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When you win big, you win a big trophy. See who won this in Tidbits page 8.



Patrick, an Arabian, is descended from horses that belonged to a local legend. Read about her in Remembrance on page 10.



If you are bad, sometimes you get time out in the corner. Don't know where to buy the hat, though. See more in Family Album page 2.

## First Sunday for WUMCO

Area churches collect non-perishable food items and donations for the WUMCO Food Pantry the first Sunday of each month.

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## Mom Takes Her Case to Annapolis

By Sarah Broady

My name is Sarah Broady, and I have lived in Poolesville with my husband, Kyle Broady, and our three boys for the last four years. Our son, Samuel, was diagnosed with autism when he was twenty-seven months old. I have recently had several opportunities to speak to state leaders as they are making decisions that will impact the autism community in Maryland. A few weeks ago, I gave public testimony for a state-appointed group called the Autism Technical Advisory Group (ATAG). They will be making recommendations to the state for what specific services should be included within

## Finding Joy in Local History

By Dominique Agnew

Have a question about local history? Peg Coleman of Boyds may have the answers. If not, she may have a good idea of how to go about finding them.

Since the early 1980s, Peg has written five books on local history, three non-fiction works and two historical fiction works. She began her writing career through one of those quirks of fate that sends many of us diverging

the habilitation service policies of private insurers. I testified to the necessity of Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) therapy, a specific behavioral therapy that has been proven to help children with autism since the 1970s and played such an integral role in the life of Samuel during the first year after diagnosis. The ATAG committee will hold further hearings this summer which I plan to attend and speak at again to ask for the specificity of these services.

There are currently thirty-two states which have mandated that insurance

into a new and exciting path.

In the late 1970s, Peg had been working for Sugarloaf Regional Trails and was approaching the end of a contract, looking for something to do. The Donning Company Publishers had asked the librarian of the Montgomery County Historical Society to write a book about Montgomery County history. The librarian turned down the request but recommended Peg. "I loved doing it," Peg says of the project. "I really enjoyed it enormously." For five years, she and a photographer traipsed all over Montgomery County, interviewing citizens and photographing their historical photos, producing,



Sarah and Sam Broady take their case to Annapolis.

companies cover autism treatment services. Maryland is not yet one of these states. Because of this, families are left to cover the entire cost of therapy services out of pocket, which are well known to be about \$100,000

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Peg Coleman's newest historical novel Maryland Patriot.

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*Melissa Foster, an independent book publishing consultant, spoke at the recent HMD Writers' Symposium at the Poolesville Old Town Hall Museum.*



*Riley Jamison pumps the gas at the newly-opened Liberty gas station in Poolesville. A grand opening will be held in March.*



*Fourth graders from the MCPS Cold Spring Elementary School had an American living history experience as they took the persona of students who attended the one-room Seneca Schoolhouse*



*The students at PES met the principal's challenge in their recent Boosterthon fundraiser, and they elected to have Doug Robbins shave his head.*



*The renovation of the historic St. Peter's steeple is nearly complete and awaits the placement of the cross.*

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## Business Briefs

### This Vet Talks to Lions

It's true but not so surprising: Dr. Peter Eeg, who just renewed his ten-year lease in Poolesville to serve animals and those who love them, was the guest speaker at the February 11 Monocacy Lions Club. His topic of Lyme disease is of interest as much to humans as to the animals. There may be equal parts legend and fact circulating about Lyme disease, and for those of you who are not Lions, you can still benefit from his talk by visiting his website: [poolesvilleveterinaryclinic.com](http://poolesvilleveterinaryclinic.com).

### Jewelry Lines Expand

Finders Keepers, the intriguing and multifaceted home decor and gift shop in the center of Poolesville has responded to consumer demand and interest by expanding their selection of beautifully appointed costume and estate jewelry. The charming store is jam-packed with wonderful gifts, antiques, home decor and a myriad of specialty items. If you haven't stopped by lately, put them on your list for your next shopping spree.

But Don't Just Stop There,

## Local News

### Purdy Departing St. Peter's Church

Rev. Tom Purdy of St. Peter's Parish Episcopal Church notified the congregation on February 5 that he will be accepting a new call as rector of Christ Church Frederica, in St. Simons, Georgia. He will perform his final Sunday service on April 21.

In acknowledging the personal difficulty of his deci-

### Shop There

Also while in Poolesville, be sure to check out Hearthside Gardens for their selections of interior decorating ideas and antiques, and if you haven't checked out the fresh-baked goods, homemade and scrumptious cupcakes, and other culinary delights at Mixed Greens, which shares space with Heart

hside, be sure to stop by. Bring your own bag.

### Are You Going to Scarborough Fair?

Okay, it's not Scarborough, but Poolesville, and it may not feature parsley, sage, and other herbs, but local businesses; nonetheless, PACC's Destination Poolesville, at the Poolesville Baptist Church on March 16, is fun and entertaining for people of all ages. Featured will be plenty of vendors exhibiting their local business services or products, as well as entertainment, food, prizes, and a massive shredder truck and electronics recycling center. Bring in your paper records and old electronics for secure disposal, and spend some time walking through the business community of Poolesville.

sion, he wrote to the parish, "I want you to know how much I love this parish and its people. Our time together has been a great blessing in my life, and I leave with no small measure of thanksgiving and gratitude for the ways we have prayed and worked alongside each other these last five years." He also expressed his deep appreciation for the parish's loving care for him and his family during their time at St. Peter's.

Senior Warden John Clayton, in fondly bidding farewell to the highly-popular priest and his family, reflected on



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*Rev. Tom Purdy will be leaving St. Peter's this coming April.*

Purdy's tenure at the church as a remarkably rapid time but one richly productive for the church and the community. He reassured the church members that they have been through transition periods before under more challenging

circumstances but is "certain the church has the talent and dedication necessary to keep St. Peter's moving forward into the future."



# Commentary

## The Usual Madness

By John Clayton

I find myself alternating between thinking about the sequester and about getting vaporized by a falling meteor. I am comfortable with both concerns, as opposed to being afraid, as in both cases my influence over the eventual outcome is nil. I once had a discussion concerning fear of flying. My feeling was that I wasn't afraid when I was on an airplane because I had absolutely no control over anything that could happen, so why worry about it? However, an alternative view, I was told, is that one is afraid of flying precisely because one has absolutely no control over its outcome. This is where the big-time control freaks take over for the casual control freaks.

Control freaks seem to be running amok among our political class. It is a little disconcerting that our government (representing all of us) is going through the brinkmanship deal again. In their wisdom, our leaders concocted the Fiscal Cliff (onerous tax consequences) and the Sequester (onerous spending cuts) so that they would be forced

to work diligently to avoid their occurrence. I think we all now realize that they seriously underestimated the pathology of American political behavior as it exists in the twenty-first century, and I'm not letting either party or any faction off the hook. I think an additional sign of this pathology is that they chose to break the Cliff and the Sequester into separate events for maximum dramatic effect. "This is it, Ma! I'm holding my breath until I turn blue and die and I really mean it this time!" Perhaps they do really mean it this time.

