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# MDE investigating as eastern Baltimore County sees fish kill



Dead fish, chiefly carp and channel catfish, have littered the shorelines of the Bird River and tidal Gunpowder River in the last week.

- Article & photo(s) by Devin Crum -  
 An estimated 6,000 fish have died as a result of the latest fish kill on Maryland's waterways, according to state environmental officials.  
 The Maryland Department of the Environment is investigating the incident, which has occurred in waterways in eastern Baltimore County, including the Gunpowder and Bird rivers. The investigation began as early as Monday, Dec. 19, when dead fish were first seen, according to a statement from MDE.  
 MDE spokeswoman Adrienne Diaczok said a Department investigator was on-site Monday, Dec. 26, in response to

the reports they have received and the investigator saw fish that continued to show signs of stress.  
 The kill has affected at least nine fish species, according to MDE, including yellow perch, largemouth bass, bluegill sunfish, pumpkinseed sunfish, carp, black crappie, gizzard shad, spottail shiner and channel catfish.  
 Some residents living on and around the rivers theorized that it could have been caused by pollutants or excess bacteria in the water, pointing to a recent sewage overflow in Joppatowne and a summer study by the Chesapeake Bay Foundation which showed high levels of bacteria in

the water after heavy rainfall.  
 But MDE pointed to an algae bloom instead as the likely cause.  
 "To this point, our investigation shows no signs of pollution as a potential cause. The preliminary results of the investigation show toxins produced by algae to be the likely cause," Diaczok said.  
 She said that the monitoring by MDE investigators has shown elevated cell counts of *Karlodinium venifecum* algae in the Gunpowder River.  
 "We are awaiting results of laboratory tests for algae toxins and of fish tissue," she added.  
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### Odd Fellows are Christmas good guys

- By Marge Neal -

Maybe it's fitting that a local Odd Fellows lodge scheduled an unusual special event to raise money for a Christmas gift campaign.

The Odd Fellows of North Point Lodge 4 held a chili cook-off in November to fund its Odd St. Nick program, a version of Secret Santa that provided gifts for local families in need.

"It was the second year for the chili cook-off and the first year for our Odd

St. Nick program," lodge Noble Grand Jeff Phillips said. "Last year, we donated the proceeds to Wounded Warrior but this year we decided to keep it local."

Thanks to the money raised by the chili competition, lodge members were able to provide Christmas for six families with 15 children ages 5 - 17, Phillips said. After identifying the families in need, the group received gift lists from the recipients and went shopping

to fulfill as many wishes as possible.

"My basement looks like Santa's Workshop," Phillips said just before Christmas, as volunteers were making plans to deliver the items. "We bought specific gifts for the younger children and got gift cards for the older children so they can do their own shopping."

Thanks to some extra financial donations, the shopper also bought groceries and needed housewares for the families, Phillips said.

The chili contest has been slow to grow, but Phillips said lodge members hope to grow the event and add a bull roast so two events raise money for what they hope becomes an annual effort.

"This is all in-house," Phillips said, "an all-volunteer effort with no overhead. So every penny we make goes to the program. The bigger we can grow the chili cook-off, the more people we can help."

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# County Council approves new rules for open space, traffic calming

- By Devin Crum -

Toward the end of this year, the Baltimore County Council has enacted separate measures which change the open space requirements for development projects and update the criteria for installing traffic calming in neighborhoods.

The Council passed the open space legislation last month and it went into effect Nov. 21.

According to Councilman David Marks (R-Perry Hall), co-sponsor of the bill, it tries to incentivize developers to include more amenities and recreational open space within their residential projects.

"In a place like Towson, where there's maybe a roof and you want to incentivize the developer to make it green and put amenities outside, then we would give a certain credit for that," Marks explained.

That does not include indoor amenities within the project such as a pool or spa in an apartment complex's clubhouse.

The bill also improved the county's reporting requirements so that the administration has to consult with the relevant councilperson when spending open space waiver fees.

By law, open space fees must be used in the same councilmanic district as the development by which they were contributed. But now, the administration must consult with the Council member representing that district when deciding where to use those funds, which Marks said did not always happen before.

In the case of Towson, which Marks also represents, the bill says that when developers cannot meet the requirements, the open space fees must be expended within a certain distance of downtown

Towson.

"My district goes from Charles Street to Harford County and people in Towson, candidly, don't want their open space funding going into parts of Perry Hall," Marks said. "They want it more in Towson."

Marks said the development community was very interested in the bill. But so was NeighborSpace of Baltimore County, Inc. - a nonprofit organization that works to protect open space in the more urban parts of the county - due to a part of the measure that says developers can count wooded portions of their site toward their open space requirements.

"It doesn't make sense for them to have to tear down a forested area to provide a homeowner's association's common area," Marks affirmed. "You can use passive areas toward your open

space requirement. The development community and NeighborSpace both argued that that made a lot of sense."

Before this bill, when developers could not provide enough open space in their projects, they paid an open space fee and the county administration decided how the money was spent.

Marks said he has had some luck in Perry Hall getting those funds used for things like Angel Park, Gough Park and other recreational facilities.

"But ultimately, it's up to the administration where they want to put the money," he said. "This tries to incentivize developers to go ahead and provide the amenities on-site so they don't have to pay those fees." And if they do pay the fees, the Council member is involved in where it goes, he added.

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# CHANGES

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On Monday, Dec. 19, the County Council also passed a resolution to approve the new Baltimore County Neighborhood Traffic Management Program (NTMP).

The county's traffic calming procedures had not been updated since 2007, so Councilwoman Cathy Bevins (D-Middle River) - who initiated the action - and the Council asked the county's Departments of Planning and Public Works to review and update the program. They placed particular emphasis on streets classified as "collectors" and those outside the Urban-Rural Demarcation Line (URDL).

"I get calls all the time from people [asking for traffic calming], said Bevins. But under the older criteria, some neighborhoods fell just short of meeting the requirements even if there was a clear traffic issue, she added.

After the Council's request for an update, the departments came back with some recommendations for criteria changes, which the Council then approved.

Specifically, "collector" roadways, which handle higher traffic volumes because smaller streets feed onto them, were not previously considered for any traffic calming.

All streets may now be considered, however, roadways with peak traffic volumes higher than 350 vehicles may only be considered for upgrades to existing pedestrian crossings or other passive measures. Only those with peak volumes below that threshold may be considered

for speed humps.

Also, any request for traffic calming that has a marked school crosswalk on it will be looked at for upgrades, regardless of whether the street itself qualifies for traffic calming.

Additionally, streets outside the URDL can now be considered for traffic calming if the residential lots fronting on them are two acres or less in size for the entire stretch of the requested street. Streets outside the URDL were not previously considered.

"It's a few things that will help a few more neighborhoods qualify" that need it, Bevins said, adding that the funding for traffic calming projects is usually available when streets are approved for them.

However, she said some roads "just don't make

sense" to install traffic calming measures, such as the higher-volume collector roads because they would create traffic backups, as well as in neighborhoods where the homes sit far back off the roadway.

"I don't see that changing.

"But some of these neighborhoods, I really see them needing it and one thing usually disqualified them" under the old criteria, Bevins commented.

The councilwoman said she does not think her district had any traffic calming projects waiting in the pipeline, but the rule changes may have allowed new ones to be considered.

Prior to Council approval, the NTMP had been prepared by DPW and adopted by the Planning Board on Oct. 6.

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# FISH KILL

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Diaczok explained that the epicenter of the fish kill appears to have been near Mariner Point in Joppa-towne, spreading to Foster Branch and out into Bird River and the rest of the tidal Gunpowder.

While MDE believes the affected area is limited to the Bird and Gunpowder rivers, Diaczok said investigators had also taken samples in Dundee Creek - just to the south of Gunpowder - on Monday afternoon.

Although in much smaller numbers, a few dead fish could be seen belly-up in Dundee Creek near Marshy Point Nature Center Monday.

In the early aftermath of the fish kill, photos posted on social media by fisherman and water quality ad-

vocate Scott Sewell showed many of the other fish species that MDE named as having been affected by the incident.

But by Monday, nearly all the fish seen washed up on the shorelines were carp, with a few stressed and lethargic channel catfish hovering close to shore.

"I want to stress that this is an ongoing investigation," Diaczok told the *East County Times*, "and until we have laboratory results back we can't speculate as to why you viewed an abundance of channel catfish and carp."

MDE asks that individuals who see an accumulation of dead fish in state waters report it through the 24-hour, toll-free Chesapeake Bay Safety and Environmental Hotline at 877-224-7229.



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## Pedestrian safety improvements planned at Perry Hall Middle School, high school

- By Councilman David Marks (R-5) -

The Baltimore County Department of Public Works will install improvements along Ebenezer Road to slow speeding at Perry Hall Middle and High Schools, Baltimore County Councilman David Marks announced today.

