



Our Clarksburg High School Pigskin Preview is in Youth Sports on Page 22.



Poolesville Commissioner Jim Brown celebrates his announcement that he will run for reelection. See Tidbits on Page 3.



While 4-H kids sold pigs, the Lions sold ice cream at the Fair. Behind the counter are King Lion Dennis Davis (left) and Lion Teddy Butz. More Family Album pictures on page 2.



Montgomery County Council president Nancy Floreen briefed the Poolesville Commissioners on upcoming budget matters. See Local News on Page 6.

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District 2 Primary Takes Center Stage

By John Clayton

On September 14, Maryland voters (some of them) will go to the polls to select their party's representatives in the general election in November. Some worthy candidates are running for important seats, but here in County Council District 2, in the Upcounty, the most attention is clearly being paid to the hotly-contested Democratic primary, in a large part due to the lack of an incumbent in the race.

As has been the case in many elections in Montgomery County, the primary may pretty much decide who is going to win the general election, due to the overwhelming advantage in registered voters enjoyed by the Democrats, a safe statement regardless of whether one believes the party deserves such a long-tenured blessing. It is also a fact that the current county council and the county delegation to the state legislature are

presently totally blue, as in, no Republicans included. The GOP must certainly be hoping that the much-ballyhooed nationwide rancor against incumbents of any stripe, particularly Democrats, will have a decisive effect here in Montgomery County.

It is worth mentioning that, historically, Republicans have done comparatively well in the Upcounty, where in recent years voters elected Republicans to the county council and to the state legislature, Nancy Dacek and the recently-deceased Jean Cryor, respectively. Both women are much revered in the Upcounty, but neither was able to hold her seat against the explosive population growth in the Germantown area, where the rural point of view may simply no longer hold sway.



The future of open space and farming is always a concern in our local elections.

In the county executive race, incumbent Democrat Ike Leggett is running unopposed, while two Republican candidates, Doug Rosenfeld and Daniel Vovak, are contesting the privilege of carrying the GOP banner this fall. District 15 Senator Rob Garagiola is also running unopposed. Races for higher office, such as U.S. senator, congressman, attorney general, and comptroller have not generated much buzz. Our three District 15 state delegate seats are on the ballot, but one

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Pasture Management II: Building Fall Pastures

Carol Rae Hansen,
Director, Equine Therapy
Associates

My last article focused on spring/summer pasture grasses, their planting and management. We've endured yet another hot, humid summer, with minimal rain, and browned fields. Now that fall is upon

us, our fields are green again, and pasture renewal is essential. Translate this renewed field energy into sustained fall and winter grazing by careful feeding and management. Assessing soil fertility, controlling weeds, and supplying needed nutrients should enhance the fall growing season, help overwinter our grasses, and boost spring production. Keep in mind, as well, your Nutrient Management Plan (NMP) obligations. Fall soil samples, taken before the ground freezes, are often easier than spring sampling, when the ground is often

extremely wet. Then, too, you and your Nutrient Management Advisor may not be as busy as earlier in the year.

The Water Quality Improvement Act of 1998 requires most farmers in Maryland to implement a NMP, whether we board or keep horses and/or use agricultural land to produce plants, trees, sod, food, feed, fiber, animals, or other agricultural products. All of us affected by that law are required to take new soil samples every

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Family Album



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Audrey and Walt Prichard (center) of Dickerson recently celebrated their 60th anniversary at the Comus Inn. Pictured with them are family members.



The regular summer season of Movies in the Park comes to an end on Saturday—but not to fret, one more special movie night is coming on Poolesville Day.



Carl Hobbs (left) presents a special plaque of appreciation from the Fisher House Organization, which was given to the Poolesville Military Support Group, to town commissioners. The framed plaque will be posted in the town hall.



Commander Luther Reynolds (right), recently appointed to head up the Montgomery County Police District 5, accepts a plaque of appreciation for service to be given to outgoing commander Thomas Didone who was out of town.

POOLESVILLE MASTER PLAN SURVEY

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Every ten years, the Town's Master Plan is revised to cultivate visions and guide future decision makers. The Planning Commission has posted a new, short, and online survey on the town website (click on Master Plan Survey link) and they **WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU**. This is an easy and excellent opportunity to voice your opinion on Poolesville's future. If you do not have access to the internet, please contact Town Hall at 301-428-8927.

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Tidbits

Reflective Address Signs Help the Fire Department Find You Fast

Poorly-marked driveways can increase emergency service response times, and any delay may prove to be of serious concern. For that reason, the Upper Montgomery County Volunteer Fire Department is offering reflective address signs, including assembly and installation, at their cost, with no mark-up. Such reflective address signs are especially useful for rural areas, farms, long driveways, driveways with multiple addresses, and driveways where the mailbox is on the opposite side of the street.

Chief Earl Moore remarked, "The rural and scenic character of our Upcounty area is definitely beautiful; however, it can occasionally be a challenge to locate a distressed caller quickly. These reflective address signs really make a difference for our crews to respond to an incident quickly, especially at night. We thank all those who have already purchased the signs and hope more folks will consider purchasing a sign for their property."

The six-by-eighteen-inch two-sided signs are blue with three-inch white numbers, arranged vertically for attaching to your existing mailbox post or to a freestanding post. If you are interested in obtain these signs

for your home or business, please use the order form in this issue of the *Monocle* or visit www.umcvfd.org.

Brown Announces Re-Election Decision

Poolesville Commissioner Jim Brown has decided to run for re-election for Town Commissioner in November. In his announcement, he stated, "We've had an unbelievable run of successes over the last three years, and I'd like to work to keep the positive energy surrounding Poolesville moving in the right direction. I sincerely believe Poolesville is the greatest place to live in the Washington, D.C. area. I'm looking forward to doing all I can to keep it that way." He plans to conduct weekly breakfast chats in town (think McDonald's) for those of you who need face time.

With the closing of Smith-Litho this past spring, Brown also announced that he has moved to Stephenson Printing in Alexandria and has also decided to make a change in his career direction. At an event at the House of Poolesville, he announced that he has joined Kittleman Realty Group, which is part of the overall Keller Williams Realty team. The Kittleman Realty Group is headed up by Laura Kittleman and Tom Yeatts.

PHS Graduates Start New Sports Blog: Hail DC.com

They are diehard D.C. sports fans. They are college students bound together by their love for everything D.C. sports. They grew up in Poolesville with Darrell Green, went through puberty alongside the Wizards name change, and by the time they graduated, a new breed of promising young stars had burst into the Washington sports world. Through all of this, they have lifelong memories of D.C. sports. You might say they live, eat, and sleep D.C. sports. You definitely can say that this summer, they developed a new blog, Hail DC, on all the sports teams in Washington. Who are our local sport fanatics? They are 2006 PHS graduates Tushar Bhargava (American University), Bobby Dolan (Towson University), Sean Foy (West Virginia University), Brandon Carroll (Virginia Tech), and Jimmy Bowen (Penn State). If you are a D.C. sports fan, to paraphrase a popular jingle, "This blog's for you."

Welcome Home Sailor



Brian Yost, son of Poolesville's Theresa and Wade Yost, recently returned home after a seven-month deployment, which started off with Haiti Humanitarian Assistance, traveled throughout the Middle East, and ended up off the coast of North Africa. Brian is a Fire Controlman, which

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Commentary

An Important Primary Election

By John Clayton

Voter turnout in primary elections is usually pretty low according to what I have read, and it's not surprising. It's also not surprising that turnout is low in elections where no exciting candidates are running and no major issues are at the forefront. If you think this is true in Montgomery County, then you must have your head in a sand mound.

