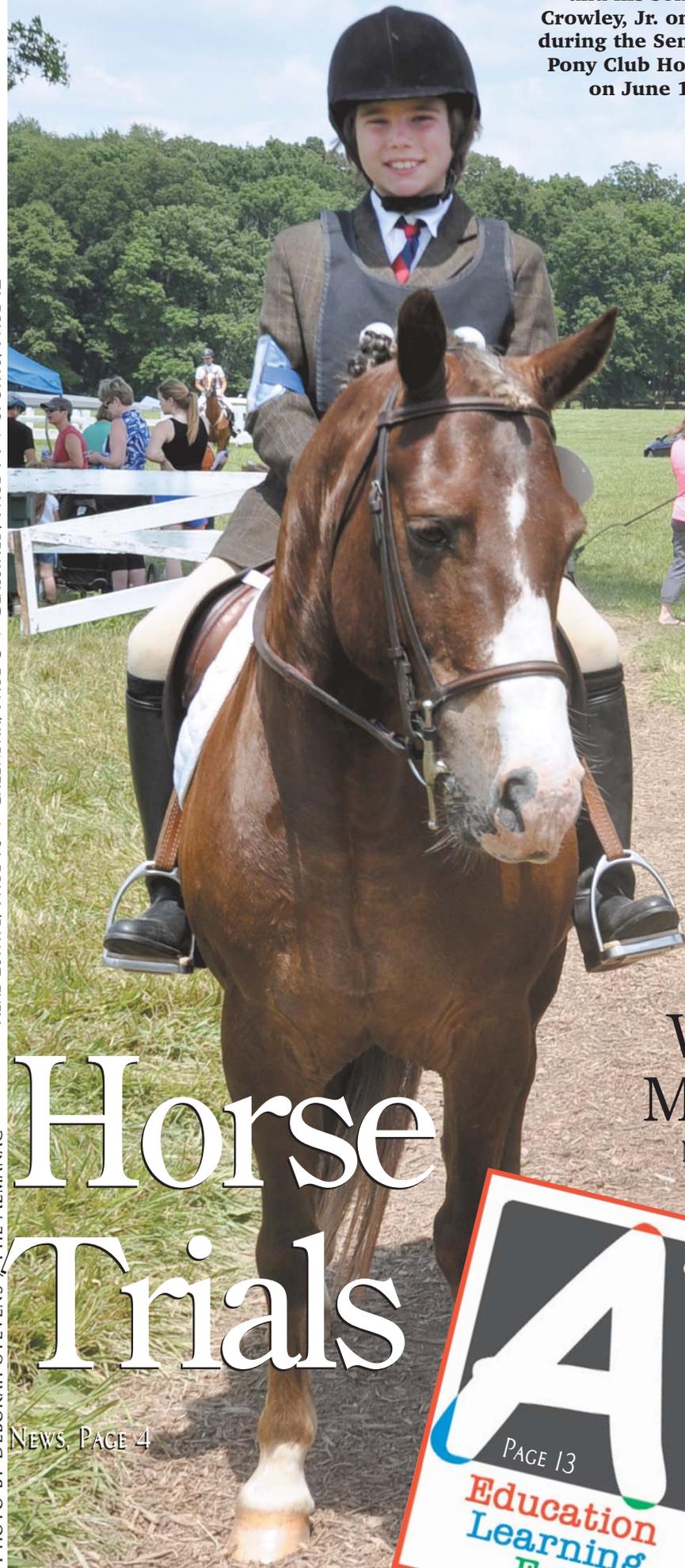


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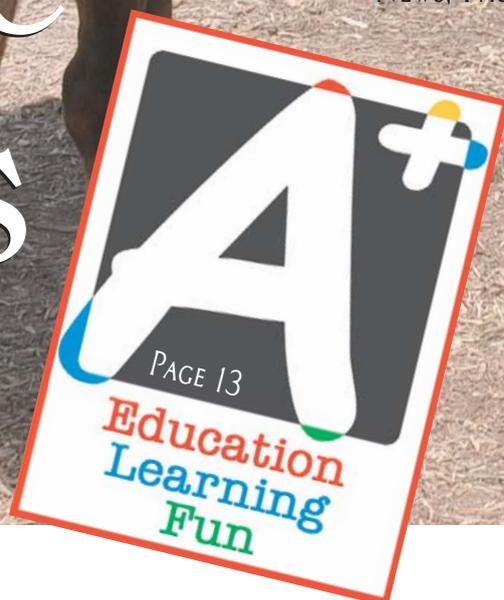
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In the Race Against Autism

12th Annual "Autism Speaks" 5k Race/Fun Walk returns July 4.

BY SUSAN BELFORD
THE ALMANAC

Potomac will be teeming with runners and walkers celebrating the 4th for a special cause — Autism Speaks. Almost two thousand runners and walkers will gather at the Potomac Library parking lot to raise awareness and funds for global biomedical research on causes, prevention, treatment and cures for autism.

An autism epidemic is at crisis level in the U.S. according to the Center for Disease Control reporting that 1 in 88 children (1 in 54 boys) are on the autism spectrum.

One way to contribute to the cause is to join this race/walk on July 4.

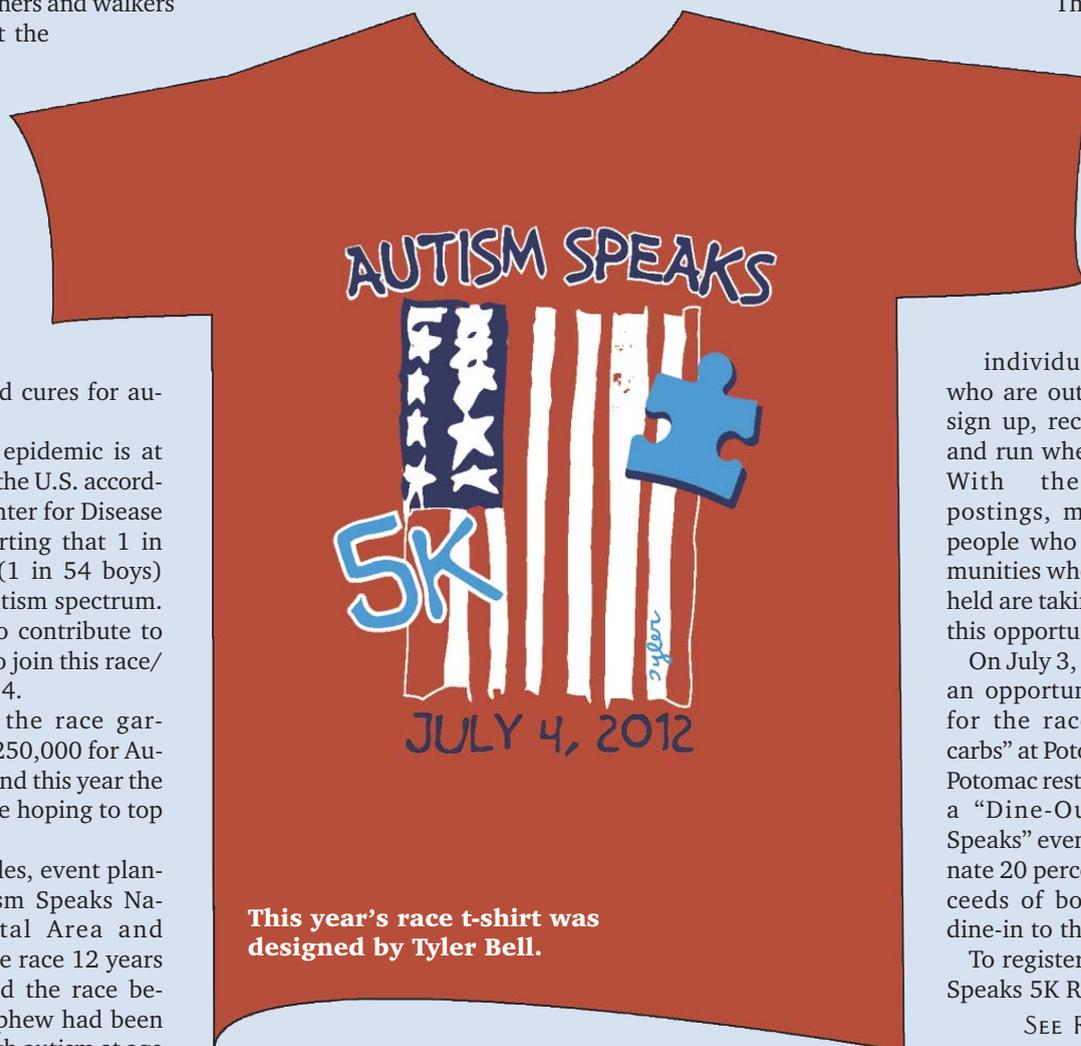
Last year, the race garnered over \$250,000 for Autism Speaks and this year the organizers are hoping to top that number.

