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Justin Cinkala and Lee Carey wrestle for the ball while cooling off from Friday's heat at the River Falls Swim Club.

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LET'S TALK Real Estate



by
Michael Matese

The Porte Cochere

Modern luxury homes are increasingly featuring a new amenity—or rather, they're bringing back an old home feature with a modern twist! The porte-cochere, (literally "coach gate") is an instantly recognizable home feature that has enjoyed a revival in popularity in recent years. The porte-cochere is best described as a "drop-off garage", much like the kind you find at resorts or hotels, and they're infinitely useful in that they allow homeowners to arrive and unload safe and dry in inclement weather. Historically, the porte-cochere was created with the horse-drawn carriage in mind; modern porte-cocheres are usually erected near the front doors of the home.

So, why the sudden increase in popularity? In many modern luxury homes, the garage and parking area is off-set from the main home construction, which for visiting guests or unloading, parking can be inconvenient, especially if the weather is cold or rainy. A porte-cochere provides the homeowner with a well-situated, handy area to welcome visitors, unload everything from weekly groceries to luggage from your most recent weekend getaway or family vacation, or a sheltered entrance to the home for days where the sun, snow or rain makes parking in the main garage an unappealing prospect. Today's stylish porte-cochere is blended with the home's front exterior, ensuring convenience, safety in inclement weather and adding a distinctive flair to a home's overall appearance, each of which add dollar value to the home's resale price.

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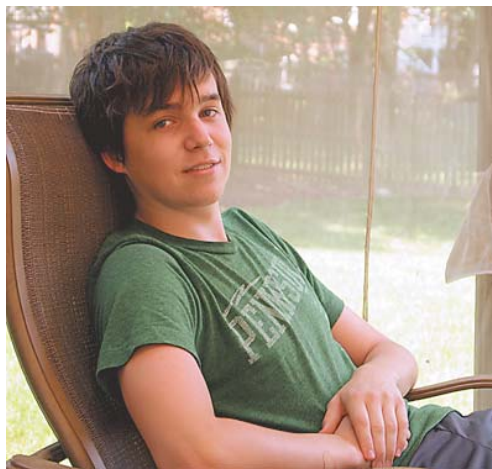
SUMMER FUN

Residents describe their plans for the summer.

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THE ALMANAC



Meredith Barber and Sarah Friedman of River Falls seek shade in last Thursday's 100-degree weather. Sarah Friedman, 14, plans on practicing guitar and traveling to the Grand Canyon for her summer fun.



Jack McPherson's summer will be filled with sleep-away camp and cruises.



Mary Smith enjoys bringing her grandson to the River Falls Swim Club. She attends the annual "Doggy Swim" as well. Smith was born in Potomac and still lives in the area along with her family.



Emily Acker and Lee Carey plan to catch up with friends while home for the summer.



Jessica and Josie find shade at the C&O Canal Visitors Center in Potomac. Jessica plans on biking for recreation this summer.



Courtney enjoys hiking the Gold Mine and Great Falls loops at the C&O Canal Park with her dog Scout.



Summer at WES campers in Bethesda wait their turn on the waterslide to cool off on a hot summer's day. From left: Olivia Macle, 6; Elena Parisi, 6, and Jayne Massad, 5.

Cooling Off in Summer Camp

Campers at Summer at WES, held at Washington Episcopal School in Bethesda, enjoyed rides down a waterslide on the school's field, and trekked on the Capital Crescent Trail to the Bethesda Pool on Wednesday, June 20, to cool off on a day in which the temperatures climbed into the high 90s.

The camp, in its 21st year, offers boys and girls, Pre-K to Grade 8, experiences in studio art, basketball, swimming, ka-

rate, robotics, cooking, French, Spanish, journalism, digital arts, beading, science, dance, art, ceramics, day trips to local attractions, and more. William Isola, camp director, can be contacted for more information: 301-652-7878, ext. 2228.

Washington Episcopal School is an independent, coeducational day school for students age 3 to Grade 8.

For more information, visit www.w-e-s.org.

BULLETIN BOARD

Email announcements to almanac@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Thursday at noon for the following week's paper.

WEDNESDAY/JULY 18

Volunteer Training. JSSA (Jewish Social Service Agency), a non-sectarian community agency, is seeking volunteers who are flexible, friendly and empathetic, who are interested in assuming leadership roles, and are problem solvers. Experience working with special needs teens is preferred, but not required. Mandatory two-hour training and other requirements must be met. Applications and interviews will be required for those interested in the volunteer training. No walk-ins accepted. The training course is scheduled in Montgomery County Maryland on Wednesday, July 18 from 7-9 p.m. at JSSA's Ina Kay Building, 200 Wood Hill Rd., Rockville, MD. Contact Diane Hays-Earp, Volunteer Coordinator, at 301-816-2639 or dhaysearp@jssa.org, no later than 5 days prior to the start of the session.

THROUGH AUG. 3

Fun All Summer Long. 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. \$350 for six weeks. Activities are well planned, supervised and cool for hot days. Play with old friends and make new ones. Summer Fun Center keeps things hopping with creative/fun crafts, sports, games, drama, music and special events. At the Clara Barton Summer Fun Center, 7425 MacArthur Blvd., Cabin John. Call 301-229-0010.

