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Halloween proves that angels really do exist. See more Lions Club party pictures in Family Album on page 2.



It's nice to see your name and picture on the billboard! Find out why in Tidbits on page 3.



Falcons, Anthony Meza, Ryan Lockett, Nandini Satsangi, and Logan Rohde, have good reason to smile. Find out why in Youth Sports on page 8.



General Napoléon Bonaparte reviewed the battlefield competition. More fall festival pictures on page 11.

Proposed BOE CIP Leaves PHS Further Behind

By Rande Davis

The October 23 Montgomery County Public School Board of Education included the introduction of the superintendent's (Dr. Jack R. Smith) Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for fiscal years (FY) 2019 to 2024. That report is not welcome news for the parents of school age students within the Poolesville cluster. Poolesville High School is not part of this current recommendation; the projected date, formerly 2023, is now unknown. Based on this recommendation, the potential for a new school is not likely to even happen within twenty years.

In the BOE meeting, it was noted that the planning, design, and permitting of a new school takes two years, while the construction also takes up another two; therefore, any discussion of a new school under the current plan is off the table and not possible any sooner than 2030. That means any renovation or upgrading of PHS infrastructure has only options under the Planned Asset Lifestyle Replacement (PLAR) which prioritizes maintenance issues like HVAC problems, roofing, windows, etc.



The MCPS Board of Education is reviewing the Superintendent's CIP Recommendation for FY2018. Will PHS capital improvement needs be pushed beyond 2023?

The new approach to CIP planning departs from the past system of grading of each school's needs to an approach that emphasizes flexibility for rapidly-changing conditions in population shifts within the county. In the proposed CIP, there are thirty priority projects: fifteen school additions and three new at the elementary school level, six additions to middle schools, and four additions and two new high schools. At the high school level, the

projects include a new addition to Kennedy, reopening Woodward with a new addition, an addition and to-be-announced improvements at Northwood, and a new school near the Crown Plaza in Gaithersburg.

The proposed \$1.8 billion, six-year CIP, a \$74 million increase from previous CIPs, seeks to meet the needs of the current MCPS student population of 161,936. That population jumped up

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Poolesville Buries Gifts for the Future

By Rande Davis

A big part of our shared life in Poolesville is now open for all to see—that is, all those living fifty years from now. On October 21, the Town of Poolesville's government officially buried a time capsule containing nearly one hundred items that form the pieces of the jigsaw puzzle of life in Poolesville, Maryland, circa 2017.

A broad cross-section of all segments of the town—government, business, education, religious, cultural, etc.—contributed to the vault which has its first opening planned for October 2067. Naturally, it is anticipated that residents and town officials from the future will repack the capsule with items from the next

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At Poolesville Town Hall, town employees buried a time capsule which is due to be opened in October 2067.

Family Album

Poolesville Day 2017— Celebratory Dinner



Sponsors Maggie Vesquez from Holy Cross Germantown Hospital with Bill Martin and guest Marie of FitzWay Auto Mall.



Great teams have great leaders. The Poolesville Day Committee has Gina Beck, Lori Gruber, Faith Etheridge, and Cathy Bupp.



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Sponsors John Strong (Clark Azar & Associates), Nick Markoff (Calleva), committee member Carlos Cabrera with Bernie and Kathy Mihm (Fine Earth Landscape).



Poolesville Day was a great day because there were volunteers like John Gruber, Kathy Bassett, Paul Harney, Chrissy Harney, Paul Bassett, Martin Radigan, and Skip Etheridge.



Poolesville Day sponsor David and Sarah Ashley, parade chairs Lynne and John Rolls, with grand marshal Jerry Klobukowski.



The kids from Little Learners Child Care paraded around Whalen Commons on Halloween.



After six decades, the Lions Club Halloween Monster Mash at St. Mary's Pavilion still swings with fun, treats, costumes, and a little fright.



The Lions Halloween Party featured all the great traditions: tug of war, apple dipping, wrap the mummy with toilet paper, costume contests, and candy, donuts, and apple cider.



The Lions Halloween Party costume contest winner for adults was Bettie Dansby as the princess. Her husband David came in a Bert costume.

Tidbits

Bill Kraegel Receives Special Honor

The Audubon Naturalist Society presented Bill Kraegel of Poolesville with the 2017 Marcia Sward Environmental Educator Award. The award was presented at the ANS annual meeting on October 19, 2017.