This would not be a defensible position for any Upcounty voter to take, not at this time. The Montgomery County Council will be addressing critical issues that will affect the economic and environmental health of the county for years to come, and this includes the safety and security of the Agricultural Reserve, in which so many loyal *Monocle* readers reside.

In this issue, we have our Election Guide composed of articles submitted by candidates for the Montgomery County Council District 2 seat, and four At-Large seats. An impressive collection, or perhaps diversity, of issues is covered in these statements. With only a limited number of words with which to express themselves (sorry, with this many candidates, it really adds up) each candidate had to choose his/her words and issues carefully. This

is only a small glimpse into what these people have to offer, but we think it is a useful glimpse.

This primary is particularly dramatic in the District 2 race, as the incumbent, Mike Knapp, has chosen to step down and return to private industry. Mr. Knapp has been a strong and influential member of the council, and we should demand a candidate that will be at least as effective. Fortunately, we have an impressive slate from which to choose.

In the District 2 race, as well as in the At-Large race, where all four incumbents are running for reelection, it is vitally important to look for candidates who are willing to stand up for the preservation of open land in Montgomery County. The protection of the Agricultural Reserve keeps getting more difficult; we need the right people to help us keep it safe.

We hope you will take the time to read the statements these candidates have provided and perhaps check out their websites to see what else they have to say. The next move is to vote on September 14. Don't miss your chance to make our voice heard.



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In the Garden

Bulbs for All Seasons

By Maureen O'Connell

When buying bulbs for fall planting, many gardeners stick to tulips and daffodils. I love tulips, but I have given up trying to grow them in our area; the deer love them as much, or more, than I do. In the last five to ten years, horticulturists have observed a declining use of bulbs in American gardens. This is unfortunate, since they are the easiest and least expensive ornamental plants to grow, and their fragrance and durability are unique in the flower world. Bulbs can deliver many combinations of colors and shapes with a season of bloom ranging from late March to late October. In my last column, I said that the fall is an ideal time to plant trees, shrubs, and many perennials, since the soil is still warm; their roots get a jumpstart on developing before the cold of winter sets in. Dormant bulbs are "ready to grow," housing all the nutrition needed to put on a show in spring. This year, let's break out of the box of tulips and daffodils and consider some interesting other bulbs to plant this fall. With a little bit of planning, your gardens can dazzle with the beauty of Bulbs for All Seasons.

Late winter and spring. Every year about the middle of March, I anxiously poke around the dead leaves and underbrush

of one of my shade gardens, often pushing aside snow, searching for the first sight of the lovely, single white blossoms of the snowdrop (*Galanthus*). They thrive in rich, woody soil in both sunny and shady locations. Best of all, they are avoided by deer and voles. All of the plants that I will mention in this article are usually not considered deer food. The heavily-scented hyacinth has delighted gardeners for over four hundred years, but I haven't seen it in many gardens lately. Look again. These short, perfumed powerhouses now come in many new shades: soft violet-blue, white, yellow, salmon touched with apricot and rose, raspberry, pearly pink, sapphire blue, beet red, and maroon. Even if hyacinths only came in one color, I would still grow them—just for their scent. Another neglected bulb that should be in your spring garden is the flowering onion, allium. I first noticed it about six years ago at the Chelsea Flower Show in London. They were scattered amongst summer-flowering perennial beds and borders. Densely-packed florets creating an imposing, brilliantly-colored globe sit atop tall, thin stalks. They bloom in early May, and if they are planted with summer perennials, the alliums' withering foliage will be well hidden by the growing perennials. My favorites varieties are: 'Globemaster,' 'Purple Sensation,' 'Lucy Ball,' and 'White Giant.' Every garden should have bluebells, both the Spanish bluebell and its smaller but fragrant cousin, the English

bluebell. As they are late spring bloomers, they help make the transition to June perennials. These violet-blue, rose-pink, or light- to dark-blue flowers are a little slow to establish themselves, but once they do, they multiply year after year.

Summer. If there are no lilies in your garden,



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Local News

County Council President Visits Poolesville

By Rande Davis

Montgomery County Council president Nancy Floreen attended the August 16 Town of Poolesville Commissioners' meeting, presenting an ominous financial picture for the county in the coming year. Floreen provided a forty-minute review of the challenges that were faced by the county this past spring in preparing the new fiscal budget due to a nearly one billion dollar shortfall coming from an unanticipated drop of twenty-one percent in income tax revenue from the State of Maryland. "We don't see the source of the drop improving anytime soon," she stated in explaining why the coming year and beyond will be a time for very tough decisions. "Next year will be even more difficult."

She reported that, last June, the county was able to resolve a problem regarding its credit rating after the county was placed on "financial negative watch" over concern about its financial credibility due to the huge gap in the budget. In meetings in New York, which were initiated over this concern, county representatives were successful in restoring confidence in the county's financial status. The county's increase in energy tax and taxes on cell phone use were two actions used to close some of the fiscal gap.

She spoke about the difficulty in finding areas to cut costs since every item has its own public constituency of support leaving many programs seemingly "fixed in stone." Describing the county as progressive and valuing its social services, she pointed out that there are more questions than answers. She noted a change of perspective from the past when revenue was good, and "we would respond to needs." The new thinking is more along the lines of, "What should we (the government) not do?"

Floreen cited very limited options available to the council,

pointing out that the budgetary preparation responsibility belongs to the county executive. In using the newly-introduced fees charged to residents for using the county's dog parks as an example, she anticipates we will have an increase in user fees going forward. She left a brochure supporting the proposed Emergency Medical Services Transportation fee.

Floreen talked about some optimistic actions that she hopes will help resolve the financial dilemma, such as the National Cancer Institute currently on the verge of breaking ground on new offices in the county and the creation of the Montgomery County Business Development Corporation. The latter is designed to build a better partnership between county government and the private sector. She opined that this new initiative between government and the private sector will help the county take advantage of private sector advice and also improve upon a perceived "business-unfriendly reputation" of the county.

Still even more and bigger cuts can be anticipated, but specifics will have to await the results of the coming election. Remarking that there will be less county employees in the future, she noted the preference for not filling vacancies versus the elimination of positions along with the use of furloughs and an expectation of reduction in services to help reduce costs.

She also took questions from the commissioners and other attendees.

Commissioners Approve Resolution In Support of a Maryland Municipal League Petition

The commissioners voted unanimously in passing Resolution No. 004-10, which supports the MML in petitioning the State Administration and General Assembly to reestablish state revenue sharing funds which have been diverted away from municipalities to fund state operations. The resolution also supported MML's call for the state to expand the

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Remembrance



Madeline G. Hall

By Rande Davis

Mrs. Madeline G. Hall, 88, of Poolesville died on August 15 at her residence. She was the wife of the late Eddie Earl Hall who preceded her in death in 1975. As a young woman, Madeline experienced poverty but found her own sense of wealth in her love and devotion to her family.

Raising six daughters all born within a ten-year period during the 1940s surely qualifies her for special recognition in heaven. Helping her husband in his farming occupation required that the family often share responsibilities. A division of labor became the way of life with one daughter at the age of eight, recalling a time when she stood on a chair to help cook for the family while another daughter would help with the ironing.

As Madeline's own girls got married and began having children of their own, she lovingly became something of a one-woman daycare center helping to raise her grandchildren on a daily basis. Her love of children extended beyond her own family to include taking care of the children of many of her friends and neighbors.

Her grandson, Steve Morningstar, spoke of his grandmother being his best friend in life. Son-in-law, Paul Welsh, a parent himself, recalled with awe her devotion to parenting and grandparenting. Grandson, Jeffrey Welsh, who, along with his wife, was living with her at the time

of her passing, marveled at her positive energy, especially in the earlier days of his upbringing.

