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PEOPLE

Artist Discusses Work in Sculpture

Spencer wins Rockville's 2010 Sculpture on the Grounds and "Sculpture in the Plaza"

BY SENITRA MCCOMBS
THE ALMANAC

Want to see a penguin in the middle of the summer?

Then go see Potomac-based sculptor Irma B. Spencer's "Penguin of Summer" overlooking the wading fountain at the Rockville Town Center.

While Spencer's "Penguin of Summer" won a spot in Rockville's "Sculpture in the Plaza," her "Happy Daze" won a spot among six other local artists' outdoor sculptures in Rockville's 24th annual Rockville Sculpture on the Grounds at Rockville Park.

"Happy Daze" is a 5' round yellow happy face.

Her "Penguin of Summer" will be on display until November and "Happy Daze" will be on display until November or December.

She created the large cement 6-foot white penguin over three summers. For Spencer, the toughest challenge was "finding people to help her move or carry or set the large and heavy pieces of stone on their base."

She decided to enter the penguin because everyone liked it, especially the neighborhood children.

"I usually put something on him indicative of the season. In the fall, he usually has a backpack on, in Halloween he has a Halloween custom and in the summer he has goggles on. The children all like to stop and see what he's wearing."

She also thinks that displaying the penguin in the middle of summer is ironic and draws people to him because "he's out of his atmosphere instead of being in cold weather he's in warm weather."

Spencer enjoys the aspect of working in three dimensions that sculpturing gives her.

"I have tried two dimensional arts ... painting and printing ... but it doesn't give me the pleasure that 3-dimensional art does. I like to see something in the round."

Although she enjoys the 3-dimensional aspect of sculpting, Spencer recommends aspiring sculptors to learn the basics of two-dimensional media "from art history to painting and then start in sculpture ... It takes patience and strength and a place to work."

Since the early '70's, Spencer has been honing her



Irma B. Spencer's "Penguin of Summer."

skills as a sculptor. Her stone and metal sculptures are in homes from coast to coast.

The themes of her work are as diverse as the types of sculptures she makes. Some of them include works based on themes like "Phoenix," "Despair" and "mothers and children."

Exploring the Montgomery metal scrap yard, she carefully puts pieces she has found together with other brought pieces to create her artwork.

Most of her recent work is centered on "using found objects."

Currently, Spencer is working on two projects. She hopes to do a sculpture of a "big pig" someday soon.

Besides her home studio, she also works at the Montgomery College along with other sculptors and artists. Spencer prefers working at the college because she has a place where she can get her work done and converse with other sculptors.

"So we compare notes and help each other and talk about our work. It's very good for artists to talk to other artists." She said.

In addition, she also enjoys working with her long-time mentor and the chairman of the Montgomery College's sculpture department Orest Policzuk.

Spencer began her education in art studies at Montgomery College and received a B.A. from University of Maryland in 1976.

When she is not at work sculpting, she enjoys going to the theatre and the movies. In the winter, she keeps busy designing jewelry and presenting it at shows twice a year.

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Spring Horse Trials

Melissa Hunsberger jumps Almost Heaven around the Novice cross country course at the Seneca Valley Pony Club Spring Horse Trials on Sunday, June 13. More than 300 horses competed at Bittersweet Field on Partnership Road.

Mission To Ghana

Churchill Junior raises funds for journey to Ghana to help neurologist.

BY SUSAN BELFORD
THE ALMANAC

Twenty-two million people live in Ghana — but there are only six neurologists in the entire country to serve the needs of the population. There are no MRI's in the country and only three CT scanners. Once a year, Dr. Agha Ahabid, a Baltimore neurologist, and his team of surgeons, anesthesiologists, physician assistants, nurses and support staff travel to Accra, Ghana Africa on medical missions. Umar Ahmad of Potomac has volunteered to accompany Ahabid on this year's two-week trip to serve on his support team.

"I want to do my part in bettering society and have the opportunity to help others who are less fortunate. I am planning to pursue a career in the medical field when I grow up," said Umar.

Ahabid is director of The Neuro -Spine Research and Human Development Organization, Inc. Over the last 10 years, he has

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This Summer: To Learn And Build

Youth travels to Mississippi to help Habitat for Humanity.

BY COLLEEN HEALY
THE ALMANAC

Next fall a local high school student will have quite an interesting "What I did during my summer vacation" essay to give to his English teacher.

Michael Sewell, a Winston Churchill High School student from Potomac, is joining other youth from across the country to help build a Habitat home in Mississippi as part of Habitat for Humanity International's "Learn and Build Experience."

Habitat's summer program provides youth ages 16 to 18 the opportunity to get involved with Habitat's mission of ending substandard housing through a week of building and learning about poverty hous

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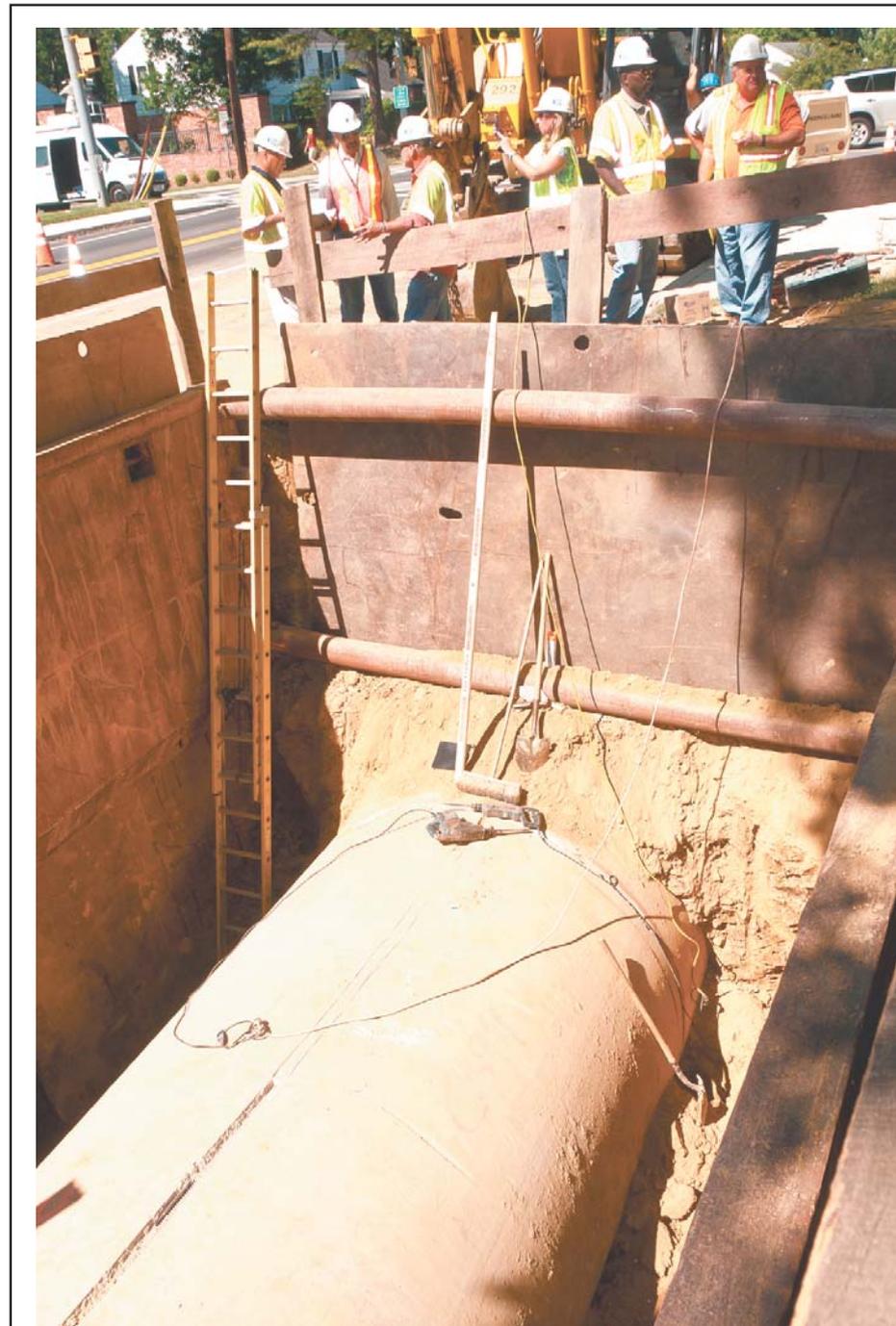