Two raised crosswalks with pedestrian refuge islands will be installed in front of Perry Hall High School. The raised crosswalk is slightly lower than a speed hump, but will help slow the speed of motorists. Additionally, the pedestrian refuge island will allow students a safer place to stand as they cross. Pedestrian ramps will make the area compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

A third crosswalk with a pedestrian refuge island will be installed in front of Perry Hall Middle School at Yvonne Avenue.

The total cost for the project is \$60,000. The improvements will be built next spring. The project is possible because the Baltimore County Council recently modified the county's traffic calming policy.

The county reached out to the principals of Perry Hall Middle and High Schools, and Senator Kathy Klausmeier sent a letter of support.

"We thank Baltimore County and Councilman Marks for working to im-

prove safety in this area near Perry Hall High School," commented Andrew Last, principal at Perry Hall High School. The Perry Hall High School Alumni Association has also been a strong advocate of the project.

A diagram of the proposed improvements is attached.

"Over the past six years, we have worked with neighborhoods and schools to slow traffic throughout the Fifth District," Councilman Marks commented. "Moving forward, our office will be working with other elected officials and residents to see where safety can be improved at other locations throughout Perry Hall."

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## Cardin, Van Hollen announce \$1.1 million to help farmers protect the Chesapeake

On Dec. 22, U.S. Senator Ben Cardin and Senator-elect Chris Van Hollen (both Democrats) announced \$1.1 million in funds from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Regional Conservation Partnership Program to help farmers in Maryland protect the Chesapeake Bay.

The Chesapeake Bay Foundation and seven partners will use the funding to support roughly 20 livestock farmers in Maryland as they convert cropland to pasture or transition existing pasture-based operations to more intensive grazing systems. At

the same time, partners will capitalize on opportunities to implement related practices such as stream livestock exclusion and forested buffers. Finally the partnership will expand efforts to provide permanent easements on Conservation Reserve and Enhancement Program forested buffers in Frederick County as a model for future efforts.

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

The Maryland Department of Transportation's MTA gives notice of fourteen public hearings to provide interested persons the opportunity to comment on service changes proposed for the next phase of implementation of the BaltimoreLink transit network redesign. The proposed changes would become effective on or about Sunday, June 18, 2017, and include improvements to: CityLink, LocalLink, and Express BusLink services.

(Aviso de Audiencias Públicas)

### SCHEDULE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

#### Wednesday, January 4, 2017 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Baltimore County Public Library,  
North Point Branch  
1716 Merritt Boulevard  
Dundalk, MD 21222  
Access to this location via No. 4

#### Thursday, January 5, 2017 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Enoch Pratt Free Library,  
Southeast Anchor Branch\*  
3601 Eastern Ave  
Baltimore, MD 21224  
Access to this location via Nos. 10, 13, and 22

#### Thursday, January 5, 2017 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Baltimore County Public Library,  
Towson Branch  
320 York Road  
Towson, MD 21204  
Access to this location via Nos. 3, 8, 11, 12, 48

#### Monday, January 9, 2017 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Baltimore County Public Library,  
White Marsh Branch  
8133 Sandpiper Circle  
Baltimore, MD 21236  
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#### Monday, January 9, 2017 11:00 AM - 3:30 PM

State Center Complex  
201 W. Preston Street  
Baltimore, MD 21201  
Access to this location via Nos. 19, 21, 27, 31, 91, 119, Metro Subway, and Light Rail

#### Tuesday, January 10, 2017 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

MedStar Harbor Hospital,  
Baum Auditorium  
3001 S. Hanover Street  
Baltimore, MD 21225  
Access to this location via Nos. 14, 27, 29, 51, 64, and 164

#### Tuesday, January 10, 2017 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

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1701 N. Gay Street  
Baltimore, MD 21213  
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#### Wednesday, January 11, 2017 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Baltimore County Public Library,  
Randallstown Branch  
8604 Liberty Road  
Randallstown, MD 21133  
Access to this location via Nos. 54 and 77

#### Wednesday, January 11, 2017 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Enoch Pratt Free Library,  
Pennsylvania Avenue Branch \*  
1531 W. North Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21217  
Access to this location via Nos. 7, 13, 21, 54, 91, and Metro Subway

#### Thursday, January 12, 2017 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Brooklyn Park Community Library  
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Access to this location via No. 14

#### Thursday, January 12, 2017 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Central Church of Christ  
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#### Wednesday, January 18, 2017 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

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Interested persons are invited to express their views at a public hearing or in writing. The MTA will accept written statements through Tuesday, February 21, 2017. Comments may be mailed to MTA, Office of Customer and Community Relations, 6 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, MD 21202. Alternatively, you may email your comments to [HearingComments@mta.maryland.gov](mailto:HearingComments@mta.maryland.gov) with "Written Testimony" as the subject heading. Your name and postal address must be included with your comments to become part of the public hearing record.

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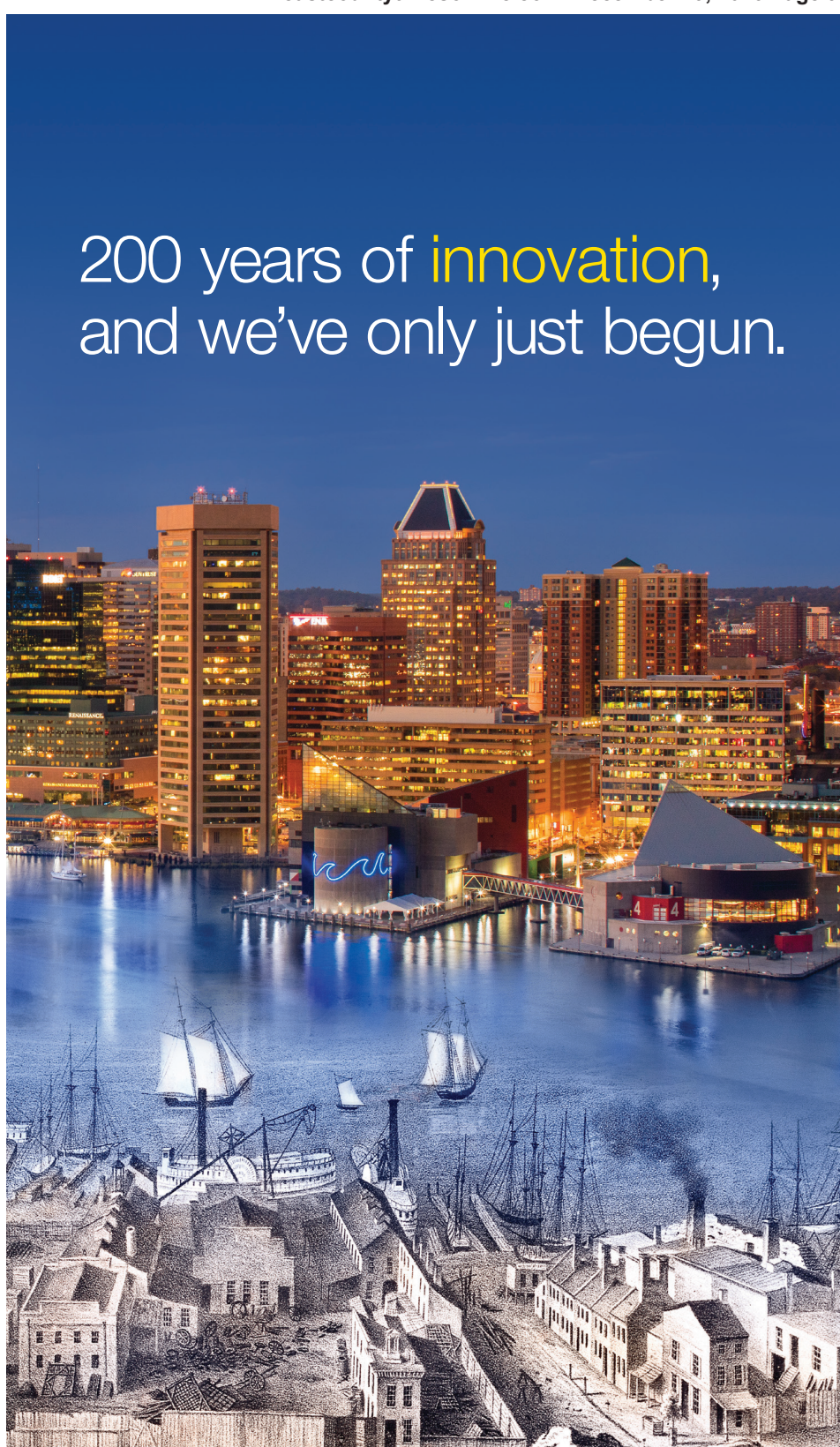
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## Safety tips for ridesharing

Ridesharing is a growing trend among travelers from all walks of life. Some proponents of ridesharing support the concept because they feel it's an eco-friendly means of traveling, while others find it's a great way to save money. Still others employ third-party ridesharing services as a responsible, affordable way to travel when going out for a night on the town.

