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County Council passes bills regarding Franklin Square, DPW, east-side manufacturing



Councilman David Marks (R-Perry Hall, third from left) speaks to the other council members about his bill to alter the scope and mission of the county's Department of Public Works to look at how to accommodate not just highway users, but bicyclists, pedestrians and transit.

- Article & photo by Devin Crum -

Baltimore County Council members approved bills Monday night, April 2, that they believe will benefit either their districts on the east side specifically or the county as a whole. Each of the bills passed unanimously.

Eastern Family Resource Center

In bill 11-18, county Planning Director Andrea Van Arsdale said the administration was requesting supplemental appropriation of \$500,000 from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development's Strategic Demolition Fund. The grant, she said, will be provided to MedStar Franklin Square hospital to subsidize the cost of demolishing the former Eastern Family Resource Center which was on the hospital's grounds.

"The new Eastern Family Resource Center was relocated nearby in an expanded 80,000-square-foot facility to serve a broader range of people experiencing homelessness," VanArsdale said.

The new facility officially opened in October 2017, and the hospital plans to build a new, 75,000-square-foot surgical center in place of the old facility.

Sixth District Councilwoman Cathy Bevins, who represents the area, noted that the hospital is the largest employer in her district, and the Eastern Family

Resource Center is important to her district and constituents.

"It turned out to be a wonderful facility that is very much needed," she said.

Councilman Todd Crandell said the center also serves his constituents in the Seventh District and "does very well."

New mission for DPW

Fifth District Councilman David Marks was the sponsor of another bill, 19-18, which seeks to amend the county's charter to broaden the scope of the Department of Public Works and its responsibilities.

"This legislation would expand the mission of the Department of Public

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Patapsco High student hopes to be voice of equity on county school board

- By Marge Neal -

Yara Daraiseh is not an American by birth. The Patapsco High School and Center for the Arts junior has become a U.S. citizen, but was born in Jordan and moved with her family to this country in pursuit of a better education and more opportunities.

"I'm an immigrant, I'm from Jordan and I'm a Muslim," she told the East County Times. "I know what it's like to be part of a marginalized group and I hope to help others without a voice."

And in that nutshell, Daraiseh explained why she hopes to be selected as the next student representative on the Baltimore County Board of Education.

She and Milford Mill Academy junior Haleemat Adekaya are the two finalists left standing after an arduous process to name the student who will serve on the school board for the 2018-19 school year.

Each candidate had to secure five specific recommendations, including from a school counselor, English teacher and principal; write an essay about why they were pursuing the appointment; and submit a list of extracurricular and community involvement, according to

After a review of all candidates, about five were selected for interviews and Daraiseh and Adekaya were selected as finalists following that step in the process.

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rum set for Friday, April 6, at Pikesville High School. Each candidate will have five minutes to address several hundred student leaders from across the county before they cast the deciding votes to determine the name that will be sent to Gov. Larry Hogan for appointment to the board.

"I plan to advocate for school safety and equity," Daraiseh said. "And I would like to start fundraising for [Advanced Placement] tests to help students from economically disadvantaged situations have the opportunity to take the tests."

As an immigrant and a Muslim, Daraiseh said she knows first-hand the unequal and mean treatment that can be aimed at people from different or disadvantaged backgrounds.

She recalled an experience that happened in sixth grade with a boy she considered a friend. While having a conversation about the Middle East, the boy turned on her and called her a terrorist.

'It was quite traumatic for me and I had somewhat of a meltdown," she recalled. "I went home and talked to my parents about it, and they helped me through it - they helped it become a learning experience and prevented me from looking at myself as a victim."

But that experience has helped shape her life's philosophy and make her more aware of the marginalization of certain groups of people.

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"I'm going to fight for transparency and equal treatment," she said. "You cannot give just a specific group a voice and then undermine the rest; everyone deserves a voice and everyone deserves to be heard."

At Patapsco, Daraiseh is involved in the school's steering committee, National Honor Society and serves as president of the school's chapter of the National English Honor Society. She has been a member of the mock trial and debate teams as well as several athletic teams. according to a statement from Baltimore County Public Schools. In the community, she volunteers to provide Thanksgiving

dinner and holiday gifts to the elderly and families in need.

Sandy Skordalas, chairperson of Patapsco's Social Studies Department, had nothing but praise for the star student.

"Yara is a very poised, mature individual," Skordalas said. "Coming from a marginalized group, she has a passion for equity - she recognizes the need for everyone to have an equitable chance to be successful."

Skordalas also serves as the coach of the mock trial team, which Daraiseh has been a member of since her freshman year.

"I've watched her grow since ninth grade and she's one of the most poised students I've ever known," the educator said. "She truly lives her beliefs - she really just lives and breathes this stuff."

Daraiseh said she is grateful for her parents - mother Aisheh Toubat and father Omar Daraiseh - making the decision to come to the U.S. simply to make sure their only child had the best chance possible to become a success.

"My parents came to this country so I could do big things," she said. "And I don't plan to let them down. I hope to study law and work with people who need a voice, who need representation."

She believes a seat on the Board of Education will be a good early step toward that end.

But she is also already a savvy diplomat: "Either way, however the students vote, they get a great representative."

Smoking Cessation Classes

Make your next cigarette your last one. The Essex branch of the Baltimore County Public Library, 1110 Eastern Blvd., is hosting a free quit-smoking program, starting on Monday, April 16, from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. The program will run on Monday evenings through May 21. Free nicotine patches, gum or lozenges will be offered for people who want to quit smoking, and Chantix too! To sign up, call Greta Brand at 410-399-2001.

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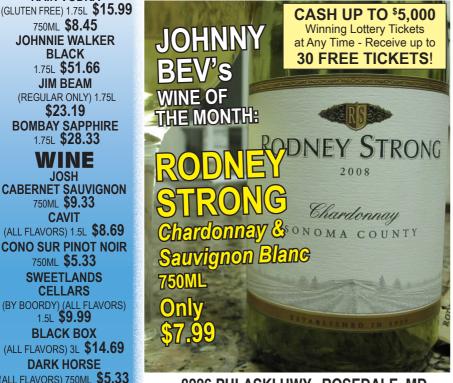
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NPC Meeting

The North Point Peninsula Council (NPC) will hold their monthly general meeting on Thursday, April 5, at 6:30 p.m. in the library at Edgemere Elementary School, 7201 North Point Road. Our scheduled guest speakers are BGE Energy Program and Civic Works Energy Organization. County Executive Candidate John Olszewski Jr. will introduce himself and his vision for Baltimore



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NEWS

Some bills progressing, many others languishing as General Assembly session nears end

- By Devin Crum -

As the Maryland General Assembly quickly approaches its finish line on Monday, April 9, many state legislators, including those representing eastern Baltimore County, are scrambling to make one final push to get their bills over the line.

