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WHAT'S NEWS

It's Official

The King Farm Children's Garden officially has a new name! Be sure to turn to page 3 to find out the details.



Dance, Dance, Dance

A new dance studio is opening in the King Farm Village Center. Turn to page 7 to find out more.

Back to School Time!

That's right, the countdown begins to the first day of school. See page 6 for all the latest news about back to school.

City Happenings

A New City Manager, Sewer Line Work and Uncorked! So much is happening in Rockville so don't miss pages 16 and 17.

Undefeated King Farm Screamin' Geese Win Division Championship

By Mariama Vinson

Congratulations to the King Farm Screamin' Geese! On July 21, the swim team decisively won the Montgomery County Swim League (MCSL) Division F Divisional Championship Meet by more than 50 points. This victory caps off the team's undefeated season. The Screamin' Geese won all of their MCSL Division F swim meets this summer, as well as the Division's A Relay Carnival and B Relay Carnival. As a result of this season's strong showing, the Screamin' Geese will advance to MCSL Division E as a third seed for the 2013 season.

Congratulations also are due to the Screamin' Geese coaching staff, lead by Head Coach Pat Tozzi. "We had an exceptional coaching staff and everyone got along beautifully. Everyone had their strengths and really fed off of each other's coaching abilities," said King Farm Swim



Team President Ruth Kresloff. This season's Assistant Coaches included Emily Mullenholz, Tairen Lamkin, Cory Ornstein and Diego Catala.

In addition to being extremely successful, the 2012 swim season also was extremely fun. Each week, the team had different themes surrounding the meets - including an Olympics theme where all of the swim-

mers received medals and a safari theme where the swimmers hunted for tigers before their meet with the Glenwood Tigers. And there were many team bonding activities, both inside and outside of the pool. The youngest members of the Screamin' Geese also were in on the fun and success

SCREAMIN' GEESSE
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King Farm to Celebrate "National Night Out Against Crime"

By Andrea Escher

The King Farm Citizens Assembly is teaming up with the Rockville City Police Department to celebrate the National Night Out Against Crime event on Tuesday, August 7, 2012 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

In celebration of the event, King Farm will host a giant "block party" for all residents on the Saddle Ridge lawn at 300 Saddle Ridge Circle. Neighbors with the last name A-M should bring their favorite side dish to share, while neighbors N-Z should

bring their favorite dessert. We also will need donations of sodas, water, paper supplies (plates, napkins, utensils).

A DJ, moonbounces, glow necklaces and other surprises will be on hand for the kids. We also anticipate a special visit from McGruff the Crime Fighter.

National Night Out is celebrated across the Nation and is sponsored by local Police Departments. The purpose of National Night Out is to strengthen the Community-Police Partnership. National Night Out gives an opportunity for King Farm residents to get to know their neighbors



better and forge relationships that can reduce crime and improve public safety within the community.

Members of the Rockville Police Department, as well as the City government, plan to stop by and answer questions and discuss any issues you may have.

We hope to see you there!

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King Farm Calendar of Events for August

August 7

King Farm Conservancy Meeting, 10:00 a.m. at the Saddle Ridge Community Center, 300 Saddle Ridge Circle.

National Night Out, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Saddle Ridge Community Center, 300 Saddle Ridge Circle.

August 8

King Farm Architectural Design Trust, 7:00 p.m. at the Saddle Ridge Community Center, 300 Saddle Ridge Circle.

August 9

Baileys Commons Condominium I, 7:00 p.m. at the Saddle Ridge Community Center, 300 Saddle Ridge Circle.

August 13

King Farm Board of Code Compliance, 7:30 p.m. at the Saddle Ridge Community Center, 300 Saddle Ridge Circle.

August 15

Deadline for submissions of articles and advertisements for the September *King Farm Chronicle*. Contact Andrea Escher at 301-519-1678 or chronicle@kingfarm.org.

August 16

King Farm Village Center Condominium III (801, 803 & 805 Reserve Champion Drive), 7:30 p.m. at the Saddle Ridge Community Center, 300 Saddle Ridge Circle.

August 21

King Farm Village Center II, (800 Grand Champion Drive and 303 & 305 Redland Blvd), 7:30 p.m. at the Saddle Ridge Community Center, 300 Saddle Ridge Circle.

August 22

King Farm Condominium V (101 Gaither Rd, 722 Garden View Way, 301 KFB, 201 Poplar Spring Rd and 200 Ridgemont Ave), 7:30 p.m. at the Saddle Ridge Community Center, 300 Saddle Ridge Circle.

August 27

Council of Unit Owners of KF Condominium (100, 101, 110 and 111 Watkins Pond Boulevard and 333 Elmcroft Boulevard), 7:00 p.m. at the Saddle Ridge Circle Community Center, 300 Saddle Ridge Circle.

To see a full list of events go to www.kingfarm.org



Carl's Organic Garden

By Dale McCarthy

The Watkins Pond Organic Garden membership recently installed a garden sign in honor of their garden mentor, the late Carl Henn. Carl was instrumental in starting both the original King Farm garden as well as the second garden at Watkins Pond. These gardens provide a wonderful gardening opportunity for our community and would not exist without the generous contributions of Carl's time and talent. The Watkins Pond Garden uses organic practices, that include composting and natural insect repellents. There is a children's garden as well as a space for "Plant-a-Row" for produce that is donated to a nearby food bank.

If you, or your children, (ages 5-12) are interested in participating in the 2013 season, please contact Dale McCarthy at dhmccarthy@comcast.net for more information.

Board Cancels August Board Meeting

The King Farm Board of Trustees canceled their August 7 work-session and August 15 Board of Trustees meeting for a summer hiatus. The Board will reconvene in September.

King Farm 2012 Calendar of Events & Activities

AUGUST

National Night Out..... Tuesday, August 7

SEPTEMBER

Movie Night on the Lawn..... Saturday, September 8

Fall Yard Sale at King Farm Park..... Saturday, September 22

OCTOBER

Fall Festival Sunday, October 7

Halloween Parade & Party Sunday, October 28

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Manager's Corner By Jennifer Gilmore, General Manager

Let's Talk Pet Waste

It's a messy subject that no one likes to talk about, but I'd like to share some tips and reminders on controlling pet waste in our community. The King Farm Citizens Assembly has installed DogiPot waste stations throughout the community which serve two purposes; they are stocked with biodegradable bags and they also store bagged pet waste for pick up by our contractor. The stations can be found in some of our more high traffic areas and are easy to use, so if you're out for a walk with your pet, make sure you follow the rules and clean up after it. It's a violation of city and county laws to not pick up after your pet, so grab a bag and avoid a hefty fine! Residents who observe pet handlers not picking up after their pets are encouraged to call the City of Rockville's Animal Control Department at 240-314-8930 to report the offender.