With a greater number of people sharing rides and interacting with strangers than ever before, safety while ridesharing is an issue to take seriously. While ridesharing trips often occur without incident, there have been some instances of violent altercations involving drivers and passengers. For example, in February 2016, a driver from Kalamazoo, Mich., while working for a popular ridesharing service, admitted to killing six people after going on a shooting rampage.

According to the Taxicab, Limousine and Paratransit Association, ridesharing companies use a background check service to confirm criminal convictions and to make sure drivers are legally able to drive. However, these services may not perform FBI fingerprinting checks conducted by law enforcement officials, whereas taxi drivers are subjected fingerprinting. So some ridesharing drivers who have committed crimes in the past but have never been caught may pass ridesharing background checks, but they might not pass tests that taxi companies would insist they submit to, such as fingerprinting tests.

While ridesharing, whether it entails carpooling or using an established ridesharing service, can be

convenient, passengers must take steps to ensure their own safety when sharing rides.

- Confirm insurance coverage. All drivers need to be insured in case of an accident. Passengers are well within their rights to request proof of current insurance before agreeing to carpool.
- Confirm vehicle maintenance and inspections. Private individuals and some smaller ridesharing services drive fewer hours per week than many taxi companies. That means personal vehicles may be in better shape than taxis. Drivers must maintain their vehicles and have them inspected according to local regulations. Passengers can ask to see service records and should only accept rides in vehicles that appear to be in good repair.
- Confirm the driver and car before traveling. Before accepting a ride from a ridesharing service, passengers should confirm that the driver, vehicle and license plate number matches the notification that has been sent through the service's app. Passengers also can track the progress of the car's arrival. All details should be verified before stepping into the ridesharing vehicle.
- Ride in the back seat. Many of the criminal incidents associated with ridesharing have involved passengers riding in the front seat next to the driver. Maintain a safe distance by riding in the back, which enables passengers to exit the vehicle more readily.
- Ride with a friend. Safety comes in numbers, so don't hesitate to share rides with friends or close colleagues if you are worried about riding alone.
- Avoid cash exchanges. Many ridesharing services automatically charge rides to passengers' credit cards. Chip-in arrangements for other carpooling can be made via PayPal or other methods that do not involve cash. Avoid getting in a car with a driver who asks to be paid in cash.

## How to reduce emissions

According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency, 26 percent of all greenhouse gas emissions in the U.S. can be traced to transportation. But the task of reducing vehicle emissions is not as difficult as it may seem, as there are many steps ordinary citizens can take to cut back on the greenhouse gases their vehicles are producing each day.

• Telecommute to work. Recent research from Global Workplace Analytics found that 50 percent of the American workforce holds a job that is compatible with at least partial telework. Telecommuters consume considerably less fuel than workers who drive or take mass transportation to work, and over time that can greatly reduce transportation-related greenhouse gas emissions.

• Prioritize vehicle maintenance. Poorly maintained vehicles can harm the environment and cost motorists substantial amounts of money. The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control notes that something as simple as replacing a clogged air filter, a task that can be completed in a matter of minutes, can improve gas mileage by as much as 10 percent. In addition, keeping tires properly inflated can reduce drag and improve fuel economy.

• Avoid idling. The EPA notes that idling is both ineffective and harmful to the environment. Idling for more than 30 seconds can increase air pollution unnecessarily, waste fuel and money and cause excessive wear and damage to engine components. Auto manufacturers now recommend that vehicles idle for no more than 30 seconds before they begin driving.

• Drive less. Perhaps the simplest way to reduce vehicle emissions is to drive less. While walking or cycling can be a great and healthy alternative to driving, driving less does not necessarily mean motorists should abandon their vehicles entirely. Instead, drivers can organize weekend shopping and errand trips so they accomplish everything in a single trip. This can free up time and greatly reduce fuel consumption and vehicle emissions.



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## Safely avoid potential winter hazards

Winter can be a beautiful time of year, particularly when freshly fallen snow blankets the landscape. However, winter is also a time fraught with potential peril. The same winter weather that makes landscapes so pristine can make roads and walkways - and even being outside - dangerous.

The U.S. Department of Transportation says weather-related vehicle crashes killed 6,253 people last year and injure more than 480,000 per year. These accidents most often occur when roadways are wet, snowy or icy. Yet, winter driving is not the only seasonal hazard. Here are some common winter activities and how to avoid getting hurt when engaging in them.

### Driving

Exercise extra caution when driving on roadways during the winter, as they may contain ice or snow. All it takes is a small coating of precipitation on roadways to make driving treacherous. Wet-looking roadways may be wet, or they may be covered by ice, and it's difficult to tell the difference with the naked eye. Always slow down and assume you are driving on ice. Make every effort to improve visibility.

### Snow removal

A 2011 study conducted by researchers at the Center for Injury Research and Policy of The Research Institute at Nationwide Children's Hospital

found that an average of 11,500 snow-shoveling-related injuries and medical emergencies were treated in U.S. emergency departments each year from 1990 to 2006. Lower back injuries, falls, injuries to the arms and hands and cardiac-related injuries account for many of the incidents sustained while removing snow. There's also the risk of injury from collisions with pedestrians and snow plows. Plows and bobcat-type devices can cause serious injury. Exercise caution when operating such machines.

### Roof snow removal

Removing snow from a roof can be a dangerous prospect. Always use the appropriate equipment, which includes telescoping poles, rather than climbing on slippery roofs. This may be a job best left for a professional, who will have fall-arrest systems and non-slip safety boots.

### Dressing for conditions

Venturing outdoors for winter fun may be enticing, but never put your health at risk for the sake of fun. The Mayo Clinic says hypothermia is a medical emergency that occurs when the body loses heat faster than it can produce heat, causing a dangerously low body temperature. Wear appropriate clothing to prevent hypothermia, which may not produce any initial symptoms.

## Headlight safety often overlooked

To many motorists, "vehicle maintenance" means oil changes every 3,000 miles and weekly trips to the car wash. But there's more to maintaining a vehicle than keeping it looking good on the road and tending to what's under the hood.

Recognizing the importance of nighttime visibility and how often headlight maintenance is overlooked, Lumileds (founded by Philips) has launched a global safety campaign to increase awareness about headlight bulb technology and the importance of replacing headlight bulbs in pairs.

### What happens to headlight bulbs as they age?

The filaments of headlight bulbs age as the bulbs are used and exposed to the elements, which include sunlight, ozone and other environmental factors. As they age, the bulbs become fragile and light begins to deteriorate, typically within two to three years of initial usage. In some cases, aging bulbs may be delivering up to 30 percent less light than they delivered when they were brand new.

### Why are aging headlight bulbs unsafe?

When driving at night, many motorists may notice that sometimes one headlight seems to be putting out more light than the other. When one headlight bulb is producing a substantially

weaker light output than the other, the result is an unbalanced and inconsistent light beam that can diminish driver visibility at night, when drivers' visual acuity is naturally reduced by as much as 70 percent.

### Who is affected by unbalanced and inconsistent light beams?

Everyone on the road is affected when light beams emanating from vehicle headlights are unbalanced. Drivers of vehicles that are producing uneven light beams will be driving with compromised visibility. Oncoming motorists are also affected by unbalanced, inconsistent light beams. Such motorists may have difficulty seeing and identifying vehicles with just one headlight operating at peak capacity, and some may even mistake oncoming cars and trucks for motorcycles. That can create positioning issues that put drivers on both sides of the street in jeopardy.

### Why replace headlight bulbs in pairs?

By replacing headlight bulbs in pairs, drivers are doing their best to ensure their vehicles produce consistent, balanced light beams that can make nighttime driving safer for everyone on the road. Replacing parts such as tires, brakes, shocks and wiper blades in pairs ensures vehicles will maintain proper balance and function properly.

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## Spirit of giving hits local elementary schools

- Article & Photo By Patrick Taylor -

"I see a lot of people when I leave the house who are homeless, and I was thinking that I wanted to help them," said Unns Tahir, a fourth grader at Colgate Elementary School.

It was that simple for Tahir and fellow fourth-grader Blaque Keller. They saw people in need and they wanted to help. That's when they joined the Charity Club at Colgate.

The club, set up by fourth-grade teacher Danielle Lewis, has about 14 members. But despite their small size, they have a big impact on the community surrounding the school.

The club is currently holding a can drive to help out those who are struggling to find consistent meals. They're calling it "Can-cember," a play on their sock drive they did in October called "Socktober." Their sock drive saw the students collect hundreds of pairs of socks for the homeless.

"I wanted something happy to happen to the homeless," said Keller. "It's becoming winter, and the first thing that will get cold is their feet."

While Lewis set the club up and acts as moderator, she lets the students figure out who it is they want to help.

"The kids decide for the most part; I just kind of push them a little," said Lewis. "They always want to help the homeless. It's very kid-driven."

The cans donated for this drive will be donated to a homeless shelter, most likely the same one they donated the socks to. But Lewis said she'll also reach out to area churches and see what input they have.