The Marcia Sward Award honors individuals who have made outstanding contributions in promoting environmental literacy in schools.

Bill retired on July 1 after forty-three years of teaching in Montgomery County Public Schools, most of which were at the L.E. Smith Environmental Education Center and the Global Ecology Studies Program at Poolesville High School.

The ANS Director of Education said that they were happy to recognize Bill's amazing career of service in outdoor education and to honor the important impact that outdoor education has on children.

Dr. Pike Named Honored Fellow by AAID

The American Academy of Implant Dentistry (AAID) named Poolesville's Dr. Tim Pike as one of the six dentists from around the world to be awarded the coveted status of Honored Fellow at its recently concluded 66th Annual Conference. The Honored Fellow designation is awarded to those members of the AAID who, through their professional, clinical, research, or academic endeavors, have distinguished themselves within implant dentistry.

Established in 1951, the AAID is the only dental implant organization that offers credentials recognized by state and federal courts as being bona fide. Its membership, which exceeds six thousand, includes general dentists, oral surgeons, periodontists, and prosthodontists from across the United States and in more than sixty other countries.

Girls' Soccer Won Quarterfinals

The PHS girls' varsity soccer team beat Walkersville High School, 1-0, in the quarterfinals on October 31 and are now scheduled to play Middletown High School at home at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, November 3. They are hoping for a large turnout.

Halloween Festival Scarecrow Contest

The winners of the 2017 Halloween Scarecrow Contest are: Business/Community Category winner: Cookie Scout (Girl Scout Troop #32008); Family/Family Group Winner: IchaBockBock Crane (Nanof Family); Best of the Fest: E-Z Fit Boot Camp.

Mystery Winners!

The names of the winners of the child costume contest and the names and owners of the pet costume contest were discarded by mistake. We would love to report that information, so if you are a winner in either contest, please let us know.



The winners of the costume contest include scariest, cutest, and most original. Winners were announced by number, not names.

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Commentary

The Air Someone Else Breathes

By John Clayton

Attitudes towards polluting our environment have changed over the course of history. They changed as the population grew and we could no longer get away with fouling the water and the air as it was virtually impossible to do so without harming other people. This was always tough luck for certain wildlife, but we weren't always so concerned about that. I like to think that we've become smarter since the 1800s—and even since London's Great Smog of 1952 which killed thousands of people—however, looking at Beijing, Mexico City, and other foreign cities makes me doubt we have learned enough.

I do not think the current administration's effort to weaken EPA enforcement is going to thrust our cities onto the worst-air lists, but it's a step in the wrong direction. The effort is partially economic and largely political, as with the cynical charade about revitalizing the coal industry, which isn't going to happen and is only championed for political gain. The pollution debate sits athwart our great philosophical divide. You may believe that lessening environmental regulations will result in cheaper energy; I think it will result in higher executive salaries and profits for energy companies. You say bologna; I say baloney.

Years ago, I remember reading that one could smell a medieval castle or city from some distance away, a comment on public sanitation or the lack thereof. In more recent times, I have gathered that our disdain for hygiene in those times may be overwrought, that things weren't as bad as we would like to believe. We look back with a sense of superiority and a relief that such things have improved. Have they? I also remember reading about airline pilots relating that, as they

approached certain cities at night, they could see a shimmering bubble of smog enveloping their destination. I thought, at the time, maybe we shouldn't be quite so smug about those ancient castles. We're both living in a dirty soup of our own making.

In the future, how will people look back on us? Assuming that little rocket man and our guy don't blow us all up and give us some very new pollution to worry about, how will those not-yet-born look back on us? To use a prominent and long-lived example, will they be incredulous that we willingly put up with so much lead in our environment? It took a long time to ban leaded gasoline and paint as those with an economic interest in their use resisted. There wasn't any doubt among scientists about the harmful effects of lead in paint and the air, but that wasn't enough. Even now, lead is in our atmosphere from fuel used in some airplanes, albeit for reasons of safety and reliability in their engines. Flint, Michigan is far from the only municipality with lead in its water, and it can come from different sources. Will those in the future look back in amazement that we acquiesced to so much lead from our environment without making its elimination more of a priority? I think they will.

