

The Villager

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CLEAN GREEN!

The Green Expo Committee is moving right along with this year's showcase of greening Davidsonville and our world. We already have sponsors and exhibitors registered well before the deadline of March first. There is always more to be done.

Many, many thanks to Expo's right hands, Tracie Hovermale and Dianne Fisher. All the able bodied volunteers in the world could not make Green Expo happen without the computer skills and willingness of Tracie and Dianne to communicate with sponsors and exhibitors and keep track of registrations. The show cannot go on without them.

DACA board members and volunteers who have helped before are ready and willing to repeat their assignments as in past years. We eagerly invite civic and environmental minded folks to join us on Saturday to staff DACA's tables and help with any of the activities where a helping hand is needed.

Sample chores: helping with set-up between 8:00 and 10:00 opening; wrapping give-away tree seedlings throughout the day; preparing reusable tote bags to give to visitors to the Green Expo; taking a turn for an hour or so at the Welcome table. Photographer Meredith McQuoid-Greason would love to have an assistant photographer.

**SATURDAY
MARCH 24, 2018**

10:00 am until 2:00 pm

at Davidsonville Elementary School
962 West Central Avenue

Inviting volunteers! Please notify Gail Enright or Chris Asher if you're looking for a short-term job. Phone numbers and email addresses are on the back page of this Villager. You'll meet some really interesting people, learn a lot, and have fun.

The day will start about 8:00 with time for all participants to set up in their assigned space. The Boy Scouts' flag ceremony will open the show shortly before ten o'clock with marching formation in the gym, then proceed to the outdoor flag pole. Visitors are invited to pick up their tote bags at the welcome table and stroll through the gym and the outdoor basketball court. They can stop by DACA's free tree table in the main hall of the school or the Anne Arundel Forestry Board's tree give-away in the basketball court.

The CLEAN GREEN poster contest entries will be on display on the wall between the gym and the cafeteria, ready for judging by Micki Kirk and Corinna Woodard of the Muddy Creek Artists' Guild. Winners will be announced at noon.

A Little Taste of Italy will provide refreshments and healthy food (as well as the good-tasting stuff some of us enjoy also—LOL).

More features to be announced in the next Villager!

DACA people

DACA’s board wholeheartedly welcomes Jeff Bishop as the newest board member. Jeff became a part of DACA when he began advertising his business, Residential Concrete Services, in the Villager. Since he closed the business and retired, he discovered that he has more time to give to his community and engage in issues. Now a life member of DACA, he also volunteers for Green Expo.

Welcome new members Dianne and Richard Fisher, and thanks to Will Biddle for this gift membership. Special thanks to Dianne who volunteered to work with Tracie Hovermale on managing Green Expo communications.

Welcome also new members Mike and Kathy Mehl and thanks for their contribution to DACA in addition to their dues.

After each Villager is posted to the website, the editor is always so glad to hear from subscribers that they have received the message that it is posted. Thank you.

Thank you again for all your work for DACA. We all appreciate it. Have a wonderful holiday. Fran C.

You have outdone yourself with [the last] issue. Excellent info that all should be aware of. Bobbi R.

Thanks, Gail. Always a great newsletter. Tracy P.

Hi Gail - Great work on the newsletter. Tom L.

Thank you very much for the update. Tony McConkey

I am trying to do everything I can to help our environment so, no paper newsletter is necessary. I am so grateful to you for all of your hard work and beautiful writing. Karen B.

Cathy and I had been tracking Harvest Thyme since Ric came to the DACA meeting. Heard via your “reviews” that it is finally open and we went today. I was very impressed! I was expecting a small, strip-mall sized place, not the elaborate and fancy facility. I hope their location can support them. I really enjoyed the burger too. Don O.

Re: Dump trucks

Have noted several accidents, involving dump trucks and cars on east side of Rossback Rd. just before junction of Rt. 424. There has been a great increase of dust on exterior of homes as truck beds are “tarpless,” producing a fog of dirt/dust. So much for our pastoral setting. How are folks in Patuxent Manor making out with the dust and noise? Dee S.

Are there any questions or answers from Patuxent Manor residents? History on page 11.

