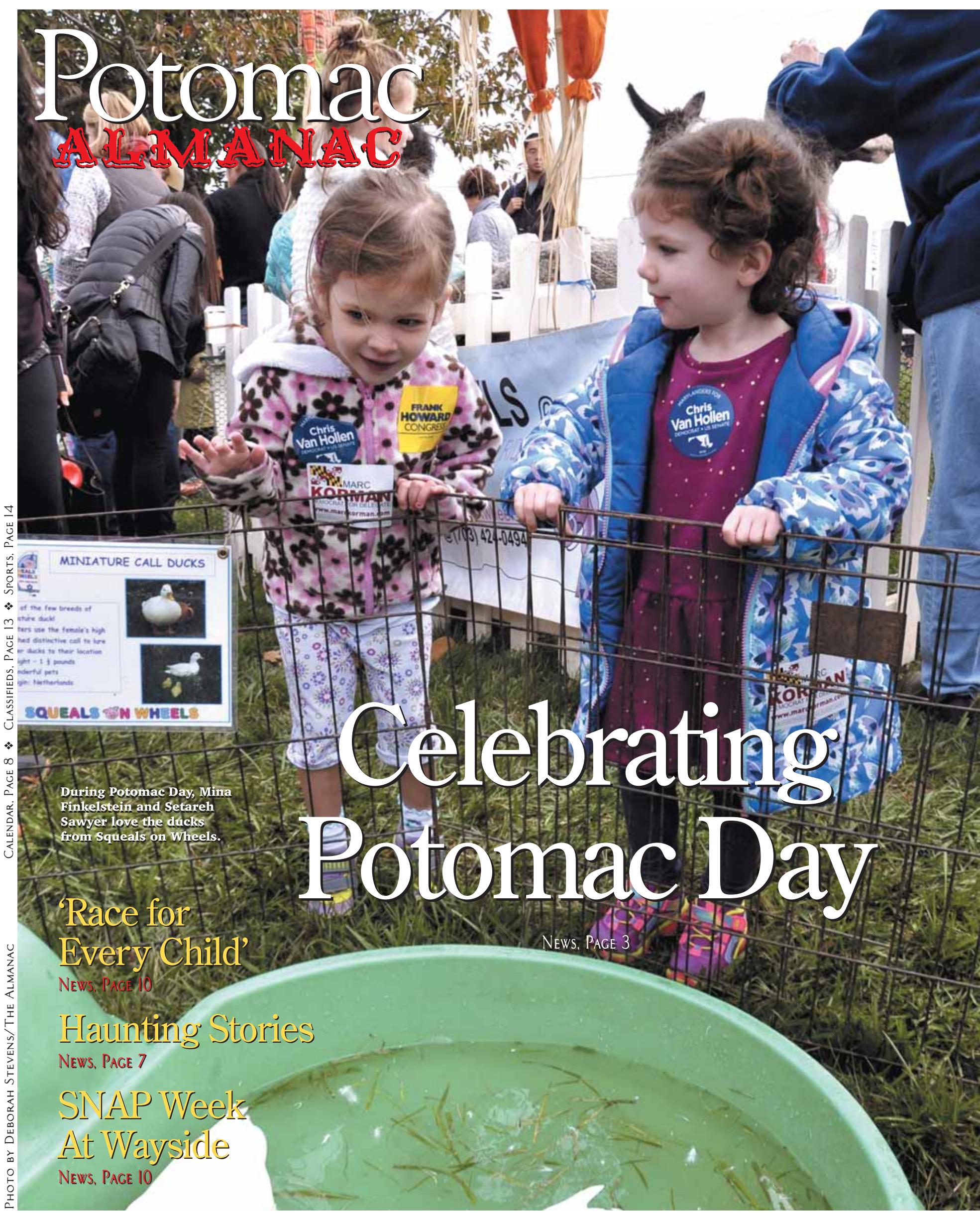


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Members of Potomac Presbyterian Church gather for the parade.

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Parade Grand Marshal Austin Kiplinger

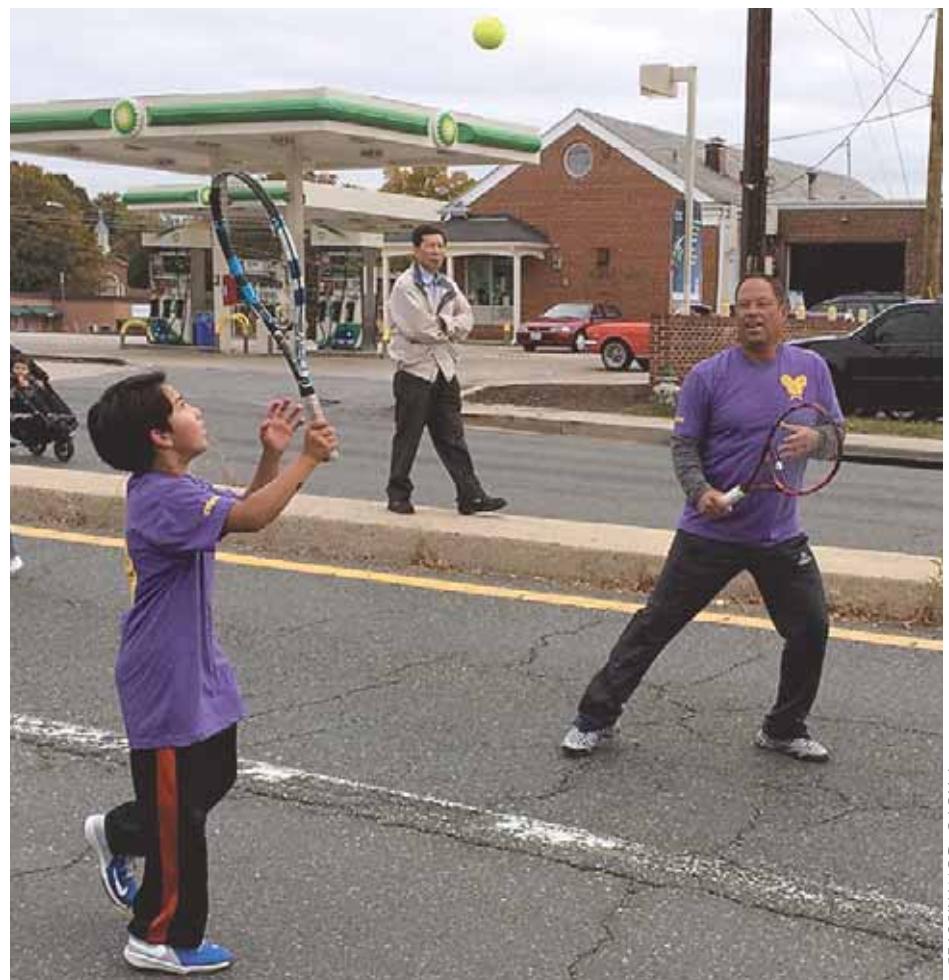


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Potomac Swim and Tennis Club Junior Team member Shrey Abert and Greg Martin, director of Tennis Operations, keep the ball in play all the way through the Potomac Day Parade.

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Jill Phillips loves the parade: "This is the most exciting Potomac Day ever. More rides, more booths and a great parade." She and husband John bring their mobile petting zoo, Squeals on Wheels" to Potomac Day every year.



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The band Retrospect rocks out at Potomac Day

Celebrating the Potomac Community



A day filled with food, rides and music.

BY SUSAN BELFORD
THE ALMANAC

The Star-Spangled Banner," sung by Potomac's own opera singer, Chrissellene Petropoulos, opened the 2015 Potomac Day activities.

