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A PORTRAIT OF MY HORSE

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NEW MAYOR AND FOUR COUNCIL MEMBERS ELECTED

Betsy Davis, running unopposed to replace Tim Dimos as Mayor of Middleburg, received, 122 votes as six candidates vied for four seats on the Middleburg Town Council in elections held on May 2.

The Middleburg voters who elected Lisa Hubbard Patterson with 89 votes, and Council veterans Mark Snyder and Darlene Kirk, with 88 and 87, respectively. Karen Robinson took the fourth slot on the Council with 76 votes. Patterson and Robinson will be serving on the Council for the first time.

Candidates Judith Pryor Plescow, placed 5th in the recent election, with 63 votes and Frederick Hutchison, with 42.

Hyre to Resign in September

Council member Helen Hyre announced on Monday, May 8th, that she would give up her seat on the Council in September, citing personal and health reasons. Hyre told the Council, at an early-week work session, that she wanted the new council to appoint her replacement and that she would delay her formal resignation to give the new members enough time to "be up to speed" before leaving her post.

The new Mayor and council members will be sworn in late June.

Thursday Council Meeting Next Year's Budget

With some of the newly

elected council members in the gallery Mayor Tim Dimos called the council meeting to order on Thursday, May 11, at 7:30 PM, on time as usual.

A short public hearing on the Town's budget for fiscal year 2006-2007 preceded the regular business. Total general fund expenses for the coming year are projected at \$1,332, 157 with general fund revenues totaling \$1,332, 157.

Major sources of revenue projected for the town: \$244,500 in "Collection and Enforcement" revenues; \$240,000 in "Real Estate and Personal Property taxes"; \$237,000 in "Meal and Occupancy Taxes"; and \$175,000 each from "Bank Franchise Taxes" and "Business Licenses."

Salamander Inn Zoning

The top item on the evening's agenda was the passage of an amendment to the Middleburg Zoning Ordinances that would allow the Salamander Inn to operate a "rural resort" on its property within the town.

After months of lengthy and prolonged discussions among representatives of Salamander Development, LLC, the Town planning and legal staff, and members of the town Planning Commission a 28-page amendment to the Town's zoning ordinance was adopted by the Planning Commission on May 8, and presented for approval by the full Town Council on Thursday night.

Only one minor amendment to the text was passed, words suggested by Margaret New, and adding emphasis to the injunction that only predominately "passive" recreational activities would be allowed on land defined and set aside as "open space."

By a unanimous vote the Council then approved the changes in the zoning law, thus bringing the Salamander Inn and Spa, and the installation of a new waste water treatment plant for the Town, one step nearer to completion.

Mayor Dimos commended the leadership of the Planning Commission and its chair, Stephen Plescow, Council member Mark Snyder, and the town's professional staff, especially the Town's legal counsel, Elizabeth Whiting, for their painstaking, word-

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GENTLE GROWTH AND THE LOCAL ECONOMY MIDDLEBURG'S NEXT MAYOR'S VIEWS

Betsy Davis, who has served on Middleburg's Town Council for eight years and is the newly elected mayor of the village, has a very different definition of "development" than what so many citizens dread when she talks about what her hope is for the future of Middleburg.

She means "economic development," the kind of development that creates a successful commercial sector, keeps taxes down, service to citizens up, and cul-de-sac subdivisions at bay.

"Middleburg enjoys the benefits of a healthy and thriving business community," she explains. "Sometimes people think that all the beautiful blooming plants, special events and increasing services just 'happen.' And, they don't realize that we have the lowest tax rate in the county because our merchants are smart business people who combine their forces to create a commercial sector that is attractive to shoppers from around the world."

Davis believes in what she calls "gentle growth."

"I've lived here for 50 years, and I love the traditions and character of Middleburg. Good decisions by many past town leaders have allowed the village to grow gently

without compromising the culture of the place. I believe in that."

Davis, along with her mother Nancy Allen and her sister Paige Allen, runs The Fun Shop, a wonderful store that positively seduces shoppers with charming and unusual pieces that are housed in room after room of seemingly endless surprises. She and her sister, Page took over from their mother who began the shop 50 years ago this year.

"We're celebrating our anniversary all year," Davis says, underscoring her understanding of what it takes to build and maintain a successful business.

Critical Role of Active Citizens, Volunteers

Betsy also emphasizes the importance of a team of citizens and merchants who have been and remain dedicated to the economic viability of Middleburg and who work tirelessly to ensure that the town is exceptionally attractive to visitors and local citizens

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NEWS OF NOTE

"LATE ENTRY" RETURNS HOME A CHAMPION



OWNERS KATHY AND SARAH CHOVIK. RIDER SANDY FERRELL. TRAINER GINNY EDWARDS AND GROOM POLO PEREZ.

Prime Time Show Stables and Hidden Hollow returned to their Middleburg/Upperville home base in April with an impressive ribbon collection from the Winter Equestrian Festival circuit in Wellington, Fla.

Trainer Ginny Edwards and owners Kathy and Sarah Chovnick partnered for the most prestigious hunter victory on the circuit when their Late Entry, ridden by professional Sandy Ferrell, topped the \$45,200 AHJF Hunter Classic Spectacular of Palm Beach.

The bay, Holsteiner gelding earned the winner's share of \$12,000 over a star-studded field of the country's best show hunters from the professional, junior and amateur-owner ranks. Horses and riders qualified for the Classic, held under the lights on the Palm Beach Polo Equestrian Club's International Ring, by earning a championship or reserve tricolor during the Bainbridge Florida Classic/WCHR Spectacular Horse Show.

The Chovniks purchased Late Entry from Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Oare of Warrenton, Va., last fall as a junior hunter for Sarah, 15. She also shows him in the small junior division and earned impressive placings throughout the WEF.