PHOTO BY HARVEY LEVINE/THE ALMANAC
Across the street from Churchill High School, crews work on repairing the 96-inch water pipe.

Water Pipe Repaired

New monitoring technology detected weakness.

The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC) ended the mandatory water use restrictions, effective Tuesday, July 6, following last week's replacement of a 96-inch water pipe.

In a written statement, WSSC General Manager Jerry N. Johnson said, "Our pipe is back in service. I want to thank our customers who were unavoidably inconvenienced by these water restrictions. We made the right decision and took the proper precautions when we decided to immediately repair the pipe.

The restrictions were unfortunate, but necessary. We needed to be proactive to prevent what could have been a very serious situation."

In addition, WSSC continued the restrictions into Tuesday to make certain that the water meets state water quality standards. Tests confirmed Tuesday morning that those standards have been met.

The order was issued on Thursday, July 1, after a monitoring system detected a potential weakness in a section of a 96-inch pipe near the intersection of Tuckerman Lane and Gainsborough Road in Potomac. To maintain pressure for fighting fires and to reduce risk to the entire system, the restrictions sought to reduce water usage to take the pressure off of another, smaller transmission pipe.

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Deadly Surprise

No swimming in the Potomac.

BY COLLEEN HEALY
THE ALMANAC

Many Potomac residents are feeling the hot temperatures and sticky humidity this summer. It can be tempting while walking along the Potomac River to take a dip and cool off. However, looks can be deceiving and the calm surface of the river often hides a strong undertow.

According to C&O Canal bike patrol volunteer Terry Richards the river "is unpredictable at any level, even at low tide. Kayakers have an awareness level of the river. Many if not all wear flotation devices. The typical visitors to the park would seldom be seen with flotation devices. Never attempt to swim in the river."

Kayaker and Potomac resident John St. Clair knows how deceptive the river can be. "The parts of the river where the rocks stick up can seem placid but the water gets constricted and goes quickly around the rocks and you can get pulled around the rocks and get caught up in the current. It can be really treacherous. Inexperienced or immature people should be nowhere near the river. An OK situation can turn bad really quickly."

The National Park Service which runs the Great Falls National Park wants to stress that swimming in the Potomac River is both deadly and illegal and that citations will continue to be issued for violations, and that entering the Potomac River to swim or cool off very likely can or will end in a death by drowning situation. Eight people have drowned in the river over the last 16 months.

Over the 4th of July weekend, the Cabin John Fire Department brought one of their four rescue boats to Great Falls National Park and handed out fliers to educate the

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Be Safe

Ways to stay safe on the river from Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service www.mcfrs.org/mcsafe:

- ❖ No swimming
- ❖ No wading
- ❖ No alcohol
- ❖ Frequent drowning occurs in the Great Falls area. Anyone entering the river is at risk.
- ❖ The Potomac River seems so tranquil that people are unaware of danger. Water currents are extremely strong with massive undertows even where the surface looks calm.
- ❖ Stay away from the water's edge, wet rocks are slippery. Fish only on the shore.
- ❖ It is prohibited to launch boats from the Virginia shore between Great Falls and the Aqueduct Dam one-third upriver.
- ❖ Do not boat in these waters without expert guidance. Know the river and your skills.



PHOTO BY EMMA KIMM DIXON
THE ALMANAC

Snapshot

This fawn and its twin are new residents of Potomac, born to a doe who last year successfully raised triplets.

North Potomac Man Found Dead

Detectives from the Montgomery County Police Major Crimes Division are investigating the death of Alvin Magalnick who was reported missing Friday night, July 2, from his residence.

On Saturday morning, July 3, at 9:33 a.m. police responded to the area of Riffleford Road and Monarch Vista Drive for the report of a disabled auto. Responding officers discovered Magalnick deceased in the vehicle. There is no foul play suspected.

Ride On Fares Increase

Montgomery County's Ride-On bus system changed its fares on June 27 to coordinate with the introduction of a new fare structure by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (Metro).

The Ride-On fare changes are designed to make transfers between Metrobus and Ride-On simpler and less confusing by keeping fares for the two transit systems compatible. In addition, to help close Montgomery County's nearly \$1 billion budget gap for fiscal year 2011, which began July 1, Ride-On made other changes.

The new Ride-On fares that became effective on June 27 are shown below:

- Regular cash fare or token — \$1.70
- Regular fare paid with SmarTrip card — \$1.50
- Express Route 70 cash fare or token — \$3.85
- Express Route 70 fare paid with SmarTrip card — \$3.65

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PHOTOS BY HARVEY LEVINE/THE ALMANAC

The parade is about to start.

River Falls Celebrates Fourth of July 4



Uncle Sam and 6-year-old Ryan Caudron.



Jill Phillips of "Squeals on Wheels" with Alpaca "Teddy" and miniature horse "Captain Jack Sparrow."



Juliet Heimberg (originally from London but now from River Falls) wears a Union Jack. She is accompanied by her miniature golden doodle Sammi



Bicyclists join the parade.



Heaton Talcott (14 years), Caroline Webster (15 years), and Whitney Cinkala (14 years).