Susan Pereles, event planner for Autism Speaks National Capital Area and founder of the race 12 years ago, launched the race because her nephew had been diagnosed with autism at age 2. She recently returned from his Bar Mitzvah. "I was moved to tears," she said. "Here is my nephew, a young man with autism who could not speak at age 3 and 4, who had to use sign language and flash cards to communicate — and he read the Torah in Hebrew to us. It was such a special, beautiful ceremony for everyone."

On the subject of autism, Pereles is passionate: "We are in deep trouble. There's not a magic pill to cure this disease. We still do not know why the numbers are increasing — and what causes autism. Better pre-natal identification by the age of 18 months must occur. We are getting closer — more pharmaceutical companies are pulling work groups together and putting more money into research — but we must do even more. As autistic children get older, the issue of providing housing alternatives, employment, and socialization opportunities for them becomes a huge problem for com-

munities and governments."

This year's race t-shirt was designed by Tyler Bell, a teen affected by autism. The t-shirt will be bright red with Tyler's contemporary runner superimposed on the American flag. All racers who register by July 2 will receive the t-shirt.



This year's race t-shirt was designed by Tyler Bell.

The race will begin at 7:45 a.m. with a pre-race warm-up. The gun goes off for the 5K road race at 8 a.m. and for the 1 mile walk at 8:05 a.m. The 5K course passes through shaded residential streets and ends with a long down-hill finish. Because of the large number of runners for the 5K, a wave start will be utilized to allow runners to run "at their pace right from the start." The first wave will consist of all runners who expect to run at a 6:30 min/mile pace or better. The second wave is for those runners who run a 6:30 – 8 min/mile. The third wave is for 8 – 10 min/mile races and the fourth wave is for all runners who will run a 10+ min/mile. Monetary awards will go to the top three overall male and female finishers. Cash awards will also be given for the top male and female Masters (40 and over) winners. Prizes will also be given to the top fundraiser teams. After the race, participants can enjoy food, beverages and music.

"Registration is ahead of last year at this time — and now the teams are forming and starting their fundraising. We have teams from swim clubs, schools, neighborhoods, churches, and other organizations — these teams are a vital part of our race and our fundraising.

They truly take on the spirit of the day," said Pereles. She also explained that the "Run Anywhere" campaign encourages

individuals and teams who are out of the area to sign up, receive the t-shirt and run wherever they are. With their Facebook postings, more and more people who reside in communities where no races are held are taking advantage of this opportunity.

On July 3, racers will have an opportunity to prepare for the race by "packing carbs" at Potomac Pizza. The Potomac restaurant will hold a "Dine-Out for Autism Speaks" event. They will donate 20 percent of their proceeds of both take-out or dine-in to the race.

To register for the Autism Speaks 5K Race and One

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Susan Pereles starts the races.

What's Missing?

Brickyard Coalition attorney pursues withheld documents.

BY KEN MOORE
THE ALMANAC

The county has withheld 45 or more documents concerning the Brickyard Road site on the basis of client attorney privilege, and withheld 85 more documents based on a claim of deliberative privilege, according to Circuit Court records filed by the Brickyard Coalition last week.

And records for five high level county employees are missing for a five-month period, according to Curt Uhre and Keith Williams, of the Brickyard Coalition.

"We seek to compel the production of records willfully and wrongfully withheld," according to Montgomery County Circuit Court documents filed last week by Brian Barkley, attorney for the Brickyard Coalition.

"The Court should find that good faith efforts have not been made," he wrote.

The Brickyard Coalition filed a lawsuit in Montgomery County Circuit Court last November, claiming that the county has violated the public's right to have access to information about the government's affairs concerning the conversion of Brickyard Road farm site into soccer fields.

Earlier this spring, Montgomery County Executive Isiah Leggett officially awarded 20-acres of farmland on Brickyard Road, owned by the Board of Education, to Montgomery Soccer, Inc. to develop into four soccer fields.

MSI would develop the fields for use by its members under a sublease from the county.

In March 2011, neighbors and civic organizations in Potomac learned that Leggett had already decided, without public input or notice, to take control of the 20-acre school property on Brickyard Road to turn it over for development into soccer fields.

The action would displace Nick

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"It's far from over. In my opinion, it's hardly begun."

— Ginny Barnes, West Montgomery County Citizens Association



Kerry York on Atticus doing dressage.



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Melissa Hunsberger on Black Diamond in the Stadium Jumping competition.



Ashley Gross on State of Lux in the cross country event.



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Joni McDuffie, The Smoothie Maker, and Ken Shumaker with his daughter Daisey Shumaker.

Spring Horse Trials

Hundreds of horses and riders, including at least one rider headed to London on the shortlist for the Olympics — Allison Springer — converged at Bittersweet Field this weekend, June 16-17, for the Seneca Valley Pony Club Horse Trials.

Each horse-rider combination competed at one of six levels of difficulty in dressage, stadium jumping and cross country jumping. Jumps ranged from about 2.5 feet to nearly 4 feet in height, with a variety of challenges like ditches, banks and water.



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Cindy Anderson Blank jumps her horse Windsor down into the water on Saturday.



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Melissa Hunsberger, who with Natalie Hollis recently opened a new event barn (Destination Farm) in upper Montgomery County, competes her horse Starstruck (Jarmin) in stadium jumping.

PEOPLE

Venturing into Rent-a-Coop Business

Children and adults love fresh eggs and adorable chickens.

BY SUSAN BELFORD
THE ALMANAC

T Tyler Phillips and Diana Samata have found a way to bring the feel of the country to the urban environs of Potomac, Bethesda and other D.C. suburbs. They build chicken coops and rent them. The package includes two egg laying hens, a chicken coop, a 50 lb. bag of organic feed, a bale of straw and water, feed bowls — and even a basket for collecting eggs.

Their customers are parents who want their children to experience the joy of collecting fresh warm eggs and cuddling live chickens — or people who personally want to enjoy some of the pleasures of rural life.

Phillips first began building chicken coops to sell because the ones he purchased for his own hens were either very expensive (\$600 - \$2000) or they weren't well built. He created his own designs and began selling them on Craig's List. But his mom, Jill Phillips, who owns Squeals on Wheels with her husband John, suggested he rent the

chicken coops with a couple of chickens for people who wanted their children to have a short-term experience — or who were afraid to commit to the responsibility of ownership.

Now, Phillips and his girlfriend Diana Samata design, build, paint and deliver the coops — and they have been overwhelmed by the response to their business venture. Since the construction of their first coop two months ago, they have rented 30 coops. It takes the twosome 8 hours to build and paint a coop which is 6 and a half feet long, 38 inches high and wide. The coop fits into a minivan and comes with two Golden Comet laying chickens which lay an egg every day. It rents for \$140 for the first month and \$105 thereafter. Should the renter decide to own the chickens and coop, half of the rental fees can be applied to the purchase of the coop.

"I started with an A-frame, but that would not fit into a minivan," said Phillips. "It also did not provide enough sunlight for the chickens. I observed the chickens to see what they liked. The coops have been a work in progress, and we keep making changes to them. In fact, we just added a new ventilator system. Our coops are 100 percent predator-safe, as long as they are locked at night."

According to Phillips, the chickens will not



Tyler Phillips and Diana Samata build chicken coops and rent them.

go more than 20 feet from the coop during the day. At night, they are anxious to head back to their safe haven.

What are the responsibilities of chicken care? According to their website, the hens must be given food and water once a day

and the coop should be moved and cleaned out at least once a week. In order to lay healthy eggs, chickens require sunlight, protein and calcium in their diet. The chickens must be let out of the coop for several hours

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Squeals On Wheels Delivers Fun for All

Teaching children about animals.

BY SUSAN BELFORD
THE ALMANAC

Twelve years ago, Jill and John Phillips moved into their Brickyard Road home which was located on a two-acre lot. Instead of purchasing a tractor or lawn mower, Jill Phillips decided they should acquire a couple of alpaca to graze in their yard — and then they would not need to mow it.



Jill Phillips with Keke.

Next, she decided she had to have goats, miniature llamas, iguanas, hedgehogs, pigs, chickens, rabbits, miniature horses, chinchillas, guinea pigs, pigeons, miniature ducks — and more. The two had been in the military for 27 years, and could not have pets since they moved so often. So she was making up for lost time.

The alpaca did not do the trick with the lawn, but the multitude of animals kept them and their five children entertained and busy. The Phillips decided to start sharing their animals with nursing home residents, and the idea was so well received that six years ago, they launched their "Squeals on

Wheels" Petting Zoo. Now Squeals on Wheels is a tradition at school and community events, children's birthday parties, nursing homes, festivals and children's shows.

"We provide our petting zoo for three to four parties each weekend, along with other events," said Jill Phillips. "The kids love having us come for their birthday parties because we really make the birthday boy or girl feel very special. Many times, we are asked back yearly because the children and adults have so much fun. Some of our specialty parties are 'Barnyard in a Backyard' which includes

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Summer Projects Reader input needed for community guides, Pet Almanac.

The summer is in full swing at the Almanac, with many interns and staff members focused on some light and some more serious summer projects.