"It was an incredible night," said Edwards. "He's a very brave horse, and this class was so easy for him. He and Sarah also did well throughout the circuit, and they won a class almost each week. He's turned out to be everything we'd hoped for and more."

Sarah continued Hidden Hollow's championship efforts with her own tricolor aboard Kate Spade, also

THE PLAINS COMMUNITY HOUSE FUND ESTABLISHED



The directors of the Piedmont Community Foundation (PCF), are pleased to announce the establishment of the John Page Turner (JPT) Community House Fund with PCF. The Fund has been established to ensure the maintenance and security of this important local landmark and center for community services in The Plains, Virginia. Initial funding came from a local family foundation with strong ties to The Plains.

The house was named for John Page Turner who was Mayor of The Plains from 1965 to 1979. Turner was a career teacher at Marshall Middle School and Fauquier High School. The house was built circa 1910 by a much beloved citizen of The Plains, Miss Alice Anne Murray (1847 - 1939).

The John Page Turner House is the headquarters of The Plains Community League (TPCL) which provides food aid, tutoring, scholarships and social services to youths, individuals and families in and around The Plains. The landmark house functions as a community center available to all the residents for town events and activities.

With TPCL taking the significant step of becoming the owner of the house and property, they approached PCF to assist in creating a fund to help them meet the costs of potential significant capital improvements or major emergency repairs that would fall outside of their annual operating budget.

The goal for the Fund is to build the investment to a minimum of \$100,000+ with the community's assistance. Gifts of any size can be made to the Piedmont Community Foundation for the new John Page Turner Community House Fund.

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BIG STEP IN PRESERVATION

The Waterford Foundation announced May 11th, that it has purchased a 25 acre parcel in the Waterford National Historic Landmark from the Hutchison family. This parcel was originally part of the John S. and Lelia M. Hutchison farm in Waterford. John S. Hutchison arrived in Waterford in 1925 and was farming 1700 acres on the west and north sides of the village at the time of his death in 1980. Many of those same acres are still being farmed today.

A conservation easement and restrictive covenants will reduce the density on this 25 acre parcel to one home site before it is resold to a conservation-minded buyer. The Hutchisons will reduce the density on an adjoining 25 acre parcel to 2 home sites.

The Waterford Foundation is delighted to be joining with this landowner to protect 50 acres in the National Historic Landmark.

Mr. James Behan, Waterford Foundation President remarked, "We have enjoyed working with the Hutchisons to protect these two parcels from development that might harm the rural setting of the village. We are grateful for their support of our efforts."

The Virginia Land Conservation Foundation recently awarded the Waterford Foundation a grant to help with the easement costs involved with this project. The parcel has frontage on the north side of the Old Wheatland Road opposite the 144 acre Phillips Farm which fronts on the south side of the same road. The Phillips Farm

was purchased in 2003 and was placed in conservation easement in May of 2005 to also preserve the rural setting of the village.

The Waterford Foundation, Inc. is dedicated to preserving the historic buildings and open spaces of the National Historic Landmark District of Waterford, Virginia. The Waterford Foundation strives to increase public knowledge of life and work in an early American rural community through various educational programs. The Waterford Foundation is supported through grants, donor contributions and proceeds from the annual Waterford Homes Tour and Crafts Exhibit.

Waterford Foundation 540-882-3018 Website, www.waterfordva.org.

PURCELLVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST WELCOMES NEW MINISTER

The church of Christ in Purcellville is very pleased to announce that Lance Grimsley, a native of Stockbridge, Georgia, will begin serving as the congregation's evangelist Sunday, May 21, 2006. Lance's first sermon as the new minister is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. and after Bible classes and a potluck luncheon, he is to present another lesson at 1:30 p.m. Everyone in the area is welcomed to hear the gospel and meet Lance and his wife,

Renee, on that day.

Lance began preaching and teaching at age 14 and he has served congregations in Great Falls, Virginia, Stockbridge and Jackson, Georgia, and Kansas City, Missouri, as a preacher and teacher. He is a serious and accomplished Bible student and helps publish The Reasoner, a Christian periodical.

The church currently meets at 201 N. Maple Avenue, Suite 201, in Purcellville.



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by-word consideration of the lengthy amendment to the Town's zoning laws. Ambiguities of language and a clear reconciliation of the town's laws, with those of the county and state were a daunting task, Dimos noted, praising all those involved for both the quality of their work and the civility with which it was conducted.

Town Well Problems

In an otherwise quiet session of Council, Town Administrator Mike Casey reported that Town Well Number 4, though still pumping, was some 60 feet shallower than before, most probably as a result of a deep cave-in, pipe collapse, or other obstruction. A contractor has been retained to diag-

nose the problem on the well, dug in 1994, and only brought on line as part of the active water-supply system in 2005. A burnt-out 100,000-gallon a day pump has already been replaced, and Casey expects the well to be back on line at full capacity soon.

Casey also reported that he had winnowed down the applications for the vacant Town Clerk's position to less than a dozen, and that he would present his recommendations to the Council soon.

In response to a query from Margaret New about Loudoun County Supervisor Jim Burton's plans to speak to the Middleburg Council about land development issues, the Council

agreed to issue an invitation for him to speak at the Council's next regular public meeting on June 8.

Police and Parking

Police Chief Steve Webber reported a quiet month in Middleburg, and in response to a query by Council Member Bundles Murdock, confirmed that his department's enforcement of the new Town parking regulations had been, to date, "gentle."

Murdock noted, and other Council members confirmed, that parking spaces in the main business district seemed to be turning over more frequently, and that there was still plenty of parking to be found in the town's new Liberty Street lot.