While a few bills sponsored by east-side representatives have either already passed or are making good progress, many more have either failed or are looking like they will die in committee.

One example of a bill making good progress is House Bill (HB) 736, which restricts pharmacy benefit managers, or PBMs, from keeping pharmacists from telling customers if there is a cheaper option for their prescription drugs.

"Essentially it just says that a pharmacist can tell you the cheapest cost of a drug," said Delegate Eric Bromwell (D-Perry Hall) who sponsored the bill

Although industry advocates have said the practice is rare among their members in Maryland, some PBMs

have contracts with pharmacies that prevent them from telling customers if the cash price of their prescription drugs is actually less than their insurance deductible. The bill outlaws that practice.

Bromwell's bill was cross-filed with state Senator Katherine Klausmeier's Senate Bill (SB) 576, and while the senate version had not yet made it through both chambers of the legislature, Bromwell believed it would by the end of Tuesday. The House bill had already cleared that hurdle.

Conversely, two bills sponsored by Del. Joe Cluster, a Perry Hall Republican, appear have been dead on arrival early in the legislative session.

The first bill, which would have reduced the state's sales and use tax from 6 percent to 5 percent, was given an unfavorable vote in committee back on Feb. 26. The second, an attempt to reduce the sales tax on alcohol, was heard in committee on Jan. 15 but never received a vote, leaving it in legislative limbo.

Such is the fate of countless bills year after year, causing frustration for the sponsors of those bills, and

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to more explicitly address the needs of all transportation users, including bicyclists and pedestrians," he said before the vote. "It takes the Department of Public Works, which was created in the 1950s, and requires the agency to look more broadly at 21st-century needs."

Marks said language in the county charter with respect to DPW is very highway-focused. But the new language makes the department responsible for mobility, traffic safety and engineering using "a variety of transportation options, including highways, bike lanes, pedestrian improvements and transit where appropriate," according to the bill.

"This is one of the most important steps we have taken toward improving mobility and safety for our residents," said Marks, who formerly served in senior transportation-related positions in the state and federal governments before being elected to the County Council.

Councilman Tom Quirk, who represents Catonsville, also praised the legislation for creating a "bigger vision" for DPW when it comes to transportation rather than simply adding more and more highway lanes.

Although approved by the council, as a charter amendment the bill must also be approved directly by the voters via a ballot referendum in November.

New use allowed in ML-IM zones

Also passed by the council Monday was a bill sponsored by Bevins that adds language to the county's

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zoning regulations to allow cold rolling mills in light manufacturing zones if they are located within an Industrial Major district.

Bevins said the stipulation essentially limits the mills to industrial parks.

A cold rolling mill, as defined in the bill, is a metal manufacturing and processing facility where metals or metal alloys are heated to produce a product in finished coil form. The heating facilities and furnaces used are capable of producing temperatures no greater than 500 degrees Celsius.

Bevins noted that the zoning code did not permit or even define cold rolling mills prior to her bill.

"This bill will allow 150 manufacturing jobs to come to Middle River at the former Worthington Steel site at Kelso Drive and Martin Boulevard," she said.

The *East County Times* reported last month that Empire Resources, Inc. plans to convert their facility at the site from its current primary use as a warehouse to a cold rolling mill facility.

Bevins also stressed that the jobs created would be high-quality manufacturing jobs and not simply minimum-wage jobs. She added that the venture, which was supported by both the Essex-Middle River Civic Council and the Aero Acres community, will be well within government regulations for emission and noise, and all operations will occur indoors.

Essex Sustainable Community designation

Crandell said Monday was "an exciting night for Essex," not just because of the bills, but also referring to the Council resolution he introduced to designate a delineated portion of the area as a "Sustainable Community" with the state's Department of Housing and Community Development.

The designation, which has been sought in recent





months by the Chesapeake Gateway Chamber of Commerce and its Eastern Baltimore County Task Force, will allow more access to state funding for certain revitalization efforts in and around the Essex commercial core.

The task force, a sub-committee of the chamber of commerce, over the past year has taken on the task of sprucing up Essex to make it a more desirable place to live and work, but funding sources for more sizable projects has been a question.

The Sustainable Community designation will enable the task force to apply for grants for things like streetscapes, beautification efforts or Baltimore Regional Neighborhood Initiative grants, according to Crandell.

He expressed back in February that Essex is primed for reinvestment to take advantage of its geographical position between between the large-scale economic development and redevelopment occurring along MD Route 43 in Middle River and at the Tradepoint Atlantic property in Sparrows Point. He said at the time they were hoping to meet an April 6 deadline for the designation application.

The resolution will likely be discussed at the County Council's work session on Tuesday, April 10, and voted on at the next legislative session on Monday, April 16.

Marks pulls bill restricting Chapel Road access

Councilman Marks had previously introduced a bill that would block access to Chapel Road in Perry Hall for new residential developments. He said a residential development is proposed for a property along Chapel Road north of Cross Road which includes an entrance on Chapel Road.

But Marks expressed a desire to preserve Chapel Road's character as a "unique, hilly, country road."

"While I don't want all these entrances onto Chapel Road, for that development, there's no other development they could link into," he said.

That created concern that the bill would essentially be "governmental taking," making it impossible for anything to be built there because of lack of access.

Marks said he withdrew the bill prior to last Tuesday's Council work session, when it would have been discussed by the council members, because of the issues it presented.

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this year is no different.

For instance, Sen. Johnny Ray Salling (R-Dundalk) sponsored a bill to establish minimum standards for school buildings in the state. That measure was heard in committee on Feb. 21, but has since sit idle without a committee vote.

The same is true for another of Salling's bills that would eliminate what is known as the Broening Highway toll - the practice of making vehicles exiting from I-695 to Broening Highway pay the Key Bridge toll even though they do not cross the bridge - by creating a dedicated lane for that traffic. Salling admitted after a March 14 committee hearing on the bill he was not optimistic about the its passage, having seen it meet a similar fate in years past.

Three bills sponsored by Del. Christian Miele (R-Perry Hall) have also made no progress after all being heard in the same committee on the same day, March 9. One would heighten penalties for falsifying one's address in order to attend a different public school in Baltimore County, another would allow individual schools to sell the naming rights on their fields and courts for fundraising purposes, and the third would repeal the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) testing program in Maryland schools and replace it with the California Achievement Test.

"It's always disappointing when your bills are languishing in commitee," Miele told the East County Times. "One of the most frustrating things for me is when bills don't get an up or down vote, because I think it makes it really difficult to represent your constituency and your communities when a committee doesn't give you any indication of its sense of whether or not your bill is good policy."

The delegate said a vote one way or the other is good for accountability because it lets the public know how their legislators are voting on specific policy proposals. But they are also good for lawmakers themselves so they can get a feel for when a committee is opposed to something and what they may be able to do to rectify it.

