

Join DACA, your local civic association!

The Davidsonville Area Civic Association (DACA) has served the civic interests of the Davidsonville

area for 36 years, helping to maintain the unique quality of life we enjoy in our small community. DACA gives the citizens of our semi-rural, unincorporated area a voice in local government decisions that affect our quality of life. DACA's purpose is to:

1. Maintain and improve the quality of life in our community. We join together to counsel with one another so that we may wisely guide the growth and development of our village for the betterment of our lives and for the lives of our children and their children.

2. Consider and deal by all lawful means with common problems involved in matters pertaining to land and natural resource utilization in the geographical area known as Davidsonville and to secure cooperative action in advancing common purposes of the members of the association.

3. Promote community pride and civic interests.

4. Consider and account for the unique history of the Davidsonville community.

5. Promote land use policies that preserve the agricultural and rural character of the Davidsonville community, protect the environment, preserve open space, and improve safety — including the safety of roads and pedestrian byways — while respecting the property rights of residents.

6. Monitor and, as appropriate, effectively voice concerns with or support for laws, rules and policies that affect Davidsonville area residents.

7. Provide a forum where ideas, concerns and needs can be discussed with respect for each other's opinions.

8. Strive to consider the needs of and represent the entire Davidsonville community.

9. Anticipate future issues and problems affecting the welfare of the Davidsonville community and work to find appropriate approaches and solutions.

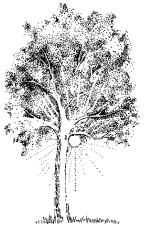
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GREEN WEEK, MARCH 15-21 sponsored by Patuxent Riverkeeper, South River Federation, DACA, and local businesses Get a free tree from DACA and plant it!

A celebration of the greening environment in the Central Avenue corridor of Davidsonville and Upper Marlboro, inspired by the owners of Killarney House and the Patuxent Riverkeeper. Davidsonville and Upper Marlboro merchants have come together to shine a green spotlight on the environment. Local businesses will display posters made the Davidsonville Elementary School Green Club members that demonstrate how the way we live affects the environment and our footprint travels downstream through the tributaries to the Bay.

See the Green Week flyer inside this *Villager*! Supporting this Green Week are Homestead Gardens, Davidsonville Nursery, Miller's Sunoco, Tilden Lawn, Tropic Bay Water Gardens, Davidsonville Country Market, Davidsonville Station, Renditions Golf Course; and B&B Auto Parts, Family Deli, Loftmar Stables, Meadows Farms Nurseries, Queen Anne Farm, Seven Summers Liquors on Prince George's side of the river.

Come to Davidsonville Station on Saturday, March 21, between 9:00 and 1:00, to get your free tree. Choose from hardwoods and evergreens to plant in wetland or upland. DACA will distribute seedlings of bald cypress, white spruce, white cedars or chestnut oaks. Boy Scout Troop 454 and Cub Pack 454 will be available to help plant trees in Davidsonville Park.



DACA members and their contributions



Welcome new member Tracy Powelson and thanks for her gift in addition to paying DACA dues. Thanks also to Warren and Julia Bussler, Barbara and Chris Jedrey, Carol McKechnie, and Daniel and Barbara O'Donnell for their contributions in addition to renewing their dues in DACA.

And thanks to Greg Wheet for his generous contribution in addition to renewing his ad in the *Villager*. Please patronize our advertisers.

In Memoriam

Patricia Ann Gaug October 6, 1940 ~ January 28, 2009 Long-time resident of Davidsonville Long-time favorite letter carrier and postal clerk Long-time member of DACA Did you know that Davidsonville Dance Club holds dances at DFRC's Ford Hall every Saturday night? Open dancing from 8:00 until 11:00 pm is preceded by a free lesson starting at 7:00 pm. Dances are open to the public at \$8.00 per person for nonmembers. Members pay only \$6.00 per person (thus the \$10 membership dues pays for itself after just five dances). Bring a snack to share and your own drinks; ice is provided.

Saturday, March 14, dance instructor and deejay Chip Atwood will host the Club's St. Patrick's Day dance with a free Mambo lesson. Saturday, March 21, the dance will be hosted by instructor/deejay/swing champion Ken Roesel, who will teach the country twostep. Interested in something different? Come to the Café Rueda workshop on March 27, 7:00 until 9:00 pm, for just \$12.00 per person.