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Telling the Middleburg Story

Davis also speaks forcefully about the value of effective communication of the Middleburg story, both a vital tool for managed growth, and an effective means of reinforcing regional, state, national and international support for protecting the special ambience and setting of the Village. She speaks highly of the "invaluable service" Vicky Bendure provides by promoting Middleburg.

Coordination as Plan, not Afterthought

Davis quickly notes how terrific it is to have Claudia Dornin on board as Economic Development Coordinator.

"We had to fight long and hard to establish this position. It wasn't easy to convince people that having a dedicated individual in place would add tremendous value to all of our initiatives. We finally made the point, and, with great good fortune, hired Claudia. She has excellent previous management experience, and is already doing an invaluable job of serving our citizens, our visitors and our merchants."

Dornin's responsibilities include the organization of historic downtown revitalization programs; building support for the Main Street Middleburg Committee; working closely with Main Street Loudoun, The Middleburg Business & Professional Association and the Loudoun County Economic Development staffs; seeking out private funding for many initiatives; staffing both the Economic Development Committee and the Main Street Middleburg Committee and building a vibrant network among merchants and citizens to create even greater synergy for the long-term success of the village.

"Claudia will also provide support to many on-going services and initiatives," Betsy said. "She'll help support the Pink Box and the monthly calendar; she'll assist the Bluemont Concert Series and she'll help with Middleburg's summer concert series."

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"Vicky does an incredible and wonderful job of keeping Middleburg front and center in the public eye. We receive frequent and consistent comment as a charming and timeless place to visit and shop in publications and on broadcast outlets that reach all our target audiences. Those articles and mentions on popular television shows do a world of good to keep upper demographic visitors heading our way."

According to Davis, Bendure provides her services to the town for a remarkably reasonable fee.

"We all know she is in great demand as a communications professional. But she loves this place as much as we all do and we pay her very little for her tremendously valuable services. Vicky's making a personal investment in Middleburg, just as we all are, we're just fortunate to have so many dedicated individuals involved in our future."

Bendure, who's been working to position Middleburg since 1999, says everyone who visits to cover the town loves what they find in the village.

"Christmas in Middleburg is always a wonderful story," Vicky says. "But the new summer event, Dog Days in August, has tremendous potential to really ignite the commercial sector at a time of year when shoppers want to stay home unless something really fun is happening."

In addition to consistent Washington Post coverage and excellent pick-up on Fox News, Vicky often brings the BBC to Middleburg.

"Whether or not they understand the horse business, they all understand immediately upon arrival how special this place is, and how much their audiences will enjoy a visit."

Bendure, who grew up in Bethesda and went to college at Texas Christian University, came back to the area to work with Marvin Gerstin's advertising agency, the oldest agency in Washington, D.C.

"My mother used to take me to Maryland to ride," Vicky remembers. "I loved my agency job in D.C., but the minute I discovered Middleburg, I knew this was where I wanted to be. It's a great personal pleasure to help the town thrive on its own terms."

It's easy to see why Betsy Davis applauds her "almost invisible" economic development support team. And, its easy to see why she hasn't any opposition in her run for mayor.

"My goal is the same as it has always been," Davis says. "I want Middleburg to be a wonderful place to live and to work. I want to be certain our citizens and our visitors have the very best services we can provide. And I want to help ensure that any growth here is gentle growth, not the kind that compromises the charm and tradition and character of the village we all love so much."

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Middleburg Bank has named Mary Liz McCauley Purcellville Community Executive. In her new position, McCauley will continue to oversee operations of the Purcellville Financial Center while playing a larger role in bank operations and strategy. Additionally, as Community Executive, McCauley will now be responsible for expanding an already robust Middleburg Bank presence in the Purcellville community, including additional participation in community based activities.

Joe Boling, Chairman and CEO of Middleburg Bank commented, "Mary Liz is one of the reasons our bank is successful. She's a genuine friend of the community who is also highly astute relative to financial matters. It's people like Mary Liz that make our brand of community banking unique in this market today."

McCauley began her banking career in Loudoun County in the late 1970s. She joined Middleburg Bank in 1994 to help open the Purcellville branch. Since then McCauley has worked in every department of Middleburg Bank. She is a graduate of the Virginia Bankers Association School of Bank Management and holds numerous professional degrees and accreditations.

Filling her new role as a community leader is nothing new to McCauley. She was born and raised in Loudoun County and has been heavily involved in community activities most of her life. She is the President of the Western Loudoun Community Volunteers and was recently named "Optimist" of the year by the Western Loudoun Optimist Club.



MIDDLEBURG BANK SELECTS VAALER REAL ESTATE

Vaaler Real Estate Company has been chosen by Middleburg Bank as their exclusive broker to identify appropriate Northern Virginia building sites and assist with acquiring those new properties. This decision comes as a result of a study, commissioned by the bank, which recommended hiring a firm with specialized commercial real estate expertise. The selection process included in-depth interviews with several brokerage firms.

"We're excited," says Rich Vaaler, company principal, "Middleburg Bank is a vital and growing financial institution and we share their strong commitment to our community." Vaaler Real Estate will be locating building sites tailored to Middleburg Bank's specific criteria.

MAIN STREET IS BLOOMING 2006



Middleburg businesses continue to take pride in their main street town. In recognition for their efforts, Main Street Middleburg recognized Home Farm, Journeymen Saddlers, Middleburg Bank and Upper Crust Bakery as Best Overall for Most Consistently Well-Maintained Gardens as part of Main Street is Blooming in Middleburg 2006.

The judges, volunteers from Middleburg Beautification and Preservation, Inc., Streetscape and Mayor Dimos, had a very difficult time recognizing only a few businesses as so many businesses had done so much.

Main Street chair and Mayor-elect Betsy Davis presented certificates to another 55 businesses were also recognized for their efforts to enhance Middleburg through spring cleaning and beautification efforts.