One bright spot for Miele has been his bill (HB1600) to create an anti-bullying task force for Baltimore County Public Schools, which passed the House of Delegates with no opposition and was working its way through the Senate. As of Tuesday morning, the bill had been referred to the Senate's Education, Health

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and Environmental Affairs committee. A hearing on the bill there was scheduled for Wednesday, April 4.

"This thing needs to pass," Miele said. "I mean, [with a vote of] 139 - 0 in the House, there's no reason why anybody would oppose a bill that costs taxpayers nothing and that seeks to address the bullying epidemic in our public school

"Any result other than the full passage of this bill would be for nefarious political reasons," he asserted.

Miele and Bromwell both praised the passage of a bond bill to provide up to \$390,000 in state funds to the Maryland Natural History Society in Overlea to allow them to remodel and upgrade their current facility.

"They've never had the ability to have their own showcase," Bromwell said. "We don't have a museum of this type in Maryland."

He added that the funds will allow the society to host more children and other visitors to see their showcases and participate in their programs. "It's things like birds, insects, fossils - a really impressive variety of different items that they're going to be able to showcase."

Other bills from east-side delegates Pat McDonough, Ric Metzgar and Robin Grammer, all Republicans, had either stalled or died in committee as of Tuesday as well, such as McDonough's plan to study creating a "Supertrack" event facility or Metzgar's plan to create a flatrate annual commuter plan for people using the Key Bridge. Both were given unfavorable reports in their respective

Del. Grammer has had a particularly unsuccessful session, with bills having to do with regulating methadone clinics, conducting a legislative audit of BCPS, state acquisition of Fort Howard, and addressing dilapidated buildings and neighborhood blight all receiving unfavorable votes in committee. Two others, allowing medical cannabis patients to retain their Second Amendment rights and prohibiting dredging of Man-O-War Shoal for oyster shell, have not received votes in committee.

Grammer acknowledged that there were issues with some of his bills, such as questions of constitutionality with the methadone clinics or the possibility of increasing state spending by acquiring Fort Howard. But ultimately he felt the issues could have been worked out.

Instead, he attributed a lot of his bills' lack of progress to election-year politics.

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A bill he sponsored, which would remove the sunset provision passed with his Java Act to allow special needs students at Patapsco High School to operate a coffee shop at the school, is technically still viable, but was also viable at this point last year.

"The status of that bill is a pretty good indicator of what's happening here," Grammer said. "It's an election year and that's a Baltimore County bill, and lawmakers from [Prince George's and] Montgomery [counties] and Baltimore city keep sticking their hands in it," which typically does not happen with bills that are specific to a jurisdiction.

"It's still alive, but it wouldn't surprise me if they pulled some kind of trick play to kill it with time," he said.

The delegate sponsored a bond bill as well to provide up to \$175,000 for the Aquila Randall monument in Dundalk, but he said that was similarly doomed because of his party affiliation.

Grammer said the appropriation of state dollars in this year's General Assembly has been "completely political," noting that of the seven funding measures that passed from Baltimore County, six of them were introduced by members of the majority party.

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Repaired Todd's Inheritance fence is ready for its open house close-up

- By Marge Neal -

The fence at Todd's Inheritance Historic Site in Edgemere can't seem to catch a break.

Or, perhaps more correctly, it catches too many breaks. The wooden fence that surrounds the property of the historic Edgemere homestead is often the victim of car crashes and seems to have a knack for getting hit again shortly after repairs are made.

But the most recent perpetrator of damage to the fence was the tremendous windstorm that swept through the Baltimore region on March 2. The gusting winds knocked down two huge sections of fence, including most of the barrier that lined the North Point Road side of the property.

Just in time for the museum's first open house of the year, though, the fence has been restored thanks to a crew of volunteers who did the heavy work and benefactors who donated the materials needed for the repairs.

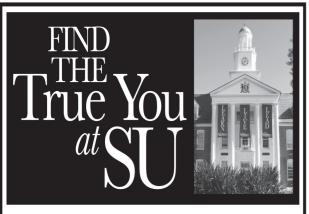
"We lost almost 200 feet of fence," said Fran Taylor, vice president of the group's Board of Directors. "It looked like a lot of the posts were rotted at ground level and we think the wind was enough to just take down the posts."

There were no witnesses to the destruction, according to Taylor. But judging from the quantity of fencing knocked down, with the sections largely in tact and the rotted shards of posts sticking up from the ground, volunteers think the damage was caused by an act of nature and not one of vandalism, he said.

"We're just thankful it wasn't the roof," Taylor said. "We could handle fixing the fence."

In any case, North Point State Park Ranger Bob Iman, local volunteer Andrew Tomczewski and Taylor toiled over the course of two weeks to assess the damage,

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order materials, create a plan and physically repair the fence that is now ready to greet visitors the weekend of April 21, when the house opens for the season.

Volunteers have been busy during the winter working on the house and its exhibits in preparation for the historic site's second season, according to group President Carolyn Mroz.

While working to refresh the first-floor experience for visitors, volunteers are also busy working on the second floor of the house, which is closed off to visitors until more work is completed.

"We are working very hard to allow limited access upstairs," volunteers wrote in a post on the Todd's Inheritance Facebook page. "One fireplace is cleaned and ready to go."

Local Boy Scouts have undertaken the repair of the house's waterfront porch as the community service project of an Eagle Scout candidate but they are still far away from their fundraising goal of \$1,500 for the job, according to Mroz.

"They have to raise the money needed and I've encouraged them to contact local businesses along North Point Road for their support," Mroz said. "Even if they were able to get \$100 from each, that would be a big help."

To kick off the 2018 season, the house at 9000 North Point Road will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, April 21 and 22. The event will serve as a grand reopening, according to Taylor, and will include updated exhibits that feature the Todd family history, Native American artifacts and North Point Peninsula history. War of 1812 re-enactors will



be on hand both days.

Local historian and author Scott S. Sheads will offer a talk titled, "What is Past is Prologue: The Lower Patapsco Neck in the War of 1812," at 1 p.m. both days.

In borrowing part of his lecture title from William Shakespeare's "The Tempest," Sheads will convey his theory "that all that happened before has led us to the opportunities we have in the present and in the future," according to an online description of the event.

Sheads served as a historian at Fort McHenry for many years and is the author of several books about the War of 1812. He is hard at work on a book about the Battle of Patapsco Neck and the defense of Hampstead Hill (now Patterson Park), including an illustrated history of the Aquila Randall Monument and other North Point-area historical markers and monuments.

Each monthly open house weekend for the remainder of the year will focus on a particular theme, according to Mroz. May will celebrate Armed Forces Month, June will pay homage to Flag Day and July will emphasize parks and trails, in partnership with North Point State Park.