The club meets every Tuesday, collecting cans and socks from each classroom in the school. They then meet and discuss how to potentially improve the amount of donations, while also looking ahead to future endeavours. They have already decided that they'll be ending the year with a 5k run to benefit St. Jude Children's Hospital.

"We're a Title-1 school, which means 80-percent of our students live beneath the poverty line," said Lewis. "So they don't have a lot themselves most of the time but they look to give what they can. They know they have it tough, but they know there are people who have it tougher."

Tahir and Keller both plan to stay in the club until they reach middle school, but they plan on taking their charitable spirit with them. Whether that means joining an already existing club or starting one from the ground floor, they plan to keep on giving.

"The biggest reward you can get is the feeling of goodness in your heart," said Tahir.

The spirit of giving isn't just reserved for people, however. The students at Glenmar Elementary School in Middle River collected pet toys, food, treats, blankets, beds, collars/leashes and more for its Paws for a Cause initiative. The goods were stored in the front of the school in a doghouse display (complete with a sleeping Snoopy on top) made by the school's art teacher, Eileen Fitzgerald.

Jessica Platt, a counselor at Glenmar, stated that throughout the year the school has had can and clothing drives and delivered the goods to local churches. She also connects families of students to

local resources.

"It's just a way for the school to make sure that the community is happy and healthy," said Platt, who's in her first year at Glenmar.

Platt wanted to do something around Christmas but recognized that not everyone has the same religious beliefs, so she came up with the idea of a drive to benefit animals in need.

"Not everyone here celebrates Christmas or Hanukkah, but everyone loves animals," she said. "It's a way for all of the students and parents to get involved, and they loved it."

All of the goods were delivered to Defenders of Animal Rights, located in north Baltimore County, which was selected because it is a no-kill shelter.

"We want these items to go to a shelter that's going to help animals live long, healthy, happy lives. Some of our faculty have history with that shelter and suggested it, so that's who we ended up going for," Platt said.

Platt hopes that the initiative will cause students to pause - hence the name - and give.

"It's equally as satisfying to give as it is to receive," Platt said. "And that's what I'm trying to impart on these students as their counselor."



For three weeks the students at Glenmar Elementary brought in goods for animals in need.

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## MSP record 450 DUI arrests since Thanksgiving

Between Thanksgiving and Christmas Eve, Maryland state troopers made 450 DUI arrests and they will continue the focused enforcement through the holiday season by deploying in areas known to have high numbers of DUI arrests or crashes.

As the new year approaches, barrack commanders from each of the 23 Maryland State Police barracks in the state, will be deploying special patrols focused on identifying and arresting impaired and aggressive drivers. Traffic enforcement efforts will also include speeding, distracted driving and other violations that often contribute to highway tragedies.

Troopers will work in collaboration with allied law enforcement partners statewide during saturation patrols, areas known to have high numbers of impaired driving arrests or crashes. Troopers will also be staffing sobriety checkpoints.

The State Police Impaired Driving Reduction Ef-

fort Team (SPIDRE) made 33 arrests out of the total 450 DUI arrests since the Thanksgiving weekend. This team of elite troopers will also be out in force working with law enforcement partners, dedicating their efforts solely to removing drunk drivers from Maryland highways.

Motorists are urged to check travel conditions and delays before traveling. SHA provides up-to-date traffic and road conditions at roads.maryland.gov, or chart.state.md.us. Traffic conditions are also available at md511.org, or by safely dialing 511 on your cell phone.

Troopers remind travelers not to drive distracted, to make traffic safety their first priority whenever they are behind the wheel, and to plan for a sober ride home this holiday season. Santa will not deliver any presents to those who decide to drink and drive.

## Nottingham man pleads guilty to food stamp fraud

On Friday, Dec. 16, Muhammad Sarmad, a 40-year-old resident of Nottingham, pleaded guilty to food stamp and wire fraud in federal court. Sentencing is set for March 20, 2017, and Sarmad is facing up to five years in prison.

Sarmad and 13 other Baltimore area residents were charged at the end of August after an investigation found that the 14 retailers received over \$16 million in federal payments for transactions in which they did not provide any food, a fraud scheme commonly known as "food stamp trafficking" according to U.S. Department of Justice.

From October 2010 through August 2016, Sarmad and partner Mohammad Irfan, also of Nottingham, allegedly obtained more than \$3,550,662 in payments for food sales that never occurred. The two operated stores in Essex, Rosedale, Overlea and Northwood. Irfan has not yet faced trial.

"These programs are intended to provide assistance for those in need - not a means of abuse or selfish enrichment. The FBI Baltimore Division, along with our federal, state and local partners, remain steadfast in our commitment to root out those who steal from taxpayers and defraud our government programs," said Kevin Perkins, Special Agent in Charge of the FBI Baltimore Office.

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## Precinct 12/Dundalk

**First Degree Assault:** On Dec. 21, officers from the Dundalk precinct responded to a call in the 8200 block of North Boundary Road. At 5:50 p.m., the known subject assaulted the juvenile victim with a sharp instrument. The subject stabbed the victim in the hip area because because of an argument over a Christmas gift card. The victim was not seriously injured and did not need to be transported to a hospital. The subject was arrested.

**First Degree Burglary:** Baltimore County police officers were called to the 7300 block of Manchester Road just before 10 p.m. on Dec. 20. At 9:56 p.m., a known subject, broke into the victim's home through a side basement window. Once inside, the subject stole cash and keys to the victim's car. The subject left through the front door and fled in the vehicle. The subject was a relative of the victim and felt remorse for his actions. He turned himself in to the police.

**First Degree Burglary:** On Dec. 19, officers from the Dundalk precinct responded to a call in the 8200 block of Kavanaugh Road. At 8:45 p.m., an unknown suspect entered the victim's residence while the victim was home. The victim heard a noise coming from the basement, then heard the back door slam shut. The suspect stole electronic equipment. Anyone with information regarding this incident is urged to contact Baltimore County police.

## Police seek suspect using stolen credit cards

Burglary detectives are seeking the identity of a suspect who is using stolen credit cards.

The credit cards were taken on Dec. 12 from a home in the 1200 block of Ridgeshire Road in Dundalk. The suspect used these credit cards on the same day at the Shoppers located in the Middlesex Shopping Center, 1200 Eastern Boulevard in Essex.

The suspect walks with a limp and uses a cane. It is believed the suspect regularly frequents the shopping center.

If you have any information about the suspect, please contact police at 410-307-2020.

## Current crime trends

Since Nov. 30, there have been four residential burglaries targeting the Dunfield community in the Parkville Precinct. Three cases occurred between noon and 6:30 p.m. One case occurred between 9 p.m. and 6:10 a.m. Rear doors and windows were entered in three cases. A doggie door was entered in one case. Items taken include game systems, video games, a TV, a safe, a computer, a lockbox, money and credit cards. Anyone with information is asked to contact Baltimore County police.

Since Oct. 29, there have been ten commercial robberies countywide believed to be committed by the same suspects. They implied a weapon and took money and cigarettes.

Since Nov. 22, there have been four burglaries targeting paint stores in the Towson, Parkville and White Marsh precincts. Rear or side doors were pried in three cases. Front window glass was broken in one case. Items taken include register drawers, money, a van, paint sprayers, and a gas card.

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**OBITUARIES**

**Soucek, Hana**

On Dec. 19, Hana Soucek (nee Valaskova), beloved wife of the late Ladislav Soucek; devoted mother of Dana Petran and the late Alena Soucek Gardos; loving grandmother of Dana N. Havlik and George Petran; dear great-grandmother of Katie, Michael, Nicole and Lucia.

Service private. Those desiring may direct expressions of sympathy to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

**Bachman, Eugene**

On Dec. 23, Eugene "Craig" Bachman, beloved husband of Terry Bachman (nee Lukenich); devoted father of Christine Albrecht, Lisa Fazenbaker and her husband Tim, Edward Cucina and his wife Noel; grandfather of Alexa, Shane, Jordan, Audrey, Aubrey, TJ, Ava, Adelyn, Ian, AJ and Sadie; loving son of Marcella and the late George Burton Bachman; dear brother of George Bachman, Barbara Byrd, Belinda Davis, Denise Calugan. Also survived by numerous nieces and nephews and many other loving relatives and friends.

Services provided by Connelly Funeral Home of Essex. Interment at Oak Lawn Cemetery.

**Olkowski, Donald Edward**

On Dec. 25, Donald Edward Olkowski Sr., beloved husband of Gina M. Olkowski (nee Spitaleri); devoted father of Donald E. Olkowski III and his wife Paula, Sherry A. Mueller and her husband William and Lisa M. Edwards and her husband Matthew; loving grandfather of Donald Olkowski IV, Angela Magruder, Christina Doyle, Melissa Cavender, Nicole Frederick and Kaylia and Briella Edwards. Also survived by eleven great-grandchildren.

A funeral service will be held at the Connelly Funeral Home of Essex on Friday, Dec. 30, at 7:30 p.m. Visiting hours on Friday from 3 - 5 p.m. and 7 - 9 p.m. Interment private.