The parade stretched longer than ever before and the business booths were sold out long before Oct. 24. The weather was perfect, children enjoyed more rides than ever before — and Potomac Day was a day to celebrate the Potomac community as well as the four 2015 honorees: Citizen of the Year, Dr. Susan Rich; Business Person of

the Year, Steve Ornstein, owner of EDGE Floral Event Designers; Youth of the Year, Alexander Brown from Bullis; and the Outstanding Achievement Award to Elie Pisarra-Cain. The parade's Grand Marshal was Austin Kiplinger.

Food from a wealth of vendors filled the bellies, while music from the live band Retrospect and the Exclusively Entertainment DJ got the feet moving and the crowd feeling lively. Children petted and played with the animals from Squeals on Wheels and whooped and hollered as they slid down the Inflatables, crawled up the high climbing wall and ran from ride to ride. The Classic Cars drew attention from many admirers and community members mingled and conversed while enjoying the greetings by Potomac business owners.



Allison Suen waves to marchers in the parade.



Puppy Mac wears one of the "Best Smiles In Potomac" shirts from Amy Light, DDS.

Rowan Marks performed with Irish dancers from The Duffy School of Irish Dance. She said, "I loved dancing in the parade and I also love dance competitions. Irish dancing is so fun."



Bill and Lori Askinazi took 2-year-old granddaughter Ariana on a fun Mini-Car ride.



The Brown family gathers together before the parade. From left are: Claudia Brown, Alexander Brown who is Potomac Youth of the Year, Chris Brown, Aryemis Brown and Austin Brown.



Linda Perlis, Shirley Dominitz and Shelia Moldover at the Potomac Community Village booth.

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by Michael Matese

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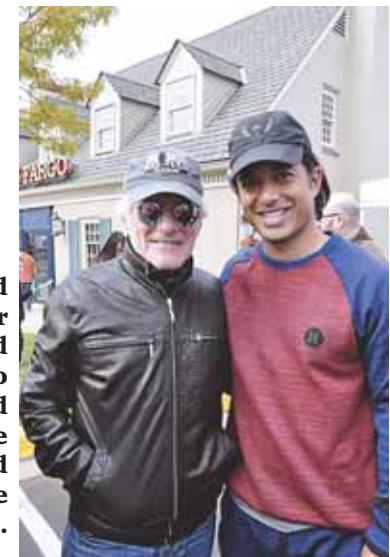
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Pizza from Potomac Pizza served by Ana Escolero, Jim Harding and Chris Phillips.

Norman Loeb and Dave Sicard wait for their 4-year-old son/grandson who was racing up and sliding down the inflatable's. His dad said he liked the free candy the best.



Chuck McDonald of Rockville enjoys driving his 1931 Ford with a rumble seat in the parade. McDonald restored the car himself.



Squeals on Wheels alpacas check out the crowds at Potomac Day.

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Hackett and Nolan Rascher with Friends of the Potomac Library.



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Elie Cain, Lifetime Achievement Awardee.



Sammy Lemar, 10, marches in the parade on a pogo stick.

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Santa ponders ditching his sleigh and reindeers.



Amy Light, orthodontist and pediatric dentistry.



Jenny Warren and 7-and-a-half-year-old Hailey Warren.



Six-year-old Megan Dang with her father Qianyu Dang.



Nancy McBride with "Copper."



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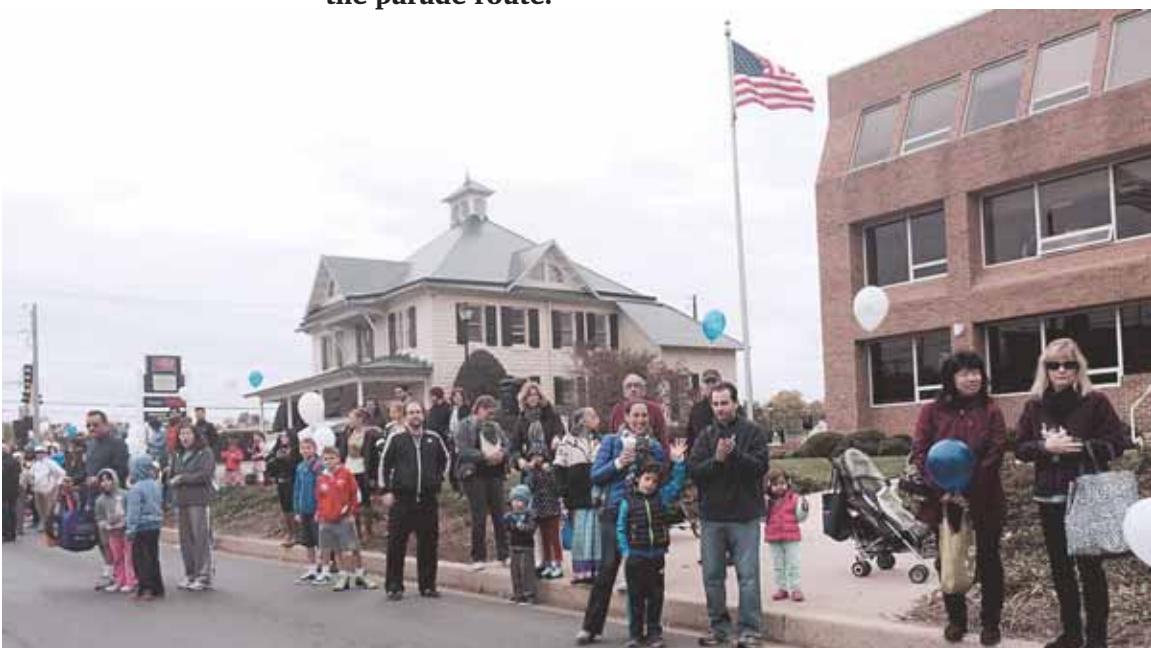
Children watch from along the parade route.

Glickman Design Build hired someone to make balloon creations, which were entertained families.



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The inflatable slide was one of many activities for the children on Potomac Day.



Spectators line the parade route.



Our Lady of Mercy School

NEWS

Beware of Haunting Stories at Potomac Library

Authors of "In Search of Ghosts" to share tales this Saturday.

BY SUSAN BELFORD
THE ALMANAC

Ghosts and goblin stories will be rampant at the Potomac Library at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 31. The ghouls and spirits that haunt Potomac may scurry secretly among the tomes to scare up tales of the wicked and dead. Could be a bloodcurdling and chilling day; come and listen – but be prepared for a racing heart and the terror of not knowing when a ghost may appear to haunt your home.

"In Search of Ghosts," a story-telling lecture by authors Karen Yaffe Lottes and Dorothy Pugh, will explore many haunted places of Montgomery County and the surrounding areas. The presentation is sponsored by the Friends of the Library, Potomac Chapter.

Lottes and Pugh have collaborated on "In Search of Maryland Ghosts: Montgomery County."

Lottes is an historian and museum educator. She worked for many years as the education director for the Montgomery County Historical Society (MCHS) and is



currently a museum consultant. She has developed site-specific and county-wide local history programs, including "In Search of Ghosts," one of the first history-based Halloween programs in the Washington, D.C., area.

This is Lotte's first book, although she has published extensively on the history of Montgomery County in MCHS publications as well as in local newspapers. She lives in historic Washington Grove with her family and several furry companions.