Surprisingly, I even find it hard to even read about this issue any more, let alone pick a side for rooting purposes. It's like the Cowboys playing the Giants, the Mets playing the Phillies, the Sunnis versus the Shiites, or maybe Karl Rove versus the Tea Party. There's something there for almost everyone to latch on to, but not for me.

So keep it up, folks. Hang tightly on to whatever it is that is so important that you would wreak economic havoc on as many other people as possible. We all know what that is. It's: "Whose fault will it be?" So go ahead and let it blow it up, and then figure out who won and who lost. You might just find that no one else cares. Personally, I find worrying about meteors a lot more meaningful.

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## Rande(m) Thoughts

### It Can't Get Worse, Can it?

Rande Davis

I was wondering recently just how much adversity can our local economy take anyway. Here we are trying to work our way through the closing of Selby's Market, and now we find out the county plans to close White's Ferry Road for the better part of the summer of 2014. As the saying goes, it's like adding insult to injury.

So, with little advance notice at a location inconvenient for Upcounty residents and business people, the county held a public hearing to present a plan that, although admirably repairs two bridges in need of upgrading, may unintentionally have a devastating impact on our economic well-being. With White's Ferry Road temporarily

closed eight weeks or more, what would the impact be on the town? At best, it is hard to measure the impact. At worst, we are about to find out and, hopefully, it will not be as bad as we fear.

Fortunately, the county has scheduled another public hearing at Poolesville Elementary School on Tuesday, February 26 at 7:00 p.m. Those persons who have concerns need to attend this meeting. While the PACC will attend the meeting, all businesses that will be negatively impacted need to be there as well.

Before proceeding with their plan, the county needs to hear from those most affected by the closure, and we need to hear what alternatives, if any, are available. It's our lives and businesses that will be impacted by this project, and while a safe bridge is in everyone's best interest, the proposed plan may have very serious unintended

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## In the Garden

# The Good Bones Of a Garden

By Maureen O'Connell

A house is the center of family life and a major investment for most people. We try to keep it in top repair, and we build additions to add to the enjoyment and value of the house. Well-designed landscaping can also add to the value of your house. When we think about landscaping, many people envision trees, flower beds, decks, and patios and neglect to add shrubs to this picture. Trees and flowerbeds alone can look flat and one-dimensional. Technically, a tree has a distinct trunk and is more than twelve feet tall. Shrubs occupy an intermediate status between trees and flowers; they can add varying heights, colors, textures, structure, and fragrance. They have what all fashion models wish to have, good bones, while creating an outlined foundation for the rest of the garden to build upon.

In selecting shrubs, there are several factors to consider: Use: Is your goal to provide privacy? add fragrance to the garden? house foundation plantings? specimen plantings? Location: sun, shade, or partial sun/shade, and exposure to extreme weather conditions. Soil and moisture conditions: check the type of soil you have, some plants will only survive in certain soil types. As to moisture, some plants need a very moist soil and others need a

drier environment. As a practical tip, try to plant near an available source of water. When the weather gets hot, how many buckets of water are you willing to haul to the shrub down by the road? Mature size: Ask yourself, will this shrub in two, three, or five years outgrow its current space? Shrubs put down a permanent presence; they put down roots, both figuratively and literally. You can't move them as easily as daylilies or hostas. As I drive through various neighborhoods in our area, I notice many foundation plantings almost completely hiding the front of houses. No matter where you plant shrubs and for whatever reason, keep in mind the overall picture of your landscaping design. Take a cue from nature and repeat the layering tendencies of plants in the wild. Look where woods border a field, you see layers: tree canopy and understory trees, which are made up of small trees, shrubs, herbaceous plants, and ground cover.

Let's look at some examples of suitable shrubs that could fit the bill for the above-mentioned uses.

Privacy. Forgive me for this subject detour, but I believe that this tree, not a shrub, is the best choice for a privacy screen for our area. I have planted them on my property and I strongly recommend them: arborvitae, *Thuja* 'Green Giant' and its sport 'Steeplechase.' They can reach up to sixty feet with a fantastic growth rate of up to three feet a year. These evergreens offer terrific tolerance to heat, humidity, drought, cold, and heavy ice and

snow loads. For an added plus, the deer don't like them. I replaced my old variety of arborvitae with 'Green Giant' several years ago, as I got tired of losing them with every snow and ice storm.

Foundation. Plants in front of or behind your house should complement, not overwhelm, its design, keeping in mind the architecture and color of the house. I like to break down this area into three parts: the front door area, the corners of the house, and what's in between. The planting near the door should be the focal point of the entrance area. The corners frame the house and the middle plants tie it all together. The corners need a tall shrub, but please check its mature height, for you don't want to have to dig it up in a few years as it grows smack against the siding. Some good choices for the middle and door area are *Daphne*, dwarf cotoneaster, Gold Dust *Acuba*, boxwood 'Wintergreen,' *Cryptomeria* 'Dwarf Global,' holly 'Carissa,' and holly 'Compacta.'

Fragrance. *Viburnums* are very attractive, hardy, and useful shrubs, but their glory is in their fragrance. *V. carlesii*, 'Korean Spice,' would be my first pick of this genus. Their dense flower heads produce white flowers from blush-pink buds and its perfume is a rich, spicy vanilla. 'Nanho Blue' butterfly bush, winter daphne, any lilac, Mock Orange, and white forsythia are some other good, hardy choices.

Specimen shrub. The Latin root of the word specimen means to look at. In your yard, a specimen shrub would be one you would single out as being noteworthy, deserving a solo role on center stage. I might be a bit prejudiced in this selection for I have quite a love affair with hydrangeas, but my choice would go to the Oakleaf Hydrangea (*H. quercifolia*) 'Snow Queen.' Many horticulturists have picked this shrub as the best Oakleaf and the number one shrub for American gardens. They can thrive in deep shade or full sun. Its large, leathery oak-like leaves are hardy and highly-resistant to drying winds, heat, and humidity. It

is also highly pest and disease resistant. It is a fantastic shrub. My second choice would be the dwarf Japanese maple. Technically, this might be considered a tree, but I prefer to see it as a shrub. You cannot beat it for the color of its fall leaves. I have three in my yard that I planted almost thirty years ago and they are still thriving.