Churchill Junior Seeks To Help Neurologist in Ghana

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led a team to help meet the surgical needs of the underserved population of Ghana. His dream is to build a 50-bed surgical specialty hospital in Accra. The facility will be the first of a number of hospitals strategically placed in the West Africa region. Ahabid is envisioning that “the hospital will be a catalyst for introducing modern health care practices to Ghana — and will raise the standards in the region, especially in the surgical field.”

Umar will help distribute medical and educational supplies and will also gather vital data concerning the medical readiness of the communities in Ghana. He is excited about shadowing the medical workers, assisting doctors in many capacities, and learning about medical needs of a third world nation.

Looking forward to the opportunity to explore a new culture, he will learn the customs of the Ghana people, and try the food. “I will be keeping a daily log of my activities. I think it will be an eye-opening experience.”

The biggest challenge for Umar is that in order to fund his dream of traveling to Ghana, he must raise \$3,000. He has been fund-raising for several months, asking for support from the local medical community,



PHOTO BY SUSAN BELFORD/THE ALMANAC

Umar Ahmad volunteers to support medical team going to Ghana.

his mosque, friends and family. He has not yet reached his \$3,000 goal, but is hoping that he can raise the funds within the next month.

Umar states that the long-term implica-

tions of his journey are so important: “On a personal level I want to learn more about the medical profession and become a better person.

But the bigger dream is to advance

Ghana’s and well as Africa’s medical infrastructure. Anyone who donates will have an impact on their world forever.”

Umar has chosen a challenging curriculum at Churchill High School to prepare him to enter a pre-med curriculum in college. He has completed Honors Chemistry and Honors Biol-

“But the bigger dream is to advance Ghana’s and well as Africa’s medical infrastructure.”

— Umar Ahmad

ogy. Next year, he will study Molecular Genetics and Anatomy and Physiology. He is enrolled in Churchill’s Mathematics Technology and Science Signature Program. Umar is also a member of the It’s Academic Team and will be a member of the cross country and crew teams next year.

To help Umar reach his goal, consider making a contribution to his cause. Call him at 301-560-2300 or 301-275-9535 for more information.

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EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT

Live Standup Comedy. 8 to 10 p.m. Five local comics. At the Laugh Riot at the Hyatt Regency Bethesda Hotel, 7400 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda. Call 301-657-1234 or visit www.Bethesda.Hyatt.com.

NOW THROUGH AUG. 8

"How I Became a Pirate." At Imagination Stage. Performances on Saturdays and Sundays at 1:30 and 4 p.m.; Tuesday-Friday at 10:30 a.m. Tickets from \$10-\$21. Visit <http://www.imaginationstage.org>.

WEDNESDAY/JULY 7

Be'la Dona. 7 p.m. Free. Be'la Dona is an all female R&B. They have performed for Howard Hewitt, Chuck Brown, Marsha Ambrosius of Floetry, Case, Leigh Jones and Tony Terry. Be'la Dona has performed in venues such as the Carter Baron, Blues Alley, Fridays at Sunset in Richmond, Va. and performed as the opening act for Frankie Beverly & Maze, Chico DeBarge, Joe, and Heatwave. Recently, the Be'la Dona received an award for Best Upcoming Band at the 2009 WKYS GOGO Awards. They were also nominated for 2 WAMMIE Awards in 2010, and a DMV Award for Best R&B Band. At Gudelsky Gazebo at the Music Center at Strathmore, 10701 Rockville Pike, 5301 Tuckerman Lane, Bethesda. Call 301-581-5100 or visit www.strathmore.org

THURSDAY/JULY 8

Slow Blues and Swing Dance. 8:15 to 11:30 p.m. Admission is \$12. With the band Glenn Crytzer and His Syncopators. The beginner workshop runs from 8:15 - 9 p.m. followed by dancing. The lesson gives new dancers important partnering basics. As always, the class is included in the \$12 admission and no partner is necessary. At the Back Room of Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. in Glen Echo. Email: info@capitalblues.org

SteveSongs. 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Tickets \$7 (Strathmore Stars \$6.30); age 2 and under are free. Steve Roslonek of SteveSongs has been writing and performing his award-winning music for kids and families for the past eleven years. Steve blends participatory songs, clever stories and great melodies. At Backyard Theater Stage at the Music Center at Strathmore, 10701 Rockville Pike, 5301 Tuckerman Lane, Bethesda. Call 301-581-5100 or visit www.strathmore.org

FRIDAY/JULY 9

Benefit Swing Dance for Laurie Gilkenson. 8 p.m. to midnight. Admission is \$15. Join dancers all over the DC Metro area as well as all over the country to this benefit dance for Laurie Gilkenson. Laurie recently underwent successful brain surgery but has found the medical bills overwhelming, so we are all helping her out with this benefit dance. Enjoy a dance lesson from 8 - 9 p.m. followed by dancing until with the Tom Cunningham Orchestra and Blue Sky 5. This promises to be a great dance for a great cause. All proceeds will be donated to the Gilkensons. At the Spanish Ballroom of Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. in Glen Echo. Email: grettathorn@gmail.com

Contra Dance. 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. Admission is \$9. The Friday Night Dancers present Contra dancing as



FRIDAY/JULY 16

"Handmade Puppet Dreams" vol. 1. 7:30-9:30 p.m. Admission is \$12. The Puppet Co. Playhouse expands its adult-friendly programming with a movie night dedicated to adult puppetry. Heather Henson's "Handmade Puppet Dreams," volume 1 (of four parts) is a touring festival of films that explore puppeteers' handmade craft specifically for the camera. These films have traveled all over the world, allowing artists to build their vision and breathe life into their dreams. Come watch these short, fresh and imaginative puppet films, which include: "Sammy And Sofa" by Tim Lagasse, "Graveyard Jamboree" by Seamus Walsh & Mark Caballero, "Last Rites" by Paul Andrejco and many others. Films range from silly to serious, handmade by professional puppeteers who work in TV, film and theatre. Limited seating. At The Puppet Co. Playhouse, Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Call 301-634-5380 or visit: www.thepuppetco.org to buy tickets online.

well as some square dances and waltzes. There is a Contra dance lesson from 7:30 to 8:15 p.m. followed by the called dance to live music from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. Beginners are always welcome. The lesson is included in the price of admission. This week Anna Rain calls to the fabulous Glen Echo Open Band. At the Spanish ballroom of Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. in Glen Echo. Email: fndcontra@yahoo.com.

Salsa Dance. 8 p.m. to midnight. Admission price TBD. High Energy Productions presents a Salsa Dance with a Salsa lesson from 8 - 9 p.m. taught by Keith Givens followed by dancing to recorded music until midnight. At Bumper Car Pavilion of Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. in Glen Echo. Email: searchernet@comcast.net.

