conversation, reaching out and allowing others in, and the keys to connecting and solving differences. \$60. Call 301-816-2665 for more.

FRIDAY/OCT. 31

Halloween SoberRide Program. 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 31-4 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 1. Washington Regional Alcohol Program is offering free cab rides home. During this six-hour period, area residents ages 21 and older

celebrating with alcohol may call the toll-free SoberRide phone number (1-800-200-TAXI) and be afforded a no-cost (up to \$30), safe way home. Visit www.soberride.com for more.

SATURDAY/NOV. 1

Ribbon Cutting. 11:30 a.m. 7700 Scotland Drive, Potomac. The Scotland Neighborhood Recreation Center project involved complete

demolition and construction of a new two-level structure that features a new gymnasium, two multi-purpose activity rooms, game room, weight and exercise room, and a spacious social hall. Call 240-777-4980 or visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov/DGS-BDC/BCC/720916.html.

WEDNESDAY/NOV. 5

2014 Trees Matter Symposium.

7:30 a.m. -4 p.m. Silver Spring Civic Building, 1 Veterans Plaza, Silver Spring. Leading tree experts from around the country will discuss innovative efforts to plant, protect and preserve trees in urban and suburban settings. Admission is \$65. Register at www.parkpass.org and enter Course #300699. Visit www.montgomeryparks.org/trees for more.



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- \$350,000 Legal Expense Questioned by Circuit Court. “The actions of the County and the Board’s resulted in an enormous waste of private, county and state resources. *Circuit Court Order*, April 23, 2013

“State Cites School Board again for Open Meetings violation”

—Montgomery County Gazette July 15, 2011

- Two Open Meetings violations in less than a month. *Montgomery County Gazette* July 15, 2011
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