In keeping with a natural look in gardens, I like to combine small shrubs in my perennial borders. To make this look work, you should choose shrubs that complement and not dominate. I call them good minglers. They reach out and cascade through perennials; they add height and a look-at-me attitude; they add gentle shade to floppy, sun sensitive annuals or perennials at their feet (David Austin's rose 'Heritage' keeps coreopsis 'Sienna Sunset' cool and able to "face another sunset" in my upper garden); and they provide exceptional foliage of varied colors from frost to frost. Some other suitable shrubs would be any of David Austin's short, compact roses, spirea, weigela 'Midnight Wine' (two feet tall, mounding habit), lilac *Syringa* 'Prairie Petite,' and another of my favorite hydrangeas, *H. arborescens* 'Annabelle.' This floriferous white mophead keeps getting better as the season progresses.

I have offered you just a few selections that I have growing in my gardens, so I know that they can thrive in our weather conditions. The local garden centers will soon be reopening with their spring selections. Take some time and wander around the shrub collections. Read their descriptions and see if any of them can work for you in your gardens.

P.S. Have you noticed blackish-brown stains and chew marks on your houseplants? This is the work of our relatively-new pests, the stink bugs. This is the first year that I have noticed significant damage to my houseplants from stink bugs. I pick them off as I see them and then I flush with water the plant's container's soil to bring to the surface the ones hiding in the soil.



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## Police Blotter: Past and Present

By Jack Toomey

### Present Crime

**Burglary:** 23700 block of Old Hundred Road, 16100 block of Comus Road.

**Theft:** 19500 block of Fisher Avenue.

**Disorderly conduct complaints:** 17300 block Seneca Chase Park Road, 15300 block of Darnestown Road.

**Drug complaints:** 20800 block of Martinsburg Road.

### Past Crime

**February 25, 1919** Samuel Wilson was arrested by Sheriff Aud on a charge of committing an offense against a thirteen-year-old girl who lived on a farm outside of Rockville. Before Wilson was placed in jail, he confessed to States Attorney Bouic and Aud, and signed a confession admitting to the crime.

**February 28, 1912** Sheriff Howard was in his office when he received an excited telephone

call from Mrs. Garrett of Glen Echo. She reported that her servant, Louise Dorsey, had been shot dead by a former employee. Howard got into his automobile and started for Glen Echo. He picked up Deputy Shaw and other citizens on the way. They began searching for Charles Gibbs, the murderer, and found him hiding in a wooded area near the canal. The group of men surrounded him, and Shaw snuck up behind him and relieved him of the shotgun that he was carrying. Gibbs was charged with murder.

**March 4, 1912** Deputy Brooks was on duty on Connecticut Avenue to guard against motorists entering Montgomery County from Washington who did not have Maryland driver's licenses or tags (in those days, a D.C. resident needed a Maryland driver's license and tags to drive in Maryland). As Brooks was on the lookout, a racing machine approached his position at high speed. Brooks waved his flag at the driver, who ignored it and sped past him by climbing the sidewalk, driving through the Chevy Chase Club,

and then back towards Washington. Brooks aimed his revolver at the car but did not shoot. Before this incident, Brooks had arrested seven motorists.

**March 6, 1900** Washington police received a message from the Boyds telegraph operator that John Braxton was in custody. Braxton had been wanted for burglary in Washington City and also was a suspect in the shooting of Moy Sing, a well-known laundry operator. Braxton was supposedly in the custody of Sheriff Williams, but when Detective Muller of Washington came to Rockville, he could not find the sheriff, the prisoner, or the states attorney.

**March 7, 1915** Sheriff B. Peyton Whalen shocked residents of Montgomery County when he shot himself in the head while sitting at his desk at the Rockville courthouse. Whalen had been suffering from the grippe for a year and was despondent about

his health. Another deputy sheriff was present in the room when Whalen unexpectedly entered and sat down at his desk. He began talking about ending his life, but the deputy had heard him talk about this many times so he ignored it. After shooting himself, Whalen was taken to Georgetown Hospital in Washington where an operation was performed. Whalen eventually recovered, regained his health, and served on the police commission as late as 1940.

## Local News

### Poolesville to Be Served by New Officers

By Jack Toomey

*Editor's Note: This article, which was referenced in a commentary, was inadvertently left out of our February 8 issue.*

The Montgomery County Police Department announced that beginning on February 4, the boundaries of the five police districts would be realigned.

While this does not affect the day-to-day operations of the department, it will directly impact the residents of

Poolesville. For decades, the northwest part of the county has been served by the Germantown District. Now, officers who will respond to calls in Poolesville will be from the Rockville District which is presently located on Seven Locks Road in Rockville. Eventually, they will move to the new headquarters at 100 Edison Park Drive in west Gaithersburg. Barnesville and Dickerson will remain in the Germantown District.

The commanding officer of the Rockville District is Captain James Fenner.

All county and district maps have been updated and can be viewed on [mymcpnews.com](http://mymcpnews.com).

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## Youth Sports

### Five PHS Runners Qualify For State Indoor Track Meet

By Jeff Stuart

Five PHS track athletes qualified for the State Track Meet following the 2AWest Region Meet held at Hagerstown Community College on February 2. These include four competitors in individual events and the girls' 4x800 relay team. Sophomore Denise Larson was one of the last to get in.

"I was the second to last qualifier in the mile," said Denise. "I got in by, like, a third of a second." Her time of 5:39 in the 1600 at the region was a personal best. She also ran the first leg of the 4x800 relay team which also qualified. "I think Denise was probably the biggest surprise—what she did in the mile," said Head Coach Mike Trumbull, "but she has been training hard all year, so it was just a matter of time."

"I am really happy that she made it to the states because she works really hard," said Assistant

Coach Prasad Gerard. "It all came together for her." Larson played basketball for PHS last winter instead of running track.

"I thought we had a pretty good team this year," said Trumbull. "There were a couple of performances that just didn't go our way in the regionals, but, for the most part, I think it has been a pretty successful year for the team as a whole. We had guys who really stepped up this year, and girls who stepped up this year and ran well at the regionals even though some didn't make it to the states as they were hoping to.

"Senior Andre Butler, in his first year of indoor track, does a little bit of everything, sprints, jumps...He had chances to make it in both. He missed the states in the 55 dash by .02 seconds.

"Junior Chase Weaverling in the boys' 3200 meter run and sophomore Claire Beautz in the 3200 have the fastest times in their events in the state for the 2A class. The girls 4x800 team of Claire Beautz, junior Chelsie Pennello, junior Rebecca Basehore, and sophomore Denise Larson has the third fastest time in the 4x800 in the state for 2A." Junior Rebecca Basehore was another who set a personal

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## Local News

### Poolesville Town Government

By Rande Davis

#### MCP District 1 Commander Pays a Visit

At the February 19 town meeting, the commissioners welcomed Montgomery County Police Commander James Fenner as well as five officers who regularly patrol Poolesville. Commander Fenner, a veteran of thirty-one years, came to introduce himself to the commissioners and to answer questions regarding the recent MCP boundary changes that moved Poolesville from District 5 – Germantown to District 1 – Rockville (D1). Eventually, D1, which is now headquartered on Seven Locks Road in west Rockville, will be headquartered in the former National Geographic Building at 100 Edison Park, Gaithersburg, just off of Route 28.