SATURDAY/JULY 10

Potomac Used Book Sale. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Most hardback and large paperback books are \$1 and regular paperbacks are \$.50. At Potomac Library, 10101 Glenholden Dr. Potomac. All books are donated by the local community for the benefit of the library.

The Ins and Outs of Puppy and Dog Socialization. 3:30-5:30 p.m. Misunderstandings about socializing a puppy or dog can cause your pup to develop lasting fears and anxieties, even aggression issues. Learn the facts

Washington, D.C. At The Writer's Center, 4508 Walsh Street, Bethesda. Visit www.writer.org or call 301-654-8664.

Open House. 2 to 4 p.m. The Bethesda Chevy Chase Jewish Community Group is having an open house for its Judaic Learning Program. Next year's programs include Sunday classes for Kindergarten through third grade, family activities, Hebrew classes for ages 8-11, adult education, Israeli folk dancing, community service projects, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, and open High Holiday Services. At the Jewish Community Center, 6125 Montrose Rd., Rockville. Call Celia Barash at 301-762-4188.

Canal Stewards Cleanup. 9 a.m. to noon. Help the Conservancy clean up and beautify the land and water surrounding Lock 8, and along miles 8 and 9 of the C&O Canal towpath. At River Center at Lock 8, 7906 Riverside Ave., Cabin John.

Voices of the River: Journey Down the Potomac. 5 to 8 p.m. Come to a River Center art opening, featuring the work of local photographer, Jonathan Weiner. A Washington native and photographic artist, Jonathan grew up fishing, boating and exploring the Potomac River. After completing his BFA, Jonathan embarked on a three-year-long project to document the length of the Potomac River. Refreshments are provided. RSVP to tricarico@potomac.org by July 8. Admission is Free! At River Center at Lock 8, 7906 Riverside Ave., Cabin John.

Cajun and Zydeco Dance Party. 3 to 6 p.m. Admission is \$15. Dancing by the Bayou presents a Cajun dance featuring live music with Acadien Cajun Band — an aspiring young band, full of exuberance and a true love for what they do. Visit acadiencajunband.com for more information. Dance lesson at 3 p.m. taught by Michael Hart and Sharon Schiliro followed by dancing from 3:30 - 6 p.m. to live music. At the Bumper Car Pavilion of Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. in Glen Echo. Email: dancingbythebayou@verizon.net.

Contra and Square Dance. 7-10:30 p.m. Admission is \$12 for nonmembers and \$9 for FSGW members. The Folklore Society of Greater Washington presents traditional American contra dancing. The evening can include square dances, mixers, waltzes and other couple dances. All Contras and Square dances are taught—no partner is necessary. Lesson at 7 p.m., followed by dances with the Nor'Easter from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. At the Bumper car Pavilion of Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. in Glen Echo. Visit fsgw.org.

Seller Seminar. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Why Your House Will Sell When Others Don't. At the Cabin John Park Volunteer Fire Station, 8001 River Road, Bethesda. For seminar outlines, see www.HillSlowinski.com or call Hill Slowinski at 301-320-8430.

Swing Dance. 8 p.m.-midnight. Admission is \$15. Flying Feet Enterprises presents a Swing dance with fabulous live music. Beginner Swing Dance lesson from 8 - 9 p.m. followed by dancing to the Boilermaker Jazz Band until midnight. Net proceeds will be donated to Laurie Gilkenson's medical expense fund. At the Spanish Ballroom of Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. in Glen Echo. Visit dance@flyingfeet.org.

SUNDAY/JULY 11

Open Door Reading Series. 2 p.m. Free. Beltway 10th Anniversary and Full Moon on K Street Anthology. Featured authors will include Michelle Parkerson, Katy Richey, and Terence Winch reading from the new anthology Full Moon on K Street: Poems About

WEDNESDAY/JULY 14

Milkshake. Mini street festival 5:30 p.m. Music at 7 p.m. Baltimore-based Milkshake is a band on a mission: to create great rock music for kids. Led by singer Lisa Mathews and guitarist Mikel Gehl, whose songs for grown-ups have been featured in movies and prime-time television, and whose indie rock group Love Riot garnered critical praise during its 10-year run, Milkshake has won over preschoolers without compromising songcraft, stagecraft or their authentic rock & roll spirit. Milkshake took another step forward with the August 2009 release of their fourth studio CD, Great Day, which was nominated for a Grammy. At Gudelsky Gazebo at the Music Center at Strathmore, 10701 Rockville Pike, 5301 Tuckerman Lane, Bethesda. Call 301-581-5100 or visit www.strathmore.org

THURSDAY/JULY 15

Battle of the Bands, A Fundraiser for Haiti Relief. 7:30 p.m. The Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture brings live music to the Park. Bring your picnic blanket, kick off your shoes, and enjoy live music for a good cause with The Battle of the Bands, A Fundraiser for Haiti Relief. All concerts are in the Bumper Car Pavilion at Glen Echo Park. The Park's Dentzel carousel will be open during the event. Call 301-634-2222 or visit www.glenechopark.org.

Slow Blues and Swing Dance. 8:15 to 11:30 p.m. Admission is \$8. With DJ Mike Marcotte and guests. The beginner workshop runs from 8:15 - 9 p.m. followed by dancing. The lesson gives new dancers important partnering basics. As always, the class is included in the \$8 admission and no partner is necessary. We'll have an action-packed night for music with tunes from a variety of DJs. At the Ballroom annex of Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. in Glen Echo. Email: info@capitalblues.org

Hip-Hop Flip Flop with CityDance Conservatory. 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Tickets \$7 (Strathmore Stars \$6.30); age 2 and under are free. CityDance Conservatory dancers lead the audience through a high-energy dance performance that traces the development of hip hop steps through a variety of genres including Jazz, Afro-modern, break dance and Bollywood. Audience members enjoy the fun and "flip flop" created by the infusion of hip-hop. At Backyard Theater Stage at the Music Center at Strathmore, 10701 Rockville Pike, 5301 Tuckerman Lane, Bethesda. Call 301-581-5100 or visit www.strathmore.org

Rockin' the City Concert

Music fans will have more to do in Rockville while school is out thanks to the new Rockin' the City concert series. Rockin' the City features local bands performing on the lawn of the Civic Center Park, 603 Edmonston Drive, Wednesday nights, from 7 to 8 p.m.

The concerts, featuring bands comprised of local high school- and college-age members, include a wide variety of music styles and selections.

The schedule is:

❖ July 7 — Mercury in Summer: jazz, fusion and funk influenced pop, 7-8 p.m.

❖ July 14 — The Gift: hard rock/metal, 7-8 p.m.

❖ July 21 — Just Us: '80s party music, 7-8 p.m.

The shows are free and will be held behind the cottage at the park; concertgoers are advised to bring a blanket or lawn chairs for comfortable seating.

