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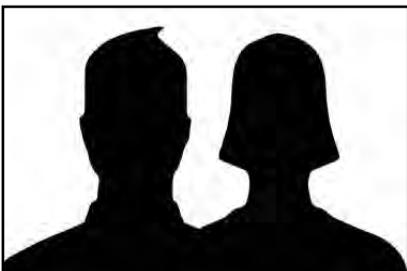
Wet and Wild Fundraising Day for the Dorsey family. See more in the Family Album on page 2.



This young lady wanted Officer Ravda to know how much she appreciated him. Read more about this special event in Local News on page 3.



Mexican Grill now offers a full line of adult beverages. Find out more in Business Briefs on page 3.



The Grand Marshals of Poolesville Day have been selected. Can you figure out who they are from this silhouette? No? Guess you'll have to turn to page 5 and read Tidbits.

Electric Car Charging Stations Add to Town's Green Image

By Link Hoewing

Poolesville has adopted a number of projects in recent years—everything from the permeable surface on the parking lot next to town hall to the installation of solar panels to help power the sewer treatment plant—that have enhanced its reputation as a town committed to investing in green projects. The recent installation of two electric vehicle (EV) charging stations along the perimeter of Whalen Commons near town hall and another near Poolesville Hardware is the latest example of such a project.

The idea for the EV charging stations was first officially raised by Poolesville Green and later was the subject of a research project and presentation before the commissioners in April by two Poolesville High School students, Brianna Roche and Lauren Lightcap. They explained that the number of EVs in Maryland was expected to rise from the approxi-



Poolesville Green's J.D. Taylor and Joyce Breiner, students Lauren Lightcap and Brianna Roche, Commissioner Jim Brown, and Charging Station sponsor Tom Kettler of Kettler Forlines Homes.

mately 30,000 such vehicles today to some 60,000 within four years. They argued that Poolesville is in the middle of a "charging station desert," meaning there are no such stations in town or anywhere near it, and recommended that the town move ahead with the idea of constructing EV charging stations.

The town commissioners supported the idea at that April meeting and tasked Town Manager Wade Yost with doing more research on the idea and developing an approach for successful implementation. Yost, working on

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RB Savage and Sons Farm, LLC:

A local family-run farm and market provides quality meats and home-grown produce

By Susan Petro

The town of Poolesville and surrounding communities have been without a supermarket since 2012, making it difficult for local residents to have easy access to fresh meats and produce without driving at least twenty to thirty minutes to the nearest grocery stores. In the summer, local area farm markets located within the Agricultural Reserve provide residents a means to purchase locally-grown produce like fresh corn, berries, tomatoes, peaches, and more, but fresh meats were still difficult to come by; however, in recent years, a few local area farms are helping to fill that void by selling pasture-raised meats directly from their farms. RB Savage and Sons Farm, a family-run farm, now has a year-round market that offers a wide selection of pasture-raised beef, pork,

chicken, and free-range eggs that come from the livestock they raise on their farm.

Originally, the family sold their beef and produce from their garage until they finished building the store next to their home in 2015. Inside the store are freezers full of beef, chicken, pork, and even goat meat that comes from another local area farm. The market also has McCutcheon's products, goat cheese, barbecue sauce from Poolesville Pickers, and many other local products from nearby sources.

Bruce Savage, his wife, Sandy, and their three sons, Cody, Cory, and Colin,



Cody Savage taking care of the cattle at R. B. Savage and Sons Farm in Dickerson.

raise livestock, including cattle, pigs, chickens, Thanksgiving turkeys, and grow a variety of crops like wheat,

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Family Album

Wet & Wild Family Event:

A Benefit for Coach Dorsey Family



Coach Kevin Dorsey with this cousin.



The kids were thrilled with this giant snake.



Denise Shores Dancers help out at the Dorsey fundraiser.



Kicks Karate came out to support the Dorsey family.



Paying for parole for these jailbirds was one way to help raise money at the Dorsey family event.



The Few Band performing at the fundraiser for the Dorsey family.



This little girl kissed a pig to help the Dorsey cause. Hey, the pig was so darned cute, who wouldn't want to kiss it!



Really, Val? You had to photobomb this one? That's okay, everyone was having a ball.



Coree and George Coakley, Eileen and John Gilfrich, and Andrew and Colleen Bowers, enjoying the camaraderie of the Summer Wine Down at a recent Friday on the Commons.



Members of Barnesville Baptist Church enjoying the summer VBS events.

Local News

Police Appreciation Day

Due to the current climate between the police and communities throughout America, congregants of Hosanna Worship Center (HWC) in Dickerson decided to be a light in the midst of these dark situations. Following its mission call of "Where Love Always Comes First," HWC took the initiative to show the Montgomery County Police that they are appreciated. With that appreciation, the congregation also had lots of questions.

police department, there were many questions and thought-provoking discussions on topics such as: the proper way to comply with police, open expression on issues of racial bias, and questions around the Black Live Matter movement. The open discussion proved very enlightening to the church members.

The purpose of the Police Appreciation Day was to begin the healing process between our police and the communities they serve, and HWC wanted to shed a positive light on that relationship.