ONGOING

Zumba at Village Yoga. An easy-to-follow, Latin-inspired, calorie-

burning dance fitness-party that's moving millions of people toward joy and health. Classes are Tuesday nights, 7:15 p.m.-8:15 p.m., and Saturday mornings 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 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, Mondays, 8-9 p.m. Continues our Thursday, 7:30-8:45 p.m. Beginner's Gentle Flow class as well. 10154 River Road, Potomac. 301-299-1948. Visit www.villageyogayogi.com.

Fenton Street Market. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays through Oct. 27. The market is located in downtown Silver Spring at One Veterans Plaza, intersection of Fenton and Ellsworth streets. It will not be open on Aug. 11, Sept. 8 and Sept. 22.

Members Wanted. The Potomac Area Newcomers Club is a group of more than 200 women who have moved to the Potomac area from all over the United States and around the world. The club offers such activities as bridge, mah jong, book groups, golf, luncheons and museum trips as a way to help newcomers as well as current residents to form new friendships, expand their horizons, and take advantage of the opportunities that are available in the Washington, D.C. area. Visit www.potomacnewcomers.com

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

The Bethesda Urban Partnership is looking for fun-loving, upbeat volunteers to help assist with various local festivals including Taste of Bethesda (Oct. 6). This is a great way to immerse yourself into the Bethesda community, while also actively participating in downtown Bethesda's fun-filled events. For more information, e-mail info@bethesda.org.

SUMMER FUN

Sunday's Best

Congressional Club hosts sixth annual AT&T National.

BY KEN MOORE
THE ALMANAC

Tiger Woods is back in town. The sixth annual AT&T National golf tournament is scheduled to be played at River Road's Congressional Country Club June 28 - July 1.

"I think it's a fantastic tee to green golf course," said Tiger Woods at his press conference at Congressional earlier this spring. "You have to drive the ball well to get into some of these flags, but once you get on the greens there's a lot of pitch to these greens, a lot of movement, usually from back to front.

"Placing the ball in the correct spots is vital to give yourself a chance," he said, "because a couple of holes, if you put it above the hole, you're not going to make the putt and sometimes, more likely, you're probably going to end up three-putting unless you make a six- or 10-footer.

Congressional hosted the 2011 U.S. Open so the AT&T National was played the last two years at Aronimink Golf Club in Newton Square, Pa.

Woods founded the AT&T National and won the event in 2009, the last year it first was hosted by Congressional.

CONGRESSIONAL HAS HOSTED five major championships, including three U.S. Opens, one U.S. Senior Open and one PGA Championship, according to PGA Tour information.

Potomac had hosted the PGA tour's Kemper Open tournament at TPC at Avenel off Oaklyn Drive for many years.

Expect delays on Potomac's thoroughfares this week, including River Road, Falls Road, Oaklyn Drive and Bradley Boulevard, especially Thursday through Sunday.

This Thursday, the four-day tournament tees off, with 120 golfers competing for the \$6.5 million prize purse. A pro-am golf event is scheduled for Wednesday and other activities were hosted on Tuesday.

All proceeds benefit the Tiger Woods Foundation, founded by Woods and his father Earl Woods in 1996.

"What a wonderful golf course, clubhouse



Crowds at the Congressional Country Club in Bethesda watch Rory McIlroy during his record-setting run at last year's U.S. Open.

and facility," according to Greg McLaughlin, tournament director and CEO of the Tiger Woods Foundation. "That gives us an opportunity to grow our foundation in this community."

The foundation opened two campuses in Washington D.C., providing students with a college-access curriculum, the same model that Woods found successful to his Southern California educational facility.

"This is obviously an incredible event for us with the foundation and what it does for us, what it allows us to do and the kids that we are able to impact," said Woods.

The Tiger Woods foundation has mentored 65,000 youth, including 25 specifically from the Washington metropolitan area.

DEFENDING CHAMPION, Nick Watney, hit a 13-under par to win last year's AT&T National by two strokes over 2007 champion K.J. Choi, who also returns this week.

Watney's score tied Tiger Woods for the

lowest overall score in AT&T National's history. Nine players in the field have won on this year's PGA Tour.

Other players include Hunter Mahan, 30, who is linked in the tournament's record book with Watney and Anthony Kim for scoring the lowest round at 62. Mahan has earned more than \$4,077,013 on the PGA Tour this year by winning five tournaments. He finished second to Woods in 2009 at Congressional.

Ben Curtis, 35, has earned more than \$2.15 million this year, winning the Valero Texas Open in April.

Dustin Johnson, 28 of Myrtle Beach, S.C., won the 2012 St. Jude Classic earlier this month and has earned more than \$1.8 million this year. Before the St. Jude Classic, he missed six weeks due to a back injury he endured while lifting a jet ski.

Jim Furyk, 42, comes to Congressional after finishing fourth at the U.S. Open, which he led much of the last day last week. He has earned more than \$1.9 million this year and has 16 career wins on the PGA Tour.