I do think that we are already living in a time when we, at least in this country, accept that no one has a right to adversely affect environmental quality for virtually any reason. We really aren't arguing over that, we're just negotiating the details. The current administration's efforts to reverse the tide without any discernible scientific justification are a bump in the road. It will do some damage, but I am confident it will be mitigated over time. Of course, it's always easy to take the high road when it isn't your ox being gored. When my two-cycle leaf blower and weed whacker get banned and I get a county citation for burning wood in our wood stove, I'm probably going to be pretty unhappy, and it will be way too late to do anything about it. Life is full of tradeoffs.

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School News

Students Visit Local Science Companies

Approximately five hundred Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) seventh graders participated in the Ninth Annual Frontiers in Science & Medicine Day at the Shady Grove Life Sciences Center.

Students from John Poole Middle School spent part of the day at Johns Hopkins University Montgomery County Campus where they participated in hands-on science and medicine activities. They spent the other part of the day visiting a local laboratory or hospital so they could experience what doctors and scientists do each day.

The students toured science companies in the community, including NeuroDiagnostics, MedImmune, Sanaria, BioReliance, and the Institute for Bioscience and Biotechnology Research. Students also toured the pediatric emergency department at Adventist Healthcare Shady Grove Medical Center, epidemiology and forensics labs at Johns Hopkins University Montgomery County Campus, the pharmacy and nursing schools at the University of Maryland, the exercise science lab at Salisbury University, and the NIH National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences.

The collaborative event is a way to introduce MCPS seventh graders to careers in science and medicine. Montgomery County has more than three hundred biotech companies and ten thousand highly-educated biotech workers, according to the Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation, yet many people are unaware of the work that goes on in these buildings.



Students from JPMS joined over 500 other middle schoolers at the Ninth Annual Frontiers in Science & Medicine Day at the Shady Grove Life Sciences Center.

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A Blast in the Past, Part One

By Andie Devynck

Question: Was the naming of the Sugarloaf Riding Club (located in Potomac in 1957) an act of prescience or a self-fulfilling prophecy? Answer: Probably a bit of both. What's most important is that the club has survived and thrived throughout all the changes that have challenged it in its sixty years of existence because its three-pronged raison d'être has remained the same: friendship, food, and fun with horses (out on the trails).

The construction of the Capital Beltway in the 1960s changed everything for horseback riding in lower Montgomery County as the roadway cut straight through some of the area's prime horse property. Potomac, known for decades as Maryland's equestrian mecca close to the District, eventually lost its battle to retain its quiet exurban existence, becoming suburban as its land was sold and subdivided, and horse farms in particular dwindled to a precious few. Their loss, however, was the Agricultural

Reserve's gain. Many lower county residents often first moved their horses, and then themselves, to the Ag Reserve. They brought with them not just their mounts but their established networks, enabling them to continue pursuing the lifestyle they loved.

Back in '57, the SRC's membership list centered around Potomac. Members owned those farms in and around it or rode horses boarded there. They came together for jaunts on the C&O Canal and through the patchwork of expansive lower county horse farms that often bordered one another, and created a trail system also used by the hunt club. They also came to Sugarloaf to ride the mountain trails and the surrounding area as well. By 1972, many of the original members both felt the encroaching development pressure and saw the writing on the wall, and decided to move the locus and focus of the SRC to the Upcounty to Sugarloaf Mountain and its environs, aligning the name with the people and place.

Chet Anderson, retired veterinarian and former owner of the Peachtree Veterinary Clinic, recalled memories of the migration as recounted by members of first generation SRC members. Chet has ridden with the SRC since 1985 but stopped riding in recent years

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Poolesville Buries Gifts for the Future

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The burying ceremony concluded the fall festival to benefit WUMCO held at Whalen Commons. The site is in the corner to the right of the front door of Poolesville Town Hall and is marked by a beautiful site marker created by Hilton Funeral Home.

At the ceremony, town commission president Jim Brown reminded those in attendance of the great joy and honor of being part of Poolesville in 2017 and read a note placed in the capsule to those of the future: "We, the current residents of Poolesville and members of the 150th Committee, hope you enjoy this trip down memory lane. We had a beautiful October day on the Commons celebrating during a fundraiser for WUMCO and burying this time capsule. We hope you will find these items of interest, marvel at them, laugh about some, and perhaps not even recognize others. We hope Poolesville and these events on the Commons are still thriving fifty years from now. For you and from all the residents of Poolesville today in 2017."