At the end of July, we'll print our summer "Pet Almanac," and we invite readers to send in stories and photos of your pets, and any story ideas you might have. We love to have photos of you or other family members with your pets. Please include your name, pet's name, town name and contact phone number, and identify the people in any photos.

You can see some of the photos we've received for past Pet Almanac at <http://www.connectionnewspapers.com/photos/galleries/2012/feb/23/potomac-pet-connection/>.

Email almanac@connectionnewspapers.com.

EDITORIAL

Through July we will be working on our annual Insider's Edition: Newcomers and Community Guide, which will publish Aug. 22. We need input from our readers on many aspects of this guide.

Through narrative, tips from readers, listings, viewpoints and photographs, we endeavor to capture what it means to live here. We'll compile highlights of places to visit and things to do, a snapshot of local history, help finding community resources and tips on lesser known wonders in our communities.

As a local, weekly newspaper, the Almanac's mission is to bring the news you need about your community, to give you the information you need to enjoy the best things in and near your community, to advocate for community good, to provide a forum for dialogue on local concerns, and to celebrate and record milestones and events in community and people's

lives. We invite newcomers to the area and long-time residents alike to be a part of providing more reader input.

We appreciate readers' ideas. If you see something that you think might be a story, or something you have a question about, give us a call, or drop us a line. If you know of a person or an organization doing important work, something that might make a good feature story, let us know.

For our Insider's Guide, we are looking for your tips. What is one place you think is a "must see" for newcomers? What's your suggestion for ways to get involved in the community?

What are you most concerned about in your community? What do you think the top news stories will be in the coming months?

We also need input from community organizations to update listings and upcoming events. Send information by Aug. 1 to almanac@connectionnewspapers.com.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Brickyard Fight Is Far from Over

To the Editor:

It is dismaying to hear people say that the Brickyard Road School site issue is a done deal and the land lost forever to an MSI (Montgomery Soccer Inc.) soccerplex. It simply isn't true. In the 16 months since the Montgomery County Public School system capitulated to the County Executive's desire to give a private sports club public land for the same price it leased the site to nationally known organic farmer Nick Marvel, this community has mobilized itself and organized with a determination I've never before seen in my 25 years as a community and environmental activist.

Potomac citizens have always been active in land use, zoning and environmental issues because we take seriously our role in the county as one of two low density residential "green wedge" communities intended to buffer and protect the Agricultural Reserve. When our Master Plan was formulated, there was discussion of utilizing the Brickyard site as a "recreation" park for ball fields if it was not going to be a school.

Language was drafted to do so but was soundly rejected using petitions, a resolution voted on by WMCCA membership and with help from our then District 1 Councilmember Howie Denis.

The subsequent language adopted for the Master Plan was intended to avert just what we now see being forced down our collective throats. The arguments against any sort of sports complex were compelling then and provide a model for those same objections now. Traffic, noise, size of the site, incompatibility with existing land use and inconsistency with the premises of of the Potomac Subregion Master Plan.

Under the umbrella of the Brickyard Coalition, major civic groups and individuals in Potomac have organized, raised money, met with public officials and initiated legal actions; all to obtain the transparency we never received while the County Executive spent 2 years planning in secret to deliver this project to a private sports entity. We have appeals currently pending with the Maryland State Board of Education over the illegal leasing of this property by our local Board of Education to the county. After repeated attempts through the Maryland Public Information Act (MPIA) to obtain documents from the County Executive, we've discovered 5 whole months of relevant materials have gone missing. They pertain to the early stages of county planning to deliver Brickyard to soccer interests. We've been forced to file legal action to obtain those missing documents.

Though we've had minimal support from our own District 1 Councilman Roger Berliner and even learned he knew about the project at least 6 months before the community did, we've met with and educated a number of Council members on Brickyard and our experience helped shape the recently passed Bill 11-12 that provides needed oversight to county land deals like this one. Finally though, it is at Park and Planning, from whence our Master Plan emanated where we will finally have the public airing never afforded us. The county sublease to MSI stipulates the proposal will be subject to Mandatory Referral. Though advisory, there has rarely been a project that flaunted the findings made by Planning Commissioners in a Mandatory Referral case.

Under Mandatory Referral, submission requirements include plans, drawings, narrative of the proposal, a traffic impact statement, consideration of bicycle and pedestrian safety, a Natural Resource Inventory/Forest Stand Delineation (NRI/FSD) to determine how com-

pliance with the Forest Conservation Law will be achieved; a Water Quality Plan, pedestrian and vehicular circulation maps, proof of compliance with the County Noise Ordinance and architectural schematics. The review will establish whether or not the proposal is inconsistent with the General Plan or other plans or policies for the area, or has negative impacts on surrounding properties, the neighborhood, the transportation network, the environment or other resources.

We, the citizens can and will be involved in every aspect of the review process. There will be a staff packet with recommendations and a public hearing where Maryland National Capital Park and Planning (MNCPPC) Commissioners will deliberate at the conclusion and render an opinion.

This will all be done in the open. We've had no transparency to date and we have repeatedly asked for it to no avail. In the Mandatory Referral process a lot of unknowns will be revealed and the applicant will be present to answer questions from the Commissioners we've never even been able to ask. Our community looks forward to finally having a public review of a proposal that for 16 months has excluded us and where the County Executive Office has even stooped to denigrating our legitimate concerns.

Meanwhile, we continue seeking whatever administrative relief is available to us while keeping to a strategy that may include more sweeping legal actions. I'm proud of my Potomac community for taking a stand and remaining committed to it. Because they have done so, this fight is very far from over.

Ginny Barnes,
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Squeals On Wheels

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mini-chickens, mini ducks, rabbits, miniature goats, and alpaca and our 24" mini-horse. The kids love seeing, touching and holding the animals. Another party is the 'Dr. Doolittle Zoo' with 20 or more animals including a hedgehog, chinchilla, a giant Flemish rabbit, a tortoise, miniature pigs and much more." Other parties include the Bunny and Peeps, Bunnies and Buddies, Wonder Pets, and Pony Parties, featuring pony rides, pony decorating parties and pony and pals parties. Parties start at \$175.

Besides bringing the joy of animals to children, the Phillips believe that teaching children about animals in one of their most important missions. They have created a program called "Fur, Feathers and Scales" which delivers an educational hands-on experience to children. They teach them about various species and focus on why animals have fur, feathers and scales — and how important these various coverings are to animals. They also teach the differences between mammals, birds and reptiles. Another educational program is "Ol McDonald Had a Farm" which features Cowboy John Phillips from Old McDonald's Farm. He introduces farm animals to pre-school and

primary school students while they sing the song. "I love it when we sing, "Here-a-duck,duck, there-a-duck,duck – and we pass around the duck for everyone to pet and hold," said Jill Phillips. "We do about eight verses, and the kids just love singing and then holding the animals. It becomes more than just a song to them. They actually experience it."

Jill Phillips recalls a time when she was supposed to be at Potomac's Manor Care at noon to share the animals with the residents. She had not written down the appointment, and when they called to ask where she was, she told them she would be there in a few minutes. No one was avail-

able to help her take the animals, and the only car at home was her convertible. So she put 10 animals on leads and got them into her car with the alpaca and the pony sitting in the front seat, and the others behind her in the back. With the top down, holding the leads, she cautiously drove to Manor Care with all the animals looking out of the car and hoping that no one in the menagerie would try to jump out. When she arrived, it was like 10 clowns exiting a Volkswagen. The residents clapped as animal after animal came out of the car. It was indeed a zoo on wheels.

