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Maybe it was this cutie pie's very first Fiesta. See more Family Album pics on page 2.



There will be a rapping good time on Poolesville Day. Check out why in our guide to Poolesville Day starting on page 8.



The secret for her smile is over her shoulder. Can you guess? Find out in Tidbits on page 18.



The 2022 Falcon football team have proven they can win the close ones, even in overtime. Read more on page 26.

## Poolesville Day!

### 30<sup>th</sup> Poolesville Day Destined to Be Our Best Ever!

By Rande Davis

Poolesville Day 2022, the thirtieth anniversary of Poolesville Day, will be the first fully back in all aspects since the beginning of the pandemic. As an annual reunion for neighbors and friends, the event fulfills its time-honored reputation as a day for all, young and old, as much for new people in the town as it is for our long-time residents. For visitors and tourists, this is a wonderful and comprehensive way to get to know us.

The committee is under new leadership, starting with its new chairperson, Kevin Schramm.



Poolesville Day 2022 may be the largest ever.

Once again, we are proud that this special edition of the *Monocle* is the readers' guide to the entire day. Overall vendor numbers have gone up from last year but are still not quite at the peak of just a few years ago. What a day of fun, food, music, community!

With so many vendors, it is the perfect time to plan ahead and shop for upcoming birthdays and to get a jump on your Christmas shopping. There are more than thirty craft, artisan,

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### Poolesville Hires New Assistant Town Manager

By Link Hoewing

At their September 6 meeting, the Town of Poolesville commissioners announced that they had hired Niles Anderegg to be the town's first assistant town manager. Anderegg's first day will be October 3.

Anderegg comes to Poolesville from Rockville where he had served as deputy city clerk. Before his service in Rockville, he worked at the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) where he served as a research and content development associate, and a member and customer support specialist. In his work, he conducted research to identify the latest developments in local government, evaluated program functions to make processes more efficient, and oversaw all administrative aspects of ICMA's

member committee program, including scheduling, calendar maintenance, record keeping, member outreach, database maintenance, and organizing high-level information for both the executive director and the president of the board.

Anderegg has a master's in public administration from the University of Baltimore and a bachelor's in history from American University. He served in Rockville as deputy clerk beginning in 2019. He was chosen from three final candidates selected from among eighteen resumes submitted to the town. A citizens committee vetted the candidates and forwarded the list of three finalists to the commissioners who made the final selection.

The position of assistant town manager was established by the

commissioners some weeks ago. In part, the new assistant is supposed to provide support to the town manager in areas such as personnel management and financial and budgeting systems. He or she is also supposed to gain experience and come to know the town staff and its operations so that, in the event a town manager leaves the position, there is no leadership vacuum as has already happened twice in just the last few years.

Before the announcement regarding Anderegg's appointment, the commissioners welcomed Capt. Elizabeth Hattenburg, the commander of Police District 1D based in Rockville. The district includes Poolesville in its jurisdiction. Hattenburg was asked about

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# Family Album



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and Games*



# Happy Poolesville Day!



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## Rande(m) Thoughts Poolesville Wants You!

By Rande Davis

We are down to the last few weeks for prospective candidates for the job of commissioner of the Town of Poolesville to file their petitions to run. There are two openings as Jim Brown has proclaimed he is in his last term of office and as we await Kerri Cook's decision to run again. We will soon be considering renewing leadership or getting new perspectives and energy from fresh candidates.

A hallmark of our community is the overwhelming willingness for concerned citizens to serve the public need in voluntary positions. There are so many examples. We have over three dozen local charitable or nonprofit organizations that serve our needs: groups for young and old, men and women. If you are looking for causes to support, we have 'em.

The good news: we do not hurt for those willing to serve. The not-so-good news: we need more (sometimes fresh) new leaders to lead them. Change of leadership is the health blood of success. If there is one thing we may all agree with it's that, within Congress, there are far too many who just keep on hanging on.

I think one of the most dynamic strengths of our highly-regarded military is its ability to identify, support, and prepare future leaders. There are no generals serving twenty years, no lifetime hangers-on. Making room for the future is essential for successful enterprises.

As Faith Etheridge replaced the excellent service of Brice Halbrook as committee chair of the Poolesville Day Committee, Kevin Schramm has now stepped in to lead following her outstanding leadership. The committee has over fifteen people devoting nine months of their year preparing for the big day. They are the definition of public service. The motto of the Lions Club is "We Serve," just as the legacy of the American Legion might be "We Served." Either way, we are always grateful for those stepping forward to help.

With all this in mind, it is my hope in the coming weeks that more than a few individuals will step forward to run for Town of Poolesville Commissioner.

Perhaps that person is you. If so, as someone who has covered our town commission as a reporter or publisher for eighteen years, here is my best dos and don'ts list of advice about running.

### Don't run if:

Don't run if you are not able to devote unselfishly of your much private (and often career) time.

Don't run if you are angry or singled-minded about one thing or another and are unable to open your mind to debate and discussion on every single issue that comes before the commission. Leave your preconceived ideas behind.

Don't run if you are too sensitive to criticism. No commissioner who has ever served didn't have to endure public criticism. It may be unfair, but it is the hardest part of public service.

Don't run if you are determined to find ways to force your goals and opinions on others without full dialogue and complete and open discussion. In small town governance, it's never about forming coalitions, it's about building consensus.

### Do run if:

Do run if your concern and interest in serving other people is in balance with your serving your own interests. It's not wrong and can even be beneficial to come to the table with existing personal interests in mind in how to make life better. Your personal perspective is no less valuable as a candidate. Your personal interest will most always be shared by many others. Just always remember it is about our life, not just yours.

Do run if you understand that the value of each person's individual perspective is a key piece of solving any puzzle. Not valuing opposing opinions is akin to throwing pieces of a puzzle away. You end up with very shoddy results.

Do run if you have the patience in hearing as many opinions as possible before making up your mind. If you tend to categorize people with "ists" or "isms" thereby delegitimizing their opinions right from the start, you might best not serve. If your belief is that differing opinions are healthy and foster a positive energy and synergy in reaching consensus, then you should serve.

I have marveled over the years at how often final votes on key and difficult decisions end up unanimous. Some declare this as "rubberstamped" decisions. It's just the opposite. The reason a small group of equally concerned citizens of good will end up in full agreement so often is that the decision comes after long and public discussion and debate, modification, adjustment, and, yes, compromise.

This may surprise you the most about my observation concerning those who have served as a commissioner for nearly two decades: I have

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## Local News

### Have You Ever Wondered How Poolesville Day Began?

As we approach the thirtieth anniversary of the Poolesville Day Celebration, have you ever wondered about its origins in our little town? It all began on a Monday morning, June 1, 1992, with a meeting at the Old Town Hall between Nancy Fost (town clerk), Bobbie Evans (assistant town clerk), and Tom Dillingham (town commissioner). Tom had just returned from the annual Maryland Municipal League (MML) meeting in Ocean City, Maryland, and was very excited about some information he had to share from other municipalities in Maryland on what was required to begin and maintain a celebration in Poolesville.

Nancy, who owned the Hand Maiden's Shop (now Locals) next to the Old Town Hall, stated that she had secured a person to act as Civil War soldier (Greg Shores) during a sale she was planning later in the fall. It was also of interest that Poolesville had hosted the very first Agricultural Fair in



*Bobbi Evans and Tom Dillingham along with Nancy Fost (deceased) made up the official first Poolesville Day Committee. Frank and Louise Austin became the chairpersons for the first private Poolesville Day Committee.*

Montgomery County, before the present Montgomery County Fair started.

Tom had visited many celebrations, fairs, etc. in numerous Maryland cities, municipalities, volunteer fire departments, and other entities in past years and learned that to do a town

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### Poolesville Seniors Presents Virtual and In-Person Programs

Poolesville Seniors is offering a wide variety of virtual programs in September and October that meet community needs for exercise, information, and socialization. Visit their website, [poolesvilleseniors.org](http://poolesvilleseniors.org), or call 301-875-7701 to register for the virtual events listed below. All events are open to the entire community. Speer Hall is located at Poolesville Presbyterian Church.

#### September 13

##### Music in the Afternoon

Singer/songwriter Bill Mattes will entertain with a fun-filled afternoon of humorous lyrics and melodies that will raise your spirits and send you away humming a tune or two. Be prepared to sing along. *Speer Hall*. 1:00 p.m. Please stay after Music in the Afternoon for the Bridge and Other Games gathering from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

#### September 19

##### PS Book Club

September Book Club Selection is *A Woman of Intelligence* by Karin Tanabe.

Katharina Edgeworth's perfect 1954 post-war American dream has become fraught with modern problems like postpartum depression and the loss of identity. Mix a spy story and a love story into the nightmare, and this book captures an era. 7:00 p.m. Virtual.

#### September 21

##### Beginners' Pickleball Clinic

What is pickleball? If you would like to find out, come to the Stevens Park Courts for a hands-on, in-person, Beginners' Pickleball Clinic. Learn the basics of this fastest-growing sport in the country, including how to serve, dink, score, and other basic elements of play. *Stevens Park*. 5:30 p.m.