Madeline had a passionate and inquisitive spirit for archeology and accumulated many Civil War artifacts that she personally uncovered. She was also a talented and exuberant homemaker. The family recalls the days when Poolesville held an annual fair, and she would enter up to fifty events like baking, flower arrangement, along with other home crafts. She held on with pride to her blue ribbons.

While modern times often exalt a person's career experience, Madeline exemplified another value in a time when one chose to devote herself to family rather than outside employment. The Halls make up a very large family that includes nineteen grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren. It is those large family gatherings during the holidays and, especially on Poolesville Day, when the family will miss her the most. The family finds comfort in reflecting on her finally joining her husband, Eddie Earl, in peace and rest.

Surviving Madeline are her six daughters: Nancy H. Holmes and husband Wayne; Virginia L. Dailey and husband Robert; Peggy M. Morningstar and husband Gerald; Emma F. Welsh and husband Paul; Beverly A. Strouse and husband Allen; and Nellie Mae Hartfield. Her funeral was held at Memorial United Methodist Church, and she was interred at Monocacy Cemetery in Beallsville. In lieu of flowers, the family recommends making donations to the Upper Montgomery County Volunteer Fire Department at P.O. Box 8, Beallsville, Maryland 20839.



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Tidbits of the Past

By Jack Toomey

August 3, 1954 The 65th annual Montgomery County jousting tournament was scheduled to be held on the grounds of St. Mary's Catholic Church at Barnesville. Church officials had not decided whether contestants would wear traditional knightly array or simple riding clothes. A chicken dinner and dance were scheduled to follow.

August 4, 1947 The seventh annual Poolesville Livestock Show was held at Poolesville High School. It was sponsored by the Future Farmers of America, and \$1500 in prizes were awarded. The show was sponsored by William Miles, a vocational and agricultural teacher at the school.

August 7, 1947 It was announced that courses on automobile driving would be offered at all Montgomery County public high schools. The AAA said that they would lend one car to each of the eight county high schools, but that Poolesville and Damascus High Schools would have to share a car.

August 17, 1947 More than 4500 persons attended the Montgomery County Livestock show at Cloppers. Weight-pulling was a featured attraction with seven teams of horses testing their strength. A team owned by Ernest Pearson of Poolesville was crowned champion after it pulled an equivalent of seventeen tons of weight for twelve feet. Runner up was the team owned by B. F.

Gray, also of Poolesville.

August 18, 1954 An eighteen-member advisory board was appointed to study how to most efficiently begin the integration of the county schools. Charles Elgin was appointed to represent the Poolesville district. The school board also voted to turn over the nine formerly all-black schools to the county for use as recreation centers.

August 19, 1959 The Montgomery County Council voted to rebuild the Dickerson School that had burned earlier in the year. To allocate the funds, the council decided to only build a two-room addition to the Taylor Elementary School in Boyds. A ten-room addition had previously been planned.

August 26, 1956 Montgomery County announced that a new two-room workshop at the Poolesville Elementary School would be finished in time for the opening of school.

August 27, 1956 The Montgomery County Fair closed with a record-setting attendance of 100,000 for the week. Larry Dorsey, a sixteen-year-old from Boyds, won the tractor driving contest and went on to compete in the state fair.

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Police Blotter

By Jack Toomey

Current Crimes

Assault: 17400 block of Chiswell Road; CVS, 19500 block of Fisher Avenue; Unit block of Haller Court.

Auto theft: 19500 block of Fisher Avenue.

Theft: 17200 block of Hoskinson Road.

Disorderly conduct: 17400 block of Hughes Road.

Past Crimes

August 27, 1955 The Montgomery County Beverage Association issued a confidential warning to its members alleging police entrapment. Police Chief James McAuliffe admitted that undercover officers had been visiting beer halls to determine if underage persons were being served beer. He pointed out that one of his officers had arrested the bartender of the Lone Pine

Inn in Germantown for being drunk and disorderly, and also arrested a customer for being drunk.

August 27, 1954 Three Montgomery County police officers resigned citing inadequate pay. Starting pay at the time was \$2300 a year. Of fifty-two applicants who were scheduled to take the police exam during the previous week, only twenty-two showed up.

August 28, 1972 A Montgomery County youth was shot to death after he and two others threw firecrackers out of their car windows on a dead-end street in Kensington. The driver of the car encountered a dead-end street and a crowd gathered. One of the crowd fired shots into the car.

September 4, 1948 The Dickerson Post Office was burglarized, and \$650 in cash and \$250 worth of stamps were stolen. Postmaster Roy Swank reported that when he opened the post office, he found the back door broken open and the dials to the safe smashed. The Mercer Jones

Hardware store, adjacent to the post office, was also burglarized, but nothing was stolen.

September 7, 1967 Five Montgomery County teenagers were arrested for setting fires and explosions in houses under construction. Judge Alfred Noyes sentenced them to spend two days a week during the school year shining fire engines at the county fire houses. A sixth teenager was sentenced to the Maryland State Training School for Boys.

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Local News

Countdown to Poolesville Day

By Rande Davis

There is just a little less than one month before the 20th Anniversary of Poolesville Day. The cut-off date for vendors and parade applications of August 25 has passed, but it is not too late to sign up for either (there is a penalty fee for tardy applications).

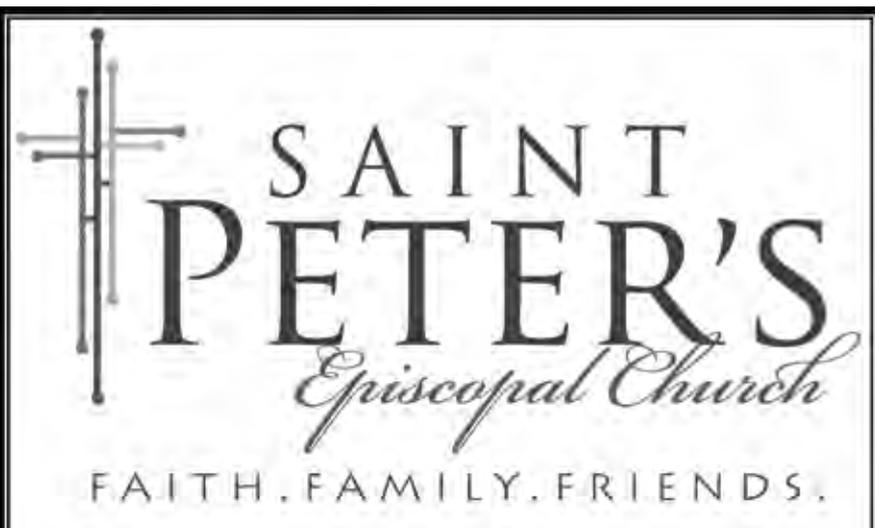
In case you missed the article in our July 30 edition of the *Monocle*, there will be two headliner bands this year, both of which are nationally and internationally recognized. The first band, the Cheaters, offers classic and southern rock with a modern edge and, in 2009, opened for Lynryd Skynyrd in Virginia concerts. The other band, the Night-hawks, a Washington Area Music Association Wammie award winner, is known for its mix of blues, rock, soul, with rockabilly

and swing.

As announced, the Grand Marshall is Jane Stearns, co-founder and executive director of WUMCO Help!, Inc., and there will be special recognition of the 100th Anniversary of scouting in America. We don't want to be spoilers of surprises, but a few of the new offerings we can share now are a living history display from the Civil War Museum of Frederick, the return of the popular trackless railroad train for young children, and a special movie night presentation in Whalen Commons the evening of Poolesville Day.

The next issue of the *Monocle* will be the Annual Guide to Poolesville Day edition with a complete vendor by location list, map, schedule of events, and more detailed information about the performers, along with details about special and surprising additions to the day's activities.

See advertisement on page 23.