Management Transition

Zalco reported that we still have owners that have not updated their bill payer accounts. If you use a bill payer service you MUST update the payee information to reflect Zalco's information and the new account number that was assigned to you. Failure to update this information will result in your account being delinquent and possible late fees imposed. If you have any questions, please contact Zalco at 301-495-6600 or the King Farm Management office at 301-987-0122.

Shuttle Bus Update

Ken Hartman, Regional Services Director for Montgomery County, attended the July Board of Trustee meeting. Concerns regarding the status of the King Farm Shuttle bus and WMATA were discussed and Mr. Hartman has been able to report back that according to WMATA, the shuttles will discharge passengers where they currently stop for a couple more weeks, and then at the end of the month/early August, WMATA will have that motorcycle area available for the King Farm shuttle.

Pool Season

The Regional Manager for Community Pool Service was in attendance at the July Board meeting and provided a brief report of the pool season to date. Several issues were discussed regarding swim lessons, pool staffing, cleanliness and overall performance. Both positive and negative remarks received from residents were relayed to Community Pool.

CCT Update

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDT) officials and project engineers will attend an upcoming External Affairs Committee meeting (date to be determined) to share the latest information on the *Locally Preferred Alternative* that has been approved by the Governor. The CCT is moving forward and it will be essential to provide the community information regarding the implementation of this project.

Crosswalk Update

The City will remove the existing brick crosswalks and install a plain asphalt surface with standard white thermal crosswalk markings at KFCA's expense (\$16,500) at Elmcroft Blvd and Redland Blvd with the City taking over future maintenance responsibility of this area. This will result in savings for KFCA in the long term as the repairs and maintenance of this crosswalk

is costly and continuous. It was determined that given the volume of traffic in this area that standard asphalt would be the ideal material to install to avoid costly repairs in the future. In addition, KFCA has asked the City to look at other high traffic areas along City streets at Redland, Gaither, and King Farm Blvd. and price out the option of converting the crosswalks there from the existing stamped asphalt (which KFCA maintains) to standard asphalt and have the City assume all future maintenance.

FIOS Update

Verizon is looking at possible options for installing FIOS for the properties in the King Farm community that do not require individual easements to be secured first. KFCA is working jointly with the City on this issue to compel Verizon to take action.

Equity Resolution

The Board approved beginning the process for an Equity Resolution for snow removal. This Resolution will formalize what is already done in practice throughout King Farm and mirrors the City and County code for snow removal from public areas adjacent to private properties. Formal notice will be sent out on this matter in August.

2013 Budget

The Budget & Finance Committee met on Tuesday, July 17 to begin the budget process. A tentative draft budget for 2013 was reviewed which would not involve an increase in fees for 2013. The Budget & Finance Committee will meet again in August and then a draft budget will be sent out and an open community forum will be held in September to address questions, concerns or issues with the draft budget (stay tuned for more information).

King Farm Seeks Volunteers to Serve on Committees

Committees are a great way to get involved and help shape the future of King Farm. We have several committees that operate under the auspices of the HOA. Here is a description of the committees that are called for under the King Farm guidelines.

The Board of Code Compliance is the Board that enforces community code standards and works with the Community Architect. If no Board of Code Compliance has been appointed, then the Board of Trustees acts in its place. Citizens may appeal code violation decisions of the Community Architect to the Board. The Board also has authority to conduct hearings and levy fines against residents who are found to be in violation of community codes. One vacancy at this time.

The Budget & Finance Committee primary responsibility is to develop a draft budget and monitor its execution. It shall also propose to the Board of Trustees any financial management policies it deem appropriate. The committee will not be able to alter approved budgets or commit funds without Board of Trustee's approval. One vacancy at this time.

The Architectural Design Trust oversees the design of the community and works closely with the Community Architect to ensure its integrity and make suggestions to the Board of Trustees about necessary community design changes. No vacancies at this time.

The Elections Committee oversees and works with management in all aspects of annual Assembly elections. They are respon-

sible for reviewing official election notices, presiding over the candidates' forum and election meeting, and counting the candidates' votes. This Committee is activated each October and disbanded in May, following the April election. Appointments to be made in January 2013.

External Affairs Committee: A committee that monitors the activities of external organizations (government agencies or representatives, government committees and commissions, public utilities, and business firms) as requested by the Board of Trustees with the responsibility of reporting such activities to the Board. The EA Committee are the "scouts" of the Assembly; they are constantly examining the impact (or potential impact) that external organizations have

on our community and working with the BoT to understand and manage these impacts. No vacancies at this time.

Pool Committee: A committee that makes policy recommendations to the Board of Trustees and operation recommendations to the Community Manager; more specifically, the pool committee inspects the community's pools, monitors and evaluates the Community Manager's oversight of the facilities and pool management contractor, and weighs in on proposed capital improvements to the pool facilities. One voting member vacancy at this time and two alternate vacancies at this time.

If you are interested in serving on a committee, please contact us at management@kingfarm.org for more information.

King Farm Citizens Assembly Board Meeting Summary

June 20, 2012

The King Farm Citizens Assembly Board of Trustees met on Wednesday, June 20, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. The following items/issues were discussed in detail:

General Manager Gilmore reported that she has arranged for the Montgomery County Liaison to King Farm to attend the July Board of Trustees meeting.

Management reported there is presently 158 homes that are in violation of the alley light resolution.

The King Farm Conservancy met on July 5 with the King Farm President, management and Counsel to review current maintenance agreements.

The Board directed management to continue negotiations with the King Farm Roy-alton condominium residences concerning assessment fees.

Management updated that the King Farm Boulevard landscaping project is underway.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

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The deadline for submissions for the next edition of the King Farm Chronicle is August 15, 2012.

Activities News & Events

King Farm Movie Night Presents "Dr. Seuss's The Lorax!"

Bring a blanket or a lawn chair and get ready to have some movie night fun! Universal Pictures presents the 2012 blockbuster "Dr. Seuss' the Lorax" the featured movie on the big screen Saturday, September 8. The movie will start promptly at dusk on the Saddle Ridge Circle lawn area adjacent to the Saddle Ridge Community Center. This movie is rated PG and will be the final movie of the summer.



King Farm Fall Community Yard Sale

Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 22, 2012 for the Fall King Farm Community Yard Sale. Come sell or shop for goodies from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at King Farm Park. A rain date of Sunday, September 23 has been arranged. There will not be a registration process and no fee to participate. Tables will not be provided.