#### September 22

##### Historic Ag Reserve Properties with Kenny Sholes

Explore the next historic Ag Reserve Properties with local historian Kenny Sholes. Dotting the landscape is an array of impressive historic homes, standing as a visual reminder of those who came before us and the important part they played in American history for centuries. 7:00 p.m. Virtual.

#### September 27

##### Civil War Medicine

National Museum of Civil War Medicine volunteer, Brad Stone, will discuss medicine in an age before ambulances, anesthesia, antiseptics, triage, or sterile conditions and the medical advancements precipitated by the Civil War. This family-friendly event will include demonstrations on a life-size mannequin. *Speer Hall*. 7:00 p.m.

#### Weekly Events

##### Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays

Outdoor Pickle Ball. *Stevens Park*. 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

##### Tuesdays

##### Bridge and Other Games

Snacks provided. Registration required. *Speer Hall*. 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. September 13: 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. after Music Event.

##### Wednesdays

Tai-Chi with Maureen Ivusic. 11:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Virtual. New day and time.

Zumba Gold with Karen McPhatter. 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Virtual.

##### Trivia Game Night

If you love Trivia, come join a team with Poolesville Seniors. For more information, email [info@poolesville-seniors.org](mailto:info@poolesville-seniors.org). 7:00 p.m. Virtual.

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never witnessed even one who didn't believe in his or her heart that he/she represented the best interests of the town. No one ever lacked sincerity and intent. Some commissioners may have come up short in empathy, in listening skills, or in tolerance of other perspectives, but, to a person, they thought what they were doing was best for the town.

If you want to serve the interests of the town, both for individuals and as businessowners, and are prepared to hold off your final decision until the last person has spoken and, finally, are prepared to bend to the wishes of a clear majority over your own, bring me your petition, I want to sign it.

Commission candidacy petitions are now available on the town website. They must be completed and returned by September 27 at 4:00 p.m.

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**Senior News**

**Thursdays**

**Mahjong with Joyce Kral.** Beginner and seasoned players are welcome. *Poolesville Presbyterian Church's Speer Hall.* 10:00 a.m. to Noon.

**Pickleball Ladder Play.** *Stevens Park Courts.* 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

**Fridays**

**Breath-Mind-Body** with Kathy Jankowski. Please register for each Friday class. 12:00 p.m. to 12:45 p.m. Virtual.

For more information or to register for any of the programs listed here and receive the Zoom link for each, visit the Poolesville Seniors website: [poolesvilleseniors.org](http://poolesvilleseniors.org). Many of these presentations are also streamed live on their Facebook page and recorded for later viewing on their YouTube channel. Did you know that you don't need a computer to participate? You can join the Zoom presentation using your smartphone or just listen in using the local telephone number from Zoom and the Poolesville Seniors meeting ID and Password. Call or text them at 301-875-7701 to learn how.

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# Poolesville Day Guide 2022

The 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Poolesville Day (Saturday, September 17, 2022) will be like all great holiday festivals: Its greatness is not so much in its uniqueness as it is in its fine-tuned tradition. As an annual reunion of sorts for neighbors and acquaintances, the event fulfills its time-honored reputation as a day for all: young and old, new to the town, and lifelong residents. For visitors, there is no better day to get a “feel” for the community.

A true community event, Poolesville Day is successful due to collaborative efforts of dedicated volunteers and strong commitment from Town of Poolesville Commissioners and staff members and all the enthusiastic community members that contribute so much to the special day.

I would like to thank Town of Poolesville employees **Cathy Bupp** and **Preston King**. Together, they have provided excellent guidance and support to Poolesville Day for over fifteen years. Speaking of years of service to Poolesville Day, I want to acknowledge **Faith** and **Skip Etheridge**. Faith was the president of the Poolesville Day Committee for ten years. Together with Skip, her right-hand man/security coordinator, they have been a tremendous help in creating a smooth transition and in passing the baton to the new committee members.

We have a new executive board and several new volunteer coordinators serving on the Poolesville Day Committee this year. **Kathy Bassett**, a member of the committee for years serving as the local band coordinator, has added to her duties and is now the vice president of the committee. **Melanie Sholes** is continuing in her role as secretary, she keeps us on track and organized. New to the committee and new to town and serving as treasurer is **Krish Bala**; he has jumped in headfirst and is doing an excellent job of managing the budget. **Christian Hellwig**, also new to the committee, has taken on the Herculean task of managing all the food vendors, artisans, and booth spaces. Poolesville High School senior **Jeffrey Wei** has done a tremendous job of maintaining and updating our website. We will miss him next year when he leaves for college. **Amy Baker**, in her first year on the committee, has brought some new energy and ideas, serving as the social media coordinator; she is in charge of keeping the community informed. Keeping all of us safe and secure is **Bridget Ramazon** who is serving in her first year on the committee. **Leslie Curran**, also in her first year on the committee, is tasked with recruiting all the very important day-of volunteers such as **Cindy Gilpin** who for many

years was the person who welcomed all the vendors at the vendor check-in booth. **Carlos Cabrera**, as he has done for many years and with the help of his family, runs the parade with perfect precision. **Bernie Mihm**, for over ten years and counting, serves as the sponsor coordinator and the volunteer t-shirt designer extraordinaire. **Link Hoewing** is the grand marshal of all grand marshals plus committee historian. Nobody can manage portable restrooms like **Tom Kettler** can, plus he graciously provides a great meeting space for the committee. **Matt Johnson** has done a masterful job of securing main stage entertainment and is the man behind the sound. **Maureen Gilli** is on her second year with the committee and is in charge of managing all the school groups and committees on Falcon Lane. **Christina Nanof** and **Alex Markoff**, working together on the Agricultural Display committee, have outdone themselves this year and are bringing a bigger and better-than-ever Ag Display back to Poolesville Day. **Jeremy Hinds** works his magic and supplies all the rides, so the kids are happy. **Paul Harney** is another long-timer on the Poolesville Day Committee, he organizes and sources entertainment for the Classic Car

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Top row, from left to right: *Christina Nanof (Ag Display), Alex Markoff (Ag Display), Christian Hellwig (Vendors), JD Taylor (EV Car Show), Joyce Breiner (EV Car Show), Jeremy Hinds (Amusements), Paul Harney (Classic Car Show), Tom Kettler (Restrooms), Kevin Schramm (President).*  
Bottom row, from left to right: *Krish Bala (Treasurer), Carlos Cabrera (Parade), Maureen Gilli (Falcon Lane), Kathy Bassett (Vice President), Bernie Mihm (Sponsors), Melanie Sholes (Secretary), Link Hoewing (Grand Marshal), Bridget Ramazon (Security), Matthew Johnson (Main Stage).*  
*Not pictured: Leslie Curran (Volunteer Coordinator), Amy Baker (Social Media), Jeffrey Wei (Website).*



## Poolesville Day Committee Selects Two Respected Local Citizens to Serve as Grand Marshal

By Link Hoewing

The Poolesville Day Committee considered eighteen candidates nominated by local citizens to be selected as Grand Marshal to head the Poolesville Day Parade. After careful review and a number of votes, the committee came to a tie vote for two candidates and decided both were highly qualified. As a result, local physician, Amar Duggirala, and Rande Davis, co-publisher and editor of the local paper the *Monocacy Monocle*, will be Co-Grand Marshals for this year's Poolesville Day which will be held on September 17.

Rande Davis is the co-publisher and editor of the *Monocacy Monocle*. He first moved to Poolesville in 1976 from New York. He went back to New York in 1979, returning in 1985 to stay in Poolesville. He and his wife Laura have three children and grandkids. All of his children graduated from Poolesville High School.

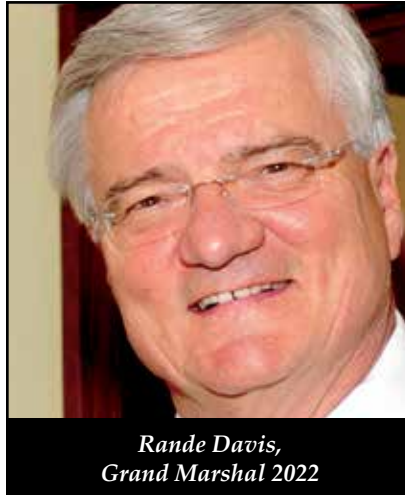
In addition to running a successful local newspaper, Davis is well known for his over-forty years of community involvement. One of his strongest loves is history, and Davis served as a volunteer of the Historic Medley District, the local history organization, for twenty-three years, as a member of the board for twelve years, and as executive director for five years. Davis personally helped shepherd or helped support a number of events highlighting local history, particularly Poolesville in History Day on the Commons in 2016.

Davis is a veteran and has been very active in the local American Legion Post 247. He was treasurer for fourteen years, past chaplain, and won the Legion Service Award in 2020.

Davis has also been involved in or led numerous local charitable services or community organizations over the years. He has been a long-time member of the Monocacy Lions Club and was a president and secretary of the organization. He also received the Lion of the Year Award in recognition of his services.

