

Potomac ALMANAC

Laju Satchi and son Kartik Velu, 5, kindergartener at Potomac Elementary, already have a stack of books to enjoy from the library that reopened Saturday, April 15 with much fanfare.

Potomac Library Opening Celebration

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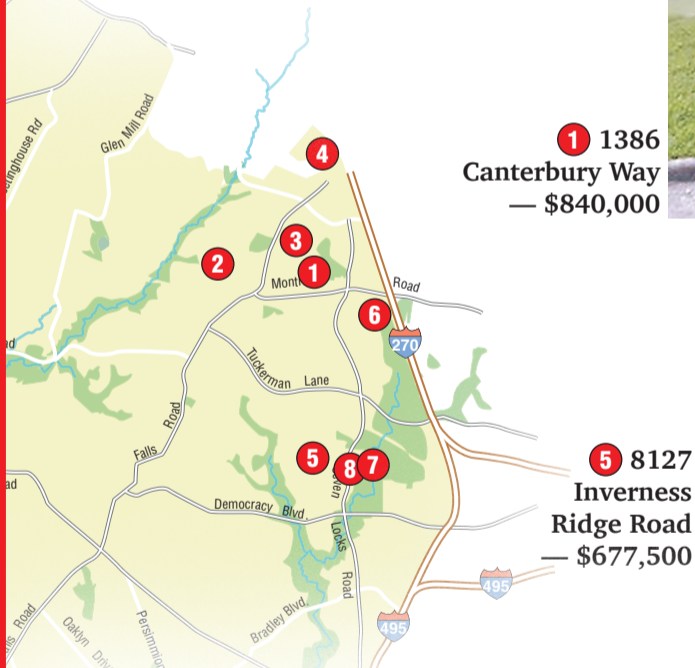
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The new children's section was a hit with parents and children of all ages.

Potomac Library Reopens

BY KEN MOORE
THE ALMANAC

Lelolai Flores, 6, and her mother Lakeisha Flores checked out the book *Silverlicious* to read together on a new sofa in the newly refurbished Potomac Library Saturday, Aug. 15.

Laju Satchi and her son Kartik Velu, 5, a student at Potomac Elementary School, brought a stack of books to read together at one of the new tables under new skylighting at the library.

And Angela Cherman found the perfect spot to take a portrait of her son Jonah Cherman, 1 and ½. Jonah also enjoyed the perfect cookie offered to patrons in celebration of the reopening of the Potomac Library, which had been closed since May 22, 2022, for renovations.

"I love that I see so many children and families here today. This is what this is all about," said Montgomery County Councilmember Kristin Mink.

POTOMAC'S COUNCILMEMBER Andrew Friedson said he spent a lot of time at the Potomac Library growing up and now he has nieces and nephews who spend a lot of time at the library. "Libraries are community centers, they are enrichment centers," he said.

Council President Evan Glass thanked Maryland's District 16 delegation, who also attended the ribbon cutting ceremony, for raising money necessary to "make sure there are places to read, places to learn and places to congregate."

Vice-President Friedson, Glass and Mink were also joined by at-large councilmembers Laurie-Anne Sayles and Councilmember Gabe Alborno. All members of the Maryland State District 16 Delegation attended, including Sen. Ariana Kelly and Delegates Marc Korman, Sara Love and Sarah Wolek.

The Winston Churchill Jazz Ensemble performed as part of the reopening event.

The Potomac Library, at 10101 Glenolden Dr. in Potomac, is the 13th library to be refurbished in the County's program to keep all of its 21 branches up to date.

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Lakeisha Flores and daughter Lelolai Flores, 6, enjoy reading *Silverlicious* underneath skylighting at the newly refurbished Potomac Library.

The library was originally built in 1985 and renovations cost \$3.5 million. County Executive Marc Elrich called refurbishing of libraries, rather than complete redoing of new buildings, one of the most environmentally conscious decisions that could be made. He thanked his predecessor Isiah "Ike" Leggett for his vision for refurbishings.

