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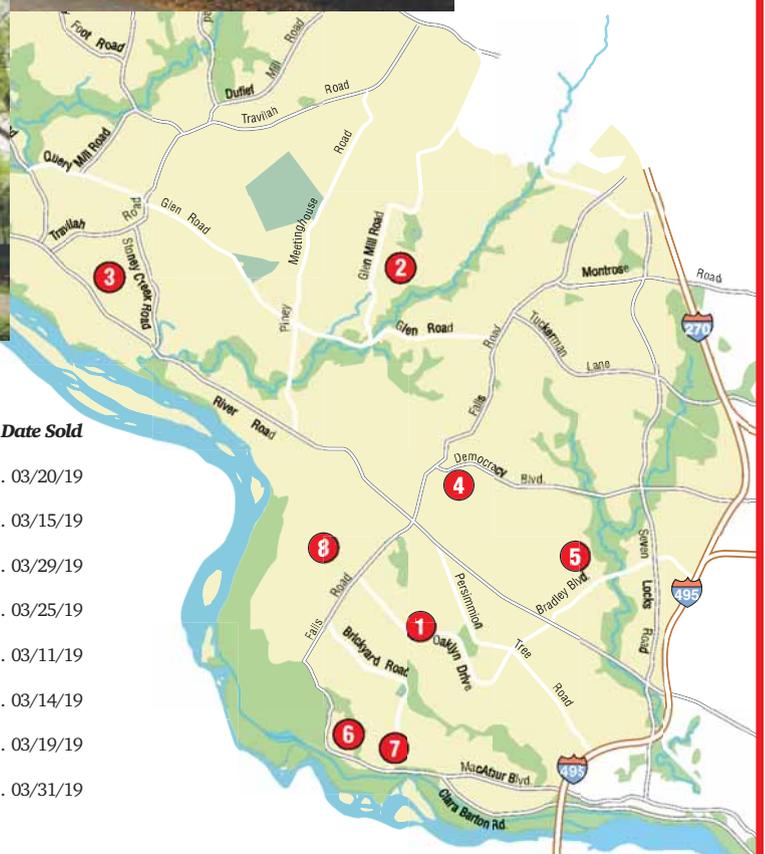
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NEWS

Bullis QB Now a Redskin

2018 Heisman Trophy finalist Dwayne Haskins, a 2016 Bullis graduate, becomes Washington Redskins quarterback of the future.

BY KEN MOORE
THE CONNECTION

When former Bullis quarterback Dwayne Haskins Jr. was selected by the Washington Redskins in the first round of the NFL Draft last Thursday night, Bullis Head Coach Patrick Cilento had long before committed to attend a different type of Bullis Alumni Association gathering.

But Cilento's assistant coaches were with Haskins, his family and friends at Bowlmor Lanes in Gaithersburg where Haskins awaited the imminent call from an NFL team. Cilento was keeping up with Haskins' minute-by-minute draft situation.

"Unbelievable, unbelievable," Cilento said, of the Redskins selecting his former player to be their quarterback of the future with the fifteenth overall pick.

"It is a great day for Bullis and a great day for the Washington Redskins," said Cilento, himself a former quarterback who played for Western Carolina University in 2001 and led Sherwood to a Maryland state 4A title when he was a Montgomery County high school quarterback in 1995.

Cilento remembered the summer when Haskins transferred to Bullis from New Jersey after ninth grade.

"We knew right then and there, on day one, he was a special player," Cilento said. "The ball just popped out of his hand."

AT BULLIS, in three seasons, Haskins passed for 5,308 yards and 54 touchdowns. He helped lead Bullis to consecutive IAC titles his sophomore and junior years. He graduated from Bullis in 2016.



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Dwayne Haskins with his parents, Dwayne Haskins Sr. and Tamara Haskins.



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At Bullis, in three seasons, Haskins passed for 5,308 yards and 54 touchdowns, leading Bullis to IAC titles his sophomore and junior years. He is now the Redskins quarterback of the future.

At Ohio State, in 2018, Haskins set 28 Ohio State University records and seven Big Ten Conference records, including 4,831 single season passing yards and 50 touchdown passes. Against top-25 nationally ranked teams last fall, he threw 20 touchdowns and two interceptions.

Haskins was a 2018 Heisman Trophy finalist, finishing behind Oklahoma's Kyler Murray and Alabama's Tua Tagovailoa, both quarterbacks.

HASKINS ANNOUNCED in January that he would leave Ohio State to enter the 2019 NFL draft.

The Redskins hoped he would be available when they drafted with the fifteenth pick overall in the first round.

"Great kid, great player, very smart," said Redskins coach Jay Gruden, following the first round draft pick. "We feel really good about where he is as a player and where he is going."

"I wouldn't be able to call myself an NFL player without the support of my family, especially my Mama," said Haskins in a tweet the day after the Redskins drafted him.

"Redskins fans, I'm back home baby," he

said. "Let's go!!!!"

HASKINS WAS BACK at Bullis one week before the draft, said Cilento, supporting a friend of his sister's on signing day at Bullis, for students signing letters of intent to play college sports. Haskins spent 45 minutes talking to Bullis students, signing autographs, and seeing his former coaches, teachers and friends.

"That's the kind of person he is," said Cilento. "He's very well respected."

Cilento said Haskins always "played beyond his years."

"He's a very smart and mature kid," said Cilento, who has sent Bullis athletes to play at every level in the NCAA. The Bullis head coach has led Bullis to a 61-18 record in eight seasons.

The Redskins drafted Haskins' teammate, wide receiver Terry McLaurin, in the third round with the 76th overall pick.

"Dwayne, I'm coming for you, man. Watch the Redskins. We're coming," McLaurin said in video, tweeted by Ohio State University, when he got his call from the Redskins coaches and owner.

Cilento called Haskins a leader, who often galvanized others to join him in the

Dwayne Haskins: By the Numbers

1

Former Bullis standout quarterback Dwayne Haskins was drafted by the Washington Redskins with their first-round pick, the 15th pick overall in the 2019 NFL Draft, held Thursday, April 25, 2019 in Nashville, Tenn.

3

Haskins was a Heisman Trophy finalist, finishing behind Oklahoma's Kyler Murray and Alabama's quarterback Tua Tagovailoa. The Arizona Cardinals picked Murray with the first overall pick in the 2019 NFL draft; Murray had already been drafted in June 2018 to play baseball by the Oakland A's but Murray elected to play football. Tagovailoa will continue his collegiate career at Alabama.

231

Haskins is listed as 6-foot-3 and 231 pounds.

28

Haskins set 28 Ohio State University records and seven Big Ten Conference Records in 2018, including 4,831 single season passing yards.

50

Touchdown passes Haskins threw for Ohio State University in 2018, another single season record.