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☀ **GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY:** Greenvest L.C. will donate 123 acres of land to George Mason University to ensure that Loudoun County gets its first complete 4-year University.



☀ **NEW SCHOOLS:** Greenvest L.C. will invest more than \$150 million to build 3 elementary schools, a middle school, and a high school along the Route 50 corridor in Dulles South, handing the County the keys to brand new schools or provide developed and ready sites for the County to build new schools – whichever the County desires.

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☀ **COMMUNITY PARKS:** Greenvest L.C. will donate more than 200 acres for public parks, and invest over \$10 million to improve those parks so that they can be used by the public the day the property is turned over to Loudoun County.

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‘RIB INN’ IT UP

FROM BEHIND THE STOVE

BRIAN LICHOROWIC

Ribs are a family thing. My Uncle Matt had an idea for a rib joint, so the Lichorowic family bought a bankrupt chain of five restaurants in the late '70's throughout up-state New York. They retooled the stores and Rib Inns was born. Uncle Matt enlisted his oldest son (my late cousin Gary) and headed out on a nationwide vision quest for a good rib recipe to duplicate. Many brown paper bags filled with different ribs were brought by for us to taste and rate. We'd eat and be bored to the gills learning about stupid BBQ. We tried them all; dirty red BBQ sauce, Carolina sweet, dry rubbed and slow smoked. After about a month of this I didn't care if I ate another rib until I was 70. I made it to 35.

Rib Inn's, once immensely popular and successful, ultimate demise was due to 1) very poor economy and probably 2) Making people fat. The plating and portions were immeasurable. For \$9.95 you got a full rack of baby back ribs with cereal bowl of slaw and a 9"x9" pan of Cornbread on your meal. For an extra \$5.95 you got an Onion loaf banged and dropped into the middle

of your table. This was an aspiration of my late cousin. The Rib Inn Onion Loaf should have been sold at Home Depot. A full loaf's dimensions were the size of a full size commercial fryer basket (12"x 8" x 10"). These were made by hand breadring onions and layering them into a fry basket and cooking them to order in fresh peanut oil. It became a local legend. Syracuse University students would order a loaf; wrap it in newspaper and head back to their dorm room.

Uncle won't say a word. The rub and the sauce he keeps to himself along with about 8000 other amazing recipes in his head. A family yam after 30 years had become an annoying summer obsession with my brothers and I to duplicate Uncle Matt's ribs. We have an ongoing verbal pilgrimage (CA, FL & VA) calling each other to share our ingredients list anytime one of us produces a batch worth mentioning. Needless to say, after 3 decades, we can now bury Uncle's recipe, and each appreciate how great a good rack of baby backs can be.

I like the rib platter: Ribs, Slaw and cornbread

The Ribs

If I hear the words, "I love it when the meat falls off the bone," I cringe. Usually to get that, the ribs have to be incinerated for an impious amount of time with any vestige of taste gone with it. I use baby backs only because, for the money and the quality and what is readily available around here, they are still some of the best in the country. My older brother, Bob, and I do a wet rub and steam before finishing on the grill. My brother Bruce does a dry rub with a slow pre-cook in the oven before finishing on the grill. It comes out great every time. He's made it a Zen discipline.

Dry Rib Rub

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| 1 3/4 cups | Brown sugar |
| 1/4 cup | Kosher salt |
| 1/2 cup | Paprika |
| 3 tbs | Parsley, dried |
| 2 tbs | Basil, dried |
| 3 tbs | Oregano, dried |
| 2 tbs | Thyme, dried |
| 2 tbs | Onion, dried |
| 1 tbs | Cayenne pepper |
| 1 tbs | Garlic, powder |
| 3 tbs | Allspice, ground |
| 3 tsp | Cinnamon, ground |

Combine all ingredients in something large enough that you can shake it all together, then store it in something you can shake it out of. (I use an old pizza joint cheese shaker). Cover with a piece of wax paper (between the glass and cover) and it'll stay until the next decade. Rinse the rack of ribs off with cold water and pat dry with paper towels. With your fingers, massage a light layer of olive oil into the ribs. Sprinkle and firmly massage the rub into the rib meal. Don't forget the sides and ends. Place them on a large pan in a preheated oven at 225°, let cook for 2 hours minimum. (I do 4 racks = 3.5 hours). Finish them on your grill with your desired BBQ sauce.

The Slaw

I was at a farmer's market a couple of weeks ago when I witnessed a woman picking up a large beautiful head of fennel and announced, "And what can you do with this stuff anyway?" I told her to make this. This is a different but just as wonderful salad for you "slaw enthusiasts out there". Something away from the norm with the usual suspects, a head of cabbage, shaved carrots and a gallon of commercial mayonnaise.

- Apple, Cranberry and Roasted Fennel Slaw**
3 med Fennel heads, cut in half

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| 4 med | Granny Smith apple, sliced not peeled |
| 1 lg bag | Fresh baby Spinach |
| 1 med | Red onion, sliced |
| 1 cup | Cranberries, dried (substitute raisins or dates) |
| 1/4 cup | Cider vinegar, of good quality. |
| 1/4 cup | Olive oil |

Preheat oven to 400°. In a baking pan put the fennel heads face down, sprinkle with olive oil and pinch of salt and roast for 10 minutes. (Rule of thumb: the longer you cook fennel the more mellow the flavor.) Remove and let cool. Then slice thinly.

The Granny Smith apples should not be peeled. Thoroughly wash spinach, dry and set aside. In a large bowl, add sliced fennel, apples and onions. Toss with cranberries. Add cider and the olive oil. Before serving, toss with spinach and add rest of olive oil only if necessary. Make sure everything is coated.