After introducing the officers who joined him at the meeting, Commander Fenner encouraged open communication between himself and the town representatives. Commissioner Klobukowski asked whether Poolesville might get its own School Resource Officer (SRO) anytime soon. Fenner reported that the current SRO covers six high schools and, while not speaking directly about additional officers for that particular position, he responded that MCP is currently undergoing a strong recruitment drive and encouraged anyone in attendance over twenty-one to consider a police career.

Another key question came from resident Gary

Hartz who, in relation to the recent duty changes, queried as to the response time to Poolesville in the instance of a major policing event in Rockville. Commander Fenner pointed out that Poolesville would remain unaffected by such a down county situation as it has two officers assigned to it as well as having another backup.

Commission President Jim Brown, in welcoming the new commander, stressed the town's desire to assist, especially in matters relating to the schools, known problem areas, and speeding on the back roads. He complimented the high level of visibility since the recent changes have taken place.

#### Other Pressing News

The commissioners voted to approve a \$347,902 contract to Johnston Construction Company of Pennsylvania to replace the wastewater treatment plant's belt filter press. A belt filter press is an industrial machine for solid/liquid separation to dewater sludge in the process of water treatment.

#### Through the Eyes of a Camera

The town recently contracted a company that provides video recording of water sewer lines which shows the current status of main lines on Norris Road and on Fisher Avenue from Wootton Avenue to Elgin Road. The presentation showed some clear areas of leaking at joints and other areas of tree root intrusion. The most dramatic visual was of grease buildup in the pipe to such a degree that a partial cleanout had to take place even before the camera recording could successfully take place. From this visual report, town Engineer John Strong stated that the commissioners would be receiving a final recommendation

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PHS track state qualifiers: Claire Beautz, Denise Larson, Rebecca Basehore, Chelsie Pennello, and Chase Weaverling



## Tidbits

### PHS Athletic Hall of Fame: Currently Accepting Nominations

The Poolesville High School Athletic Department, in partnership with the Poolesville High School Athletic Boosters, is requesting nominations for the second annual PHS Athletic Hall of Fame induction.

Last year, the PHS Hall of Fame began a tradition to recognize and honor the school's most outstanding interscholastic athletes, coaches, championship teams, and significant Booster contributors who have demonstrated exceptional support for our athletes. Any former Indian and Falcon student-athletes from any period in the school's history may be nominated. A review committee will select inductees based on their athletic accomplishments while attending Poolesville High School. On Friday, September 20, 2013, the second annual induction ceremony will be conducted during the

Hall of Fame football game.

Any person may make a nomination by filling out a prospective candidate form available from the PHS athletic department. The announcement of those to be inducted in 2013 will be made this coming June.

### PAA Wrestlers Place First

The 2013 Poolesville Athletic Association Youth Wrestling Team won the coveted first-place trophy in the Damascus Sports Association Wrestling League (DSAWL) Tournament on February 9 and 10 for the team with the most wins. It has been six years since PAA wrestling has won a team award. These dedicated, hard-working young men represented Poolesville well and challenged fifteen other teams to earn this award. Wrestlers who placed in the top four of their classes will move on to wrestle at the Sam Case Regional Wrestling Tournament held on February 23 at Tuscarora High School. The following PAA wrestlers finished in sixth place or better in the DSAWL tournament: sixth place, Erik Eklof, Mason Hillegas,

Ethan Hinds, Sean Lyons, and Trevor Riggs; fifth place, Jaylen Riggs and Jacob Tievy; fourth place, Spiros Nicholas, Shawn Smith, and Sam Stempler; third place, Sam Garrett; second place, Desmond Brown, Sam Pavlick, Michael Sofelkanik, and Evan Taylor; and first place, Logan Bartolomeo, Kevin Fultz, Raymond Kinzie, Luke Pappano, and Niko Sofelkanik.



Luke Pappano and Michael Sofelkanik share a private moment with the coveted first place team trophy at the recent DSAWL tournament.

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## Local News

# Clarksburg Compared to 'Hamster Wheel'

By Kristen Milton

Plans for Clarksburg Town Center continue to evolve as the project's initial developer cuts its final tie, leaving planning board and staff to speculate about whether the new design will be recognizable to those who worked for many years on the old.

Members of the Clarksburg Town Center Advisory Committee spent more than two years working to address problems at the 270-acre development located at Clarksburg Road and Snowden Farm Parkway after the citizen discovery of building violations nearly a decade ago. The currently-approved design grew from a Plan of Compliance, which emerged from mediation in 2006; however, representatives of Elm Street Development have held several public meetings since purchasing the bulk of the struggling project from Newland Homes for one dollar in December 2011, and its redesign shows various changes.

At a January 31 update on the project, planning director

Rose Krasnow told the board that Newland had sold the fifty-six residential lots it had formerly retained in the community while Planning Chair

Françoise Carrier noted Elm Street's proposed commercial core was adjusted to include more office and less retail and that "delivery of retail" had been pushed to 2018 rather than preceding more residential development.

Kate Kubit, speaking for Elm Street, said "a performing arts entity" was also being sought to provide regular free shows or camps near the civic/library area of the development. "We're looking to create a vibrant space that people outside Clarksburg will come to," Kubit said.

Justifying such changes to those inside Clarksburg more concerned than eased members of the Planning Board and its staff. Planning board member Casey Anderson asked for an enforcement mechanism such as bond requirement to assure plans now under discussion will "stick." Anderson said it was surprising no such bond had been imposed before. Some planned amenities now in question were in lieu of fines that could have been imposed on Newland. "Now we have an empty bag," Anderson said. "We've been told we can't make anybody do anything and New-

land is gone. You guys have bought it for a dollar, and we have to sit and figure it out."

Kubit said Elm Street remained committed to providing a quality project, noting its nearby Clarksburg Village endeavor, but conceded it would not be fully consistent with the Plan of Compliance. "We want to give the community a nice community, but the current plan is millions of dollars underwater and it cannot get built," she said.

Staff and board members spent some time debating whether Elm Street's town center plans should be considered primarily in terms of the compliance plan or as an independent project.

Board member Norman Dreyfuss said, without deciding how to deal with the conflict, "We're in a hamster wheel and we'll never see the end of this thing."

Kubit said Elm Street was pricing the various features required by the compliance plan in order to compare them to newer ideas. Planners asked several times that a direct comparison of amenities and tradeoffs in the two designs be provided.