Daily admission to the house is \$10 for adults 16 and older and \$7 for senior citizens 60 and older. Children 15 and younger are admitted free of charge, and annual family memberships that allow unlimited visits cost \$30.

For more information or to make a donation to the Eagle Scout porch project, visit the Todd's Inheritance Facebook page or contact Mroz at 443-803-0517 or cmmroz@hytekltd.com.



Left: Much of the wooden fence had fallen down following heavy winds on March 2, but volunteers determined the fence posts were likely rotted below the ground. Right: After weeks of planning and repairs, the fence is back to its former glory. Courtesy photos.

Make sure the Baltimore County community has its say!

The Maryland Department of Planning is visiting Baltimore County on Tuesday, April 10, as part of an outreach effort for the new state development plan. Governor Hogan signed an executive order in August, which began the process for the creation of a new plan called A Better Maryland.

A Better Maryland is a collaborative process working with local governments, recognizing common priorities, and identifying strategies and resources for responsible growth and resource protection. The first step will be a series of 24 listening session events in every Maryland County and Baltimore City. The purpose of the listening sessions is to connect with the public, local governments, state agencies and other stakeholders across Maryland and solicit their feedback on what

should be included in a state development plan. At the meeting, participants will engage with each other and with planning staff on how A Better Maryland can advance local needs and contribute to collaborative planning across the state.

Planning staff will conduct listening sessions on April 10, and they encourage the public to attend the evening session to provide input to the state development plan, following the meeting with officials.

A noon session with elected and appointed officials will be held in the Baltimore County Council Chambers in the Towson Courthouse, 400 Washington Ave. in Towson. The public session will then be held at 6:30 p.m. in the activity room at the Essex Stembridge Community Center, 99 Stemmers Run Road in Essex.

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Fighting breaks out at Dundalk carnival

- By Patrick Taylor -

A series of fights broke out on Sunday night at the Jolly Shows Spring carnival on the Eastpoint Mall grounds, resulting in the carnival shutting down for the night.

Shortly before 9 p.m. on April 1, a series of scuffles broke out at the carnival.

"A bunch of little fights were breaking out here and there, and one got out of hand," said Baltimore County Police spokeswoman Jennifer Peach.

According to Peach, two off-duty officers were working secondary employment as security for the carnival. One of the officers used pepper spray to try to break up a fight, but it seemed to have the adverse effect.

"Once the OC [pepper] spray was sprayed, the kids started running and that caused additional fighting," said Peach.

The off-duty officers called for backup and received help from the Essex, White Marsh and Dundalk precincts, as well as Baltimore City Police and Maryland Transit Administration Police. The additional help assisted in dispersing the crowd, as well as road closure and breaking up fights around the immediate vicinity, according to Peach.

One juvenile was arrested and there were no injuries reported. Baltimore County Police estimated that about 2,000 teenagers were dispersed from the property, but Peter Joseph, president of Jolly Shows, told The *Baltimore Sun* that their estimate was high.

"You had a lot of teenagers," Joseph said. "Just some mischievous stuff."

The *East County Times* left a message for Joseph for additional comment, but that call had been unreturned by press time.

Deer crashes through windshield, injuring woman

A woman suffered life-threatening injuries after a another vehicle struck a deer, throwing it into the path of her car Friday night.

The woman, 54, suffered critical injuries and was flown by Maryland State Police Medevac to R Adams Cowley Shock Trauma when a deer was struck by a vehicle traveling southbound on North Point Road near McComas Road and thrown into the path of the woman's car as she traveled northbound on North Point Road around 8:44 p.m on March 30. The deer was thrown onto her car and broke through the front windshield, entering into the front passenger compartment of the woman's Nissan Altima. A front passenger also suffered non-life-threatening injuries and was taken by Medic to an area hospital. The driver of the other vehicle was not injured.

This crash remains under investigation by the Baltimore County Crash Investigation Team. Anyone with information should contact the police.



Man wanted in beating death of dog

Baltimore County Police are asking for the public's assistance in locating Jerome Irvin Luedtke Jr., 33, wanted on charges of Aggravated Cruelty to an Animal for beating a small dog to death with a glass bottle.

Police were called by staff to Pet ER on Cromwell Bridge Road on Jan. 13 when Luedtke and a female roommate brought in their severely beaten Chihuahua for treatment around 6:30 a.m. with conflicting stories as to how the injuries to the dog were incurred.

Detectives have determined that Luedtke struck the dog, Ginger, numerous times with two different large glass bottles causing severe trauma to its head after the dog bit Luedtke in the hand. The roommate convinced Luedtke to take Ginger to Pet ER after a failed attempt at calling for an ambulance for the dog, where Ginger was subsequently euthanized due to the extent of the injuries.

A warrant was issued for Jerome Luedtke on Jan. 29, but police have been unable to locate him and are now asking for the public's assistance. He is known to frequent the Essex Precinct area, having recently stayed in homes on Goodwood Avenue and Maryland Avenue.

Anyone with information on Luedtke's whereabouts is asked to contact police at 410-307-2020 or contact detectives in the Precinct 11 - Essex Investigative Services Unit at 410-887-0230.

Precinct 11/Essex

First Degree Assault: On March 31, officers from the Essex precinct responded to a call about an assault in the 100 block of Earls Road. At 1:45 a.m., police responded to two victims of an assault with a weapon. The victims were treated at local hospitals.

Burglary: Shortly after 3 a.m. on March 31, Baltimore County Police were called to the 1100 block of Foxwood Lane. Between 1 a.m. and 3 a.m., an unknown suspect gained entry to the residence and stole cash, prescription pills, and the victim's vehicle.

Burglary: On March 30, officers were called to the 400 block of Virginia Avenue in Essex. At 9:30 a.m., officers located a known suspect walking away from the residence with a shopping cart containing copper and miscellaneous scrap metal. The suspect was placed under arrest.

First Degree Burglary: Baltimore County Police responded to a burglary call on March 29 in the 2100 block of Cockspur Road in Middle River. An unknown suspect stole pipes from a vacant home.



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Police make arrest in delivery driver carjacking Baltimore County Police have arrested and

charged one individual in connection to the March 3 carjacking and robbery of a delivery driver on Whitby Road in Overlea.

Thanks to tips from the public following the release of information on the robbery and carjacking

Thanks to tips from the public following the release of information on the robbery and carjacking, police have arrested and charged one juvenile suspect and continue to follow up on leads they believe have led to the identification of two additional suspects, who will also be facing charges.

Baltimore County Police want to thank the public for their cooperation and dedication to the safety of their communities. It is the combined efforts of police and communities working together that brings criminals to justice and keeps Baltimore County safe for its residents.

As the delivery man was returning to his car after delivering a pizza in the 5600 block of Whitby Road in Overlea, he was approached by the three suspects. One of the suspects pointed a handgun at the victim while the other two stole cash, a cell phone and the victim's wallet from his pockets. The suspect with the gun fled the location in the victim's vehicle, which was later recovered. The other two suspects fled the location on foot toward Emelia Woods Court and managed to get away.