Set-up time for residents will begin at 7:00 a.m. along Trotter Farm Drive and you must bring your own tables. Residents will be asked to set up their tables along the sidewalk on the grass areas on Trotter Farm Drive. Spaces are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. There will be no assigned sale spaces. You must take all unsold items and trash with you after the event is over. No items should be left in the Park.

A truck from Interfaith Clothing Center will be there to accept donations from 8:00 a.m. to noon. Tax deduction receipts will be provided. If you want to donate unsold items, this will be a great opportunity. Or if you just want to bring items directly to the truck, they will be gladly accepted.

This Yard Sale will be advertised in the local Gazette newspapers and on Craig's List. For questions, please contact Activities Director Andrea Escher at activities@kingfarm.org.

Vendors Needed for the Fall Festival!

We have received a number of vendors who have already signed up to participate in the Business Fair portion of the 6th annual King Farm Fall Festival. The Festival will be held on Sunday, October 7, 2012 from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will feature a pumpkin patch, horse-drawn hayrides, face painters, food vendors, games and activities for the kids and more! A special part of the Fall Festival is the Business Fair. If you are an area professional or know of local businesses in the area, who would like to host a booth at the Fall Festival, please have them contact Andrea Escher at activities@kingfarm.org for more information.

NEIGHBORS in the News by Andrea Escher



Rosemont Student Wins First Place!

Congratulations to Justin Park, a King Farm sixth-grader who won first place in the Mathematics League for the whole State of Maryland & Washington, D.C. earlier this summer. Justin studied at Rosemont Elementary School since Kindergarten, until he was invited to the Elementary Center for the Highly Gifted. He is currently enrolled in the MCPS middle school magnet program.

Great job, Justin!!!

What's Happening at Ingleside at King Farm

By Kimberly Hartke

Six Circuit Club Members Experience Dramatic Health Benefits

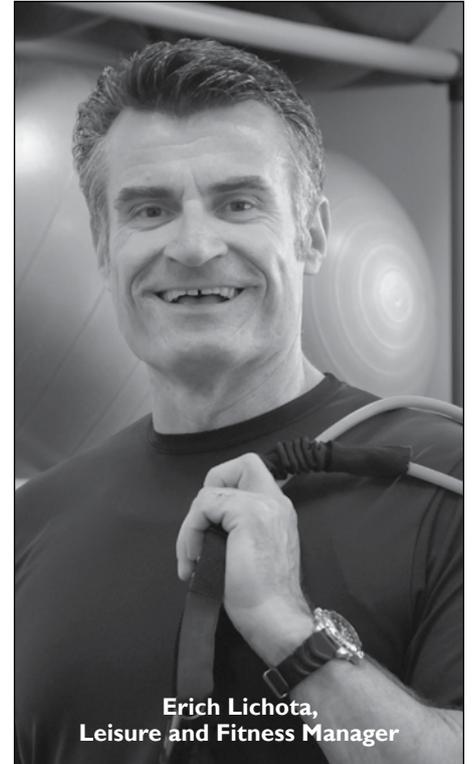
By Kimberly Hartke

The Ingleside at King Farm Fitness Center is helping our community get fit, strong and balanced!

Our in house personal trainer, Erich Lichota, is coach of The 6 Circuit Club, a science based fitness program which is open to all members of Ingleside. Erich now has 25+ members of the 6 Circuit Club ranging in age from 60 to 90 years old. Erich evaluates and designs a fitness regime for each individual in the 6 Circuit Club. The goal of the program is to encourage Ingleside members to exercise and to reach their maximum potential.

Mickey Hamer and her husband Joe, were avid walkers prior to moving to Ingleside. "We did fast walking, 3 miles daily, for 30 years." Even so, when they started the 6 Circuit Program a year and a half ago, she told personal trainer, Erich, "There is no way I can possibly do this." Today, she is happy to say she has done the 6 circuits in under an hour and she and Joe are now regulars in the gym, 2-3 times a week.

With a combination of cardiovascular, anaerobic (resistance training)/aerobic (spinning or stepping), and compression exercises (which strengthens bones and ligaments), Erich finds exercises for each person at their age and ability level. The circuit routine consists of 6 exercises. A club member works through the circuit, alternating between 3 upper body exercises, and 3 lower body. Switching from upper to lower body and back again, allows the other half of the person's body to rest in-between.



Erich Lichota, Leisure and Fitness Manager

The constant motion gives their heart a consistent workout, throughout.

Another aspect of the fitness program emphasizes improving balance and coordination. Standing on a Bosu Ball (a half round ball), members improve their ability to sense and correct imbalance.

Mickey stands on the Bosu to improve her balance. She has found it very beneficial. Her husband Joe does his stretch-

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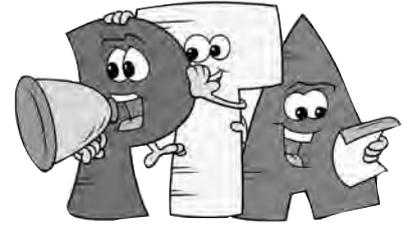
THE ROSEMONT ELEMENTARY REPORT

By Rachel Carr

Welcome back to our Rosemont students, we hope you are having a great summer.

New PTA Board of Directors

- President - Jyotsna Gupta
- 1st VP - Regis Walter
- 2nd VP - Christine Tench
- Treasurer - David White
- Secretary - Michele Schwartzman
- Delegate 1 - Anne Goldstein
- Delegate 2 - Hope Cantarilho



Kindergarten Meet & Greet at Mattie's Park

Calling all King Farm Rosemont Kindergarten students, join us on Saturday, August 11 at 10:30 a.m. at the Mattie. J.T. Stepanek Park playground. Come & Play! Meet friends (some new, some old) and ask your parents to bring a picnic lunch. If you are not yet registered for Kindergarten and your son or daughter will be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2012, don't delay...Register today by contacting Mr. Sweeney, Principal, at 301-840-7123.

Kindergarten Parent Meeting

Save the date! Attention parents of incoming kindergartener's, a parent meeting will be held on August 23 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Meet the Teachers Open House

Students (and parents) in all grades are invited to come meet their teachers, see their classrooms and find out whose in their class this year at a special Open House on August 24, 2012 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. We hope to see you then!

Back to School Night

Rosemont Elementary will host Back to School Night on September 5. This is a great opportunity to find out all about your child's class, tour the school, meet the teachers and find out what great volunteer opportunities are available through the PTA.

School Supply Lists

Need to know what supplies to buy for this year's school season? A complete school supply list for each grade can be found on the RES website <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/rosemontes/>

Students are encouraged to shop early and purchase school supplies prior to the first day of school.

Contact Jyotsna Gupta if interested in joining a PTA committee at tojyotsna@hotmail.com

Check the PTA Website often for important information.