"In no way are we trying to delay anything," Kubit said in response to a suggestion that the company was attempting to tire stakeholders into agreeing to new terms. She said "a holistic overall plan" was expected

to emerge later in the year.

### Poole Store Remembered

More than two years after its closing, Poole Store has not been forgotten at the Planning Board. In a January 31 briefing to the board, parks director Mary Bradford was asked about the landmark site, which before its December 2010 closing had been the oldest general store in continuous use in Montgomery County. "We have been working on that," she said.

Bradford said that although the main building, constructed in 1901 and rented by the Poole family for almost forty years, remained vacant, agricultural supplies were being sold from an outbuilding by Southern States. Bradford further noted that facilities' management and cultural stewardship sections of the department were coordinating to obtain permits needed to offer the property for rent to a new tenant.

The three-acre store site, which also includes a home and several outbuildings, is located at 16315 Old River Road. The planning commission received a \$47,000 grant from the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority in 2011 for work at the store, including porch repair and restoration of historic shelving and plaster walls as well as benches, bike racks, and other visitor amenities.



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## Remembrances

### Jon Thomas Dols



Jon Thomas "Tom" Dols

Jon Thomas "Tom" Dols, 74, the husband of former Memorial United Methodist minister, the Rev. Patricia Dols, passed away suddenly on February 13. Born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Tom graduated from the University of Minnesota with a bachelor's degree in history.

After serving his country in the U. S. Army, he went on to a thirty-seven-year career with the Food and Drug Administration as a chemist specializing in adverse reactions of drugs for animals. Tom's keen and passionate interest in history was evident in his being an ever-ready conversationalist on historical matters based on an equally-strong penchant for reading books. Although his

family always thought he would be a college professor, his true calling came as a partner with Pat in her pastoral endeavors following his heart through a lifetime of mission work, most often working with homeless and poverty-stricken persons. The Rev. Vivian C. McCarthy, Superintendent, Methodist Central Maryland District, recalled that Tom's special gift in working with those less fortunate was based on his talent of approaching the task less as a "project to fix someone" than as a desire to simply befriend someone.

He was remembered for his guidance, wisdom, helping hands, his robust joy for life, and his deep and abiding faith.

Surviving besides his wife are his six children, Kevin Dols (Sharon), Kristine Fessenden (Eric), Michelle Bassani (Bobby), Billie Moynihan, Charlie Klinck, David Klinck (Felicia); and twelve grandchildren, Joseph, Benjamin, Jocelyne, Bobby Jr., Tony, Devon, Dylan, Roger, Christi, Stefan, Aidan, and Danny.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Tom's name to: Laurel Advocacy and Referral Services, 311 Laurel Avenue, Laurel, MD 20707 (please make checks out to "Laurel Advocacy & Referral Services, Inc.") or FISH of Laurel, Inc., Elizabeth House, P.O. Box 36, Laurel, MD 20725-0036.

### Ruth "Bazy" Tankersley

By Maureen O'Connell

On Tuesday, February 5, Bazy Tankersley died at her home in Tucson, Arizona. She was ninety-one. Her career covered exciting and controversial times as the publisher of the *Times-Herald* in Washington, D.C. to her seventy-one years of running one of the country's most successful and well-respected Arabian breeding programs at her horse farms, all called Al Marah, meaning "a verdant garden oasis."

Many people in the Monocacy area today will probably not recognize Bazy's name; it is mostly the old-timers who remember her and her beloved and legendary Arabian horses. When my husband and I were first married in 1969, we often drove out to the countryside—the Barnesville area—on Sunday afternoons. I vividly recall on one of these trips visiting a most unusual low-slung, white building with Arabic motifs over its entry way; many now know it as part of the Barnesville School. It was surrounded by acres and acres of rolling hillsides and fields of cattle and horses, mostly Arabian, grazing in verdant pastures. In May and June, farmers were out working their fields cutting hay. This unassuming building was Bazy Tankersley's Arabian Horse

Museum, a living tribute to her Arabian horses. We moved to Barnesville in 1980, and Barnesville was still country. Everyone knew each other, helped each other, and partied together; horses were the common bond between neighbors, and Bazy Tankersley was the nucleus that provided the spark.

Bazy led a fascinating and exciting life. Ruth Elizabeth McCormick was born in Chicago on March 7, 1921 to J. Medill McCormick and the former Ruth Hanna. She was groomed at an early age by her uncle Robert McCormick, of the McCormick media dynasty, to be heir apparent to the Chicago Tribune Company. At this time, the *Tribune* was one of the world's most powerful newspapers. In 1949, her uncle bought the *Washington Times-Herald* and picked Bazy, at age twenty-eight, to run the paper. After a turbulent two years, she grew tired of the political battles all around her and the paper, and she resigned. She divorced her first husband, M. Peter Miller, Jr. and married *Times-Herald* editor Garvin "Tank" Tankersley. They moved to Maryland in the 1950s, and she began her career as an Arabian horse breeder. Their first Maryland farm, Al Marah, was located on River Road near its crossover, the Beltway. Today, if you are

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Ruth 'Bazy' Tankersley





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## Tidbits of the Past

**February 3, 1909** Governor Crothers appointed DeWalt Willard of Poolesville to the state school commission, replacing the deceased Doctor Stonestreet.

**February 6, 1910** Clarence Nicholson, a Boyds man, fell asleep in his straw rick and, as a result, had his feet severely frostbitten. It was feared that he faced the amputation of both feet. Nicholson was a blacksmith and had been known in those parts for at least fifty years.

**February 12, 1910** In a move that upset many county women, Governor Crothers did not appoint a woman as county school commissioner. Instead, he appointed Claggett Hilton of Barnesville.

**February 15, 1909** It was reported that Harry Linthicum, a well-known gentleman living at Barnesville, was very sick with double pneumonia. His doctor was in attendance.

**February 20, 1910** Harry Wil-

liams and family returned to live in Poolesville after spending two years in Kensington.

The young folks of Dawsonville held a ball that was held in the town hall. It was a largely attended and elaborate affair. The chaperones were Nathan Allnutt and Mrs. Milton Darby.

**February 27, 1909** The State Roads Commission met in Baltimore, and representatives of many districts argued about how the funds available would be used. William Griffith of Poolesville argued for a new turnpike that would connect Poolesville and Rockville. Charles Desby of Darnestown argued against the building of a turnpike that would connect his town and Washington.

**February 27, 1910** A large cannery, built several years before next to the B&O Railroad at Barnesville, was sold at foreclosure. It had cost \$17,000 to build, and it sold for under \$5000

to Charles Griffith. At one time it was the largest cannery in western Maryland.

It was reported that Mr. B. F. Hicks had sold his long-established mercantile business at Boyds. He said that he was going to move his family to Des Moines, Iowa.