**Sigmon, David Wayne**

On Dec. 25, David Wayne Sigmon beloved husband of the late Debra A. Sigmon; devoted father of Lacey M., Victoria A., and David W. Sigmon; dear brother of Ernie Sigmon and Thelma Quade; loving grandfather of Ophielia and Alice Martin and Charlie and Violet Sigmon.

A funeral service will be held at the Connelly Funeral Home of Essex on Friday, Dec. 30, at 11 a.m. Visiting hours on Thursday, Dec. 29, from 3 - 5 p.m. and 7 - 9 p.m. Interment at Holly Hill Memorial Gardens.

**Cook, Gertrude**

On Dec. 24, Gertrude "Gert" Cook (nee Nail), devoted wife of Gordon L. Cook Sr.; beloved mother of Gordon L. Cook Jr., Clifford B. Cook and his wife Robin. Also survived by four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; loving mother-in-law of Martha Cook; dear sister of Mary Schofield, Cookie Cook, Lorraine Mullins and Richard Nail.

Funeral Services will be held at the Connelly Funeral Home of Essex on Friday, Dec. 30, at 1:30 p.m. Visiting hours will be held on Thursday, Dec. 29, from 3 - 5 p.m. and 7 - 9 p.m. Interment at Gardens of Faith Cemetery.

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**Hunt, Kathleen Louise**

On Dec. 22, Kathleen Louise Hunt (nee Budd) passed away. She was the beloved wife of George Everett Hunt, Jr.; devoted mother of George Everett Hunt, III, Karen Rose Hunt-Knepper and her husband Donald, Robert Leonard Hunt and his wife Denise; loving grandmother of Olivia Leigh Weaver and her husband Louis, Luke Arthur McCormick, Alfred Leonard Hunt and his wife Dawn, Andrew Ray Hunt, Robert Everett Hunt and his wife Britney, Kayla Marie Hunt, and Nicholas Taylor Hunt; cherished great-grandmother of Vincent, Elle, Audrey, and Karl Hunt; dear sister of Alfred Richard Budd and his late wife Lorraine, and the late Lucy Eleanor Solomon and her husband James, and Jasper Leonard Budd. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews.

Services provided by Schimunek Funeral Home of Nottingham. Interment at Glen Haven Memorial Park.

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**Newman, William E., Sr.**

On Dec. 18, William E. Newman, Sr., devoted husband of the late Dorothy E. Newman (nee Mullins); beloved father of William E. Newman Jr. and his wife Rose Marie, Linda Sue Depkin and her husband Lee, Wanda Lynn Gresko and her husband Joe, Patricia Ann Kesler and her husband Pete, George Daniel Newman and his wife Lynn, Paul Clayton Newman and his wife Julie. Also survived by nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; dear brother of Paul Donald Newman and his wife Bernice.

Services provided by the Connelly Funeral Home of Essex. Interment at Holly Hill Memorial Gardens.

**Morris, Dorothy**

On Dec. 22, Dorothy B. Morris (nee Blimline), beloved wife of the late Henry G. Morris; devoted mother of Dianne L. Cirri and her husband Dominic C. Cirri; loving grandmother of Dominic D. Cirri and his wife Courtney; great-grandmother of Rylee, Ryan and Raelyn Cirri.

Services provided by Duda-Ruck Funeral Home of Dundalk.

**Donovan, Nancy Lee**

On Dec. 22, Nancy Lee Donovan (nee Bales), beloved wife of Howard L. Donovan, Jr.; devoted mother of Howard L. Donovan, III and his wife Kathleen, David L. Donovan, Sr. and his wife Veronica and Jeanine Portman and her husband Stuart; dear sister of the late Rita Maranovich; loving grandmother of Amanda, Preston, Tyler, David, Anastasia and Connor Donovan and Halle and Ethan Portman.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Luke's Catholic Church.

**DeBaufre, Leonard J.**

On Dec. 22, Leonard J. DeBaufre, beloved husband of Marlene Debaufre, devoted father of Tim Daiker and his wife Mary and Mike DeBaufre, loving grandfather of LeeAnn Daiker, dear brother of Margaret Foard, Helen Myers and Catherine Trent.

Services provided by Duda-Ruck Funeral Home of Dundalk. Interment at Most Holy Redeemer Cemetery.

**Myrick, Dale O.**

On Dec. 18, Dale O. Myrick, beloved husband of Bonnie L. Myrick (nee Budahazy); devoted father of Scott Kenney and Nichole Myrick; loving grandfather of Logan Kenney. Also survived by many loving family members and friends.

Services provided by the Connelly Funeral Home of Essex. Interment private.

**Alford, Mabel Eleanor**

On Dec. 20, M. Eleanor Alford (nee Nonemaker) passed away. She was the beloved wife of the late William Stanley Alford; devoted mother of Janet Eder, Robert Alford, Barbara Keelan, Nancy Phoebus, Doris Jedlanek, Gregory Alford and the late Elaine Edwards; cherished grandmother of numerous loving grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Services provided by Schimunek Funeral Home of Nottingham. Interment at Parkwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the ALS Association, Gift Processing Center, P.O. Box 6051, Albert Lea, MN 56007.

**Roof, Annabelle**

On Dec. 24, Annabelle Marie Roof passed away. She was the beloved wife of the late Quigley Sylvester Roof; devoted mother of Harold Roof, Ronald Roof, Karen Sieracki, and the late Shirley Ward, Charles Roof, and Kenneth Roof; cherished grandmother of numerous loving grandchildren and great-grandchildren; dear sister of Helen, Lois, Sylvia, Faye, Dorothy, and the late Ethel, Josephine, Betty, Earl Jr. and Lula.

Services provided by Schimunek Funeral Home of Nottingham. Interment will follow at Lakeview Memorial Park.

**Scheidt, Mary**

On Dec. 20, Mary Scheidt (nee Tom) passed away. She was the beloved wife of the late Robert Melvin Scheidt; devoted mother of Stephanie Ford and her husband Leroy Messenger; cherished grandmother of Sarah Ford; loving great-grandmother of Alexa Ford; dear sister of William Tom, David Tom, Helen Martin, and the late Hanley Tom.

Services provided by Schimunek Funeral Home of Nottingham. Services and interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, those who wish may make memorial contributions in her name to Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 4815 Hamilton Ave., Baltimore, MD 21206.

**Wrightson, Doreen Ann**

On Dec. 24, Doreen Ann Wrightson (nee Kimble), devoted wife of Robert F. Wrightson; beloved mother of Marshall Starkey and his wife Heather, and Michelle Brooks and her husband Benjamin; loving "Grandma" of Dillan, Matthew, Mercedes-Lyn, Skylar, Tyler, Hunter, and Austin; dear sister of John and Craig Kimble.

Services provided by Connelly Funeral Home of Essex. Interment at Gardens of Faith Cemetery.

**Milliren, Robert Lance**

On Dec. 20, Robert L. Milliren, beloved companion of Catherine A. Litrenta; devoted father of Frank Milliren and his wife Lisa, Monica Milliren and Lance Milliren and his wife Heather; loving grandfather of Robert, Ryan and his wife Whitney, Tyler and Aiden Milliren; cherished great-grandfather of Aurora and Samson; dear brother of Marcella Milliren; loving uncle of Franklin Milliren.

Services provided by Duda-Ruck Funeral Home of Dundalk. Interment at Sacred Heart of Jesus Cemetery.

**Cefaloni, John W.**

On Dec. 23, John W. Cefaloni, beloved companion of Beverly Vance; dear brother of Carolyn Zeberlein, Ester Adcock, William and Francis Cefaloni and the late Patricia McCarthy. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at the Connelly Funeral Home of Essex on Saturday, Jan. 14, at noon. Visiting hours 11 a.m. - noon. Interment private. In lieu of flowers. Contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association at [www.diabetes.org](http://www.diabetes.org).

**McDermott, Robert William**

On Dec. 15, Robert "Mac" William McDermott, devoted husband of Elizabeth Ann (nee Norman); beloved father of Victoria Arnold and her husband Jerry, Michelle Phillips and her husband Tim, Stuart Morgan and his friend Pat Nutter, Mark Morgan and his wife Sharon, Robert Morgan and his wife Barbara, and the late D. Scott Morgan. Also survived by grandchildren, great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild; dear brother of James McDermott and his wife Barbara, the late Frances and Paulette McDermott. Also survived by numerous nieces and a nephew.

Services provided by the Connelly Funeral Home of Essex. Interment private. Donations may be made in Mr. McDermott's honor to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123.

**DeVoe, Charles Walter**

On Dec. 19, Charles Walter DeVoe Jr., beloved soulmate of Billie Jo Esworthy; devoted father of Joe DeVoe and his wife Kristen and Gavin DeVoe; loving "Pop" of Olivia, Joey, Sophie, Gabrielle, Emma, Vivica and R.J.; dear brother of Rusty, Tim, and Jeff DeVoe, Pat, Angel and the late Judy.