The club also offers weekly lessons at their DFRC facility Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings. Ford Hall is at 3789 Queen Anne Bridge Road at Wayson Road. For more information, visit www.davidsonvilledanceclub.org or contact club secretary Mike Greason at 410-798-1512. May-June



Ballroom and Swing in Davidsonville

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What does DACA do?

One of the best measures of DACA's effectiveness is what does not happen in Davidsonville. Davidsonville has maintained its character, sense of community, and rural beauty while areas around us have undergone rapid change. Preserving our quality of life depends on the work of active community volunteers, most of which is quietly but passionately done at the grass roots level. DACA volunteers share a deep sense of satisfaction and accomplishment through their involvement with the people, places, regulation, and activities that affect our community. These people by county and state government administrators and elected representatives when they speak with to advance positions important to our community.

DACA is comprised of dues-paying members who pay \$5.00 per person per year. Members receive the *Villager*, six issues per year, and are entitled to vote at DACA's annual meeting of the general membership on the first Thursday in June, this year on June 4.

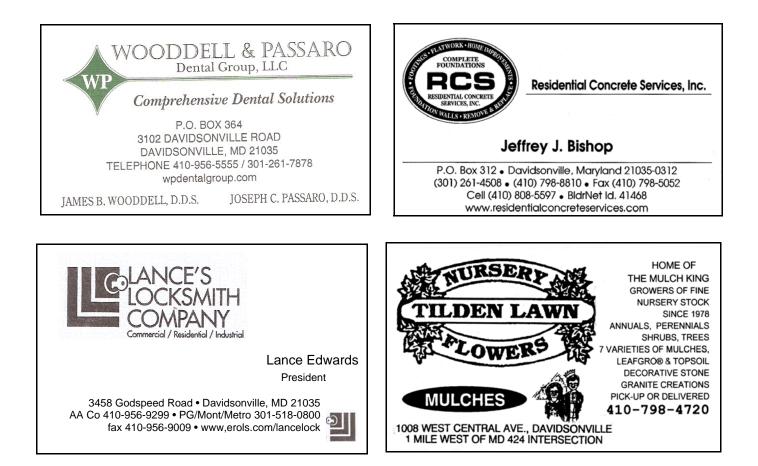
How does DACA work?

DACA is managed by volunteer officers and an executive committee who meet on the first Thursday of each month to discuss current events that affect this area — mostly issues of zoning and land use, but also issues that impact our schools, transportation, the environment, agriculture, river and ground water quality, and allied organizations within and beyond the Davidsonville area. Executive Committee members serve for terms of three

Annual Meeting June 4, 2009

The annual meeting of the general membership will be held June 4, 2008, at the Davidsonville Family Recreation Center beginning at 8:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend and participate in discussions about current issues of interest to Davidsonville residents. Those who pay or have paid their \$5.00 dues are entitled to vote at the annual meeting. New members must have paid their dues 30 days in advance, by May 4, 2008; members may renew their dues at any time. Elections will be held at the annual meeting for officers and executive committee members. DACA welcomes new residents and invites them to participate in the act of self government. Please join your civic association and attend the annual meeting on June 4.

years and they may serve consecutive terms. Officers are elected to one-year terms and they also may serve consecutive terms. DACA ensures institutional memory and continuity by staggering the elected terms. DACA is represented at the Davidsonville Family Recreation Center and in the Greater Crofton Council, and is a member of other citizen associations. Any DACA member is welcome to attend an executive committee meeting by notifying the secretary. Officers, executive committee and phone numbers are listed on the back page of this *Villager*. We welcome and invite you to join DACA, and ask that you encourage others to do so as well.



Why would anyone want to be a Riverkeeper?

By Fred Tutman, Patuxent Riverkeeper

Tt is tons of work. You spend much of your time either defending the reasons for the job, explaining and justifying to skeptics-why and how the river can be saved, and/or fighting to defend environmental principles in a world where many people are too busy to do much more than just survive-let alone notice the river in their midst. Riverkeepers stand for and against causes where we are often outnumbered and barely have enough hours in the day to accomplish all the things that must be done. Even so, it is the best job in the world! The ability to help people play a key role in efforts to save a watershed, and the chance to help build a statewide community of friends of the river, collaborators, and participate in an extended family of people who think this is important and necessary work. Lots of people have a distinct and personal connection to the Patuxent, and there are a million personal stories to be found on this river. All of them are true and all are important! That is why being a Riverkeeper is a job and a mission that could consume several lifetimes and never get boring or routine.