Police are asking anyone with any additional information regarding this robbery and carjacking to contact them by calling 410-307-2020. This incident is being investigated by the Baltimore County Police Robbery Unit.

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Explaining the DTaP vaccine

Newborns begin receiving vaccinations immediately after they're born, and vaccination schedules continue for years afterward. One inoculation parents have heard of but may not necessarily understand is the DTaP vaccine. DTaP refers to diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis, a collection of serious diseases that are caused by bacteria.

• Diphtheria: Diphtheria causes a thick covering to develop in the back of the throat and can lead to breathing problems, heart failure, paralysis, and even death.

- Tetanus: Sometimes referred to as "lockjaw," tetanus causes muscles to tighten, typically all over the body, and is very painful. The AAP notes that tetanus can lead to death in up to two out of 10 cases.
 - Pertussis: Pediatricians may refer - see VACCINE on page 9 -





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The various types of arthritis

Arthritis affects hundreds of millions of people across the globe. The Arthritis Foundation® notes that more than 50 million adults in the United States have some type of arthritis, while the European League Against Rheumatism estimates that rheumatic diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis affect more than 120 million people in the European Union. In Canada, the Canadian Community Health Survey found that 16 percent of Canadians age 15 and older were affected by arthritis.

The Arthritis Foundation notes that arthritis is not a single disease. In fact, the word "arthritis" is something of an umbrella term and an informal way of referring to joint pain or joint disease. While these conditions may produce some common symptoms, such as swelling, pain and stiffness, learning to distinguish between some common types of arthritis can help men and women manage their conditions more effectively.

Osteoarthritis, which is sometimes referred to as "degenerative joint disease" or "OA," is the most common chronic condition of the joints. The symptoms of OA vary depending on the joints that are affected, but pain and stiffness, especially first thing in the morning or after resting, are common. OA can affect the hips, knees, fingers, or feet, and those with OA may feel limited range of motion in their affected areas. Some with OA may hear clicking or cracking sounds when the affected joints bend, and pain associated with OA may be more intense after activity or toward the end of the day.

Inflammatory arthritis occurs when the immune system, which can employ inflammation to fight infection and prevent disease, mistakenly attacks the joints with uncontrolled inflammation. Such a mistake can contribute to joint erosion and even organ damage. Psoriatic arthritis, which the Arthritis Foundation notes affects roughly 30 percent of people with psoriasis, and rheumatoid arthritis are two examples of inflammatory arthritis. Genetics and environmental factors, such as smoking, may trigger instances of inflammatory arthritis.

Bacterium, a virus or a fungus that enters the joint may trigger inflammation and lead to infection arthritis. The Arthritis Foundation notes that the most common bacteria to cause infection arthritis is staphylococcous aureus, or staph. The majority of infectious arthritis cases occur after an infection somewhere else in the body travels through the bloodstream to the joint, though some infections may enter the joint directly through a puncture wound near the joint or during surgery near the joint. Intense swelling and pain, typically in a single joint, are the most common symptoms of infectious arthritis, which is most likely to affect the knee, though it can affect the hips, ankles and wrists. Some people with infection arthritis may also experience fever and chills.

The body produces uric acid to break down purines, a substance found in many foods and in human cells. But some people produce more uric acid than they need, which they then struggle to get rid of quickly. As a result, uric acid can build up. The Arthritis Foundation notes that this buildup can lead to the formation of needle-like crystals in the joints that cause sudden spikes of extreme pain.

Arthritis can affect people of any age, race or gender. More info about the various types is available at www.arthritis.org.



VACCINE -

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to pertussis as "whooping cough," which can produce weeks-long coughing spells that make it difficult for infants to eat, drink or breathe. Pertussis can lead to other conditions, including pneumonia and seizures, and also may cause brain damage or death.

According to the American Academy of Pediatrics, tetanus enters the body through cuts or wounds, while diphtheria and pertussis are spread from person to person. A safer version of the DTP vaccine, DTaP protects most children from diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis throughout childhood and is distributed in five doses at various intervals in a child's life.

Children typically receive their first dose of the DTaP vaccine at two months of age, so parents should bring up any questions or concerns they have with their children's pediatricians before then.

Did you know?

According to the C.D.C., dental caries, or tooth decay, is five times more common than asthma and seven times more common than hav fever in children. The American Academy of Pediatrics notes that children with dental caries in their baby teeth are at much greater risk for cavities in their adult teeth. Fluoride is a naturally occurring mineral that can strengthen tooth enamel and make it more resistant to the acids that can contribute to tooth decay. The CDC notes that more than 40 percent of children have tooth decay before reaching kindergarten, but dental caries is often preventable. Parents who are diligent about their children's oral care can reduce their sons' and daughters' risk of tooth decay.



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Page and Evan Page Jr.; dear brother of Josie Prince. He is also survived by his loving children from two previous marriages Alexander B. Page III, Gale Bless, Kimberly and several more grandchildren and great-

Services provided by Bruzdzinski Funeral Home of Essex. Interment at Saint Stanislaus Cemetery.

Worthen, Maria

On March 29, Maria Worthen, beloved wife of the late Arthur R. Heiser and George Worthen; loving daughter of Constantinos and Kanella Spyropoulos; dear sister of Efstathia Tsipolitis and her husband John; aunt of Peter Tsipolitis and his wife Elley-Ray and Themis and Chrysoula Tsipolitis; cherished friend of Maryann Czawlytko.

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Elkins, Drew



Drew Elkins passed away on March 31, at the age of 62. Drew was a longtime resident of East Baltimore County who spent the final seven months of his life in Elkton, where he lived with a friend. Drew was born in Baltimore

and lived most of his life in the Essex/Dundalk area. He was always smiling and had a heart of gold. Drew passed away peacefully after fighting a long-term illness. He is survived by his nephew Chris Crandell, his brother Douglas Evans and his sister Debbie Williams.

Cremation followed by a graveside service at Oak Lawn Cemetery.

Sullivan, Regina

On March 29, Regina Marie Sullivan (nee Foard), devoted fiancee' of Jim Kemp; beloved mother of Mary Sullivan and Billy Sullivan; loving daughter of the late William and Rita Foard; cherished sister of Billy Foard, Cathy Homens, Michael Foard and Joan Phillips. Also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

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

Schuman-Finn, Tony

On March 31, Tony Schuman-Finn, loving son of Josie J. Schuman and her husband James and the late Joseph J. Finn, Jr.; grandson of Margaret Schuman; dear brother of Joseph J. Finn, III and his wife Joan and Scott A. Finn; cherished uncle of Joseph J. Finn, IV, Daniel R. Finn and his wife Samantha and Megan

Services provided by Duda-Ruck Funeral Home of Dundalk. Interment private.