K.J. Choi, 42, won the inaugural AT&T National in 2007 and finished second to Watney in 2011. He has eight victories on the PGA Tour and learned the game by studying Jack Nicklaus' lesson books and videos.

Jordan Smith, 18 of Dallas, helped the University of Texas win the NCAA Championship this spring and Beau Hossler, 17 of California, will be a senior next year at Santa Margarita High School.

Woods has won 73 victories on the PGA Tour, the most of any active player and 14 major championships, second to Jack Nicklaus' 18 championships.

By the Numbers

120

Professional golfers will play this year's AT&T National scheduled for June 28 - July 1 (other tournament events including a pro-am to be held June 26-27) at Congressional Country Club.

\$6.5

Million dollar prize purse for this year's tournament.

13

Under par shot by Tom Watney, the AT&T National's defending champion. Watney's score tied Tiger Woods for the lowest overall score in AT&T National's history.

2009

The year Tiger Woods won the AT&T National. The tournament's proceeds benefit the Tiger Woods Foundation, founded by Woods and his father Earl Woods in 1996. Two campuses are located in Washington D.C.

7,569

Yards on this par-71 course. Jack Nicklaus hit an ace on Hole Seven (par three, 173-yards) in the final round of the 1995 U.S. Senior Open at Congressional. See www.mrapartner.com/attnational/the-course.html for course descriptions and strategies.

30,000

Complimentary tickets distributed by the AT&T National tournament to local U.S. military members, who will be treated to seating in the climate-controlled tent at the 17th hole. Select military officials will serve as caddies for PGA Tour pros on the 17th hole during Wednesday's pro-am.

25,000

Care packages sent by AT&T National to military personnel deployed overseas since 2009. Fans are encouraged to help assemble packages at the Military Care Package Tent. Golfers, fans, caddies, volunteers and officials can also write personal messages on the "We Salute Our Heroes" tribute wall near the 18th green.

9

Players in this year's field who have won 2012 PGA Tour events.

62

18-hole score shot by defending champion Nick Watney in the 2011 tournament's third round, the lowest round in the tournament's history. His third round tied Hunter Mahan's 62 fourth round in 2009 and Anthony Kim's 2009 round one, the year Tiger Woods won the event.

130

Tiger Wood's score after two days of the 2009 tournament, the best first 36 holes shot in the AT&T National Tournament. That year, Woods shot 64 on the first day, the lowest start by a winner.

3 p.m.

Live TV Coverage of the local golf event, including Golf Channel coverage Thursday and Friday (2-6 p.m.) and CBS live network coverage of the event on Saturday and Sunday from 3 — 6:30 p.m.

0 — Zero

Items permitted on the golf course, including zero backpacks, zero beepers, zero beverage containers or beverages, zero coolers, zero ladders, zero large camera bags, zero periscopes, zero picnic baskets, zero radios, zero signs, zero video cameras, zero televisions, zero firearms or folding-arm chairs (folding stools without arms or bags are permitted). See tournament website for complete golf etiquette. Players will only sign autographs after they have completed their rounds adjacent to the No. 9 and No. 18 scoring areas.

Ticket Information

Call 301-365-6946 — AT&T National Tournament Headquarters or visit www.mrapartner.com/attnational Gallery Passes — \$25 and up Ticket Six Pack (Tuesday — Sunday) — \$95

GOLF LOVER'S PACKAGE

\$95 each day/\$350 Four Pack. Upgraded access to clubhouse, to on-course Grey Goose Lounge, United Airlines Fairway Club and lunch at Ruth's Chris Steak House tent

JEFFERSON CLUB BADGE

\$250. Access to clubhouse for entire week, including food and beverage for purchase, televisions airing live tournament coverage and access to patio overlooking 10th and 18th

holes

NATIONAL CLUB

\$425. First-class experience inside Congressional Clubhouse ballroom; features a deluxe bar, upscale lunch buffet, and afternoon hors d'oeuvres along with views of 10th and 18th holes from outdoor patio

UNITED FAIRWAY CLUB

\$50 each day. Private VIP lounge with patio on the 10th green and full menu of food and beverages. Multiple flat-screen televisions are available in climate-controlled lounge.

Parking Passes. See www.mrapartner.com/attnational/parking.html. Prices double for purchase on day of event.