499

Yards passing in Big Ten Championship, when Haskins and Ohio State defeated Northwestern 45-24 on Dec. 1, 2018. Haskins completed 49 passes and earned the Big Ten Championship Game MVP. About 66,375 attended the game.

49

Passes completed against Purdue on Oct. 20, 2018; he attempted 73 passes, another single game record.

1,963

Passing yards during junior year at Bullis, when he was named Maryland Gatorade Player of the year.

1995

Haskins is the first Big Ten quarterback to be drafted in the first round since Penn State University's Kerry Collins was drafted by Carolina with the fifth pick in 1995.

weight room and to study tape and plays. "He makes others feel comfortable."

DANIEL SNYDER, owner of the Redskins, has a son who currently plays football at Bullis.

The Redskins are scheduled to hold their annual rookie minicamp from May 10-12, 2019. Mandatory minicamp will take place from June 4-6, 2019. "Beyond blessed to be a member of the Redskins. Can't wait to get started," said Haskins.

"It's quite a credit to Dwayne that he worked so hard to maximize his talent and fulfill his dreams," said Cilento. "I'm just very proud of him."

When a House Burns, Then What?

President's Letter: State Matters

BY GINNY BARNES

As a civic organization, our work is mostly at the local level. We frequently interact with the County Council, Planning Board, the Board of Appeals, and the Hearing Examiners. With a new County Executive interested in furthering an environmental agenda, we are grateful to be part of meetings with Marc Elrich. Though we interact less frequently with our State Legislators, we know our delegation is busy in Annapolis working to meet the legislative needs of Maryland citizens. This session we supported several forest related bills, two of which passed and await the signature of Governor Hogan. HB 120 / SB 203 was intended to properly define 'forests' but died in committee. HB 735 / SB 729 passed and will create a Forest Task Force to address future deforestation and recommend forest improvements. HB 272 / SB 234 also passed and requires local governments to meet the same standards as a developer's reforestation responsibilities. This bill would ensure that the same amount of forest is replanted.

Several other important environmental bills passed as well: **the ban on polystyrene foam containers** and a **Clean Energy Jobs Act** that will require utilities to buy a certain amount of energy each year from renewable sources. Sponsored by Sen. Feldman in his new role as Vice Chair of the Senate Finance Committee, the Clean Energy Bill fights climate change by mandating that Maryland utilities get 50% of their power from renewable energy sources by 2030. It will target solar and offshore wind sources and is projected to create an estimated 20,000 new solar jobs and 5,500 new wind jobs in Maryland. In addition to helping catalyze Maryland's clean energy industry, this bill will hopefully help to safeguard the diverse ecosystems of Maryland and show our State's leadership on a global environmental issue.

Legislators also passed bills on health care, prescription drugs, the \$15 minimum wage, and education. Our Senator and Delegates always impart enthusiasm for their work, giving us both an overview as well detailed outcomes and glimpses inside the governing process. Please plan to attend.

Green Montgomery Watts Branch Tour for County Executive Marc Elrich

SUBMITTED BY KEN BAWER

WSSC had a proposal (now on hold) to spend approximately \$75M to move their River Road Filtration Plant's intake pipe from the side to the middle of the Potomac River (known as the proposed mid-river intake). WSSC's stated reason was to avoid silt coming primarily from the Watts Branch. Rather than spend this huge amount of money for an arguably temporary fix, an alternative solution would be to fix the problem at its source – stormwater runoff within the Watts Branch watershed. Just as the Ag Reserve is held up as a national model for protecting agricultural land, a total Watts



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This house at 10100 Chapel Rd. burned in a massive fire on Feb. 1, 2019, with 60 firefighters called to fight the blaze.

WMCCA Next Meeting

WHEN: Wednesday, May 8, 2019, 7:15 p.m.

WHERE: Potomac Community Center

SPEAKERS: Maryland Sen. Brian Feldman, District 15
Delegates: Kathleen Dumais, David Fraser-Hidalgo, Lily Qi

Branch Watershed remediation project could also be a national model for the retroactive protection of a drinking water watershed in a developed area.

The tour will provide a view of a small portion of the Watts Branch Watershed to show examples of sources of uncontrolled stormwater runoff across jurisdictions (City of Rockville and Montgomery County) and from various types of properties (e.g., Montgomery County Public Schools and Parks, private clubs, public roads, townhouse developments, and single-family lots). These examples will illustrate the need for breaking down departmental silos, i.e., the need for coordination between departments such as DOT, DEP, Montgomery Parks. We hope to have follow-on meetings to discuss next steps and best practices.

House Destroyed by Fire Now Appears Abandoned

SUBMITTED BY BARBARA HOOVER

In March WMCCA was approached by concerned neighbors about a derelict burned down house at 10100 Chapel Rd. In case any of you missed this, it was a spectacular fire at night on Feb 1st and 60 firefighters fought it.

The neighbors had been concerned about this house for a while before the fire, as the owners had moved out and the house was deserted and the grounds unkempt. Now, the shell of the home is an unsightly nuisance and a hazard for any kids likely to examine the property. Apparently the owner has moved back to a foreign home, and attempts to contact the other family were not fruitful. WMCCA has been in contact with a Montgomery County Inspector about this property. There is a long process to have a property condemned and hazards removed - especially when they have not been able to communicate with the owner. According to the MoCo Housing Code Enforcement Handbook (page 8):

Any dwelling, dwelling unit, or non-residential building may be condemned as unfit for human habitation or unsafe for human occu-

As always, the public is welcome to attend.

Each year following the legislative session we invite out District delegation to update us on their work in the Maryland General Assembly and State Legislature. Their efforts to improve the lives of citizens in their district and throughout Maryland are always important. Please come with your interests and questions.

pancy [for a number of conditions]. If any of these conditions are found, the Housing Code Inspector notifies the owner of the condemned property and posts a condemnation sign on the property. This sign must not be removed until the Housing Code Inspector authorizes its removal. The owner of the property must keep all doors and windows secure from unauthorized entry.

When a property is condemned, the owner must repair or remove the condemned structure within the time period specified by the Inspector. If the owner does not comply with the Inspector's order, a civil citation will be issued to the property owners which begins the legal process in the District Court of Maryland (see Step 4 on page 13). The Department of Housing & Community Affairs will pursue every legal option available to enforce the requirement that the owner repair or remove the structure.

BELTWAY, I-270 EXPANSION PROPOSED

If you are interested in learning more about the proposed Beltway and I-270 expansion, please visit Citizens Against Beltway Expansion (<https://www.cabe495.com/>). The following website provides upcoming public meetings/workshops where you can voice your opinion: https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/ecd536_d01c42834a0248ad909afb5ca628e033.pdf

ELECTION OF WMCCA OFFICERS AND BOARD:

The Nominating Committee proposes the following slate of Officers and Directors to the membership for a vote at our May 8 meeting. Nominations may also be made from the floor.