Some of the items buried include:

- From the Town of Poolesville: Copy of the Town Charter, checkbook from 1939 to 1954, town code book, Elgin street sign, Fisher Avenue streetscape photo, town flag, wineglasses from town park events, copy of FY2018 town budget, brochure from the old town hall on West Willard Road, historical map of Poolesville, Dots and Charles Elgin's *History of Poolesville*, letter "H" from the historical sign atop the old town hall, brochure on "Life in a War Zone" (about the Civil War in the county), copy of 2011 town master plan, picture of town staff, new resident information pamphlet, town water quality report, memorabilia from the many events of the 150th Anniversary year-long celebration including the photo of town residents forming the numeral 150 in the park, various town marketing paraphernalia, voter registration form, town economic development project, town newsletter, 2010 census, voice recordings of local residents about life in Poolesville, and Ray Hoewing's book *Indians to the Internet*;
- From the Chamber and businesses: Copies of menus of area restaurants, 2017 5K t-shirt, phone directory, copy of 2010 video of Fox 5's *Hometown Live Show*;
- From churches: Information from each, including their congregant directories;
- From education: Student letters from JPMS, 2017 yearbook from MES, photo of students spelling out PES, copy of Tiger Tales from PES, 1967 and 2017 yearbooks, PHS Indian and letter jacket, Whole School Magnet program, program from a Midnight Players play;
- From UMCVFD: Copy of its 1946 charter, fireman's coat signed by firefighters, history booklet, and various photos;
- Miscellaneous items: Apple iPhone, brochures from Heritage Montgomery, Historic Medley District, Inc., Brightwell Crossing, C&O Canal, Kingsbury's Orchard, Lewis Orchards, Montgomery County Fair, and the Cat's Meow, and currency;
- Complete ancestral lineage of the Poole family, ball cap from White's Ferry, Girl Scout patch, copy of *The Bulletin*, solar eclipse glasses, Poolesville Library bookmark, Poolesville Green seed and photos of garden, and MARC train schedule.
- Finally, it had copies of the *Monocacy Monocle*, including coverage of the time capsule contest issue, the Poolesville Day edition, and the current issue.

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Students Visit Local Science Companies

"Not only does Frontiers connect students to the curriculum through real-world applications, it provides our grade seven students with the opportunity to see it in action," said Jon Green, acting principal of John Poole Middle School.

PHS Slams the Door

The varsity Falcon varsity football team slammed the door as they exited the 2017 season. They took a 35-0 lead into halftime en route to beating Magruder, 50-13, in their final home game of the season and improved their record to 5-4.

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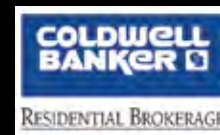


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Youth Sports

Falcon Cross Country Runners Peaking at The Right Time

By Jeff Stuart

It was the beginning of what hopefully continues to be a strong end of the season for the Poolesville Cross Country team. Ten boys and ten girls qualified for the region and state competitions at the County Championship race at Bohrer Park in Gaithersburg on October 21. Nine of those boys and five of the girls ran personal bests. All the rest of the girls set season records.

"The County Championship meet was huge for us," said coach Prasad Gerard. "The kids really improved a lot, some dramatically. Patrick Rodriguez and Sam Bodmer were two in particular. Rodriguez, a junior, took nearly a minute and a half off his best 2016 time. Bodmer, a sophomore, improved a lot throughout the season and from the year before. Caroline Corbois, a senior, took almost fifty seconds off her best time from the year before, and freshman Angela Engle improved her season time by more than a minute and a half."

The runners also did well at the DCXC Invite at which Ryan and Nandini won.

"The team worked really hard and that paid off during the season," said assistant coach Ann Satsangi.

"The county meet was as competitive as it has ever been," said senior Ryan Lockett. "Nine guys ran it in under sixteen minutes which was huge, and it is the same course that it has always been. It's just that there are a lot of really good runners in the county...We had a huge close pack the entire race. There usually isn't. It was a super fun race and really competitive, and I just did what I usually do at the end. I had a strong last 200 meters and ended up with the win...I am focusing on qualifying for nationals at the Footlocker Northeast Regional in New York on November 25...I am going to the University of Virginia. It is the school of my dreams. Chase Weavering, who went to Poolesville, is on the team right now as is my former rival Rohan Asfaw who went to Richard Montgomery. I am so excited to go to a school with those types of guys."

"My last race before the counties was, like, seventeen minutes even," said junior Anthony Mesa. "My races have been different distances, so my times have been fluctuating, but I am pretty proud of breaking seventeen at the counties and setting a PR."