Potomac REAL ESTATE

Sales in May 2012, \$1.2~\$1.49 million

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Potomac — \$1,412,500

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Potomac — \$1,390,000



3 12020
Wetherfield Lane,
Potomac —
\$1,360,000



6 11501
Big Piney Way,
Potomac —
\$1,205,000



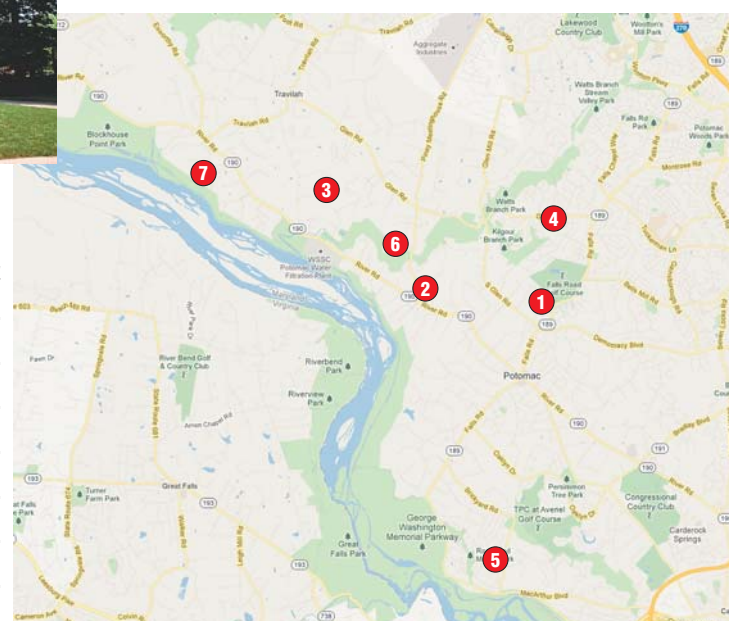
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5 10405 Masters Terrace,
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2 11104 POTOMAC VIEW DR	4	5	1	POTOMAC	\$1,390,000	Detached	2.00	20854	POTOMAC VIEW ESTS	05/11/12	
3 12020 WETHERFIELD LN	5	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,360,000	Detached	2.00	20854	LAKE POTOMAC	05/07/12	
4 9808 CLAGETT FARM DR	4	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,300,000	Detached	0.27	20854	CLAGETT FARM	05/29/12	
5 10405 MASTERS TER	5	3	2	POTOMAC	\$1,250,000	Detached	0.37	20854	RIVER FALLS	05/23/12	
6 11501 BIG PINEY WAY	4	4	1	POTOMAC	\$1,205,000	Detached	2.00	20854	SADDLE RIDGE	05/31/12	
7 13613 CANAL VISTA CT	5	4	2	POTOMAC	\$1,200,000	Detached	2.08	20854	RIVERS EDGE	05/30/12	

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Commission To Honor 10 Women

The Montgomery County Commission for Women will host a 40th anniversary celebration on Wednesday, July 11 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. at the Rockville Hilton Hotel, Atrium Room, 1750 Rockville Pike. To commemorate the anniversary, the CFW will announce 10 new honorees for the Montgomery County Women's History Archives, created in 2002 to recognize the contributions of women of historical significance to the County.

Connie Morella, former U.S. representative and ambassador to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development will deliver the keynote address. The first woman from Montgomery County elected to the U.S. Congress, Morella was one of the 30 women included in the Women's History Archives Project for the 30-year anniversary celebration.

The Montgomery County Commission for Women is a 15-member advisory board established in 1972. The commissioners are appointed

by the County Executive and confirmed by the County Council. The CFW is charged with the responsibility of advising the County Executive, County Council, the public and the agencies of the County, State and Federal governments on the issues of concern to women.

The biographies and photographs of the 10 women being honored this year will be featured on the CFW's website. In 2002, a quilt was created by fiber artist, and then-CFW president, Anne Sanderoff Walker showcasing hand-quilted squares depicting the field in which each of the 30 honoree's achievements were attained. To commemorate the 40th anniversary, Sanderoff Walker has created another quilt to recognize these 10 distinguished Montgomery Countians. Both quilts will be on permanent display at the CFW offices in the Rockville Memorial Library, and will "travel" for display at special events.

The 10 women being honored and added to the CFW's History

SEE WOMEN PAGE 8



PHOTO BY KRISTEN HALL

Helping the Needy

On Sunday, June 17, parishioners of St. James' Episcopal Church in Potomac, stuffed 50 new backpacks with a starter pack of school supplies for Interfaith Works. Interfaith Works (www.iworks mc.org) is a 501(c)3 nonprofit agency and nonsectarian interfaith coalition of more than 156 congregations of diverse faiths, working together helping the poor and homeless of Montgomery County. St. James' parishioners donated funds, supplies, and backpack-filling enthusiasm.

Former Potomac Resident To Star in New TV Series

Former Potomac resident Corey Jean has been cast to star in the new television series, "The Hollywood Dream."

The show is about what it's like to go to Hollywood and start a career as an actress. Jean will be playing the role of Jessica, a girl from Iowa who decides to move to Hollywood to pursue her dreams of becoming an actress after catching her fiancé cheating on her.

Jean, who lived in Potomac for 10 years, developed her own passion for



Corey Jean

acting after attending plays at Glen Echo Park. A favorite Potomac memory of hers was going to shows in the park with her mom on weekends and visiting the horse stable.

Jean received training at the Bethesda Academy of Performing Arts and moved out to Los Angeles in August to pursue an acting career. Jean said she is very excited about the show and hopes that it will launch her career.

— KELLY WITOWSKY

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SUMMER FUN

Play Potomac's Public Golf Course

Falls Road is the most played course in the Montgomery County golf system and is the annual host to the Montgomery County High School Invitational.

Falls Road Golf Course was completed in 1961 on 150 acres of former farmland east of the Village of Potomac. The layout offers four sets of tees, generous fairways and large greens. The front nine is a parkland type course and the back nine is more tree lined. The course measures slightly more than 6,100 yards from the back tees and plays to a par 70; it provides an enjoyable test for players of all abilities.