For more information visit www.rockvillemd.gov/arts or contact Julie Farrell at 240-314-8682 or jfarrell@rockvillemd.gov.

FINE ARTS



"Silhouette" (detail), black & white, 4x6" from "In Transit" series (no. 6).

NOW THROUGH JULY 31

Photographs by Timothy A. Ruane. An exhibit entitled "Images in Motion: An Experiment in Digital Photography" by Timothy A. Ruane is on display at the Potomac Community Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac. Hours: Monday and Tuesday, 1-8 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sunday, closed. Call 240-777-0690.

JULY 5-27

Threads of Change. Free admission. Meet the Artist's Reception is July 11 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Fiber Art with Ruth Cohen, Floris Flam, Candice Edgerly, Carol Nicholas, Sarah Pavlik and Donna Radner. At the Dennis and Phillip Ratner Museum, 10001 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda. Call 301-897-1518.

NOW THROUGH AUG. 1

"The Silver Speaks: Stories in Wearable Art." The Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture is pleased to present an exhibition of work by Glen Echo Park's newest artist-in-residence, Blair Anderson. In this collection of new works, Anderson depicts both personal themes as well as political, environmental, and women's issues using the craft of silversmithing. In the Popcorn Gallery. Saturdays & Sundays, 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. An Artist Reception will be held on Saturday, July 3, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Visit glenechopark.org for details.

JULY 6 THROUGH JULY 31

"Exploration." New Work by Gallery Artists. Reception on Friday, July 9 from 6-9 p.m. Waverly Street Gallery, 4600 East-West Highway, Bethesda. Gallery hours are Tuesday through

Saturday from noon to 6 p.m. Contact Liz Lescault lescault@earthlink.com or call 301-772-9340. Visit www.waverlystreetgallery.com

JULY 9-11

"Schneier & Schneier," a dual exhibit of paintings and prints by Leslye Morgan Schneier of Paris, France, and Joanna Schneier of New York City, opens Friday July 9 at noon at the Yellow Barn Gallery at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. An open reception with the artists is scheduled for Saturday, July 10, from 6-8 p.m. The exhibit runs from 12 p.m. - 5 p.m. on July 9, 10 and 11.

The works by Leslye Morgan Schneier consist of paintings and water colors of Paris, paintings of still life and a serigraph print of the Glen Echo Carousel. Four different serigraph prints of the old Walt Whitman High School will also be shown and a reproduction of a print of the Sycamore Store on MacArthur Boulevard. Joanna Schneier will present paintings on wood and canvas that depict a variety of colorful scenes of New York City and also portraits.

All events are open to the public. Contact the Yellow Barn Gallery at 301-371-5593 or the National Park Service, Glen Echo, at 301-492-6229.

JULY 16-18

Recent Works by Sheri Bartholow & Patricia Nylin. Artist reception on Saturday, July 17 from 5-7 p.m.

Maryland artists, Sheri Bartholow and Patricia Nylin will present recent oil paintings at Glen Echo Yellow Barn Gallery. Ms. Bartholow's work is representational and largely focused on figures, including many portrait studies. Ms. Nylin's work is also representational and focuses on classical still life paintings. The show will be on display: July 16-18th; Friday 12-5 p.m.; Saturday 12-7 p.m.; Sunday 12-5 p.m. At the Yellow Barn Gallery, 3700 MacArthur Blvd, Glen Echo; call 301-492-6229.

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by
Michael Matese

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CJFD Warns Park-Goers of River Dangers

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public about the dangers of the Potomac River. The department hopes to be at the park most weekends this summer.

Firefighter Kirk Ney stressed that the department was at the park “for the safety aspect, to advise the public of the dangers of the river not to police them. There is steep access to the water and it is very easy to slip and not a lot to grab onto. The surface of the river looks calm but it doesn’t take much to slip in and be pulled under by the rip current. It is very inviting on hot days to swim in the river, but please don’t go in the water.”

As for kayaks and boats along the river, Ney advises to always wear helmets and a personal flotation device (PFD). He has seen many people fishing by the river’s edge with no life jacket on. He advises to fish within 10 feet of the water and to wear a PFD. As for children, they should keep away from the water’s edge.

“It only takes a second for something to

happen,” he said. The trails along the tow-path are some of the most challenging in the D.C. park system and he advises to hydrate prior to hiking and to bring water along when hiking. Also wear proper clothing and footwear.

“Respect the river; enjoy its beauty but know there is a dangerous part. Above all enjoy the summer,” he said.

PHOTO BY COLLEEN HEALY
THE ALMANAC

Over the 4th of July weekend, members of the Cabin John Fire Department Station 30 brought their rescue boat to Great Falls National Park and handed out river safety fliers to advise the public on the dangers of the Potomac River. From left, Jason Barkdoll, Lt. Chad Mooreland, Kirk Ney and Jedediah Gregory.



Summer Yields ‘Learn and Build Experience’

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ing. Sewell is one of 16 individuals selected for the July 11-17 alternative break trip in Meridian, Miss.

Overall, 80 students will attend one of five weeklong summer service learning trips, partnering with a Habitat affiliate in Tennessee, Mississippi or Washington. Students will also spend time in the community learning about the need for affordable housing.

“During the course of the week, this diverse group of young people will build friendships and hope,” said Desiree Adaway, Habitat’s senior director of Volunteer Mobilization. “It’s an incredible opportunity for young people to contribute to Habitat’s mission, to better understand housing issues in communities across the United States and to see the real impact they can make.”

After he researched several community service projects, the Habitat for Humanity project stood out for Sewell because he felt “it is important for people to have not just a good house to live in but a home. We are going to help a family that is living in a sub-

standard house. I like this project because the family is involved in building their own home. I feel lucky to live in a nice home and want to give back too.”

When asked why he chose to spend his vacation helping others, Sewell noted the poverty stories he sees on the news and wanted to help others in the United States. He hopes to learn from his trip how to “broaden my views on things and hopefully it will give me a better perspective of our country and how other people live and give me a better appreciation for what I have.”

In addition to being a Habitat for Humanity Learn and Build Experience participant, Sewell is also involved in a tutoring program at Beverly Farms as well as Montgomery County teen court.

Habitat for Humanity International is an ecumenical Christian ministry that welcomes to its work all people dedicated to the cause of eliminating poverty housing. Since its founding in 1976, Habitat has built, rehabilitated, repaired or improved more than 350,000 houses worldwide, providing simple, decent and affordable shelter for more than 1.75 million people. For more information, or to donate or volunteer, visit habitat.org.



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Michael Sewell packs his bags for a trip to Mississippi to help build houses for Habitat for Humanity.

WEEK IN POTOMAC

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Beginning June 27, Ride On also suspended the Kids Ride Free program.