Speaking on behalf of the church, Pastor Copeland believes that the



Congregants of Dickerson's Hosanna Worship Center visited with MCP personnel to let them know how much they are appreciated

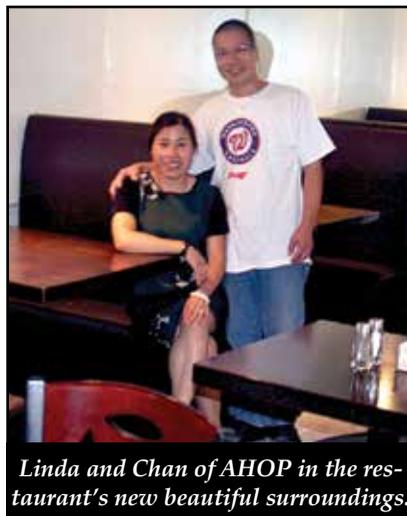
On July 23 at 10:00 a.m., HWC arranged to share its appreciation with the local police station in Germantown by serving them breakfast refreshments while engaging in a Question/Answer session. During the two and half hours of fellowship with members of the

church has a responsibility to initiate reconciliation, taking what's broken and making it whole. It was apparent to those attending that HWC took a big step towards showing love and appreciation to the police in an effort to begin that healing process.

Business Briefs

AHOP Gets New Look

The Asian House of Poolesville, otherwise known by customers as AHOP, boasts a brand new interior look that will make dining-in more comfortable and attractive. The main dining room and window-seating lane has soft leather booths and mahogany tables. Linda and Chan invite everyone to come enjoy this new dining-in experience. It is difficult to believe, but they have been the owners of the restaurant for nine years now. They added a terrific outdoor patio entertainment venue last year which features live music by a variety of local bands and musicians.



Linda and Chan of AHOP in the restaurant's new beautiful surroundings.

Mexican Grill Now Offers Alcoholic Beverages

Just in time for the football season, the Mexican Grill in Poolesville has a full liquor/wine/beer bar that offers a solid selection of adult beverages. They recently renovated the seating

and interior décor, and the staff looks forward to being of service to you real soon.

A great time to visit Jessica and her staff is during their Happy Hour from Monday through Thursday, 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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Commentary

One Good Term Deserves Another—or Not

By John Clayton

The topic of the day in Montgomery County is term limits for county officeholders, an initiative aimed squarely at the Montgomery County Council. The limits would also affect the county executive. Dog catchers, sheriffs, and air raid wardens can continue to serve as long as they like.

I admit that I have never been a fan of the term limit movement. I am somewhat experienced in discussing the issue because I have a good friend (not connected to this publication) who is a steadfast believer in term limits, and we have sparred over the question a few times over the years, never damaging our relationship to my knowledge. Ah, the good old days.

The impetus for term limits is usually driven either by specific issues (tax increases) or by disgust with legislative bodies in general, especially the United States Congress. The rationale is that people arrive in legislatures with good intentions and are inevitably corrupted by the system. There is some truth to this, at least in Congress. It is estimated that congressmen spend from one half to two thirds of their time fundraising while they are supposedly working for the taxpayer. I'm not sure that throwing in a new batch of rookie legislators every few terms will solve this particular problem, but let's not pretend it isn't a problem. More outrage is in order here.

My personal opinion is straightforward: We have term limits now—if you don't like someone, just vote him or her out. This is nice and clean, but it doesn't acknowledge the incredible power of incumbency, like being able to spend most of your time raising

money while drawing salary and benefits—is there an echo in here? It is not easy to dislodge an incumbent anywhere, and that includes Montgomery County (Upcounty candidate Beth Daly discovered that in the last election when she ran against four downcounty incumbents, but perhaps I digress). Another thought is: Why do we think we'll get a different result by sending in new batches of elected representatives every few terms? Doesn't that put rookies at the mercy of more long-term staffers and lobbyists? Aren't the same people voting? Do we lose too much institutional expertise and continuity by throwing the experienced ones out? Of course, if one hates the output of a legislative body, one isn't going to value their expertise very much. When at first you don't succeed, try, try again.

Here in Montgomery County, a term limit petition appears to have enough qualified signatures to move forward as a ballot initiative, and it has been championed by long-time political activist and Upcounty Boyds neighbor Robin Ficker. The petition has been energized by the council's recent increase in the property tax rate. It is being pushed by local Republican groups, which is generally the case with term limit proposals (and tax increases), and this is not surprising with a one hundred percent Democratic council. "End one party rule" is a powerful rallying cry, but, again, aren't the same people voting?

Ficker's proposal also includes the counting of fractional terms, so two full terms plus a fraction would trigger the limit. This directly affects Councilman Nancy Navarro (District 4, Eastern Montgomery County), who served a partial term as her first term, and she suggested that it was motivated by hostility to her as an immigrant. She observed in *Bethesda Magazine* (on their *Bethesda Beat* website) that while the

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Rande(m) Thoughts

On Aging, Reunions, and Sunsets

By Rande Davis

It is said that repetition is the grand teacher or, put another way, practice makes perfect. I have been thinking that if this is true, how come I am not better at getting older. After all, one of the things you do every single day of your life is get older. I figure that by the time you actually get old, you ought to be pretty darn good at it, yet somehow it seems so new, so strange, and at times, so very unexpected. Old age—What? Already?

What has caused my reflection on this all-too-human phenomenon called aging? It is that my fiftieth high school reunion is coming up next month. It's hard to realize how much has transpired in that time. When I was in high school, the Beatles made their first trip to America and man had not yet landed on the moon.

I have to admit some nervousness, some apprehension about this reunion, though I wouldn't miss it for the world. I have only to be grateful that I have lived long enough for this moment. Nearly three dozen of my classmates did not.

What makes this reunion experience especially astounding for me is that I moved away between my junior and senior years and the people with whom I am about to reconnect are people I haven't seen or heard from in over fifty years. Since my picture was not in the senior class yearbook, there was no tenth, fifteenth, or even twenty-fifth reunion for me. There has been no in between, no gradual transition. One day we were teenagers, the next we are old people. While the focus will be on a graduating class, it's much more than that. Understand, I grew up with these people from third through eleventh grades. They were my peers during life's most formative years. I guess it says something that the only other group of people in my life similar to this one is my family, my brothers and sisters. I shared Halloween costumes and Easter egg hunts; making snowmen, snowballs, and ice-skating; first dates, middle school sock hops, and proms; baseball and football victories and disappointments, too. My life was their life.