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NEWS

50 Years: Wayside, Bells Mill

BY PEGGY MCEWAN
THE ALMANAC

Two Potomac elementary schools will celebrate 50 years of educating students this month. Both Bells Mill Elementary and Wayside Elementary are now 50 years old and have plans to welcome all past and present students, staff and neighbors to celebrate with them.

WAYSIDE IS FIRST with the anniversary school carnival and open house, planned for 1-3 p.m. Saturday, May 18 at the school, 10011 Glen Road, Potomac.

“Rain or shine, the carnival will be held from 1 to 3 p. m. and will include rides and games for all ages,” said Amy Oram, a member of the Wayside PTA executive board. “Gregorios [pizza] and Chuy’s [Tex-Mex] will be on-hand providing delicious food. Snacks and ice cream will also be available to purchase. It will be Wayside’s biggest carnival yet!”

All Wayside alumni and the community are encouraged to join the celebration, she said. The school will hold an open house from 2:30-4 p.m. Alumni, students, teachers, parents and the community are invited to look through old photos, meet former teachers and alumni and reminisce about the past 50 years at Wayside.

There will also be a special unveiling of the fiftieth anniversary art project, done in conjunction with HM Concrete and Design of Potomac. County Councilmember Andrew Friedson, a former Wayside

student, is scheduled to be at the open house.

THE BELLS MILL ELEMENTARY 50th Anniversary and Reunion will be held the week of May 20 through 24 with an all-day event Thursday, May 23.

Students, parents, alumni and friends are invited to celebrate with an open house May 23 and enjoy student performances.

Several food trucks will be on site for the evening so visitors can have supper on the lawn and tour the building. There will be a school wide art project that will be hung as a permanent part of the building

Former students and staff members are invited to share memories, photos and other memorabilia or speak with current students.

Families, students and alumni may share their fondest memory of Bells Mill in an electronic form and email to Robert_D_Hirsch@mcpsmd.org.

Bells Mill related pictures from the past, can be scanned (identify the year/decade and give a description) and emailed to Jerri_L_Oglesby@mcpsmd.org or Rose_M_McKee@mcpsmd.org.

T-shirts, mugs, yearbooks, and other memorabilia that can be displayed, can be labeled and dropped off at the main office. Great care will be taken, and items will be returned as soon as the program ends on May 23.

To participate in speaking with current students or speaking at the kick-off pep rally on May 17, email Tracy_S_Tabachow@mcpsmd.org.

For more information on the Bells Mill event visit the PTA website www.BellsMill.org.



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WELLBEING

Tradition: Celebrating Azaleas at Landon

Carnival, music, sales of plants and more all part of the tradition of fundraising.

BY PEGGY MCEWAN
THE ALMANAC

The Landon School Azalea Festival, an annual celebration of natural beauty, fun, food and community, will be held this weekend, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, May 3 through Sunday, May 5 at the school, 6101 Wilson Lane, Bethesda.

Since 1954, the school has opened the campus gardens to the public to view the more than 15,000 azaleas at their peak of color. Colors, that is. The gardens are abloom with pink, red, white, fuchsia, orange, and bi-color plants of pink and white, growing together along paths near the Bradley Blvd. end of the 75-acre campus.

The azalea gardens were not originally a part of the Landon campus, according to a history of the Festival written five years ago by Debra Graham, chair of this year's Festival.

"Renowned economist Milo Perkins and his wife Theron built the garden to honor the memory of their sons, Landon students George and Randy, who tragically lost their lives within five years of each other during World War II. Thanks to Mr. Perkins' post with the U.S. Department of Agriculture in the late 1930s and early 1940s, he was able to procure hundreds of azalea hybrids, and in 1944 he and Theron began to plant them in the garden. Soon, the garden was bursting with unique flowers," Graham wrote.

Landon School purchased the Perkins' home and gardens, located adjacent to the school campus, in 1954.

"That year marked the first-ever Azalea Garden Festival, as Mary Lee Banfield, [who, along with her husband Paul Banfield founded the school in 1929], sold azaleas from the garden to raise funds for the school," Graham wrote.

Perkins Garden is also home to a number of hard-to-find specialty flowers, including Chugai and Kurume azaleas from Japan; Southern Indian azaleas; three Landon-themed azaleas: the Landon, the Landon Pride and the Princess Mary Lee (named for Mary Lee Banfield); and a selection of tree peonies and wildflowers.

In addition to walking along the paths surrounding Perkins House, festival goers can browse a selections of native wildflowers and perennials for sale under the Plant Tent, shop for upscale resale items at the Bearly Used sale in the gymnasium (the Landon mascot is a bear) or for new items among the 45

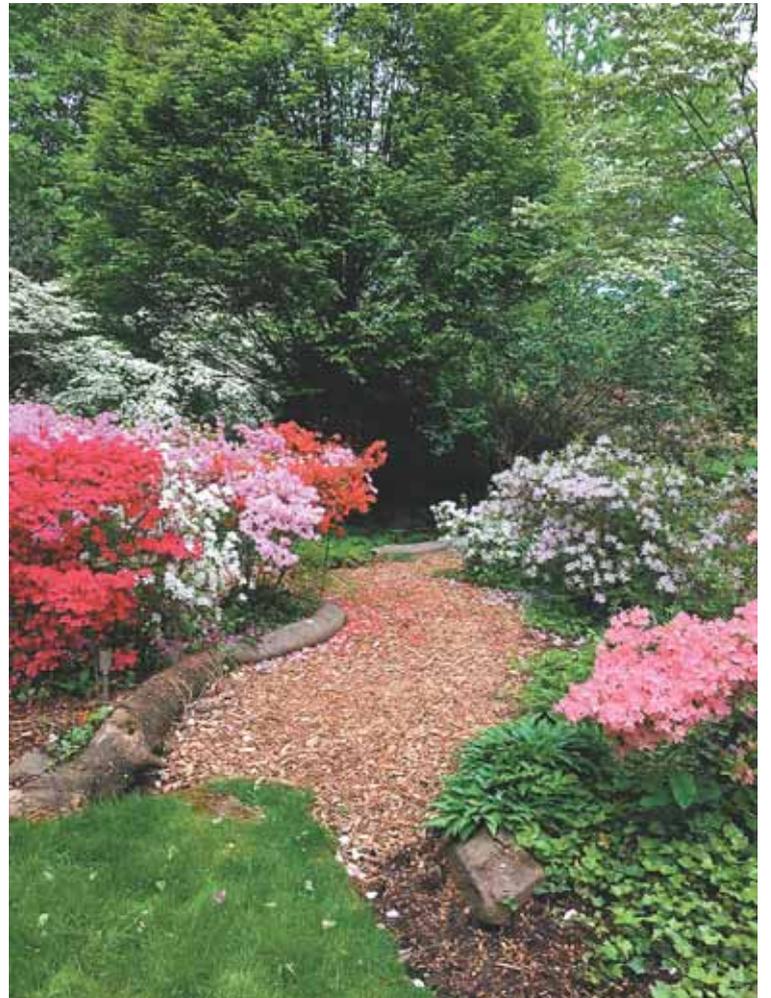


PHOTO BY PEGGY MCEWAN

The two-and-one-half acre Perkins Memorial Garden at Landon School will be Open May 3 - 5 during the school's annual Azalea Garden Festival.

vendors in the Boutique.