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by
Michael Matese

The Privacy of The Client

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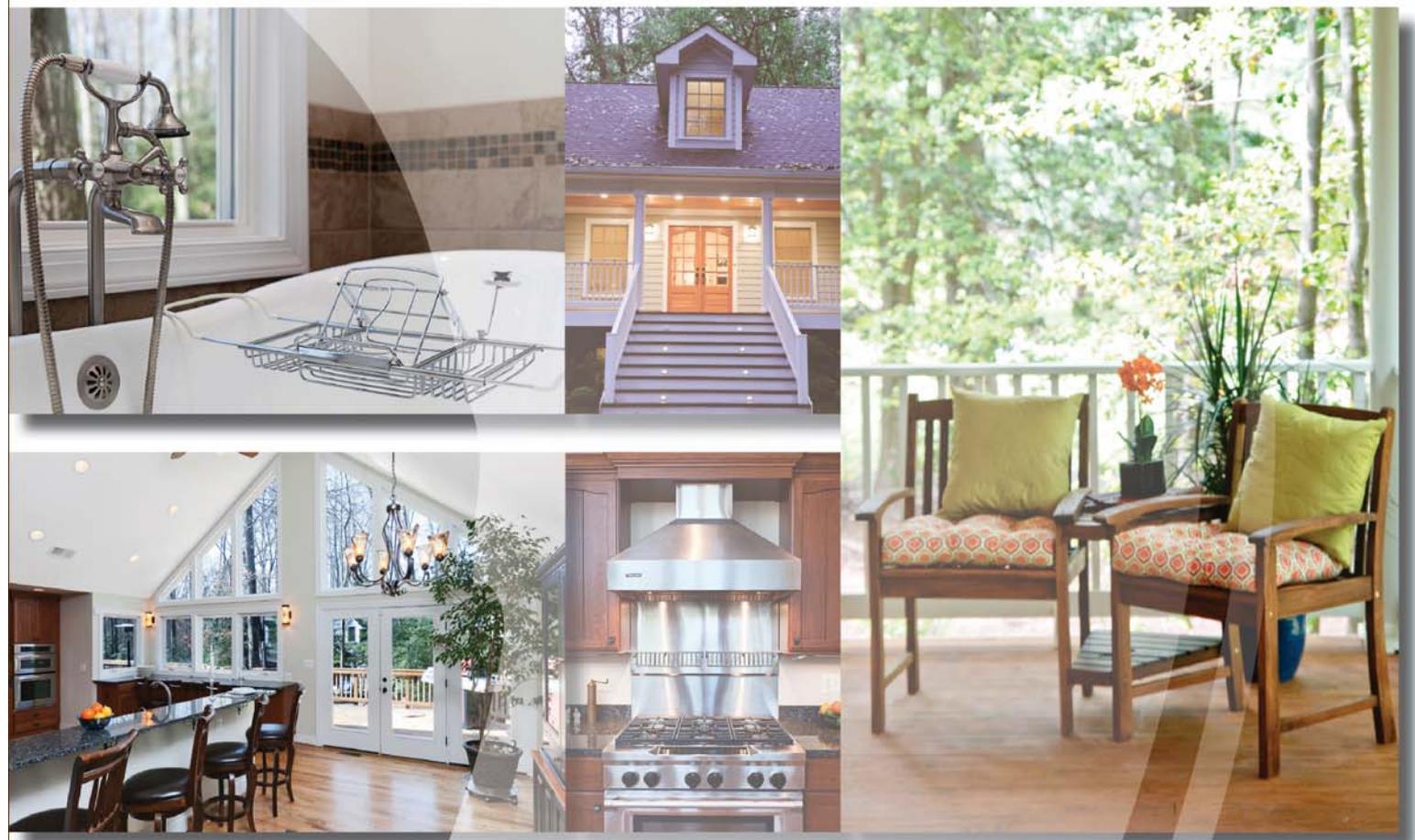
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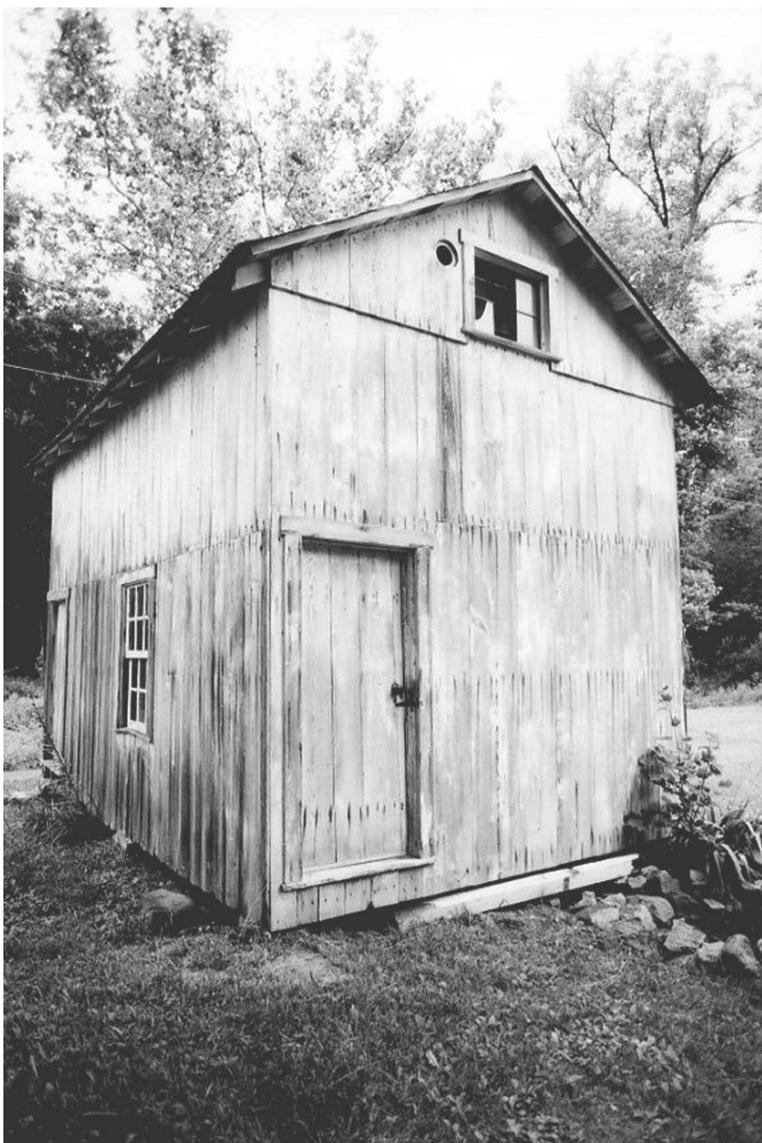


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Photoworks @ Glen Echo Park

Photoworks Gallery in historic Glen Echo Park presents North River Mills — The Town Time Forgot, through July 23. This photography exhibit documents a West Virginia town that bid goodbye to its last full-time resident several years ago.

Photographers Candace Clifford, Sheila Galagan, Jo Ann Tooley, Pam Richmond and Pamela Viola spent the better part of the last year photographing the town. The results are quietly haunting, as North River

Mills seems to be forever waiting for its residents to return. The exhibition includes both archival ink jet prints and silver gelatin prints — in both color and black and white. Free.

Photoworks Gallery, 7300 MacArthur Boulevard, Glen Echo. Gallery Hours: Saturdays 1-4 p.m. and Sundays 1-8 p.m. Visit www.glenechophotoworks.org, email photoworks.gallery@gmail.com or call 301-634-2274.

Bethesda Presbyterian Church Hosts Summer Music Festival

The Bethesda Summer Music Festival and Mira Yang, Artistic Director, will present “Lieder Abend” on Saturday, June 23 at 4 p.m.; “Opera to Pop” on Saturday, June 23 at 7:30 p.m.; Rodgers & Hammerstein’s “The King and I” on Friday, June 29 at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, June 30 at 2:30 p.m. and Mozart’s, “Die Zauberflöte,” on Saturday, June 30 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, July 1 at 7:30 p.m. at Bethesda Presbyterian Church in Bethesda.

The Bethesda Summer Music Festival is a workshop for young professional singers who need to gain experience for their careers. They will perform as a benefit for the Bethesda Presbyterian Church mission fund.

In “Die Zauberflöte,” the Illinois Opera Theater’s Kristoffer Agas Cleto and Loudoun Lyric Opera’s Steven Murray as Tamino, perform with Amy Keesun Kwon as Pamina, Jacob Kato as Papageno, along

with young professionals and students in this area.

In “The King and I,” baritone Washington Savoyards’ Jase Parker as King, and Howard Co., Summer Theater’s Laura Whittenberger as Anna, perform with other young singers and actors.

The productions will be conducted by Dr. Samuel Bill from Dicapo Opera and semi-staged, with costumes, by Maureen Codelka, and accompanied by a salon-style orchestra.

Stephen Bertino and Lisa Bloy are the music directors and John Aler is the German leader and dialogue coach.

Bethesda Presbyterian Church, 7611 Clarendon Road, Bethesda. Donation \$20 each (children free admission). Call 301-986-1137 or 301-424-3379. For more information, visit aamsopera.com for the Bethesda Summer Music Festival.

CALENDAR

To have community events listed free in The Potomac Almanac, send e-mail to almanac@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Thursday at noon for the following week’s paper. Photos and artwork encouraged.

NOW THROUGH SEPT. 28

Friday Night Live Concert Series. 6:30 – 9 p.m. Activities: Live music, food, and beverages. Bands include Joker’s Wild (Swing), Junkyard Saints (New Orleans/Zydeco), Gonzo’s Noise (80s and 90s cover band), Darryl Davis Band (Blues) and more. At Rockville Town Square, 200 East Middle Lane, Rockville. Visit www.rockvilletownsquare.com for details.

ONGOING

Zumba at Village Yoga. Are you ready to party yourself into shape? That’s exactly what the Zumba program is all about. It’s an exhilarating, effective, easy-to-follow, Latin-inspired, calorie-burning dance fitness-party that’s moving millions of people toward joy and health. Come join the fun at Village Yoga! Classes are held on Tuesday nights, 7:15 p.m.-8:15 p.m., and Saturday mornings 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Village Yoga, 10154 River Road, Potomac. Call 301-299-1948.