Many people take our water supply for granted. It simply does not occur to many of us that waterways are marvelous examples of a simple and complex chain of hydrologic factors in which what goes around truly comes around. Rain and snow, osmosis, stormwater, flooding, wetlands, and the other manifestations of water are vital links in that chain.

Water is also a universal constant. Civilizations rise and fall for the lack of it. Wars have been fought over it. Water, like gold, is an objective standard and a central value that makes, not only our way of life, but life itself, possible. Yet, where water is impaired, life does not thrive. Where the ecosystem is compromised, then so are we, as human beings.

Those of us living in North America, especially in Maryland, find it unthinkable that clean water could one day be found only in history books. Especially those surrounded by the Chesapeake Bay find it unthinkable that clean water is increasingly scarce and irreplaceable. Clean water, crabs, oysters, water you can swim in, water you drink— these are no longer assured. What is assured is that the demand for water resources is increasing even while the supply is dwindling. It stands to reason that we need to conserve and use wisely what we have. It is pointless and futile if only some of us use water wisely, thereby making *(Next page please)*



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more water available to those who will squander it, waste it and pollute it. Protecting our water resources is an all or nothing proposition for everyone.

Yet one of the problems with environmental issues in general is that it is often hard to get people interested until the problems reach crisis proportions. We don't worry about the whales until they are nearly gone. We truly don't appreciate the crabs and oysters until they are all but gone. As Ben Franklin (or his alter ego Poor Richard) said, "When the well is dry, you'll know the value of water."

Maryland is at a crossroad. A crossroad where scientists, legislators, and the business community still speak in terms of restoring and replenishing the Bay and our tributaries. But it won't be much longer before we pass the point of no return and speak in the past tense.

Our choice is simple. It is a practical choice and a moral choice. We can't create any more water. We must manage better what we already have. There is no mystery about the cause of the decline of our watersheds. Let's set about doing the work we know needs to be done and let's be unflinching in our choices.

If you want to know more about my ongoing Riverkeeper journey, visit my Riverkeeper Journal on this web site, www.paxriverkeeper.org.

When the court system lets the shoreline be despoiled From the *Capital*, March 7, 2009,

County Circuit Court Judge Paul F. Harris, Jr., ruled against the Chesapeake Bay Foundation and the Magothy River Association to allow Darryl Wagner to keep his large home on Little Island in the Magothy River, which he built without seeking and getting the required grading and building permits. County inspectors noticed the construction after the house, swimming pool, gazebo, fake lighthouse and fake palm trees were installed. After-the-fact approvals were granted by the Board of Appeals. The Chesapeake Bay Foundation is likely to appeal this Circuit Court decision.

On March 5, State officials granted permission for three homeowners to build two piers across a marsh and tidal pond in a quiet cove off the Severn River adjoining the community of Linstead and near Severn School. "We have tried to take into consideration everyone's concern here," said Gary Setzer, chief of wetlands for the Maryland Department of the Environment, the agency which granted the permits.

In both cases, the property owners who have the money to pay for expensive amenities are favored over the good of the environment. What's wrong with this picture?



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Can you buy a house? Mortgage Questions and Answers

Q: Since banks, including Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have experienced so many problems dealing with real estate, isn't it almost impossible to get a loan to purchase a home?

A: Only sub-prime loans have been removed and made unavailable. Mortgage loans are readily available and at the lowest interest rates since 1980.

Q: Is a perfect credit score required to qualify for a mortgage?

A: No, not at all. To determine whether a prospective buyer can afford a certain purchase, lenders traditionally use a "rule of thumb" formula which includes the monthly cost of buying and maintaining a home; this cost should not exceed 28% of gross. Payments on all debts should not exceed 36% of monthly income. Although a high credit score of 750 or greater is best, there are other factors that lenders consider, such as job permanency, number of dependents, earnings, type of loan program, etc.