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For Adults

Pirate Coast by Richard Zacks is about an overlooked bit of American history: President Thomas Jefferson's attempt to stop the enslavement of American merchant sailors by North African nations. Jefferson sent most of the fledgling U.S. Navy, as well as a battalion of troops, to Tripoli. Their leader, William Eaton, led his men across the desert to the "shores of Tripoli," only to be frustrated by subsequent events. Mr. Zacks will speak about *Pirate Coast* during an author signing at Books & Crannies on June 1st, 6-8 p.m.

One of our most talented and wonderful local authors, Katherine Neville (*The Eight*, *The Magic Circle*), has contributed to *Thriller*, the

first-ever anthology of 32 short stories by well-known thriller writers at the top of their form. The short story format is perfect because, as with any good thriller, you won't want to put the book down until you find out what happens. Ms. Neville will be at Books & Crannies to sign copies of *Thriller* on June 4th, 2-4 p.m.

Patrick Smithwick will be signing his new book, *Racing My Father*, on June 11, 2-5 p.m. at Books and Crannies. Patrick is the son of legendary steeplechase rider A.P. Smithwick, and he, like his father, has pursued his own dream of racing with the best.

Kid Lit—Books for kids of all ages

Girls 13 and up will enjoy *Prom* by Laurie Halse Anderson, into which she pours everything she knows or thinks about this very American rite of passage, the senior prom. *Just Listen*, a new book by Sarah Dessen, is a year in the life of a family coming to terms with how things really are. *Pardon*

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THE EDITOR'S DESK

CHANGE PARTNERS AND SINCERE RANT & RAVES THANKS TO TIM DIMOS RED VS BLUE

As we welcome Betsy Allen Davis, Middleburg's newly elected mayor and our new town council members, Lisa Hubbard Paterson and Karen Robinson and re-elected council members Darlene Kirk and Mark Snyder, we say goodbye to outgoing member Margaret New and extend our gratitude to ongoing members Bundles Murdock and Helen Hyre.

We are also reminded of the tremendous dedication and stewardship our outgoing mayor, Tim Dimos, provided during his tenure.

First as a member of the Town Council, and then as mayor, Tim steadfastly steered our Village toward the future with both sensitivity and the courage of his conviction. A true friend and fair-minded representative of all our citizens and friends in the environs.

Tim's voice was vibrant and powerful as he carefully guided Middleburg toward a carefully planned future that would protect our success and our sensibilities.

We tip our hat to you, Tim. And we wish you on your way with our best wishes and sincere thanks for your citizenship.

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HERE IS THE PLAN

MARK TATE - (R)

Once a month we write Red vs. Blue Column presenting a debate of partisan ideas.

I get the privilege of presenting the Republican view point. Right now the Republican view point may not be producing the best Polling numbers or at the election booths in the county. The Republican Party has always been the party of big ideas. A party founded on the idea that every man and woman with born freedom and liberty. And a party founded on the ideas of limited government and lower taxes.

These ideas have helped the Republican Party win elections. Often when the party finds itself adrift it is because we have drifted from these ideas.

Here in Virginia some members of our party have forgotten these ideas. We have some of our local State Senator Russ Potts pushing for bigger and bigger tax increases. And locally we have politicians seem to

have forgotten the need to control the rate of growth in government and the need to fight against tax increases. Or maybe they are not sure how to accomplish this task. It has always seemed to me the only way for a local government to control taxes and government is to control the rate of residential growth. You can not control how fast government grows or control taxes unless you can control how fast houses are built in the county. For every new house in the county there is a demand for more schools, police, roads, and services in general. And to provide all those services government needs more tax dollars. So all of the taxpayers that already live here are forced to pay higher taxes so more people can move here and bring more cars on our roads and crowded schools to our neighborhoods.

So right now the local Board of Supervisors is making important decisions about these very issues.

The local Board is deciding whether to limit the number of houses al-

lowed to be built in Western Loudoun. Or to be exact they are deciding whether to reenact a Zoning Ordinance that will greatly reduce the number of houses in Western Loudoun. The decision can reduce the number of potential homes in Western Loudoun by about 30,000 homes. And the longer they delay making this decision the more sprawl we get and the more cars we get on the already over crowded roads. Wow, seems like an easy decision. Why would any support 30,000 more home, about 60,000 more people and 60,000 more cars on the road?

So I think every good republican in Western Loudoun should be calling all the republicans on the Board of Supervisors in Loudoun right now. And tell them that if they want to start winning elections again they should enact the new Zoning Ordinance right away and say no to 30,000 more houses.

HAD ENOUGH?

DAN MORROW - (D)

Do three more years of Bush worry you? If not, go read the red column. If you're even a little worried, read on.

My fellow Americans in distress, take heart. It's never too early to start mobilizing our friends and neighbors to throw out the elected official who have either actively supported the mean-spirited, narrow-minded, arrogant, incompetence, and corruption of the Bush administration . . . or kept silent, hoping that a quiet complicity would escape notice.

Chose your issue: Iraq, taxes, body-armor, Katrina, traffic, corrupt officials, gas prices, immigration, medical care, Dubai and the ports, Enron, Abramoff, National Guard deployments, Halliburton, reform of the CIA, avian flu, prostitutes-and-poker-game lobby parties, earmarks, shop-lifting advisors, pseudo science, cynical piety, or just plain lying . . . if your elected representative is not part of the solution, he's part of the problem.

Don't tell me John Warner's good for Virginia or for the United States of America.

Ask his office a question about any of the issues noted above . . . or check his web site. You'll either get no answer, a late answer, or, worse, a slick, made-for-TV, self-serving, "what-the-meaning-of-is-is" dose of temporizing, "offend-no-one" blather. Warner's backed Bush and his heck-of-a-job cronies for five years. Had enough? Get rid of him. Go to work for a good Democrat now, and rid us of Warner as soon as possible.