Beginner’s Yoga Classes at Village Yoga. Village Yoga is adding a new Beginner’s Yoga Class on Mondays, 8-

9 p.m. Continues our Thursday, 7:30-8:45 p.m. Beginner’s Gentle Flow class as well. For all new local students - \$10 for the entire first week. Must be used on your first visit to the studio. Special for all yogis this month – 4-pack of classes for \$48. Village Yoga, 10154 River Road, Potomac. 301-299-1948. www.villageyogayogi.com

FRIDAY/JUNE 22

Dancing by the Bayou presents Zydeco and Cajun Dance at Glen Echo Park’s Bumper Car Pavilion with the all-girl C’est Bon Cajun Dance Band. Take the 8:30 p.m. 30-minute beginner Cajun dance lesson; then dance until midnight. Admission is \$15. No partner required. For more information, call Michael Hart at 301-762-6730 or Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222, or go to www.DancingbytheBayou.com. The Glen Echo National Park is located at 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo, MD 20812.

NOW THROUGH JUNE 23

Strathmore Unleashed. Canine-themed art exhibit at Strathmore. Opening reception on Thursday, May 3 from 7-9 p.m. A Yappy Hour is from 6-7 p.m. Well-socialized dogs are welcome in the Mansion for Yappy Hour. Call 301-581-5100 or visit www.strathmore.org.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY/JUNE 23-24

Glen Echo Park: special craft activities for children.

King Barn Dairy MOOseum: In addition to milking model cows, a puppet show, live animals, and crafts (Saturday & Sunday), “Balloon Man” will make balloon hats for children from noon to 2 p.m. and there will be an ice cream tasting from noon to 3 p.m. on Saturday only. Boyds.

American Latvian Museum: Silversmithing, decorating Easter eggs with onionskin dye, other craft activities. Rockville.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY/JUNE 23-24

Seneca Schoolhouse. Poolesville – costumed teacher in the 1880 classroom with activities and games.

SATURDAY/JUNE 23

Gaithersburg Community Museum. Train Day at the museum includes model train exhibits and demonstrations and other train-related activities. Pleasant View Historical Society: The award-winning Kinderman’s interactive program will entertain and educate children at noon. Gaithersburg.

Oakley Cabin: 19th-century crafts. Olney.

Olney Theatre Center: Cotton candy, refreshments, and a variety of games.

DC Radio Control Club: Demonstrations of radio-controlled model

Drawings by "Vian Shamounki Borchert and students.



NOW THROUGH JULY 15

Drawings by "Vian Shamounki Borchert and students. Viewing hours Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday, 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. Free and open to the public at The Arts Barn, Invitational Gallery, 311 Kent Square Road, Gaithersburg.

FINE ARTS

THROUGH JUNE 26

Glenview Gallery Highlights Photographers. Free. Featuring artists Susan Feller, Alan Simmons and George Smyth in a free exhibit during June. The show will run at the gallery, 603 Edmonston Drive, Rockville. An opening reception is planned for Sunday, June 3 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. The Cypress Trio will perform waltzes and two-steps from the bayous and prairies of

southwestern Louisiana between 2 and 3 p.m. Visit www.rockvillemd.gov/arts or contact Julie Farrell at 240-314-8682 or jfarrell@rockvillemd.gov.

THROUGH JUNE 28

Art Exhibit, "Triptych -Three Friends," Bethesda. The art exhibit "Triptych -Three Friends - Shared Places - Unique Views" will be open at River Road Unitarian Universalist Congregation, in Bethesda. The show can be seen most days, Sunday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; call before attending. The three featured artists are Carol Sargeant, Mimi Betz, and Gillian Collins. At River Road Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 6301 River Road, Bethesda; visit www.rruuc.org, or call 301-229-0400.

THROUGH JULY 15

"Goldilocks." 40 minutes. For pre-K to grade 4. Was it breaking-and-entering? Or was it just an innocent mistake? Goldilocks is being tried in court! After hearing the Bear Family's side of the story as well as Goldilocks', the audience gets to decide the verdict. Thursdays and Fridays, 10 and 11:30 a.m.; Saturdays and Sundays, 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Tickets are \$10/adults and children. Recommended: K-Grade 6. Running time: 45 minutes. Presented by the Puppet Co. Call 301-634-5380. Visit www.thepuppetco.org.

THEATRE

"Tiny Tots @ 10." 10 a.m. "Tiny Tots @ 10" is designed for young children ages 0-4. The program features master puppeteer Bob Brown. The lights stay on, the doors stay open, and everyone has a great time! Tickets are \$5. All individuals must have a ticket, including babes-in-arms. Running time is 30 minutes. Email: c.piper@thepuppetco.org or visit www.thepuppetco.org. For reservations, call 301-634-5380.

- Wednesday, June 20** — "Panda-Monium"
- Saturday, June 23** — "Clowning Around"
- Wednesday, June 27** — "Animal Crackers"
- Saturday, June 30** — "The Mother Goose Caboose"
- Saturday, July 7 & Sunday, July 8** — "Teddy Bear's Picnic"
- Wednesday, July 11** — "Old McDonald's Farm"
- Saturday, July 14 & Sunday, July 15** — "Old McDonald's Farm"
- Sunday, July 21** — "Penguins' Playground"
- Sunday, July 22** — "Baby Bear's Birthday"
- Wednesday, July 25** — "The Mother Goose Caboose"



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CALENDAR

aircraft and souvenirs for children. Boyds. **Boyds Negro School:** Learn to play marbles, make button jewelry, and write by dipping a pen into an inkwell. **Clarksburg Day:** Moonbounce, clowns, pet show. **Damascus Heritage Museum:** Old-fashioned games and crafts

SUNDAY/JUNE 24

15th Annual Heritage Days Weekend. Noon-4:00p.m. Free. Heritage Days Weekend features 32 sites located throughout Montgomery County representing the history and natural beauty of the area. Family-friendly and open to the public. Call 301-515-0753 for a brochure or visit www.HeritageMontgomery.org

SUNDAY/JUNE 24

Brookeville One-Room Schoolhouse. A schoolmarm in period costume will conduct lessons throughout the day.

NOW THROUGH JULY 15

Join Photoworks as we go "Beyond the Park," exhibiting our work at the Modern Times Coffeehouse at Politics & Prose, 5015 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, DC, 202-362-2408. This photography exhibition showcases the various styles and creative visions of the Photoworks faculty. The dates of the exhibit are June 2nd to July 15th 2012 on Monday - Saturday, 8AM-10PM and Sunday 8AM-8PM. The opening reception is on Saturday, June 2nd from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. FREE to the public. For more information, call 301-634-2274 or visit www.glenecphotoworks.org.

NOW THROUGH SEPT. 16

Wings of Fancy - Live Butterfly and Caterpillar Exhibit. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. daily. See hundreds of African, Asian, Costa Rican, and North American species of butterflies flying freely inside a Conservatory. Learn about the life cycle of these amazing creatures, and what you can do to attract native caterpillars and butterflies to your backyard as we "think

globally, and act locally." Fees: \$6 adults; \$4 ages 3-12; or purchase a "Frequent Visitor Pass" and enjoy unlimited return visits this season. Groups of 15 or more by appointment only, call 301-962-1467 for reservations. Call 301-962-1453. www.brooksidegardens.org; Brookside Gardens South Conservatory, 1500 Glenallan Avenue, Wheaton.

NOW THROUGH OCT. 27

Bethesda Freshfarm Market. Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Will offer fresh fruits, vegetables, organic meats and artisan cheeses. At Norfolk Avenue, between Fairmont and St. Elmo Avenues in Bethesda. In addition, the market will feature special events. On the first Saturday of each month, Master Gardeners will table at the market to answer gardening questions. From July 7 through Aug 11, Boordy Vineyards will be a market guest selling wines made from Maryland grown grapes. And on the last Saturday of each month a local chef will give cooking demonstrations at the market. Featured chefs include Frederik de Pue of Smith Commons; Domenico Cornacchia of Assaggi Restaurant and Mozzarella Bar; James Gee of Jaleo (Bethesda) and Debbie Amster of Nourishing Possibilities. Call 301-215-6660 or visit www.bethesa.org.

THROUGH AUG. 21

Kids Night. Shows on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Live kids entertainment and children eat free. Shows include Mad Science, The Diggity Dudes (Family Band), Mike's Magic & Comedy Show, Reptiles Alive!, and more. At Rockville Town Square, 200 East Middle Lane, Rockville. Visit www.rockvilletownsquare.com.

THROUGH AUG. 22

Movies on the Square. Wednesdays at dusk (around 8:45 p.m.) Movies include The Muppets, Footloose, Dolphin Tale, Independence Day, Soul Surfer, Mission Impossible: Protocol, Miracle, Transformers: Dark of the Moon, Cars 2, The Last Lions and Moneyball. At Rockville Town Square, 200 East Middle Lane, Rockville. Visit www.rockvilletownsquare.com.

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IN APRIL 2012, 248 ARLINGTON HOMES SOLD BETWEEN \$3,100,000-\$70,000.