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August 27
 Poolesville Farmers' Market
 Whalen Commons, 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 Visit vendors selling fresh produce, sweet corn, honey, artisan cheeses, specialty coffees, breads, pastries, dog treats, soaps, and more. Watch sports demonstrations by various organizations. Food and refreshments sold.

Music in the Park
 Featuring: Ernie Bradley and the Grassy Ridge Band
 Traditional bluegrass
 Whalen Commons, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

August 28
 Cugini's Entertainment Night
 Featuring: Slant Six with special guests
 8:00 p.m.

Movies in the Park
 Featuring: The Princess and the Frog
 (Rain date: September 11)
 Whalen Commons, 8:30 p.m.

September 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, and 16
 Plant Clinic
 Poolesville Library
 Master Gardeners Terri Pitts and Pam Hosimer will be on hand to answer all your plant and garden needs. Registration is not required. 7:30 p.m.

September 3
 Music in the Park
 Featuring: The Poolesville Band Project
 Whalen Commons, 7:00 p.m.

Cugini's Entertainment Night
 Jay Summerour and Memphis Gold
 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

September 6
 Poolesville Commissioners' Meeting
 Town Hall, 7:30 p.m.

September 10
 Poolesville Farmers' Market
 Whalen Commons, 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 Visit vendors selling fresh produce, sweet corn, honey, artisan

cheeses, specialty coffees, breads, pastries, dog treats, soaps, and more. 3969 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Local Author Book Signings: Ray Hoewing, Mary Anne Powell, Jonathan Balcome, Bernie Jankowski, and Melissa Foster. September 14 Primary Election Day

Food and refreshments sold Music in the Park Featuring: Mindy Miller and the Steamers September 17 Music in the Park Featuring: Brian Gross Whalen Commons, 7:00 p.m.

September 11
 Community Yard Sale
 Dickerson Methodist Church
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Poolesville Farmers' Market

Friday, September 10, 2010
 at Whalen Commons in the Heart of Town

4pm -8pm: Local vendors selling fresh produce, sweet corn, honey, artisan cheeses, specialty coffee, breads, pastries, dog treats, soaps and more.

4pm - 6:30pm: Meet and enjoy readings by local authors: Robert Bachman, Dorothy Blake Fardan, Melissa Foster, Ray Hoewing, Bernie Jankowski, and Mary Ann Powell.

7pm - 9pm: There's something for everyone with Mindy Miller and the Steamers They'll play rock, country, blues and more!

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For more info and vendor applications, visit www.poolesville.com

St. Peter's Episcopal Church Community Dinner and Cookie Baking Contest

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 6pm to 8pm in parish hall

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"Fall Pastures" Continued From Page 1.

three years for Plan Updates. We are also legally required to take two consecutive manure samples in one year to establish the average nutrient content, after which we need only renew our manure analysis every other year for the NMP, along with a manure spreader calibration. The county and state help producers meet their obligations by writing plans and training you to write your own plan, as well as offering financial and educational support. Cost share assistance is available for manure analysis; contact the Soil Conservation Service at 301-590-2855. The Nutrient Management Office has soil probes available for you to borrow. The University of Maryland has a list of approved soil analysis labs on its website with cost comparison sheets and notations on which labs analyze manure, compost, and plant tissue. For information go to www.agnr.umd.edu. Don't despair if your pas-

tures have been overgrazed, are covered in weeds, or are stressed by drought. Fall pasture feeding, when combined with rotational grazing, sacrifice paddocks that may double as outdoor rings for wet weather, and confinement on those paddocks (higher up, and covered with bluestone) can ameliorate summer damage. Pastures should respond to nitrogen and provide good fall growth, as long as adequate rain occurs. The turf may not be strong enough for fall grazing, but it will be well-established for the spring. The USDA recommends fifty to seventy-five pounds of nitrogen per acre. How well the pasture responds depends upon the state of the field, how soon the nitrogen is applied, the amount of rain and dew available, and how soon a first killing frost arrives (mid-October or later). Early nitrogen use enhances tillering in pasture grasses (shoots that sprout from the base of a grass), which builds stronger sod that can stand up to errant hooves, with

fewer bare spots conducive to weed sprouts. These fall nitrogen feedings are also vital in supporting the grasses over the winter, and in boosting them towards spring growth. Fall-fertilized pastures allow the grasses to develop deeper food reserves as well, and the nitrogen will not alter the legume content in pastures, as some have surmised. Many pastures may also need magnesium, potash, calcium, phosphorous, and/or other minerals, as shown by the soil sample analysis. The earlier the sampling is done, the quicker the manure or other fertilizer applications can be applied, and the more the natural transmission to the roots through gentle fall rains.

Finally, excellent weed control should be combined with rotational grazing, sacrifice areas, and composted manure, fertilizers, and minerals to enhance the likelihood of building a fine fall/winter pasture. At Equine Therapy Associates, we are organic and only mow or pull weeds, but if you

use chemicals, safeguard your families, ground, and surface water, as well as domestic and wild animals by checking labels carefully before application. Order Extension Bulletin 237, Pest Management Recommendations for Field Crops, which contains complete herbicide options for pastures. It is available for \$19.00 from the Extension Office. Go to www.agnr.umd.edu for more information

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"Bulbs" Continued from Page 5.

this is the year to correct that since you are missing out on the pleasures of one of the most beautiful flowers in the garden world. You have to have stood near a towering six-foot-high white 'Casa Blanca' oriental lily or taken in the delicious scent of the 'Star Gazer' oriental lily to understand what I mean. Otherwise, take my word for it. There are three types of lilies: Oriental, Asiatic, and the cross of the Oriental with the Trumpet, creating the Orienpet. Plant them in a sunny to part-shade location, and they will thrive with little maintenance and multiply over the years. Heat, drought, and high humidity don't seem to bother them. The range of colors in the Asiatics is brilliant. The Oriental Lilies are best known for their perfume and late-summer bloom. Look for these outstanding varieties: 'Casa Blanca,' 'Star Gazer,' 'Arabesque,' Lilium speciosum var. rubrum, 'Silk Road,' 'Leslie Woodriff,' 'Golden Stargazer,' and 'Silver Elegance.'

Fall. A little-known but daintily-beautiful autumn bulb is the colchicum. Like magic, their vase-shaped blooms, in shades of creamy white, purplish pink, and lilac pink, pop out of the ground in September and October to glisten in the autumnal sun. They are deer-proof and light up sunny to partly-shady front-of-the-border locations when most other flowering plants are fading. Look for 'Waterlily,' 'Alboplenum,' and 'Lilac Wonder.'

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Montgomery County Council September 14 Primary Election



Robin Ficker, Republican Candidate, County Council, District 2

As a Barnesville Road resident and the only candidate for this seat who lives in the Agricultural PRESERVE, I am very wary of the monster development plan of powerful special interests in west Gaithersburg approved by the Planning Board and Council recently. It will add 40,000 people to a 4 Pentagon-size area, 5 miles from the nearest Metro. Also what about the 300 foot high skyscrapers approved by the Planning Board and Council at White Flint? Next up is the proposed Germantown monster plan which will bring 40,000 new people.

The foregoing will result in great pressure to develop the Ag. Preserve. And we can't let that happen.

Since fall 2007, the homeowner has been used as an ATM with the following tax increases. 240% increase in residential energy tax; 13.5% increase in property tax; 75% increase in cellphone tax; 20% increase in sales tax; 52.6% increase in top income tax bracket; 20% increase in car tax; 18% increase in corporate tax.; successive 8.5% increases in water tax.

Look for the council to push for other large property and energy tax increases right after the election. Fortunately, my property tax charter amendment passed with 200,000 votes in 2008, over the opposition of the council and other candidates in this race. As a result, all 9 council votes are needed for property tax increases over the rate of inflation. And I shall not vote for property and energy tax increases greater than the inflation rate.