**February 28, 1909** A fox chase was held at Dawsonville and extended through the lands in the section near Poolesville. Twenty-

eight riders and thirty dogs took part. Two foxes were raised and were run to their dens. Among those who took part were Spates, Allnutt, Gott, Lewis, and Nichols.

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## Remembrances

### Russell G. West



Russell West

Russell G. West, 79, of Poolesville died on Saturday, February 2, 2013 at the Heartfield Assisted Living in Frederick. He was the husband of the late Sharlene Hollandsworth West.

He was born on October 19, 1933 in Topeka, Virginia, he was the son of the late Zebrum and Lillie (Leith) West.

Russell was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows #97 Poolesville Lodge and a member of the Poolesville Memorial United Methodist Church.

Surviving are his two daughters, Kathy Cody and husband Ed of Poolesville, Karen West Williams of Dickerson; two grandsons, Brian and Jason Cody (Tiffany), both of Poolesville. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Russell's name to the Poolesville Memorial United Methodist Church, "Memorial Fund."

### Carlton E. Johnson, Sr.

Carlton E. Johnson, Sr., 83, of Comus, died on February 13, 2013 at the Frederick Memorial Hospital. He was the loving husband of the late Thelma E. Johnson. Born on November 18, 1929, in Comus, he was the son of the late Ernest and Carrie (Nichols)

Johnson. Surviving are his three sons, Carlton Johnson, Jr. (Bonnie), Kyle Johnson (Debbie), and Duane Johnson (Shirley).

### Samuel F. Belcher

Samuel F. "Pete" Belcher, 87, of Dickerson, went home to be with the Lord on Saturday February 2, 2013. He was the husband of the late Alberta Mary "Birdie" (Dodson) Belcher who died in 1965. Born on July 10, 1925, in Bluefield, Virginia, he was the son of the late James Walter and Mattie (Neal) Belcher.

Pete was a decorated WWII Veteran, receiving the Purple Heart. He was a lifelong resident of Dickerson and worked for many years with Roberson Plumbing. Surviving are his children, Wanda Burt of Buckeystown, Samuel J. Belcher of Frederick, Barbara Lee Scott of Frederick, Claude T. Belcher and wife Donna of Dickerson, Jeannye Hungerford of Frederick; one sister, Barbara J. Lamb and husband Carroll of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania; nine

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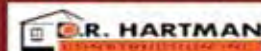


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February 22

### Cugini's Entertainment Night

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February 23

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Featuring: The Boyds School and Education

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February 25

### St. Peter's Mother's Day Out Open House

This program provides childcare services to allow parents some alone time every Monday. For details, contact Christie Maisel at 301-655-9469 or email mdo@stpetersnet.org. 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

### Poolesville RFL Team Captain/Team Meeting

Topics to cover how to fundraise. There will be several vendors on hand to purchase from and to set up fundraisers. All new persons interested in participating in Relay for Life of Poolesville are welcome to attend and learn more about opportunities with the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. For more info, contact Chontelle Hockenbery at c.hockenbery@verizon.net or 301-252-6308. Poolesville Presbyterian Church, 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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for remediation of the problems shown and that those recommendations would be part of the upcoming budget considerations.

**Knapp Proposal Approved**

The commissioners discussed a presentation at the last town meeting by Michael Knapp, CEO of Orion Ventures, LLC, that proposed using his firm to manage the marketing of the town to public and private entities based on those industries that would be most attracted to the town’s resources.

The current Knapp proposal under consideration follows a previous analytical report by his firm submitted last year as to the most viable prospects for financial and economic growth in the town. Although that report identified a number of potential growth areas, a fundamental dilemma faced by the town was in identifying whom to task with the responsibility of pursuing those areas of interest. This new proposal to the town would hire Knapp’s services through Orion Ventures LLC, tasking the firm to pursue targeted industries, reporting back to them with initial results within 90 to 120 days, and fulfilling the agreement within six months.

Essentially Knapp would be hired as a town marketing manager responsible to work with the various town committees and private sector groups to isolate

the key growth opportunities, to develop a marketing strategy to pursue those opportunities, and then to follow-up on the agreed-upon strategies.

In emphasizing that a great amount of investigation and discussion has taken place since the closing of Selby’s Market as to the town’s financial future, Commission President Brown underscored the inability of any one person being able to focus in a responsible way to achieve some desired goals and that without Knapp or someone like him, the town was destined to just keep talking and to not move forward.

Commissioner Stump, in supporting the need to hire someone in a marketing management position, suggested that a shorter contract with specific limitations would be the better way to go forward. Commissioner Dickerson agreed with Stump’s position and stated that she, too, wanted to “take it slow” and with a more reserved approach. Commissioner Klobukowski opined that the town’s current public and private resources can handle most of the identification of potential targets and that Knapp’s role should be reduced to actually pursuing agreed-upon targets of opportunity. Commissioner Halbrook was not able to attend the meeting.

In the end, the attending commissioners, in a three to one vote, approved a four-month contract capped at a total of \$30,000. Commissioner Klobukowski voted against the proposal.

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**"Peg Coleman" Continued  
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in the end, *Montgomery County: A Pictorial History*. The book covers the 1770s into the 1980s, with more than 350 photographs. For those five years, Peg delved into land records, did a lot of research at the historical society—"I practically lived there"—and located and met locals with knowledge of history of the area. "I had so many interesting conversations with people that are gone now," she reminisces.

The next writing project wasn't published until 2002, *Paul of Montgomery*, a children's historical novel—maybe Peg was a little busy. In 1983, she and her husband purchased a property in Boyds on which had been built a log cabin in 1768. Peg spent the next decade restoring it and finally opening it as a bed and breakfast, Pleasant Springs Farm, in 1996. The Colemans bought the property because of the log cabin, then built their house near it. She dismissed suggestions that they push the log cabin

over. "I'm so interested in the local history," says Peg. The cabin was originally built by Thomas Drury who had come from England. The windows had glass that came from the local Amelung glass factory on the other side of Sugarloaf Mountain. *Paul of Montgomery* tells the story of the building of a log cabin in 1768 from the point of view of twelve-year-old Paul. "It was a lot of fun to write," says Peg.

In the mid-2000s, Arcadia Publishing Company, which specialized in localized history books, contacted Peg and asked her to write a book about Germantown. Peg really wanted to do a book about Germantown, Boyds, and Barnesville. "They said no," Peg says, so she titled the book *Around Germantown*, giving herself the freedom to go beyond the borders of Germantown to include some of these smaller towns. Arcadia Publishing has a formula authors are required to follow with a specific number of pictures and word count. *Around Germantown* was published in 2008 and can be found for sale at Barnes and Noble bookstores and Costco.