"There will be an acre of carnival rides," Graham said. "And a stage with music by Landon students and children's entertainment."

Graham said she and her committee are always searching for ways to add to the experience of festival goers.

To that end, magician The Great Zucchini and Rocknoceros, a children's band, will perform at the Festival for the first time this year. Performances by the Great Zucchini are scheduled for noon on Saturday and 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Rocknoceros will go on at 1 p.m. Saturday and at 11:30 a.m. Sunday.

The Festival is still a fundraiser for the school.

"It is a fundraiser for financial aid [for students] and teacher's programs," Graham said.

The three-day Festival is made possible by the help of 500 parent volunteers, Graham said.

This is her second year as chairperson of the event although she has volunteered for several years, she said. She has one son who graduated from Landon and one who is a junior in high school there.

Admission and parking at the Azalea Festival are free, with entrance on Wilson Blvd. For more information, visit www.landon.net/azalea.

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Holocaust Day of Remembrance Inspires ‘Witness Theater’

Don't miss the single performance on Monday, May 6.

BY SUSAN BELFORD
THE ALMANAC

In 1998, the last generation of Holocaust survivors and sixteen enthusiastic high school students met in Israel to share the heartfelt stories of their lives and survival at the hands of the Nazis. The youth wanted to preserve these memories and the survivors hoped to educate future generations to understand that they must never let a holocaust happen again. Because of this collaboration between the youth and survivors, an important educational legacy was created. It is called the Witness Theater and has been performed throughout the United States.

Witness Theater commemorates Yom Hashoah, the national Holocaust Day of Remembrance. This intergenerational program will be performed for the first time in the Washington area on Monday, May 6 at 7:30 p.m. The production will be held at the Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School, 11710 Hunters Lane, Rockville Maryland 20852. Admission is free and all are welcome to share the meaningful experience of this performance.

Witness Theater is a culmination of heartfelt survivors' stories and of all they had to endure. For many of the survivors, this was the first opportunity to share their story with the world. The stories told were honest, forthright and one more step toward their healing. They entrusted the youth with their hearts and their life experiences – and through the experience, both the youth and survivors formed bonds of friendship, mutual respect and caring.

The survivors who will be honored are Ruth Cohen, Agi Geva, Halina Yasharoff Peabody, Rita Lifschitz Rubinstein and Yves Gerard Issembert. Cohen was born on April 26, 1930 in Mukachevo, Czechoslovakia. She says, "Having survived the tragic events of the Holocaust, I am happy that my Dad survived and was able to help my sister and me cope with our new life. I felt and still feel very fortunate being alive and having my most wonderful family with me." Ruth Cohen and her husband, Ben, have three children and eight grandchildren.

Geva was born June 2, 1930 in Budapest, Hungary. She credits her parents with her survival. Her mother was always one step ahead of whatever the family faced and her father wisely insisted that she learn a variety of languages that made her a useful prisoner. Agi has two children, four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Issembert (second generation) was born May 30, 1947 in Paris, France. He is the son and grandson of survivors. He says, "I grew up among survivors and despite their best efforts to shield me, I learned early that there is darkness beyond darkness." Gerard is married to BRAVO producer Laurie Levy



Participants in 'Witness Theater' for Holocaust Day of Remembrance on Monday, May 6 at 7:30 p.m with one performance at the Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School, 11710 Hunters Lane, in Rockville.

Issembert and has two children and two grandchildren.

The student actors from local schools have gained an understanding and perspective from performing in the production. Ava Klugerman recently celebrated her Bat Mitzvah in Israel where she spent time at Yad Vashem. She says, "I am honored to be a part of Witness Theater and to garner firsthand knowledge of the incredible bravery and resiliency of all Jews during the Holocaust, particularly the courageous survivors in this program."

For his Bar Mitzvah project, Will Sexter took part as a Friendly Visitor with a Holocaust Survivor through JSSA and has enjoyed getting to know courageous survivors in Witness Theater.

"As my generation is the last that will be able to meet Holocaust survivors in person, I dedicate my performance to those who did not survive, and to keeping the memories of the Holocaust alive."

Jordyn White "loves theater and feels honored and grateful to have had the opportunity to participate in this program as part of my Bat Mitzvah project. I especially was moved by spending time with and learning the stories of the survivors."

Jordan Block dedicates his performance to the survivors and victims of the Holocaust. Evan Gerstenblith hopes his participation in Witness Theater will help keep the memory of the Holocaust alive, ensuring that it never happens again. Evan dedicates his performance to all survivors and especially thanks those involved in this presentation for sharing their stories.

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RITA LIFSCHITZ RUBINSTEIN was born December 12, 1936 in Vascauti, Romania. "I survived because as a young child I was lucky to have my mother always beside me. She was my protector, my love, strength and perseverance blocking out the fear, hunger and sadness that I felt." Rita was married to Nathan Rubinstein and is blessed with three daughters and eight grandchildren.

YVES GERARD ISSEMBERT (second generation) was born May 30, 1947 in Paris, France. He is the son and grandson of survivors. "I grew up among survivors and despite their best efforts to shield me, I learned early that there is darkness beyond darkness." Gerard is married to Laurie Levy Issembert and has two children and two grandchildren.

Honored Survivors Ruth Cohen, Agi Geva, Halina Yasharoff Peabody and Ruth Lifschitz

Rubinstein are volunteers at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.

INSPIRED STUDENTS

JORDAN BLOCK is a seventh grader at North Bethesda Middle School. "I would like to dedicate my performance to the survivors and victims of the Holocaust."

EVAN GERSTENBLITH is an eighth grader at CESJDS. He hopes that his participation in Witness Theater will help keep the memory of the Holocaust alive, ensuring that it never happens again. Evan dedicates his performance to all survivors and especially thanks those involved in this presentation for sharing their stories.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Submit entertainment announcements at www.connectionnewspapers.com/Calendar/. The deadline is noon on Friday. Photos/artwork encouraged.