The same's true, in spades, for George Allen, as uncritical a Bush-backing Senator as any Halliburton-loving, help-the-rich, damn-the-poor, profiteering, ENRON-loving oil profiteer at home or abroad. "Our" George says he believes that tax cuts for the rich are driving the economy forward . . . though his own experts tell him that's not true . . . and that deficit spending on a scale unprecedented in all of human history is what's really keeping his cronies in yachts and working Virginians working . . . at two jobs, or more . . . at minimum wages . . . just to keep their heads above water. And don't ask about the war or Bush's approach to

"security." Allen has backed Bush and his cronies for five years. Had enough? Get rid of him. Go to work for a good Democrat . . . like ITAA exec and long-time Hill vet, Harris Miller.

Then there's our beloved "moderate" Republican Frank Wolf . . . a "moderate" because he only follows the Bush Party Line 90% of the time. Is Frank's biennial self-serving support for some of our pet projects really worth sending yet another Bush-backing vote into the House? Is another photo-op-and-a-nod for, oh, let's say "Hallowed Ground," really our price for selling our souls and letting the administration run amok with little or no congressional oversight? And what's the REAL ROI on Wolf's efforts to date? Is he really the best we can do? He's backed Bush and his cronies for five years, and prayed we wouldn't notice. It's time to get rid of him. Go to work for a good Democrat . . . like Georgetown University Public Policy Institute Dean, Judy Feder.

Had enough? Help Allen, and Wolf show Warner the door.

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TOM NEEL

Ask yourself, who owns a view? Depends on the view right? If you can only see it from private property, the tax payer owns that view. Now think about those views that can be seen from public roads and let me ask another question. Who has the right to completely change or eliminate a view, one we all enjoy? Again, if that view is looking across private property, the tax payer of that land has the right.

Now, you might be asking, what does this have to do with art? Well, I'm a landscape painter and as an artist, I get much of my inspiration from my surroundings. Those who purchase or simply enjoy my paintings do so through an emotional connection to the subject matter I have chosen to paint. Simply put, I paint views.

Living in this area for years, the thing I most commonly hear from locals and visitors is how much they love the long, rolling, pastoral views and the beautiful backdrop of the Blue Ridge. What's not to love? Spectacular sunrises and sunsets, the strong green grass and trees such as oaks, sycamores, dogwoods, maples, redbuds and others, you get the picture, but notice I didn't say "pines". I don't actually dislike pines.

"BUT", I've noticed a bothersome trend of planting long alternating rows of cheap white pines along the road edge of a property. Basically a wall. I'm not sure whose bright idea this is, but I can say this; where many of our wonderful views are concerned, this trend has already and is continuing, to not just interrupt some of our most spectacular views, it has already and will erase them as though they never existed.

The head scratcher for me is, I've seen many cases, in fact I would even say most cases, where planting these



trees even kills the view for the property owner too. White pines especially, which are hardly great trees and usually only loved for being cheap and fast growing, loose branches in the winter and eventually have to be limbed up at the bottom anyway. I know all the reasons it's done, but in most cases we are not sitting on top each other out here in the country. I know reasonable exceptions exist and I'm not here to point fingers at anyone, just to create some awareness.

So, who does this affect? Well, I would say just about everyone. Listen, many area residents have large parcels and live in comfort, but we all pull out of our driveway at some point and if all you see is pines to the left and pines to the right, I'd bank on the fact that everyone's scenic quality of life has dropped a few notches. The book begins with, Ah, as the sun sets over the majestic white pines.....

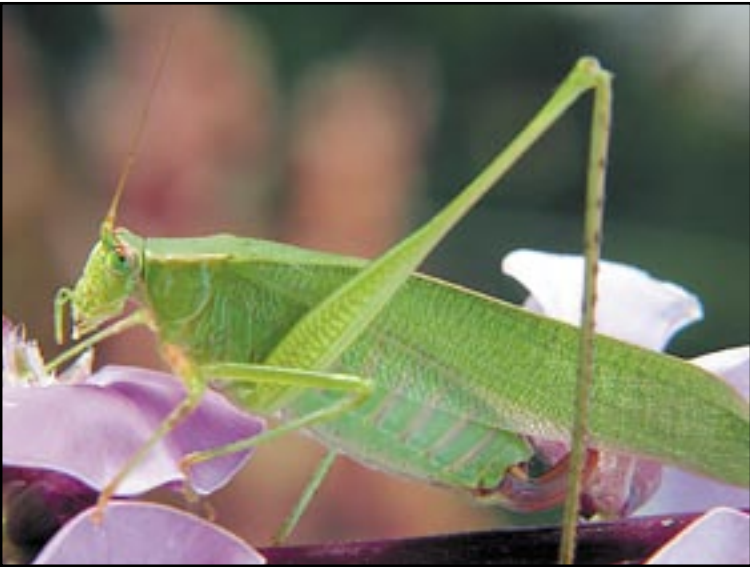
Okay, so it's not just boo hoo for the paint brush boy who can't see over the trees and I'm not the poster child for anti growth. Take note to new rows of pines and what those trees will be taking from the lay of the land almost instantly. Will another pastoral or Blue Ridge view be gone? It's just an artistic point of view. Enough already with the pines on the road's edge..... please.

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THE PLANT LADY

KAREN REXRODE

The garden in the evening can be a magical place. Very often the gardener will find himself deadheading and weeding as the sun rides low on the horizon. I encounter a good many insects that are wriggling about in the cooler soil of the evening, many are reaching a maturity and will be more obvious in their adult stage as they fly or hop above ground. Some of the insects that mature during the summer months choose night to eat and travel, we encounter them as they are beginning their night life.