Peg next wrote and published *Mama Wears Two Aprons* about women in farming in Montgomery County, mostly during the early part of the twentieth century. The Mooseum in Boyds was interested in a book about local female farmers, and Peg obliged, documenting how many women saved their farms during the Great Depression through the help of Blanche Corwin, the first woman to have the position of cooperative extension agent. She was hired to teach women how to cook, sew, take care of livestock, and other farm and domestic duties. Then she thought of the idea for the Montgomery Farm Women's Cooperative Market in Bethesda, which is still thriving today, to help them make money to pay their mortgages.

This past fall, Peg published the continuing story of Paul in *Maryland Patriot*. Paul is now a sixteen-year-old preparing to enlist in the militia to fight the Revolutionary War. Paul is the only fictional character in the account, all the other characters were real people. Peg "researched battlefields, read a lot of books, and talked to a lot of

people" to tell Paul's tale.

Peg grew up in Snohomish, Washington, close to Seattle. The daughter of a Presbyterian minister—she read all his books—she was always interested in reading and history. "I would come home from school and would read by the woodstove," she says. Her knees would be scarred from sitting so close to the woodstove. She moved to Montgomery County in the late sixties and instantly fell in love with the history all around her. She earned her degree in history from Hood College in 1977 as a continuing education student, then set off on her career as local historian. "It's really been a lot of fun," she says, "something to be passionate about."

She has just republished *Paul of Montgomery* with her daughter, Ann Stevenson, who added a teacher's supplement. "It was so much fun to work with my daughter," Peg says. She also hopes to write a third book about Paul during the post-Revolutionary War years.

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**Poolesville Library Book Discussion Group**

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February 26

**Public Hearing on the Closing of White's Ferry Road Summer of 2014**

This Department of Transportation public hearing will take testimony on the impact of closing the road to upgrade two bridges on Route 107. Traffic to and from the ferry will be rerouted to Wasche Road and West Hunter Road to Beallsville Road in Beallsville. Poolesville Elementary School. 7:00 p.m.

March 1, 2, and 3

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March 1

**Cugini's Entertainment Night**

Featuring: The Billy Thompson Band. 9:00 p.m.

March 2

**Tour of Seneca Quarry**

Author Garrett Peck, who just released his new book *Smithsonian Castle and Seneca Quarry*, conducts this tour. This includes a short presentation on its history, tour of the quarry mill cutting area, and quarry master's house. Tour is rain or shine. Please dress accordingly for the two-mile walk. After the tour there will be a reception and book-signing event at Rockland Farm, the home of Greg and Janis Glenn. Tour: 1:00 p.m. (meeting at Riley's Lock). Reception: 3:00 p.m. at 14525 Montevideo Road, Poolesville.

March 4

**Poolesville Commissioners'**

**Meeting**

Town Hall. 7:30 p.m.

**Cugini's Fundraiser for Youth Mission Trip**

Ten percent of all food sales to be donated to the Poolesville Baptist Church Youth Group for its summer mission trip to Nashville.

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**Bassett's Fundraiser for Youth Mission Trip**

This benefits the St. Peter's High School Youth Group as they raise money for a youth mission trip in June to help a community devastated by Hurricane Sandy. Ten percent of all food sales, dine in and carry out.

March 6,

**First Gathering of "The Political Buzz"**

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March 9 and 10

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consequences.

Many of our businesses survive on a very thin margin. The fact is, with Selby’s Market closed and no suitable replacement likely now or in the near future, the threat to local retailers and businesses remains very real. Every single service available in Poolesville is offered elsewhere. Once down county or up in Frederick, we pass many restaurants, cleaners, banks, pharmacies, day-care centers, garden centers, and hardware retailers. Just as we had to decide to support Selby’s Market or not, we now have to decide the fate of all the local businesses. Only this time, it is not just one family or one business.

As concerned about the economy as I am, it would be wrong to leave an impression that the fate of the businesses is solely out of their control. Yes, we as consumers need to be more deliberate in our purchasing habits by making sure we shop locally more, but innovative steps taken by many of our retailers in trying to meet the new challenge can inspire us. The new owner of Cugini’s is offering something new almost every week, Bassett’s brought in a new and inventive chef, Bobby Jamison is about to open a new gas service station, Mixed Greens at Hearthiside Gardens is expanding its selection, and Finders Keepers has found a broadened market for locally-crafted jewelry. Even Historic Medley District is creating cause for more people to come in to

Poolesville through the permanent Civil War Museum and special event exhibit hall at the Old Town Hall. Look around and you will see businesses trying to earn your support. If, for whatever reason, you have not been using their services or products, why not give them a second look? The upcoming annual PACC Destination Poolesville business fair is a very convenient and entertaining way to take a new look. Watch for it at the Poolesville Baptist Church on March 16.

The commissioners recently spent hours discussing how local government can help the economy. What they are finding out is that short of an expanding consumer base, not much. It’s going to be up to the businesses to get creative, consumers to understand that their best interest is served by shopping locally, and for the county not to get in the way by unnecessarily closing roads.

The pieces of a new Poolesville economic puzzle are beginning to take shape, and the real solutions will come from within the businesses and within our homes. As we look to others to solve the problem, never lose sight of the fact that it is up to all of us to find a way to help.

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best at the Regional, 1.25 in the 500. "I qualified for the states in the 4x800 relay at the county meet," she said. "I just got into running last year." Claire's time is comparable to what she was running last spring, and Chelsea is just now getting back into shape after taking time off for injuries.

Weaverling took first in the 3200 at the region and placed third in the 1600. Beautz finished second in the 3200.

"I was injured at the end of cross country season and came back and took second at the counties," said Weaverling, "and I took second in the two-mile, and then I won the two-mile at the regionals," said Weaverling. "I

didn't really take running seriously until my freshman year in high school. I love it." He classifies his rivalry with Clarksburg's Will Bertrand, who beat him in the two-mile at the county meet, as "definitely a friendly rivalry. He is definitely a good guy. I am glad I get to race against him." For Chase, the season does not end with the state meet. "I am looking to go to the New Balance National Indoor Emerging Elite Meet in New York in a couple of weeks."

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in that area, you will notice on the right side of River Road, heading west from Potomac, there is a housing development called Al Marah. All the streets were named after her horses. In the mid-sixties, she moved her breeding program and farm to Peachtree Road in Barnesville. She turned all of her attention and work to the two passionate loves of her life: education and the Arabian horse. She was one of the founders of the Primary Day School in Bethesda and the Barnesville School, which was originally the Arabian Horse Museum. When she moved to Tucson in the mid-1970s, she founded another school, St. Gregory College Preparatory School.