Davis served as a member of the Poolesville Day Committee for eleven years, helped found the Upcounty Prevention Network, and was a founding member and on the board of the Poolesville Area Seniors Committee.

In 2004, Davis co-founded the *Monocacy Monocle*, a biweekly newspaper focused on local events, history, family celebrations and remembrances, and outdoor activities. At a time when local papers have shut their doors in many communities, Davis and his partner, John Clayton, have managed to keep the paper afloat and provide a valuable source of information on everything from local events like Poolesville Day to family milestones.



Rande Davis,  
Grand Marshal 2022

In his role as a local business leader, Davis also has been active in the Poolesville Area Chamber of Commerce for twenty years. He has served on the board of directors, has been co-chair of the PACC 5K run which is held in conjunction with Poolesville Day, and received the PACC Community Service Award in 2011.

When asked about being selected as Co-Grand Marshal for this year's Poolesville Day, Davis said, "I am incredibly humbled by this honor, especially when I consider not only those who have been honored before me, but—maybe even more special—when considering the many very deserving residents who have not been so honored. I am grateful for the times I have spent working with so many wonderful local folks on various charitable groups and causes. There is no better way to get to know people and make new friends.

"I have been fortunate to have also shared these experiences with my family. First nod of thanks to them goes to my wife of fifty-one years, Laura. If her family hadn't immigrated from Holland, we would have never met. Thanks to our children and their families, Sean and Camille Davis (Alexandra and Josh), Juliana and John Downey (Rosemary and Helena), and for our late daughter Mieke and her husband (Craig, Leif, Alix, and Femke Frishman). Grateful all three of our children are PHS graduates."

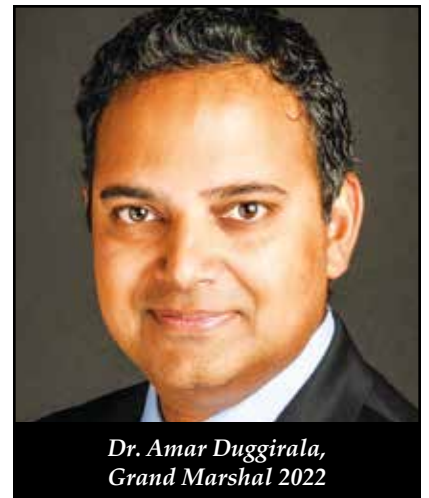
Dr. Amar Duggirala was born in India, but his family left the country when he was two years old, first settling in Malta. His father is a physician, specializing in preventive medicine and public health. His mother has worked in medical records in several hospitals, including Washington Hospital Center, and also owned her own business for several years.

Duggirala's family moved to the U.S., to Seattle, when he was eight. He has been married to his wife, Hessa Duggirala, for the past twenty-one years. She is a Ph.D. epidemiologist and senior scientist at the Food and Drug Administration. The couple have two sons Roan (17) and Jetr (11). Roan is a senior at Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School and Jetr is entering sixth grade at Silver Creek Middle School in Kensington.

When Duggirala finished medical school, he and his wife married and moved to D.C., so he could start his residency at Georgetown. They moved to Maryland from D.C. in 2004 and have called it home ever since.

Duggirala is a board-certified family physician practicing in Poolesville. He has been in practice in Poolesville since 2006 and has been the owner and medical director of Poolesville Family Practice since 2008. Poolesville Family Practice is the only primary care medical practice in the western portion of the Montgomery County Agricultural Reserve, an area of some fifteen thousand residents. The practice provides urgent and chronic medical care for its patients, many of whom are elderly and on fixed or low income. It has also, in times of healthcare emergencies, such as the COVID-19 pandemic and H1N1 flu epidemic, opened its doors to anyone in the community who needed vaccinations and treatment. At the time that Duggirala's practice opened its COVID clinic, patients had been traveling many miles down county to get vaccinated.

While Duggirala is running a business, he also has provided services to local clients that are vital and not normally a part of today's medical practice. For example, he has made home visits to residents who cannot make it into his office and even provided services to patients who do not have the means to pay for a visit. He has truly gone beyond simply offering standard



Dr. Amar Duggirala,  
Grand Marshal 2022

medical services and has made sacrifices to help the larger community.

In addition to serving the community in so many ways with his medical practice, Duggirala is active in other community projects. He serves as president of the board for Poolesville Green, an independent, nonpartisan, educational organization. Its work focuses on promoting alternative energy sources, encouraging the conservation of energy and water, and on raising awareness about existing hazardous and non-hazardous waste recycling programs. Duggirala has been involved with volunteer activities with Poolesville Green for the past eight years and has served as president of the board since 2017.

He and his medical partner, Dr. Kate Kirksey, have also been involved with other local organizations, particularly WUMCO, where they are providing advice and guidance to a new project to increase access to medical care for those who live alone or are unable, for a variety of reasons, to see their medical providers regularly.

When asked his reaction to being selected as Co-Grand Marshal, Duggirala said, "I was incredibly humbled and excited on being nominated as Grand Marshal. It has been a privilege for me to work in and serve this community for the past sixteen years. The residents of Poolesville and the surrounding communities have been incredibly welcoming and supportive of our practice. I am lucky to say that I love my work and hope to continue to serve our residents for many years to come."

## Fun Facts...

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The concept of a grand marshal in a parade was born in Pasadena, California, for the Tournament of Roses (Rose Parade). Their first grand marshal dates back to 1890. Parades were much more about horses than about floats, it was common for the equestrian units to have marshals. Tournament of Roses organizers decided they needed a grand marshal to kind of marshal them all, keeping every man and horse in line. The first grand marshal filled the position for seven parades.

## FOOD

### ALONG FISHER AVENUE (West End)

<b>House of Poolesville Restaurant</b>	<i>Buffet Lunch</i>
<b>Memorial United Methodist Church</b> Booths #96, 97, & 98	<i>Walking Taco, Hot Dogs</i>
<b>DJ the Baker</b> Booth #118	<i>Scones</i>
<b>Flint Hill United Methodist</b> Booths #47 & #48	<i>Baked Goods</i>
<b>Bruster's Ice Cream</b> Booth #63	<i>Ice Cream</i>

### IN WHALEN COMMONS

<b>J&amp;D Concessions</b> Booth A	<i>Chicken, Beef Kabobs</i>
<b>Festival Concessions</b> Booth B Booth C	<i>Sausage, Burgers</i> <i>Funnel Cakes</i>
<b>Sweet Rollers</b> Booth D	<i>Cinnamon Rolls</i>
<b>Sherri's Crab Cakes</b> Booth E	<i>Crab Cakes, Sandwiches</i>
<b>Trippy Tacos</b> Booth F	<i>Tacos</i>
<b>Kona Ice</b> Booth G	<i>Sweet Shaved Ice</i>
<b>Bar Therapy</b> Booth I	<i>Drinks: Mocktails</i>
<b>Cugini's</b> Booth J	<i>Pizza</i>
<b>Ben &amp; Jerry's</b> Booth K	<i>Ice Cream</i>

### SPECIAL BAKED GOODS & SWEETS

<b>Our Lady of the Presentation</b> Booths #8 & #9	<i>Baked Goods – Pies</i>
<b>Healthy Hub</b>	<i>Smoothies, Specialty Drinks</i> <i>Behind Poolesville Hardware</i>
<b>F&amp;D Apiaries</b> Booth #24	<i>Honey Products</i>

### **All Poolesville restaurants open as usual:**

Bassett's Restaurant, Locals Restaurant, Cugini's,  
House of Poolesville, Mexican Grill, Subway,  
Kristopher's, McDonald's, Dunkin' Donuts, K2 Café,  
and the Healthy Hub

## 2022 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### CELEBRATION TAKES PLACE RAIN OR SHINE!

#### 5K RACE

Runners should register online at [www.poolesvillechamber.com](http://www.poolesvillechamber.com) or runners packet pickup Friday, September 16 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Poolesville Baptist Church or on race day by 7:30 a.m. Race starts sharply at 8:00 a.m.

#### PARADE

10:00 a.m.–10:30 a.m. (Along Fisher Avenue)  
(Starts at elementary school & ends at intersection of Fisher Ave & Rt. 109)  
**GRAND MARSHALS: Dr. Amar Duggirala and Rande Davis**

**National Anthem and presentation of memorial wreath at 10:05 a.m. by American Legion Daniel-Jeffers Post 247 and the John Poole Middle School band.**

#### KIDDIE GAMES AND RIDES

Town Hall Steet Parking Lot  
Mini Ferris Wheel, Mind Winder Mechanical Ride, Extreme Air Quad Jumper, Zipline, Meltdown, Trackless Train, Big Ball Inflatable, Super Moon Bounce, Wrecking Ball.

#### FALCON LANE: PHS EXHIBITS AND ACTIVITIES

Dunk tank and various school groups with tables of information, games and activities, and DJ music. All day.