In 2003 Falls Road completed a renovation of all 18 holes. The newly constructed clubhouse offers multiple flat-screen TV's, a snack bar, and pro shop.

Falls Road also offers a 22-stall driving range that is lighted for evening use.

Tee times are available up to two weeks in advance online at <http://www.mcggolf.com> or by phone 301-299-5156.

Falls Road Golf Course, 10800 Falls Road, Potomac.

Take in Potomac's Natural Beauty

Great Falls

More water flows over Potomac's great wonder, Great Falls, than Niagara Falls. For up close views, enter the C&O Canal National Historical Park on MacArthur Boulevard, walk 0.2 miles over the Olmsted Island Bridges to the overlook at the end. Bridges and boardwalks traverse a rare floodplain terrace environment, ending with an observation deck over the spectacular views of the Falls and the head of Mather Gorge.

Great Falls Tavern Visitor Center and



Great Falls Tavern at the C&O National Historical Park.

Olmsted Overlook

11710 MacArthur Blvd.
301-767-3714

Accessible for wheelchairs and strollers. The tavern is open year round, seven days per week from 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

<http://www.nps.gov/archive/choh/Visitor/Centers/GreatFalls.html>

C&O Canal

Potomac is bordered by more than 12 miles of the C&O Canal, the towpath and the Potomac River. From Carderock to Riley's Lock, Potomac provides opportunities to enjoy the sights and sounds of the river while walking, biking, birding, taking a stroll with the children or grandchildren, or even taking a kayak lesson on the flatwater. Wildlife is abundant. All outdoor areas of the C&O Canal National Historical Park are open daylight hours year round.

Billy Goat Trail

Thousands hike the Billy Goat Trail every year, with access across from Old Angler's Inn (10801 MacArthur Blvd.) or at the Great Falls Tavern Visitor's Center (11710 MacArthur Blvd., 301-767-3714). The loop between the C&O Canal and Potomac River is less than five miles long, but allow plenty of time to stop and enjoy spectacular views of the rockface, Potomac River and sensitive vegetation and rare plants. The wild power and natural beauty of the Potomac River and its surroundings come alive on this hike that is marked by light blue trail blazes to keep visitors from trampling on Bear Island's many rare plants and sensitive vegetation. The trail can be rough and rocky with steep climbs. But the trail is one of the most popular hikes in all of the metropolitan area, which can be done by people of all ages.

Blockhouse Point

www.blockhousepoint.org

Locals who know the 630 acres of land that straddles River Road between Tobytown



Sunset on the Potomac River just west of Riley's Lock.

and Callitheia Farm call Blockhouse Point the jewel of Potomac.

The natural and cultural resources at Blockhouse Point are among the most valuable in the country.

The park contains a variety of exceptional and rare habitat, including mature upland forest, floodplain forest, wetlands, streams and river-rock outcrops. Nine species of threatened, endangered or watchlist species of plants have been identified in the park, along with 25 species of fish, nine species of amphibians, four species of reptiles, 39 species of nesting birds and 10 species of mammals.

Blockhouse Point also tells a little of Potomac's history. During the Civil War, the 19th Regiment Massachusetts Voluntary Infantry built three blockhouses in 1862 to guard Violette's Lock and Pennyfield Lock, taking advantage of panoramic views from Blockhouse Point. Union sentries kept watch for Confederate movements across the river and at area fords.

The River Center (Lockhouse 8)

7906 Riverside Drive, Cabin John
www.potomac.org

The Potomac Conservancy runs the River Center at Lockhouse 8, open weekends from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nature walks, canoeing trips, art exhibits and canoe cleanup events are offered throughout the year. One goal of The Potomac Conservancy is to educate, inspire and engage Potomac watershed residents about the wonders of living near the Potomac River and its tributaries.

Summer Fun With Children

Glen Echo Park

7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo



A ride on the carousel at Glen Echo Park is a quick way to make any summer day special.

www.glenechopark.org

Originally a Chautauqua retreat, then an amusement park, Glen Echo National Park now hosts a variety of arts, environmental and history programs. Classes are offered in pottery, painting, photography, glass art, silversmithing, textiles and other arts, as well as in dance, writing and music.

The famous 1921 Dentzel Carousel in the center of the park has been giving rides to the public for 90 years.

Dancing in the Spanish Ballroom is a popular social event.

Adventure Theatre (www.adventuretheater.org, 301-634-2270) is one of the area's longest running children's theater companies, and the Puppet Co. Playhouse (www.puppetco.org) offers shows as well as was for children to be involved.

Cabin John Ice Rink

Cool off on the ice, open all summer. Call or check the website for hours for public skate times plus special family or adults only times. Lessons available. Seven days a week, morning, afternoon and evening skate sessions. Children 2-under are free; tots ages 3-4 are \$3.50; Children ages 5-10 are \$5.25; regular admission 11-up are 6.25; seniors are \$5.25; skate rentals \$3.25. And \$52.50 discount ticket books.

www.cabinjohnice.com
10610 Westlake Drive, Rockville, 20852
301-765-8620

Ride the Cabin John Miniature Train

7400 Tuckerman Lane, Potomac
301-765-8670

Children and adults can tour the woodlands of Cabin John Park while riding on the miniature train, a replica of the 1863 C.P. Huntington, a 4-2-4T steam locomotive.