Q: Due to current bank problems, don't they require 20% down or higher?

A: It depends on what program the buyer qualifies for. FHA loans are not as credit sensitive as conventional loans and require only 3.5% of the purchase price, while a VA loan requires no money down. The 30 year fixed interest rate is the best deal yet; the down payment is about 5% and if you buy the rate down with an origination fee or point, you can save quite a lot of money over the long term.

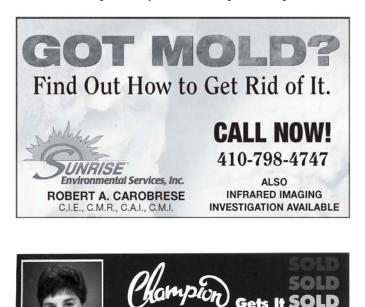
Q: Are there any special programs available for first time home buyers?

A: State and federal loan programs are available depending on your state of residency. Maryland first time buyers do not pay Maryland State transfer taxes, which saves them a few hundred dollars in closing costs.

Q: Are home prices expected to go up or drop in 2009?

A: Foreclosures are rising while people are still losing jobs. In the meantime, home prices are still dropping. Home sales and prices are expected to rise somewhat later this year and then stabilize in the early part of 2010. Buyers who purchase for the long term are in the best position right now.

Consumer confidence begins with jobs. If a person is currently employed, and believes they have job security and stability for the foreseeable future, they are more likely to purchase a home. When more people are in a similar position, prices would likely start stabilizing, again due to the *(please turn to page 13)*



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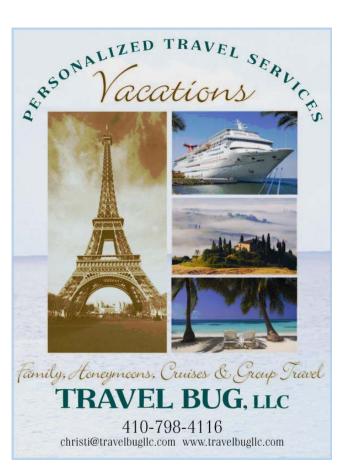
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James Compton Peach: 20th Century history by Anne Biddle

James Compton Peach, the son of James McGill Peach and Mary Ellen Clark Peach, was born in 1909 on his parents' farm on the South River in what was then called Riverview, but is now Riva. Their farm was north of Riva Road, opposite the Childs's house, Tudor Hall. He was baptized at All Hallows' Chapel in 1909. He is buried there as well as are his wife, Roberta Hankin Peach, his parents and his great-aunt Mary Clark, who was born in 1835 in Leeland, near Saint Barnabas Church.

One of Dad's fondest memories was catching soft shelled crabs in the little inlet formed by Granville Creek off South River. Walking around the shallows of the inlet once, he could catch enough crabs to feed their family of five. He got eleven crabs a couple of times but never managed to catch a dozen. Their farm grew tobacco as its cash crop and they raised most of their own food.

Dad was an altar boy at All Hallows' Chapel starting at the age of eleven. He rode his horse, Major, to the Chapel and to the Brick Church when it was his turn to be the altar boy. Charles Townshend and his cousin William "Boy" Townshend were altar boys at the same time, recruited and trained by Father Francis Alleyne, the parish rector from 1920-23.

Dad remembered going to Boy Scouts at the Farm of Four Winds, where Charlie Townshend lived with his parents. This Boy Scout troop was also started by Father Alleyne, an Englishman who was a friend of Lord Robert Baden-Powell, founder of the Boy Scouts in England.

Dad and his sister, my Aunt Eleanor, talked about helping with the Thanksgiving dinners at the Parish Hall next to the corner store in Davidsonville when they were in high school. He spoke also of church picnics at Mrs. St. George Barber's house, Howard Grove Farm on South River, which is now Eagles Passages.

Dad also talked about Doctor Mortimer Hayes, who had worked with Buffalo Bill Cody's Wild West Show before he came here. Mr. St. George Barber had the house at 3272 Davidsonville Road built in 1912 or 1913 as an inducement for the doctor to come to Davidsonville when the village was between doctors. (Continued on page 11)

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Ruritan and Boy Scouts together!