#### PONY RIDES Sponsored by Calleva

Corner of Cattail Road and Fisher Avenue

#### LIVESTOCK/AGRICULTURAL DISPLAY

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Field across from Dollar General)  
Lots of livestock, tractors, and farm equipment.

#### ELECTRIC CAR SHOW

Bassett's parking lot and near Old Town Hall Bank Museum.  
This is the largest electric vehicle show in America!

#### ANTIQUÉ VEHICLE SHOW

Anytime Fitness parking lot.  
Prizes awarded at 3:15 p.m.

#### HISTORICAL BUILDINGS

**1793 John Poole House and Poolesville Old Town Hall Bank Museum**  
The John Poole Trading Post is the oldest commercial building in Poolesville. Living history exhibit. The Old Town Hall Bank Museum will have Civil War exhibits.

## GRAND MARSHALS OF THE PAST

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| <p><b>2021–Val Dickerson</b><br/>Past Commissioner and Charitable Activist</p> <p><b>2020–Cancelled Due To Covid-19</b></p> <p><b>2019–Gwendora Reese</b><br/>Historian, Founder Sugarland Ethno-History Project</p> <p><b>2018–Link Hoewing</b><br/>Past Commissioner, Ptsa Leader</p> <p><b>2017–Jerry Klobukowski</b><br/>Commissioner, Education Liaison</p> <p><b>2016–Drs. Tim Pike and Maragaet Valega</b><br/>Local Businessowners</p> <p><b>2015–Grace Shepherd</b><br/>Elementary School Teacher</p> <p><b>2014–George Hillard</b><br/>Fire Chief</p> <p><b>2013–Maggie Nightingale</b><br/>Local Activist For Poolesville’s Library</p> | <p><b>2012–Jim Brown</b><br/>Commissioner, Local Business Leader</p> <p><b>2012–Ray Hoewing</b><br/>Long Time Local Activist</p> <p><b>2010–Jane Stearns</b><br/>Co-Founder of Local Charity Wumco</p> <p><b>2009–Betty and Roy Selby</b><br/>Long Time Owners of Local Grocery</p> <p><b>2008–Odd Fellows Lodge Poolesville</b><br/>Local Charitable Services Group</p> <p><b>2007–Jake Perkins</b><br/>Super Falcon Supporter</p> <p><b>2006–Mary Chiswell</b><br/>Legendary Teacher, Oldest Poolesville Resident</p> <p><b>2005–State Leaders of the Local Charitable Services Groups</b><br/>Lions Club, Odd Fellows and the American Legion</p> |
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**Digital Street Map for Poolesville**  
**Day events and venues.**  
**Scan the QR Code Below:**



**How to use:**  
**Open camera, point at the QR code above, and click on yellow bar at the bottom.**

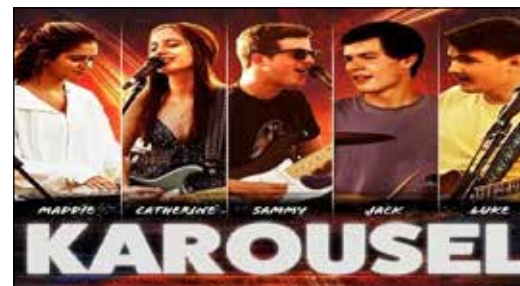
**Four categories of search information provided:**

- Booths
- Vehicle Parking
- Car Shows
- Visitor Parking

**Click on booths to find list of vendors and space locations.**  
**Description of booth presentations can be found on vendor list: Pages 12 and 13.**



## POOLESVILLE DAY 2022 ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE



**WHALEN COMMONS MAIN STAGE**  
**Patrick Budd and the Starwood Flyers**  
11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

**KAROUSEL**  
12:30 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.

**BAD INFLUENCE BAND**  
**2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**10:05 a.m. Presentation of Memorial Wreath**  
Poolesville’s American Legion Daniel-Jeffers Post 247

**10:10 a.m. National Anthem**  
JPMS music department

**10:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Variety of performers**  
Dancers: Aliya Kismet 1:45 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.  
Dance Wars: 2:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

### Locals Restaurant Lot

Touch of Grey: 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
No Stop Light: 12:50 p.m. to 2:20 p.m.

### Anytime Fitness Parking Lot

Michael Heister: 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Reasonably Untamed: 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

### Falcon Lane

DJ EZ: 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Warfare J & SGMB JUGG: 12:45 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
DJ EZ: 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.



<b>Fisher Avenue – Monument to Jamison Real Estate</b>			<b>FISHER AVENUE – (McDONALD’S SIDE) Poolesville Beer, Wine &amp; Deli Entrance to Jamison Real Estate</b>		
41	Rustic Route, LLC	Whole Bean Bagged Coffee	126	Knights of Columbus	Car Raffle
42	MKElizabethCo	Bags/Jewelry	127	Knights of Columbus	Car Raffle
43	Suzie’s Bubbles	Bath Bombs, Lotions	128	Calico sprit paranormal investigation	Information
44	Sustainable Poolesville	Information	129	Dogs on Deployment	Information
45	Gettoob	Water Bottles	130	Frederick Foot & Ankle	Giveaways
46	MCPS	Information	131	Sons of American Revolution	Information
47	Flint Hill United Methodist	SWEETS: Baked Goods	132	Mont. Co. Republican Party	Political Information
48	Flint Hill United Methodist	SWEETS: Baked Goods	133	Mont. Co. Republican Party	Political Information
49	A Few Green Leaves	House Plants	134	Upcounty Prevention Net.	Information
50	Janet Alexander	Arts/Crafts	135	Mont. Co. Police Dept.	Giveaways
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54	Poolesville Mobile Computer Services	Information	144	Sons of the American Rev.	Information
55	NovaVac	Information	145	Hungerford Resolves CAR	Information
56	Fair Access Committee	Information	146	Hungerford Resolves CAR	Information
57	Ballooney Bin	Balloons	147	St Peter’s Episcopal	Information/Games
63	Bruster’s Real Ice Cream	SWEETS: Ice Cream	148	Girl Scouts of Poolesville	Information
			149	Girl Scouts of Poolesville	Games & Coloring
			150	Grace Kaiser	Scentsy Warmers
			151	Kathy Cross H2 Yo Yo	Balloon, YoYos
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			154	Suburban Hospital	Information
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			161	Poolesville Green	Information

**ADDITIONAL VENDORS, EXHIBITORS, ATTRACTIONS, and INFORMATION:**

Historic Medley District                      Civil War Displays                      Old Town Hall Bank Museum

**-POOLESVILLE DAY INFORMATION BOOTH:** Located in front of flagpoles of Whalen Commons  
**-FIRST AID & COVID-19 VACCINATION TENTS:** Located at Total Automotive & Diesel

**All local restaurants are open:** Bassett’s Restaurant, Cugini’s, Dunkin’ Donuts, K2 Café, House of Poolesville, Kristopher’s, Locals, Mexican Grill, McDonald’s, Subway, The Healthy Hub



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The Bad Influence Band with special guest Mary Shaver

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Show. The amazing tag team of **JD Taylor** and **Joyce Breiner** organize the ever-growing EV Car Show which is now the largest Electric Vehicle Show on the East Coast.

In addition to our wonderful and dedicated volunteers, I want to thank all the various community groups that spend hours of planning and a whole day participating in Poolesville Day and decorating Fisher Avenue with fantastic booths.

Of course, good things like Poolesville Day cost money, so I also would like to give a special thanks to our sponsors who give generously to make this day possible every year:

**Gold Sponsors:** Town of Poolesville; Poolesville Area Chamber of Commerce; Calleva; Gail Lee Homes/Long and Foster Realtors; Jim Brown Turning Point Real Estate; Potomac Valley Surveys; Poolesville Green: Georgetown Hill Early School; Fine Earth Landscaping; and the Monocacy Monocle; **Silver Sponsors:** Kettler Forlines Homes; Clark Azar & Associates; Poolesville Veterinary Clinic; JPAR Real Estate; Harris Teeter; MyMC Media; Novavax; Poolesville Golf Course; Stump Insurance; and Drs. Pike and Valega; **Entertainment Sponsors:** Mexican Grill; Brice A. Halbrook Wesbanco Mortgage; Capital Fence; Total Automotive and Diesel; ProTec Inspection Services; and **Bronze Sponsors:** Hilary Schwab Photography; Banana Tree Embroidery.

Can't wait to see everyone on Saturday, September 17 at 10:00 a.m.!

**Kevin Schramm**

President, Poolesville Day Committee

## Fun Facts...

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In medieval times, having or hosting a celebration gave you more social status. There were jousting and feasts, the entertainers at the celebrations were jesters, minstrels, acrobats, and jugglers. The feasts that were held were meant to last all day, or even over a few days, with many courses of food and lots of entertainment.

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**Have You Ever Wondered How Poolesville Day Began?**

celebration successfully there had to be steps taken. First, the celebration should be started by the town government with a committee of citizen volunteers. The reason? The town administration controls regulations, laws, and employees to help with logistics, such as streets cleanup, closings, etc. Second, the town leadership would meet with the citizen committee and conduct elections of officers, assist in conducting the meetings, and other activities for the next three to five years. Third, the town leadership would eventually stop, and the town citizen volunteer committee would then take ownership of subsequent yearly planning and conduct the Poolesville Day Celebration.