April 2012 Sales in the \$800,000s



1 11764 Split Tree Circle, Potomac — \$895,000



2 9212 Falls Chapel Way, Potomac — \$885,000

5 11012 Powder Horn Drive, Potomac — \$845,000

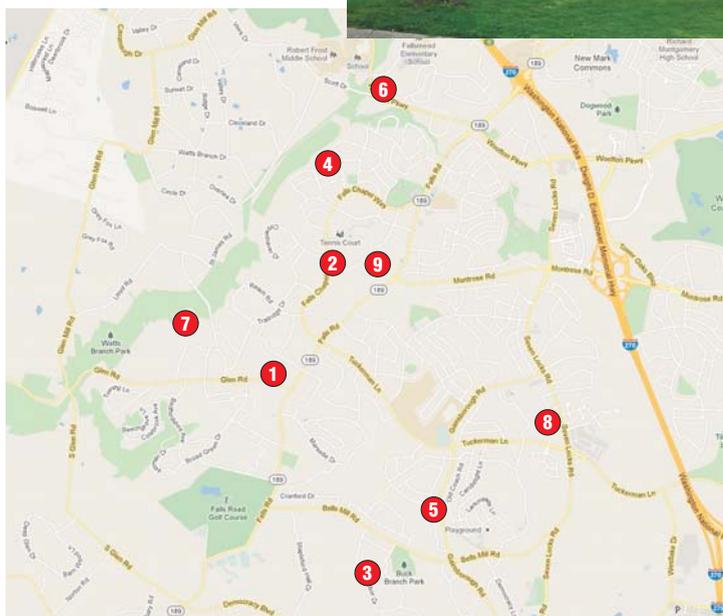


8 11432 Cedar Ridge Drive, Potomac — \$810,000

9 8848 Copenhaver Drive, Potomac — \$801,000



7 12005 Edgepark Court, Potomac — \$820,000



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1 11764 SPLIT TREE CIR	5	.3	1	POTOMAC		\$895,000	Detached	0.28	20854	WINTERSSET/FALLSGATE	04/27/12
2 9212 FALLS CHAPEL WAY	6	.3	1	ROCKVILLE		\$885,000	Detached	0.26	20854	COPENHAVER	04/30/12
3 10612 GREAT ARBOR DR	5	.3	1	POTOMAC		\$880,000	Detached	0.24	20854	RED COAT WOODS	04/27/12
4 12836 LAMP POST LN	5	.3	1	POTOMAC		\$850,000	Detached	0.27	20854	POTOMAC COMMONS	04/16/12
5 11012 POWDER HORN DR	4	.2	2	POTOMAC		\$845,000	Detached	0.41	20854	FOX HILLS	04/26/12
6 13 OLD CREEK CT	6	.3	1	ROCKVILLE		\$825,000	Detached	0.30	20854	FALLSMEAD	04/18/12
7 12005 EDGEPARK CT	5	.3	1	POTOMAC		\$820,000	Detached	0.36	20854	GLEN OAKS	04/27/12
8 11432 CEDAR RIDGE DR	4	.3	1	POTOMAC		\$810,000	Townhouse	0.06	20854	POTOMAC CREST	04/30/12
9 8848 COPENHAVER DR	4	.2	1	POTOMAC		\$801,000	Detached	0.29	20854	COPENHAVER	04/20/12

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REAL ESTATE

Beautifying Children's Center

On Friday June 1, the Potomac Country Gardeners (front, from left: Paula Seesman and Dana Semmes; back row from left: Elie Cain, Molly Raymond, and Laurie Clayton), founded in 1950, gathered to weed, plant and mulch the garden they have established and maintain at the Alfred D. Noyes Children's Center on Blackwell Road in Rockville. The Noyes Center is a regional detention facility serving youth primarily from Montgomery County and others from Howard, Frederick and Washington Counties. In 2007, responding to a request from the Noyes staff, the Country Gardeners set out to renew a languishing garden at the entrance to the facility. This year, Pete McCloskey of the Potomac Strosneiders Hardware Store, donated many annual flowers to brighten the garden.



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HOME SALES

In May 2012, 62 Potomac homes sold between \$2,525,000-\$254,000.

Address	BR	FB	HB	Postal City	Sold Price	Type	Lot AC	Postal Code	Subdivision
9207 INGLEWOOD DR	4	4	3	POTOMAC	\$2,525,000	Detached	3.27	20854	BRADLEY FARMS
11012 CHANDLER RD	6	6	1	POTOMAC	\$2,400,000	Detached	1.04	20854	FAWCETT FARMS
9924 BENTCROSS DR	6	6	3	POTOMAC	\$2,400,000	Detached	2.39	20854	FALCONHURST
8609 STIRRUP CT	5	4	1	POTOMAC	\$2,190,000	Detached	2.55	20854	POTOMAC RANCH
11621 LUVIE CT	7	5	1	POTOMAC	\$1,750,000	Detached	0.82	20854	MERRY-GO-ROUND FARM
8949 ABBEY TER	5	5	3	POTOMAC	\$1,725,000	Detached	0.30	20854	AVENEL
9300 CRIMSON LEAF TER	5	4	2	POTOMAC	\$1,500,000	Detached	0.53	20854	AVENEL
10734 NORMANDIE FARM DR	5	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,412,500	Detached	0.74	20854	NORMANDIE FARM
11104 POTOMAC VIEW DR	4	5	1	POTOMAC	\$1,390,000	Detached	2.00	20854	POTOMAC VIEW ESTS
12020 WETHERFIELD LN	5	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,360,000	Detached	2.00	20854	LAKE POTOMAC
9808 CLAGETT FARM DR	4	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,300,000	Detached	0.27	20854	CLAGETT FARM
10405 MASTERS TER	5	3	2	POTOMAC	\$1,250,000	Detached	0.37	20854	RIVER FALLS
11501 BIG PINEY WAY	4	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,205,000	Detached	2.00	20854	SADDLE RIDGE
13613 CANAL VISTA CT	5	4	2	POTOMAC	\$1,200,000	Detached	2.08	20854	RIVERS EDGE
9700 BEMAN WOODS WAY	4	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,168,000	Detached	0.12	20854	AVENEL
7906 TURNCREST DR	4	3	1	POTOMAC	\$1,165,000	Townhouse	0.09	20854	POTOMAC CREST
8257 BUCKSPARK LN W	6	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,150,000	Detached	0.30	20854	EAST GATE OF POTOMAC
7810 HIDDEN MEADOW TER	4	3	1	POTOMAC	\$1,150,000	Townhouse	0.11	20854	RIVER FALLS
9825 CONESTOGA WAY	5	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,127,000	Detached	0.53	20854	POTOMAC VILLAGE
8016 HORSESHOE LN	5	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,100,000	Detached	0.35	20854	RIVER FALLS
12551 ANSIN CIRCLE DR	4	3	2	POTOMAC	\$1,060,000	Townhouse	0.06	20854	PARK POTOMAC
9331 SPRINKLEWOOD LN	6	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,055,000	Detached	0.47	20854	PINE KNOLLS
10403 DEMOCRACY LN	5	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,025,000	Detached	0.46	20854	INVERNESS FOREST
10406 WINDSOR VIEW DR	4	3	2	POTOMAC	\$1,020,000	Detached	0.36	20854	WINDSOR HILLS
13334 DEERBROOK DR	6	6	1	POTOMAC	\$1,016,000	Detached	0.17	20854	PINEY GLEN VILLAGE
10505 MACARTHUR BLVD	6	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,000,000	Detached	0.38	20854	RIVER FALLS
8109 HACKAMORE DR	3	2	1	POTOMAC	\$1,000,000	Detached	0.34	20854	RIVER FALLS
10220 SORREL AVE	6	5	2	POTOMAC	\$1,000,000	Detached	0.46	20854	BLENHHEIM
8737 HICKORY BEND TRL	4	4	1	POTOMAC	\$987,500	Detached	0.30	20854	FOX HILLS
9536 FOX HOLLOW DR	4	4	1	POTOMAC	\$975,000	Detached	0.27	20854	FALLSWICK
9821 KENTSDALE DR	4	3	0	POTOMAC	\$850,000	Detached	0.46	20854	MCAULEY PARK
10614 GREAT ARBOR DR	4	3	0	POTOMAC	\$835,000	Detached	0.24	20854	RED COAT WOODS
2613 OAKENSIELD DR	6	3	0	ROCKVILLE	\$805,000	Detached	0.24	20854	POTOMAC WOODS EAST
12800 LAMP POST LN	4	2	2	ROCKVILLE	\$775,000	Detached	0.32	20854	POTOMAC COMMONS
10419 WINDSOR VIEW DR	5	3	1	POTOMAC	\$775,000	Detached	0.50	20854	WINDSOR HILLS
10821 KIRKWALL TER	5	2	1	POTOMAC	\$772,100	Detached	0.40	20854	INVERNESS FOREST
11016 GAINSBOROUGH RD	4	2	1	POTOMAC	\$770,000	Detached	0.23	20854	FOX HILLS
11004 POWDER HORN DR	4	2	1	POTOMAC	\$770,000	Detached	0.25	20854	FOX HILLS
11011 OLD COACH RD	4	2	1	POTOMAC	\$765,000	Detached	0.24	20854	FOX HILLS
11910 COLDSTREAM DR	4	3	1	POTOMAC	\$760,000	Detached	0.23	20854	HIGHLAND STONE
8422 BELLS RIDGE TER	3	3	1	POTOMAC	\$755,000	Townhouse	0.05	20854	BELLS MILL ESTATES
1602 BLUE MEADOW RD	4	2	2	ROCKVILLE	\$740,000	Detached	0.25	20854	HORIZON HILL
11729 TRAILRIDGE DR	5	4	0	POTOMAC	\$730,000	Detached	0.38	20854	ROBERTS GLEN
1509 BLUE MEADOW RD	4	3	1	ROCKVILLE	\$730,000	Detached	0.23	20854	HORIZON HILL
10908 OLD COACH RD	3	2	1	POTOMAC	\$725,000	Detached	0.23	20854	FOX HILLS
12 SCOTCH MIST CT	4	3	1	POTOMAC	\$725,000	Detached	0.31	20854	POTOMAC WOODS EAST
11401 DURYEY DR	5	3	0	ROCKVILLE	\$723,000	Detached	0.82	20854	OLDFIELD
7725 WHITERIM TER	3	3	1	POTOMAC	\$710,000	Townhouse	0.07	20854	FAWSETT FARMS MANOR
10008 COLEBROOK AVE	4	2	1	POTOMAC	\$699,900	Detached	0.23	20854	BEDFORDSHIRE
11137 POWDER HORN DR	4	2	1	POTOMAC	\$697,000	Detached	0.36	20854	WILLOWBROOK
8504 BELLS RIDGE TER	3	3	1	POTOMAC	\$680,000	Townhouse	0.05	20854	BELLS MILL ESTATES
1132 HALESWORTH DR	4	2	1	POTOMAC	\$670,000	Detached	0.18	20854	ORCHARD RIDGE
8711 BUNNELL DR	4	2	1	POTOMAC	\$660,000	Detached	0.20	20854	HIGHLAND STONE
12500 PARK POTOMAC AVE #703N	2	2	1	POTOMAC	\$650,000	Multi-Family		20854	PARK POTOMAC
600 WATTS BRANCH PKWY	4	2	1	ROCKVILLE	\$625,000	Detached	0.24	20854	SADDLEBROOK
2403 STRATTON DR	5	2	1	POTOMAC	\$610,000	Detached	0.21	20854	MONTGOMERY SQUARE
9904 BETTEKER LN	5	3	0	POTOMAC	\$590,000	Detached	0.37	20854	GLEN PARK
10963 DEBORAH DR	5	3	1	POTOMAC	\$560,000	Townhouse	0.10	20854	INVERNESS FOREST TH
10941 DEBORAH DR	3	2	2	POTOMAC	\$501,000	Townhouse	0.06	20854	INVERNESS FOREST
10634 MUIRFIELD DR	3	2	2	POTOMAC	\$437,000	Townhouse	0.05	20854	INVERNESS NORTH
7843 CODDLE HARBOR LN #18	3	2	1	ROCKVILLE	\$432,794	Townhouse		20854	INVERNESS KNOLLS
7821 CODDLE HARBOR LN	2	1	0	ROCKVILLE	\$254,000	Townhouse		20854	INVERNESS KNOLLS