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Welcome and thanks to the early bird sponsors, exhibitors, and participants in DACA’s Green Expo, and a special welcome to our newest sponsor, **MOM’S Organic Market!** Many thanks also to **Solar Energy World**, a previous exhibitor that comes this year as a sponsor.

As of January 21, we have registrations or promises from Anne Arundel County’s Forestry Board, AA County Master Gardeners Compost project, the Department of Recreation and Parks, Arlington Echo Outdoor Education program, Bartlett Tree Experts, Bath Saver Mid Atlantic, Baywise Master Gardeners, Boy Scout and Cub Scouts of Troop 454, Chesapeake Environmental Protection Association, Electric Vehicle Association and Hyattsville Police Department, Grove Heating, Hague Quality Water, Homestead Gardens, Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary, Owensville Primary Care, Scenic Rivers Land Trust, Tower Garden, AA County Watershed Protection and Restoration Program, and the Anne Arundel Watershed Stewards Academy.

Special attraction! We have permission from Recreation and Parks to bring the **Eco-Goats** back to Green Expo. Brian Knox will bring them to show how they clean up unwanted weeds and undergrowth.

Killarney House will sponsor the Clean Green poster contest offering prizes of gift certificates \$75, \$50, \$25 to the first, second, and third place winners. DACA will match these amounts with cash prizes. The contest is open to students in grades K through five at Central, Davidsonville, Edgewater, Lothian, Mayo, and Traceys and the Summit School.

Homestead Gardens will provide shrubbery and plants to green up the Expo’s location and will publicize Expo at its Flower Show.

Mike Selby of **G & G Outfitters - Pinnacle Promotions** will provide the reusable tote bags that DACA will give to visitors.

The Baker Creek Heirloom Seed Company will provide gift seed packets to be included in the tote bags.

Boy Scout Troop 454 and the Cub Scouts will hold the flag ceremony to start the program, accompanied by Mrs. Fidyk’s Honors Band. Senator Ed Reilly will address the Scouts and Cubs at the flag raising and will present a new Maryland flag to the school. The Scouts will staff an exhibit and collect tattered flags for proper retirement. Don’t treat the American flag like garbage!

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Solar farm permits under moratorium for eight months

The County Executive and Council’s moratorium on new solar farm permits will allow time to study current zoning regulations and to update them to fit the changing circumstances since solar farms were last considered about ten years ago.

The County Executive formed a agricultural study commission which gave their unanimous support of the eight-month moratorium. The commission will work on the measures needed to assure that solar installations are compatible with sites selected.

The solar farm application was filed with the County Office of Planning and Zoning on August 2, but the nearby residents were not notified until September 28. The neighbors have had no opportunity to address BGE on this and in October BGE had not yet held the community information meeting that is required by the County.

Activity at Tilden on Central Avenue

Gail asked Debbie Van Lunen about the open signs at Tilden Lawn. “Are you still here?” She replied, “No, we have moved to Maine. Yes, they are open. The new place will be called Tilden Farm. Selling mulch, stone and I believe soil amendments.”

DACA member running for House of Delegates

Tracie Hovermale has announced her candidacy for the Maryland House of Delegates in District 33, representing the communities and surrounding areas of Arnold, Cape St. Claire, Crofton, Davidsonville, Gambrills, Harwood, Millersville, Riva, and Severna Park. Tracie is a native of Davidsonville, attended Davidsonville Elementary and South River HS, and is a graduate of Hood College in Frederick, Maryland. She is a former board member of DACA and an active volunteer for Green Expo.

General Development Plan Listening Sessions

6:00 to 8:00 pm

January 29 at Northeast High School

February 8 at Southern High School

February 22 at Brooklyn Park Middle School

To learn more, you can drop in any time during the two-hour sessions to ask questions and view the plans. It is helpful to go to this website beforehand.

<http://www.aacounty.org/departments/planning-and-zoning/long-range-planning/general-development-plan/index.html>. To learn more about the new plan, you can visit www.aacounty.org/Plan2040.

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New Police Academy in Davidsonville

On December 6, 2017, County Executive Steve Schuh, Police Chief Tim Altomare and other county officials broke ground on the new Anne Arundel County Police Department Police Training Academy.