It was discussed and agreed by the organizers that Tom would discuss with the rest of the commissioners to get their approval. At that particular time, Poolesville did not have a town manager, and each commissioner had responsibility for the various departments in the governance of the town. Tom had responsibility for parks, streets, personnel, and employee benefits, so the Poolesville Celebration would fall under his bailiwick. Once discussed with the other four commissioners—and with their approval—the celebration was on its way to reality. Stan Janet, editor of the Upper Montgomery County Bulletin, wrote a story announcing the Poolesville Day Celebration.

Prior to the first meeting of the potential Town Citizen Volunteer Committee, Nancy, Bobbie, and Tom put together a list of activities for the day—food concessions for visitors, golf tournament with extra proceeds going to scholarships to PHS graduates, a parade, sites for parking of visitor cars, different routes for road races (1K, 5K) within town. These were to be run by the commissioners and committee members.

At the first meeting with the town citizen volunteer committee, Tom started the meeting, went over basic ground rules, and elected officers of the committee. Frank and Louise Austin were elected as the co-chairs for the first year and became a tremendous successful team (they were subsequently elected for the first three years of Poolesville Day Celebration).

During subsequent meetings, the potential date of the First Poolesville Day Celebration was chosen as Saturday, September 26, 1992 and reported by Tom at the commissioners' meeting on Monday, June 15, 1992.

At that time, the commissioners had selected as town manager, James Alsobrook, who reported to work on July 1, 1992. Jim was informed of the additional duties of assisting Tom with the Poolesville Day Celebration committee with assistance from the town staff. Tom and Jim continued meeting with the committee, and it was announced by Jim at the commissioners' meeting of August 3, 1992 meeting that, due to a conflict with the MML calendar of the Antietam Civil War Encampment, a new date of Saturday, October 3, 1992 was set.

During that first year, it was difficult to get some of the businesses on board for furnishing concession stands. Tom then sought a concession vendor out of Frederick to ensure that there would be enough food for the expected crowd. While there were major complaints by some businesses that a vendor from Frederick was asked to come to Poolesville Day, the businesses eventually caught on to the potential for the day and participated in future Poolesville Day celebrations. Today, food businesses do very well on Poolesville Day.

At the commissioners' meeting on October 5, 1992, Charles Elgin remarked on the success of the Poolesville Day Celebration with no mishaps reported.

For the past thirty years, the citizens of Poolesville have been able to celebrate with friends, neighbors, and guests in a wholesome and safe environment.

Now that we've looked at the past, we're looking forward to another great thirty-plus years of Poolesville Day Celebrations.

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# Things to Do

## Saturdays

### Poolesville Farmers' Market

Produce, cheeses, meats, crafts, plants, and more. *Whalen Commons*. 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

## September 10

### John Poole House

Open to the public. 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

### UMCVFD Pit Barbeque

Pulled pork or beef sandwiches, coleslaw, baked beans. Credit cards now accepted. *Beallsville Firehouse*. 11:00 a.m. until sold out.

### Bluegrass on the Farm

A wonderful day of excellent bluegrass music in an early twentieth century farm setting right in the middle of Montgomery County. Featuring King Street del Bluegrass, the Eddie Dickerson Trio, and Shannon Leigh Reynolds. Bring your own chairs. Food and drink will be on sale or bring your own picnic snacks. \$20 per adult. Children 13 and under free. Leashed dogs welcomed. Noon to 6:00 p.m. *18400 Muncaster Road, Derwood.*

## September 13

### PHS Varsity Home Game

Boys' soccer versus Seneca Valley. 7:15 p.m.

## September 15

### PHS Varsity Home Games

Girls' volleyball versus Northwood. 4:45 p.m.

Field hockey versus Einstein. 7:00 p.m.

## September 20

### PHS Varsity Home Game

Boys' soccer versus Damascus. 7:15 p.m.

## September 22

### PHS Varsity Home Game

Girls' volleyball versus Damascus. 6:30 p.m.

## September 23

### PHS Varsity Home Game

Football versus Rockville. 6:15 p.m.

## September 24

### PHS Varsity Home Game

Girls' soccer versus Rockville. 11:45 a.m.

### American Legion Annual Barn Dance

Fun for the whole family. Snacks and beverages available. Fun way to support your local veterans. \$15. *Calleoa Barn on Martinsburg Road, Dickerson.* 6:00 p.m.

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## Tidbits

### Personal Computers Donated to WUMCO

Julien Singh, CEO and owner of Crossroads Talent Solutions, donated eight personal computers to WUMCO for purposes of helping area residents in special need for support and technical growth. Crossroads Talent Solutions is a specialty firm consulting and working with government agencies to help solve their personnel needs, both temporary and permanent. Included in their client list is the U. S. Marine Corps.



Julien Singh presented free personal computers to Patricia Brown for use by WUMCO.

Speaking of WUMCO, they will be branching out in providing healthcare support. They will start by sponsoring a healthcare fair on Poolesville Day that will be held at Poolesville Town Hall in the commission hearing room. The fair is part of the work WUMCO's Community Health Coordinator Melissa Widenhofer is undertaking as part of a grant awarded to the organization by the Health Initiative Foundation. The grant is designed to help identify unmet healthcare needs in the Upcounty, particularly for the many people who cannot easily get to doctor's offices which are often more than ten miles from our area. The fair will run from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and includes free health screenings such as glucose checks, flu vaccinations, and even free school backpacks for kids.

### PACC Networks at Landmade

The Poolesville Area Chamber of Commerce held its monthly networking morning meeting at Landmade Brewery. Gabe Scot, the proprietor, welcomed fellow business owners and recounted his journey in developing what has turned out to be a popular venue. Through the roadblocks of the pandemic to normal

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Gabe Scott, owner of Landmade Brewing, spoke to the networking group from the Poolesville Area Chamber of Commerce.



# Monocacy Lions Club Charity Golf Tournament

**Monday, September 12, 2022**

**Bretton Woods Golf Course**

15700 River Road, Darnestown, Maryland

11:00 am – Registration 12:30 pm – Shotgun Start

Cost is \$150 per Player

Includes Buffet Dinner

#### Format

Shotgun Start ● Four Person Scramble ● Captain's Choice

#### Prizes Awarded

Longest Drive ● Closest to the Pin on all Par 3s ● Closest to the Center  
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## Garden

### Summer Garden Report Card

By Maureen O'Connell

In mid-September, I like to review my garden of the spring and summer months to assess what plants were successes or failures or, in less judgmental words, winners and losers. I find this time of the year the best time for this as the apparent signs of either of these situations are prominent to your eye and memory. You can use this info to plan for next year's garden and to analyze how to fix any problems.

There are many factors that can affect a plant's health or lack thereof. Was it pests, summer drought, high temperatures, or a lack of adequate maintenance? Today, let's focus on the effects of nature, especially the vagaries of winter weather on your garden.

I will start with the losers

#### 'Endless Summer' Hydrangea

Hydrangea is a genus of over seventy-five species of flowering plants native to Asia and the Americas. One of my favorites is the Bigleaf (macrophylla) 'Endless Summer.' One of its claims to fame is that it flowers on the current year's growth as well as on old wood, but (there is always a but) its reaction to a late March or April deep freeze can have a significant effect on its flowering ability. The freeze kills the nascent flower buds and the ability to put out new buds on the new wood. This has been happening more frequently in the last several years. I have rechristened the plant: 'Endless Summer, Endless Winter, Endless Leaves.' I have ten four-to-five-foot bushes in a long row along a fence line. It is too large to just dig up, so I live with a row of bushes with just leaves; you might see one to two small brilliant blue flowers, but that is it.

Would I plant them again? No. Our winters lately are too unpredictable.

#### Lavender

I miss my three varieties of lavender plants, especially the variety 'Grosso' which is supposed to be very winter tolerant. Well, not this year; I lost them all.

#### Herbs

I have grown for many years the perennial herbs, English thyme, tarragon, and rosemary. They usually all managed the winter and came back in full form in April and May, but not this year.

#### Potted Patio Plants

These losers are not climate influenced; they were the victims of squirrel assassination teams. I have six large planters of annual flowering plants on my backyard patio.

In the past, I sometimes noticed squirrels burying acorns in the soil for the winter. No big harm done, and I don't think that the squirrels realized that the planters go into the barn for the winter. This year, the squirrels upped the game. Before burying their winter food, they dug up all the plants along with a great deal of soil. No plants for me, but lots of acorns for the squirrels.

#### Winners

##### Hydrangeas

I have two other varieties in my garden: Oak Leaf 'Snow Queen.' It has an upright broad, rounded habit and typically grows four-to-six feet tall with large white flowers which slowly turn pinkish purple with age. It is very winter hardy in our area; it is not affected by late season deep freeze.