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Potomac (20854)

10001 Logan Dr.....\$1,250,000..Sun 1-4.....Yasmin Abadian.....Long & Foster..301-983-1212
11116 Korman Dr.....\$799,000..Sun 1-4.....Homi Irani.....Prudential PenFed..301-996-1695
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7919 Turncrest Dr.....\$975,000..Sun 1-4.....Debbie Cohen.....Long & Foster..202-288-9939
8109 Coach St.....\$1,165,000..Sun 1-4..Christina Filipescu.....Long & Foster..301-832-2747
8301 Hectic Hill Ln.....\$1,495,000..Sun 2-4.....Ellie Shorb.....Coldwell Banker..202-362-5800
9229 Bentrige Ave.....\$999,900..Sun 1-4.....Leslie Friedson.....Long & Foster..301-455-4506

Rockville (20850)

504 Redland Blvd.....\$509,000..Sun 1-4.....Debbie Cohen.....Long & Foster..202-288-9939

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Bethesda Big Train pitcher Ryan Doran is seen earlier this season.

Tucker Tobin, seen earlier this season, and the Bethesda Big Train are off to a 3-9 start.

“You have a big bull’s eye on your back; everyone knows you do. No one else wants to do anything more than beat you guys because all you do is win year in, year out.”

— Bethesda Big Train manager Sal Colangelo to his team

Manager Colangelo to Big Train: ‘Perform or Quit’

Bethesda falls to last place in 10-team CRCBL with loss to Rockville.

BY JON ROETMAN
THE ALMANAC

Bethesda Big Train manager Sal Colangelo stood silent in the third-base coaching area during the ninth inning of Monday’s Cal Ripken Collegiate Baseball League contest against the first-place Rockville Express. Trailing by five runs, the Big Train went down in order, putting the finishing touches on an 8-3 loss at Montgomery College-Rockville.

Colangelo briefly voiced his displeasure with the team near the third-base dugout before talking to his players during a lengthy meeting in left field following the latest defeat in a four-game losing streak for the three-time defending league champion.

The manager’s message: “Perform or quit,” Colangelo said, “plain and simple.”

Along with three consecutive league titles, Bethesda was ranked No. 1 in the nation last year by Perfect Game scouting service. This year, the Big Train has stumbled out of the gate and was in last place in the 10-team league with a 3-9 record after their loss to Rockville on June 18. Part of the reason behind Bethesda’s slow start is a lack of continuity. Due to injuries, players still

playing with their college teams or other reasons, Colangelo said Bethesda just recently had all of its players present for a game, though the team is looking to make a few additions. Even when the Big Train has a full roster, it’s not the team Colangelo envisioned he would have as he said Bethesda lost 18 players in the two weeks prior to the season.

“This is a tough year,” Colangelo said.

Bethesda jumped out to a 1-0 lead against Rockville behind Adam Barry’s RBI single. The Express responded with three runs in the third and two in the fourth and led for the remainder of the contest. Norm Donkin and Peter Bowles each hit a home run for Rockville. “Play the game like you’re supposed to, execute the fundamentals, stop being lackadaisical, get after it and play Big Train baseball,” Colangelo said he told his team after Monday’s contest. “You have a big bull’s eye on your back; everyone knows you do. No one else wants to do anything more than beat you guys because all you do is win year in, year out. You’ve got to play the game. You’ve got to come play from the first pitch to the last pitch, eliminate the big inning and play the game like you’re supposed to and we’ll take care of business.”

Barry finished with two hits for the Big Train. Starting pitcher Robby Kidd suffered

the loss, allowing five runs — four earned — and eight hits in 3 1/3 innings. He walked three and struck out five. Mike Kent allowed two hits, walked two and struck out two in 2 2/3 innings of scoreless relief.

For the season, Hunter Renfroe (.350), Barry (.345), and Michael Bass (.303) are each hitting better than .300. Renfroe leads the team in home runs (2) and is tied with Brendan Hendriks for the team lead in RBIs (7). The loss dropped Bethesda six games behind Rockville, but Colangelo is optimistic the Big Train can turn things around.

“[The Express] execute. They throw strikes,” Colangelo said. “Their pitchers are no better than our pitchers. Their position players are no better than our position players. There’s not a guy I would trade on their roster for [one of ours], but they’re playing well. They’re playing as a team and they’re doing the little things. They’re executing the fundamentals and as long as they do that they’re going to be very successful.”

The Big Train will travel to face the Vienna River Dogs at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 20.

SPORTS BRIEFS

GWU To Host Softball Camp

George Washington University will host an individual skills camp July 9-11, providing instruction for ages 10-18 and all skill levels. For more information, visit www.gwsports.com.

Catholic University Offers Summer Advanced Development Baseball Camp

Catholic University is hosting an advanced development baseball camp on June 25-29 for players ages 8-18. For more information, contact Catholic University head baseball coach Ross Natoli at 202-319 6092 or natoli@cua.edu or visit: www.collegebaseballcamps.com/CU.



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Instructor Linda Feldman leads a group of yoga campers in a downward dog tunnel at Budding Yogis. Specialty camps could be an option for parents still searching for summer activities for their children.

Making the Most of Summer

Advice for planning warm weather activities for children.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE ALMANAC

“I’m bored, there’s nothing to do,” is a phrase often uttered by children during the summer. The end of the school year leaves many parents scrambling for activities to keep their young ones active and stimulated. Experts say it is important to plan activities to keep children safe and out of trouble.