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Montgomery County Council September 14 Primary Election



Sharon Dooley, Democratic Candidate, County Council, District 2

During the more than 30 years I have lived in Montgomery County, population has doubled and we have become more urban and more diverse. However, also during this time, the Upper Montgomery area has gained population, nurtured the development of the Agricultural Reserve and seen both economic development and threats from many sides.

Over this time span, I have been active in my careers as a nurse and consultant, started my own business and raised my two children. I have volunteered as a board member with many non-profits and been part of the fabric of this District.

As founder of Upcounty Action, an advocacy group, my mission was to preserve water quality in our streams and water shed areas, protect forests and promote clean air.

In my recent role as President of the Civic group in Olney where I live, I was instrumental in keeping our Ride-On rush hour buses, reducing the size of proposed ICC signs, and working for pedestrian safety. I also promoted the local grow movement and helped start the Olney Farmers Market.

We all know that we must do a better job in running this county- we need to save more, spend less and become more efficient. I will lead this effort with your help.

I have a "can-do" attitude and a demonstrated record of accomplishment. I am not beholden to the special interests - I will work diligently for you, the residents of District 2. Please vote for me, Sharon Dooley, on September 14th.

Royce Hanson, Democratic Candidate for County Council, District 2

Montgomery County is at a defining moment in its history. Decisions made by the next Council will determine the quality of life residents will enjoy for the next generation. We must rethink policy to make the county fiscally and environmentally sustainable, to secure employment leadership in an advanced economy, and to meet the housing, education, health, transportation and service needs of an increasingly diverse population.

All these issues involve major strategic decisions. I have served as chairman of the Planning Board in two times of crisis, and now I want to help make Montgomery County an even better place for future generations. I seek election to the Council to apply the knowledge and career experience I have gained as a specialist in local governance, and help devise innovative and effective solutions to our problems.

I offer my record of leadership as a basis for judging whether I can deliver on these goals and challenges. I helped establish most of the key land use policies that made our county a national leader, including the Agricultural Reserve, and my policy and academic achievements were recognized by election to the National Academy of Public Administration.

During the last four years new Smart Growth plans for Germantown, The Great Seneca Science Corridor, White Flint, Takoma-Langley, Kensington, and the Purple Line have pointed the county in the right direction. I should now like to help get it moving.

For more information about my candidacy and issues, please visit my web site, www.roycehanson.org.

Charles Kirchman, Democratic Candidate, County Council, District 2

I am a lifelong County resident currently living in Germantown with my wife and two children. I am a newcomer to politics and will provide a fresh perspective and new ideas without being beholden to the numerous special interest groups. I only want to represent the taxpayers of District 2.

The most crucial issue facing us are the County budget deficits projected to grow from 250 million next year to over 500 million in 2017. The County Council has put us in this position by failing to be fiscally responsible. The council has continually approved pay raises significantly above the rate of inflation and platinum benefit packages for county employees. Some examples are; reducing the years of service required for full retirement for some workers from 25 to 20 years; allowing some workers to retire and then return to work while collecting their pensions. County employees do a great job but these types of benefits are fiscally irresponsible and unsustainable.

As we saw this year we are the ones that have been forced to bear the burden of this irresponsible spending through higher fees, an ambulance tax, increased energy and cell phone taxes. I will bring fiscal discipline to the County Council by opposing any additional tax increases, insist that county employees pay a fair share of the cost of their benefits and eliminate excessive benefits and inefficiencies in county departments. The pork in the county budget will never be eliminated if the council is allowed to continually increase taxes.

Eddie Kuhlman, Democratic Candidate, County Council, District 2

My name is Eddie Kuhlman, and while you may know me as the Mayor of Poolesville, I have a strong hope and desire to serve you as your next County Councilman.

For 14 years I have dedicated myself to serving Poolesville and I've played a substantial role in moving the town forward in terms of finances, infrastructure and services. It has been my job to produce a balanced budget and protect our cash reserves. I am proud to say that Poolesville has maintained a very strong and healthy cash reserve while expanding services.

As the Council heads into its next term, I believe we desperately need a voice that will represent the old-fashioned values of listening to constituents, supporting quality education, protecting our agricultural reserve and most importantly, take serious our obligation to make sound and prudent financial decisions on behalf of the tax-paying residents. My goal as a Councilmember will be to ask the hard questions, such as "Can we afford this, now and in the future?" and "Where will the funding for this initiative come from and can that funding be sustained for the life of the project?"

I promise, I have no hidden agendas, I am not beholden to anyone for their political endorsement and if elected I will provide an open mind, a willingness to listen and the same work ethics that has benefited Poolesville.

I am asking for, and would greatly appreciate, your vote on September 14, 2010. A vote for Eddie Kuhlman is a vote to return to strong fiscal responsibility, traditional values and working on solutions. Thank you.

Montgomery County Council September 14 Primary Election



Craig Rice, Democratic Candidate, County Council, District 2

I am very proud to live and raise my family in Montgomery County, the county where I've lived my entire life. But these are challenging times that jeopardize the quality of life we all hold dear. It is necessary to reevaluate how we operate to ensure that everyone continues to enjoy the great advantages of our county. The council is at a defining moment and I am the only candidate from District 2 who can move Montgomery County forward. I've got the courage to act and the vision to lead.

As a current State legislator, I can attest that a relationship between the Council and the State Delegation is imperative, especially during these tough fiscal times. And as I transition from the State to the Council, I will be able to leverage a positive working relationship with my existing colleagues in Annapolis and my future colleagues in Rockville. This relationship, along with being connected to my residents in the community, is the recipe for success. Other candidates may talk about the importance of these skills, but I have it and am able to utilize it to its fullest potential by hitting the ground running.

The choices made by the County Council affect each and every person and it is vital that you have a councilmember who will get the job done. As Councilman, I will commit my energy and new ideas to reinvigorate our economy, fix our budget, and educate our children.

So vote Craig Rice for County Council representing District 2, on September 14th.

Thank you.



Robert Dyer, Republican Candidate, County Council, At-Large

I'm the only candidate who has a detailed Fiscal Plan to end our structural deficit. Many people think California has the worst finances in the nation. But, in fact, Montgomery County's structural deficit is proportionally twice that of California's. We can't go on like this.

My Fiscal Plan has three steps. First, we identify what essential functions citizens expect government to provide in exchange for the taxes we pay, such as Ride On, snow removal, road maintenance, public safety and education.

Second, my plan creates eight new streams of non-tax revenue, and will restore collection of impact taxes on all development to fund infrastructure.

Finally, we must drastically cut spending! My plan includes specific cuts to HHS, DED, the County Cable Office, the County Executive's Office, DEP, and the Office of Consumer Protection. Then we must restructure non-public safety employee compensation, benefits and pensions. This plan will give us a budget surplus we can use to fund tax cuts, economic development and transportation projects.

My transportation plan includes adding toll-free lanes and Park-and-Ride buses to 270, and more parking at the Boyds and Germantown MARC stations.

I believe we can retain farmland by making agriculture profitable, rather than through government control. We should help farmers diversify by identifying new trends, such as Baltimore County's success in the bison market; or wineries, which have additional uses as bed-and-breakfasts and entertainment venues. I've also proposed adding FFA chapters in schools countywide to create a new generation of farmers.

Visit RobertDyer.net for more information.



Mark D. Fennel, Republican Candidate, County Council, At-Large

VOTE Tea Party Fennel for Montgomery County Council!

The choice is clear. I am the only candidate for Montgomery County Council who will spearhead a crack-down on Illegal Immigrants. At the same time, I'll take on the criminal front group, Casa of Maryland, heavily funded by deep-pocketed billionaire George Soros' Open Society Institute, and Venezuelan Dictator Hugo Chavez's state-owned oil company, Citgo.