"I looked around, and as a former elementary school teacher, I thought: 'What a great place this is to learn. To read. And to explore worlds that are beyond an individual's imagination,'" said Elrich. "I know some people think that because of technology that libraries would go away. That is hardly the case. We look at every library and see opportunities to enhance the lives of community members of all ages and interests."

The refurbished library opened with more than 60,000 books on its new shelves.

The renovation work included the replacement of all flooring, reconfiguration and updating of shelving, painting throughout, a new service desk, new lighting, rede-



Angela Cherman snaps a quick shot as son Jonah Cherman, one-and-a-half, enjoys a celebratory cookie in the new children's area at the Potomac Library Grand Opening on Saturday, April 15.

sign of the children's reading nook, installation of security equipment, the addition of lounge seating and study areas, replacement of the entry doors, creation of a family restroom and the updating of interior and exterior signs.

The Friends of the Potomac Library was thanked for donating \$40,000 to the renovation. Friends of the Potomac Library also donated to the Potomac Garden Club which maintains the grounds and gardens of the library.

The friends group dissolved after the county-wide Friends of the Library group demanded that the individual Friends groups dismantle in favor of the county group. See <http://www.connectionnewspapers.com/news/2023/mar/29/potomac-library-branch-reopen-saturday-april-15/> for more.

WEI LU, co-chair of the Potomac Library Advisory Committee, called Potomac Library "a safe harbor" for her and her family. As an im-

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migrant, she remembers reading the entire Chinese book collection in the library, which was just a single shelf at the time, and now seeing rows of foreign language collections.

"My kids grew up in the library, we were in the library every week," she said.

Libraries are a place where people "can exchange ideas freely and share ideas confidently. It is a place of discovering new passions," said Lu.

"The library is your place where, together, we build a community," she said.

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POTOMAC LIBRARY REOPENS

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Winston Churchill's award winning jazz ensemble performed at the Potomac Library's Grand Opening reception attended by more than a hundred people Saturday morning.



The front entrance to the library was fully packed in anticipation of the reopening of Potomac Library.



"I've spent a lot of time at this library, now I have nieces and nephews who spend a lot of time at the library," said Potomac's council member Andrew Friedson. "Libraries are community centers, they are enrichment centers."



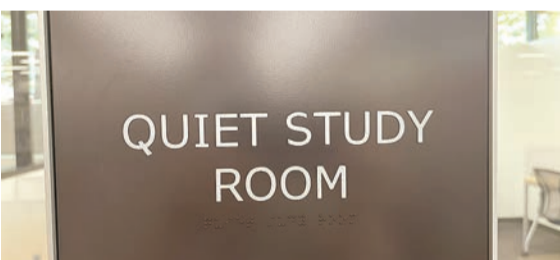
Potomac Library was lucky library number 13 to be refurbished. Here, computer workstations, built for one.



Del. Sarah Wolek, Councilmembers Evan Glass, Andrew Friedson, and Kristin Mink



Potomac's District 16 Team: Del. Sarah Wolek, Sen. Arianna Kelly, Del. Sara Love, Del. Marc Korman and "Deputy Delegate" (as Kelly referred to him) Harrison Korman, Marc's son.



Quiet study room.



Sylvia Diss



County Executive Marc Elrich thanked former county executive Isiah Leggett (who was not at the opening) for his vision to refurbish existing buildings rather than completely redo; it's much healthier for the environment and more financially attainable.



You're going to need a bigger ribbon (and a wider lens): Councilmember Laurie Anne Sayles; David Dice, director of the county Department of General Services; Anita Vassallo, director of Montgomery County Public Libraries; Wei Lu, co-chair, Potomac Library Advisory Committee; County Executive Marc Elrich; Councilmembers Evan Glass, Andrew Friedson, Sarah Mink and Gabe Albornoz.