'Limelight.' This is an excellent choice for our area. It is covered with large white flowers from July through September. Its mature size is six-to-eight feet, six-to-eight feet wide. It requires little maintenance and is very winter hardy. I strongly recommend it. If space is a concern, consider its



*Hydrangea 'Limelight'*

sibling 'Little Lime' at three-to-five feet tall and wide.

#### Phlox

Phlox 'David' is a white *Phlox paniculata* that is extremely free flowering from mid-July into September. It

has a vigorous habit of growth and produces sturdy stems that will not be pushed around by wind and weather. It also has the best mildew resistance of any white phlox.

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A once-in-a-generation plan to protect almost 20,000 acres in Frederick County from commercial development—including Sugarloaf Mountain and the surrounding area—is under serious threat.

Opponents, led by the Livable Frederick Coalition, seek to weaken the Sugarloaf Treasured Landscape Management Plan and exempt nearly 1,000 acres along I-270 east of the mountain. If their efforts are successful, this land could be opened to commercial and dense residential development.

That would represent a sharp break from long-standing efforts to prevent such development west of I-270—in both Montgomery and Frederick Counties—and to preserve that land for farming, low-density housing, natural habitat, and rural heritage.

The board of the nonprofit organization (Stronghold, Inc.) that operates the 3,200-acre mountain also seeks exemptions from the plan. Members of the board have gone so far as to threaten to close the mountain to the public if they don't get what they want. Sugarloaf's roads, trails, and picnic areas are operated under a trust set up in the 1940s that preserves the mountain as a private park for the "benefit of the public." The park has been a Registered Natural Landmark since 1969.

The plan is nearing the final stages of deliberation by the Frederick County Council. Things will move fast this month. SCA opposes property carve-outs or exemptions from the plan, which has been a year in the making.

We urge all residents of Frederick and Montgomery Counties to follow these proceedings and make your opinion known to the Frederick County Council.

**Here are actions you can take:**

- ✓ See write-ups on the plan on the websites of the Sugarloaf Citizens' Association, Montgomery Countryside Alliance, and Sugarloaf Alliance. At the Sugarloaf Alliance's website you can sign a petition.
- ✓ Learn more about the plan at the Frederick Planning Commission's website.
- ✓ Email the Frederick County Council as a group at [councilmembers@frederickcountymd.gov](mailto:councilmembers@frederickcountymd.gov) or write individual members from the Council's website.
- ✓ Attend or tune into future Council sessions where the plan will be debated. See the schedule at the Council's website. A public hearing on the plan is scheduled for Sept. 27 at 5:30pm at Winchester Hall in Frederick.

Development pressures in the Sugarloaf area and Ag Reserve continue to grow. That could mean a loss of farmland, increased traffic, and detrimental changes to local natural habitats, recreation areas, and waterways. The Sugarloaf Mountain Plan is a bold and necessary step to preserve the rich natural beauty, farming areas, and low-density housing surrounding the mountain.



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the recent spate of auto related thefts and robberies that have hit town.

She said that while there have been a number of auto theft-related incidents, overall the Poolesville/Upcounty was “relatively quiet” when it comes to crime. Most of the crimes involved valuables left in cars that were either unlocked or where the keys were left in the vehicle. A few vehicles were stolen but were returned fairly quickly.

Hattenburg was asked what the community could do to reduce the level of car thefts. She said that “some of the things are obvious, but we forget them” like locking our cars. She also said that, in many cases where thefts occurred, keys were left in the vehicles. Having outside motion sensor lights or alarm systems and bright outside lights helps too. These thefts involve youths who do not want to get caught and usually will not do such things as break windows to get to valuables.

When pressed about how the police could do more, Hattenburg acknowledged that there is only one officer making regular visits to Poolesville. She does have community relations

officers, however, who are tasked with keeping in touch with and developing relationships with the community.

Former commissioner Jerry Klobukowski pressed the commander about the lack of coverage. He said he had heard for years about the lack of resources and staff, adding, “It rings hollow.” He thinks the police should have someone on duty seven days a week in the Poolesville area.

Commission President Jim Brown said he had heard her message. “You said you don’t have enough new recruits coming in, and you need more resources. It is our job to press our elected officials on that issue.” He concluded, “Our safety matters just as much as anywhere else.”

The commissioners next considered a proposal to regulate food trucks. The issue is that, in some cases, trucks are parked for long periods of time or permanently in one spot. Other food trucks are truly mobile and travel from place to place. In the case of trucks parked in one location, they should be considered more like dine-in restaurants, according to town attorney Jay Gullo who helped write the ordinance. In those cases, the trucks must get a special exception to continue operating. Trucks that are truly mobile can get a permit to operate under the new

ordinance. They cannot park on public property but instead must use private facilities and parking areas to operate.

The commissioners approved the draft ordinance and set a public hearing date on the proposal for October 3.

Finally, the commissioners considered a salary review conducted by town manager Wade Yost. The review is part of a new process to continuously assess staff salary and benefits in relation to competing jurisdictions. The idea is to ensure that salaries and benefits remain at competitive levels so that the town does not lose qualified and well-trained staff.

Yost said he had looked at a variety of ads for positions in other towns from entry level to mid-level to supervisory jobs. He found that at the mid-levels, the town had made a number of adjustments and its compensation packages were fairly competitive, but at the entry level, town salary offerings were significantly lower than the competitors’. The town pays only \$17.20 per hour, but many other towns pay upwards of \$19 to start. Supervisory staff salaries also needed to be bumped up about ten percent to be competitive.

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## Youth Sports

### PHS Fall Season Promises Excitement With Amazing Overtime Win in First Football Home Game

By Jeff Stuart

Despite the ongoing school renovation, the Poolesville High School coaches and athletes are preparing for the fall season. The soccer teams are practicing offsite at Perkins Park. Football, field hockey, cross country, and girls' volleyball are back at their normal training sites. The unusually comfortable mid-August weather has been a pleasant surprise for all concerned.

"I can tell you that we are returning a lot of key players," said football coach Anthony Nazarro, "including quarterback Ashton Gaddis, running backs/line-backers, Garrett Howell and Evan Taylor, and offensive lines/defensive lines, Seamus Brennan, Jack Feys, Seth LeMarr, Luke Pappano, and Nick Pioli.

"Last year's graduating class left some open spots in our secondary and receiving core that we are looking to fill with returning seniors and/or players coming up from JV.

We are looking to build on the success (5-4 record) from last season."

"We had a solid turn out," said girls' soccer coach Rod Nubgaard. "We are looking to build on last year's 11-3 season where they won the division (6-0). We were a finalist in the first county championship and had a good playoff run, reaching the region finals. It's a high bar they are setting, but I believe they can achieve it if they work as hard as they have this week. This year, we have twenty-one varsity girls led by four veteran captains, Lizzie Kovacs, Gabby Orns, Marissa Edwards, and Avery Penn. We have three rising freshmen who look to put their mark on this season, Camilla Henao-Pina, Zoe Hornyak, and Jazmine Vanegas. We have a strong group of returning players from last year. Keep an eye out on Alex Sosna, Morgen Smith, Lizzie Kovacs, Marissa Edwards, Bre Salovich, and Gabby Orns who look to make a mark on this season. Other players on the roster who are integral to our season are: Zoe Antonishek, Adrianna Carrillo,




Alex Sosna, Marissa Edwards, Avery Penn, Lizzie Kovacs, Gabby Orns, and Bre Salovich.




Sophia Deng, Amelia Goettsch, Lexi Hinds, Abigail Hoy, Courtney Hurbaneck, Gabby Montemurro, Breanna Salovich, Rylen Smith, Allie Webster, and Stephanie Windall. The girls have a tough set of friendly scrimmages against 4A schools, Blake, Northwest, and Langanore to test where they are. They open with Wheaton and Churchill."

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This fall, do some research of garden catalogues and choose some new plants that you have never even heard about. It is fun to experiment.

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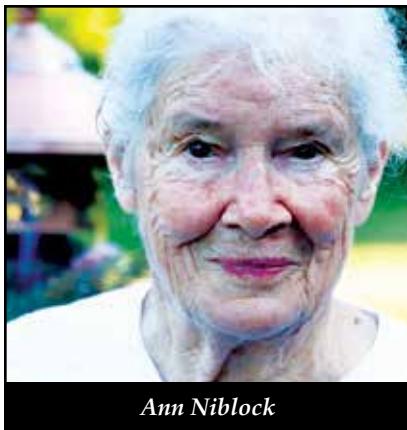
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## Remembrance

### Ann Niblock

Ann Faucette Niblock passed away on August 24, 2022 in Frederick, Maryland. Born on May 12, 1927 in Bristol, Tennessee, Ann was the third of six children of John Edward and Virginia Hayes Faucette. Ann attended Bristol Tennessee High, Agnes Scott College, and the Presbyterian School of Christian Education.