According to www.HelpSaveMaryland.com, the cost of illegal immigration to Montgomery County taxpayers is \$234 million per year. This amount only covers the cost of public education, emergency healthcare, and incarceration for Illegal Aliens; consequently, the actual figure is much higher. Given Montgomery's nearly \$1 billion budget deficit, as a decade old Ponzi scheme is brought down crashing down due to the recession, this is unacceptable. Illegal Aliens undercut the labor market, and suppress wages thus contribute to the erosion of the Middle Class. Small Businesses which operate legally, are put at an competitive disadvantage by businesses which hire Illegal Aliens. Moreover, Illegal Aliens have been responsible for multiple violent crimes against our citizens.

My plan – provide incentives for self deportation through implementation of the following federal programs; E-Verify, Secured Communities; and, 287(g) training for Montgomery County Police.

Tea Party Fennel was the 2006 Republican nominee running against the late-Marilyn Praisner in District #4. He was the 2008 Republican nominee running against the late-Don Praisner in 2008. Today, he is running for an at-large seat for Montgomery County Council.

VOTE Tea Party Fennel on September 14 – the conservative choice!



Jane de Winter, Democratic Candidate, County Council, At-Large

Our county is facing tough times. The Council Members we elect this year will face continuing budget shortfalls and further budget cuts for years to come. The whole future of our county depends on the expertise of who we choose as our decision makers. Your vote is important.

These are times that require smart choices, leadership, and a clear understanding of how to set economic priorities that serve all the people of our changing county. I have a deep understanding of the budget process and how the decisions our county makes today will impact our future quality of life.

If you believe our council could be making wiser decisions, and should have better anticipated our current budgetary crisis, I respectfully ask that when you make your choice on September 14th, please consider my background and the skills I bring to the council:

PhD in Economics and researcher in economic policy

Past President of the Montgomery County Council of PTA's, our county's largest child advocacy group

Current Member, Montgomery County Commission on Children and Youth

Parent of four children educated in our public schools

Graduate of Leadership Montgomery, 2010

My vision for Montgomery County is of a place where we make smart decisions, support safe and vibrant neighborhoods, and foster sustainable economic growth--all with a goal of improving our quality of life and the effective delivery of county services.

Please look at my web site before you make your decision: www.JanedWinter.org

Montgomery County Council September 14 Primary Election



Marc Elrich, Incumbent Democratic Candidate, County Council, At-Large

In my four years on the County Council, I have fought hard to improve the quality of life for residents. I've worked with civic and community groups and have been a community advocate on growth and development issues, the environment and housing. I am committed to protecting the natural resources, vital farmland and open space of the Agricultural Reserve, which faces continuing threats from residential and private institutional facility development. To help relieve development pressures, I support growth where we have adequate transit to support it, not in the Ag Reserve.

Before being elected, I fought against the "outer beltway" which would have been the death of the Reserve. I oppose the proposed Global Mission Church project which would be detrimental to the Reserve, rustic Old Hundred Road, Little Bennett Creek and the beauty of Sugarloaf Mountain. I continue to support efforts to protect Ten Mile Creek, a high-quality fragile stream system feeding our drinking water supply.

My first major legislation protected the C&O Canal from additional development. I'm working on a forest conservation bill to bring the county closer to no-net-loss of forest. I support keeping Monocacy Elementary School open as a local serving school – it will always be a small school due to residential development limits in the Ag Reserve. And I'm proud that I was able to facilitate the cleanup of the dump across from the Boyds MARC station which had been an eyesore for years.

Please vote for me so that I can continue my work for you and our communities in a second term.



Fred Evans, Democratic Candidate, County Council, At-Large

Your Voice in Your Government
Fred retired from the Montgomery County Public Schools after a successful 30-year career. While principal of Gaithersburg High School and Parkland Middle School, strong partnerships were developed with parents, local and state governmental agencies and non-profit agencies in order to enhance the educational opportunities for his students. Currently, Fred utilizes his professional skills as a leadership consultant and education professor.

The following issues are the focus of Fred's campaign:

- Communicate effectively with all residents to guarantee full participation in your government.

- Maintain and enhance quality education systems for our children and young adults.

- Guarantee the safety and security of all residents by maintaining effective law enforcement and fire and rescue services.

- Support and manage growth and development effectively in order that all residents benefit, regardless of socio-economic status.

- Ensure that additional county service initiatives can be supported within the current tax structure and codes.

Due to his strong belief in the importance of community involvement and activism, Fred has been a leader in a variety of initiatives and organizations including:

- Chairman, Nominating Committee, Montgomery College Board of Trustees

- President, Montgomery County Public Schools Retirees Association

- Vice President, Mental Health Association Board of Directors

- Founding member of the Montgomery County Mentoring Task Force.

- Member of the Montgomery County Juvenile Court Committee

- President, Montgomery County Secondary School Administrators Association

- Diversity Training Specialist in the public and private sectors.

Please go to www.friendsforfredevans.org to learn more about why Fred should be elected.



Nancy Floreen, Incumbent Democratic Candidate, County Council, At-Large

Council President Nancy Floreen is completing her second term as an At Large member of the Montgomery County Council, chairing its Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment Committee and serving as an active member of the Planning, Housing and Economic Development Committee. She is on the Boards of the Strathmore Hall Foundation, Habitat for Humanity, and the Jewish Council on Aging. Over the past thirty years, Nancy has been an engaged community advocate, as a community land use attorney, PTA President at East Silver Spring Elementary School, eight year member of the Montgomery County Planning Board, and Mayor of the Town of Garrett Park, among many other activities. A graduate of Smith College and Rutgers Law School (Newark), Nancy resides in Garrett Park with her husband David O. Stewart and Lady, their schnoodle. She has three adult children, all of whom attended Montgomery County Public Schools.

Nancy is committed to protecting Montgomery County's quality of life – including the Agricultural Reserve, creating economic and educational opportunity for everyone, investing in critical infrastructure and core governmental services, and ensuring the County's long term fiscal sustainability. Despite our economic challenges, Nancy is focused on education and job growth as the key to Montgomery County's continuing success. For more information about Nancy go to NancyFloreen.org or Montgomerycountymd.gov/council/.



George Leventhal, Incumbent Democratic Candidate, County Council, At-Large

I am running for re-election to the County Council because I have learned a lot during my eight years in office and I can put my knowledge and experience to work in a third term to help Montgomery County achieve the bright future it deserves. As Chairman of the Health and Human Services Committee, I want to continue advocating for those who need the most help from government: the sick, the poor, the elderly, the homeless, the mentally ill, and abused and abandoned children. The only way to accomplish our social goals is to attract new jobs and investment to expand our revenue base. Other priorities include expanding public transportation (including the Purple Line and Corridor Cities Transitway) and maintaining access to health care for the poor and uninsured.

Montgomery County's rural and agricultural areas are also a priority for me. I am committed to protecting our Agricultural Reserve from development forever. As County Council President in 2006, I appointed the Agricultural Policy Working Group that recommended the Building Lot Termination program to extinguish development rights in the Ag Reserve. I have strongly supported efforts to fund that program as well as the Agricultural Easement program. I sponsored the resolution calling for the "Welcome to the Agricultural Reserve" signs in the upcounty. I believe that in making agricultural policy, we must listen and learn from farmers. My door will always remain open to upcounty residents and I hope they will continue to share their views and concerns with me.

Montgomery County Council September 14 Primary Election



Raj Narayanan, Democratic Candidate, County Council, At-Large

Raj Narayanan offers credibility, responsibility and change for the better.