“Adult supervision is important, especially for the younger age groups. Make sure there is a good balance between fun and learning in the activities chosen,” said Chantilly resident Maria Londono, a mental health therapist for Fairfax County Community Health Care Network and Molina Health Care in Falls Church, Alexandria and Reston. “Children should also have some down time, so don’t kill yourself trying to fill every minute of the day with activities.”

WHEN IT COMES TO CAMPS, think outside the box. While traditional day camps often fill as soon as registration opens, specialty camps such as cooking camps, yoga camps, sports camps and art camps frequently offer more availability.

“With specialty camps you can have a clear idea of what your child will be doing and your child will know what to expect,” said Linda Feldman, director of Budding Yogis camp. “Like traditional camps, specialty camps usually include crafts and outdoor activities.”

“Specialty camps provide an opportunity for campers to explore particular areas of interest and foster discovery, adventure and learning,” said Jim Supple, director of summer programs at St. Stephen’s & St. Agnes School in Alexandria.

George Mason University’s Summer Camps and Youth Programs 2012 offers a variety of activities ranging from sports to academics.

“Each of [our] camps is run individually and all of the camps are listed on our website,” said Angelique LeBlanc, an event coordinator at the school’s office of University Information. “One of the most popular of our camps is the George Mason University Foren-

sics Camp. Also popular are all of the camps that are held at the aquatics center, and our performing arts and music camps.”

KEEP LEARNING IN THE MIX. The National Summer Learning Association reports that most students fall more than two months behind in math skills during the summer. Ron Fairchild, the association’s chief executive officer, encourages parents to “make sure kids have access to high-quality programs that help them keep learning during the summer.”

Susan Goldberg, principal of Potomac Elementary School in Potomac, says that educational tools are all around. “Make math a part of everyday experiences. There are interesting and fun websites, games and problem solving activities that can insure that your child continues their love of learning,” she said.

Don’t forget literature. Experts say that children should read every day. “If you take time to read alongside or to your children, they will make it a life-long habit, and they’ll enrich their lives at the same time,” said Goldberg.

Take advantage of summer programs at local libraries. “Check your local libraries for story times and arts-and-crafts-related activities. Most libraries and community recreational centers have programs full of stimulating and age-appropriate activities for children and their families during the summer,” said Londono.

LEAVE TIME FOR FAMILY ACTIVITIES. “Keep in mind that summer is a time for fun and a break from the routine,” said Susan DeLaurentis, director of counseling at St. Stephen’s & St. Agnes School. “Whatever activities parents plan for their children, they should be enjoyable and stress-free. When it’s too hot outside, or on a rainy day, pitch a tent in the living room and go ‘camping’ indoors. Have a bag ready, filled with new board games and books.”

Summer fun doesn’t have to be expensive. “There are always low cost or free activities for children during the summer,” said Londono. “[Many] area museums are free of cost. [Planning] a picnic at a park and having children involved in the preparation of the picnic basket can be fun. A family bike ride, fishing, camping can be all fun family-oriented activities that don’t necessarily involve a lot of spending. Including children in the preparation of meals can be a fun and helpful activity year-round because it gets them interested in food and keeps them involved in helping around the house.”

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Where To Begin?



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

I realize this admission may sound weird, but having cancer is boring. Don't get me wrong, I'm lucky to be alive, and quite happy about it, too. But waiting for the other shoe to drop, i.e. some bad cancer news to appear (lab work, scan, advisory from my oncologist), is tiresome because it's always so worrisome. Since I've been told by my oncologist that he "can't cure me, he can only treat me," in spite of what above-average and atypical results and life expectancy I've experienced diagnosis-to-date (three years and three months, approximately), I don't, nor have I ever, enjoyed the luxury of time, even though I was diagnosed at a relatively early age: 54 and five months.

As much as I have assimilated this new reality into my current and future plans, its severity is difficult to ignore, despite my best efforts. The "inescapability" of the diagnosis and prognosis wears on me. Though relatively asymptomatic, there are still daily reminders, and recurring responsibilities: appointments, lab work, diagnostic scans, pills, diet, lifestyle changes, etc., which reinforce the facts of my case: though I have now outlived my original "13-month to two-year" prognosis by a substantial amount of time, the percentage of stage IV lung cancer patients who survive beyond five years (from date of diagnosis) is hardly worth mentioning, because it's extremely discouraging (quite a bit less in fact than those who are fortunate enough to outlive their original diagnosis). And so whatever luxury of time I may have naively felt 39 months ago when first diagnosed, I no longer feel, naively or otherwise. The other shoe has not exactly dropped, nor is it fitting comfortably, if you know what I mean.

And grateful as I am that life goes on, so too do all the associated fears and anxieties. Outliving your prognosis is one thing; managing all the emotions that come with exceeding that prognosis is quite another. It's impossible – for me, to leave well enough alone. Surviving for as long as I have creates a sort of inevitability; at some point, sooner rather than later presumably, a metaphorical fan is going to be involved and I'll be in a great deal more trouble than I've been in diagnosis-to-date. Understanding and expecting it are the currency I've utilized in a never-ending effort to not cash-in my chips prematurely. However, there are certain forces at work here that are likely out of my control, and probably even uncontrollable on my best day, despite my most vigorous efforts and intentions, that are likely greasing the skids on which every day I try to stand and deliver. There's only so much I can do, though.

Accepting my limitations and not worrying about them makes for a perplexing existence. Giving it to them may be a sign of weakness or submission, but not doing so might be a sign of stupidity. Either way, my goal should be about limiting the stress brought on by all this cancer-related/cancer-driven emotional churning. If only it were that simple.

Of late though, for the first part of year four post-diagnosis, focusing on the future without considering the present – as it relates to my original prognosis, seems irresponsible somehow. I can't ignore the facts all the time, can I? Cancer is a serious, often times terminal business (don't I know it) and pretending that life goes merrily along without any wear, especially wear that's been worn for three-plus years, seems a fool's errand. But maybe not? Who knows? I certainly don't. And that's what really worries me.

Kenny Lourie is an Advertising Representative for The Potomac Almanac & The Connection Newspapers.

Coalition Seeks Withheld Documents

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Maravell, a nationally recognized expert in organic farming, who has spent the last 30 years growing organic and GMO-free soybean and corn seeds on the property.

"It is particularly instructive that the defendant has failed to produce the letters between [County Executive] Isiah Leggett and the Board of Education in 2009 that started the discussion of the use of Brickyard site for soccer fields despite having produced them in response to an MPIA request from Janis Sartucci in March 2011," according to court documents filed by Barkley.

THE COUNTY FILED its motion to dismiss the complaint, or for summary judgment dismissing the complaint, on April 19, 2012.

"The County conducted a search for records that was responsive to the requests and was reasonably calculated to locate those records. The requests were extremely broad and the County's search involved many employees, several departments and considerable amount of time," according to court documents filed by Marc P. Hansen, county attorney, and Scott R. Foncannon, associate county attorney. "The records that were provided to the requestor were all of the records responsive to the request and the only records withheld were privileged."

The nine-year lease of the land from the county to MSI begins on Aug. 16, 2012 and expires in April 2021, according to county documents. The county leased the land, technically a future school site, from the Board of Education on April 19, 2011, for use as soccer fields, parking lots and other amenities.

"We're worried that people are getting the



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At a May 30 rally, Caroline Taylor, executive director of Montgomery Countyside Alliance, speaks to the assembled supporters of Nick's Farm.

idea that it's over," said Ginny Barnes, of West Montgomery County Citizens Association. "It's far from over. In my opinion, it's hardly begun."

"What laws have been broken? What regulations have been violated?" said Curt Uhre. "That's coming soon."

DOCUMENTS UNCOVERED show dissension between planners and county officials concerning use of the land.

"No plans or sketches were presented at the March 5, 2010 meeting, or since, and planning staff were not informed of your planned process. We were not informed regarding the proposed lease from the Board of Education. We were given no informa-

tion regarding the proposed lease from the Board of Education. We were given no information regarding the entity to develop and control the property. Executive staff presented no traffic study, no environmental report, no storm water management concept, no parking study, no timetable for a sewer category change, or any written or graphic exhibit of any kind," wrote Rose Krasnow, Area 1 Division Chief, and Callum Murray, Master Plan Supervisor, of Montgomery County Planning.

"We were therefore taken aback to read that you wrote, 'They're O.K. with it,' and 12 months later testified that [Park and Planning] staff did not raise any concerns at that time."

Join Race Against Autism

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Mile Walk or to serve as a volunteer, visit the website www.autismspeaks.org. Adults are \$35, Children, \$15. Late registration and packet pick-up will be at the Potomac United Methodist Church from 6:30 – 7:30 a.m.

Participants in last year's 5K Race/Fun Walk.



Couple Venture into Rent-a-Coop Business

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each day when someone can keep an eye on them so predators such as foxes, raccoons and hawks don't get them. A healthy chicken will live 5 - 8 years.

Samata explained that they just switched to organic food for the chickens. "There are no roosters, and chickens are very quiet. Owing chickens is a wonderful educational experience for children. Kids love to pet

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