Open seven days a week in the summer, Monday - Thursday, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (1st train at 10:30; last at 5:30 p.m.); Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. (1st train at 10:30; last at 7 p.m.). Tickets are \$1.75 each. Children age 2 and younger with a paying adult ride free.

Locust Grove Nature Center

Cabin John Regional Park, 7777
Democracy Boulevard
301-765-8660

http://www.montgomeryparks.org/nature_centers/locust/VirtualTour.shtm

Locust Grove offers programs featuring the natural and cultural history of Montgomery County and the surrounding region. Visit the forest exhibit and hike one or all of many trails.

Play with the indoor oak tree exhibit. Find the animals that live in and near the tree; push the buttons to learn what they sound like.

Watch the birds feeding at the Wildlife Observation area.

Watch from inside, or go outside and watch through our wildlife blind. Quietly visit the small pond to look for frog eggs or tadpoles in spring.

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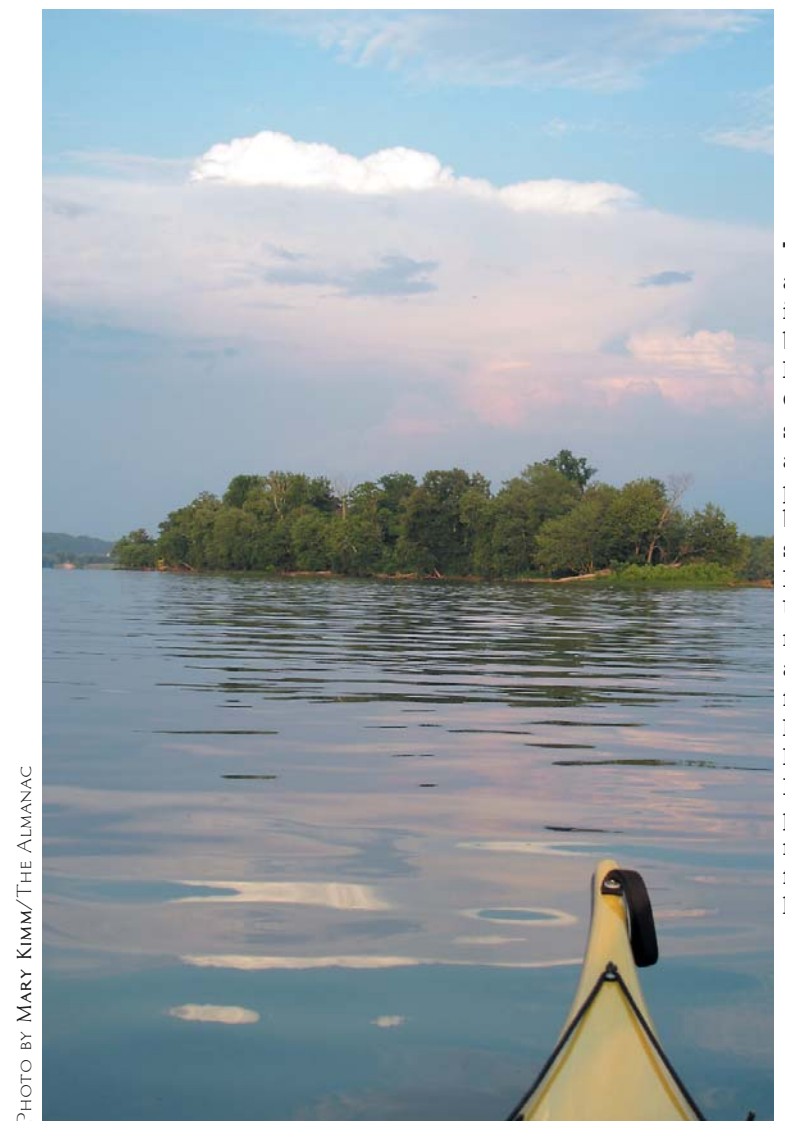
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❖ Sharon V. Burrell - In 2008, was the first African American female judge appointed to the Montgomery County Circuit Court and has since heard cases in juvenile, family and criminal courts.

❖ Patricia E. Cornish - National President of Business and Professional Women USA, 2000-2001; chair of the Business and Professional Women (BPW) Foundation, 2003, 2004 and 2005; and named one of the Top 100 Maryland Women in 2006, 2008 and 2011. As president of BPW/USA, Cornish spearheaded a national survey and report entitled "Workingwomen Speak Out," and implemented a nationwide program titled "WOMENomics."

❖ Jean B. Cryor - Maryland House of Delegates, 1995-2007; president-elect (2003-04) and president (2004-05) of the Executive Board of the Women Legislators of Maryland; strong advocate for school funding, the earned income tax credit for low-income workers and women's rights.