Raj Narayanan is the current President of University Towers Condominium where he has instituted process re-engineering to save over \$400K in the annual operating budget of \$4 million. He is also a volunteer yoga teacher and Executive Director of Life in Yoga. Over the last 12 years he has been transforming the lives of many by lifestyle and attitudinal changes through the mind-body connection of yoga practices. He holds a Ph.D. in Economics, has taught in local business schools and has been a management consultant doing process re-engineering to reduce costs for businesses. He firmly believes that the core Democratic value of social responsibility requires government efficiency in addition to supporting those who are disadvantaged.

To overcome the current fiscal crisis, he will

Reduce cost through process re-engineering without service cuts;

Oppose increase in taxes.

In the long term he will seek restructuring to

Ensure adequate funding of capital reserves for repairing infrastructure;

Eliminate 'sneak' taxes in bills like utility bills and many fines that have risen to 20% of county revenue.

Seek honesty in taxation where county services are provided with real-estate taxes, income taxes and state/federal funds, and if there is a genuine tax payer need to increase services, deal with them up front without 'sneak' taxes.

Stop legislations that don't take overall impact into account, but are intended to pacify interest groups.

Vote for Raj Narayanan to protect your future.

Hans Riemer, Democratic Candidate, County Council, At-Large

Hans Riemer lives in Silver Spring with his wife Angela and their pre-schooler Henry. The family expects another boy in January.

A champion for progressive causes, Hans helped organize the national coalition that stopped Bush from privatizing Social Security. As a key early staffer on the Obama campaign, Hans was responsible for mobilizing young voters nationwide and in the early primary victories. In his work at AARP, Hans has focused on retirement security. His work in Montgomery County has focused on public transportation solutions, such as protecting Metro, RideOn, and building the Corridor Cities Transitway and the Purple Line.

Hans' campaign is about making sure Montgomery County remains a great place to raise a family, work, go to school and retire. As the county confronts an economic crisis, Hans believes we must work to protect our libraries, parks, and public safety. The county teachers endorsed Hans for his fresh perspective on our educational challenges, and the Sierra Club endorsed Hans for his passionate commitment to the environment.

On the Council, Hans will work to guide us through the fiscal crisis the County faces by establishing common-sense budget priorities and leaving no stone unturned for savings as we put our fiscal house in order. As the Washington Post wrote in their endorsement of Hans, "the council needs lawmakers of sobriety, character and judgment."

Please join district County Council members Berliner, Ervin and Navarro, and ten Montgomery County delegates and senators in helping to elect Hans Riemer as your At-large Councilmember.

Duchy Trachtenberg, Incumbent Democratic Candidate, County Council, At-Large

I am the only councilmember with a background in public health and mental health issues. I passed a health board regulation banning the use of trans fats in Montgomery County restaurants and I helped create the Family Justice Center (FJC), a clearinghouse facility for victims of domestic violence and their children that in one year has served over 1600 families from over 100 countries.

My experience as Chair of the Management and Fiscal Policy (MFP) Committee has prepared me for the budget challenges ahead. In recent months, I led the efforts to improve our reserve fund policy; to implement a structurally balanced 6-year fiscal plan; and to address the sustainability of compensation and benefits of our public employees. Consequently, the county maintained its AAA rating.

Now I'm working with Councilmember Phil Andrews, who called me the "hardest-working" member of the Council, to reform disability payments so that a police officer who injures a pinkie finger does not receive the same payment as an officer who is paralyzed by a bullet to his spine.

We need reforms too so we can continue to make investments like the Corridor Cities Transitway that will bring jobs to our urban centers, while safeguarding the Agricultural Reserve.

County Executive Ike Leggett endorsed me, saying, "I want to see her on the County Council. I want her leadership, her commitment, her tenacity, her intelligence. But most importantly we need a person who cares about all of us."

For more, visit www.voteduchy.org.

Becky Wagner, Democratic Candidate, County Council, At-Large

Becky Wagner, a 40-year county resident, started Montgomery County's first shelter for homeless women, served on the staff of US Senator Paul Sarbanes for 6 years and has lead Interfaith Works for 11 years, a professionally managed non-profit of 110 employees and 7,000 volunteers, serving the low

income community. She is the only candidate who has the experience of running a successful business, and accomplishing the mission while making payroll and funding benefits within the budget. Her business experience brings an understanding and sense of urgency toward solving the county's budget crisis.

Elected officials have the responsibility to model both civility and commitment to constructive problem solving. She has been working with advocates, the business community, congregations, friends and neighbors, on the front lines strengthening Montgomery County. Becky knows how to achieve consensus on challenging issues. She co-chaired the Vote No on Ficker Amendments, Stop Slots and Safety Net Coalitions and has been endorsed by numerous organizations and individuals including the teachers (MCEA), Firefighters, Montgomery County Business PAC and B-CC Chamber PAC, fmr. County Executive Doug Duncan & Sen. Paul Sarbanes.

In Sen. Paul Sarbanes' endorsement of Becky, he said, "A strong and effective advocate, Becky will bring her superb problem solving abilities and her dedication to the public good to the challenges facing the county. She is a proven leader of intelligence and integrity and I urge the citizens of Montgomery County to give Becky Wagner this opportunity to serve them on the Council."

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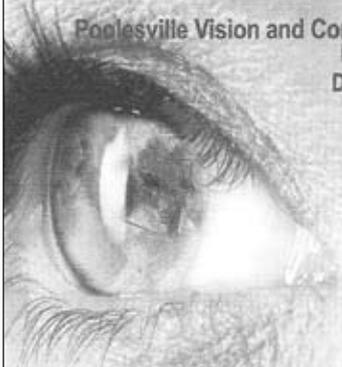
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Local News

Memorial's Fair Still Entertains

By Ray Hoewing

For years, Memorial Church's Lord's Acre has been on the short list of community events people in the Poolesville area look forward most to attending. Thanks to the hard work of the planning committee, there are more reasons than ever to attend on September 11 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The festivities, now in their fifty-eighth year, have something for everybody—with a number of innovations.

For starters, the wonderful folks from the local fire department will provide free blood pressure checks all day, chair massages will be provided courtesy of INOVA from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and Attic Treasures returns bringing two popular features from last year—an appraiser and bingo (after 1:00 p.m.). Nationally-known appraiser and Poolesville resident Willis Van Devanter will evaluate antiques (no jewelry, please) including art and written materials.

Certainly children of all ages

will not lack for distractions with the Castle Moon Bounce, Boom Blasters (balloon inflating and popping race), and Dino Bell Ringer (hit the hammer to ring the gong), not to mention the ever-popular duck pond, ping pong toss, dart board-balloon pop game, and a half dozen other tried and true kid pleasers. The best part? Every player wins something. Another new feature—and a bargain at that—is that kids can play unlimited games, play in the moon bounce all day, and participate in one craft activity for just \$5.00.

Adults may spend much of their time browsing among a wide selection of offerings, including Memorial's famous apple butter, cakes and pies, candy, baked goods and, of course, the interesting items they will find in Attic Treasures (household goods, furniture, toys, etc.), shelves packed with used books, DVDs and CDs, and a silent auction (those who want to have the widest selection of Attic Treasures can attend a pre-sale Friday, September 10 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.).

Of course, Lord's Acre wouldn't be Lord's Acre without the mouth-watering

refreshments prepared by Memorial's best cooks. Whether the taste is for a quickie lunch at the outside booth or for a simple menu served in the fellowship hall, no one need leave hungry. Festival goers can do their browsing, playing, shopping, and eating while being entertained by several popular musical groups.

You'll be glad you came, and you can count on seeing many of your friends and neighbors. Proceeds from the event help to support operations and programs



Brian Gross is one of four performers at the Lord's Acre Festival September 11.