The Davidsonville Ruritan Foundation and Boy Scout Troop # 454 will hold A Spaghetti Dinner 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. March 21, 2009 Davidsonville Ruritan Community Center, 3358 Davidsonville Road (Rte. 424) in Davidsonville.

The meal will include salad, spaghetti with choice of two sauces, bread, coffee, tea, and dessert. The cost for the dinner is \$8.00 for people ages 12 and up, \$5.00 for children ages 6 to 11, and children age 5 and under are free. Wine will be available for purchase by any adult with his or her meal. For more information please call 410-721-3777 or 410-798-4598 or visit us at www.davidsonvilleruritan.com.

Davidsonville Ruritan Club invites you to have LUNCH WITH THE BUNNY!!!

Before he goes out to make his rounds, the long-eared rabbit will have lunch and hunt for eggs with you!

Saturday, April 4, 2009, 11:00 a.m. to 12:30.

Lunch includes hot dog, chips, drink, cookies and treat bag. You can make a frame for your photo with the bunny! And then the children up to 12 years old will hunt for eggs with the Bunny.

COST: \$4.00 per person of ANY age (Parents too) Davidsonville Ruritan Community Center 3358 Davidsonville Road Davidsonville, MD 21035 For more information call 410 798 4598 or log on to <u>www.davidsonvilleruritan.com</u> Rain date: April 11, 2009 at 11:00 a.m.

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Come to the Roedown Races! Sunday, April 5, 2009



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The races will begin at noon and continue throughout the day while you enjoy the first picnic of spring and admire some superb horseflesh.

Gates will open at 10:00 a.m. to give you time to stroll and judge for yourself the best tailgate presentation and the best hat contest. Contest judging will begin at noon.

General admission is \$5.00 per person; children under six are admitted free. Parking is \$20. Pre-sale parking and admission for six people is \$35, by check payable to Marlborough Hunt Races; mail it to P. O. Box 277, Upper Marlboro, MD 20773. Bring your own picnic, chairs and blankets; your friends and your children. Do not bring pets!



Annapolis Symphony Orchestra

Sunday, March 29, 2009, 7:30 p.m.

Under the direction of José Luis Novo performing "Music of Spain"

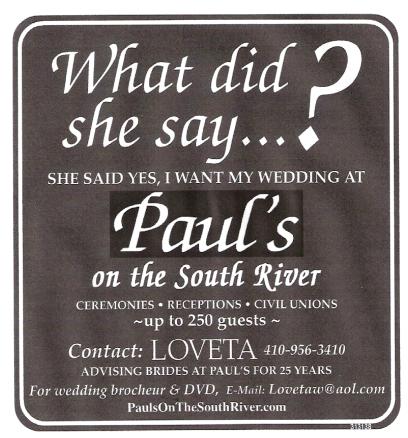
Concierto de Aranjuez and *The Three-Cornered Hat* by Manuel de Falla

Music of Benny Goodman and His Orchestra

Friday, May 1, 7:30 p.m.

Get carried back to Goodman's Carnegie Hall performance of January 16, 1938, this time by the 15-piece Brooks Tegler Orchestra, featuring Joe Midiri on the clarinet. John Tegler will narrate the program telling of this world famous concert.

These programs are free to members of the South County Concert Association (SCCA) and the Anne Arundel Community Concert Association. Admission at the door is \$20 per person or become a member of SCCA. For additional information contact F. R. Gouin at 301-261-5802, Betty Knupp at 410-956-4881 or visit our web page at <u>southcountyconcert.org</u>.



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Hospice of the Chesapeake announces 13th Annual Beacon of Hope Gala: *Celebrating 30 Years of Care*

On May 2, 2009, Hospice of the Chesapeake will host the 13th Annual Beacon of Hope Gala, *Celebrating 30 Years of Care*. The white tie and pearl anniversary event will be held in the Grand Ballroom at the Baltimore Marriott Waterfront and honor founding members Martha and Dr. Hilary O'Herlihy.

The community is invited to come and enjoy fabulous cuisine, mingle with friends, try their luck at a



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casino table, dance the night away to the sounds of Radio City, and bid upon an exclusive array of auction items, all in a show of support for Hospice of the Chesapeake and its mission.