Montgomery County to Sponsor 7 Pit Stops During Bike to Work Day

National Bike to Work Day will be held on Friday, May 19, and the Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) will sponsor seven pit stops throughout the County as part of the Washington Region's participation in the event. Registration for the free event is now open. The first 15,000 bicyclists to register and participate will get a free t-shirt and will be automatically entered into a raffle for a chance to win a new bike.

Bike to Work Day is held annually across the nation on the third Friday of May to celebrate bicycling as a fun, healthy and climate friendly way to get to work.

MCDOT will sponsor seven pit stops with refreshments, music and local vendor displays at varying times throughout the morning of May 19. There will be free raffle prizes and a grand prize raffle of a new bike at each of the MCDOT-sponsored pit stops. Residents biking to work, as well as leisure riders, are encouraged to participate.

In addition to the seven pit stops sponsored by MCDOT, there will be six Bike to Work Day pit stops in the

County operated by other organizations.

"Today, we offer more bike paths, dedicated lanes, as well as opportunities to transport a bike on RideOn, MetroBus and Metrorail, than ever before," said County Executive Marc Elrich.

All participants should visit the Find Your Pit Stop Map to plan a route in advance.

MCDOT-sponsored pit stops will be at the following locations:

Downtown Bethesda at Woodmont and Bethesda Avenues, Bethesda. 6:30-9 a.m.

Friendship Heights at the Shops at Wisconsin and Western Avenues, Chevy Chase. 6:30-9 a.m.

North Bethesda at Pike and Rose, west of 935 Prose Street (next to Bark Social). North Bethesda. 6:30-8:30 a.m.

Rockville, Falls Grove at Thomas Farm Community Center, 700 Falls Grove Drive, 6:30-9 a.m.

Rockville Town Square at Dawson's Market, 225 N. Washington Street, 6:30-9 a.m.

Silver Spring Downtown at Veter-

ans Plaza, Ellsworth Drive and Fenton Street, Silver Spring. 6:30-9 a.m.

Downtown Wheaton at Marian Fryer Town Plaza (co-sponsored with Montgomery Parks), 2424 Reedie Drive (next to the Wheaton Metro), Wheaton. 7-9 a.m.

Other pitstops within Montgomery County will include:

Gaithersburg-Kentlands at the corner of Great Seneca Highway and Orchard Ridge Dr., 7-9 a.m.

Gaithersburg Olde Towne Plaza (afternoon), 1 S. Summit Ave., Gaithersburg. 4-6 p.m.

National Institutes of Health, Building 1, 1 Center Dr., Bethesda. 7-9:30 a.m.

Rockville at Twinbrook, 5635 Fishers Lane, 7-9 a.m.

Takoma Park - Downtown/Old Takoma, 7035 Carroll Ave., Takoma Park. 6:30-9 a.m.

Takoma Park - Sligo Creek Trail, at New Hampshire Ave., Takoma Park. 7-9:30 a.m.

Visit <https://www.biketoworkmetrodc.org>.

All riders are encouraged to wear a helmet.

Free Electric Scooter Clinics

Electric scooter lessons are available for residents 18-and-older who are interested. Free clinics in April, May and June sponsored by the Montgomery County Department of Transportation. Participants will be able to take a test ride, learn safety tips and get details on basic scooter laws.

Residents can stop in anytime during the two-hour clinics to take a test ride and learn about how to use electric scooters. Participants must have a valid driver's license or ID. No registration is required to attend a clinic and walk-ups are welcome. Check tinyurl.com/cycleclss for cancellations due to inclement weather.

The scooter clinics will be held on: Saturday, May 13, 1-3 p.m., Montgomery College (parking lot 13), 850 Hungerford Drive, Rockville.

Saturday, June 3, aNoon-2 p.m. Wheaton Ice Arena, 11717 Orebaugh Dr. (back parking lot), Wheaton.