However, those under 18 can still take Ride On at discounted rates by purchasing a Youth Cruiser Pass for \$11 a month, good for unlimited rides. During the summer, the less expensive three-month, \$18 Summer Youth Cruiser Pass provides unlimited rides during June, July and August.

Ride On is also suspending the Code Red, Ride Free program, which has provided free rides on Code Red or Code Purple Days when air quality is considered unhealthy or very unhealthy, respectively. Single Code Red days saw minimal or no ridership increase and cost the County \$45,000 on a weekday, \$26,000 on a Saturday and \$20,000 on a Sunday. The Northern Virginia Transportation Commission discontinued its program last year, and Metrobus also will not participate this year.

For more information about Ride-On, go to www.RideOnBus.com, or call the County’s Transit Information Center at 240-777-7433 (RIDE).

Water Pipe Repaired

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A preliminary inspection of the pipe indicates corrosion and damage. It will undergo a full forensic analysis.

WSSC asked for a 30 percent reduction in water use, with a prohibition on outdoor use.

Monitoring technology called Acoustic Fiber Optics (AFO) was installed in the 96-inch Prestressed Concrete Cylinder Pipe (PCCP) three years ago during a routine inspection. Wires are embedded inside the PCCP and covered by a layer of concrete.

When corrosion causes the concrete, and then the wires, to deteriorate, the wires snap and make a “ping” sound. AFO works by “listening” for those sounds. An alarm was sounded Thursday June 30, after eight pings were detected over a 24-hour period. That set off a series of events which led to WSSC taking the pipe out of service and ordering the Mandatory Water Restrictions.

While work on the pipe is complete, work to restore the site will continue for several days.

Harclerode's Bat Pounds, Parks' Body Pounded

Bethesda's Harclerode homers, Parks hit by record five pitches in Big Train 15-2 victory.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE ALMANAC

Austin Harclerode spent Saturday night battering the baseball, collecting a pair of hits and smoking a two-run home run. His teammate, Jarrod Parks, was on the receiving end when the ball hit back.

Five times.

Each contributed to Bethesda's offensive outburst on July 3, when the Big Train defeated the Southern Maryland Nationals 15-2 during a Cal Ripken Collegiate Baseball game at Povich Field. The win, along with two losses by Youse's Orioles (17-10), moved Bethesda (16-8) into first place. The win was the Big Train's eighth in their last 10 games.

“At Mississippi State they teach us not to move, not to flinch at the plate. It's nothing about standing too close [to the plate]. It's just when the pitch is coming at me I don't flinch.”

— Bethesda's Jarrod Parks, who was hit by five pitches in one game.

While Harclerode's method was stylish and breathtaking, Parks' effort was painful and record-breaking. Harclerode went 2-for-4 with a single, home run, three runs scored and two RBIs. The homer, a sixth-inning blast which disappeared into the threes beyond the fence in left-center and likely approached 380 feet, was Harclerode's first of the season and gave the Big Train a 10-0 lead.

Harclerode hit five home runs with a metal bat during his junior season at Towson. But the Nashville native said nothing compares to smacking one with a wood bat.

“Metal, you can steel feel [contact with the ball] more,” he said. “But a wood bat, there's no other feeling like it. It feels like you didn't

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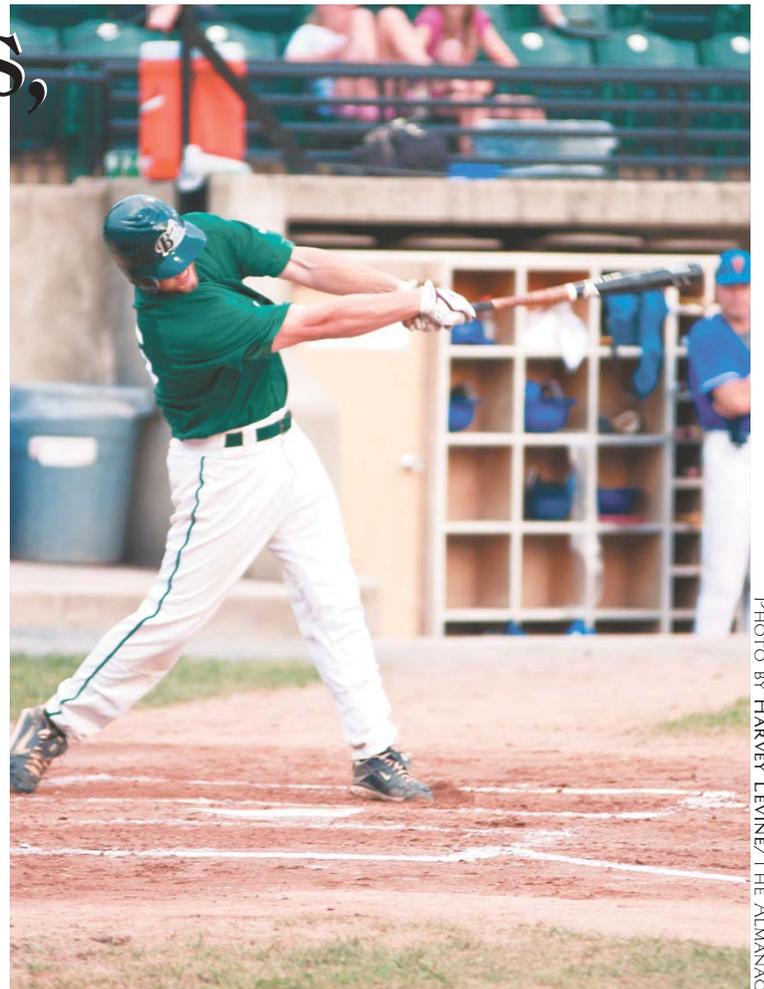


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Bethesda first baseman Austin Harclerode, seen earlier this season, hit a home run during the Big Train's 15-2 win over the Southern Maryland Nationals on July 3 at Povich Field.

Five questions with Bethesda Big Train and Mississippi State infielder Jarrod Parks. 5Qs

Q: Who is your favorite music artist?

A: Eric Church. He's just a southern guy. I like country a lot. I'm from the south. Up here, it kind of reminds me of home.

Q: What is the biggest adjustment when switching from metal bats to wood bats?

A: Just staying inside the ball, making sure your bat doesn't break.

Q: What is your favorite movie?

A: “Superbad.” It's just funny— something you can watch with the boys a lot. You can watch it over and over and it's something you can quote with your friends.

Q: What is one humorous



stereotype about the south that is true?

A: We talk slow and don't have good grammar.

Q: You recently overcame a back injury. What was the process like?

A: My body has been sore — it gets sore really quick because I haven't done sprints. It's hard to get back to into it running-wise with your back. You use your back more than anything.