This seemingly backwards way of life has served them well, aside from the fear of being spotted and eaten by day, they can function in cooler temperatures. Many of these nocturnal insects can give the gardener a real fright. Truth be known most are unable to inflict pain with stings or bites, many of them have no mouth parts. A good example of an insect that scares us is the oversized crane fly, which looks like a giant mosquito. They often fly to lights that have been left on outside during the night. The crane fly has very long legs and two long wings that are clear. This is the final stage of life, having

spent most of it as larvae which feeds on decaying vegetation. The adult is completely harmless and short lived, seeking a mate is its only reason to exist in this final mature stage or instar. Earwigs are also active at night. Their very small, segmented body ends in 2 prongs. Earwigs have three life stages, egg, nymph and adult. The

nocturnally active insects, finding safety under the cloak of night. The katydid makes a rasping sound that is produced with the rubbing of forewings. They look like oversized, bright green grasshoppers with high wings. Usually found feeding on plants, they contentedly rest on a leaf or flower as they slowly devour it. Crickets are related to katydids and also mantids and walking sticks. In East Asia it is considered good luck to have a cricket in the house, favored for their chirping. Various species of katydids are also coveted for their evening sounds, the Asian katydid actually sounds like a cricket. Elaborate vessels of wood or bamboo have been made to house them. By listening to the chirps of a cricket and counting them, it has been said you can tell the current temperature. There are several formulas, but I find this one to be the easiest: count the number of chirps in a minute, then divide by 4 and add 40, you will have the temperature in Fahrenheit degrees.

So as you work in the garden with the cooler temperatures of twilight and encounter some or all of these insects, simply plod on..... no need to fear them. Katydids and crickets are also

adults feed on bits and pieces of plant material as well as smaller insects. They hide during the day and move about freely at night. Even though they have a pair of pinchers at the end of their abdomen (for self protection), I have never been pinched, despite the fact that I frequently encounter them in the garden. They have been known to feed on aphids, mites, nematodes and other insects, so they can be beneficial.

Katydid and crickets are also



A HOUSE IN THE COUNTRY
WELCOME HOME

WANDA K. CROSSLEY

A designer's dream project, I discovered it was two-hundred years old through my initial phone conversation with the owner. It was to be their second house in the country for family weekends, holidays and long summers to relax away from the traffic, busy schedules and the hustle bustle of the city. It was also their vision of a horse farm in the meadow with children running and playing, fresh air, green rolling hills and the Virginia mountains in the distance.

Arriving on site, I was taken with the country charm accented by acres of horse fencing, and topped by a small (by today's standards) unassuming stone house with multiple barns and a spring house. The smell of mature old boxwoods hung in the air as a backdrop to the sound of birds, crickets, and early season bees. I wondered of the generations of families who tended the fields, planted vegetables, raised the farm animals, hung out the clothes, struggled against nature's cold and laughed together in the lush of spring.

What a reverent responsibility to furnish and decorate the aged house

for today's living, but to capture the nostalgic timeliness and respect of two-hundred years before. It could not be fancy or formal, but must be warm and inviting – a simple space for a simple life.

As friends would enter through the back door, you first encounter a large enclosed sun porch. Here is a great place to kick off muck boots, hang coats, and store garden accessories, a place used as shelter from the rain, to bring in the groceries, and a place for the dogs to dry off.

From the sunroom you cross the threshold into the country kitchen with high ceilings and a bank of cabinets covering one whole wall. Fortunately the kitchen was already updated with modern appliances yet still carried the feel of an old farmhouse.

The rooms in the rest of the house were mostly small and dark. The dining room had a fireplace with a small bay window a long farm table to seat twelve and best of all, two steps leading up to a door that opened to the long open front porch with views of the pretty pastures and mountains.

The living room was just the right size with built-in bookcases, four deep window seats with a large stone fireplace. The hallway took you to the

front door and off to the side was a small study with ceiling beams and a great stone fireplace with built-in bookcases. The upstairs bedrooms seemed perfect in proportion with fireplaces, built-in closets, and open window seats with lots of light.

Our first ambition was to lighten up the downstairs interiors with soft historical colors, lots of antiques and a collection of cozy comfortable upholstery. To make the house warm and homey without much clutter, we used lots of wallpaper in historical colors

and prints.

To create a mood of today's living in a yesteryear house we sought a blended mix of antiques and reproduction furnishings. For simplicity, window treatments were mostly panels on simple wrought iron rods. All our fabric prints were of English influence and of a William Morris arts and crafts style. We used upholstery with delicate wools and mohair with plaids and printed country motifs. All lighting was selected to appear historically correct with no overhead ceiling

lights.

A pleasurable project for me, but as for this house and the family that lives here today, what really matters will be the laughter, love, food, and play for their generation in the house in the country.