I embrace the reunion and the process of aging. To the young, I would say that aging is something like watching a sunset over Whalen Commons. While seeing the day's end coming nearly half the day, the sun drifts

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Tidbits

Grand Marshals of Poolesville Day 2016

Congratulations to dentists Drs. Timothy Pike and Margaret Valega for being selected the co-chairs of the 2016 Poolesville Day Parade. Their community service includes helping many local organizations such as WUMCO Help! by having a collection box for dry and canned food goods in their parking lot, hosting numerous non-profit car washing fundraisers for a variety of student groups, Halloween candy buy back to support program to help Operation Gratitude, and blood drive for cancer survivors, and Relay for Life.

Tim, a past recipient of the PACC Community Service Award, volunteers on the Towns Parks Board and has been on the Community Economic Development Committee, past member on the Board of Director of the PACC and for a number of years that organizations Treasurer. They have helped the local boy scouts, teaching CCD, post prom committee, and recently posted a sign on their property exclaiming their appreciation for the Montgomery County Police.



Grand Marshals 2016: Drs. Timothy Pike and Margaret Valega.

MJW Spirit Car Show Returns to Whalen Commons

After the death of their son, Matthew J. Williquette, Deb and Keith Williquette were determined to set up a scholarship fund in his honor. In respect to Matthew's passion for cars, they established a car show as the primary fundraiser and the event was held at Whalen Commons. The fund is the MJW Spirit, Inc. scholarship fund for students in the Montgomery College Automotive Technology Program. They have been able to award six such scholarships in the past three years.

Last year the event replaced the annual Poolesville Day car show but while it was a great day and terrific



Luke Mankus

show, they didn't do as well at that venue so they will be returning to Whalen Commons on August 20 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Along with the array of vehicles, there will be a silent auction and corn hole tournament.

Persons wanting to help out or make a donation can get more information at their MJW Spirit, Inc. Facebook page.

Poolesville Day Call to Action

The success of Poolesville Day (September 17, 2016) is the result of the hard work by the members of the Poolesville Day Committee in the nine months prior to the event and, very importantly, through the help of volunteers for a couple of hours during the festival.

The "day-of" volunteers have a variety of things to choose from starting with an early morning set up crew all the way to traffic control at the end of the day. No volunteer will miss the great day as they can choose the function and amount of hours to assist and all will have plenty of time to enjoy the activities of the annual celebration from its terrific parade to the headliner performances at mid-day and every thing in between.

Other ways to help Poolesville Day is through social media. As they say "like us on Facebook, follow us on Twitter and Instagram." Twitter and Instagram will be used throughout the day to keep you up-to-the minute on what is happening and where.

If you "feel the call" and want to assist the community in its special day, you can visit the Poolesville Day website to find out the various ways you can help. A particular need is for a stage manager to help keep the flow of performances smooth and running and is the perfect position to make

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Things To Do

Reminder: The deadline for submitting Poolesville Day vendor applications without penalty fees is August 17. More information at PoolesvilleDay.com.

August 13

AHOP Entertainment

Bobby Lewis Band on the patio at 5:00 p.m.

August 15

Town Commissioners' Meeting

Poolesville Town Hall. 7:30 p.m.

August 17

Poolesville Area Senior Center (PASC) Events

Tai chi at Whalen Commons. 10:30 a.m.
Zumba Gold. 17750 West Willard Road. 1:00 p.m.

Women's Health Seminar

An interactive discussion about high blood pressure, breast cancer, cervical cancer, diabetes, cholesterol, bone health, nutrition, and exercise presented by Debra Wylie, Community Health Worker for Holy Cross Hospital. Hosted by PASC. Town Hall. 7:00 p.m.

August 18

PASC Event: Game Day—Dominoes. 17750 West Willard Road, Room 127.

1:00 p.m.

August 19

Artism for Autism

A special Hope Garden Children's Ballet Academy performance to benefit

Madison Fields for autistic people. Donation—\$10.00. *The Hebrew Home of Greater Washington in Rockville, Kraeger Auditorium*. 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Fridays on the Commons:

Football Friday

Inflatables, quarterback toss, flag football, food vendors, farmers' market, and movie: *The Little Giant* at 8:30 p.m. *Whalen Commons*. 6:00 p.m.

August 20

AHOP Entertainment: Red House Band on the patio at 5:00 p.m.

August 24

PASC Event: Tai chi. 17750 West Willard Road. 10:30 a.m.

August 25

PASC Event: Bingo for Movies, prizes will be movie-related refreshments. 1:00 p.m.

August 26

PES PTA Summer Carnival

Inflatables, kids' activities, food vendors, farmers' market, and movie: TBD. *Whalen Commons*. 6:00 p.m.

August 28

UMAC's 50th Anniversary

UMAC baseball is celebrating its 50th anniversary. All current and former players, volunteers, and coaches are invited. There will be food, entertainment, and baseball. The event will wrap up with the All-Star Awards presentation. *Taylor Field Complex (19501 White Ground Road) in Boyds*. 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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Electric Car Charging Stations

recommendations from Poolesville Green, began talks with the Electric Vehicle Institute (EVI), a nonprofit dedicated to the promotion of electric vehicles. It does this, in part, by helping support the expansion of the necessary infrastructure (primarily charging stations and related products) that would increase the attractiveness of electric vehicles to consumers.

Eventually, a proposal was developed in which the EVI agreed to install EV charging stations at no charge to the town. In an accompanying Memorandum of Understanding, the EVI also agreed to maintain the facilities for three years. In exchange, the town would assume the costs of supplying electricity to the two charging stations.