ONGOING

Art Exhibit: Indeterminate Identities. Through May 4 at Waverly Street Gallery, 4600 East West Highway, Bethesda. Through her fiber sculpture, Kristina Penhoet examines ways in which we identify and categorize one another and the subsequent elicited emotions from such actions and thoughts. Visit www.waverlystreetgallery.com

Art Exhibit: Birth of a Star. Through May 19 at VisArts, Gibbs Street Gallery, 155 Gibbs St., Rockville. Birth of a Star is a series of four sculptures depicting different stages of a star's life: Protostar, Red Giant, Supernova and Black Hole. These works combine carpentry and playful materiality with hand-drawn animations that are incorporated into each sculpture using screens and projection. Visit www.visartscenter.org for more.

Art Exhibit: John Schlesinger. Through May 19 in the Common Ground Gallery, VisArts Center, 155 Gibbs St., Rockville. John Schlesinger presents a site-responsive sculpture rooted in the ceiling and walls of the gallery made from locally-sourced demolition rebar, bent neon, and resin-soaked photographs. Visit www.visartscenter.org for more.

Art Exhibition: "Color in May." Through May 25, Wednesday-Saturday, noon-6 p.m. at Gallery B, 7700 Wisconsin Ave., Suite E, Bethesda. www.bethesda.org

Art Exhibit: Here and Where. Through May 26 in the Kaplan Gallery, VisArts Center, 155 Gibbs St., Rockville. Richard L. Dana presents an optically explosive solo exhibition featuring recent digital prints that occupy the gallery in a variety of scales and configurations. Visit www.visartscenter.org for more.

Photography Exhibit: "Human Landscapes." Through May 26, gallery hours at Photoworks, Glen Echo Park. Photoworks presents Human Landscapes featuring work by Alan Awakim, Hannah Fox, and David Pellegrini. Curated by Fabian Concalves Borrega, Human Landscapes is the conjunction of three photographic series that propose a dialogue between the subject and the objects with which they are surrounded. Visit www.glenechophotoworks.org

Teen Writers' Club. Tuesdays through May 28, 6:30-8 p.m. at Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac. Teens (13-18) with a passion for writing are invited to join the Teen Writers' Club. Learn and practice new writing techniques, share your work, and learn how to critique other works with author Neal Gillen. Free. Email acsagillen@aol.com for more.

THURSDAY/MAY 2

Baby And Toddler Storytime. 10:30 a.m. at Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac. These 20-30 minute storytimes introduce a diverse collection of books, songs, rhymes and bounces developmentally appropriate for children from birth to when they start walking. This storytime is designed so the baby will be in their caregiver's lap and the grownup is actively involved in the program. Call 240-777-0690 or visit montgomerycountymd.gov/library/branches/potomac.html for more.

FRIDAY/MAY 3

Casual Concerts at Glen Echo. 7:30 p.m. at Washington Conservatory of Music at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Bethesda. Pianist



Landon Azalea Festival

The festival features rides and games in Funland, plants and workshops, shopping, children's shows, live music and Bearly Used – a gym full of fabulous finds and gently-used treasures all priced to sell. Friday-Sunday, May 3-5, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at Landon, 6101 Wilson Lane, Bethesda. General admission and parking are free. Unlimited ride and play wristbands for Funland are sold in advance and at the festival. Visit www.landon.net/community/azalea2019.

Audrey Andrist will kick off Washington Conservatory of Music's Casual Concerts at Glen Echo Park with a performance of Beethoven sonatas op. 31 no. 3 & op. 109 and Earl Wild's transcriptions of works by George Gershwin. Each concert date will correspond with an Art Walk in the Park, an evening of open studios and artist talks organized by the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture. Admission is free, and donations are welcome at the door. Visit washingtonconservatory.org or call 301-634-2250.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/MAY 3-5

Sherlock's Veiled Secret. Friday-Saturday, 8 p.m.; Sunday, 2 p.m. at F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre, 603 Edmonston Drive, Rockville. Violet Sheridan, a young sculptress, is summoned to meet a retired Sherlock Holmes and learns some distressing information concerning her birthright. A case of blackmail puts in peril the life of Mr. Holmes as well as her parents, leaving Violet to deduce and out-wit to save Holmes and rescue her parents from danger. Adults \$22; seniors (62+) and students \$20. Visit scottfitzgerald.showare.com

SATURDAY/MAY 4

Food Donations. Ride On passengers can help needy families and ride free by donating canned and nonperishable goods during the 32nd annual "Give and Ride" food drive. Ride On will be collecting food through May 4. Visit www.mymmedia.org/annual-give-and-ride-food-drive-starts-this-weekend/.

Canal Pride Days. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at Great Falls, Potomac. Join the C&O Canal Trust for a day of service and fun. Space is limited! Learn more and sign up: www.canaltrust.org/programs/canal-pride-days.

Open House. 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Cabin John Park Volunteer Fire Department, 8001 River Road, Bethesda. Cabin John Park Volunteer Fire Department will hold an Open House for the community with lots of kid-friendly activities, free hot dogs and cotton candy, a petting zoo, and

demonstrations of firefighting and medical skills. It's eye-opening for both kids and adults. Visit www.cjpvfd.org for more.

Potomac Chinese Book Discussion. 10:15 a.m. at Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac. Chinese book discussion in Chinese language. Memory is a Faint Pain by Long Yingtai. Ask for the book at the Circulation Desk. Free. 90 minutes. Adults, seniors. No registration. Call 240-777-0690 or visit montgomerycountymd.gov/library/branches/potomac.html

Potomac Conversation Club. 11 a.m. at Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac. Practice English conversation in a friendly and relaxed setting. New members are always welcome. Adults, seniors. No registration; join any time. Call 240-777-0690 or visit montgomerycountymd.gov/library/branches/potomac.html for more.

Pandas Karate: Sticks & Stones. 1 p.m. at Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac. This program uses comedy and storytelling in a fun and innovative way to teach kids how to respond to bullying without using their fists. It looks at building self-esteem using Karate. This program is for elementary school aged children and their parents. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library, Potomac Chapter. Free. Email cindy.gil@montgomerycountymd.gov or call 240-777-0690.

"An Evening with Strauss" Waltz Ball. 9 p.m.-midnight at the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park. Waltz Time presents the 36th Annual Evening with Strauss Waltz Ball – an evening of waltzes with music from the band Olde Vienna. Benefit dance for Glen Echo Park includes a Viennese Waltz lesson from 8 - 9 p.m. Refreshments, dance cards, a Grand March. Formal attire encouraged. Admission is \$30. Tickets sold at the door only from 7:40 p.m. No partner required. Call Joan Koury at 202-238-0230 or Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222, or go to www.WaltzTimeDances.org.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/MAY 4-5

Yellow Barn Studio Show. 11 a.m.-6 p.m. at the Yellow Barn Studio, Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd. Featuring Vignettes, the Oil Paintings of Susan Sinclair Galego, a homegrown artist. An artist's reception takes place Saturday, May 4, 6-8 p.m. Visit www.yellowbarnstudio.com.