— JON ROETMAN

SPORTS BRIEFS

Week 3 MCSL Results

The Montgomery County Swim League completed week three of competition. In Division A, Rockville improved to 3-0 with a 528-261 win over Westleigh. Rockville has won each meet by more than 160 points. Tilden Woods also improved to 3-0, edging Bethesda 406-386 and Upper County beat Flower Valley 455-336.

Mill Creek Towne remained unbeaten in Division B, besting Manchester Farm 463-329. Stonegate improved to 3-0 with a 439-353 win over Quince Orchard and Potomac Glen beat Hallowell 412.5-377.5.

In Division C, Potomac beat Bannockburn 427-363, Potomac Woods defeated Damascus 446-344 and Woodley Gardens bested Germantown 437-355.

In Division D, Poolesville beat Kentlands 414-377, Darnestown defeated Robin Hood 495-296 and River Falls beat Regency Estates 485.5-305.5.

In Division E, Merrimack Park beat Franklin Knolls 440.5-351.5, Old Georgetown topped Stonebridge 405-386 and Cedar brook beat Rock Creek 482-310.

In Division F, Northwest Branch beat Seven Locks 426-350, Country Glen defeated Garrett Park 417-375 and Connecticut Belair beat Olney Mill 438.5-352.5.

Mohican stayed undefeated in Division G, beating Lake Marion 457-326. Tallyho also moved to 3-0 with a 445-347 victory over Glenwood. Woodcliffe beat Tanterra 404-384.

In Division H, Chevy Chase Rec. Assoc. beat Rockshire 445-345, Wildwood Manor beat Inverness Forest 455-332 and Palisades bested Calverton 435-343.

In Division I, Little Falls beat Norbeck Hills 461-316, King Farm beat North Chevy Chase 441.5-344.5



PHOTO BY HARVEY LEVINE/THE ALMANAC

Elaina Faerber competes for the East Gate dive team on July 5.

and Daleview beat Ashton 412-379.

In Division J, Plantations beat Norbeck 416.5-356.5, Lakelands bested Elwick 466-320 and Carderock Springs defeated Somerset 402-382.

In Division K, Waters Landing beat Clopper's Mill

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The Last Thing I Want To Do



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

I'm sure it's my imagination, (it better be), or maybe it's just my overreaction to my next set of quarterly scans, but I'm beginning to think I should put/get my life in order, sort of. I don't mean funeral arrangements, wills and estate/financial planing (although, it would make a great deal of sense to consider it; maybe even to actually do it). No, my interests at this juncture are more subtle, more mundane, if you will. Activities like cleaning and organizing my personal space at home, tidying up miscellaneous loose ends (people, places and things), being more responsible and time-respectful of tasks – both personal and professional, even being a bit more responsive to charitable solicitations made in my direction ("There by the grace of God go I;" as it turns out, that's where I'm going).

I'm not quite ready to move closer to the Undertaker yet, like Radar's Uncle Ed did two days before he died, for convenience sake (according to Radar), in an episode of M*A*S*H back in the day, if you remember the episodes like I do. Nor am I nesting, not wanting to stray far from home in case – well, you know. However, I'm not exactly looking to go out of town either. I'm trying to keep an open mind, but when some "normal" (as it relates to one's life expectancy) options are all of a sudden closed (or shall I be more positive and say, modified?), it becomes more difficult to walk quietly and carry as big a stick as you may have previously carried (metaphorically speaking).

Still, "seeking new adventure..." as William Shatner/Captain Kirk voiced-over at the beginning of the original Star Trek television series "...to go where no man has gone before," resonates somehow. Though I am going where many men, women and children have unfortunately gone before, I am going somewhere where I have never been before: year two of a cancer diagnosis/prognosis, which according to my oncologist, rarely results in a year three, four, five and so forth. Apparently, living long and prospering may be as unrealistic as a "mind meld."

Nevertheless, hope springs eternal, especially if you grew up in New England as I did (Newtown Centre, Ma.) rooting for the Boston Red Sox before "the curse" was finally broken in 2004 when the Red Sox won their first World Series Championship in 86 years after years – and tears – of disappointment and excruciating heartbreak. As a result of where I was born – and the parents and baseball team to whom/with whom I've given my unrepentant loyalty, I am instinctively, by breeding almost, an optimist, more so in February "when pitchers and catchers report," (to Spring Training when the "new" Baseball season begins), but throughout the rest of the year and the rest of my life as well; I am positively optimistic. An attitude I am proud to espouse and embrace (what are the alternatives, really?).

And so, as I attempt to rearrange and simplify my life, I will do so not because there is some end in sight. Rather, I will do so because there is some beginning I'm attempting to find. Wish me luck. I'll probably need it.

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SPORTS

Harclerode Pounds; Parks Pounded

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hit anything. It almost feels like you swung and missed.”

Harclerode is batting .314 with 12 RBIs for the Big Train, and has hit safely in nine of the last 10 games. He singled and scored a run in the second inning of Saturday’s game, helping the Big Train jump out to a 4-0 lead.

“Within the last two weeks, I’ve been feeling great at the plate,” he said. “I got my swing, finally. The home run I hit as best I could. It was a changeup. I hit it square on the barrel.”

PARKS DIDN’T have many opportunities to inflict damage with his bat. Playing in his sixth game since returning from back and wrist surgeries, the rising senior at Mississippi State was hit by a CRCBL record five pitches. He finished 0-for-1 with one run scored, grounding out to second base in the fifth inning during the one at-bat he put the ball in play. While his Big Train teammates punished Nationals pitches to

the tune of 14 hits, Parks took two in the leg and three in the shoulder.

Parks is no stranger to being hit by pitches. Last season he set a Big Train record with 21 hit by pitches. While at Meridian Community College, he set school records for most times hit by a pitch in a season (41, 2008), most times being hit by a pitch in a career (60, 2007-08) and tied the record for most times being hit by a pitch in a game (3, 2008).

His secret?

“At Mississippi State they teach us not to move, not to flinch at the plate,” Parks said. “It’s nothing about standing too close [to the plate]. It’s just when the pitch is coming at me I don’t flinch.”

Parks acknowledged being hit by a pitch creates equal parts sense of achievement and frustration — achievement for reaching base, frustration for not being able to swing the bat.

Parks is 5-for-15 (.333) since returning to the Big Train, but is hitless in his last six at-bats.

“Right now I’m going through a little

slump,” he said. “I’m just trying to get my swing back after two surgeries. I’ve been out for six months. I’m just trying to get back into it and getting hit kind of slows it down.”

NICK VICKERSON (Mississippi State), **Danny Stienstra** (San Jose State), **Cody Freeman** (Mississippi State) and **Ryan Collins** (Mississippi State) each had two hits for Bethesda. Stienstra finished with three RBIs, and Vickerson, Freeman and Collins each had two.

“Our team’s hitting well,” Harclerode said. “We’re all making solid contact. One through nine, it doesn’t matter who [manager Sal Colangelo] puts in.”