When the commissioners adopted the proposal Yost had developed, they decided that the town would work to attract local businesses to become sponsors of the sites in order to help defray the costs of electricity. In that regard, Tom Kettler of Kettler Forlines Homes offered to be a sponsor the first year. "Kettler Forlines Homes is pleased to co-sponsor Poolesville's newly-installed two electric vehicle charging stations by Whalen Commons," Kettler said. "This will enable residents and visitors to town free charging for electric vehicles which strengthens Poolesville's green and sustainable efforts. We hope it will be a boost to local

businesses as folks can shop local while vehicles are charging."

The new stations are designed to work with any EV vehicle that may visit. Commission President Jim Brown said, "The installation of the EV chargers in downtown Poolesville [is] a perfect fit for our downtown commercial sector. Not only do the chargers encourage visitors to visit our retail businesses, but they also demonstrate our town's firm commitment towards green energy use and non-polluting fueling methods. I hope cars and motorcycles stay hooked up to them twenty-four/seven!"

Joyce Breiner of Poolesville Green observed that others have come forward as well: "Congratulations to the Town of Poolesville and Poolesville Hardware for hosting the Electric Vehicle Institute's Public Electric Vehicle Charging equipment and to Kettler Forlines Homes, Turning Point Real Estate, and John Speelman for sponsoring the electricity. This public-private partnership is a win-win for all and transforms Poolesville from a public EV charging desert into an oasis."

Poolesville Green led the advocacy effort, with other interested residents, in favor of the project and also mentored the 2016 PHS Global Ecology students on their Feasibility Study for Electric Charging in Poolesville; furthermore, Poolesville Green was instrumental in bringing the town of Poolesville and the Electric Vehicle Institute together.



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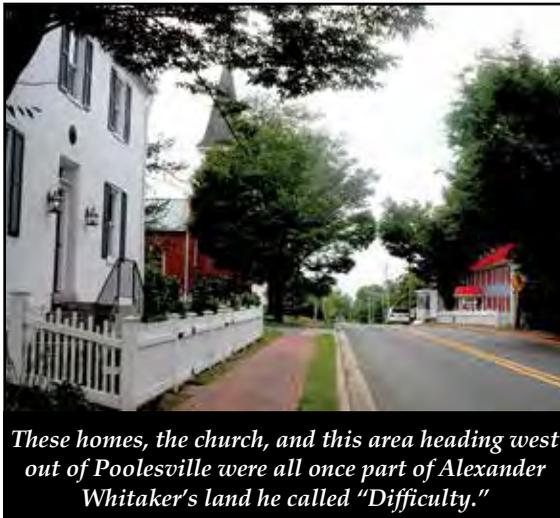
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Mystery History: Streetwise

The Story behind Four Short Roads

By Rande Davis

Whitaker Road on the east side of Poolesville is a short street with only twelve houses on it, yet it is named for one of the most prominent landowners in the history of Poolesville, Alexander Whitaker. How prominent? Historians could argue that Fisher Avenue might just as well have been named Whitaker Avenue since he owned most of the property past the corner of Fisher and Coxen Road. Coxen Road? you ask. Today it is known as Beall Street and runs along Whalen Commons in front of the Poolesville Town Hall and, originally, it extended uninterrupted into the center of Poolesville going past the front of the John Poole House to meet the intersection of today's Routes 109 and 107.



These homes, the church, and this area heading west out of Poolesville were all once part of Alexander Whitaker's land he called "Difficulty."

If we traveled back to 1783, we would discover that Whitaker was the area's tax assessor and that he owned two hundred prime acres, made up of sixteen lots, on the western side of what was to become officially, in 1867, the chartered town of Poolesville. We guess that being a landowner at the end of the eighteenth century in this region known down county and in Washington as the "wilderness" could not have been the easiest thing to do since Whitaker named his property "Difficulty." Naming property used to be the legal method of identifying property in much of our area. For example, some properties in our area were called Peter's Forest, Elizabeth Delight's, Wolfe's Cow, and others. Upon his death, he left his land to his eight children.

In those early 1800s, the town was a bustling commercial location servicing the farming community with

merchants like the John Poole Trading Post (first of its kind in 1793) stocking farm equipment while others offered services such as carriage-making, tailoring, smithing, shoemaking, carpentry, and there was a millinery, wheelwright, and a cooperage. In those days Poolesville also boasted a hotel, livery, tavern, and a doctor's office (the first town physician was Dr. Lyles). In fact, in this region, only Rockville was bigger. Around the Civil War, Poolesville's population stood at around 350 residents in comparison to only twenty-five people living in Bethesda as late as the 1870s. While Bethesda grew, Poolesville's population stayed about the same until the early 1960s.

Located just outside of town was the Joseph P. Collier's mill (Collier Way and Collier Circle) which was sold in 1845 to the Milfords and then became Milford Mills (Milford Mills Road runs along the east side of Whalen Commons).

Whitaker's home residence was known as Mount Pleasant and was located about a half mile west of Poolesville on the northern side of White's Ferry Road. Homes that would be familiar to us today that were once part of Whitaker's Difficulty are the Metzger House, known today as the St. Peter's Rectory which is on the west side of the church, the 1785 House at the corner of West Willard Road and Fisher Avenue, and the Hoskinson House on the east side of St. Peter's Church. The stories

of those homes were told in the March 25 issue of the *Monocacy Monocle* and both can be read online.

Alexander Whitaker, not surprisingly, was a vestry member of St. Peter's Church, and his daughter, Eleanor, owned what we call the Hall House (the home right across the street from St. Peter's Church).