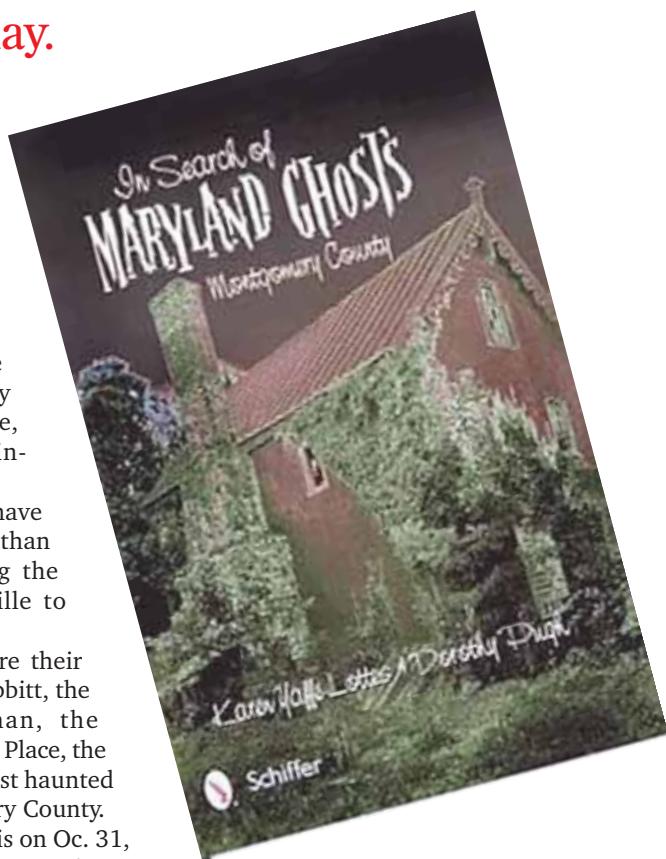
Pugh was able to turn from her love of history from a hobby to vocation when she volunteered for many years at the MCHS's Library and Archives as an assistant librarian and researcher. She has researched and written extensively about the history of Montgomery County. Her article "Ghost Stories of Montgomery County," published in the "Montgomery County Story," led her to

the realization that most paranormal happenings can be tied into the history of a house or place, thus creating an intriguing story.

Lottes and Pugh have encountered more than 50 ghosts haunting the area from Poolesville to Bethesda.

The two will share their tales of Herman Rabbitt, the Headless Horseman, the Bridesmaid, Bernie's Place, the Nanny – and the most haunted place in Montgomery County.

The presentation is on Oct. 31, 1 p.m. at the Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive.



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ONGOING

Children's Storytime. Wednesdays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. at Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 4801 Bethesda Ave., Bethesda. Listen to employees read children's stories. Free. Visit www.store-locator.barnesandnoble.com/event/4824850-21.

Adult Single Night. Saturdays, 9 p.m. at Benny's Bar & Grill, 7747 Tuckerman Lane, Potomac. Find a DJ, open dance floor, and other singles. No cover charge. Visit www.bennysbargrill.com.

Cooking Demonstration and Tasting. Wednesdays through Nov. 4, 6 p.m. at The Mansion at Strathmore, 10701 Rockville Pike, North Bethesda. Local chefs provide demonstrations and tastings. Free, but registration required. Visit www.strathmore.org.

Butterfly Exhibit. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. daily from through Oct. 25 at Brookside Gardens, 1800 Glenallen Ave., Wheaton. Free. Visit www.montgomeryparks.org for more.

"Off The Wall." Through Oct., canvas selection on Oct. 30 at 7:30 p.m. at 155 Gibbs St., Rockville. Purchase a ticket and take home a 16-inch by 20-inch painting done by one of VisArts instructors. Tickets are \$25. Everyone who purchases a ticket will receive a canvas. Visit www.visartsatrockville.org.

"When She Had Wings." Through Nov. 1 at various times at Imagination Stage, 4908 Auburn Ave., Bethesda. A 9-year-old girl fantasizes about flying in a makeshift cockpit she built in a tree. Tickets start at \$10. Visit www.imaginationstag.org.

"Women Chefs: Artists in the Kitchen." Through Nov. 8, during gallery hours at the Mansion at Strathmore, 10701 Rockville Pike, North Bethesda. Twenty-one visual artists create portraits of 22 female chefs, who will also give cooking demos. Admission to the exhibit is free. Visit www.strathmore.org for more.

"MPT Salutes Vietnam Veterans" Traveling Exhibit. Through Nov. 9, 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday-Saturday, 1-5 p.m. Sunday at Rockville Public Library, 21 Maryland Ave., Rockville. The exhibit is making its way around Maryland through next June to celebrate the military service of Marylanders during the Vietnam War. The exhibit features both current-day and wartime images of 10 or more men and women along with their recollections of incidents from the war, and opportunities for display visitors to craft messages to veterans. Free. Visit www.mpt.org/vietnam.

Lobsterfest. Through Nov. 10. Order live Maine lobsters at \$15 each to benefit the Potomac Kiwanis Club. Pick up lobsters on Nov. 14 at Potomac Presbyterian Church, 10301 River Road. To order, email Jackie Cronin at Potomackiwanis@gmail.com or call 301-527-1235.

Heather Harvey Art Exhibit. Through Nov. 15, gallery hours at VisArts at Rockville, 155 Gibbs St., Rockville. Heather Harvey presents a site-specific work and a paper-based series. Free. Visit www.visartsatrockville.org.

"Photo Slam: The Exhibition." Through Nov. 29, gallery hours at

Photoworks at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Images from the Photo Slam 2014 by Prescott Moore Lassman, Pablo de Loy, Valerie Makepeace and Tangy de Carbonnieres will be on display. Free. Visit www.glenechophotoworks.org.

Oasis Art Gallery Exhibit. Through Nov. 30 at The Oasis Art Gallery inside Macy's Home Store at Westfield Montgomery Mall, 7125 Democracy Blvd., Bethesda. Artists Lieta Gerson and Lindan Silvers will display their work. Free. Visit www.oasisnet.org/washington.

"Originale." Through Nov. 30, 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 12-6 p.m. on Sunday at Persiano Gallery and Design Center, 188 Market St., Potomac. Artist Yolanda Prinsloo presents artwork in graphite and paint. Free. Visit www.persianogallery.com for more.

"Project 837, Part 2." Through Dec. 13, during gallery hours at VisArts, 155 Gibbs St., Rockville. An exhibition series intended to start a conversation about the definition of home and homelessness. The exhibition includes contemporary artists, the public, activists and organizers for workshops, gallery exhibition and symposium. Free. Visit www.visartsatrockville.org.

Paint Night. 5:30-8 p.m. on first and second Mondays of the month through December at Sweet Frog, 100 Lexington Drive, Silver Spring. Spiritual Unicorn art sponsors a night of painting. Tickets are \$10 for children and \$15 for adults. Visit www.spiritualunicornart.com.

VisArts Cocktails and Canvas Class. At VisArts in the Painting & Drawing Studio, 155 Gibbs St., Rockville. Price \$40. Visit www.visartsatrockville.org/cocktails-and-canvas for more.

Thang Ta. Wednesdays, 6-7 p.m. at Sutradhar Institute of Dance and Related Arts, 1525 Forest Glen Road, Silver Spring. Learn the ancient art of the sword and spear. \$25. Visit www.dancesidra.org.

Weekly Blues Dance. Thursdays 8:15-11:30 p.m. in the Back Room Annex at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. Capital Blues presents rotating DJs and instructors with beginner workshop 8:15-9 p.m., no partner necessary. \$8 for all. Visit www.capitalblues.org for more.

Weekly Swing Dance. Saturdays, 8 p.m.-midnight. The DC Lindy Exchange presents a swing dance with live music in the Spanish Ballroom, Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Beginner swing dance lesson at 8 p.m., followed by dancing until midnight. Admission \$16-\$18, age 17 and under \$12. Visit www.glenechopark.org for more.