❖ Pam Foltz - first female career firefighter in Montgomery County; training instructor for new recruits; chosen to assist FEMA to fight wildfires; served the citizens of Montgomery County for 32 years.

❖ Barbara J. Krumsiek - chair, president and CEO of Calvert Investments, Inc.; co-chair of the United Nations Environment Programme, Finance Initiative; recipient of the 2010 Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women's Human Rights Award for her work toward the advancement of women in business.

❖ Ingrid U. McKee - first woman to be named Police Officer of the Year in Montgomery County; first female criminal investigator; and first woman to be promoted above the rank of officer in the MCPD. She was instrumental in the first use of the "rape kit" and in the development of the county's Crisis Center; also honored with the Columbian Medal of Merit for work as an undercover officer in breaking up a prostitution ring.

❖ Terry A. O'Neill - feminist attorney, professor, social justice activist; president of the National Organization for Women (NOW); and chair of the NOW Political Action Committee.

❖ Dr. DeRionne P. Pollard - first African American woman president of Montgomery College; recognized as one of "Washington's 100 Most Powerful Women and 25 CEOs You Need to Know" from "The Gazette of Business and Politics."

❖ Carmen Delgado Votaw - co-chair of the National Advisory Committee for Women; former president of the Inter American Commission of Women of the Organization of American States; led the government relations operations of the Girl Scouts of the USA, United Way of America and the Alliance for Children and Families after having served as the first Hispanic woman chief of staff for a member of Congress in the U.S. House of Representatives.

❖ Eun Yang - morning anchor on NBC Washington; host on NBC Washington Nonstop; and graduate of Paint Branch High School.

For more information on the Commission for Women, or to register for the celebration on July 11, call 240-777-8333 or visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw.

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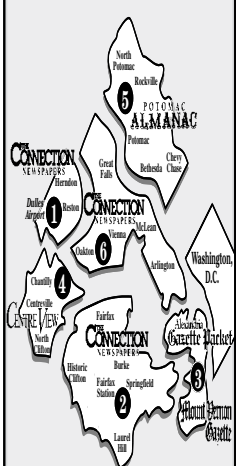
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A GAP In My Thinking



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Recently, due to circumstances beyond my control, I was forced to buy a new car (in this instance, "new" means different, not a current model year). Estimated repairs at 137,000 miles that could have escalated into the unknown – and unaffordable – thousands compelled me to fish so I wouldn't have my bait cut (and I don't even like to fish). As a result of this unexpected commitment, the light at the end of the financing tunnel has all but disappeared (I had one year left on our previous car). Where once I was nearly right-side up, I am now upside down, inside out and no longer counting the months until my final payment. Now, I am counting the days until my second month's payment (there's too many months remaining to count months). All that I had anticipated as being old is once again new: the bank/lien holder, the payment amount/terms and the inch-thick payment booklet. Seventy-two months can really stack up.

But I really didn't have a choice, unfortunately. In fact, I was dealing from a position of weakness (my car was undriveable). The dealership, after examining the car's engine, sort of knew that fixing my car, given its age and mileage, was probably unlikely, so they made me an offer – as a trade toward the purchase of one of their vehicles. It wasn't ideal by any means, but given the mechanical troubles, I didn't feel as if I had any practical options (I wasn't going to tow my car to various dealerships for offers, was I?) so I swallowed hard and tried not to bite the hand of the seller as the deal (and I use that term loosely) was presented to me. I accepted. And so the damage/I mean deal was done. I wasn't happy about it, although I did receive fancy, and expensive, floor mats for free. However, I wasn't quite finished.

As any car-purchaser knows, the deal isn't really done until, as they say, the paperwork is finished. And "paperwork" means sitting down with the finance manager to sign and seal that "deal." Only after doing so will you know what your "new" car is actually going to cost (with miscellaneous "add-ons" like undercoating). For me, my monthly payment increased by nearly \$100: extended warranties, prepaid service contract and tire replacement insurance, all of which sounded like a good idea – and prudent, at the time. Now I'm not so sure, but what's done is done and the less said about it the better. I really do have other things to worry about, as you regular readers know.

One of the offers the finance manger made to me, which I had no regrets refusing, was GAP insurance. My understanding now is that GAP Insurance pays off the balance of the outstanding loan in the event an accident "totals" the car, far exceeding the settlement offered by standard coverage, often suggested/encouraged/required when a low down payment is made and the borrower is approved for a significant percentage of the cost of the vehicle. Given the other add-on commitments I had already made and my impatience at considering additional dollars, I passed and so we finalized the paperwork.

Maybe I was too hasty. Incorrectly, I thought GAP Insurance had more to do with the balance of the loan being paid off in the event of death and/or disability. Since I'm already disabled and have sufficient life insurance – and don't want to think about death, if possible, I declined. I never even gave the finance manager an opportunity to explain or to give me a quote. For all I know, the price might have been right. I should have at least listened since, as an a cancer patient, still undergoing treatment, I'll never be able to buy insurance any other way. Had I listened, I would have learned of my misunderstanding, and considering what I now know to be the meaning/purpose of GAP Insurance, I might have considered it.