The new police academy project is an \$18.8 million, 30,000 square foot facility that will train new recruits to the Anne Arundel County Police Department, as well as personnel from the Sheriff’s Office and other regional law enforcement agencies.

The County Executive first proposed funding for feasibility, design, and construction for the new Academy in his FY2016 capital plan. Construction is slated to be complete by the spring/summer of 2019.

The state of the art facility will be named in honor of Charles “Butch” Troyer, a retired county police officer who heroically prevented a hijacking at Baltimore Washington Thurgood Marshall International Airport in 1974.

The capital project was made possible through the JumpStart Anne Arundel capital project financing program. Enacted in 2015, the capital plan embraces a 30-year bond financing option. This reform has allowed Anne Arundel County to expand its capital funding program and make critical school, public safety, road, and quality of life infrastructure improvements from Brooklyn Park to Pasadena to Annapolis to Odenton.

(Press release from Owen McEvoy, December 6, 2018)

New Rector at All Hallows Parish

The Vestry of All Hallows Parish is pleased to announce the election of a new Rector to serve and lead the congregation.

The Reverend Jeffrey Hual has been selected by the Vestry to serve as the 46th Rector of this parish, one of the oldest in Maryland, with worship having begun before 1669 and established as the Church of England in 1692. Father Hual will begin his new ministry here on February 1, 2018.



Father Hual most recently served as Priest in Charge of St. John’s in the Village Parish in Baltimore. Prior to this, he was an assistant priest at St. Paul’s K Street in Washington D.C. He graduated with honors from the Virginia Theological Seminary in 2015. A native of Pensacola, Florida, prior to seminary Fr. Hual had careers as a Certified Public Accountant in Birmingham, Alabama and as Executive Vice President of his family’s moving and storage business in Pensacola. Fr. Hual and his wife Kerry currently reside in Baltimore and have a teen-age son, Jacob. They plan to move to the Davidsonville area this spring.



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DACA needs to fill vacancies on the Board of Directors. What do board members do?

Already we are looking forward to DACA’s 45th Annual Meeting, June 7th, at which the general membership will elect officers and board members. At present we have three vacancies in the term to June 2019. Four members will complete their three-year terms in June 2018, and are eligible to serve again in the term to June 2021. Therefore we are seeking to fill a total of seven slots.

Many thanks to Jeff Bishop for volunteering for the slot to June 2020. Before agreeing to serve, he asked what do board members do? Following is an answer to him and to all potential board members.

The first requirement of a board member is interest in the community. Board members must attend the monthly board meeting on the first Thursday of each month, including the June annual meeting, or notify the president or the secretary in advance if they cannot. Three consecutive unexplained absences are considered as resignation.

As for what board members do, they bring their own concerns to the board meetings for discussion and possibly action by the board; action can be a letter from DACA to the County Council, County Executive, or whatever group or business or individual we are addressing. Members can put as much time as they like on studying and exploring issues of their choice.

It helps to explore the website www.daca-md.org. Back issues of the Villager can be found there as far back as 2008. Board members participate in board discussions, provide information, and if they are willing and it is appropriate, they may testify at zoning hearings at County Council hearings or zoning hearings That was quite often at DACA’s beginning. Kate Fox has been very active in researching and testifying on issues. DACA is very much concentrated on land use and zoning. DACA’s decisions on issues and positions are reached by board vote on a motion, or by consensus in a meeting. Between meetings, informal and formal votes are made by email.

Green Expo is DACA’s most visible activity, when we are not dealing with community-wide crises, like the salt dome. The entire board is enlisted to work on it, especially on the day of Green Expo, this year, March 24. Up until now, decisions have been made by the entire board, or they are asked to discuss and approve or disapprove decisions made by a smaller planning group. We are very fortunate to have a number of experienced off-board volunteers for special tasks. Thanks to Tracie Hovermale and Dianne Fisher, Meredith McQuoid-Greaseon, Jerry Coffman, and Bob Carobrese.

Anyone interested in serving on the board is invited to attend a board meeting as a guest. Just call Gail Enright or Chris Asher, or email to info@daca-md.org to let us know. We are eager to meet you.