In an intriguing twist of fate, Whitaker turns out to be a very loose, a sort-of, kind-of relative to this writer. In researching her ancestry recently, my sister-in-law, who is from upstate New York and now living in Coopersburg, Pennsylvania, called to say she found out she was related to a gentleman from Poolesville who lived there back in the late 1700s. Yep, it was ol' Alexander. Now I know why I have a granddaughter named Alexandra as well as a grandson named Alexander. Excuse me, if I take a bit of wit to say this must have been some kind of fate.

A MONOCACY MYSTERY MOMENT

Lost in Time



This delightful picture was recently found but comes with many mysteries. Based on the cars in the background, it appears to be a Poolesville parade in the late '40s or early '50s. Most importantly, we want to know the people so the picture might be returned to family.

If you know something about it, email rdavis@monocacymonocle.com, and we will share the info in a future issue.

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By Rande Davis

Eleven-year-old Kaylie Musard has a big dream which is not that unusual for a sixth grader. She dreams of becoming a medical professional, and for this young artistic person, who is used to making dream catchers, just thinking about it is not enough. You see, Kaylie is a person of action who knows how to make a game plan.

She understands that becoming a doctor will take money, a lot of money, for college; however, this brave young lady is undaunted and not fearful of such obstacles, and her can-do nature tells her that she—not others—is in control and that she can find a way.

She took inventory of her very young life and realized her passion for making crafts could be one of the keys she might use to unlock her future over time. She loves making homemade play dough, dream catchers, bracelets, hair bows, party favors, and décor pillows. She decided to start her own craft



Eleven-year-old entrepreneur Kaylie Musard of Kaylie's Crafts.

company and aptly called it Kaylie's Crafts and set up shop in the middle of Poolesville at Fridays on the Commons. She has expanded her offerings to include hand-painted or sticker-covered coasters and doggie toys.

Kaylie doesn't live in Poolesville but comes here to visit her grandmother, and it was during such a visit that she discovered this opportunity. She's a real delight to talk to, so if you attend a Friday on the Commons event, stop by and chat with her. Oh, and if you are not in the market presently for one of her gift or craft items, she hedges her bets by offering face paintings, too!

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Police Blotter: Past and Present

By Jack Toomey

Present Crime

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Theft from vehicle: 19000 block of Bucklodge Road.

Theft: 15700 block of Edwards Ferry Road, 20700 block of Darnestown Road.

Past Crime

August 12, 1897 Two brothers met death within three hours of each other. Charles Albert, a well-known attorney at Rockville, expired in the morning. His death had been expected as he was in poor health. Three hours later came the news of Major James Abert's unexpected death. He had been in good health until he had contracted poison ivy a few days prior. Sheriff Mullican looked into the events and declared them coincidences.

August 14, 1898 Elliot Fortune was arrested for horse stealing. It was alleged that he stole a horse, saddle, and bridle from the farm of John Bogley two miles east of Rockville. Fortune was arrested at Brookeville where he had just traded the horse for a cow. He then sold the cow for \$15 to Edward Jones. Fortune was ordered held in the Rockville jail.

August 15, 1894 Downtown Rockville was thrown into a state of chaos when a mad dog appeared and began chasing other canines in the street. Doors were barricaded and some men were deputized to track down the dog. Fortunately, the dog paid no attention to humans, but eight other dogs were attacked. All eight dogs were "gotten rid of."

August 16, 1896 During the previous week, the law enforcement officers of Montgomery County had made it their business to interrupt, stop, and interfere with the open selling and consumption of alcoholic beverages in the county. The States Attorney had proclaimed that the citizens of the county were up in arms over the operations of various speakeasies and that nothing had been done about it. The following parties were arrested: Maggie McConnor whose place of business was near Bethesda Park, Clarence Winemiller of the Trestle Club at Chevy Chase, Samuel Rome of Boyds, James Higgins whose club was on the Seventh Street Park, and Edward Allen of Glen Echo. Howard Emmons and William Choate, members of the Anti-Salon League, demanded half of the fines that were expected to be imposed. The custom of the time was that informers received a portion of the fines.

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corn, soybeans, hay, alfalfa, timothy orchard grass, and straw. Their farm and market are located on Mount Ephraim Road in Dickerson, about a fifteen-minute drive from Poolesville. Many of the Savages customers were surprised to discover the market when they passed it on their way to visit Sugarloaf Mountain which is visible from the farm.

The farm consists of 326 acres of land that has been passed down for four generations, and another six to seven hundred leased acres of farmland and pastures. Bruce's great-grandfather began the operation as primarily a dairy farm—a tradition that Bruce continued until 2013 when he decided to transition his focus to crops, meat production, and the on-site market. Bruce's brother now runs the dairy farm located next door.

Running the family farm is a seven-days-a-week, 365-days-a-year operation. Each morning, the boys head out to feed and check the cattle and pigs which are located on various pastures either on the farm or on nearby leased land. After caring for the livestock, there are constantly rotating crops to plant, harvest, and store.

Bales of straw have to be carefully stacked in sheds or barns to protect them from the weather. Some of the hay and straw is still stacked by hand and stored in the attic of the cow barn. "When we are doing the straw, my one son is combining, the other is usually hauling, and the youngest boy is square baling, and I'm usually running the machine," said Bruce. "At the barn, I would run it up the elevator, load it off on a pile, then my son would

get a stack wagon to go back and get another load, while I went up and stacked the bales. By the time I stacked the bales, my son would be back with another load."

Bruce and the boys recently began construction on a new shed which will eliminate the need to hand stack the bales, but the work had to be temporarily halted when they had to switch to crop production. All the work on the farm is done by Bruce, Sandy, and the boys.