Argentine Tango with Lessons. Most Sundays, 6:30-11 p.m. in the Back Room Annex at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Argentine Tango lessons followed by a Milonga most Sunday evenings. Beginner lesson 6:30-7:30 p.m. and intermediate lesson 7:30-8:30 p.m. Cost is \$15/lesson and includes the Milonga. For just the Milonga, cost is \$10 and the open dance with DJ runs 8:30-11 p.m. No partner required. Visit www.glenechopark.org or call 301-634-2222 for more.

Contra and Square Dance. Fridays and Sundays 7-10:30 p.m. in the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. The evening can include square dances, mixers, waltzes and other couple dances. All Contra and Square dances are taught, no partner necessary. Lessons at 7 p.m., followed by the called dance with live music at 7:30. \$13 for nonmembers, \$10 for FSGW members, \$5 ages 17 and under. Visit www.glenechopark.org or call 301-

634-2222 for more.

FRIDAY/OCT. 30

Halloween at Scotland Community Center

4-7 p.m. at Scotland Community Center, 7700 Scotland Drive, Potomac. Guests will find games, a DJ, popcorn, candy and more. Free. Call 240-777-8075.

Halloween on the Row

5-7 p.m. at Bethesda Row, 7235 Woodmont Ave., Bethesda. Children are invited to trick-or-treat, enjoy live music and more. Free. Visit www.bethesdarow.com for more.

Halloween Family Game Night

5-8 p.m. at Mid-County Community Center, 2004 Queensguard Road, Silver Spring. Find games, zumba, arts and crafts, and more. Free. Call 240-777-6820 for more.

Auduboo! 6-9 p.m. at Woodend Nature Sanctuary, 8940 Jones Mill Road, Chevy Chase. Audubon Naturalist Society is hosting a nature-themed Halloween event featuring animal encounters and treat stations. Inside the mansion, families will find refreshments and craft stations for making animal masks or painting pumpkins. This event is rain or shine. Tickets are \$15-17. Visit www.anshome.org/Auduboo.

Montgomery Modern Book Launch Party

7-9 p.m. at The Writer's Center, 4508 Walsh St., Bethesda. The publication of "Montgomery Modern: Modern Architecture in Montgomery County, Maryland, 1930-1979" and the launch party event are part of the Historic Preservation Office's Montgomery Modern initiative to educate the public about the architectural heritage of Montgomery County. This book, written by MNCPPC senior architectural historian Clare Lise Kelly, provides the historic context for modern architecture in Montgomery County, from the 1930s through the 1970s. Free. Visit www.montgomeryplanning.org.

"Project 837, Part 2" Opening Reception

7-9 p.m. at VisArts, 155 Gibbs St., Rockville. Celebrate "Project 837, Part 2," an exhibition series intended to start a conversation about the definition of home and homelessness. Free. Visit www.visartsatrockville.org.

Halloween Haunted House

7-10 p.m. at Long Branch Community Center, 8700 Piney Branch Road, Silver Spring. Visit a haunted house and participate in a costume contest. Free. Call 240-777-6965 for more.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/OCT. 30-NOV. 1

Israeli Art Show

10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Congregation Har Shalom, 11510 Falls Road, Potomac. Attend an art show featuring works from the Safrai Gallery in Jerusalem. Free. Visit www.harshalom.org for more.

SATURDAY/OCT. 31

Croydon Creek Nature Center Walk

9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Rock Creek Village Shopping Center, 5550 Norbeck Road, Rockville. There are three trails: 11km (rated 2C), 7km (rated 2A), and 5km (rated 2A). The

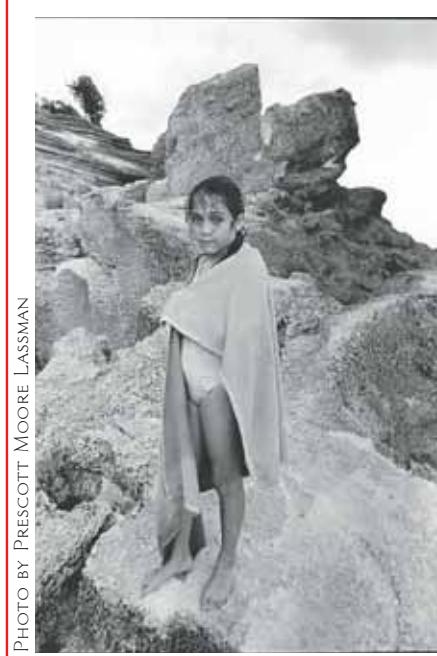


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'Photo Slam: The Exhibition' Now Open

"Photo Slam: The Exhibition" will feature the winning artists from the Photo Slam 2014, an annual photography competition. Winners receive the opportunity to exhibit their work in a group show at Photoworks Gallery in Glen Echo Park during Fotoweek. Exhibition members include Prescott Moore Lassman, Pablo de Loy, Valerie Makepeace, and Tangy de Carbonnieres. The Photowork Gallery, at 7300 MacArthur Blvd., is open on Saturday 1-4 p.m. and Sunday 1-8 p.m. An artist reception will be held on Nov. 8, 5-7 p.m. Visit www.glen echophotoworks.org for more.

Girl on the Rocks, Bermuda 2007

SUNDAY/NOV. 1

Crab Feast Fundraiser. 1-5 p.m. at 5020 Battery Lane, Bethesda. The Bethesda-Chevy Chase Rescue Squad Alumni Association will hold a crab feast fundraiser. All-you-can-eat steamed crabs, fried chicken, potato salad, baked beans, applesauce, and rolls, along with beer and soda. Tickets are \$50 in advance and \$55 at the door. Visit www.bccrs.org for more.

Cartoonists Draw Blood. 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at Seeker's Church, 276 Carroll St. NW, Washington, D.C. This blood drive will give donors the opportunity to meet cartoonists and receive a complimentary cartoon sketch. The event will feature Alexandria Gazette Packet cartoonist Steve Artley, and several other artists including Carolyn Belefski, Bill Brown, Chris Flick, Eric Gordon, Art Hondros, Mal Jones, T.R. Logan, Liz Reed, and Joe Sutliff. All donors will be able to meet the cartoonists and receive a complimentary cartoon sketch. Free. Visit www.facebook.com/events/1502045900106928.

In

Search of Ghosts: Montgomery County

1 p.m. at Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac.

Attend a storytelling lecture by authors Karen Yaffe Lottes and Dorothy Pugh explores haunted place of Montgomery County and surrounding areas. Free. Visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library/.

Fall

Frolic

1-4 p.m. at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo.

Attend a day of pumpkin decorating, trick-or-treating, and a costume parade around the park. Free. Visit www.glenechopark.org for more.

National

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Bach

8 p.m. at The Music Center at Strathmore, 5301 Tuckerman Lane, North Bethesda. This concert will feature Bach's more memorable music. Tickets are \$29 for adults and free for children. Visit www.nationalphilharmonic.org

Halloween

Extravaganza

8 p.m. at the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. Blair Carman and the Belieview Boys will provide the music for a drop-in swing lesson and party with costume contests, and more. Tickets are \$18 for adults, \$12 for children 11-17, and \$10 for children 10 and younger. Visit www.gottawing.com for more.

Monster

Bash

Costume

Party

9 p.m.-2 a.m. at Doubletree by Hilton Bethesda, 8120 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda. Compete in the costume contest, partake in the sweets, sugars, spice dessert station, watch Halloween movies, and more. General admission tickets are \$15, VIP tickets are \$50. Must be 21+. Visit www.bethesdamonsterbash2015.eventbrite.com.

Vladimir

Feltsman

7:30-9:30 p.m. at Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington, 6125 Montrose Road, Rockville. Pianist Feltsman will perform. Tickets are \$30-40. Visit www.jccgw.org for more.