But it's too late; I called, and now I'll never know if the benefit was worth the cost. But that's what happens when you're terminal; there's only so much you can worry about. It's somewhere between picking your spots, being mentally overwhelmed and self-preservation. It's a regular three-ring circus – without the clowns. I hope I live to regret my decision – and never need to fill the gap caused by my "hasty" decision.

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



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Saturday/July 28 — "Merlin's Magic"

CALENDAR

Email announcements to almanac@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Thursday at noon for the following week's paper. Photos encouraged.

THURSDAY/JUNE 28

Slow Blues and Swing Dance. Dancing from 9 to 11:30 p.m. Admission is \$8. With DJ Mike Marcotte and Guests. Slow Blues lesson from 8:15 to 9 p.m. At the Back Room at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Call Donna Barker at 301-634-2231, email info@CapitalBlues.org or visit www.CapitalBlues.org.

SATURDAY/JUNE 30

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SUNDAY/JULY 1

Canal Stewards at the River Center. River Center at Lock 8, 7906 Riverside Drive, Cabin. Meet at 10 am at the River Center to help clean up the lockhouse area and the nearby towpath. Open to all ages. Contact: Hannah Larson at larson@potomac.org or 301-608-1188 x205

Medicinal Plant Walk. 12-1:30 p.m. River Center at Lock 8, 7906 Riverside Drive, Cabin John, MD 20818. A Walk focusing on the history, folklore, and medicinal uses of plants along the C & O Canal. Contact Hannah Larson at larson@potomac.org.

Voices of the River: River Stories with Hayden Mathews. 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. Hayden will show how the non-living environment and the flora and fauna have influenced each other over time, with a focus on the changes that have occurred

since the arrival of humans in the Potomac Valley 15,000 years ago. Contact Hannah Larson at larson@potomac.org. At River Center at Lock 8, 7906 Riverside Drive, Cabin John.

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THROUGH JULY 1

"Fiddler on the Roof." Part of the Summer Dinner Theater performances. Performances will take place June 15-16, 22-24 and June 29-July 1. On Friday and Saturday night performances, the doors will open at 6:30 p.m., with a show time of 8:15 p.m. On Sunday, the doors will open at 12:30 p.m., with a 2:15 p.m. show time. Tickets for Summer Dinner Theatre are \$46.50 for adults and \$34.50 for children ages 12 and under. Prices include the performance and a full dinner buffet. At Theatre Arts Arena on the College's Rockville Campus, located at 51 Mannakee Street, Rockville, Md. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.montgomerycollege.edu/sdt or call 240-567-7676.

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THROUGH AUG. 22

Movies on the Square. Wednesdays at dusk (around 8:45 p.m.) Schedule: 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 for details.

THROUGH AUG. 23

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WEDNESDAY/JULY 11

Incell and The Free World. 7 p.m. Part of Strathmore's Free Summer Outdoor Concert Series. At the Gudelsky Concert Pavilion at the Music Center at Strathmore, 5301 Tuckerman Lane, North Bethesda. Call 301-581-5100 or visit www.strathmore.org.

THURSDAY/JULY 12

"Snowday." 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Tickets are \$8. Part of Strathmore's Backyard Theater for Children. At the Mansion at Strathmore (Backyard Theater

SATURDAY/JULY 14

A Capella. 8 p.m. Howard University's Afro Blue Vocal Band, made famous after appearing on NBC's The Sing-Off, will make its D.C. homecoming with fellow a cappella groups Cluster and The Glue at Strathmore. Tickets are \$18-\$38. Call 301-581-5100 or visit www.strathmore.org.

WEDNESDAY/JULY 18

Elijah Balbed Quintet. 7 p.m. Part of Strathmore's Free Summer Outdoor Concert Series. At the Gudelsky Concert Pavilion at the Music Center at Strathmore, 5301 Tuckerman Lane, North Bethesda. Call 301-581-5100 or visit www.strathmore.org.

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Designed by renowned architect, Tom Marion. Custom moldings, high ceilings, doors & windows with transoms above, & custom built-ins. 9,000 SF on 4 levels, breathtaking views, pool, wine cellar & sauna. \$2,395,000
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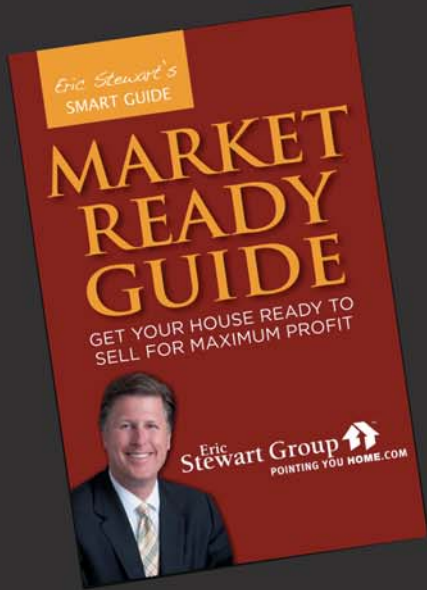
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(Gates Open, 7:00 am)

- 3rd Round Professional Play, 8:00 am - 6:00 pm

SUNDAY, JULY 1, 2012

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