This event will help Hospice of the Chesapeake continue to provide exceptional end-of-life care and bereavement services for residents of both Anne Arundel and Prince George's Counties. For more information on how to be involved, please contact Chris Wilson, Community and Corporate Specialist for Hospice of the Chesapeake at 443-837-1530 or email to him at cwilson@hospicechesapeake.org.

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When Dad was 14 years old in 1924, his family got their first car, a Model T. The teen-aged Compton Peach was made the designated driver because his father, who was 63, didn't want to learn to drive. There were times when the South River froze so hard that they could drive the car across it at the crossing in Riva. The family sold the farm several years after his father died and moved to Annapolis. Dad talked about going hunting on a farm where the health department is on Truman Parkway.

He was married at All Hallows' Chapel to Roberta Hankin, and also served on the Vestry of All Hallows at one time. He and Ben Watkins used Mr. Watkins's pickup truck to transport the new pews to the Brick Church on Solomons Island Road for the restoration of the church after it was destroyed by a fire in 1940. At some point after Anne was born they started going to St. Anne's Church in Annapolis because it was near where they lived. When she was four they moved to Bel Air, Maryland, and attended Emanuel Episcopal Church where they became friends with the Harris family. Larry Harris was in elementary school at the time and had a younger brother Anne's age. Larry grew up to become the Rev. Lawrence Harris, Rector of St. Barnabas Church.

In 1997 Mr. Peach moved to Davidsonville to live with Anne and Will Biddle, as his doctor said he shouldn't live alone any longer because of health problems, and he didn't want to "live with a bunch of old people." Rev. Harris conducted Mr. Peach's memorial service at St. Barnabas Church in January 2009.

Anne Peach Biddle



Southern District Community Alert, from Anne Arundel County Police

The Anne Arundel County Police Department is investigating several burglaries that have occurred in the Davidsonville area during the past month at the following locations, dates and times:

January 5, 2009, 4:00 p.m., 700 block of Chickamauga Drive January 25, 2009, 6:15 p.m., 400 block of Heitzman Road January 25, 2009, 8:00 p.m., 3100 block of Beards Point Road January 28, 2009, 4:30 p.m., 700 block of Sharpsburg Drive

In many of these incidents, entry was gained by prying open a door. Several suspicious vehicles were seen in the area prior to the burglaries.

Detectives quickly obtained a description of a suspect vehicle and began disseminating that information to personnel in Southern District.

On February 21, 2009 Southern District's Detective Unit was able to locate a green conversion van matching the description of the suspect vehicle wanted in connection with the theft from autos in the Davidsonville area. Detectives have made one arrest in connection with the thefts. Charges are pending on a second subject.

And from a resident: Guard your credit cards!

Iarrived at Davidsonville Park about four o'clock on February 11 to walk my dog on a sunny beautiful day. Approximately 15 cars were parked there and everyone was biking, walking, or playing on the playground. About 4:30 I heard a car alarm go off, and thought it sounded like mine, so I hurried back to the parking lot but by the time I could see my car the alarm had ended. When I went to the car all doors were still locked and it didn't look like the car had been bumped. I figured at that point it wasn't my alarm that I had heard. I finished my walk by five o'clock. When I returned to my car I opened it with my keyless entry and the car made a strange triple beep. Never heard that sound before but just got in and went home. At 5:20 my credit card



company called me to question some possible fraudulent activity. I had used the card twice that day. The final question was, "Did I spend \$500.00 at Target in Bowie at 5:00 that day, just 20 minutes ago?" ABSOLUTELY NOT was my response. We confirmed that no other family member had used it; then she asked me to check mine, and I saw it was gone. Apparently someone was able to get into my car, took only the credit card and headed right to Target to purchase electronics; thankfully the card was rejected. Capital One is great in that area. I filed a police report and the officer even got pretty good prints off of my car. Janice Sheppard 20 year resident of Davidsonville

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fundamental principles of supply and demand. We are very fortunate in the Baltimore/Washington corridor as it has one of the more diverse economies in the country. Our combined public and private sectors employ a higher percentage of residents than other regions of the country. We are also marching forward with the BRAC Program. This will bring tens of thousands of new residents into the area over the next several years. With all of these factors taken into account, we have historically had a housing market much more stable in our metro area than most others.