Open

Door

Reading

2-4 p.m. at The Writer's Center, 4508 Walsh St., Bethesda. Raoul Wientzen, winner of the 2014 McLaughlin-Esstman-Stearns First Novel Prize, reads from "The Assembler of Parts." A reception and book signing follows. Free. Visit www.writer.org.

FRIDAY/NOV. 6

The

Weight

Concert

8 p.m. at AMP by Strathmore, 11810 Grand Park Ave., North Bethesda. A tribute group for "The Band" performs. Tickets are \$35-45. Visit www.ampbystrathmore.com.

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12 a.m. This competition is seeking local songwriters. The adjudicated contest will award one songwriter a Grand Prize of \$10,000. The award also includes a young songwriter category for which a songwriter younger than 18 will have the chance to win \$2,500. Applicants are invited to submit three original songs. Each

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song must have lyrics. Instrumental compositions are not accepted. All genres are accepted. Maximum song length is 4:30 min. Visit www.bethesda.org.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/NOV. 6-8

St. Mark Orthodox Church Ethnic Food Festival and Bazaar. 11 a.m.-6 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 12-4 p.m. on Sunday at 7124 River Road, Bethesda. Find Russian and Eastern European foods such as piroghi, piroshki, halupki, blini, pirog, and chicken Kiev. Also peruse baked goods, jewelry, pottery, handcrafted items, icons, religious books & gifts, and more. Free. Visit www.stmarkoca.org.

SATURDAY/NOV. 7

Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery Sale. 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. at St. Mark Presbyterian Church, 10701 Old Georgetown Road, Rockville. Members of the Potomac Fiber Arts Gallery offer handcrafted, one-of-a-kind wearable art, jewelry, yarn, fabrics, notions and gift items. Bargain tables include gallery-quality items and artists' overstock of equipment, materials and supplies, books, and more. Free. Email FallFiberArtSale@gmail.com.

Lecture and Book Signing. 2-4 p.m. at The Spanish Ballroom Annex at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Photographer Jeff Jacobson will discuss his work as part of the Elsie Hull Memorial Lecture Series. Tickets are \$15 for students and \$25 for adults. Visit www.glenechophotoworks.org.

Washington Saxophone Quartet. 7:30 p.m. at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 7730 Bradley Blvd.,

Bethesda. As part of Emmanuel's celebration of the 25th Anniversary of their Sanctuary, the Washington Saxophone Quartet will perform classical and contemporary music. Free. Call 301-365-5733 for more.

40th Anniversary Event:

Flamenco, Music, Poetry. 7:30-10 p.m. At The Writer's Center, 4508 Walsh St., Bethesda. The Writer's Center and Letras Latinas present an evening of Flamenco dance, music, and Spanish and English poetry inspired by Federico Garcia Lorca's "Theory and Play of the Duende." Readings by Cacayo Ballesteros and Rod Jellema. Tickets are \$15 for nonmembers and \$10 for members. Visit www.writer.org.

SUNDAY/NOV. 8

Portfolio Review. 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at Photoworks at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Photographer Jeff Jacobson will provide 30-minute, in-depth portfolio reviews for photographers. Thirty minutes is \$150. Visit www.glenechophotoworks.org.

"Photo Slame: The Exhibition" Artist Reception and Gallery Talk.

5-7 p.m. at Photoworks at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Celebrate the award-winning images from the Photo Slam 2014 by Prescott Moore Lassman, Pablo de Loy, Valerie Makepeace and Tanguy de Carbonnieres. Free. Visit www.glenechophotoworks.org.

TUESDAY/NOV. 10

STYX. 8 p.m. at The Music Center at Strathmore, 5301 Tuckerman Lane, North Bethesda. STYX gives a benefit concert for Autistic Adults and Children (CSAAC). Tickets are \$100-

250. Visit www.strathmore.org for more.

THURSDAY/NOV. 12

Hugh Masekela Concert. 8 p.m. at AMP by Strathmore, 11810 Grand Park Ave., North Bethesda. Attend a concert given by a Grammy-nominated jazz trumpeter. Tickets are \$35-50. Visit www.ampbystrathmore.com.

FRIDAY/NOV. 13

Storm Large Concert. 8 p.m. at AMP by Strathmore, 11810 Grand Park Ave., North Bethesda. Large brings her comedy, theater and music backgrounds to the stage. Tickets are \$30-45. Visit www.ampbystrathmore.com.

SATURDAY/NOV. 14

Potomac Library Book Sale. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at 10101 Glenolden Drive. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library, Potomac Chapter. Runs most months. Most hardbacks are \$1 and paperbacks are \$.50. Visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library/branches/potomac.html.

SUNDAY/NOV. 15

Coffee and Critique. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at Photoworks at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Guests are invited to bring photos for informal feedback from Photoworks faculty and enjoy coffee and bagels. Free. Visit www.glenechophotoworks.org.

Pet Memorial Service. 5 p.m. at Christ Episcopal Church, 109 S. Washington St., Rockville. Celebrate, honor, and remember the lives of

beloved pets. Submit a jpeg photo of pets that have passed to be included in a slide show at the service. Please email pet photos, including the pets first and last name, to sfrancisflock@ceccrockville.org by Oct. 31 to be included in the service. Free. Visit www.christchurchrockville.org for more.

Photo Slam 2015: The Event.

8-10 p.m. at Busboys & Poets, 14th & V streets NW, Washington, D.C. Photoworks of Glen Echo partners with FotoWeek DC for the 5th Annual Photo Slam. Photographers vie for prizes and recognition in this fast-paced competition of projected images. Free, but \$20 suggested donation. Visit www.glenechophotoworks.org.

WEDNESDAY/NOV. 18

The Yardbirds Concert. 8 p.m. at AMP by Strathmore, 11810 Grand Park Ave., North Bethesda. A rock band founded in 1963 performs. Tickets are \$45-60. Visit www.ampbystrathmore.com.

THURSDAY/NOV. 19

Lecture and Book Signing. 7:30 p.m. at Photoworks at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Lecturer, curator, and art consultant Sarah Gordon will discuss her new book, "Indecent Exposures: Eadweard Muybridge's Animal Locomotion Nudes." Free. Visit www.glenechophotoworks.org.

SATURDAY/NOV. 21

Dinner of Champions. 7 p.m. at JCC of Greater Washington, 6125 Montrose Road, Rockville. The annual event honors those who have

achieved success in the world of sports, and those who have made extraordinary contributions to the community. The dinner benefits the Jewish Community inclusion programs for individuals with special needs. Individual tickets are \$275. Visit www.jccgw.org for more.

SUNDAY/NOV. 22

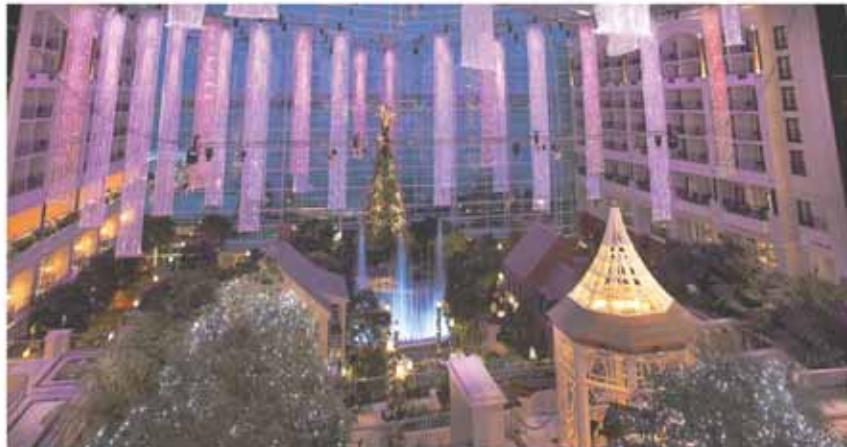
Photo Slam: The Hangover Brunch. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. at Photoworks at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Participants from Photo Slam 2015 are invited to bring in their images for a photo critique with Photoworks faculty. Tickets are \$10. Visit www.glenechophotoworks.org.