County Council Action

At its December 4 meeting, South County’s District Seven Council member Jerry Walker was elected Vice Chairman of the Council. Michael Peroutka was elected Chairman.

Ann Fligsten, Executive Director of the Growth Action Network, provides regular updates on the County Council to GAN’s members. After the December 18 Council meeting, she reported:

The Charter Amendment Resolution #48-17, was passed. This adds a provision to the procedures for passing ordinances that will require public notice of a requested change by posting a sign on the property. This is to correct last minute, unheard reclassifications proposed by amendment to the County Planning and Zoning Code by request of a Council member on behalf of the applicant, instead of by the designated method, a written application to the Office of Planning and Zoning which must go before the Hearing Officer and reviewed by P&Z, or one not proposed by the OPZ.

Mr. Grasso’s bill (# 92-17) to cap school capacity at 95 percent was approved six to one by the County Council on January 16. Only Mr. Peroutka voted against it. It addresses overcrowding of schools caused by too much new residential development. Schools that have 95

percent of their State-Rated Capacity (maximum capacity student enrollment), are to be listed as closed to further development on the annual School Utilization Chart. A closed school means that new developments will not approved in those school districts unless the developer donates land to the Board of Education for future construction of school facilities or offers money to for increasing school capacity—a new school or additions; this will meet the requirement of adequate school facilities.

Many GAN member organizations and others, including the County School Board, favored passage of this bill. It will not solve all of the school over-crowding and maintenance needs, but it is a step in the right direction.

New communities and their residents require increased services of fire and police protection, schools, and roads. These adequate facilities are meant to be paid for from the County’s impact fees paid by the developer. The impact fees provide only 80 percent of the true cost of public infrastructure that services new developments. Considerable time has passed since the County’s impact fee was increased substantially to reach 80 percent. Other Maryland counties have increased the fees developers must pay, and now Anne Arundel County again has one of the lowest impact fees in the state!

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Tom Angelis offers scholarships through DACA

January 4, 2018

Tom Angelis has lived in Davidsonville almost 40 years, has served on DACA's board, and was Vice President for a few terms.

Tom initiated his scholarship program in November 2016 providing seed money in the amount of \$500 to each of nine organizations—three in Anne Arundel and six in his hometown of Philadelphia—primarily but not exclusively for use in educational endeavors. At DACA's September board meeting, he offered DACA the tenth and final scholarship in his program. He proposes to promote the fund by inviting additional contributions in any amount, large or small, to increase it. Tom attaches no strings but imagined (correctly) that DACA would incline toward environmental education

His first gift was to St. Paul's Anglican Church in Crownsville as a memorial to his mother, Clara Angelis. He proposes to continue these donations every year. Since it was announced to the recipient organizations, their members have added their own gifts to the funds in varying amounts. Some programs have grown and the organizations have awarded scholarships or initiated new educational programs aimed at specific target recipients. Some found it necessary to wait until the second year gift before giving it away. Last year three \$800 scholarships were awarded and this year five \$800 scholarships will be awarded. He is satisfied with his success this far.

At the December board meeting, Tom approved Chris's suggestion that we start by using some of it for children's education in the Green Expo poster contest.

Dear Tom:

The DACA Board of Directors is wholeheartedly grateful to you for your generous gift of \$500 to initiate a scholarship program through DACA. We deeply appreciate your confidence in this group to allow discretion in the disposition of these funds and we will make every effort to deserve your confidence and seek to grow the fund for educational purposes. We look forward to continuing this program as you outlined your hope for it.

As you agreed at the December meeting, the first disbursement will be to enhance the Green Expo poster contest prizes, admittedly and intentionally a modest beginning. The January-February Villager will include an announcement of your ongoing scholarship and will promote the cash prizes for the contest winners. The Expo Committee had already discussed "sweetening the pot" to provide a better incentive for entrants, in addition to the prize gift certificates for meals offered by Killarney House, and you have lightened the burden of Expo's increasing expenses.

Green Expo will be Saturday, March 24, from 10:00 until 2:00. We hope to see you there. Perhaps you can award the prizes to the contest winners? We have not formalized the schedule, but winners should be announced around noon in the gym where the posters will be displayed.

Thank you again.