SUNDAY/MAY 5

Celebrating the Power of Educating a Girl. 6:30-11 p.m. at Silver Spring Civic Center, 1 Veteran's Plaza, Silver Spring. Edu-girls, a Bethesda based non-profit, is hosting its Annual Gala and Fundraiser. This charity has focused its program on funding the education of young girls living in slums around major cities in India, and supporting their goals of financial independence. Cocktail hour, red carpet pictures, video and talk about the work Edu-girls is doing in India, dance performance by local troupe SAPAN, Indian buffet dinner by Bombay Curry Kitchen. Suggested donation: \$150 single, \$300 for a couple. Visit www.edugirls.org.

Premiere of Daniel Elder's "Absalom." 5 p.m. at Bradley Hills Church, 6601 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda. The all-star professional choir, The Thirteen, will premiere Daniel Elder's "absalom." In this concert, The Thirteen considers the effect violence has on society. A 30-minute commission from American composer Daniel Elder provides direction and inspiration for this concert of music from the Renaissance through today, which traces violence and society's varied responses. Purchase tickets at www.TheThirteenChoir.org.

TUESDAY/MAY 7

Read To A Dog. 4:30 p.m. at Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac. School-age children, especially beginners learning to read and those who want to improve their confidence in reading skills, are invited to practice reading aloud in short (10-15 minute) semi-private sessions with a certified therapy dog.

Sign up begins 15 minutes before program. First-come, first-served. Call 240-777-0690 or visit montgomerycountymd.gov/library/branches/potomac.html for more.

FRIDAY/MAY 10

Public Reception: "Color in May." 6-8 p.m. at Gallery B, 7700 Wisconsin Ave., Suite E, as well as at Studio B, 7475 Wisconsin Ave.; Triangle Art Studios, 7711 Old Georgetown Road; and Waverly Street Gallery, 4600 East West Highway, Bethesda. Bethesda-based painter Catherine Levinson. Visit www.bethesda.org.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY/MAY 10-12

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SATURDAY/MAY 11

GardenMart. 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on the West Terrace of the Visitor Center at Brookside Gardens, 1800 Glenallan Ave., Wheaton. Silver Spring Garden Club's 78th Annual Plant Sale fundraiser. Plant sales and raffle. Proceeds benefit the Club's activities including free garden talks, park plantings, public garden program sponsorships and more. The National Capital Dahlia Society will also be participating. Rain or shine. Cash or check only. Visit www.facebook.com/events/427768014625084.

Library Book Sale. 10 a.m. at Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac. Come for the monthly Potomac Friends of the Library Book Sale featuring books, DVDs, and more available for children, teens, and adults. All are welcome. Call 240-777-0690 or visit montgomerycountymd.gov/library/branches/potomac.html for more.

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Strathmore's Bloom Concert Series: Piotr Pakhomkin. 2 p.m. at Good Hope Neighborhood Recreation Center, 14715 Good Hope Road, Silver Spring. The concerts are free and family-friendly. Reserve tickets at www.strathmore.org. Visit MoCoRec.com for more Good Hope.

Artist Talk: Richard L. Dana. 3-5 p.m. in the Kaplan Gallery, VisArts Center, 155 Gibbs St., Rockville. Join artist Richard L. Dana for an in-depth artist talk regarding his solo exhibition Here and Where. In addition to giving a guided tour of his exhibition, the artist will address subjects such as the complicated processes he uses to create his artwork. Visit www.visartscenter.org

Contemporary Conversations. 7 p.m. at the Chevy Chase Library located at 8005 Connecticut Ave. Prize-winning journalist and TV-radio commentator Bob Levey will be the guest for upcoming Contemporary Conversations series presented by Montgomery County Public Libraries (MCPL). Levey will discuss the status of journalism today and talk about his 37-year career as a reporter who covered all aspects of life in the nation's capital. Levey will talk about his recent novel, "Larry Felder, Candidate," which takes a close-up

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COMMUNITY

Carousel Day at Glen Echo

Visit the Carousel in May and June because the carousel will be closed for construction from July through September. It will reopen in Spring 2020.

The historic Dentzel Carousel at Glen Echo opened for 2019 on Saturday, April 27, with a family festival and Carousel Day. The event also offered live music and dance performances, face painting, open studios and galleries, and more. The historic Dentzel carousel has operated in Glen Echo Park since 1921.

Installed at Glen Echo Park in 1921, the canopy and the carved figures were made by the Dentzel Carousel Company of Germantown, Pennsylvania. It is a classic example of hand woodcarving popular during the early 1900s. From 1983 through 2003, the carousel was fully restored – including each animal. The carousel is listed

on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Carousel at Glen Echo is open May and June, 2019, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. and Saturday & Sunday, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The cost is \$1.25 per ride; all riders must purchase a ticket. Payment by cash is preferred, but please note that there is no ATM onsite at the Park. *Payment by credit card is now also accepted in the Carousel ticket booth with a \$5 minimum charge for credit card sales.*

In 2019 the carousel will have a shortened season due to major repairs that will begin in July. It will close at the end of June and re-open, as it does each year, the following spring 2020.



Christian and James Lowe on Carousel Day at Glen Echo. Ride it in May and June because in 2019, the carousel will be closed for construction from July through September. It will reopen in Spring 2020.



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Chris and Henry Gramer, Sook-Yi Yong and Emily Gramer ride the carousel at Glen Echo on Carousel Day.



Edie, Ellis, and Liam Crotty play with hula hoops at Glen Echo on Carousel Day, a family festival.



Natashi Anapoloe rides the Carousel at Glen Echo. The Carousel is open May and June, 2019, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. and Saturday & Sunday, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

ENTERTAINMENT

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look at big-time newspaper and contemporary Washington-area politics. Free. Visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library/ to register.

“Bernstein and Beethoven: Part I.” 8 p.m. at The Music Center, Strathmore, 5301 Tuckerman Lane, North Bethesda. Pianist Michael Brown will join Philharmonic Music Director and Conductor Piotr Gajewski and the National Philharmonic performing Bernstein’s Symphony No. 2 (“The Age of Anxiety”). After an intermission, Gajewski will lead the Philharmonic in Beethoven’s Symphony No. 5 in C minor, Op. 67. Pre-concert lecture between 6:45-7:15 p.m. From 7-7:30 p.m., families can explore orchestral instruments with Philharmonic musicians. \$42-\$78; young people 7-17 are free. nationalphilharmonic.org or call 301-581-5100.