"The season has gone well for me so far," said junior Nandini Satsangi. "I set a PR (18:21.7) in the Third Battle

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2017 PHS varsity cross country team.

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by 2,900 students within the last year, a rate greater than the population of most high schools in the county. PHS only has 1,200 students, nearly half of which live outside of the Poolesville cluster but attend various magnet programs.

Dr. Smith told the attendees at the meeting that the CIP seeks to meet future classroom needs by “adapting to the changing conditions to enrollment, land use, and other factors.” Beyond the primary demands of space, Dr. Smith pointed out that the goal is more than finding classrooms and seats for all students, but to “rethink the educational programs in the future to make sure our students can meet the career paths of the coming century.”


Within the \$292 million school budget, the BOE sought \$119 million from the state; however, in the FY2018, the state only approved \$59 million. That sum represents approximately fifteen percent of all statewide school funds coming from Annapolis. While that sum is an increase from the average of twelve percent in the past ten years, Montgomery County has had nearly forty percent of the growth in the state. The percentage of Maryland students enrolled in Montgomery County is eighteen percent.

Jerry Klobukowski, the Town of Poolesville’s Educational Liaison Commissioner said, “We were not happy with the 2023 date, but at least we thought we were seeing the light at the end of the tunnel. Now, it seems the tunnel has just collapsed.” Kevin Schramm of the PTSA reacted to the meeting by saying, “The Poolesville area PTA has expressed strong disappointment to MCPS Superintendent Jack R. Smith’s CIP recommendation. If the recommended CIP is approved by the BOE, it will be the fourth time that the modernization of Poolesville High School has been delayed. The Poolesville area PTA is working on a fast and aggressive campaign to convince MCPS Board of Ed members as well as County Council members to make sure that the modernization of Poolesville High School stays on track and is included in the CIP recommendation, and that the modernization is completed by the year 2023. The Poolesville area PTA encourages all town residents to go to www.protectourpoolesville.com/highschool to see how everyone can help with the efforts to protect Poolesville High School.”

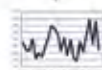
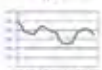

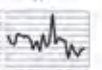
The BOE will have its next working session on November 2, with public hearings on November 6 and 8; both start at 6:30 p.m.



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Matters

by R. Adam DeBaugh, Assistant Executive Director

2017 WUMCO Walk and Octoberfest

Thank you all who joined us on October 21 on Whalen Commons, Poolesville for the annual WUMCO Walk and Octoberfest, a day of fun, activities for kids and adults, live music by Alte Kumpel, DJ Blake, good food, and booths for local businesses, organizations, and crafts. The Beer and Wine Tent featured German beer, wine, cider, and mead. DJ Blake was wonderful with the many kids and the dogs who showed up in costume contests. There were many activities, including: scarecrow making, pumpkin painting, carnival games, a moon bounce, Calleva's now-famous rock wall, the basket auction, and WUMCO staff and volunteers selling what Executive Director Catherine Beliveau called "WUMCO Bling."

The Community Scarecrow Contest winners are: Business/Community Organization Category: BC101 - Cookie Crow; Family/Family Group Category: FA101 - IchaBockBock Crane; Best of the Fest Winner: BC109 - E-Z Fit Crow. Best of the Fest was a three-way tie, so the winner was determined by drawing! Congratulations to all our winners! Thank you to all who entered and voted!

Upcoming Events

The Poolesville Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts will once again be Scouting for Food. On Saturday, November 4, the Cub Scouts will distribute bags, and on Saturday, November 11, the Boy Scouts will collect donations. Get ready!

Letters have gone out to our clients to sign up for Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets and kids' gifts. Churches and organizations are lining up to help provide food and gifts for our families in need.

Annual membership in WUMCO is up for renewal, and letters will be going out to all our 2017 members soon. A mailing will go out for all 6,500 addresses in our five towns to invite new members for 2018.

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Game Day: Tuesdays: 1:00 p.m. Poolesville Baptist Church

Zumba Gold: Every Wednesday in gym, 1:00 p.m.

November 3

Holiday Bingo

Sponsored by UMCVFD Auxiliary: Featuring cash and gift cards with door prize drawings and a raffle. Come for the fun, fellowship, and to support your local fire department. Refreshments available, no outside food or beverages. \$20.00. *Fire Hall at 19801 Beallsville, Beallsville.* Doors open at 5:30 p.m.; games start at 7:00 p.m.