COLLEGE GARDENS ELEMENTARY UPDATE

It's hard to believe but College Gardens Elementary students will be heading back to school in just a few short weeks. Montgomery County Public Schools re-opens for the start of the 2012/2013 school year on Monday, August 27. Teacher assignments will be mailed to all students the second week of August, so be sure to check your mailboxes.

Open House Day August 27

Students will have a chance to prepare for the first day of school by touring their classrooms and getting to meet their classmates and teachers at a special Open House Day on Friday, August 24. Be sure to check the College Gardens website for times and more details.

Back to School Night

It's one of the favorite first events of the school year, Back to School Night! Mark your calendar for September 5 for Kindergarten and grades 1 & 2 and the Chinese Immersion Program at 7:00 p.m. Back to School Night will be held on September 6 for grades 3-5 and the Chinese Immersion Program 4th & 5th Grades and Autism Program Kindergarten through 5th Grades at 7:00 p.m.

School Supply Lists

Need to know what supplies to buy for this year's school season? A complete school supply list for each grade can be found on the CEES website <http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/collegedardenses/>

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Make Peace the News!

By Jeni Stepanek, Ph.D., Executive Director,
Mattie J.T. Stepanek Foundation

For Our World Campaign Free International Peace Project by Mattie's Foundation

On September 11, 2001, Mattie watched personal friends perish during terrorist attacks. "For Our World" is the poem he penned that evening, as his response to universal questions of "What now? What next?" He hoped that one day, these words would serve as an international passage for peace.

Sadly, acts of random and planned violence continue to occur in countries all over the world.

As the 10th anniversary of this tragic day approached, the Mattie J.T. Stepanek Foundation initiated a free, international peace campaign. The goal of the Campaign was, and is, to translate and spread the words and message of Mattie's *For Our World* poem around the world more and more each year.

In this poem, Mattie implores us to 'stop, be silent, and notice,' and he reminds us that:

*"We have, we are, a mosaic of gifts
To nurture, to offer, to accept."*

By September, 2011 we reached 50 translations of the poem in dialects from Albanian to Zulu. We encouraged people around the world to "Read it. Share it. Live it." We asked people to spread the message of this poem in schools and homes and offices — by reading it during gatherings and meetings and classes, and by posting it on Twitter and Facebook pages, bulletin

boards and refrigerators, and more.

We also created a chain of 'peace flags' with these translations that were flown during the 2011 Peace Celebration at Mattie's Park here in King Farm.

Now, the events and attention focused on the 10th anniversary of September 11 have subsided, and our world is still in need of peace. To keep momentum going, Mattie's Foundation initiated our "What Next? Project."

We continue to invite people to translate, download, and share Mattie's *For Our World* poem. In addition, we are offering inspiration, information, activities, and resources that encourage people around the world to continue focusing on peace-related attitudes and habits that will shape the reality of our world. These activities and resources are rooted in Mattie's "Three Choices for Peace" concept, which grew directly from his *For Our World* poem.

You can be a part of this global peace effort!

- Please translate the poem into another language, and send it to heartsong-books@gmail.com.
- Please post or link to this poem to your website, Facebook page, or other social media, and encourage others to do the same.
- Please print the poem and share it on bulletin boards, refrigerators, desks, and more.

A message of peace can be spread easily, through the powerful tools of the media and the internet. It can be nurtured through discussions among friends and

For Our World
We need to stop.
Just stop.
Stop for a moment...
Before anybody
Says or does anything
That may hurt anyone else.
We need to be silent.
Just silent.
Silent for a moment...
Before we forever lose
The blessing of songs
That grow in our hearts.
We need to notice.
Just notice.
Notice for a moment...
Before the future slips away
Into ashes and dust of humility.
Stop, be silent, and notice...
In so many ways, we are the same.
Our differences are unique treasures.
We have, we are, a mosaic of gifts
To nurture, to offer, to accept.
We need to be.
Just be.
Be for a moment...
Kind and gentle, innocent and trusting,
Like children and lambs,
Never judging or vengeful
Like the judging and vengeful.
And now, let us pray,
Differently, yet together,
Before there is no earth, no life,
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family members, and in schools and community organizations. Peace is possible! It begins with a choice — our choice, that is expressed through our words and actions and 'being' each day.

As we prepare for and move through the 11th anniversary of 9/11, may the words of Mattie's international passage for peace serve as a catalyst for changing mottos of 'revenge' into credos of 'rebuild.' Together, let us rebuild the mosaic of humanity.

Please join the effort — share this poem in a language that touches the hearts of

your family and neighbors. Choose peace, for our world.

PLEASE NOTE: Once a translation is approved, it will be posted on our website with your name and your peace- or communication-related website. We post multiple translation versions in each language since the expression is poetry.

To learn more about our *For Our World* Campaign, or to download your FREE translation, please visit www.mattieonline.com and go to Mattie's Foundation — What We Do.

Champion Dancer Opens King Farm Studio with Husband

By Kate Myers

Ukrainian champion dancer Hanna Beauvoir and her husband Max have opened Hanna's Universal Dance Studio in the King Farm Village Center. The studio offers ballet, tap, salsa, ballroom dancing, Zumba and hip hop classes for all ages, including children as young as 18 months (with a parent or caregiver).

"We offer classes for all abilities, from beginners to advanced students," says Max Beauvoir, "and our prices are very reasonable. A six-week session [one class per week] is just \$90.00."

Before moving to the United States ten years ago, Hanna Beauvoir owned a dance studio in the Ukraine, where she taught children ages four through twelve. While Hanna will focus on ballet and ballroom dancing classes, Max, who hails from the Caribbean, will teach Latin dance. The studio has other professional dance instructors on staff as well.

"You can't go wrong with King Farm," says Max Beauvoir, when asked why he and his wife selected the neighborhood for their studio. "We're thrilled to be opening here. The number of families and mix of ages are perfect for us."

Hanna's Universal Dance Studio is located at 800 Pleasant Farm Drive, Suite 100. For more information and a schedule of classes, call 240-485-4965. Discounts are available for siblings and seniors.

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King Farm Screamin' Geese Raise Over \$2,000 for ALS Research

By Kate Myers



On July 9, the King Farm Screamin' Geese hosted a swim-a-thon that raised \$2,161 for the ALS Association. According to event organizer Glenda Ashkin, the money will go toward ALS research. Thirty-one swimmers participated, with each swimmer collecting pledges for the number of laps they swam. Peter Wang swam the most laps (204) and Ari Citrin collected the most pledge money (\$438). The ALS Association provided breakfast for the swimmers.