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Healthy Eating from the Tower

Over the past decade, we've all heard about the need to increase the amount of fruits and vegetables in our diet. The general wisdom is that half of what we consume should be fruits and vegetables. Professionals inform us that fruits and vegetables contain vital phyto (plant) nutrients that promote general good health and help to prevent disease.

Because of this undeniable fact, today's consumers are more informed about the produce that reaches their dinner table. We ask discriminating questions such as: Where and how was it grown? Was it picked vine ripened? Did the producer use pesticides and herbicides? How far did it travel to reach my grocery store?

The answers to these questions lead us to seek alternative sources. Farmer's Markets and small privately owned vegetable stands throughout Maryland satisfy customer demands for fresh, nutritious, and safe produce from spring through fall.

The taste, color and nutritional content of local produce are generally far superior to the produce grown long distances away and harvested prematurely. Buying locally supports the farmer who grows varieties best suited to the local climate and soils, allowing flavor and nutrition to take precedence over transportability. Buying locally means your food is better tasting, better for the local economy, and better for your health.

The "buy local" idea has also spawned new growing techniques. One such method is Hydroponics, being successfully implemented at the local level.

In one variety of Hydroponics, plants are grown with roots resting in a water-mineral solution that eliminates the need for soil for the plant to thrive. The plants absorb nutrients, promoting vibrant growth and yield.

Produce grown hydroponically is locally available year round. Because of the complexity and physical space required, growing hydroponically is best left to professionals.

Aeroponics is another method gaining in popularity for both commercial and home use. Aeroponics, like hydroponics, does not use soil. Plant roots are exposed to air and water mixed with essential minerals periodically applied in a drip or spray method. Aeroponics uses less than ten percent of the water required for soil-based gardening.

Aeroponics has been introduced to visitors at *The Living With the Land* attraction at Disney's Epcot® as one of many emerging growing methods. When the aeroponic method is combined with a vertical circulating water distribution system, local takes on a whole new dimension. Local becomes your back deck, patio or balcony where a "growing tower" can capture sunlight. Aeroponic gardening is easy to setup and maintain. Prior gardening experience and traditional gardening tools are no longer required.

The consumer can be in control of every aspect of delivering produce to their dining table including seedling propagation, planting, pest control, harvesting, transportation and safety. What a convenient, practical and environmentally friendly way to add more fruits and vegetables into our diet!



Caren and Ed De Piazza enjoy aeroponic gardening on their back deck. For more information, visit them at the Davidsonville Green Expo or contact them at: caren_depiazza@md.metrocast.net or at www.cdepiazza.juiceplus.com.



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The number of Americans producing their own fruits and vegetables has increased more than 25 percent since 2008, growing to 44 million gardeners. Yet, many reject growing their own food, worried that home gardening is too large a time, labor, and monetary commitment. Hopefully, the concept of a self-sustaining food forest will inspire people to reconsider their perceptions and investigate how they could make growing food a part of their lives.

A ‘food forest’ is an agricultural concept that takes root in permaculture, a practice that promotes self-sustaining, food-producing ecosystems by emphasizing perennial, low-maintenance indigenous crops that can survive off of natural nutrient inputs, drainage patterns, and climate. Food forests require little maintenance, but are very fruitful; a perfect combination for the reluctant home gardener.

Food Forests are grown like a forest, with plants supporting one another in a mini-ecosystem. A healthy forest converts solar energy into biomass. Whether it’s a 2,000 year old natural forest in Morocco, a city park in

Tel Aviv, the Beacon Food Forest in Seattle, the Clifton Park Food Forest in Maryland, or a spot in the woods behind your home, food forests flourish regardless of shape, size, or species composition, and provide high volumes of food for their communities. Properly planned food forests can exist anywhere and be any size, just about anywhere you can find a patch of sun. It can be a ten by ten foot patch, or stretch along a fence line, a finely blended cornucopia of multi-purpose species bordering the pool, or mixed into the rose bed.

Fair Farm’s partners, Ecologia: Edible + Ecological Landscapes and Forested – Creative Ecology, are two great resources for Maryland homeowners to learn how they can create bountiful, low-maintenance edible landscapes of any size around their homes. Both offer workshops and tours so that Marylanders can gain a vision of what permaculture and food forests in the region can offer. If you’re ready to begin planting, you can explore Michael Judd’s guide, *Edible Landscaping with a Permaculture Twist*.