For more information visit MCDOT's website at tinyurl.com/cycleclss or call 240-777-8380



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Bari-saxophonist Anna Goldstein, senior, tenor saxophonist Luke Wu, junior, and trombonist Andreas Nagard, senior, performed with the Winston Churchill Jazz Band at the Potomac Library Grand Opening Saturday, April 15, and will perform again at Winston Churchill High School on Thursday, April 20.



Neal Gillen with Jonah Cherman and mom Angela.



TEENS section



Easy Children's Fiction



The library has its own NPR "station."



Children's books overseen by a tiger or two



Pick up the Potomac Almanac and the Senior Beacon on your way in or out.

STATIONARY ENGINEER APPRENTICESHIP



Applications for the IUOE Local 99 Apprenticeship Program will be accepted during the period of May 1—5, 2023, inclusive. Applications must be completed in person by the applicant at Engineer Center 9315 Largo Drive West, Upper Marlboro, MD 20774 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. \$35 application fee includes drug screen.

For additional information scan the QR Code.



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JOB FAIR ON APRIL 21

Montgomery County Public Schools is looking for highly qualified and highly skilled people to join its workforce as support professionals. The next in-person job fair will be for maintenance and operations from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. on Friday, April 21, at the Division of Maintenance and Operations, 8301 Turkey Thicket Drive, Building A, First Floor in Gaithersburg.

To have the possibility to interview for the maintenance positions, visit the MCPS Careers website and apply to one of the Talent Pools for Hiring Fair Only. Talent pools are open for the following positions: electrician, cafeteria worker, HVAC, plumber, carpenter and building service worker. To apply for one of the talent pools, follow these instructions:

Visit MCPS Careers. <https://www2.montgomery-schoolsmd.org/departments/careers>
Halfway down the page, under Find a Job, click on All Jobs.

In the Keywords box, write Talent Pool and click Search for Jobs.

Select the talent pool and you're interested in and click Apply. If you do not have an MCPS Careers account, you will be prompted to create one.

To become pre-qualified for open and future positions, a hands-on skills assessment will be given to those who qualify if time permits. Supervisors will be on hand to discuss the various job positions and how they support MCPS.

Interviews will also be held for bus operators and bus attendants; auto service workers/apprentices and automotive technicians; and cafeteria worker/managers, warehouse workers and truck drivers in the Division of Food and Nutrition Services.

Candidates for the following critical positions are invited to walk in: HVAC mechanics; Carpentry shop (carpenters, painters, floor mechanics, roof workers, locksmiths); Plumbers; Electricians; Building service workers; Bus operators; Bus attendants; Auto service workers/auto apprentices and automotive technicians; Cafeteria workers/managers; Warehouse workers; Warehouse truck drivers; Other maintenance positions. For more information, contact 240-740-2490.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY POLICE HIRES HISPANIC COMMUNITY LIAISON

Montgomery County Department of Police Chief Marcus Jones announced the hiring of Mariela Leon as the Hispanic Community Liaison. Leon joined the County in 2015, where she worked with the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as an Income Assistance Program Specialist (Case Manager). In this role she worked closely with county residents of all ethnicities, providing Spanish language translation; helped residents in need of medical assistance; worked with undocumented pregnant women and children to obtain medical coverage; and referred victims of sexual assault to the Victim Assistance and Sexual Assault Program or the Crisis Center.

In 2017, Leon transferred to the Office of Human Resources. As a Recruitment Specialist, she worked on improving hiring in Montgomery County Government as part of the Latino Workforce team. She wrote how-to guides on the recruitment process in Spanish, provided bilingual support to candidates and created social media accounts for the recruitment and selection team.

Leon's family immigrated from Central America. Her father is from Guatemala and mother is from El Salvador. She is the first person in her family to attend a university, earning a Bachelor of Applied Science and Criminal Justice, and a Master of Business Administration with a concentration in Human Resources Management.