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), also known as Lou Gehrig's disease, is a debilitating and ultimately fatal condition that affects the nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord that control voluntary movement. Though ALS robs sufferers of their physical capabilities, the disease does not affect mental function. The life expectancy for ALS is between three to five years, though some people do live longer.

The King Farm swim team has been hosting swim-a-thons for the past six years to benefit various nonprofit organizations, including the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

"ALS is such a horrible disease," says Ashkin, who also serves as the team's Montgomery County Swim League representative. "We're very proud of our swimmers for working together to raise money for research."

SCREAMIN' GEESE

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of the season. They took part in the weekly themes and activities, and many participated in a mini-meet.

"The Screamin' Geese had a mini-meet that really demonstrated that the team will be going strong for years to come," said Linda Cruciani, the team's Clerk of Course for A Meets. "Seventy-six 8 & under swimmers competed in the mini-meet. The King Farm children are developing strong swimming skills. It was very exciting to see the future of the team. Fourteen of the older swimmers participated as pre-team coaches and worked with small groups of pre-team swimmers to teach them proper strokes."

All of the team's events and activities foster a community spirit among the swimmers, which Cruciani said is particularly important in a neighborhood where many of the team members attend different schools. "With the King Farm children and teenagers broken into two Montgomery County high school clusters, and a number of the children going to various private schools, the swim team is the one place where the children and teenagers can come together in the King Farm community," said Cruciani.

"The Screamin' Geese's primary missions are to develop strong swimmers and enhance the neighborhood spirit," Cruciani continued. "Some of the swimmers, like Andrew Zhao - age 17 and headed to the University of Michigan this fall, have been on the team for about 10 years now. And their connections to the King Farm community are stronger because of their



Ella Myers (age 8) is a rising star on the team. She earned the second highest level of points for the girls on the team and she came in second in the county at the Coaches Invitational Long Course meet in the 50 back.



Andrew Zhao has been swimming for the Screamin' Geese for ten seasons and remembers when the team had only twenty swimmers and was struggling in Division O. He is headed to the University of Michigan this fall.



Kevin Pan was received the Griffin Ashkin Award. The Award is the Screamin' Geese's highest recognition for outstanding contributions to the team and team spirit. His teammates helped him celebrate. From left to right: Peter Wang, Jonathan Huang, Jase Ashkin, Madison Kunstman, Richard Shu, Michelle Nguyen, Evan Lewis, Evan Kunstman, Kevin Pan, Zack Khan, Matthew Nguyen, Yeah Buddy!!, and Brian Shu. Jordan Mwebaze is reclining.

participation on the swim team. The team is promoting the physical fitness of our kids and creating strong and happy memories of a King Farm childhood, filled with fast swimming races, cheering for teammates, fabulous King Farm 4th of July picnics, and wholesome fun."

As a team, each and every member of the Screamin' Geese contributed to the successful season. "There isn't any one swimmer that stands out but rather those who came away this season with a positive experience, did their best, made improvements and had such a great time that they will be back for another year," said Kresloff.

At the 2012 Awards Banquet, the Screamin'

Geese recognized the following swimmers for their outstanding achievements. The Griffin Ashkin Award, the team's highest recognition for outstanding contributions to the team and team spirit, went to Kevin Pan. Jase Ashkin and Michelle Nguyen received the Team High Points Trophies. Ashkin went undefeated in his individual races this season.

In addition, many Screamin' Geese swimmers were selected to compete in the MCSL end of the season All-Star relay and individual meets. Congratulations to the individual All-Stars: Sherrill Han, Jase Ashkin, Matthew Nguyen, Rebecca Huang and Ella Myers. Congratulations to the relay All-Stars: Jase Ashkin, Joey Huang,

Matt Nguyen, Eli Sheets, Ella Meyers, Kira Romano, Grace Liao, Lexy Silverstein, Bowen Ren, and Andrew Zhao.

Cruciani added that the season would not have been possible without the support of the swim team families. "It takes over 20 parents, serving as timers and officials, to run a swim meet every week," she said. "The summer season would not have been possible without their help and dedication. In addition to supporting their children, the Screamin' Geese provides adults with a great way to meet their neighbors and get involved in the community."

For more information about the King Farm Screamin' Geese, visit www.kingfarmswimteam.org.



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Emerald Ash Borer

A beetle from Asia, *Agrilus planipennis* Fairmaire (Coleoptera: Buprestidae), was identified in July 2002 as the cause of widespread ash (*Fraxinus* spp.) tree decline and mortality in southeastern Michigan and Windsor, Ontario, Canada. Larval feeding in the tissue between the bark and sapwood disrupts transport of nutrients and water in a tree, eventually causing branches and the entire tree to die. Tens of millions of ash

trees in forest, rural, and urban areas have already been killed or are heavily infested by this pest.

A. planipennis has been found throughout Michigan, across much of Ohio, and in parts of Indiana, Illinois, Maryland, Missouri, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia and Wisconsin. Infestations have also been found in more areas of Ontario and in the province of Quebec. The insect is likely to be found in additional areas as detection surveys continue. Evidence suggests that *A. planipennis* is generally established in an area for several years before it is detected.

The broad distribution of this pest in the United States and Canada is primarily due to people inadvertently transporting infested ash nursery stock, unprocessed logs, firewood, and other ash commodities. Federal and state quarantines in infested states now regulate transport of these products.

Identification

Adult beetles are generally larger and brighter green (Fig. 1) than the native North American *Agrilus* species. Adults are slender, elongate, and 7.5 to 13.5 mm long. Males are smaller than females and have fine hairs, which the females lack, on the ventral side of the thorax. Adults are usually bronze, golden, or reddish green overall, with darker, metallic emerald green wing covers. The dorsal side of the abdomen is metallic purplish red and can be seen when the wings are spread (Fig. 2). The prothorax, the segment behind the head and to which the first pair of legs is attached, is slightly wider than the head and the same width as the base of the wing covers.

Larvae reach a length of 26 to 32 mm, are white to cream-colored, and dorso-ventrally flattened (Fig. 3). The brown head is mostly retracted into the prothorax, and only the mouthparts are visible. The abdomen has 10 segments, and the last segment has a pair of brown, pincer-like appendages.

Biology

A. planipennis generally has a 1-year life cycle. In the upper Midwest, adult beetles begin emerging in May or early June. Beetle activity peaks between mid June and early July, and continues into August. Beetles probably live for about 3 weeks, although some have survived for more than 6 weeks in the laboratory. Beetles generally are most active during the day, particularly when it is warm and sunny. Most beetles appear to remain in protected locations in bark crevices or on foliage during rain or high winds.