Judd recommends starting with a few simple fruits that thrive in the Chesapeake region. He believes that planting a diversity of species unlocks “a world of wonder that has endless variations and relations.”

Fair Farms will present an exhibit at DACA’s Green Expo on March 24 at Davidsonville Elementary School. Come see!

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Update on Brandywine Sand and Gravel

(from DACA December Minutes)

Molly Michaelson at the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, who was named in the newsletter of the Davidsonville Four Corners Association, said that Brandywine Aggregates has had a permit for years and there is no evidence of anything other than clean dirt going in. They are still mining sand and gravel and they are not crushing concrete and asphalt. Trees and stumps are being hauled in.

Steve Abend, who lives across the road from Brandywine, related the background starting when his uncle owned the land and mined sand and gravel along the river bed. The chain of property sales started with the transfer of the land and business to Davidsonville Sand and Gravel, then to Brandywine Sand and Gravel headquartered in Bowie, and numerous transfers between Brandywine S & G and Brandywine Aggregates, in which the Jones of Annapolis excavating company has an interest. Brandywine excavated sand and gravel down to the water table at the aquifer; when they struck the aquifer, the water in the neighboring shallow wells went down and many neighbors had to drill new deeper wells. DNR required them to replace the dirt to fill the excavations. At different times on the site they buried large tractor-truck tires and 50-gallon oil drums filled with used motor oil, and three large shipping containers filled with who knows what.

Although the easily accessed sand and gravel were exhausted by the time Brandywine bought it, they have

since then demolished the buildings and are again mining the assets under the location of the buildings. The dump is accepting large amounts of tree stumps and whole trees not ground up. Steve said the last official inspection took place in March 2017 although the woman in the office told Wayne Reid that they undergo regular DNR inspections without advance notice and have passed satisfactorily. The general manager Mark told Steve the tree stumps were being used as mulch and the complete trees were being used on the perimeters to keep four-wheel joyriders out. The company plans to bring a concrete crusher to use there, a huge generator of noise and dust.

Citizens are allowed to file complaints with DNR and are not required to use their names to avoid retaliation. Other neighbors also are concerned about the amount of traffic and speed of the trucks on Rossback and Patuxent River Road.

Apparently there are two issues: the history of what they have done that is harmful and what they are doing now—traffic and the current use of the site. Steve and Jeff, Will and Wayne will continue to observe traffic on Patuxent River Road.

Daniel Jones of Jones of Annapolis joined DACA under the name Brandywine Aggregates, using the Jones of Annapolis postal address outside the DACA “Area” eligible for a non-voting associate membership. He invited the DACA board to take a tour of the facility and he will answer any questions after the holidays. Some will want to when the weather is milder.



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for hiking, but closed on holidays. Entrance fee is \$6 per vehicle.

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After the intermission, AVAS will take the stage under the direction of JoAnn Kulesa. The orchestra and chorus will perform Bernstein’s *Chichester Psalms* and Copland’s *Canticle of Freedom*.

Luka Stefanovic is a senior at the Baltimore School for the Arts and studies with Dr. Daniel Levitov through the Peabody Preparatory. He joined the Peabody Youth Orchestra in 2013 and was named Principal Cello in the fall of 2016. As a student at the Baltimore School for the Arts, he frequently performs as principal cello with its various ensembles.



Lydia Doughty has been playing French Horn for nearly five years and has taken private lessons for more than four years. She is a two-time recipient of the Anne Arundel County Music Camp’s Bill Blanchard award, and was also awarded the Bates Middle School Performing and Visual Arts Band “achievement of excellence.”

Sean Kim made his orchestral debut as soloist at the age of thirteen with the Maryland Columbia Orchestra. He won first place in many prestigious competitions such as the International Concerto Competition at the American Fine Arts Festival in New York City, American Protégé International Concerto Competition, Columbia Orchestra Young Artist Competition, Maryland State Music Teachers Association Violin Competition, and State Alternate winner of the Music Teacher National Association Competition.



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