Even the family dogs have a job to do on the farm. They keep deer and other animals out of the smaller garden that Sandy grows in a plot next to the market. They also help to keep an eye on the two hundred chickens that live in a large open enclosure which is surrounded by an electric fence for further protection from predators.

In addition to the market located at the farm, the Savages sell their meats at the Dickerson Market and other local area farmers' markets, including the new monthly outdoor market located in Beallsville called the Common Ground, the Fridays on the Commons events located in the center of Poolesville, and a few other farm markets located in other parts of Maryland. Jeff Brooks, the owner of Java Cruiser, a local area food truck owner, uses bacon, sausage, and eggs from the Savages' farm for the breakfast sandwiches he serves.

Although farming is hard work, neither Bruce nor Sandy can imagine life any other way. "That's what I grew up with and that's what I like," explained Sandy.

The market is open year-round Monday through Friday from noon to 6:00 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Police Blotter

August 16, 1898 A curious case that had confounded Montgomery County deputies for some time was finally resolved. Charles Moore lived in a house on the Seventh Street Pike (now Georgia Avenue) that was half in Montgomery County and half in Washington, D.C. He was wanted for running a

speakeasy out of his house. Whenever the county constables came calling, he would simply walk to the Washington side of his house. Finally, a Washington officer found him outside in Washington and arrested him at the request of Deputy Sheriff Selby. He was handed over, and Selby took him to Rockville.

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



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Musings from Mama Boe

The Hand

By Pamela Boe

We are *so lucky*, you and I.

The beauty of our generation is that we did all of our stupid stunts before Instagram and Facebook could provide the evidence. But our kids, those poor tikes, have to navigate the class V rapids that are peers, social media, Hollywood, social media, music, and did I mention social media? Today, the messages we all get hit with are hard enough to sift through, let alone our tweens and elementary aged critters. We are told we have to be so thin, or have a certain kind of hair, or wear a certain kind of clothes, or be a certain color of skin, or have a certain muscle mass or body height, or grade point average to be acceptable. These kinds of messages are not new, by any stretch of the imagination, but they are, perhaps, a lot LOUDER now than they were when we were growing up. Scary, isn't it? That in today's world of rapid-fire technology, these defining,

potentially harmful messages have unfettered access to malleable young children, like no other generation has ever before experienced.

With this in mind, there was an idea that someone needed to step up and somehow counteract all of the negativity that is bombarding our munchkins. Someone needed to have the courage to step out in the public eye, and provide encouragement, guidance, and a counter-message to the newer generations.

For the last ten years, several local individuals have been working on a concept called PRIDE (Purpose, Respect, Integrity, Dedication, and Effort). Well-known in John Poole Middle School (and known at the High School as HERO) this concept celebrates all the best qualities of our human condition. And rarely do you see an Instagram message about acceptance, or a Tweet about being kind, or a Facebook post encouraging would-be bullies to find another way.

Quietly, PRIDE has been working in the background with our teens to lift up the ideals of goodness and heroism. HERO (Helping Everyone Respect Others) stepped up soon thereafter, and most recently, a group called



Students from PHS, MES, and PES lending a hand building a hand for a float for Poolesville Day.

the Up County Prevention Network (UPCN) has banded together to provide more support for healthy choices in regards to fighting substance abuse in our little neck of the woods.

These groups are made up of all sectors of our community. Every age is encouraged, and every school is invited. You would think, with such an all-encompassing outreach, that we would be saturated with counter-

messages to the negativity thrown out there these days, but no, there is a long way to go.

Enter Mama Boe. I sat in a meeting (I never sit in meetings, as I don't play well with others, often run with scissors, and can't sit still) in June where brainstorming was going on in regards to how to get the word out more within

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The Hand

our community. Poolesville Day was mentioned, as was the parade. Here is where I couldn't keep my pie hole shut. At this point I suggested we build a float. Something to bring forth the idea of this year's theme: "BE THE DIFFERENCE." I immediately thought of an outstretched hand. In today's world of the outstretched fist, it seemed right to suggest the concept of working together, for each other, as a counter-message to those currently bombarding our kids.

My float idea was approved, and faster than I could back out of the room, I found myself in charge of it. Look, I'm not proud. I'm as inherently lazy as the next guy. I'm not looking for things to add to my to-do list, for crying out loud. But since I had opened my big yap, and obviously this concept DOES feel right and good and important, I committed myself. (And by "myself," I mean my entire family, and friends, and their friends.)

The actual form of The Hand was designed and started by Mr. Gemmel and his art students at John Poole Middle School. We picked it up from there at the beginning of summer, and are about halfway done. THE HAND, as it is lovingly called, currently sits in The Town Hall of Barnesville as we work on it. Students from different schools in the area come in as they can and work on the float and the ideas surrounding the parade. They earn SSL hours, and do a lot of laughing (mostly at me) in the process.

It's "ALL GOOD." Seriously. There is nothing negative or sarcastic or mean or small-minded to do with any of it. So even if, in the end, THE HAND is the most homely, poorly made float in the history of floats, the mission will have been accomplished.

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Remembrances

Jasper "Jack" Franklin Hough

Jack Hough, 93, passed away at home in Dickerson on July 13, 2016. He was the loving husband of Doris Hough for sixty-five years. Born March 28, 1923 in Dawsonville, he was the son of the late Jasper Fox Hough and Myrtle Lee Burdette.

Jack served his country from 1943 to 1946 as a Telephone Switchboard Operator during the Air Offensive of Japan, China, India, and Burma. He received a Good Conduct Medal, Asiatic Pacific Theater Ribbon, and World War II Victory Ribbon. After returning home, he married the love of his life, Doris. He was employed as a Supply Specialist at the Naval Ordnance Laboratory in White Oak, Maryland. During his employment there, he and Doris also ran Comus Orchards for many years. Jack did part-time hours for Safeway of Kensington and, upon retirement, he worked for Hechinger's.