Throughout their lives beetles feed on ash foliage, usually leaving small, irregularly shaped patches along the leaf margins. At least a few days of feeding are needed before beetles mate, and an additional 1 to 2 weeks of feeding may be needed before females begin laying eggs. Females can mate multiple times. Each female probably lays 30-60 eggs during an average lifespan, but a long-lived female may lay more than 200 eggs. Eggs are deposited individually in bark crevices

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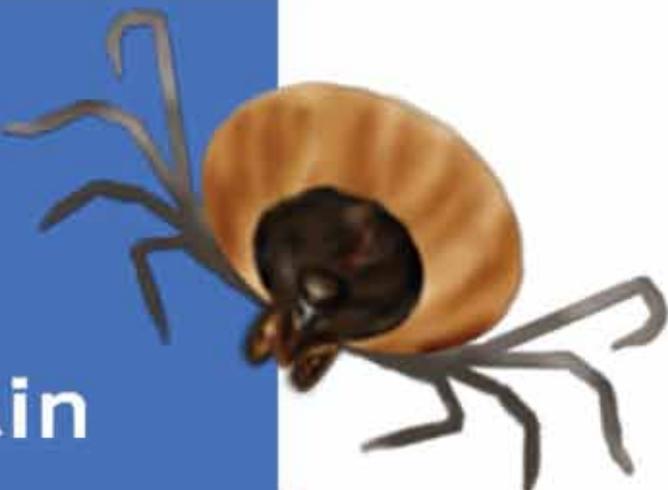
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What's Happening with King Farm Community Service?

By Patricia Reed, Chairperson

Manna Food Warehouse

Manna continues to be very grateful for our help on the third Saturday of each month. Other groups help out at other times. Our next date for assisting with this ongoing project will be August 18. We are always short of people during the summer due to vacations, but hunger doesn't take a vacation. Volunteers begin working at 9:00 a.m. at the warehouse on Gaither Road, and are usually finished before 11:00 a.m. depending on the number of helpers present. New volunteers are always welcome. You may contact Gail Singer at gsinger@comcast.net or call 301-990-1808 for further information or to volunteer.

Interfaith Clothing Center

One of our popular projects entails working with the Interfaith Clothing Center, which is located off Twinbrook Parkway in Rockville. In our support of the Center, volunteers help out one day a month putting items on hangers and neatly displaying available items. We always need volunteers and will accept students who are a minimum of 12 years of age for this project, (ages 12 to 15 must have a parent or guardian present).

The next work date will be Saturday, August 4 (always the first Saturday of the month). Consider joining Ira Russcol in this monthly effort. For more information or to let him know you will be coming, you may contact Ira at g8uihr@comcast.net or call him at 301-990-1808.

Fall Yard Sale

The Spring Yard Sale was so popular, another one is planned for Saturday, September 22, 2012 and Community Service is looking for volunteers to get involved by hosting the Community Service table.

Contact Patricia Reed at reedpg@verizon.net or call 301-926-8273 for further information.

Planning Meeting

Our first meeting of the Fall will be a Tuesday, September 11. We welcome, at these meetings, those who wish to help plan and brainstorm ideas for events and work out the details.

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King Farm Comes Together for A Fabulous 4th of July

By Andrea Escher

Sunny skies and hot temperatures set the perfect stage for the annual King Farm Parade and Carnival on Wednesday July 4. Over 400 neighbors and dogs arrived at King Farm Park sporting bikes, trikes, scooters, wagons decorated in festive red, white and blue balloons and streamers ready to walk the parade route.

With the unforgettable summer storm occurring just a few days prior, many residents were eager to forget the long days of power outages and above average temperatures to come out and join the fun. Numerous communities, including the City of Rockville, canceled their Independence Day celebrations, but King Farm was determined to forge on! Down power-lines and debris in roadways forced the local police and fire/rescue squads to work overtime, so King Farm was very grateful to the crew of Rockville Volunteer Fire Department Truck #3, who generously held one fire truck to help lead the parade as well as Rockville City Police Officers Brian Paul and Ken Matney who attended as well. The parade ended at the Saddle Ridge Community Center where a carnival was in full swing, complete with a dual lane water slide, obstacle course moonbounces, rides, face painting and more.

Our favorite summer deejay Al spent the afternoon playing music and hosting a variety of fun games like a water balloon toss contest and the popular limbo.

After the carnival, residents enjoyed taking a dip in the pool and enjoying a few hours of fun in the sun before the King Farm "Screamin Geese" swim team BBQ. Close to 200 hundred hungry neighbors arrived at noon to enjoy a good old fashioned BBQ of hot dogs,



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hamburgers and more cooked up courtesy of the Screamin Geese swim team dad master grillers. A special thanks to all the swim team parent volunteers who served food and sold tickets.

The community's pool management contractor, Community Pool, tells the Chronicle that both pools saw record numbers of residents swimming on the holiday. The pools were so packed additional lifeguard staff was brought in to ensure the safety of all swimmers.

A special thank you to all who came out to enjoy the holiday and for your continued support for helping keep community spirit alive and well in King Farm.



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ing and balancing exercises with a large body ball.

When asked if she would recommend the 6 Circuit Club to others, Mickey is emphatic, saying "It takes a lot of work and practice, but it can't be anything but helpful, with perseverance anybody can do it."

Erich says Parkinsons patients, espe-

cially, are making dramatic progress with this type of exercise. Judy Doctor, another Ingleside member, is finding the 6 Circuit exercises are helping manage her Parkinsons disease. "I like it because it helped give structure to my workout, and Erich has me doing the exercises that are most helpful for my particular needs," she explains. She likes working on the Bosu, and adds, "Erich is always around to guide you,

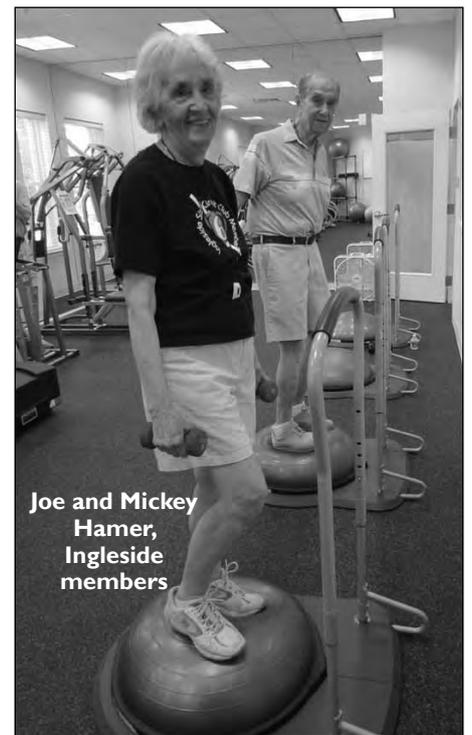
laugh with you and encourage you. He brings you along slowly and knows when you are ready to do more."