Her specific goal of breeding Arabian horses was to arrive at a horse with a gentle disposition. She searched the world’s stallions to find an appropriate horse to sire her dynasty of pure-bred Arabian horses. She found him. His name was Indraff, a gray Arabian stallion foaled on May 9, 1938 and sired by the legendary Arabian Raffles. Indraff sired 254 purebred Arabian foals and had more than 2700 offspring. He died in 1963, leaving his mark indelibly and forever on the Arabian breed. Many will agree that Bazy’s foundation stock set the standards for producing champion Arabian horses, and that legacy continues to this day.

In doing research for this article, the word most often used to describe Bazy was: generous. She was an enormously generous person who reached out and touched the lives of many people. At her farms in Barnesville and Tucson, she offered horsemanship classes to the many apprentices who worked with her. In 2001, Bazy bequeathed her Tucson property to the University of Arizona. To this day, it still operates as a working ranch. She helped shape the careers of many people in our area. Veterinarian Dr. Chet Anderson remembers fondly the exciting times working with Bazy at her beef cattle farm and

at Al Marah. He said he remembers one foaling season in the mid-1970s when the farm had an incredible ninety-plus foals born on the premises. Archie Magaha worked for Bazy for twenty-seven years. Milton and Shirley Ricketts worked with her. Woolie Waddell and Bruce Wooden rode her horses. When Bazy was in town, there was always something going on. At her show barn, Conoy, she staged horse shows in the summer under the lights. The yellow Victorian house on the corner of Barnesville Road and West Old Baltimore was the Conoy Clubhouse. Today, Conoy still operates as a boarding and training facility, Sugarloaf Equestrian Center. Her survivors include two children from her first marriage, Mark Miller of Orlando and Kristie Miller of Washington; two stepchildren, Anne Sturm of Barnesville and Garvin Tankersley, Jr. of Frederick; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

I think that a quote from her 1998 biography by Mary Jane Parkinson, *...And Ride Away Singing*, sums up her outlook of life and how she sought to live it. “You see, I come from that old-fashioned background of noblesse oblige: If you’re born with money, you have an obligation to do good works for others. Only in recent years did I come to feel that through Arabian horses I might do more for my fellows than in any other way.”

**“Mom Takes Her Case to  
Annapolis” Continued From  
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or more per year. Medicaid insurance does not provide any coverage for these treatments either; however, Maryland does have what is called the Autism Waiver. Nine hundred children (for ages one to twenty-one) are serviced on this waiver annually. The number of slots available each year varies depending on how many kids age out of the program, anywhere from fifty to ninety slots each year. The problem with this is that there is a registry of 3,900 children awaiting a slot on the waiver to receive services.

This could possibly change in 2014. For the first time in five years, there is a line item in the governor’s budget for \$1.2 million dollars that the federal government will match to fund one hundred additional slots on the Autism Waiver for a total of one thousand slots annually. This line item was given attention at the budget meetings in both the House of Delegates and the State Senate on February 14 and 15. I attended the hearings and spoke for both budget committees as I gave public testimony on the necessity of funding for these services and asked them not to cut this line item. Both committees assured us that there was no intention of cutting the line item and that it would remain intact.

Individuals affected by autism are as great in number as they are varied by the impact autism has on their lives. Autism is a spectrum disorder, and as the saying goes, “If you’ve met one person with autism, you’ve met one person with autism.” Every child affected by autism is affected differently, though with similar qualities. Autism is a neurological disorder of the brain characterized by impaired functioning in social skills, communication, and repetitive movements and/or speech patterns. These children have mild to severe difficulty in any social situation from

going out to eat to going to the grocery store or to a community-wide event such as Poolesville Day. When their senses are on overload, they have meltdowns that appear to be severe temper tantrums. Bystanders often attribute these overreactions to poor parenting and lack of discipline, a mentality that the autism community is battling hard to overcome and replace with autism awareness.

In whatever way that any individual is affected by autism, he or she is still a valuable person. Ask any of the parents. Our kids with autism might be different from other typical kids, but they are not less human in any way. They may be special, but they are as unique as you and I. They have incredible potential and should not be overlooked as lost souls. As a parent, my goal for my son is that, despite the challenges he faces whether he realizes them as challenges or not, he is welcomed, included, and valued as a human being in any social context. I long for kindness and compassion to replace judgement and hatred. I desire for him to have friends, to participate in activities at home, in school, in our church at Poolesville Baptist, and in society with a sense that he is valuable and able to contribute to the benefit of everyone with whom he comes in contact. This is my dream for every person with autism. I hope it’s yours, too.





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P215/50R14	85W	\$140.30
P215/50R16	85W	\$143.40
P215/50R17	85W	\$148.30



**Assurance® TripleTred™**  
Three Unique Tread Zones For All Weather Conditions - Rain, Snow, Dry

**\$214<sup>26</sup>**

P215/60R16	V50	\$171.52
P215/60R18	V50	\$181.28
P225/50R17	V50	\$210.08
P225/60R17	V50	\$226.08

See retailer for complete details. Offer may vary by store and price in \$/mi.

GET UP TO **\$80** by Mail in Florida when you purchase a set of four select Goodyear® or Dunlop® tires!

OR

DOUBLE YOUR MAIL-IN REBATE UP TO **\$160** which you receive via purchase on the Goodyear Credit Card!

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**NO INTEREST IF PAID IN FULL WITHIN 6 MONTHS\***

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**\$33<sup>95</sup>**  
Oil, Lube & Filter

Includes:

- Lube, where applicable
- New oil filter installed
- Up to 5 quarts major brand oil (brands vary)

**FREE** BATTERY MAINTENANCE (30 MINUTES)

**\$10<sup>00</sup>** OFF  
Cooling System Flush & Fill

Includes:

- Flush & refill radiator (up to 2 gallons antifreeze)
- Pressure test cooling system & radiator cap
- Inspect water pump, hoses & belts
- Tighten clamped connections

**SAVE!**  
The "Sliding Scale" Coupon

If your vehicle service totals:

\$50.00 - \$99.99	\$5.00 OFF
\$100.00 - \$149.99	\$10.00 OFF
\$150.00 - \$199.99	\$15.00 OFF
\$200.00 or more	\$20.00 OFF

**\$49<sup>95</sup>**  
Car Care Package

This service includes:

- Lube, new filter & up to 5 quarts major brand oil (brands vary)
- Clean the radiator
- Check fluid levels (up to 4 quarts)
- Adjust all pressure (air, brake, suspension) specifications
- Check suspension
- Inspect and clean battery terminals and cables
- Top off all fluids under the hood
- Inspect all belts and hoses for cracks and proper tension
- Check spark plug

Your Local Goodyear Retailer Knows:

**Tires**  
Quality, name-brand tires at great prices.

**Maintenance**  
Scheduled maintenance on all makes and models, foreign and domestic.

**Repairs**  
Expert service performed by ASE-Certified Technicians.