November 3

Literary Cheese Tasting

Come enjoy a unique "book tasting" of *The Whole Fromage: Adventures in the Delectable World of French Cheese*. Local professor Christine Rai will lead a lively discussion that will explore the book and delve deeper into French culture's passion for cheese. Reading the book is encouraged but not required. Followed by a guided tasting of five cheeses featured in the book. This special event will be held at *Crisafulli's Cheese Shop, 8 East 2nd Street, Frederick, Suite 104.* From 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$40.00 and can be purchased at crisafullischeeseshop.com.

Varsity Home Game

Girls' soccer versus Middletown High School in a semifinal. 6:00 p.m.

November 3, 4, and 5

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Winter Glow

Art show and sale, including: paintings, photography, drawings, jewelry, ceramics, fused glass, sculpture, and more. Free. *BlackRock Center for the Arts.* Friday: 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.; Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Sunday: 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. with Artist Reception from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

November 4

Special Movie Screening

Poolesville Green hosts a special movie screening and discussion of *Chasing Coral*, a Netflix original documentary. Discussion leader will be C. Mark Eakin, Ph. D., from NOAA and Chief Scientific advisor for the film. *Poolesville Town Hall.* 7:00 p.m.

November 11

Veterans Day Observation

Sponsored by Poolesville's American Legion, Daniel-Jeffers Post 247. Tribute and appreciation for all those who have served in the military service. The observance starts promptly at 11:00 a.m. at the memorial flag display on *Whalen Commons*.

November 17 and 18

St. Peter's Annual Christmas Sale

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November 17, 18, and 19

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FALL FESTIVAL



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A Blast in the Past, Part One

and is now a social member of the club. Having joined the SRC as a second-generation member, he sees the club now as entering its third generation and still going strong. He is in possession of a worn SRC ledger, dating from 1962, detailing the SRC's financial records, and notes that the club originally opened its bank account in Poolesville. In the sixties, he read, the dues were \$6 per family, rising to \$10 in the seventies, \$12 in the eighties, and \$15 in the nineties.

Chet also listed names of members from the seventies both from the book and from memory: Walter and Audrey Pritchard, Bruce and Barbara Wooden, Milton and Shirley Ricketts, Claire and Robert Pumphrey, Woolie and Julie Waddell, Bart and Ella Atwood, Al and Betty Gordon, Jim and Maureen O'Connell, and Archie and Gin Magaha. He recalls others from the eighties like Joan and Tom Yolken, Kathy and Al Noble, Suzette and Angelo Bizzarro, Jay and Ann Cinque, Marge Edmundson, Ann Davies, Phil Snoy, and Francie Dougherty and others. He says many more have since joined, usually creating a membership that includes eighteen to twenty active couples.

Back in the SRC's beginning, they held horse shows, raising money which they donated to local horse rescue and other operations. Not long afterwards, the club downshifted into mostly organizing rides for its membership, usually morning affairs that concluded with a meal. The club rode and continues to ride in spring and fall only, and even then, if weather conditions proved to be threatening, will forego a planned event, choosing to maintain the safety of its members first and foremost. The SRC holds six to eight rides each of the two seasons, with the last spring ride of the year being at Sugarloaf Mountain and followed by a heralded meal. There is also a delightful holiday party at the end of each year at the Potomac Hunt Club.

While routine rides along the C&O Canal, and those at nearby state parks, Antietam and Gettysburg Battlefields, and Sugarloaf Mountain create the bulk of each season's fare, Chet recounted two rides in particular that were the club's most memorable in his time. The first is when the group would go to Assateague

Island, in the fall after the crowds had dissipated, and stay at a member couple's property nearby with their horses. After a couple of days riding around there, the group would head to the shore for a beach ride finale.

Chet's second standout SRC memory is much closer to home. On a beautiful fall day in the nineties, thirty-one people trailered their horses into the Dickerson Conservation Park off of Martinsburg Road, and after a short ride to the north bank of the Potomac River, crossed through one-and-a-half to three feet of water at White's Ford, where Civil War troops had done so in 1862 and 1864, to the Virginia side. Forethought abounding, a photographer from the *Loudoun Times* was in place to capture the moment as the group emerged from the river.

In Part Two, the Sugarloaf Riding Club's more recent history and future direction will be featured. Look for the article in an upcoming edition of the *Monocle*.