Warren, Irene F.

On March 30, Irene F. Warren (nee Trociuk), went to be with her Maker, Lord our God. Beloved wife of the late Carl Henry Warren; devoted mother of the late Irene Steelberg and Carl Andrew Warren; loving grandmother of Annemarie Wilt and Carl Henry Warren and his wife Desiree; great-grandmother of Briana McKinney and Alivia Warren; sister of Rita Crist, Hermine Glover and the late Peter Trociuk and Henry Trociuk. Also survived by nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Services provided by Kaczorowski Funeral Home of Dundalk. Interment at St. Stanislaus Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Purple Heart c/o GreenDrop, 10 Stemmers Run Road, Baltimore, MD 21221 or online at www.gogreendrop.com.

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Disney sees green with 'Last Jedi' Blu-Ray

- By Teddy Durgin -

"The Last Jedi" arrived on Blu-Ray and 4K Ultra-HD Blu-Ray last week, and it's one of the best home releases the saga has seen in years. It's definitely not one of those releases where fans will be like, "Well, there's definitely a better, more packed DVD that Disney will release in a couple of years." No, this one has all the bells and whistles, extras and goodies you could want.

Now, there's no denying there has been considerable unrest behind the scenes on the other new "Star Wars" films in the Disney era. J.J. Abrams threw out Michael Arndt's original script for "The Force Awakens" and rewrote it with Lawrence Kasdan, delaying production. Then when filming started, production was slowed by a rather gruesome injury to Harrison Ford's leg on set. "Rogue One," the best of the new movies thus far, also had its ups and downs. Chiefly, it was the subject of extensive re-shoots with "Bourne" screenwriter Tony Gilroy being brought in to help director Gareth Edwards tighten up the climactic heist.

This summer's "Solo" saw co-directors Phil Lord and Christopher Miller fired midway through filming and Ron Howard brought in to re-shoot most of the picture. Heck, even "Episode IX" coming out December 2019 has had some turmoil. J.J. Abrams has been brought back to replace ousted writer-director Colin Trevorrow.

So, the interesting thing about "The Last Jedi" is it was easily the most stable of the films thus far under the guidance of producer Kathleen Kennedy. The film was written and directed by Rian Johnson and only him. And that is VERY evident from this new Blu-Ray. Johnson is all over the superb, feature-length documentary "The Director and the Jedi." He provides a full-length audio commentary track that goes into detail about his thoughts on scripting the film, shooting it and editing.

Johnson is also featured on the 10-minute "Balance of the Force" minidoc about his decisions to expand the powers and mysticism of the Force. In addition, he provides audio commentary on all 15 of the deleted scenes included

here (only a few should have been kept in, particularly the alternate version of Finn and Phasma's final fight, and I have NO idea why Johnson didn't keep in "Luke Has a Moment" and the "Caretaker Village Sequence").

Throughout it all, Johnson seems as involved on every level of the production as George Lucas was when the franchise was his. Fans wanted an uncompromised auteur's vision for "Star Wars" and not a product of the Mouse House machine. They got it.

So, it's no surprise that "The Last Jedi" has become the most divisive of all the saga movies. There are fans and viewers out there who deeply hate this flick, specifically its handling of Luke Skywalker as a bitter recluse who came close to murdering his nephew in his sleep rather than lose him to the Dark Side and has now shut himself off to the Force. Unlike "The Force Awakens" DVD which made no mention of the Arndt script revision or Ford's injury and to Johnson's credit here, he leaves in multiple instances throughout the behind-the-scenes material of Hamill actively and vocally having problems with Luke's handling.

What gets a bit lost here is how professional Hamill ended up being in delivering a really searing performance as Luke in this movie. Part of the reason why people feel so bad about how Luke ended up is that Hamill REALLY played him as a broken man. So much so that it's hard to take joy in how cool he ends up being in the final battle on Crait when he projects himself across the galaxy to battle Kylo Ren without even being there. It costs him his life. But he went out a Master and you really do get the sense (to paraphrase ol' Obi-Wan Kenobi) that he will now become more powerful that any enemy could possibly imagine.

Love him or hate him, Johnson has moved "Star Wars" to a crossroads. I don't think future films will ever reach "The Force Awakens'" levels of anticipation or money earning. But the table has been set, and I am awaiting the meal to come

Be prepared for 'Ready Player One'

- By Teddy Durgin -

"Ready Player One" is a movie that will likely make a lot of money that will probably be fully appreciated by only a fraction of those paying to see it. Hardcore fans of the best-selling Ernest Cline book on which it is based? Nah, they'll likely be the harshest critics. Lovers of all classic Steven Spielberg? Nope. He's just not the same free-wheeling, gee-whiz genius he was during his "Jaws--Raiders-E.T" glory years.

No, the ones who will really appreciate this flick are people like me. Children of the 1980s who have NOT read the book and who accept that Spielberg's last truly great popcorn movie was "Jurassic Park." "Ready Player One" is loaded with fun, pop-culture references from the '80s... and, I mean, some of 'em are way obscure. I was a happy boy throughout just looking for all of the Easter eggs over this past Easter weekend.

Tye Sheridan stars as Wade Watts, a teenage gamer in 2045 who goes by the name Parzival in The OASIS. This virtual world has become all-consuming in a dystopian future where drought, debt and humanity's collective obsession with technology have shackled us in more ways than one. The OASIS is the one place where everyone feels free... not to be themselves, but to be a fantasy version of themselves interacting with everyone from Robocop to Chucky to King Kong.

But The OASIS has been in a state of flux for five years when the film opens. Its creator, James Halladay (new Spielberg fave Mark Rylance), died five years earlier. Halladay was a tremendous introvert who based so much of his virtual world on all of the movies, TV shows, comic books, games and books he cut his pop-culture teeth on as a boy. Inside The OASIS, he has placed three Easter eggs - keys that will allow whoever collects them first to gain control of The OASIS and inherit his half-a-trillion-dollar fortune.

A rival company, headed by former Halladay lackey Sorrento (Ben Mendelsohn), has employed gamers for years to try and win the three keys. To date, no one has even gotten past the first level. Wade, a nobody living in squalor in Ohio, is the first when he starts to put his obsessive knowledge of Halladay's life to work. Wade then works with his friends inside the game to advance the next two levels and win the fortune.

At times, the film plays like a souped-up, 21st-century version of "Willy Wonka." But most times, this plays like a first-person video game that goes from an amazing road race to a truly Kubrickian horror show to an all-out battle royale on an alien landscape. Spielberg handles each act of the film with skill and ease.