Ann Niblock

At the start of her career, Ann worked as the director of Christian Education at churches in New Orleans, Louisiana and Memphis, Tennessee. In 1954, Ann sailed to Chunju, Korea to teach school under the auspices of the Presbyterian Church. There she met and married a U.S. State Department officer, Thomas Clinton Niblock, and for the next five decades they raised their family while living and working in Korea, Afghanistan, Washington, D.C., the Philippines, and Indonesia.

In 1983, Ann and Tom settled on a farm in Adamstown, Maryland, which became their home for the rest of their lives.

Wherever Ann travelled in the world, she was a passionate advocate for women and for justice.

In the 1960s, Ann pursued civil rights and justice issues through the Church of Pilgrims in Washington, D.C., including attending Dr. King's March on Washington with her three young children.

She and husband Tom were instrumental in founding Habitat for Humanity of Frederick County.

Ann was active in ecumenical groups, including Church Women United (CWU), Meals on Wheels, and advocating for rights for migrant workers. For years, Ann led women from CWU in visiting female inmates at the Frederick County Detention Center on Christmas morning or Christmas Eve. Ann was a lifelong member of the Presbyterian church where she served as both a deacon and elder, and was a much-loved member of the congregation of Poolesville Presbyterian Church.

She was unfailingly kind and generous. Ann loved hard work but also delighted in feeding the birds in her back yard, collecting fresh eggs from the chickens, sitting around the kitchen table with friends and family, playing scrabble, and drinking chocolate milkshakes. She was a consummate hostess. She adored her family, and was adored by them.

Ann is survived by her children, Thomas Clinton Niblock (and wife Angie), John Franklin Niblock, Sarah Niblock Large (and husband Bruce); her grandchildren Vicki (and husband Adam), Tom (and wife Kiersta), Bruce, J, Bia (and husband Italo), Bruno (and wife Gaby); six great grandchildren; and her sister Virginia Leigh Qualls.

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### PHS Fall Season Promises Excitement With Amazing Overtime Win in First Football Home Game

In boys' soccer: "Our returning players from last year include several underclassmen along with a core of seniors," said coach Kamron Azizi. "Our expectations are to continue learning and to find a healthy balance between executing our objectives both in the classroom and on the field. We hope to continue the success of last year as we look forward to the regular season."

"We are excited to start our fall season," said field hockey coach Katie Hackey. "We have a large senior group this season. We have nine returning players and have added three juniors and four sophomores from our JV team. I am looking forward to seeing good things from our senior goalie Lauren Hopkins. Lauren only started playing hockey last year, but she stepped in and did an excellent job for us last season. Senior Phoebe Snelson is returning and will be playing our center mid position. Phoebe has really worked hard this off season, and I am excited to see what she does this year. We have also added a co-head coach to our roster, Krista Kennedy. She is an alumna and member of Poolesville High School Hall Fame. She brings with her a lot of knowledge and experience. We are very excited to have her."

"We have completed our tryouts and have started practicing in earnest," said girls' volleyball coach Steve Lostoski. "Sisters Iris, a sophomore, and Jasmine Duan, a senior, are players to watch. They are not only exceptional setters but are also very good all-around players. Seniors Jordin Coss, Megha Jasti, Sara Stanley, Saragha Surendra, Mary Tang, and Miranda Wang also return."

The boys' cross country team finished with a state title last fall after also finishing first in the 2A West Region. They finished twelfth in Montgomery County. Key returners are Caleb Dastrup, Aaron Longbrake, and William Beane. A key loss to graduation was Daniel Ponciano.

"The Falcons dominated 2A last year," said coach Prasad Gerard, "winning the state meet by sixty-three points. They placed five runners in the top nineteen on their way to defeating runner-up Liberty, 39-102. They look to do much of the same this upcoming season as they bring back their top five runners and nine of their top ten. Don't let the twelfth place finish at Moco Championships last year fool you, as they sat their varsity team due to the quick turnaround when

the meet was rescheduled. They will be trying to take on bigger Montgomery County schools this season and sweep all three championship meets."

As we get ready for the season, the football team took on Bethesda-Chevy Chase in its season's opener and what an opener it was—a cliffhanger win in overtime!

The victory came early in overtime, when Evan Taylor took the handoff on the first play from the ten-yard line and scored to give the Falcons the lead over B-CC. Coach Nazzaro opted to go for the two-point conversion. It was good. Poolesville led, 29-21. B-CC failed to score on its possession, and Poolesville put a big win in the books.

The Falcons came from behind to secure the tie when they scored a fourth quarter touchdown and an earlier two-point conversion to tie the game.

B-CC established field position early in the game and had the Falcons backed up to their own ten-yard line on offense, but then on second and ten, Taylor ran for twenty-four yards and a first down. The following ninety-yard drive ended with a one-yard touchdown run with a minute left in the first quarter.

The score was 7-0 at the half. Taylor had an eighty-two-yard run to start the second half, and the ensuing touchdown gave Poolesville a 13-0 lead. Taylor carried the ball thirteen times for 154 yards. Unfortunately, B-CC responded behind the passing of Carson Griffey (three touchdown passes) and a forty-one-yard pass by running back Luke Mata; the Barons rebounded to take a 21-13 lead.

Falcons quarterback Ashton Gaddis had a strong game hitting a wide range of receivers with a nineteen-yard pass to Garrett Howell, an eighteen-yard pass to Tyler Shefter, a thirteen-yard pass to Mason Hillegas, and a thirteen-yard pass to Ian Rodriguez. He completed 62.5 percent of his passes for sixty-nine yards.

Shefter had two carries for nine yards and one touchdown. The defense did their part with an interception and a fumble recovery late in the fourth to keep the Barons off the board.

An enthusiastic crowd was on hand for a Hawaiian theme night. They lingered a while, enjoying the moment on a comfortable late summer evening.

You may want to attend a game with the exciting Falcons. After road games at Wootton and Watkins Mill, the Falcons return home for a game against Rockville on September 23. Other home games are against Churchill (Homecoming) on October 14 and Manchester Valley on October 28.

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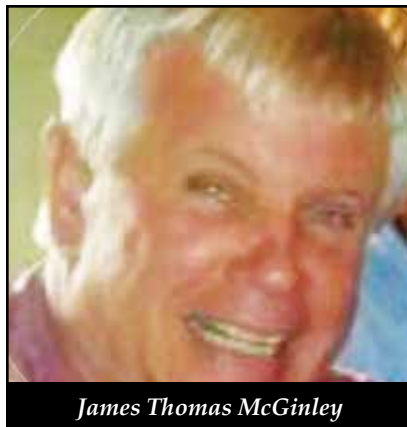
### James Thomas McGinley

James Thomas McGinley, 80, of Poolesville, passed away on August 12, 2022.

He was born June 17, 1942, in Washington, D.C. to the late Leo F. McGinley and L. Allyn McGinley and was the loving brother to the late John F. McGinley and Leo M. McGinley.

Jimmy is survived by two nieces and one nephew, Debbie Butler, John McGinley, and Michelle Rubin; great nieces and nephews, Leigh Clutter (Jim Clutter), Rob Butler, Tim Butler, Madison Montanelli, Taylor Rubin, Jace Rubin; and great great nephews, Colin Clutter and Noah Clutter. Jimmy was also a beloved friend to all who knew him.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.



James Thomas McGinley

### Carole Sue Hurd

Carole Sue Hurd, 83, of Dickerson, passed away on August 28, 2022.

She was the loving wife of the late Eugene Hurd.

Born on April 27, 1939 in Dickerson, she was the daughter of the late Charles Ernest and Eva Maxine (Ruffner) White.

Carole is survived by her children, Kristi Hurd of Dickerson, Sarah Hardy of Dickerson, Kevin Hurd and spouse Jennifer of New Market; two grandchildren, Owen Hurd and Nico Hurd; and one niece, Kimberly Poole of Dickerson.

Along with her husband and parents, Carole is preceded in death by her sister, Shirley W. Poole.



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### 30<sup>th</sup> Poolesville Day Destined to Be Our Best Ever!

home décor, and personal care vendors offering great gift ideas. Will you have a need in the coming year for a home improvement, repair, or other home interior/exterior service? Candidates to meet your repair needs are all here. You get to meet the owners, up close, and personal.

For those of you on a mission to improve your health, many of the vendors offer insight and information to help you reach your health goals. If spiritual growth is a mission for you, another dozen or so are representatives from our local faith/spiritual groups. Don't forget educational opportunities: So much of our local educational folks (public and private) are here to talk to about anything that concerns you. Literally every such institution serving our area will be here for you to "take a look" and ask questions.

We have over forty amazing civic groups serving our community. From the American Legion to Poolesville Green with its electric car show, this is the right time to stop by their vendor booths and find out more about them. Are you new to the community? Poolesville Day is a perfect time to explore your opportunities within this large circle of community service groups.

The day, though, is mostly about fun, food, and friends. This year, there will be many first-time food vendors with a wide variety of selections. The *Monocle's* five-page guide section gives you all the details you will need to plan and not miss anything of utmost importance to you. Descriptions of events, specific locations (including a map), and time schedules are all within these pages for you to plan your day.