"With Parkinsons, falling and balance are big issues," explains Judy. "This program has improved my balance so much, that my doctor is very impressed. He gives me high marks when I go to see him. I always go right back and thank Erich."

Initially, the objective is to complete the 6 exercises in 10 minutes. As the member is able, Erich adds more circuits, until the member is finally able to do 6 circuits in an hour or less. There are different levels of difficulty, as well, beginning, intermediate, and advanced. Erich likes to keep challenging the members out of their comfort zone, so they increase in strength and agility, over time.

Erich says he already has quite a few members who have reached the 6 circuit level, even several who are in their 90's have reached this achievement.

Learn more about the fitness and life enrichment programs at Ingleside at King Farm! On August 22 at 1:00pm we are hosting a special event, Live Well Live Ingleside. You will have the opportunity to meet and hear from Diana Cirone, Director of Life Enrichment, Tiffany Proctor, Cultural Arts Manager, and Erich Lichota, Leisure and



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Figure 1. Adult emerald ash borer.



Figure 2. Purplish red abdomen on adult beetle.



Figure 3. Second, third, and fourth stage larvae.



Figure 4. Gallery of an emerald ash borer larva.

or under bark flaps on the trunk or branches, and soon darken to a reddish brown. Eggs hatch in 7 to 10 days.

After hatching, first instar larvae chew through the bark and into the phloem in a cambial region. Larvae feed on phloem for several weeks, creating serpentine (S-shaped) galleries packed with fine sawdust-like frass. As a larva grows, its gallery becomes progressively wider (Fig. 4). Beetle galleries often etch the outer sapwood.

The length of the gallery generally ranges from 10 to 50 cm. Feeding is usually completed in autumn.

Prepupal larvae overwinter in shallow chambers, roughly 1 cm deep, excavated in the outer sapwood or in the bark on thick-barked trees. Pupation begins in late April or May. Newly eclosed adults often remain in the pupal chamber or bark for 1 to 2 weeks before emerging head-first through a D-shaped exit hole that is 3 to 4 mm in diameter (Fig. 5).

Studies in Michigan indicate 2 years may be required for *A. planipennis* to develop in newly infested ash trees that are relatively healthy. In these trees, many *A. planipennis* overwinter as early instars, feed a second summer, overwinter as prepupae, and emerge the following summer.

In trees stressed by physical injury, high *A. planipennis* densities, or other problems, all or nearly all larvae develop in a single year. Whether a 2-year life cycle will occur in warmer southern states is not yet known.

Distribution and Hosts

A. planipennis is native to Asia and is found in China and Korea. It is also reported in Japan, Mongolia, the Russian Far East, and Taiwan. In China, high populations of *A. planipennis* occur primarily in *Fraxinus chinensis* and *F. rhynchophylla*, usually when those trees are stressed by drought or injury. Other Asian hosts (*F. mandshurica* var. *iaponica*, *Ulmus davidiana* var. *iaponica*, *Juglans mandshurica* var. *sieboldiana*, and *Pterocarya rhoifolia*) may be colonized by this or a related species.

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Figure 5. D-shaped hole where an adult beetle emerged.



Figure 6. Jagged holes left by woodpeckers feeding on larvae.



Figure 7. Ash tree killed by emerald ash borer. Note the serpentine galleries.



Figure 8. Epicormic branching on a heavily infested ash tree.

In North America *A. planipennis* has attacked only ash trees. Host preference of *A. planipennis* or resistance among North American ash species may vary. Green ash (*F. pennsylvanica*) and black ash (*F. nigra*), for example, appear to be highly preferred, while white ash (*F. americana*) and blue ash (*F. quadrangulata*) are less preferred. At this time all species and varieties of native ash in North America appear to be at risk from this pest.

Signs and Symptoms

It is difficult to detect *A. planipennis* in newly infested trees because they exhibit few, if any, external symptoms. Jagged holes excavated by woodpeckers feeding on late instar or prepupal larvae may be the first sign that a tree is infested (Fig. 6). D-shaped exit holes left by emerging adult beetles may be seen on branches or the trunk, especially on trees with smooth bark (Fig. 5). Bark may split vertically over larval feeding galleries. When the bark is removed from infested trees, the distinct, frass-filled larval galleries that etch the outer sapwood and phloem are readily visible (Fig. 4 and Fig. 7). An elliptical area of discolored sapwood, usually a result of secondary infection by fungal pathogens, sometimes surrounds galleries.

As *A. planipennis* densities build, foliage wilts, branches die, and the tree canopy becomes increasingly thin. Many trees appear to lose about 30 to 50 percent of the canopy after only a few years of infestation. Trees may die after 3 to 4 years of heavy infestation (Fig. 7). Epicormic shoots may arise on the trunk or branches of the tree (Fig. 8), often at the margin of live and dead tissue. Dense root sprouting sometimes occurs after trees die.

A. planipennis larvae have developed in branches and trunks ranging from 2.5 cm (1 inch) to 140 cm (55 inches) in diameter. Although stressed trees are initially more attractive to *A. planipennis* than healthy trees are, in many areas all or nearly all ash trees greater than 3 cm in diameter have been attacked.

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Road Work in King Farm

As part of the requirements for the Upper Rock Development at Choke Cherry Road and Shady Grove Road, the developer will be replacing the sanitary sewer along Piccard Drive and West Gude Drive. The work on West Gude Drive began on July 26, 2012 and will proceed for approximately 3-4

weeks. The contractor is required to complete the work within West Gude Drive prior to the beginning of school, August 27. The work on West Gude will require the closure of the west bound lanes between the Pepco entrance and Piccard Drive. West-bound traffic will be diverted to a single lane on the east bound travel lanes of West Gude Drive. East bound traffic on West Gude will be restricted to one lane. Work hours will be between 6:00 am and 9:00 pm. The work is being completed by the developer's contractor, not the City's,

but there is a noise waiver by the developer's contractor with the County. The work on Piccard Drive will follow the work on West Gude Drive and be completed at night since this is less of a disturbance to traffic. This part of the project will take approximately 6-8 weeks, upon the completion of the work on West Gude Drive. Traffic patterns and turning movements on Piccard Drive will be altered during this time, however traffic on West Gude Drive will not be impacted while work on Piccard Drive is performed.

Mayor and Council Select Barbara Burns Matthews as Rockville's New City Manager



Rockville's Mayor and Council has announced that Barbara Burns Matthews will be the next city manager of Maryland's third largest city.