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Police Blotter from the Past 1920

By Jack Toomey

James McKeemer of Washington was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary for selling several bottles of "jump steady" (a homemade liquor) on the street in Rockville. Abraham Robinson was arrested and charged with stealing three hundred dollars from the Silver Spring National Bank where he was employed as a janitor.

Beverly Hoffman, a chauffeur by trade, was employed to take a couple from Washington to Rockville to get married. While attempting to turn his machine around in a tight space near the courthouse, Hoffman struck William Griffith, a Laytonsville farmer, hurling him to the ground. Griffith suffered severe injuries and had to be carried from the scene. In the meantime Hoffman was charged with reckless driving and having no operator's card. While waiting for his trial to begin, Hoffman drove the engaged couple to the home of Rev. Wagner who married them. He then drove them to Washington but did not return to Rockville for his trial. Officials were looking for him.

The former supervisor of roads in the Potomac, Bethesda, and Rockville districts was arrested and charged with embezzling money from the county.

Judge Peters set bond, and Richard Evans was released until trial. John Green of Washington was arrested and charged with having whiskey in his possession. He had been attempting to sell it to passersby in Rockville.

Deputies Gingell and Hutchison arrested Samuel Clagett and charged him with a violation of the National Prohibition law. A number of persons had reported that people had been seen visiting Clagett's house near Emory Grove and then leaving in an intoxicated condition. The deputies seized several barrels of hard cider and a quantity of wine.

Brainard Warner and Thomas Robinson, leaders of the Republican Party, appeared in court to face charges of disorderly conduct. The charges stemmed from a rally held previously.

A fire of an unknown origin destroyed the barn of Dr. Jacob Bird near Sandy Spring. Two new automobiles were destroyed and another damaged. A building used by the Social Services League of the county was burned down and large quantities of hay, straw, and feed were also lost. Two horses were killed in the fire. The home of Doctor Bird, about two hundred feet away, also ignited, but the flames were extinguished before much damage was done.

*Material in this column was
obtained from the archives of the
Washington Post.*

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Falcon Cross Country Runners Peaking at The Right Time

of Winchester Meet in Virginia on October 14, just prior to the counties. I finished fourth, and I had a really good race at DCXC. I finished first. I didn't have my best race at the counties, but I finished third."

"At the counties, I ran about ten seconds slower than my season record," said sophomore Logan Rohde. "I got a PR for the season by about forty seconds (19:29) at the Third Battle Meet. It was a pretty flat course. There weren't really any hills, so that played a major role. The Third Battle Meet was definitely a highlight because my teammates, Nandini and Ryan, had good times also. All of us were happy and excited for each other."

Senior Jason Hsu, juniors Joshua Tiren and Darian Berger, sophomores Garrett Gularson, and freshmen Linfred Kingston and Christopher Stallard were among those setting PRs at the county meet. Junior Jairo Huaylinos also qualified. For the girls, senior Jirah Villajuan and juniors Begonia Zapata, Julia Ki, and Kasey Van Wert, and freshmen Mikayla Durr and Emily Li set PRs at the county meet. Senior Theresa Dollar ran a season record time.

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Things To Do

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November 20

Candidate Town Hall

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Remembrance

Howard F. Carter Jr.

Howard F. Carter, Jr., affectionately referred to as "Humboy," 86, of Monterey, Tennessee, passed away on October 20, 2017, at Signature Healthcare of Putnam County. Howard was born on August 13, 1931, in Darnestown, to the late Howard Fendon, Sr. and Jessie Jarboe Carter.

Howard was a firefighter for twenty-five years in Bethesda, serving as lieutenant. He also went on to be commander with the Polk County Sheriff's Office of Florida.

Howard is survived by his wife of sixty-eight years, Kathryn N. Jordan Carter of Monterey, Tennessee.

Surviving besides his wife are two daughters, Glenda Simmons and Karen Gentry (Paul), and one son, Gary F. Carter (Sharon); six grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; one sister, Mildred Pier of Frederick, and one brother, Robert Carter of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Alice Nicholson. Interment was at the Darnestown Presbyterian Church Cemetery.



Howard F. Carter Jr.

Thomas John McAllister

Thomas John McAllister, 83, of Darnestown, passed away on October 13, 2017.

He was the loving and devoted husband to Grace Ann McAllister, whom he married in 1955.