Services provided by the Connelly Funeral Home of Essex. Interment private. Contributions may be made in Mr. DeVoe's honor to the American Heart Association, 217 E. Redwood St., Baltimore, MD 21201.

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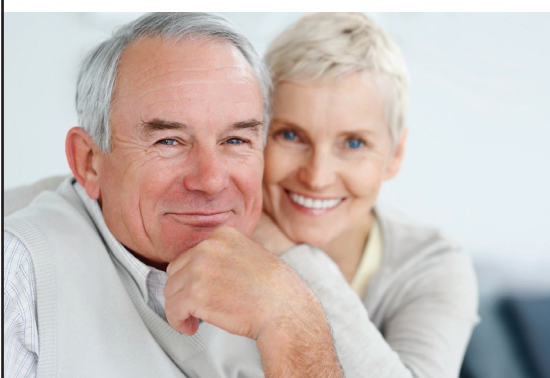
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# 'WHY HIM?' has Durgin questioning where good big-screen comedy has gone

- By Teddy Durgin -

The premise of "Why Him?" is an age-old sitcom one. Daddy's little girl has grown up, and she's become engaged to a man who Papa can't stand. It's basically how "All in the Family" started over 40 years ago with Archie Bunker, Gloria and the Meathead. And it's continued to be a formula mined for laughs on both the small screen ("Modern Family's" Jay and Phil) and the big screen ("Meet the Parents" immediately leaps to mind) ever since.

When "Why Him?" focuses on the dynamic between the anxiety ridden father (Bryan Cranston) and the quirky, tattooed future son-in-law (James Franco), it's pretty good. The two actors play off each other quite well. But for some reason, director and co-screenwriter John Hamburg (who actually wrote "Meet the Parents" and its sequels) felt the need to over-stuff his movie with gross-out gags and scatological humor. Imagine if "Meet the Parents" was full of F- words (beyond the still-funny use of the name "Focker," of course) and Ben Stiller and Robert DeNiro engaging in toilet and urine gags. It wouldn't be nearly as funny... or endearing... or, well, good.

Cranston stars as Ned, a straight-laced husband and father who wants only the best for his twenty-something daughter, Stephanie (Zoey Deutch). What he and wife Megan Mullally get instead is man-

child tech billionaire named Laird Mayhew (Franco). He's not a bad guy. And maybe the movie would have worked more if Laird wasn't so dimly appealing. In short, he's just not who Ned would have picked for his daughter.

Laird has quirks galore, but they're more like wacky movie quirks than anything resembling actual annoyances that would raise parental red flags. His home is decorated with pictures of animals mating. He has a full-sized moose suspended in a large, glass chamber that is filled with the animal's own urine. That sort of thing.

This time out, the funnier gags are largely the less crude ones. The fact that Laird has the family Christmas card tattooed on his back to endear himself to Ned and his wife is hilarious. There's also a gag involving Laird's banning of paper products in his home that pays off later in one of the film's nuttier bits of crassness.

For the most part, though, the balance is off here. This season, audiences seem to be turning away from R-rated holiday comedies. The filthy "Bad Santa 2" tanked at the box office, and "Office Christmas Party" has not been the hit its cast and crew thought it would be. And, except for "Sausage Party," crassness hasn't really scored well all year, with everything from "Dirty Grandpa" serving as a career low point for all involved to "Neighbors 2: Sorority Rising" making nearly \$100

# WHY HIM?



million (!) LESS than the first film made at the North American box office.

I won't get into some kind of sociological exploration for why this has come to pass. Personally, I think good comedy writing is an extreme rarity these days, especially in an age where things like "Veep" and

"Girls" and Melissa McCarthy movies are being way over-praised. Hopefully, 2017 will bring a really good crop of big-screen comedies that won't have me asking aloud afterwards, "Why Me?!"

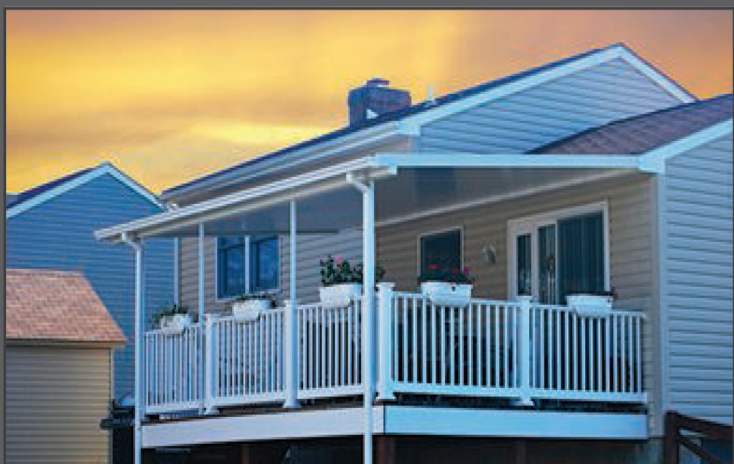
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## 'ASSASSINS CREED' feels like slow death

- By Teddy Durgin -

"Assassin's Creed" is one of those deeply self-serious movies based on a series of popular video games where if the uninitiated - er, me - dares to ask even one or two simple logic questions throughout, you halfway believe an evil overlord voice will ring down from above with a good, hearty "SILENCE!" If you are compelled to see this movie, it's better to just not question or protest. Just endure it. Because, man, is this joyless, dreary actioner a chore to slog through!

The games and the movie are set in a fictional history of real-world events and follows the centuries-old clashes between the Assassins, who fight for peace and defend humanity's right to free will, and the Knights Templar, who desire peace through global thought control and the eradication of free will. Sigh. Remember when video games used to be about getting the little froggie across the road without being hit by a truck? Or trying to rescue a damsel in distress while leaping over barrels tossed by a giant monkey?

Now, usually this is the kind of B-grade cinematic fare that I sit down and review and the cast includes folks like Scott Speedman, Kate Beckinsale, Aaron Eckhart, Milla Jovovich and Bill Nighy - talented performers who's agents from to time seem to hate them. But "Assassin's Creed" features two-time Oscar nominee Michael Fassbender,

Oscar winners Marion Cotillard and Jeremy Irons, and three-time Golden Globe nominee Brendan Gleeson! It's directed by Justin Kurzel, who helmed the well-received "Macbeth" last year (also starring Fassbender and Cotillard).

So, this college graduate asks, "Er, what the hay?!"

The movie centers on Callum "Cal" Lynch (Fassbender), a convicted murderer in the present day who is sentenced to death via lethal injection. He is spared by a mysterious corporation headed by Rikkin (Irons) and his scientist daughter, Sofia (Cotillard), who tell him that he descends from a long line of warriors known as Assassins that have done battle with the power-hungry Templars for centuries. But father and daughter have developed a contraption that will enable Cal to "regress" back to his 15th century ancestor Aguilar (also Fassbender) and possibly locate the hiding place of the Apple of Eden, a magic orb that contains "the seed of mankind's first disobedience" and the "genetic code for free will."

Populated by mostly British and French actors, the corporation naturally turns out to be completely evil and wants the Apple of Eden to literally wipe out humanity's free will. And when Cal finds out about this, it is on like Donkey Kong! Er, well, you know.

The whole story becomes increasingly muddled the longer this mish-mash of



"The Matrix" and "The Da Vinci Code" goes on. There are a couple of crackling good and quite lengthy action sequences in this flick. But, for the most part, this is a leaden bore that you'll want to call

"Game over!" on long before the end credits roll.

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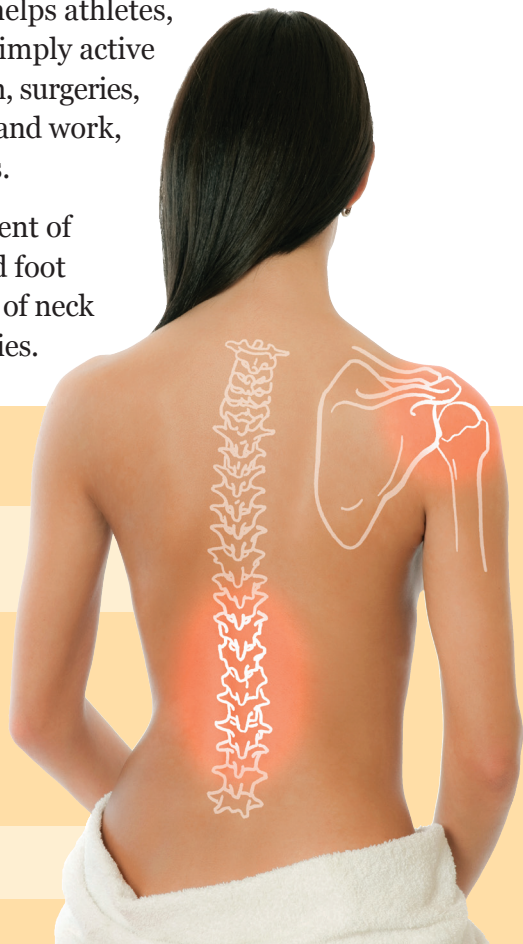
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## East side teams falter in Dundalk Holiday Tournament

- Article & Photo By Patrick Taylor -

Teams from the east side had a rough go of it at the Dundalk Holiday Tournament (DHT), with only one team - Kenwood - out of six to make it to the winner's matches. Chesapeake, Dundalk, Parkville, Patapsco and, shockingly, Perry Hall all dropped their opening contests, leaving them playing for pride.