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Anne Arundel County Recycles. More. Often. and You Can Too!

re you sure you are recycling as much as you can? ARecycling is easy in Anne Arundel County. Most people recycle items that come from the kitchen, but what about your home office? Laundry room? Family or kid's room? Recent surveys at the landfill have shown that at least half of what is thrown away could be recycled. Recycling makes good environmental and economic sense. It is an easy way to save energy, reduce pollution, save money and take better care of our environment.



Place a recycle basket in your home in the office, bathroom, kitchen and laundry room. You don't have to sort and separate; paper, plastic, metal and glass can all be placed in the same container. Please visit our new web site at www.RecycleMoreOften.com or call 410-222-7951 for a current list of accepted items to help boost your recycling and to take the 50/50 Challenge.

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Naval Academy Dairy Farm – Past and future

Martin Zehner served on the Citizen Advisory Committee that helped decide the future of the Naval Academy Dairy Farm, 857 acres in Gambrills where the Navy once kept a dairy herd with enough land to pasture them and raise crops to feed them. Erin Cox wrote in the February 24 *Capital* that since 1913 they produced milk, cream and all the dairy products for the entire brigade of midshipmen and all the personnel who lived at the Naval Academy, until 1988.

Now the county holds a 30-year lease for the farm and has carved out 140 acres for a county park to be named Hammond's Connection to honor the earlier owners of the land. The rest of the farm will be leased to a private organic farming company. More than 40 representatives of bird clubs, gardeners, horse enthusiasts, an archeological society, historical groups, neighbors, and the Navy worked on the plan that will provide four miles of hiking and biking trails, a sledding hill, orchards, berry patch, meditation garden with a labyrinth, meadows and 96 plats for community gardens.

Last week Gail Enright found in her attic a letter written to her greatuncle George Quirk dated January 9, 1921, from a friend who leased land on the dairy farm.

"Dear George,

At last I have moved from around Annapolis. I am about thirteen miles above Annapolis, Gambrills being our Post Office and station. This is where the Government Dairy is located; they have a large tract of land. I have one of the best farms in this section; we have six fields, and five of them have running streams of water; this is wonderful when one has had to pump so much water in the past seven years, as I have had to pump. A nice house with all modern conveniences except Electric lights. A nice lot of outbuildings including two tobacco barns. They will take care of about twenty hogsheads. The land [is] a little bit hilly, but good. My Landlord says I need not plant more than eighteen acres in corn to make two hundred barrels.

You know I have been working poor land around Annapolis ever since I have been here and I am more than pleased to tell you that I have at last obtained a good home. My Land-lord is a retired farmer, moved in the city to end his days. Let us hope I can make some here to.

How is every thing in St. Mary's? Write me a nice long letter telling me the news of Cedar Point, in fact, all around there. Are they catching as many fish at Cedar Pt. as we used to catch?

Yours most truly, C. A. Brady, Gambrills, Md."



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Anne Arundel County Farmers' Market



Riva Road Saturday Market Season re-opening Saturday April 4, 2009, 7:00 a.m. ~ noon The market will be open every Saturday morning through December 19, offering seasonal vegetables and fruits, as well as baked goods and crafts. The Market accepts both WIC and Senior FMNP

Coupons. For more information check out the web site at <u>www.aacofarmersmarket.com</u>, or contact: Brenda Conti at 410-349-0317 or write to her by email at <u>Theherbaltouchusa@earthlink.net</u>.

All Hallows' Episcopal Holy Week 2009

Palm Sunday, April 5, *Holy Eucharist*8:00 a.m. at the Chapel; 10:00 a.m. at the Brick Church Monday, April 6, 7:00 p.m. at the Chapel, *Tenebrae: Music by candlelight*Tuesday, April 7, 7:00 p.m. at the Brick Church *Healing Eucharist*Maundy Thursday, April 9, 7:00 p.m. at the Chapel
Good Friday, April 10, 11:00 a.m. Chapel Cemetery *Stations of the Cross.* Noon: *Veneration of the Cross*Holy Saturday, April 11, 8:00 p.m. at Brick Church *Great Vigil and First Mass of Easter*Easter Sunday, April 12, *Holy Eucharist*8:00 a.m. at the Chapel, 10:00 a.m. at the Brick Church, followed by Easter Egg Hunt

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_____Today's date_____