THURSDAY/NOV. 26

Turkey Chase. 8:30 a.m. at 9401 Old Georgetown Road at Spruce Street. The Turkey Chase 10K Run benefits the YMCA Bethesda-Chevy Chase, YMCA's Youth and Family Services and the Bethesda-Chevy Chase Rotary Club Foundation. Includes a two-mile walk/run; wheelchairs welcome. Registration is \$10 for the Kid's Run, \$20 for the two-mile, and \$35 for the 10K. See www.turkeychase.com.

WEDNESDAY/DEC. 9

"Let Freedom Sing." 8 p.m. at Ohr Kodesh Synagogue, 8300 Meadowbrook Lane, Chevy Chase. Zemer Chai, the Jewish Chorale of the Nation's Capital present "Let Freedom Sing: Songs of Justice & Celebration," with special guests, The Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School Chamber Singers. Tickets are \$10. Visit www.zemerchai.org for more.



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'Race for Every Child' To Benefit Children's National

**Local team,
"Jamie's Joggers"
to participate.**

BY SUSAN BELFORD
THE ALMANAC

Team "Jamie's Joggers" is getting ready to lace up their shoes this Halloween to support Potomac's Jamison Eberstein, a 5-year-old born with a rare terminal disorder called Cockayne Syndrome (CS). "Jamie's Joggers" are also on a mission to make a difference by raising funds for Children's National — the hospital where Jamie spent 31 days last summer receiving inpatient treatments.

Jamie's parents, Nikki and Jason Eberstein wish to support the hospital that has been so good to them. "Seeing Jamison cross the finish line at last year's Race was one of my proudest moments," said Nikki Eberstein.

Jamison was born with a rare genetic disease called Cockayne Syndrome — a terminal disease with no cure or treatments. In Nikki Eberstein's words: "Being told that your child has a limited lifespan, and there is nothing you can do to help her, is the most powerless feeling in the world. As her mother, I choose to fight; fight for Jamie, fight for a cure, and fight for all the other families who are affected by this devastating syndrome."

"We were at Children's so much that most of the staff knew us by name. They were fantastic to us and to Jamie," said Jason Eberstein. "We are so fortunate to have a world-renown hospital with cutting-edge



**Jason,
Jamison
and Nikki
Eberstein
enjoy every
moment
together.**

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research so close to us. We require all kinds of pediatric specialists including a gastroenterologist, a neurologist, endocrinologist, radiologist, physical medicine physician and more. Dr. Adeline Vanderver, director of the Myelin Disorders Clinic at Children's National was particularly helpful and wonderful."

Jamie loves dolls, coloring, everything princess, clothes, and playing with her brother and sister, Jackson and Grayson. She is nonverbal but is a master at making sure she is understood, either through facial gestures, body language or the use of an iPad. She requires a feeding tube and nine therapies a week — PT, OT and speech. One of her favorite things is cuddling with mommy and daddy.

"She is a joy," said Jason Eberstein. "She has a zest for life — and we want her to maintain her exuberance. All three of our kids will enjoy the upcoming race on Hal-

loween. They have a lot of games for the children and Dr. Bear, the Children's National Hospital mascot, will be at the race. There are expecting more than 6000 runners this year."

Cockayne Syndrome is a rare degenerative disorder which causes premature aging, growth failure, impaired development of the nervous system, photosensitivity, eye disorders and hearing loss. A child with CS may only live to become an adolescent or young adult. The cause is related to both parents carrying a defective gene — and only one child out of a million is born with CS. There are only 50 children in the U.S. with CS — and only 200 in the world with this diagnoses. It is difficult to diagnose and many times is mistakenly diagnosed as cerebral palsy.

The Race for Every Child is important to the Ebersteins — as is fundraising for the rare disorder affecting their daughter. "We

have 30 people on our team and we have raised \$2,500 for Children's National," said Nikki Eberstein. This summer, she planned an event to fund research for Cockayne Syndrome. The Butterfly Bash, held at Woodmont Country Club, raised more than \$175,000. "There is no funding, no treatment, no pharmaceuticals and no cure," she said. She wanted the event to be a celebration with lights, music and wonderful food. "This is an incredibly sad disorder, and I don't want this to be sad," she said.

The "Race for Every Child" was originally planned for Oct. 3, but was rained out. Now it will be held on Halloween from 7 a.m. – 12 p.m. and everyone is invited to dress in costume for the race. This third annual 5k run/walk and Kids' Dash will start at Freedom Plaza in downtown Washington D.C. The day will include pre-race activities at 7 a.m., the 5K at 8:45 am and the Kids' Dash at 10:15 am. There will be a Kid's Area with sport inflatables, mini-golf and Halloween arts and crafts.

"There's nothing that compares to the feeling of crossing the finish line at the Race for every Child," said Race Co-Chair Casey Seidenberg. "It's a time to celebrate, express gratitude and have fun. But we know the finish line is just the beginning. Together as a community we can do more. We can give more children the chance for a healthy life. That's what the Race is all about."

Registration is now open at www.raceforeverychild.org. Participants can sign up an as individual, create or join a team, or donate. The half-day event features a range of family-friendly activities. Sponsorships are also available; contact Race Director Ashley Husich at ahusich@childrensnational.org.

SNAP Week at Wayside Elementary School

Event designed to foster acceptance.

BY MARILYN CAMPBELL
THE ALMANAC

Students at Wayside Elementary School got a lesson in acceptance recently during the fifth annual Special Needs Awareness Program (SNAP) Week, which was held earlier this month. The event included a week of disability awareness activities designed to foster awareness among students.

"We believe that the children learned ... that everyone can be successful learners with appropriate supports," said Donna Michela, principal Wayside Elementary School. "They learned that regardless of disabilities, all of the students in our school have similar likes and interests and should be treated with kindness and respect."

Students watched documentary films and read books about special needs and empathy. One of the most powerful events, say organizers, were the simulation activities

in which students got an opportunity to experience what it's like to live with a disability.

"The students find the hands on activities the most fascinating," said Michela. "Experiencing activities where they have limited vision or hearing, where they have difficulty navigating what is typically easy and not being able to use all of the senses or skills gives them an increased appreciation for the challenges of others."

Michela says that the Wayside Community includes includes students with significant cognitive and physical disabilities. "We believe that there must be continuous learning and modeling of behaviors to ensure that children develop empathy and understanding of the challenges that others face," she said.

In addition to the annual SNAP Week program, the school offers other opportunities for fostering awareness and acceptance. "Our special needs students have daily opportunities to mainstream ... and we have a Buddy Club for general education students to interact and provide support with their peers in the special education classrooms," said Michela.



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Students at Wayside Elementary School participated in disability awareness activities during SNAP Week.

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Deadline for Entries. The Bethesda Arts & Entertainment District is accepting entries from Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia filmmakers for the annual Bethesda Film Fest. Visit www.bethesda.org for more.

WEDNESDAY/OCT. 28

Senior Connection Volunteer

Training. 7 p.m. at Holiday Park Senior Center, 3950 Ferrara Drive, Silver Spring. The Senior Connection needs volunteer drivers to escort seniors to doctor appointments and help with grocery shopping. Email volunteer@seniorconnectionmc.org or call 301-962-0820 for more.