It's unfortunate that it played out that way, as Dundalk High School played host to a fair share of college scouts. But there were a few players who certainly played well enough to raise a few eyebrows.

Probably the biggest revelation of the tournament was Parkville senior David Ugochukwu. An under-sized forward, Ugochukwu plays with the tenacity of Charles Barkley or UNC-era Tyler Hansbrough. Just a tad over six-feet, he uses his wide frame and tremendous awareness to gobble up rebounds on both sides of the court. While Parkville lost to Catonsville in their first match, it wasn't due to play from Ugochukwu. He put up a double-double with points and rebounds, and when he wasn't pulling down the boards himself he was doing enough to give other Parkville players a chance.

Offensively, Ugochukwu has great touch for a post player, and great vision to boot. That opens up the weak side when defenders converge on him in the paint. He added a few assists to his statline on Monday night because of his ability to find the open man when crowded.

But perhaps the biggest asset to his game is his hustle. He was often the first one back on defense and the first guy down the court on the fast break. On almost every loose ball he was down on the court.



Ugochukwu (right) controlled the paint with ease against Patapsco in their Tuesday morning contest.

On defense, he rotated well and contested every shot that came his way.

His strong play continued on Tuesday morning against Patapsco, albeit in front of a much smaller crowd. Despite that, his play was as fierce as it was the day before. Here's hoping he did enough on Monday to draw a bigger look, because he could certainly find his way onto a D1 college squad.

Before I get into a brief recap of the games, I do feel the need to mention something that needs to be hammered into the players: **DON'T PICK UP YOUR DRIBBLE!**

It's something you're taught when you first start playing but somehow gets lost along the way. And it's incredibly important. It was a theme throughout Monday's games. Player crosses half-court. Player picks up dribble. Player gets double teamed. Player turns ball over. Repeat.

It's a cardinal sin to pick up your dribble before you know what you're going to do with it, and these east side teams have a lot of sinners. It killed Parkville against Catonsville and it killed Chesapeake against Edgewood. Later on it would hurt Dundalk against DuVal.

Besides costing your team a possession, it's also one of the worst spots to give the ball away. Usually the ball-handler is the one who's closest to his own basket in these scenarios, so turnovers turn into uncontested layups. That happened all too often across the tournament, and will need to be addressed at the beginning of the new year.

### Around the league

Perry Hall entered the DHT with loads of swagger, having beaten Poly by a score of 83 - 60 on Dec. 22. Four Gators reached double digits in that game, and it was another win against a highly touted team for Perry Hall. So one would expect them to come into the tournament and handle business against Patterson. Not so fast. The big-man duo of Laquill Hardnett and Anthony Higgs was held largely in check by Poly, who utilized their size and double-teams to force Perry Hall into shooting from the outside. Patterson ultimately walked out winners by a score of 58 - 47.

Chesapeake fell to Edgewood in their opening match, but made up for it with a big 56 - 33 win against North Harford in their consolation matchup. Their next contest comes against Carver on Jan. 4.

Kenwood managed to pull off a big win against Baltimore City College, winning by a score of 45 - 44. Kenwood really needed a win to straighten themselves out after losing five on the trot. Hopefully they'll be able to carry this over to next year when they take on Dundalk on Jan. 4.

Speaking of Dundalk, the Owls were shut down by DuVal. The Owls couldn't quite figure out how to shut down DuVal on the outside, and offensively they had a tough time putting away their own chances. That's a deadly combination, and it killed Dundalk on Monday night as they fell by a score of 65 - 47.

Patapsco put up a fight against Reginald F. Lewis in their opening matchup, but despite the strong play from their guards, the size of RFL proved to be overwhelming for the Patriots. It stayed close until the end, though, with Patapsco losing by a score of 61 - 53.

Parkville will certainly be disappointed in their loss to Catonsville, but considering it's only their second loss of the season, the Knights are in fine position. They'll look to rebound against Woodlawn on Jan. 4 before they turn their attention to Hereford on Jan. 6. Both will be tough tests that will show just how good Parkville is.

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**Senior Steelworkers United 9477**

The country's largest steelworkers' retirees group, Senior Steelworkers United, meets the third Wednesday of each month at Local 2609 Hall, 550 Dundalk Ave., beginning at noon. Coffee and donuts as well as lunch are provided, with a brief business meeting between the meals to discuss matters like pensions, medical insurance, Social Security and more. All Sparrows Point retirees are invited; dues are \$20 per year. Info: Don Kellner, 410-227-8462.

**Senior Bingo**

A bingo luncheon is held the second Wednesday of every month at Essex Elks Lodge 1866, 1007 E. Homberg Ave. at 11 a.m.; doors open at 9:30 a.m. Cost is \$12 for lunch and cards. Info: 443-604-6731.

**Progressive Bingo**

American Legion Post 148, 20 S. Marlyn Ave., will hold a progressive jackpot bingo at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6 p.m.) on the first Wednesday of every month. Food and soda available; also cake raffles and more. \$10 for basic 10-game package; extra packs \$5 each. For more information, call 410-686-2353.

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**In-Shape Aerobics**

Bengies-Chase Recreation Council will hold In-Shape Aerobics and Stretch-N-Tone classes at Vincent Farm Elementary School on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, from 7 - 8 p.m. Call the recreation office at 410-887-5194 for info.

**Line Dance Lessons**

Every Friday night from 7 - 11 p.m. at Iron Workers Local 16, 2008 Merritt Ave. in Dundalk. Learn two dances each week and review the dances taught the week prior. Open dancing after instruction. Food available for purchase. Cost is \$7 for adults, \$5 for kids ages 13 - 17 with paying adult, \$3 for kids ages 6 -12 with paying adult. Contact Anthony at 443-801-5678 or LineDancing@AnthonyMakres.com.

**Seafood Nights**

Rosedale American Legion Post 180, 1331 Seling Ave., will hold seafood nights from 6 - 8 p.m. on Wednesdays through May 31, 2017. A variety of seafood will be offered each week. Reservations are not necessary. For information, call 410-866-9656.

**SOAR Meetings**

Chapter 8-1 of Steelworkers Organization of Active Retirees (SOAR) meetings are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month at the UAW Hall at 1010 S. Oldham Street in Dundalk. Meetings feature updates on current issues facing retirees and lunch. Retirees from any organization are welcome to join; yearly dues are \$12.99 for retirees and \$3 for spouses. For more info., call Don Kellner at 410-227-8462.

**Luncheon Bingo**

American Legion Post 148, 20 S. Marlyn Ave. in Essex, hosts luncheon bingo every Tuesday. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. for bingo beginning at 11 a.m. and lunch at noon. Different meal each week. For prices and other details, call 410-686-2353.

**Spaghetti Night**

The Overlea - Perry Hall American Legion Post 130, 8666 Silver Lake Road in Perry Hall, hosts spaghetti night every Tuesday from 5 - 6:30 p.m. For details, call 410-870-0625.

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Come visit the Young Adults (ages 18-35) for those who want to grow in their spirituality, help our community, and create a stronger relationship with God. We have group discussions, testimonies, music, food and planning for community service and socials like BBQs and ice skating. We meet in the parish center at 6727 Duluth Ave. in Dundalk, every first and third Monday of the month at 7 p.m. For more information, contact SacredHeartYA@gmail.com or the parish office at 410-633-2828.

**Free Home-Cooked Meals**

Essex United Methodist Church, 524 Maryland Ave., will offer free, hot home-cooked meals for anyone in the community every Wednesday from 3:30 - 6 p.m. Anyone who wishes to may sit down and eat, no questions asked.

**Women's Firearm Safety Course**

The Well Armed Woman Anne Arundel County Chapter holds meetings at Freestate Gun Range, 11500 Crossroads Circle in Middle River, on the second Sunday of every month starting at 2 p.m. Women can learn firearm safety techniques and self-protection. For info., contact Terry DeGraw at 443-676-0548.

**Patapsco Class of '72**

Organizers are looking for classmates for Patapsco High School Class of 1972's 45-year reunion set for Oct. 14, 2017. If you are not in touch via Facebook or Classmates.com, please email pspittel@verizon.net or call Pam (Bukowski) Spittel at 443-768-3210 to provide contact information.

**EVT 40-Year Reunion**

Eastern Vocational Technical High School class of 1977 is planning its 40-year reunion. Organizers are looking for classmates without contact info. on file who would be interested in attending the reunion on Sept. 30, 2017. If interested, contact Martin Friedel, 410-458-9039, or Madman@closecall.com.