But, again, if you go to this flick on a date or in a group, the levels of enjoyment will likely vary greatly. I saw it by myself and came home and told the wife all about it. She's a lover of movies and pop culture, in general. But when I told her one of my favorite parts was where Wade Watts, about to be shot up by stormtrooper-like minions of the evil Sorrento, uses a Rubik's-like weapon known as the Zemeckis Cube that when thrown as a hand grendade turns back time one minute... well, her eyes started to glaze over right around the time I said "Zemeckis Cube."

It was no wonder that I was "Ready Player Just One" for this movie...

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POLITICIANS

Obama's policies, not guns, caused Florida tragedy

- By Delegate Pat McDonough (R-7) -

Nicolas Cruz attracted the police's attention 39 times, transferred high schools on six occasions and was disciplined for numerous reasons. The Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School did not record any of Cruz's incidents and the Broward County Sheriff's Department office exercised the same lax policy. Because Cruz was not arrested just once for disorderly conduct and the schools promoted a "soft student conduct code," the red flags did not appear. These failures allowed Cruz to buy a firearm.

In 2014, the Obama Administration released a Dear Colleague letter to 99 school superintendents across America. The Obama policy promoted lenient discipline, lack of disclosure and tolerance of repeat offenses. Part of the program included a diversionary action for repeat offenders that would allow up to 14 misdemeanors before law enforcement could make an arrest. Inside the schools themselves, bullying and intimidation did not suffer consequences or reporting. The Broward County school district was on the cutting edge of Obama's push to decriminalize school discipline. The Obama administration threatened to investigate schools that failed to address disparate discipline rates for minority students.

They investigated hundreds of schools serving millions of students for the purpose of forcing change in the traditional student conduct codes, according to Manhattan Institute Senior Fellow Max Eden.

Peter Kirsonow, a member of the Commission on Civil Rights said, "The Obama approach has produced a stunning increase in the number and gravity of offenses with negative consequences for learning and safety. In my opinion, this 'soft on safety' philosophy would actually cause young people to move toward a life of crime because of the lack of punishment rendered when they make early mistakes."

The scary and sad part is that Baltimore County Schools Superintendent Dallas Dance embraced the Obama "soft on safety" policy. Ever since that fatal mistake, the violence, bullying and disruptive incidents have been increasing. According to a Fox 45 "Project Baltimore" investigation, the incidents have increased by 35 percent in Baltimore County.

It is my position that Baltimore County needs a new student conduct code and safety program period. As Baltimore County Executive, I will implement TS - total security - which includes professional law enforcement officers, modern technology and comprehensive training for every school. This will be backed up by a strict and practical student conduct code. We can debate gun violence and mental health until the cows come home, but the first obligation of the county executive is to make sure the children, teachers and staff are safe. I will fund these programs by reducing the financing for computers and tablets which cost taxpayers tens of millions of dollars every year.

It is dishonest for leaders in control of our young people to influence them by imposing political agendas masquerading as protests. Students should not be released from schools to march in a protest that has one viewpoint. Grassroots demonstrations generally are not organized by government (school systems and mayors), but against government.

The reaction to the tragedy in Florida must be debated and discussed within the confines of the school. The U.S. Constitution, Second Amendment, mental health and other related subjects should be reviewed in a teaching environment. Finally, the Obama policies must be eliminated because their potential to contribute to more violence is still alive in Baltimore County and across the nation.

Delegate McDonough is a Republican candidate for Baltimore County Executive.

Delegate Metzgar supports prohibition of implanting identification device

- By Delegate Ric Metzgar (R-7) -

Delegate Ric Metzgar (R-6) voted in the House Health and Government Operations Committee (HGO) to prohibit implanting identification devices in people.

House Bill 1101 prohibits state and local governments from requiring, coercing or compelling an individual to undergo the subcutaneous implanting of an identification device in human beings. It also authorizes an individual who is implanted with a subcutaneous identification device in violation of a certain provision of the act to file a civil action in a court within a certain period of time.

This technology would allow the transmission of personal information, including devices using radio frequency identification (RFID) to include social security number and blood type. It has the potential to monitor employees in the workplace which would be a violation of their privacy and rights.

This may seem like science fiction on an episode

of The Twilight Zone television show but it would microchip human beings similar to dogs and cats. "This is the first step towards subliminal messages of the end of time," said Delegate Metzgar.

This is not a new idea.

In October of 2004, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved radio frequency identification for use in humans which would be implanted under the skin. There are pros and cons about this technology

Once implanted, the medical community can retrieve a patient identifier to access a patient's medical information from a website. This could be used in the event of a serious car accident. RFID chips have already been voluntarily implanted to replace security badges or train passes.

About ten years ago, the U.S. Army had discussed microchipping soldiers as a way to locate Prisoners of War (POWs), Missing in Action (MIAs) and other soldiers who are held as captives. In the military community, there are mixed feelings about this technology. Some soldiers think that it is a good idea to be able to rescue soldiers behind enemy lines, while other soldiers would leave the Army if forced to undergo such procedures.

A staff member in the Maryland General Assembly

who is a lawyer says this is a good idea and thinks that it will happen in the future. He sees it first starting in the military, then in the civilian world in nursing homes as a way to monitor the elderly and prisons to monitor inmates.

There are five states that have bans in place. There are California, Missouri, North Dakota, Oklahoma and Wisconsin. Several states are considering bans.

Regarding the use of radio frequency identification in Maryland, Delegate Metzgar concluded that "this is never going to happen under my watch."

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SPOTLIGHT

Humanitarian Award for Santa



Bowleys Quarters resident Boyd Crouse, well known for his local charity work as Santa Claus, has been named Humanitarian of the Year by his employer, Defense Security Service, an organization within the Department of Defense. Crouse, a management and program analyst, was nominated for the honor by his two immediate supervisors. The award is "presented to the employee or team who contributes to human welfare and improving the quality of life and health of a group of individuals in the United States or abroad," according to the division's description of the honor. The honoree will have demonstrated "significant leadership and outstanding volunteer service accomplishments and through the scope of work undertaken a commitment to humanity and selflessness, without regard to personal or organizational gain or profit."

Karaoke/Line Dancing

Essex American Legion Post 148, 20 S. Marlyn Ave., will host Karaoke with Diamond Dave from 8 p.m. to midnight, Friday, April 6; Karaoke with Jimmy and Judy D from 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday, April 7; and Fun Time Karaoke with Annette and Wild Bill from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday, April 8. Line dancing is held from 7 to 11 p.m. Fridays in the hall. For more information, call 410-686-2353.

Jolly Club Bingo

Our Lady of Fatima Church, 6420 E. Pratt St. in East Baltimore, will hold its Jolly Club luncheon bingo Wednesday, April 11. Doors will open at 10 a.m. Tickets cost \$20 and will include a hot meal with dessert and bingo package deals. For more information, call Kathy Buleza, 410-391-8322.