SATURDAY-SUNDAY/MAY 11-12

Bethesda Fine Arts Festival. Saturday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. in Bethesda’s Woodmont Triangle along Norfolk and Auburn avenues. The Bethesda Urban Partnership presents the 16th annual Bethesda Fine Arts Festival. The festival welcomes more than 120 contemporary artists from across the country to showcase and sell their original painting, drawing, photography, furniture, jewelry, woodwork, ceramics and more. Admission is free. Call 301-215-6660 or visit www.bethesda.org

Ballet: Rumpelstiltskin. Saturday, 1 and 5 p.m.; Sunday, 3 p.m. at Robert E. Parilla Performing Arts Center, Montgomery College, 51 Mannakee St., Rockville. Experience the enchanted adventures of Rumpelstiltskin. Maryland Youth Ballet brings this classic fairy tale to

life through the magic of dance. All ages. Q&A follows 1 and 3 p.m. performances. \$19-\$27. Visit www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4097748 for tickets or www.marylandyouthballet.org.

SUNDAY/MAY 12

Waltz Dance. 3:30-6 p.m. at the Spanish Ballroom at Glen Echo Park, 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Introductory Waltz Workshop from 2:45-3:30 p.m. Featuring the ensemble Blue Bamboo playing a lively mix of folk waltzes with a few other couple dances. Admission is \$13, \$5 for full-time students with student ID. No partner required. Call Joan Koury at 202-238-0230 or Glen Echo Park at 301-634-2222, or visit www.WaltzTimeDances.org.

TUESDAY/MAY 14

Teen Writers’ Club. 6:30 p.m. at Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac. Teens ages 13-18 with a passion for writing are invited to join the Teen Writers’ Club. Learn new writing techniques, get practice in different writing exercises, share work, and learn how to critique the work of others. Author Neal Gillen leads the club, which meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. Made possible through the collaboration and support of the Maryland Writers’ Association. Call 240-777-0690 or visit montgomerycountymd.gov/library/branches/potomac.html for more.

WEDNESDAY/MAY 15

Book Discussion. 1 p.m. at Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac. Behold the Dreamers by Imbolo Mbue. Ask for the book at the Circulation Desk. No registration needed. New members welcome. Adults. Call 240-777-0690 or visit

montgomerycountymd.gov/library/branches/potomac.html for more.

THURSDAY/MAY 16

Family Storytime. 10:30 a.m. at Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac. These 25-30 minute programs are designed for children of all ages. Filled with diverse stories and activities that promote and develop language skills and imagination. These programs encourage children to develop a lifelong love of reading. All ages. Call 240-777-0690 or visit montgomerycountymd.gov/library/branches/potomac.html for more.

Meet a Live Kangaroo/Wallaby. 11 a.m. at Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac. Learn all about what they eat and where and how they live with Roos2U. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library, Potomac Chapter. Free. Call 240-777-0690 for more.

FRIDAY/MAY 17

Bike to Work Day 2019. Pit stop times vary, all over the region. Join more than 20,000 area commuters for a free celebration of bicycling as a fun, healthy and environmentally-friendly way to get to work. There are 115 Bike to Work Day pit stops to choose from. The first 20,000 to register and attend will receive a free Bike to Work Day T-shirt, enjoy refreshments and chances to win prizes. www.biketoworkmetrodc.org

Summer Enrollment Night. 6-8 p.m. at My Gym Potomac, 11325 Seven Locks Road, Potomac. Learn all about summer classes and camp, meet our teachers, play fitness games, practice gymnastics, and receive summer discounts. Free. Call 301-983-5300 or visit www.mygym.com/potomac/articles/10518.

SATURDAY/MAY 18

Gaithersburg Book Festival. 10

a.m.-6 p.m. on the grounds of City Hall, 31 S. Summit Ave., Gaithersburg. The Gaithersburg Book Festival is a celebration of the written word and its power to enrich the human experience with a mission to foster an interest in reading, writing and literary conversation. The Festival attracts award-winning and best-selling authors, poets and songwriters from across the country to its park-like setting in the heart of Olde Towne Gaithersburg. Free to attend; open to everyone. Visit www.gaithersburgbookfestival.org.

Potomac Conversation Club. 11 a.m. at Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac. Practice English conversation in a friendly and relaxed setting. New members are always welcome. Adults, seniors. No registration; join any time. Call 240-777-0690 or visit montgomerycountymd.gov/library/branches/potomac.html for more.

Live Comedy. 8 p.m. at Silver Spring Black Box, 8641 Colesville Road, Silver Spring. Come for the sweetness, sass and swagger as Improbably Comedy celebrates women with this all ladies line-up: Chanel Ali, Eryca Nolan, Michele Sometimes, Yasmin Elhady and Abby Mello. Special giveaways and beer served by Denizens. \$20 early; \$25 general admission; \$32 VIP. A limited number of free community tickets www.improbablecomedy.com.

SUNDAY/MAY 19

Potomac Hunt Races. Gates open at 10 a.m.; activities start at noon; race course closes at 7 p.m. at the Kiplinger estate in Poolesville. The Potomac Hunt Races is an annual tradition, celebrating the sport of steeplechase racing. Race day festivities include a car display, mounted police demonstrations, The RBC Kid Zone, and Vendor Village.

All on-site parking must be purchased in advance. Visit www.potomachuntraces.com. **Multimedia Installation Practices with John Schlesinger.** 1-4 p.m. at VisArts Center, 155 Gibbs St., Rockville. Join artist John Schlesinger and explore his installation at VisArts’ Common Ground Gallery. Participants may bring a piece of their own work and collaborate with John to modify and remake his installation. For those curious about installations, this is an opportunity to work inside one; try different strategies and collaborate freely without any risk. Visit www.visartscenter.org for more.

MONDAY/MAY 20

Off The Hook Stitching Club. 4:30 p.m. at Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac. Crocheting and knitting are both great ways to relax and spend time. Join other stitchers and share ideas while working on a project of one’s own (bring tools and supplies). For ages 8 and up. All skill levels welcome. Meets once a month. No registration required. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Library-Potomac Chapter. Call 240-777-0690 or visit montgomerycountymd.gov/library/branches/potomac.html for more.

TUESDAY/MAY 21

Read To A Dog. 4:30 p.m. at Potomac Library, 10101 Glenolden Drive, Potomac. School-age beginners learning to read are invited to practice reading aloud in short (10-15 minute) semi-private sessions with a certified therapy dog. Sign up begins 15 minutes before program. First-come, first-served. Call 240-777-0690 or visit montgomerycountymd.gov/library/branches/potomac.html for more.

BULLETIN BOARD

Submit civic/community announcements at ConnectionNewspapers.com/Calendar. Photos and artwork welcome. Deadline is Thursday at noon, at least two weeks before event.