In addition to his wife, Jack is survived by one son Mike (Eleanor) Hough of Adamstown, one daughter Susan (Mike) Helmick of Jefferson; one brother Forest Hough of Dickerson; three grandchildren, Walter Hough (fiancée Jessica) of Adamstown, Amy (Tony) Cole of Martinsburg, Zachary Helmick of Georgia; and one great-grandchild, Jaden Hough of Adamstown. Jack was predeceased by one son, Mark Hough.

The family wishes to thank the Frederick County Hospice, especially Nurse Patty.



Jasper "Jack" Franklin Hough

Leslie Tod Luhn

Leslie Tod Luhn, 96, of Barnesville died peacefully at home surrounded by family on July 16, 2016. He was the husband of Edith J. Luhn of sixty-eight years.

Born on November 23, 1919, in Baltimore, he was the son of the late George Washington "Lek" and Annie Lucile (Leather) Luhn.

Surviving besides his wife are his daughters, Sandra Luhn Oden and Mary A. Luhn of Barnesville; one brother, William M. Luhn; one sister, Barbara A. Zimmerman; two grandchildren, Michael T. Oden, Sr. and wife Michelle, and Duane S. Oden and wife Holly; three great-grandchildren, Michael T. Oden, Jr., Sara V. Oden, and Grace A. Oden; two step-great-grandchildren, Ray Randall and Alex Cole. Tod also leaves a special daughter at heart, Elnora Caudell and husband Bill; and two stepsisters-in-law, Anna and Aghazadeh Carter.

He was preceded in death by his stepmother, Julia E. (Mellott) Luhn; two brothers, Donald L. and George S. Luhn, and three stepbrothers, Charles C. Carter, James L. Carter, and Jacob S. Carter and wife Elizabeth.



Leslie Tod Luhn

Thomas V. Orr

Thomas V. Orr, 65, of Poolesville, died on July 12, 2016. He was the husband of Gina Orr. Born on March 21, 1951, in Bethesda, he was the son of the late Kersey "Kirk" and Marcella (Golczynski) Orr.

Surviving besides his wife are his daughter, Kathleen "Kate" Orr and husband Christopher Wallace of Davidsonville, Maryland; one son, Timothy "Tim" Orr and fiancée Jill Caw of Frederick; one sister, Barbara Weiss and husband Mark of Wilmington, Delaware; and two grandchildren, Ian Thomas and Livia Adele Wallace.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Tom's memory to WUMCO Help, Inc., P.O. Box 247, Poolesville, MD 20837.



Thomas V. Orr

Louis Nathaniel Robinson

Louis Nathaniel Robinson, 78, loving husband, father, brother, grandfather, and great-grandfather, passed away at home surrounded by his family in Dickerson, July 6, after a brave battle with cancer. He was the loving husband of Cheryl L. Robinson for thirty-five years.

Born June 3, 1938 in Capital Heights, Maryland, he was the son of the late Louis Nathaniel Robinson, Sr. and Marion Ballard.

During Robby's early career, he was the second youngest person to obtain a Washington D.C. Master Electrician's License. He later became a D.C. Electrical Inspector. Robby then founded his own electrical company, Spartan Electric, in 1962. What began as a one-man business peaked into a successful two-hundred-employee residential and commercial firm. Robby, or Chief as his employees called him, never retired from Spartan Electric, remaining at the helm for fifty-four years. He was a highly-ambitious and intelligent, but down-to-earth businessman with a natural ability to connect and engage with anybody. Robby was a devoted family man. He loved to travel, especially to Deep Creek Lake, with his family and beloved dog, Nike. In his youth, he was a Minor League baseball player, later coaching his sons. Robby loved cheering on his two favorite teams, the Washington Nationals and the Washington Redskins. He was an avid golfer for many years. Robby was extremely charismatic and had an incredible sense of humor. His kindness to people was appreciated by many.

In addition to his wife, Robby is survived by his sister, Charlotte (Lloyd) Erickson, and brother, Tom (Mary) Ballard; children Daniel Robinson of Hedgesville, West Virginia, John Robinson of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, Teresa (Kenneth) Lemere of Frederick, Pamela (Charles) Stultz of Frederick, and Joshua (Amy) Robinson of Purcellville, Virginia; grandchildren, Travis Robinson, Dylan Robinson, Austin Lemere, Sean Lemere, Dominic Stultz, and Zachary Robinson; and great-grandchildren, Isabella Robinson and Kaiden Robinson. Robby was preceded in death by his sister, Patricia Bostwick.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Louis Robinson's name to Hospice of Frederick County (hospiceoffrederick.org).



Louis Nathaniel Robinson



Maryland State Flags were lowered in honor of former Maryland Congresswoman Helen Delich Bentley who passed away on August 6, 2016.

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Aug 15th Monday - The women's Sodality will be caravanning to the Franciscan monastery to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption with Mass at the grotto outside. Mass is 7:00pm leaving from the parish at 5:45pm. RSVP jhtruppo@hotmail.com

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." - John 14:27

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On Aging, Reunions, and Sunsets

toward the horizon, first touching the treetops, then the sky beginning to broadcast the inevitable darkness to come, with its diminishing bluish colors and an array of pink, red, and even some yellows, the ending of the day still catches you with a bit of surprise.

In sunsets as in aging, the day may be nearly over, but what matters is not the darkness to come but the brilliant glory of the sky that so inspires and uplifts the spirit at the end. That experience, the awe-inspiring sunset experience, is surely everyone's hope for old age.