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Seafood Wednesdays

Rosedale American Legion Post 180. 1331 Seling Ave. in Rosedale, will offer seafood dinners from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays beginning April 4. The menu will include fried oysters, butterfly shrimp, fish and chips, coddies, mussels, clam strips, steamed shrimp, crab cakes, cheese poppers and french fries. For info., call 410-866-9656, or visit www.rosedalepost180.org.

Spring Luncheon Bingo

The ladies of Essex Elks Lodge 1866, 1007 E. Homberg Ave., will hold their spring luncheon bingo Saturday, April 7. Doors will open at 10 a.m., lunch will be served at 11 a.m. and games will begin at noon. The cost for lunch and one free bingo card is \$7. Bingo packages cost \$5. The menu will include chicken salad sliders, macaroni salad, egg salad, chips, desserts and soda, coffee and water. Info: Millie, 410-285-1009; Jean, 410-686-5458; or Char, 410-687-6737.

WAVFC Quarter Auction

Wise Avenue Volunteer Fire Company, 214 Wise Ave. in Dundalk, will hold a quarter auction Thursday, April 5, in the rear fire hall. Admission is \$5 and includes three paddles. Additional paddles cost \$2 each. Doors will open at 6 p.m. and the auction will begin at 7. Food and drinks will be sold. For more information, call Jerry, 443-841-9692.

Steelworkers Appreciation

The 4th Annual Steelworkers Appreciation Reunion will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, at the Fleming Community Center, 641 Main St. in Dundalk. The keynote speaker will be Iris Allegra-Powell, author of "Steel-Town Girl." The event, held by the Henrietta Lacks Legacy Group, serves to honor the many contributions of black steelworkers to the community. The program is free and open to the public. The traditional steelworkers' lunch of hot dogs and baked beans will be served. For more information, call 443-248-4430 or 904-614-3238 or email hlackslegacy@gmail.com.

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Free Dinner and Movie

First Baptist Church of Essex, 911 Mace Ave. in Essex, will offer a free dinner and family-friendly movie at 6 p.m. Friday, April 6.

Orems UMC Hall Closet

Orems United Methodist Church, 1020 Orems Road in Middle River, will hold its Hall Closet Thrift Shop from 8:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 7. Collectibles, adult and children's clothing, toys, books, jewelry, housewares and bedding will be available at reasonable prices. Pit beef sandwiches will be sold. For more information, call 410-687-9483.

Spring Bingo

American Legion Post 130, 8666 Silver Lake Drive in Perry Hall, will hold its Spring Bingo Palooza from 7 to 10 p.m. Thursday, April 5. Each regular game will pay out \$65, regardless of attendance.

Community Yard Sale

New Beginnings Fellowship Church, 502 Fairview Ave. in Dundalk, will hold a community yard sale from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 14 (rain date is April 21).

Neighbors in Need Luncheon

Middle River Baptist Church, 610 Middle River Road, will hold its Neighbors in Need spring luncheon from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 14. The free event will offer fried turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, stuffing, several side dishes, bread and butter and dessert. Each visitor will receive take-home treats. A bus will pick up residents at the Eastern family resource Center at 12:30. The Clothes Closet will be open. For more information, call 410-686-8810.



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926 ARNCLIFFE RD. BALTO., MD 21221 Beautiful 3BR, 2 Full BA with finished lower lever, new rehab, gourmet kitchen with island, wall-to-wall carpet, fenced front yard, end of group unit with park pad ... A MUST SEE!!!

MADISON PARK



1811 McCULLOH ST. **BALTO., MD 21217** Incredible opportunity to own a recently completely Remodeled, Income Produc-ing, Multi-unit property! This

charming 2-unit with possible off-street parking is currently fully occupied with gross rents at \$2k/mo and is LEAD FREE! Even better, we are also selling 1914 McCulloh St., both located in the heart of the city, just steps from shops and dining!

EDGEPOINT



8622 WISE AVE., BALTO,, MD 21222 Lovely 5BR 2 full BA home. Beautiful brick spiral stairs to loft. Living room with wood burning fireplace. Enclosed porches. This home has it all

LODGE FOREST MANOR



2204 LODGE FOREST DR. **BALTO., MD 21219** Lovely 4BR, 2 full BA home in highly desired area of Sparrows Point, waterproofed basement with transferable war-

ranty, 1 year old furnace with propane back-up and a new roof. This is a must see!

BACK RIVER HIGHLANDS



317A SAVANNAH RD. BALTO., MD 21221 5BRs 3 full BA counting the

in-law suite on lower level. Very spacious. Built-in pool is 3 ft - 9 ft. Large rooms, porch front, deck and patio in back with great pool, 5 + car driveway. This is a must see!

GLENBAUER



12202 DARNEY VIEW RD. KINGSVILLE, MD 21087

Brick Rancher on over 3 acres. Enter into the foyer overlooking the Great Room with an amazing fireplace. Master BA has jet tub and separate shower and his and hers sink. 4BRs with den. Lower level has rough-in to finish but is a large open space.

AT STANSBURY SHORE 8434 STANSBURY LAKE DR.



BALTIMORE, MD 21222 Incredible house! AWESOME neighborhood. Water-oriented community a few steps away from tons of water activities! Launch your boat, enjoy stand-up-paddle boarding or one of

the top restaurants on the water; all walk-able. All of the fine finishes: Granite counter tops with a HUGE island, hdwd flrs, fully finished basement, TREX Deck, stone patio and a fully fenced-in yard.



633 HUNTING FIELDS RD. BALTO., MD 21220

Move in, worry free! Many features: Garage, LARGE living rm, deck that overlooks an open field, crown molding & hdwd flrs thru-out! LARGE eat-in kitchen w/ island and plenty of windows. Huge utility room & well groomed backyard!

ARLINGTON



5418 REISTERSTOWN RD. BALTO., MD 21215

PRICED TO SELL! This mixed use property with 2-large Commercial Units

and 4-Charming Residential Units is an incredible opportunity. Recently appraised for \$635k and in a PRIME location close to shops & bus lines! An investor's DREAM with the added potential for a combined gross rent close to \$5k a month!

EDMONDSON VILLAGE



322 HILTON ST. **BALTO., MD 21229**

dential Multi-unit Property. Either rent both units or live in one and allow the other to pay your mortgage! This unique 2-Unit is currently fully occupied with monthly rents at \$2,215! Don't miss out! Schedule your appointment NOW!

INVERNESS



Lovely 2BR waterfront home on Chink Creek. Finished lower level.

new kitchen and BAs. Lower level has wood burning stove. Home has a pier with boat slip and boat lift. This is a must see!!!



919 MARTIN RD. BALTO., MD 21221 Charming Cape Cod features recently replaced roof and fresh paint and

carpet. Large kitchen and mud room which also features the laundry on the main level. HUGE 2 car garage with long driveway. Basement is a 2nd family room! Extra room to be used as add-on to living room or can be made into a dining room.



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