There is no party without great music, and this year's music lineup runs the gamut with a sound bite of something for everyone young to not-so-young, with sounds from the best of the American music scene, past and present. The headliners are on the main stage in Whalen Commons, but there are more at Locals Farm Market and Restaurant and at Falcon Lane.

The headliner band for the day on the Main Stage in Whalen Commons starts with **The Bad Influence Band with special guest Mary Shaver**. Whether performing at a festival, on a stage at the Kennedy Center, a showcase at the NAMM Show, or on Memphis's hallowed Beale Street, the four-piece group, featuring guitarist Michael Tash, harmonica ace and singer Roger Edsall, bassist-vocalist Bob Mallardi, and drummer David Thaler, are unabashed crowd pleasers thanks to their expert ensemble playing, strong melodies, addictive grooves, sly original songwriting, and sheer intensity. Visit their website at [badinfluenceband.com](http://badinfluenceband.com) for more details. (Main Stage from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.)

Also on the main stage and repeating from last year is **Karousel**, a group that continues to win awards. In 2018, they made it to the finals of MoCo's Got Talent, won the Best Audience Reaction Award at the Bach to Rock Battle of the Bands, and brought home the award for Best Vocals at Rock for Liberty Battle of the Bands. In June 2019, they won MoCo's Got Talent, and also won the High School Division of the Bach to Rock Battle of the Bands, and Best Original Song. Karousel has released several original songs which can be found on all major streaming services. They love all kinds of music, from classic rock to new rock. Sammy Krimstein (lead guitar and vocals), Maddie Aponte (keys and vocals), and Jack Husted (drums and vocals) are all seniors at Quince Orchard High School. Catherine Brady (rhythm guitar and vocals) is a junior at Quince Orchard High School. Luke Jordan (bass and vocals) is a freshman at Ringling College of Art and Design. Luke Lamotta (bass) is a senior at Bullis. (Main Stage 12:30 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.)

New this year is **Patrick Budd and the Starwood Flyers**. Poolesville natives Patrick Budd, Christian Angueira, and Jake Morin make up a power group that specializes in putting together eclectic arrangements of blues, rock, funk, folk, jazz, and pop songs as well as captivating original songs of their own! (Main Stage 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.)

Another band returning from last year, **Touch of Grey**, as the name implies, is a group of "experienced" musicians who share a love of Americana—a mix of folk, popular, and bluegrass. With rich harmonies and instrumental breaks, the music is inspired by such legends as Neil Young, Crosby, Stills, and Nash, Bill Monroe, and the Grateful Dead, among others. Consisting of seven musicians local to the area, Touch of Grey is thrilled to be back playing at Poolesville Day. (Locals stage 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.)

**No Stop Light** is a local duo right from here. For four years, Chris Doto on saxophone/percussion and Matt Partain on acoustic guitar have used honest vocals and upbeat energy to entertain at a variety of venues across Montgomery County. Influences include Van Morrison, Paul Simon, Tom Petty, Dave Matthews, REM, and others. Joining the pair for their Poolesville Day

performance are perennial bandmate Dr. John Steffen on drums and other special guests. The group is looking forward to entertaining the Poolesville Day crowd at the Locals stage. Expect smooth rock covers, sweet originals. and a good time. (Locals Stage 12:50 p.m. to 2:20 p.m.)

New this year are **Warfare J** and **SGMB JUGG**. Both DMV-based artists grew up together in school. Not only are they songwriters, but they both are audio engineers who record, mix, and master their own songs within their home studio. They currently have a joint album out right now titled *Broke the Silence* which they released last year that has over 500,000 streams worldwide available on all music streaming platforms. They know how to keep an audience engaged and strive in high energy environments but can also keep it melodic for quieter events. Their music genre is hip hop/rap/soul with a little mix of R&B. They are always hyping up the crowd to keep everyone jumping and singing along. (Falcon Lane 12:45 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.)

**DJ EZ** is adding his spinning expertise at Falcon Lane for a third year. DJ Zach Etheridge is also the owner of EZ Fit Training and a Poolesville native. He has been bringing the hits to his workout crew, and now he's bringing them to you! He is guaranteed to get you on your feet and keep you moving. Playing a smooth mix of old school, the latest hits, and group dance songs for all ages, DJ EZ is also an upbeat MC who is able to interact and captivate the audience. DJ EZ has hosted many events such as quinceañeras, holiday parties, proms, homecomings, and birthday parties! DJ EZ will get your party started and the people dancing! (Falcon Lane 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.)

New to Poolesville Day is **Reasonably Untamed**, composed of Isaac Feny, Declan "Davy Jones" O'Brien, Ethan McNeal, and Bryan Kindle. Isaac and Ethan started the band in 2018, and in the next two years, Bryan and Declan joined. They love to play classic rock and make their own classic rock-esque songs. They take big influence from bands such as the Beatles, the Jimi Hendrix Experience, and Led Zeppelin. The reason they play is because it is a good time, plain and simple. (1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Antique Car Show at Anytime Fitness parking lot)

Finally, there is **Michael Heister**, a twenty-one-year-old solo performing musician from Frederick. His unique blend of acoustic guitar and vocals spans multiple music genres including pop, rock, R&B, and a dash of country. (11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Antique Car Show at Anytime Fitness parking lot)

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governmental restrictions to trying to meet the needs of all, including neighbors, he outlined an inspiring tale that fellow entrepreneurs can appreciate. His is a firm that has combined restoring a truly historical farm, meeting the goals of preservation in the Ag Reserve, and providing a much-enjoyed service of locally-produced beer and quality food and snacks in a venue of fun, fellowship, and fresh air.

Katie Horan of The Sweet Lemon told the group of her decision to focus on her shop and family and that she will not continue to teach. She keeps bringing in new, locally-focused great gifts like kitchen hand towels with Poolesville themes. She is even planning to introduce something new in her off-hours for children with games focused around Halloween. She promised to keep all appraised.

**Important People Relax in Poolesville**

Jim Brown reported that “not one, but two partners for Poolesville stopped in the other day for a Locals breakfast. He and Link broke bread with Montgomery County School Superintendent Dr. Monifa McKnight and our superstar councilmember Andrew Friedson. Brown invited both to come back soon to the Poolesville Day Fair Access Breakfast.

**Jamison Wins Blue Ribbon**

Nancy Jamison won a first-place blue ribbon at the Montgomery County Ag Fair for her cake entry this past Friday. After graduating from PHS, Nancy attended Flagler College in Saint Augustine Florida where she double majored in accounting and finance, graduating summa cum laude. She then went off to law school where she graduated from the University of San Diego. Two weeks after sitting for the bar exam, she entered a cake in the Montgomery County Ag Fair and won first in her category. She plans on going into the family business as a realtor at Charles H. Jamison, Inc.



Commissioner Jim Brown, MCPS Superintendent Dr. Monifa McKnight, Councilmember Andrew Friedson, and Link Hoewing at Locals Restaurant.

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### It Is Poolesville Day Once Again! Time for My Annual Reasons to Leave Your Pets at Home

Peter H. Eeg, DVM

We all have seen the amazing opening of our hearts to stray and rescued pets over the last two COVID years. There is an estimated 25% increase in our local furry friend population. Many of these wonderful wet noses have come from less than wonderful beginnings.

This consideration is my top reason to leave your new best friend at home this year while you enjoy the many opportunities for fun and money-spending during our new national pastime, Poolesville Day.

Fluffy pals with unknown histories can have PTSD-like responses to sounds, sights, smells, people, places, and things. Since Poolesville Day has all of these in abundance, I am pleading with everyone to leave their four-footed friends safely at home.

Poolesville Day is amazing, and there are thousands of humans that come together for the day. This brings with it unexpected potentials to trigger a foster/rescue/rehomed pet's potential PTSD. The pet's response can be anything from a simple shying away or trying to hide to a full-blown aggressive response.

The crush of random combinations of sights, sounds, smells, people, places, and moving parts can elicit specific memories in our furry friends that can end up causing nervous behavior, fear behavior, escape behavior, fight or flight behavior, or simple aggression.

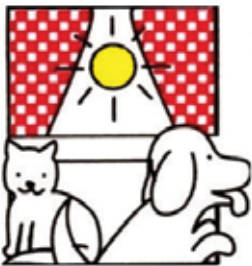
In such a large crowd, any of these responses from your four-footed friends can be amplified. Even furry friends we have lived with for many years can show atypical responses in such a sensory-intense situation.

Leave your furry friends at home.

The better solution is to just let your animal companions remain safely at home while you are enjoying Poolesville Day. They are in a known environment with no unexpected sensory events. They can go about their normal day, just like every other day for them.

Quick review of other good reasons to leave your animal pals at home.

1. Surfaces and foods can be very hot.
2. Exotic foods or other ingested objects can be very dangerous for your pets and costly for you.
3. You cannot enjoy your day worrying about your furry friends.
4. If the temperature is high, dehydration can come on quickly.
5. If the temperature is high, hyperthermia can come on quickly.
6. Fights between friends is always a potential, and fights between unknowns is a greater risk.



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