Matthews, who has more than 25 years of local government experience, has served as the city manager of Takoma Park since 2004. Prior to her work in Takoma Park, Matthews spent three years as the city manager of the City of Manchester, Mo.

Matthews has also held positions with the cities of Kansas City, Gladstone, Kirkwood, and Lee's Summit, Mo. She has an extensive background in all areas of municipal operations, including economic development, finance and budgeting, human resources and labor relations.

Matthews holds a bachelor's degree in economics and government from the University of Virginia and a master's degree in public affairs from Indiana University.

"I'm honored to have been selected as Rockville's new city manager," said Matthews. "The City of Rockville is well known for its professional management, innovation, and forward thinking approach to serving the public. I welcome the opportunity to be a part of its next chapter."

Jennifer Kimball has served as Rockville's acting city manager since December. Kimball, the city's assistant city manager, was appointed by the Mayor and Council as acting city manager following the retirement of Scott Ullery.

Rockville has worked with Springsted, a search firm in Richmond, Va., to seek top national candidates for the position. Candidates were interviewed by the Mayor and Council and met with senior staff and community members.

"We are confident that we have found the right person to be Rockville's city manager," said Mayor Phyllis Marcuccio. "Ms. Matthews understands the types of issues Rockville is facing. Her experience and leadership are just what we've been looking for to lead our staff and to serve our community. The Mayor and Council are very excited to start what is sure to be a collaborative and fruitful working relationship with Ms. Matthews."

Matthews will begin her post in October, and her salary will be \$199,000.

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Uncorked, Rockville's annual wine and music festival, returns 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 25, 2012 in Rockville Town Square. The event offers a cooking demonstration, two stages of live music and wine seminars. Entrance to the wine tasting is \$15.

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ing is \$15 and includes a commemorative wine glass for the first 3,000 paid attendees (must be 21 years or older to consume alcohol). Wine tasting sales booths open at noon on Gibbs Street behind the stage and on Maryland Avenue. Tasting sales booths accept cash only. Many Maryland wineries will be on hand to offer wine tasting and bottles for purchase. Check www.rockvillemd.gov/events/uncorked periodically for an updated list of participating wineries.



The rain date for the event is Sunday, August 26.

For more information, visit the City's website or call 240-314-8620.

MCPS Back-to-School Fair Set for August 25

Montgomery County Public School (MCPS) will once again kick-off the new school year with the annual Back-to-School Fair on Saturday, August 25, 2012. The fair will be held on the grounds of the Carver Educational Services Center from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., rain or shine.



This wonderful event is an excellent opportunity for our community to come together to start the school year on a great note. Families will be

able to meet school system staff and representatives from government agencies to ask questions and to receive information to help their children be successful in school. Attendees can look forward to:

- Information about MCPS services and programs
- School system experts on hand to answer your questions
- Fun and educational children's activities
- Over 80 community partners and government agencies represented
- Live music and entertainment provided by Washington Talent Agency
- Free health screenings
- Chances to win exciting prizes
- Backpack and school supply giveaway

The fair is a great way for families to learn about school system programs and services, while enjoying music, entertainment, children's activities and more. Students will have the opportunity to take home backpacks filled with school supplies donated, thanks to sponsors such as Kaiser Permanente, ABC/7 WJLA, Washington Talent Agency and Montgomery College.

The event is organized by the MCPS Department of Family and Community Partner-

ships. Mark your calendars and keep checking the Back-to-School Fair website over the summer for updated information.

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In an emergency situation an alert will be sent by your organization's Alert Rockville administrator and you will receive several text messages on your cell phone or mobile device. Read these messages promptly and follow the instructions.

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Publishers, Hollywood Want King Farmer Adrian Kulp, Dad or Alive

By Kate Myers

Adrian Kulp is used to the looks of curiosity—and skepticism—he gets as he wheels his two young children around the grocery store on a weekday morning or takes them to the pool on a Tuesday afternoon. “I know what they’re thinking,” says Kulp, a stay-at-home dad and popular blogger. “They look at me and think I can’t possibly handle it on my own. But I’ve surprised more than a few of them with my patience, compassion and ability to calm kids down—even kids who aren’t my own.”

Kulp first became a stay-at-home dad over two years ago, after a contractual position with the television show Chelsea Lately ended. With no immediate job prospects and a major recession looming, he threw himself into full-time fatherhood. At the time, he and his family were living in California. Last fall, his wife Jennifer accepted a position as Senior Vice President of television development at Sirens Media in Silver Spring.

“We literally had two weeks to pack everything up and move across the country,” says Jennifer Kulp. “At that time our youngest was only two weeks old. We told our real estate agent that we wanted a planned community where everything was within walking distance, and she suggested King Farm. We absolutely love it here, and we could not have ended up in a better community. I remember the first day we moved here; I walked out back and saw the mailman letting a little boy help him deliver a package and a woman emerging from her house with a plate of freshly baked cookies. I felt so lucky to be here.”

Adrian has managed to win over the skeptics and ingratiate himself with local stay-at-home parents, who are, admittedly, mostly female. “I think being a stay-at-home dad is in the process of trending right now, but I still feel like part of the minority,” he says. “However, I do feel that people here are more open to it than people in California.”

Kulp started his blog, www.dadoralive.com, as a creative outlet and a way “to keep myself from going crazy at home.” “When I became a stay-at-home dad I tried to find blogs written by dads, and to my surprise, I discovered that there really weren’t any, or the ones that I found weren’t very good. So I started my own,” he says.

An agent with the William Morris Agency contacted him and told him she thought his blog would make a great book. Soon he struck a deal with Penguin Publishing and his first book—also titled Dad or Alive, is scheduled to be released on Father’s Day 2013. He’s also in talks with Sony Pictures Television and Happy Madison Productions (Adam Sandler’s film and television company) to turn his blog into a sitcom.

Kulp admits it’s difficult to get much writing done during the day, other than tweets or Facebook posts. He does most of his writing at night, between 10:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m. Then he’s up at 6:00 a.m. with the kids. “Sometimes people look at me and assume I’m a default babysitter, but I do the same things stay-at-home moms do,” he says. “I do the laundry, grocery shopping, cooking and cleaning, plus take care of the kids.”

“It’s true,” his wife chimes in. “And he’s an amazing cook too!”



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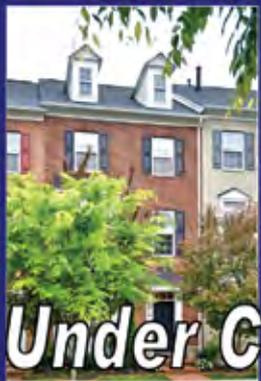
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