On the mound, Bethesda starting pitcher **Cameron Love** (San Francisco) tossed five shutout innings to earn the win. The right-hander allowed five hits and one walk while striking out three. **David Russo** allowed two runs in three innings and **Nick Riley** pitched a scoreless ninth.

The Big Train travels to face the Alexandria Aces at 7 p.m. on July 7.

SPORTS BRIEFS

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443-342, Kenmont beat Quail Valley 403-387 and Whetstone defeated Manor Woods 402-379.

In Division K, Waters Landing beat Clopper’s Mill 443-342, Kenmont beat Quail Valley 403-387 and Whetstone defeated Manor Woods 402-379.

Hillandale beat Glenmont in a Division L matchup, 447-325. Forest Knolls beat Long Branch 408.5-355.5 and Old Farm defeated Fallsmead 473.5-294.5.

In Division M, Montgomery Square beat North Creek 418-356, Wheaton Woods beat Flower Hill 481-305 and James Creek edged Twin Farms 390-384.

In Division N, Middlebridge beat Twinbrook 383-368, East Gate defeated 432-266 and West Hillandale edged Kemp Mill 388-383.

In Division O, Tanglewood beat Parkland 366.5-277.5.

Mid-Atlantic Classic Set for July 14

The Cal Ripken Collegiate Baseball League Stars will take on the Valley League Stars in the Mid-Atlantic Classic on July 14 at the Bethesda Big Train’s Povich Field. Home run derby is set for 5 p.m. and the game will start at 7:05 p.m.

6-12. Standing room tickets are \$4 for adults, and \$2 for children ages 6-12. Children five and under receive free admission, as well as children wearing baseball and softball uniforms. Bethesda’s regular season schedule concludes near the end of July. www.bigtrain.org.

Two other great minor league baseball options this summer are Baltimore Orioles affiliates – the Frederick Keys (single-A, Carolina League) and the Bowie Baysox (double-A, Eastern League). Both ball clubs play in gorgeous, 10,000-seat ball parks.

The Keys, located at 21 Stadium Dr., in Frederick, captured the North Division title during the first half of the Carolina League season. The season’s second half began on Thursday, June 24 when Frederick played the Winston-Salem Dash. Tickets to Keys games run from \$5 to \$11 and there is a Fun Zone playground facility for children. So, shake your key chain and enjoy a team in which the mascot is a coyote named “Keyote.” And, by the way, Frederick hosts Potomac for three games July

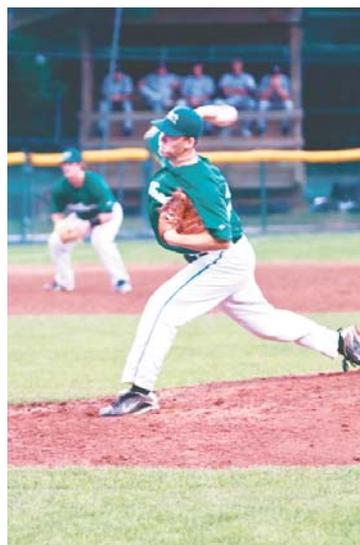


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Josh Schneider is a starting pitcher for the Bethesda Big Train. He is from West Chester, Pa., and attends Morehead State.

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7-9 (Wednesday-Friday). Call the Keys at 301-662-0013.

The Baysox play their games at Prince George’s Stadium in Bowie. A short trip down 50 East going towards Annapolis, then onto 301 North, will get you to the friendly confines of the ball park, located at 4101 Crain Highway.

A fan favorite at Bowie is the annual “Super Hero Night,” set to take place Sunday evening, July 11 at 6:05 p.m. Fans, young and old, can dress as their favorite super heroes. Super fireworks will follow the game. And, yes, real live super heroes will be available for autographs. The Baysox opponent that night will be the dastardly Trenton Thunder. Call the Baysox at 301-805-6000.

It’s still easy to take in a major league game, hop on the Metro and head down to the **Washington Nationals** Stadium. www.nationals.com.

— RICH SANDERS AND JON ROETMAN

SCHOOL NOTES

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Potomac resident Benjamin Semple was one of 655 students to graduate from Messiah College on May 15 during the College’s 101st annual commencement. Semple graduated with a bachelor’s degree in communication.

McDaniel College recently announced its spring 2010 Dean’s List in recognition of students’ academic excellence.

❖ **Brittani M. Director of Potomac** received Honors.

❖ **Kimberly V. Williams of North Potomac** received Highest Honors.

More than 1,700 students graduated from Villanova University (Villanova, Pa.) during a commencement ceremony held on Sunday, May 16, in Villanova Stadium.

The following local residents were among the students from Villanova University who received undergraduate degrees:

❖ **Elisabeth Crisafulli** of Potomac; bachelor of arts and a bachelor of science

❖ **Julia Hernandez of Potomac**; bachelor of arts.

❖ **John Kane of Potomac**; bachelor of arts.

❖ **Lindsey Stinson of North Potomac**; bachelor of arts.

Eric T. Wolf, a 2001 graduate of Churchill High School, and currently a doctoral student in atmospheric sciences at the University of Colorado at Boulder, was published recently in the June 4 edition of the peer reviewed journal, *Science*. Wolf’s research has helped solve the long-standing mystery called “the faint young sun paradox” and explains how primordial life on earth survived the damaging effects of the sun’s ultraviolet rays. Eric received his undergraduate degree in astronomy from the University of Maryland-College Park and expects to receive his Ph.D. in Atmospheric Sciences in 2012.

Michael Livesay, son of Mike and LoAnn Livesay of Potomac, was named to the dean’s list for the Spring 2010 semester at Saint Michael’s College. Livesay is a May Graduate Political Science and Religious Studies major at the liberal arts, residential Catholic college located in Burlington, VT. Livesay graduated from Saint John’s College High School before coming to Saint Michael’s.

Over 3,600 Pace University students graduated in four ceremonies in May. These Potomac residents graduated:

❖ **Anna L Gorelick from Potomac** graduated with a Doctor of Jurisprudence.

❖ **Monica Anand from Potomac** graduated with a Master of Arts.

Some 2,411 students were awarded a variety of bachelor’s degrees during the University of Vermont’s 206th Commencement ceremonies on May 23.

❖ **Piera A. Ferroni of Potomac**, received a Bachelor of Arts in German.

❖ **John T. Fuge of Potomac**, received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration.

Gettysburg College students with a quality point average of 3.33 or higher for a semester’s work are placed on the Deans’ Commendation List. The following local students have been placed on the Spring 2010 list:

❖ **Michael Boyland**, a first-year, from Potomac;

❖ **Matthew Canter**, a first-year, from North Potomac;

❖ **Meredith MacLauchlan**, a first-year, from North Potomac;

❖ **Veronika Stare**, a first-year, from Potomac.

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