THROUGH MAY 23

Budget Forums. 7 p.m. Residents and groups are invited to provide input into the County’s next six-year capital construction budget by attending public forums that will be held in April and May by local citizen advisory boards. The forums will help define construction and planning priorities for the various regions in the County as officials develop the Fiscal Years 2021 to 2026 Capital Improvements Program (CIP) budget. Learn more at www.montgomerycountymd.gov/omb/openbudget.html and www.montgomerycountymd.gov/omb/publications.html

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❖ **Bethesda-Chevy Chase** – Tuesday, May 7 at Bethesda-Chevy Chase Regional Center, 4805 Edgemoor Lane, Bethesda, 240-777-8200.

❖ **Upcounty** – Tuesday, May 14 at BlackRock Center for the Arts, 12901 Town Commons Drive, Germantown, 240-777-8040.

❖ **Mid-County** – Monday, May 20 at Mid-County Community Recreation Center, 2004 Queensguard Road, Silver Spring, 240-777-8101 or 240-777-6820.

❖ **East County** – Thursday, May 23 at East Montgomery Regional Center, 3300 Briggs Chaney Road, Silver Spring, 240-777-8414.

THURSDAY/MAY 9

Erich Hosts Online Chat. 1-2 p.m. Join County Executive Marc Erlich for an online chat via the

Montgomery County website. Submit questions to the county executive before and during the online event at Live Discussion with County Executive Marc Erlich. Questions and answers will be posted online. Call the Office of Public Information at 240-777-6507 for more.

SATURDAY/MAY 11

“Grateful Shred” Party. 9 a.m.-noon at the Clara Barton Community Center (CBCC), 7425 MacArthur Blvd., Cabin John. Bring unwanted documents to the “Grateful Shred,” and watch Allshred’s massive shredder reduce papers to confetti, safe from fraud and identity theft. Admission is free, but for each of one-cubic-foot parcels of paper consider making a \$5 tax-deductible donation to the Friends of Clara Barton Community Center. No need to cull out paper clips, staples, rubber

bands, binder clips, labels, or folders. Don’t include newspaper, plastic floppy disks, CDs, or X-rays, 3-ring binders, trash, or cardboard (take home any boxes you bring your paper in). Call 240-777-4910 or visit www.friendsbcc.org.

Conference: Journey to Hope. 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at Sibley Memorial Hospital in Conference Rooms 1 & 2 of Building A, 5215 Loughboro Road, NW, Washington D.C.. Sibley Memorial Hospital’s Senior Association will present its Journey to Hope conference and expo to assist those caring for people with Alzheimer’s and related disorders. Conference participants can learn tips to improve caregiver connections with the person suffering from memory and cognitive challenges while learning to take care of themselves. The event is free for Alzheimer’s caregivers. Visit

go.activecalendar.com/SMHEvents/event/4th-annual-journey-to-hope/.

Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive. Letter carriers will pick up donated food. Leave donations before your typical mail delivery time. All food stays in the local community. The top requested non-perishable food items are: cereal, pasta, pasta sauce or spaghetti sauce, rice, canned fruits and vegetables, canned meals (such as soups, chili and pasta), 100 percent juice, peanut butter, macaroni & cheese, canned protein (tuna, chicken and turkey), beans (canned or dry). You also can donate healthy, low-sodium, low-sugar items such as beans, oatmeal and other whole grains, and canola or olive oil.

Specific questions regarding the Food Drive should be directed to 202-662-2489.

Secondhand Bling for Outreach Ministries



Carol Jarvis, Nancy Cressy, Mary Blehan at the Saint Francis second-hand bling sale last Saturday, April 27.



Cindy Boinis and Susan Peltz at the Saint Francis second-hand bling sale last Saturday, April 27.



Karen Meyers, Shelley North, and Kathy Hermann at the Saint Francis second-hand bling sale last Saturday, April 27, which raised money for outreach ministries.

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-Werner Heisenberg

As Luck Has Had It



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Aside from the fatigue I experienced a few columns ago, this immunotherapy infusion is, and has been, quite manageable.

My biggest take away so far is that I've had no real quality of life issues, as had been the case with my previous chemotherapy/alimta infusions. With that drug, I had post-infusion eating challenges and for nearly a week after the fact, felt less than mediocre.

Moreover, I wouldn't say I felt like I had cancer, but I certainly was reminded of it — if that makes any sense.

And even though I do have some minor side effects from my current immunotherapy infusion, I am reminded nevertheless, that I have cancer. Not because of how I feel, as was the case previously, but because of how I look — and because of what I feel.

I am referring to my "Adam's apple" tumor. Not only can/do I 'look' it all the time but quite often, depending on how I move my head: forward/downward, I can feel it too.

I have to tell you, feeling it as I do, and looking at it as often as I do: every day, is unsettling.

My whole approach to this living-with-cancer life has been to compartmentalize it a la Jerry Seinfeld and "the vault." Out of sight has helped keep some things out of mind. And when things are out of mind, it's much easier to make believe.

And making believe has been one of my methods of "operandi" since Feb. 20, 2009. That's the date (you bet I remember) when my internal medicine doctor called me at work with the results of my previous week's biopsy: "malignant," he said.

Up until that call, the previous six weeks' diagnostic pursuit had been interesting in a curious kind of way wondering what all the goings on were about and when all these inconveniences would end. And not for a minute during this entire process did I ever think I'd be diagnosed with a "terminal" disease: non-small cell lung cancer, stage IV. I figured, to the extent I figured at all, that the process would result in much having been done about nothing.

Boy was I wrong!

I still remember — and laugh when I recall the phone conversation I had with my thoracic surgeon after he had received the results of my PET scan: "You lit that thing up like a Christmas tree," he said.

Presuming that wasn't good news, I replied: "I hear there are false positives all the time which is why these scans aren't used a lot." (A perfect example of a little knowledge in the wrong mouth.)

I can't recall if the doctor snickered before he said the following: "Well, then your scan was a world record false positive." I don't know if I grasped the obvious at that point but soon a surgical biopsy was ordered and the rest is Kenny-with-cancer history, a history with which many of you regular readers are all too familiar.

And that's a familiarity which I hope has not bred contempt. Because even though it's my life — and I'm stuck with it (as the old saying says), it need not be yours. I can well imagine and appreciate how living with and/or seeking out negativity is not likely to improve any one's lot in life. (I try to avoid it every day.)

To that end, I have always tried to tread lightly and write with a soft touch since I've been cancer-centric beginning June 10, 2009, when I published my first column on the subject: "Dying To Tell You, Sort Of." And in so doing, I've tried to see the light amid the darkness and be thankful for any in between.

I can't say it's been fun, but it's funny how things have turned out: alive and reasonably well, 10-plus years later.

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

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