OUTDOOR CONCERTS AT CABIN JOHN REGIONAL PARK

Montgomery Parks hosts four outdoor concerts on Sundays this spring in Cabin John Regional Park in Bethesda. The concerts are free and registration is not required. The concerts take place at the amphitheater from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

The series, Sunday Serenade, features local jazz musicians.

Patrons are encouraged to bring lawn chairs, blankets, and picnics to enjoy the concert. Food trucks serving pastries and coffee will also be available.

Cabin John Regional Park is located at 7400 Tuckerman Lane in Bethesda.

Performance Schedule

April 23: Robbin Kapsalis and The Vintage #18
Robbin Kapsalis and Vintage #18 ignited the Washing-

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ton D.C. Blues and Soul music scene in 2013, but they've already racked up a slew of well-deserved accolades. Their 2017 debut "Grit" was nominated for a Blues Blast Music Award (New Artist Debut Album) and they've been featured artists everywhere from Memphis, TN all the way to the Kennedy Center's New Year's Eve Celebration.

April 30: Bach to Rock

Bach to Rock is a music school that offers programs for all ages and all skill levels. Students master the songs they love, join forces with peers through jam sessions, and let loose in the spotlight.

May 7: Eric Scott Duo

Washington, DC, singer/songwriter and bassist Eric Scott has thus far had an interesting musical and life journey. As an artist and sideman, he has toured internationally, sharing the stage with B.B. King, Mavis Staples, Aaron Neville, REO Speedwagon, Pink Floyd's Roger Waters, and many more.

SATURDAY/APRIL 29

Carousel Day. 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. At 7300 MacArthur Blvd., Glen Echo. Performances, Hands-On Arts and Crafts, Carousel Rides. Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture.

JOB FAIRS SCHEDULED

Montgomery County Recreation is hiring part-time seasonal employees to work during the 2023 summer season. Available positions include lifeguards, camp counselors, camp directors and more.

Job fairs are scheduled at the following locations and dates:

Thursday, April 20, 5:30 - 8 p.m. at Upper County Community Recreation Center, 8201 Emory Grove Road, Gaithersburg

Saturday, April 22, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at East County Community Recreation Center, 3310 Gateshead Manor Way, Silver Spring

Sunday, May 7, noon - 4 p.m. at Wheaton Community Recreation Center, 11701 Georgia Ave., Wheaton
The part-time/seasonal pay rate begins at \$15.65 an hour and increases based on experience. Applicants must be at least 15 years of age. Bilingual applicants are encouraged to apply.

Applicants should bring their resumes, come dressed for success and be prepared to discuss their experience. The department is looking for dedicated, hardworking and motivated individuals. Applicants should note these job fairs are not job or location specific. Applicants may attend any job fair regardless of where they are seeking to work in the County.

As a condition of employment, applicants will be required to pass a criminal background investigation. The investigation will include state, federal and sex offender background checks.

LIBRARIES TO HOST DENTAL HEALTH FAIR

Montgomery County Public Libraries (MCPL) will host a Dental Health Fair at the Long Branch Library from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday, April 22. The Dental Health Fair will provide free oral health screenings for all ages (from young children to older adults) and general information about dental care, hygiene and dental services.

The Long Branch Library is located at 8800 Garland Ave. in Silver Spring. No registration is required to attend.

The Dental Health Fair is part of the Narratives and Medical Education (NAME) Project. NAME is an experimental National Institutes of Health funded project that brings together different disciplines focusing on the role of racism in health care, specifically in dental care disparities.

The free screenings will be provided by students of the Dental Hygiene Program at the University of Maryland (UMD) School of Dentistry.

The Dental Health Fair is a collaboration between UMD School of Dentistry, UMD College Park, UMD Libraries at the Universities at Shady Grove and MCPL.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY CAREER FAIR AND HIRING EXPO

Montgomery County will hold a career fair for job seekers 18-and-over from 3-7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 3, at the Silver Spring Civic Building. The County is searching for candidates to fill more than 30 types of available positions across a variety of industries.

The Silver Spring Civic Building is located at 1 Veterans Place in Silver Spring.