Each marker along life's journey comes with its own admonitions of excitement with fear, anticipation with regret, and hope with melancholy—

always a mixed bag. When I was young I expected aging would be all about regret, fear, anxiety and frustration. Mine is the time when youth became exalted over maturity and when knowing things were

valued more than wisdom. We were the disciples of Dylan Thomas, the young warriors ready to fight off even death.

"Do not go gentle into that good night. Rage, rage against the dying of the light."

I expected to be ready for that rage, the fight, and the expressed determination to hang on to youth. Now that I am really here, I find there is little room for any of that. Thomas knew nothing of what I have learned. He was a young man when he wrote his poem and just as significantly, he was a young man when he died. So, I can understand his calling for rage. We all rage for those who die too young. Now that I have come this far, I embrace gentleness and calmness not rage.

So, with a glorious sunset in my mind's eye and with apologies to Mr. Thomas:

"Do not go wearily into that good night,

Praise, praise the glory of the slow sunset light."

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One Good Term...

other councilmen get to serve three terms, "The immigrant, the Latina woman, only gets to serve 9.5 years? I find that disingenuous." She then referenced Donald Trump (you knew he was in here somewhere) and his various anti-immigrant positions. Councilman George Leventhal (At-Large, / Takoma Park) called Ficker a "perennial loser" in a Tweet, confirming that the Trump effect may infect us for some time and across party lines.

As unpopular as the council may be for the property tax increase, it is also unpopular in real estate circles for its recent hike in the recordation tax which will be assessed on sales and re-financing of real estate closings on or after September 1. Many people who don't even know about this will be unpleasantly surprised when their increased closing costs are explained to them this fall, just before the election. Enough increases of this type might coax the inner Republican out in all kinds of county residents, The Donald notwithstanding.

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Tidbits: Poolesville Day

sure you get to hear all the bands. Live entertainment will be performed by a variety of local entertainers, community and school groups, headlined by The Patty Reese Band from our own backyard. Opening for the Patty Reese Band will be the University of Maryland's own the Radiographers band.

Volunteers are needed for another highlight of the day, the Electronic Vehicle Car Show sponsored by Poolesville Green, which will take place at he EV Fisher Ave and Route 109.

Local Connection to Olympics

The Mankus family, new Poolesville residents living on Westerly Avenue, had an exciting June when son, Luke participated in the Olympic trials as a member of the University of Missouri swim and dive team.

After recording the best finishes in program history at the 2016 NCAA Championships, twenty-nine current, former and incoming members of Mizzou's men's and women's swimming teams competed at the 2016 United States Olympic Trials, June 26-July 3, at the Century Link Center in Omaha, Nebraska.

2016 Road Paving Schedule

The town of Poolesville has submitted the following schedule for

paving roads in the coming weeks. This schedule is tentative and may change with weather conditions.

Wesmond Subdivision: Milling Operations begin 8/15 • Paving begins 8/19.

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The Most Common Household Medication Poisonings That Can Happen to Your Pet

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If you have ever taken medications that were prescribed for another individual, you are putting yourself at risk for illness or even death. The same can be said for giving your pets your medications.

About one quarter of the poison control phone calls the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center (APCC) receives is about human medications that have been given to a pet on purpose or by accident. Your pet can easily ingest dropped pills or may be given potentially-harmful medications by unknowing owners or others.

Here are the 10 Most Common Human Medications Reported as Given to Pets.

1. Ibuprofen (Advil, Motrin) is the most common medication ingested by pets. They have a sweet outer coat. This medication's therapeutic level in people will cause stomach ulcers and kidney damage to your pet.
2. Tramadol (Ultram) is a pain reliever. Too much can cause significant sedation or even seizures to your pet.
3. Alprazolam (Xanax) is prescribed as an anti-anxiety medication and a sleep aid. Ingested by pets at high doses can cause sedation or atypical agitation. Blood pressure drop can occur at high doses causing death. This medication is often ingested by pets when it is left on the nightstand by owners.
4. Adderall (Adderall) is a combination of different amphetamines and is used in people to treat ADHD in children. It does not have the same effect in pets. In pets, it causes elevated heart rate and body temperature. It can also cause hyperactivity, tremors, and seizures in your pet.
5. Clonazepam (Klonopin) is used as an anticonvulsant and anti-anxiety medication in people. If pets get it by accident, it can lower heart rate, blood pressure, and cause collapse.
6. Acetaminophen (Tylenol) is a very common pain reliever for people to use. Cats are extremely sensitive to Acetaminophen and at higher doses it can affect dogs also. It damages the liver and red blood cells causing them to be unable to carry oxygen to the body's cells, critical for life.
7. Naproxen (Aleve, Naprosyn) is an over-the-counter pain reliever. Dogs and cats are very sensitive to Naproxen. Even small amounts can cause severe stomach ulcers and kidney failure.
8. Zolpidem (Ambien) is a sleep aid for people. If accidentally ingested by pets, it can cause sleepiness, or agitation depending on the pet. Very high heart rates are also common.
9. Duloxetine (Cymbalta) is prescribed in people as an antidepressant and anti-anxiety agent. If pets get a dose, it can cause severe agitation, vocalization, tremors, and seizures.
10. Venlafaxine (Effexor) is an antidepressant. For some reason, cats really love the taste of it. It can cause agitation, vocalization, and seizures.

To avoid accidental medication ingestion by your pets or accidental unwanted dosing, it is important to always keep medications prescribed for you or your family member in the original bottle with the cap tightly sealed. Don't set out your medications and your pet's medications on the same table. Don't let your children have access to your medications. Always call your veterinarian if you think an accidental drug dose has been taken by your pet. Seek medical attention or call the ASPCA Poison Control Center immediately upon learning of your pet ingesting human medications by accident.

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