He was born on June 13, 1934, in Scranton, Pennsylvania and was the oldest of four children of the late Mary and Thomas McAllister.

In his early years, Thomas was remembered as an active member of his church, serving as an altar boy at St. Ann's Parish in Scranton, Pennsylvania, and as an excellent student and was given the superlative "Tinker Tom" by his graduating class, a nickname that stuck with him the rest of his life.

After high school graduation, Thomas enlisted in the United States Army in the summer of 1952

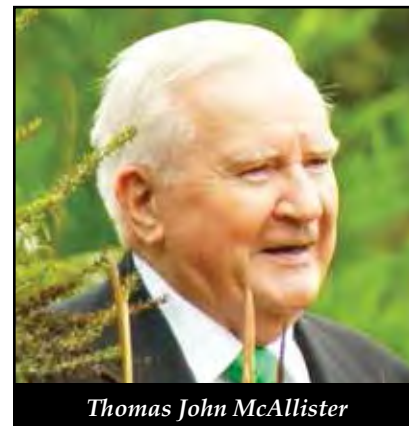
serving during the Korean War as part of the Signal Corps. He received several medals of honor, including the National Defense Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal, Korean Service Medal, and the Good Conduct Medal.

Thomas joined IBM in 1957 as a field engineering student at the IBM Command Control Center where he was at the cutting edge of the commercial computer industry. Over the years, his expertise and reputation in the computer industry earned him many awards and accolades. He retired from Boeing Computer Services at the age of 62. Thomas was an avid angler and supporter of the Boston Red Sox.

He was remembered as a quiet and loving man who was dedicated to his family and friends.

Surviving along with his wife are his brother, Robert McAllister of New Haven, Connecticut; four children, Thomas M. McAllister, of Clarksburg, Joseph McAllister of New Market, Daniel McAllister of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and Lynda Rivera of Burke, Virginia; fourteen grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations go to Casey House Montgomery Hospice: www.montgomeryhospice.org/donate-support/donate-now.



Thomas John McAllister

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Rat Poison Ingestion in Your Dogs and Cats: What You Must Know to Save a Pet's Life

Peter H. Eeg, BSc, DVM, CVLF

Rat Poisons can be a very dangerous and fatal compound for your pets if they ingest it. All too often, owners have put out rat poison to treat an infestation to an area, then forgotten in which locations the poison was placed. Years later, when the area is cleaned or objects moved, the forgotten rat poison is made available unsuspectingly to a family pet. In the worst scenario, the owner has no knowledge the poison was ingested until it is too late to treat, and the pet dies from the ingestion.

There are two generations of Coumarin Rat poison;

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2. Havoc, Talon, Contrac, Maki, Ratimus, D-Con Mouse Pruf II, brodifacoum, bromadiolone, and others.

More recent additions that have an extended systemic effect are:

- Indandiones include diphacinone, chlorophacinone, valone, and pindone, Promar, Diphacin, Ramik, Afnor, Caid, Drat, Quick, Raticide-Caid, Ramucide, Ratomet, Raviac, Pival, PMP, and others.

It is critically important that you know what Rat Poison you have or have used. This information allows poison control or your veterinarian the best opportunity to try and save your furry friend's life should accidental ingestion occur. These products inhibit the enzymes responsible for recycling the Vitamin K, which ultimately reduces production of certain blood clotting factors. Because there is no effect on circulating clotting factors, there is a lag time between poisoning and bleeding problems for your pet. Multiple doses of the first generation coumarins are usually needed for a fatal dose to be absorbed, but for the second generation coumarins and the indandiones, a single dose can be fatal.

Once clinical signs are present, treatment is much more difficult, expensive, and has a much poorer prognosis than treatment started immediately after ingestion has occurred.

Immediate Action is needed as soon as you determine your pet has eaten one of the forms of rat poison. The golden 5-hour window is a critical period during which the poison can be removed by inducing vomiting and administration of agents to sequester the toxins in the GI tract so they can pass through without being absorbed to any great extent. Extended administration of Vitamin K1 will also be prescribed, sometimes for up to 90 days.

Signs

History of exposure or possible exposure to anticoagulant rodenticides: Difficulty breathing; lethargy; lack of appetite; blood in the stool, vomit, or urine; nose bleed; bleeding gums; hematomas; bruising of skin, ears, or eyes; pallor; or weakness. The most common cause of death is bleeding into the chest cavity.

Prognosis

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