Registration is not required to attend, but attendees are encouraged to register in advance at www.montgomerycountymd.gov/JOBFAIR.

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The Dog's Honest Truth



By KENNETH B. LOURIE

Since we'll be out of town for a few days – and can't take our new puppy Burton with us, arrangements for his away-from-home accommodations have been made. For the first time in over five months, dog and owner will be separated. I am not looking forward to it. Burton will be spending the next two days and one night staying with fellow dog owners, Jen and Murph. Rather than subject Burton to the stress of being caged at his veterinarian's kennel, he'll be overnighing instead in Huntington, Maryland in a big single-family house. He'll have run of that house and when he needs to go outside, he'll have a large fenced-in yard to explore and even better, he'll have another dog, Cooper, to occupy him. Besides, he's not quite old enough, and/or vaccinated completely yet to risk exposing him to a kennel environment where a miscellaneous disease or a virus might exist. I know Burton will be in excellent, loving hands, but that's not my problem. My problem is me and the logistics of the drop-off. Because of schedules and availability, we'll still be at home without Burton for nearly a day before we leave.

As I write this in real time, I'm still at home – without Burton, and I miss him terribly. A dog is such a full-time responsibility that not having him around is extremely noticeable. I feel like I'm not doing something I should be doing with him: walking, playing, petting, wrestling, ball-throwing, stick-fetching, feeding, treating, et cetera. Moreover, until we leave later today, for the time that I'm being dogless, I am lonely and bored, even though there are still four cats and one wife in the house. In addition, not having any dog-centric responsibilities for the next few days is triggering some other feelings that subconsciously I've buried (having been so preoccupied with Burton): my brother, Richard's surprising (but not shocking) death on Dec. 3rd.

On Dec. 3rd, Burton was four months old and not yet housebroken. As such, me and my wife, Dina have been taking him out constantly, especially since he's a puppy, throughout the day and overnight as well, trying to reinforce certain dos and don'ts. Also, it seemed like every week, one of us was taking him to the vet for one puppy shot or another: distemper, DHPP, rabies, para influenza. It's not overwhelming or anything as we're familiar with the drill (requirements). Nonetheless, it's easy to get preoccupied. Then (not suddenly), we have no dog anything for two-plus days, one day of which was half at home, now.

Left to my own devices, with no distractions (not that Burton is a distraction, but you know what I mean, right?), I began to feel my brother's death more substantially again. Not that I hadn't learned to live with it, but I had found a place for it, I thought. It wasn't top of mind. It was middle of mind. And it seemed to be in a good place. After I dropped Burton off and came home – with no dog responsibilities, Richard's death became top-of-mind, sort of unexpectedly. Here I thought I was coping and assimilating his loss into a new routine. The only routine I was assimilating was life with a puppy. With Burton away for the weekend, I've had no distraction. And it has become painfully obvious that my brother's death is still weighing on me. Once again, the loss felt palpable. Almost as if I was experiencing it for a second time. I hadn't assimilated anything after all. I was too busy with the dog to realize it. Now, I realize it. My brother is dead. And I'm extremely sad.

At least my brother got to meet Burton once (his nephew as he called him) on his birthday in late October. Richard was doing so well. I never imagined (anticipated is probably a better description) that that would be the last birthday and the second to last time I would see my brother alive. And the fact that Burton was involved with Richard, even for a little bit, gives me some comfort. It created a connection of sorts between them that helps me to smile about an otherwise horrible situation. I can recall how happy Richard was that night when we brought Burton, kennel, and all, into the house. We positioned Burton's kennel on the floor in the dining room right next to Richard so they could be physically close. Dogs have a wonderful capacity to spread joy wherever they go. And this evening was no exception. As minimal as their interaction was, nonetheless, it was a happy memory I have and will continue to have of my brother. And I need as many of them as possible. And thanks to Burton, I have an extra-special one. One for which I am forever grateful.

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

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