SATURDAY/OCT. 31

Free Halloween Cab Rides. 10 p.m.-4 a.m. During this six-hour period, area residents ages 21 and older celebrating with alcohol may call the toll-free SoberRide phone number 1-

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SUNDAY/NOV. 1

18th Annual Preschool Fair. 3-5 p.m. at Potomac United Methodist Church, 9908 S. Glen Road, Potomac. More than preschools from the Potomac, Rockville, Bethesda, Kensington, Chevy Chase and surrounding areas will be represented. Activities will also be available for children. Visit www.momspotomac.org for more.

WEDNESDAY/NOV. 4

New Volunteer Open House. 9:30-11 a.m. at Holiday Park Senior Center, 3950 Ferrara Drive, Silver Spring. The Senior Connection has immediate openings for volunteers to provide essential services to Montgomery County seniors,

including driving seniors to medical appointments and assisting with grocery shopping. Visit www.seniorconnectionmc.org.

THURSDAY/NOV. 5

Great Decisions: Human Trafficking in the 21st Century. 12:30-2 p.m. at Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac. Great Decisions, a national program of the non-partisan Foreign Policy Association is sponsored by Friends of the Library, Potomac Chapter. Most months there is a guest speaker. The program is free and open to the public; bring a brown bag lunch. A copy of the 2015 Briefing Book is available at the Information Desk. The book cannot be checked out; it takes about an hour to read the relevant article. Books can be ordered at fpa.org.

MONDAY/NOV. 9

What's the Outlook for Maryland's Economy and How Will It Affect

You? 7:45-10 p.m. at First Floor Auditorium of the County Council Office Building, 100 Maryland Ave., Rockville. Montgomery County Civic Association will host Maryland's Comptroller Peter Franchot who will discuss Maryland's economy and fiscal climate. Guests will have the opportunity to ask questions. Visit www.montgomerycivic.org for more.

TUESDAY/NOV. 10

Volunteer Training Session. 10 a.m. at Holiday Park Senior Center, 3950 Ferrara Drive, Silver Spring. Attend a training session provided by Senior Connection, who provides transportation for the aging. Call 301-962-0820 or email volunteer@seniorconnectionmc.org.

Parent University Workshop: Be Social.

7:15-8:30 p.m. at Har Shalom ECEC 11510 Falls Road, Potomac. Dr. Clawson will address of issues regarding your child and the role of psychiatry in his/her care. He will discuss when to seek a psychiatric opinion and what role can and should your child's psychiatrist play in his/her care. He will also entertain your questions regarding psychiatric care of children. Prices vary based on how many future workshops you plan to attend. Visit www.ccl-md.com.

SUNDAY/NOV. 15

Jewish Community Day. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at University of Maryland Hillel, 7612 Mowatt Lane, College Park. The Jewish Federation of North Bethesda will host "Routes: A Day of Jewish Learning 2015." Find more than 70 sessions of informative seminars and events. Visit www.shalomdc.org.

WEDNESDAY/NOV. 18

Volunteer Training Session. 10 a.m. at Holiday Park Senior Center, 3950 Ferrara Drive, Silver Spring. Attend a training session provided by Senior Connection, who provides transportation for the aging. Call 301-962-0820 or email volunteer@seniorconnectionmc.org.

SUNDAY/NOV. 22

Great Names Community Lecture Series. 3-5 p.m. at Bethesda Jewish Congregation, 6601 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda. Bethesda Jewish Congregation presents Cokie and Steve Roberts, syndicated columnists. Open to all. Free, but RSVP to secure a seat. Call 301-469-8636 or visit www.bethesdajewish.org/ registration/.

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What to Consider When Considering an In-Law Suite



As more and more seniors are opting to stay at home or live with relatives as they age, in-law suites have risen in popularity. Offering a great way to provide a sense of independence and privacy while living with relatives or easy living at home, in-law suites can be a great solution often created within existing space in the home.

There's no strict definition of an in-law suite, but generally it should have a private, full bathroom and a door that separates it from the rest of the home. If possible, it should also have a separate entrance and kitchen, especially if the living situation will be long-term. It's also important to consider its accessibility. A first floor is ideal for an in-law suite but adding an elevator or chairlift is another option to make all floors more accessible. Oftentimes a garage or porch area can be transformed into living space. Basements can also be a great solution. Or, if appropriate, an addition can be built to accommodate a new master suite.



We Bring the Zoo to You!



Student representatives from all Bullis classes, grades 2-12, wielded shovels at the groundbreaking ceremony for the 67,000-square-foot Gerald L. Boarman Discovery Center. Construction is expected to be completed in spring 2017.

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Construction Begins on Discovery Center

Bullis project to be completed in spring 2017.

BY SUSAN BELFORD
THE ALMANAC

The Bullis student body and staff gathered on a crisp fall day in October to celebrate the groundbreaking for the first new building on campus in more than 13 years. The Gerald L. Boarman Discovery Center, named in honor of the current Head of School, will be a 67,000-square-foot home for student innovation, exploration and creativity in the heart of the campus.

The new building will have 10 new classrooms and 11 science laboratories — including two exclusively for Lower School. Other features include a state-of-the-art Fabrication Lab, Entrepreneurship Center, multi-use studio theater with retractable seating, student center with a café, telepresence classroom and a rooftop terrace. The building will nearly double the amount of classroom space at Bullis,

enabling the school to maintain small class sizes while expanding the size of the student body.

"This project will spring Bullis to the forefront of STEM learning in our area and will provide state-of-the-art classrooms," said parent Kerry Wisnowsky. "The Fab Lab, modeled after the MIT Fabrication Center, will integrate with other Fab Lab centers around the world."

Speaking at the groundbreaking ceremony were Head of School Dr. Gerald L. Boarman, Board of Trustees Chair Andrew Blair '86, Capital Campaign Co-Chairs David Trone P '12, '14 and Pat Caulfield P '14, '20. They thanked the many donors of the Capital Campaign who have donated to the \$27 million project.

Boarman said, "Now we are ready to build the campus of tomorrow with a state-of-the-art Discovery Center as our centerpiece. Labs, flexible performance areas, more classrooms, a Maker Space and Fabrication Lab and more so our students cannot just learn, but do ...

and make ... and create ... and bring their studies and their creativity to life. Tomorrow's leaders start here, learning to solve problems, collaborate and lead. They learn to put their talents to use, value the contributions of others and explore how collaboration builds a better future than tunnel-vision. In our Discovery Center, our students will be well on their way to accomplishing that and so much more."

Other speakers included state Del. Aruna Miller and a representative from U.S. Rep. Chris Van Hollen's office, Ashima Talwar. Both offered citations that recognized the Bullis School for its groundbreaking and the important role it plays in the community. Also in attendance to share in the celebration were state Sen. Brian Feldman and state Del. Kathleen Dumais.

Construction of the Discovery Center will coincide with construction of a new turf field near the existing softball field. The field is expected to be completed spring 2016 and the Discovery Center target completion date is spring 2017.



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Raising Funds for Swains Lockhouse

Lockhouse 21, locally known as "Swains Lockhouse" after the family who inhabited it for years, will be the seventh lockhouse rehabilitated as part of the Canal Quarters program, a joint partnership between the C&O Canal Trust and the C&O Canal National Historical Park. The program has provided for the rehabilitation of six historic lockhouses located along the C&O Canal. Swains Lockhouse will be the seventh lockhouse to join the program, and the first rehabilitation undertaken since 2011. The lockhouse is in need of structural and architectural repairs. The Trust is partnering with the Friends of the Historic Great Falls Tavern and the C&O Canal Association to raise \$100,000 for the rehabilitation of Swains Lockhouse. The C&O Canal Trust has committed to raising \$75,000 of that amount. Visit www.canaltrust.org.