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authority of local governments to raise revenues from taxes beyond property and personal income.

New MCP Commander Attends Meeting, Departing MCP Commander Honored

Newly-appointed Montgomery County Police 5th District Commander Luther Reynolds attended the meeting to introduce himself to the commissioners and community. Commander Reynolds more recently served as the MCP director of both the Training and Education Division and the Special Operations Division. He accepted a plaque of appreciation of service on behalf of the town for departing Commander Thomas Didone. Commander Didone was traveling and was unavailable to attend the meeting.

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Youth Sports

CHS Sports Fall Preview: Expectations Are High

By Jeff Stuart

What is the challenge for the Clarksburg Coyotes in 2010? Larry Hurd, head coach of the football team, doesn't mince words: "We play in 3A West region which is the toughest region in the state of Maryland. We not only have to play Quince Orchard, Seneca Valley, and Damascus, but we also play Gaithersburg and Paint Branch, two perennial playoff teams...not to mention the special past the rivalry we have with Watkins Mill. Our schedule is intense from beginning to end."

After going 3-5 in their inaugural 2006 season, the Coyotes posted back-to-back undefeated regular seasons, winning two consecutive 2A West division titles and one region championship.

The Coyotes finished 7-3 last year, moving up to 3A and barely missing the playoffs in two very exciting games. "We lost two heartbreaking games to Quince Orchard and Damascus—both in overtime—tremendous football games that showed where we were as a program," says Hurd.

At the start of the season, one wonders if that success will continue. Again Hurd gets right to the point. "We have the same goal as we always have. That is to win as many games as we possibly can and make the playoffs," he says. "We've lost some experience in our receiving corps and our defensive backfield. We are looking to replace that. We will see if we can find some kids that can step up and do that." Three-year starters, Eric Olson and Calvin Dove, will be returning for the senior year. "They are both all-county type players," says Hurd. "Eric will start both ways for us at center and defensive tackle. Calvin will be at fullback and at nose guard." New to the team will be senior Zach Gallion,

a transfer from Wootton at line-backer and fullback. "Right now we have a little bit of a competition at quarterback between senior Matt Masson (also a defensive back) and junior Mike Sheehan. Matt, a lefthander, is a little bit ahead. They both have big shoes to fill." Last year's starting quarterback, Andrew Veith, won the prestigious D.C. Sportsfan Scholar Athlete of the Year Award and a \$500.00 scholarship. He racked up 1,669 total yards and twenty-three touchdowns. He will be playing for Salisbury this fall. He will be joined by last year's First Team All-Gazette offensive lineman, Kyle Shafer, at Salisbury. Other key players from last year have moved on to college: Tyler Stevens and Jeff Gatling at Frostburg; Ace Clark at Western Carolina; Sam Collins at Robert Morris; Michael Dixon at Bethany; and Donte Johnson at Hudson Valley or Lackawana Community College.

With an almost entirely new cast of skill position players, Clarksburg won its first five 7 on 7 summer league games this season. In a 19-13 win over Quince Orchard, junior Paul Sewell knocked down the game's final pass in the end zone. Clarksburg's football season begins September 3 at Seneca Valley.

Like the Coyote football team, Head Boys' Soccer Coach Jeremiah Spoales has some holes to fill after winning the school's first State Championship in a team sport last season (the track team took top honors in the state in the spring of 2008). "We are going to have to replace the loss of All-Met player of the year Julio Arjona and center back Henry Reyes but, as always, expectations are high," says Spoales.

The team is looking for another strong season with the return of Austin Fiedler as goalie. His past play has already drawn interest from many division I colleges. "We also return the bulk of our midfield with goal scorer Nick Civetti and setup man Howie Fischer coming back. Johnny Kukapa, who was huge for us in the playoffs, and Thomas Alvarez should help on the offensive end," adds Coach Spoales. Their season begins on September 4 at 4:00 p.m. at Blake.

Head Field Hockey Coach Sissy Natoli has senior Katie

Bertand back. Katie had five goals and five assists in the Coyotes' first five games last year. This earned her Athlete of the Week honors at Clarksburg for the week of September 27. Zeona Walker-Latney, a senior forward/midfielder, and Anna Hackett, another senior forward/midfielder, also return as do seniors, Monica Stein, Judith Vesoh, and Olivia Pond. The Coyotes lost to Quince Orchard in the Region 3A-W semifinal last season.

The Coyotes' girls' volleyball team was 5-1 at home at one point last season. Sophomore libero Shannon Skellchock returns this fall. "She has incredible all-around skills and will be a force to reckon with in the near future," says Head Coach Terri Tippett. The team is strengthened by the return of Anna Williams, Susan Yang, and Ginetta Beckley.

Head Cross Country Coach Nick Caretti has plenty of returning talent for both boys and girls. For the boys, seniors, Russ Daley, Mohit Bisht, Joshua Cruz, and Cyrus Ameri return, as does junior Brian O'Connor. Sophomore Abbey Daley leads the returning girl runners. Sophomore Alyssa Parent and junior Jacqui Young also return.

"There are two big initiatives that I am excited about this fall in addition to the normal excitement surrounding the start of the season," says new Athletic Director Jeff Sullivan. "The first is the launching of our new athletics website: www.chscoyotes.com. The second is the unveiling of our new athletic department logo: '41 teams, ONE PACK.' We are one athletic department and the pack is a reference to Coyotes."

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incumbent, Craig Rice, stepped aside to run for the county council in District 2.

As we mentioned before, that is where the action is. Mr. Rice squeaked past Mrs. Cryor for his state delegate seat four years ago, and after two-term incumbent Mike Knapp (who retired Ms. Dacek in 2002) decided to give up his seat and return to the private sector, Mr. Rice announced that he would run for county council. Before Mr. Knapp stepped aside, Sharon Dooley of Olney (the east wing of the Upcounty) was his best-known challenger. Ms. Dooley had also run against Mr. Knapp in the 2006 primary garnering significant support in the Upcounty as the Ag Reserve's most vocal advocate. This changed somewhat after Mr. Knapp's departure, when Planning Board chairman and Ag Reserve founding father Royce Hanson declared his candidacy, as did Poolesville Town Commission President Eddie Kuhlman. Charles Kirchman of Germantown is also campaigning for the District 2 nomination.

Robin Ficker of Boyds is running unopposed for the Republican District 2 nomination, which should guarantee a spirited campaign for the general election.

With all of the attention on the District 2 election, it is important not to ignore the At-Large council primary, where all four incumbents are running against five other Democratic candidates. Four Republican candidates are running for their party's nominations, and if my math is correct, all four of them will get



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Raymond L. Money of Poolesville passed away on August 10 at the Shady Grove Hospital in Rockville. Mr. Money was the husband of the late Dorothy Money. He was a member of the Poolesville Baptist Church and a volunteer with the Cabin John Fire Department. He was survived by his children, Brenda Cross, Raymond "Butch" Money, Jr., Patty Money, Bonnie Money, and Billy Money; and ten grandchildren. He was buried in Norbeck Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations were requested to be made to the Barnesville Baptist Church, 17917 Barnesville Road, Barnesville, Maryland 20838.

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means he operates weapon systems onboard surface combatant ships. He is trained in the repair, maintenance, operation, and deployment of weapons such as the Tomahawk Missile System and several Close-In Weapons Systems.

The 2,300 marines and sailors aboard the USS Nassau participated in a variety of training exercises and theater security cooperation events. Many of these events were bilateral with partnered nations in the region and were focused on strengthening military ties and continuing building relationships with these countries.

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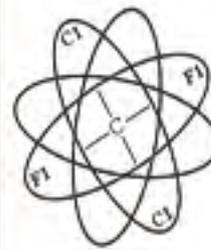
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