**Essex Reunion**

The second annual Essex Reunion will be held on Saturday, Sept. 2, 2017, from 1 - 7 p.m. at the Hawks Pleasure Club, 430 Riverside Drive in Essex. The reunion is open to anyone who grew up or resided in Essex during the 1940s - 1980s. There is no cost to attend. Pay for your drinks as you go; 50/50 raffle to help defray costs for the use of the building. Bring your own food. For more information, call Ed Slifker (443-224 8203); Vaughn Kapp (443-834-2678) or Rod McMillion (410 687-5242).

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**Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God**

Sacred Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 6736 Youngstown Ave. in Dundalk, invites you to start the new year with the Lord at its masses for the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 31, and 7:30 and 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 1.

**Tai Chi for Better Balance**

Register now for new class beginning Jan. 3, at Victory Villa Senior Center, 403 Compass Road in Middle River. Class meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 2 p.m. This class improves balance, strength and physical performance. Fee is \$15.00 for 12 weeks. Participants must be 60 or older and be a member of the Senior Center. There is no fee to join the center.

**Historical Society Train Garden**

The Dundalk-Patapsco Neck Historical Society and Museum, 4 Center Place in Dundalk, hosts its 17th annual train garden through Monday, Jan. 2. The hours are noon to 8 p.m. seven days a week. Visitors are encouraged to participate in the scavenger hunt and find all the listed items. Admission is free but donations will be accepted. For more information, call the museum, 410-284-2331.

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**Martinville Train Garden**

The third annual Martinville Train Garden at the Glenn L. Martin Maryland Aviation Museum, 701 Wilson Point Road in Middle River, is open 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesdays through Saturdays throughout the holiday season. Admission to the museum, which includes the miniature plane and train garden, is \$3 for adults and \$1 for children. The museum is in Hangar 5 at Martin State Airport. For more info., call 410-682-6122 or visit [www.mdairmuseum.org](http://www.mdairmuseum.org).

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**Karaoke**

Essex American Legion Post 148, 20 S. Marlyn Ave., will host For the Good Times Karaoke with Percy and Fred from 8 p.m. to midnight Friday, Dec. 30. There will be no karaoke on New Year's Eve or New Year's Day. Call the post, 410-686-2353, for kitchen availability, menu and specials.

**Zumba Classes**

Bengies-Chase Recreation Council offers a winter session of Zumba classes beginning Thursday, Jan. 19. Classes will be held at Oliver Beach Elementary School, 12912 Cunningham Cove Road in Middle River, from 7 to 8 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays. For more information, call 410-887-5194.

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**Cornhole League**

Baltimore Metro Horseshoe Club will host a Baggo League (cornhole) on Thursdays from 6 to 9 p.m. from Jan. 5 to March 30, at Deep Creek Middle School, 1000 S. Marlyn Avenue in Essex. Information: 410-686-5174 or [BaltMHC@gmail.com](mailto:BaltMHC@gmail.com).

**Sip and Paint Night**

Victory Villa Senior Center, 403 Compass Road in Middle River, will hold Sip and Paint Night from 6 to 9 p.m. Jan. 18. This senior center fundraiser offers budding artists the opportunity to unleash their inner Van Gogh. Supplies, snacks and a glass of wine are included in the \$35 fee. Advance registration is required. Information: 410-887-0235.

**Karaoke**

Essex VFW Post 2621, 206 Riverside Road in Essex, will host Fun Time Karaoke with Annette and Wild Bill from 8 p.m. to midnight, Friday, Dec. 30. For more information, call the post, 410-391-5200.

**Orems UMC Thrift Shop**

Orems United Methodist Church, 1020 Orems Road in Middle River, will open its Hall Closet Thrift Shop from 8:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Jan. 7. The shop offers collectibles, adult and children's clothing, toys, books, jewelry, housewares and bedding, all at reasonable prices. For more info., call 410-687-9483.

**Art of Pottery**

Register now for the winter session of Art of Pottery with Carol. This class meets on Fridays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Victory Villa Senior Center, 403 Compass Road in Middle River. The fee is \$35.00 for 10 weeks. Participants must be 60 or older and a member of the Senior Center.

**Philly Flower Show Bus Trip**

Church of the Annunciation, 5212 McCormick Ave. in Overlea, will hold a bus trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show on Thursday, March 16, 2017. The theme is Holland - Flowering the World. The cost is \$70 and includes the event ticket, bus transportation and snacks on the bus. Lunch is on your own. The bus will leave the church parking lot at 10 a.m. and return at 7 p.m. A deposit of \$25 is due at the time of reservations and the balance is due Jan. 22. Call Jane at 410-866-8016 to reserve your seat.

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**FEATHER**  
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Find the hidden words in the puzzle.

ARRANGE	DRAWER	ORGANIZE
BOXES	ITEMS	SHELF
CLOSET	NEAT	STACK
CLUTTER	ORDER	STUFF

Q Z Y C A C V E P S S J  
J S T S L F Z E N N Z A  
L X M O L I N J T D Q Y  
S L S E N K R E D R O Z  
X E H A T E M Z R S B F  
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C L U T T E R N R K N T  
E X D S G Z E F G R U S  
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**WORD SCRAMBLE**

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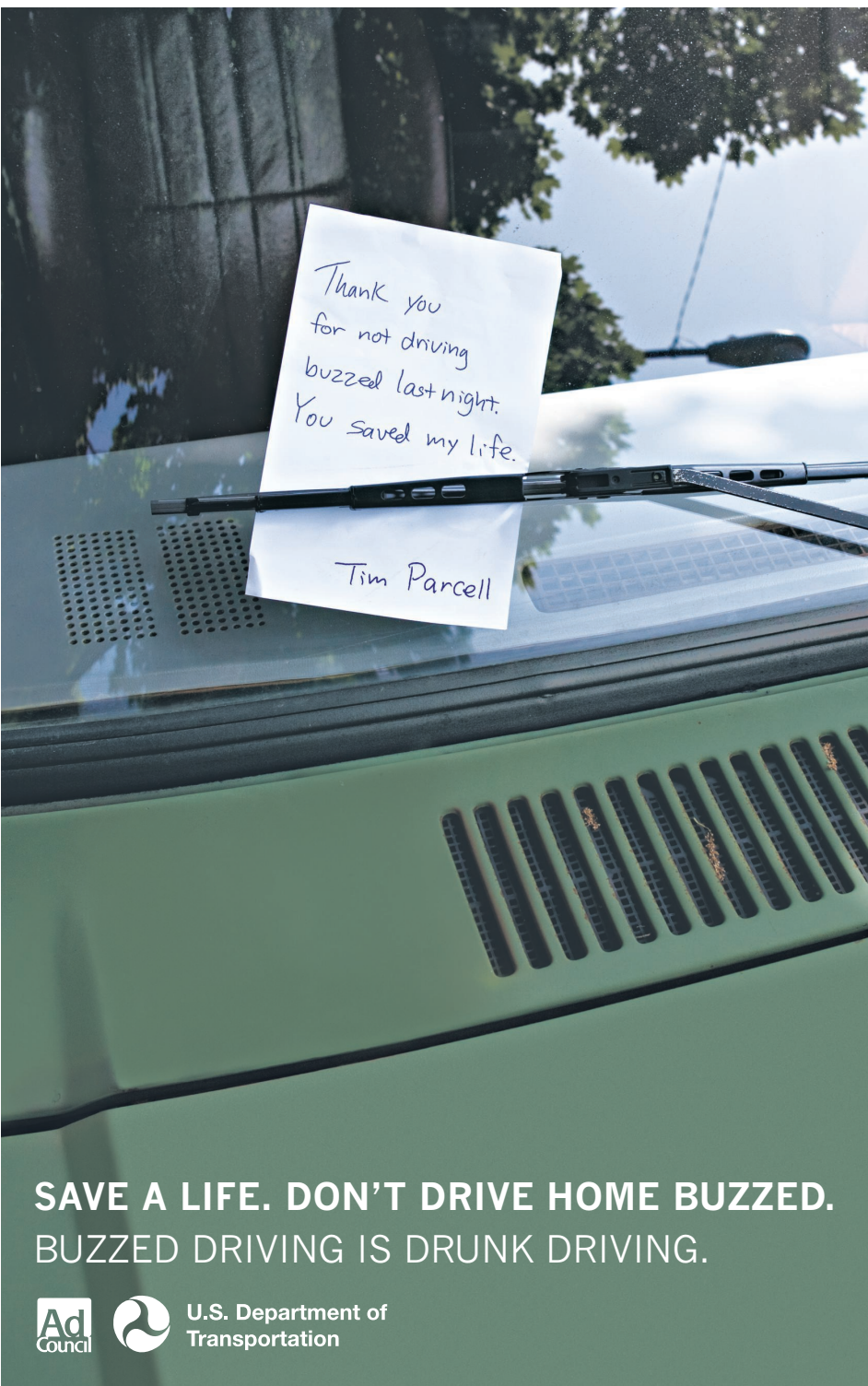
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