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A Situation Continuing to Fester

By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Nine days since my PET Scan, and no word, electronically or otherwise, from my oncologist. Not having had a PET Scan in six and a half years, I'm not sure what its results would indicate, currently or comparatively (it was requested that I bring a copy of my previous scan). I mean, I know I have cancer. Do I have more cancer? In more places? Nevertheless, I'm all ears and/or eyes waiting to see or hear something. Not that I'm obsessing about it, but I am thinking/wondering/hoping/praying for news with which I can continue to live.

Now this isn't the first time/interval when scan results have not been communicated quickly enough – for our sake/benefit. Obviously, good news/results we want to receive immediately, if not sooner. Bad news/results we don't want to receive at all (if you know what I mean), but in not receiving good news – within our preferred timeline – we then presume the news is bad. My oncologist has said previously that he'd rather wait and see us in person – which typically we do within a week's time or so, so that he can discuss/explain/strategize – as the case may be, in the event the radiologist's report requires some simplification and clarification. Having given us inaccurate/incomplete information once before – which in that one instance was bad news, he'd rather wait, thereby allowing him/the radiologist sufficient time to interpret the data and provide Team Lourie a correct assessment.

More often than not, however, when the news has been good, my oncologist has e-mailed advising us of the encouraging (I didn't say surprising) news. On the few occasions when the news has been bad (I'd rather call it discouraging), he has been inconsistent: sometimes he has e-mailed us, sometimes not; never a phone call though, regardless. This inconsistency has created an expectation that says good news we get, bad news not much, literally. And generally speaking, inconsistency in the flow of information between doctor and patient, especially between oncologist and cancer patient, needs to be consistent. If not, the byproduct is stress; the absolute last side effect a cancer patient needs – or rather never needs.

I understand, after addressing this communication breakdown with my oncologist, that he's happy to e-mail us results if we'd like, but when the news/results are bad, he seems to be a victim of his circumstances or the constraints of the system: he has no time to see us. His preference remains a face-to-face appointment – to minimize any misunderstanding on our part and perhaps to plan a new present/future for me – so waiting seems the only alternative. The problem is, as it is now, as it has been for over six and a half years: we're sort of receiving mixed messages – consistently. As a result, we never know if no news is good news; no news is bad news; or no news is simply no news (not to be interpreted in any way). After years of this back-and-forth/forth-and-back, my oncologist is very cognizant of our anxiety/potential misinterpretation of facts not yet in evidence. At this juncture, he must know that this cancer patient – who was originally diagnosed with non-small cell lung cancer, stage IV and who gave a "13-month to two-year" prognosis, needs to be coddled a little bit (make that a lot) and maybe even accommodated (no "maybes" about it). To leave us (or any other diagnosed-as-terminal cancer patient) in the lurch is not exactly cruel and unusual punishment, but it doesn't make me long for "Addams Family" reruns either. But there is a similarity in our respective circumstances: it is "mysterious and spooky" and "all together ooky." Neither of which is helpful in the least.

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The Wootton and Churchill field hockey teams begin postseason play on Thursday, Oct. 29. Wootton will host Einstein and Churchill will host Richard Montgomery.

Whitman QB Clayton Shines in Win over WJ

Whitman junior quarterback Matthew Clayton threw three touchdown passes and rushed for 282 yards and a score as the Vikings defeated Walter Johnson 40-7 on Oct. 23 at Whitman High School.

Clayton completed 9 of 14 passes for 98 yards, including touchdown tosses to Austin DeRamus, Carter Hughes and Matt Anderson.

Clayton also carried 17 times for 282 yards, including a 98-yard run.

The victory improved Whitman's record to 3-5.

The Vikings will travel to face Quince Orchard at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 30, and will close the regular season with a road game against Bethesda-Chevy Chase on Nov. 6.

Field Hockey Postseason Begins Thursday

The Wootton, Churchill and Whitman field hockey teams will begin postseason play on Thursday, Oct. 29.

Wootton, which finished the regular season with a 12-2 record, earned the No. 1 seed in Section II of the 4A South region bracket and will host No. 4 Einstein at 6 p.m.

BULLETIN BOARD

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PUBLIC INPUT WANTED

Planners to Present Concepts on Downtown Bethesda

On Thursday, Dec. 11, county planners will present their concepts to the Montgomery County planning board on the future of downtown Bethesda. Will be available online. The feedback loop will be up Dec. 8-19 and accessible 24/7 via computer, mobile device or laptop. Visit www.montgomeryplanning.org.

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Adult Bereavement Groups. Dates and times vary depending on group members. Hospice Care, 518 S. Frederick Ave., Gaithersburg. Peer



Whitman quarterback Matthew Clayton, seen during a practice in August, threw three touchdown passes and rushed for 282 yards during Friday's win over Walter Johnson.

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Churchill is the No. 2 seed in Section II and will host

No. 3 Richard Montgomery at 4 p.m. The Bulldogs finished the regular season with an 8-3-1 record, including a 7-0 victory over Kennedy in the finale on Oct. 21. Faith Kean scored a pair of goals for Churchill, and Darya Aliakbar, Jocelyn Kelley, Camila Crema and Sydney Weinstein each scored one.

Whitman, which finished 8-4, is the No. 2 seed in Section I of the 4A South bracket, and will host No. 3 Walter Johnson at 6:30 p.m.

Soccer Playoffs Begin Friday

The Whitman, Churchill and Wootton boys' soccer teams will begin postseason play on Friday, Oct. 30, including a matchup between the Vikings and Bulldogs.

No. 3 seed Whitman (9-6) and No. 6 Churchill (4-8-1) will compete in the opening round in Section I of the 4A West bracket. Whitman is the defending state champion.

Wootton (10-4) is the No. 2 seed in Section II of the 4A West bracket and will host No. 7 Gaithersburg (2-10).

In girls' action, Whitman, Churchill and Wootton each received first-round byes and will begin play on Tuesday, Nov. 3.

Whitman, the two-time defending state champion, is the No. 1 seed in Section I of the 4A West region bracket. The Vikings (11-1) will host the winner of No. 4 Walter Johnson and No. 5 Richard Montgomery.

Churchill (10-1-1) is the No. 2 seed in Section I and will host the winner of No. 3 Bethesda-Chevy Chase and No. 6 Northwood at 6 p.m. The Bulldogs defeated Whitman 5-0 on Oct. 19, ending the Vikings' 35-match win streak.

Wootton (7-4) is the No. 2 seed in Section II of the 4A West bracket and will host the winner of No. 3 Clarksburg and No. 6 Kennedy.

Wootton Football To Host Rival Churchill

Wootton will host Churchill at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 30 in a rivalry matchup of football teams looking to bounce back from tough stretches.

Churchill dropped to 1-7 with a 56-6 loss to Northwest on Oct. 23 and has lost six straight. Bulldogs running back Andrew Zuckerman rushed for 95 yards and a touchdown.

Wootton lost to Gaithersburg 27-25, dropping its record to 2-6. The Patriots have lost six of their last seven.

SCHOOL NOTES

Email announcements to almanac@connectionnewspapers.com. Deadline is Thursday at noon. Photos are welcome.

Bradley Grossman has graduated from Miami University (Oxford, Ohio) with a Bachelor of Science in business.

MILITARY NOTES

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Hong Jun Moon, an Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) cadet at the Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, has graduated from the Cadet Leader Course at Fort Knox, Ky. Moon is a 2012 graduate of Thomas S. Wootton High School, Rockville.

Army Pfc. **Jespersen M. Barrera** has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. Barrera is a graduate of the Bullis School.

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