Wanda Crossley is the owner of The English Manor in Leesburg, Virginia

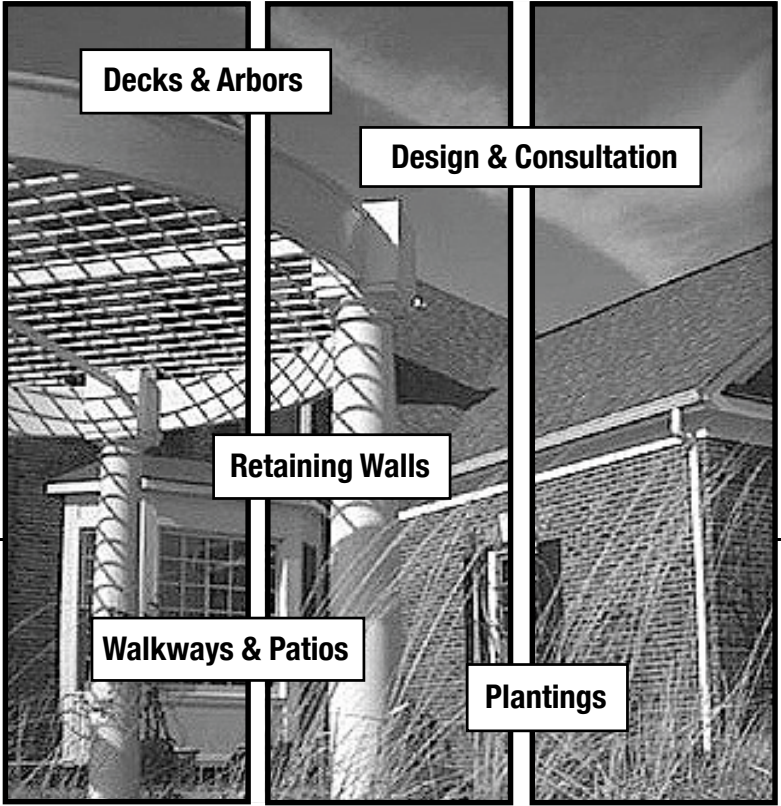


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NEWS OF NOTE

MY KINGDOM FOR A PORTRAIT OF MY HORSE

SIMON BLAND FINDS HIS FUTURE AND MANY COMMISSIONS IN NORTHERN VIRGINIA



Endless hours of concentrated study and a remarkable talent that is deeply rooted in family history have combined to endow local portrait painter Simon Bland with the ability to convey the story of his subjects with subtlety and depth.

The charming Cambridge-educated Englishman who turned away from the arts and toward engineering when he was very young, turned back to creative endeavor four years ago.

"I was honored and excited to be invited to attend Churchill College at Cambridge," Bland explained. "My math and physics scores were extremely high, and, although I loved to paint and had been doing so since I was little, it didn't seem a serious pursuit, and engineering was very seductive."

Simon believed that engineering offered him exciting opportunities to create truly innovative things, but, after many years at Price Waterhouse in both London and in Northern Virginia and in the telecommunications industry, he realized that many of today's most brilliant engineers labor for a lifetime to create a minuscule element in something much larger. He wanted to be responsible for the concept, the design and the product in its entirety.

And, he wanted to tell stories, stories of individuals, of their emotions and of their lives. Whether those individuals were people or animals, Simon hoped he could capture and

preserve on canvas the emotional quality of each life.

"A painting must tell a story," he emphasizes. "Everyone has boxes of photographs that capture a moment, but a painting, that's another thing altogether. A painting tells a story, and a good painting can tell that story from many perspectives."

"One hundred and fifty years ago, many of the paintings that hung in a person's home were connected to that family, whether they were of children, relatives, pets or the house itself. Today, we very much want to capture a record of our lives....of our children at different stages of development....of our pets before they leave us and of specific moments in time that represent our pleasures and pastimes."

According to Simon, although this instinct to capture our lives on canvas is still very much alive, finding an artist to help us do so has become much more difficult.

"It's clear that more and more people purchase art of all kinds," he says. "Wouldn't it be wonderful if some of the paintings on their walls were highly personal reflections of the lives lived within them?"

So, with the desire to paint still buried deep within him, Simon began to sketch his own pets several years after he and his wife, Kate, were married in 1995.

"I had no idea he was so talented," she said. "It was if he'd been hiding a great secret."

With Kate's encouragement and a determination to pursue art seriously, Simon stopped wishing the paintings he saw in galleries were his and set to work. He studied with Karyn Hume in Manassas and at the Loudoun Academy of Art where instructor Stilson Green encouraged him in his pursuit.

"I had tremendous teachers, unparalleled encouragement and good friends like the Clarks at Wylie Wag and Lee and Irena Phillips at The Doggie Wash in Purcellville. Without all of these, I might have lost heart," he explains.

To date, Simon has 120 portraits in his delightful portfolio, a three-month wait for new commissions and the confidence that only comes with success in an endeavor an individual truly loves.

It's easy to see why Simon's portraits are in such demand.

From the most majestic glowering bull, to the teenager and his canine companion to dogs and cats in all their moods and moments, Bland has become a portrait painter of considerable note in Northern Virginia and, increasingly, in areas far and wide.

Clearly, he applies his mathematical genius to all his commissioned work. The paintings leave an immediate impression of both mood and matter, and the personalities of his subjects are captured kindly and with grace for all time.

"My grandfather was a self-taught artist who always carried a sketch pad when we went on walks when I was little," Simon remembers. "I learned so much from him and from my parents that, although my father is somewhat stunned that I've left the business world to be an artist, I know he understands how much I love what I'm doing now."

Painting is a very intellectual pursuit for Simon, a creative process that is every bit as demanding as any executive position. He spends days envisioning a commission after his research is complete, and he will not put brush to canvas until he has a picture in his mind of what he intends to create.

"I only allow myself to paint loosely when I'm working for myself," he says smiling. "I remember when I was very, very young we had a wonderful Windsor & Newton watercolor set in a big wooden box. My mother let us paint at the kitchen table. I believe the origin of my love of painting rests firmly on those early days and on my grandfather's patience as he showed me how to sketch."

Simon obviously loves his clients.

"My clients are so kind," he says. "They give me permission to do my very best work and we collaborate closely on the emotional context they hope I'll create for the subject. One of my largest commissions was of a woman who was terminally ill and wanted to leave a painting of her with her animals for her family. It was truly memorable work, and I was honored to have her trust. We created a vocabulary for the work that has real meaning, and the resulting painting conveyed exactly what she wished her family to know."

When asked if he enjoys living in Northern Virginia, Simon does not hesitate to say it's the first place he's ever lived where he feels like he belongs.

"It's a beautiful, timeless place where I've found my life's work."

Although he is very busy, Simon hopes to be commissioned to paint a mounted rider going cross-country.

"I recently received a very important commission to paint a Hunt scene, and I'm very excited about the work, but, honestly, I love every commission."

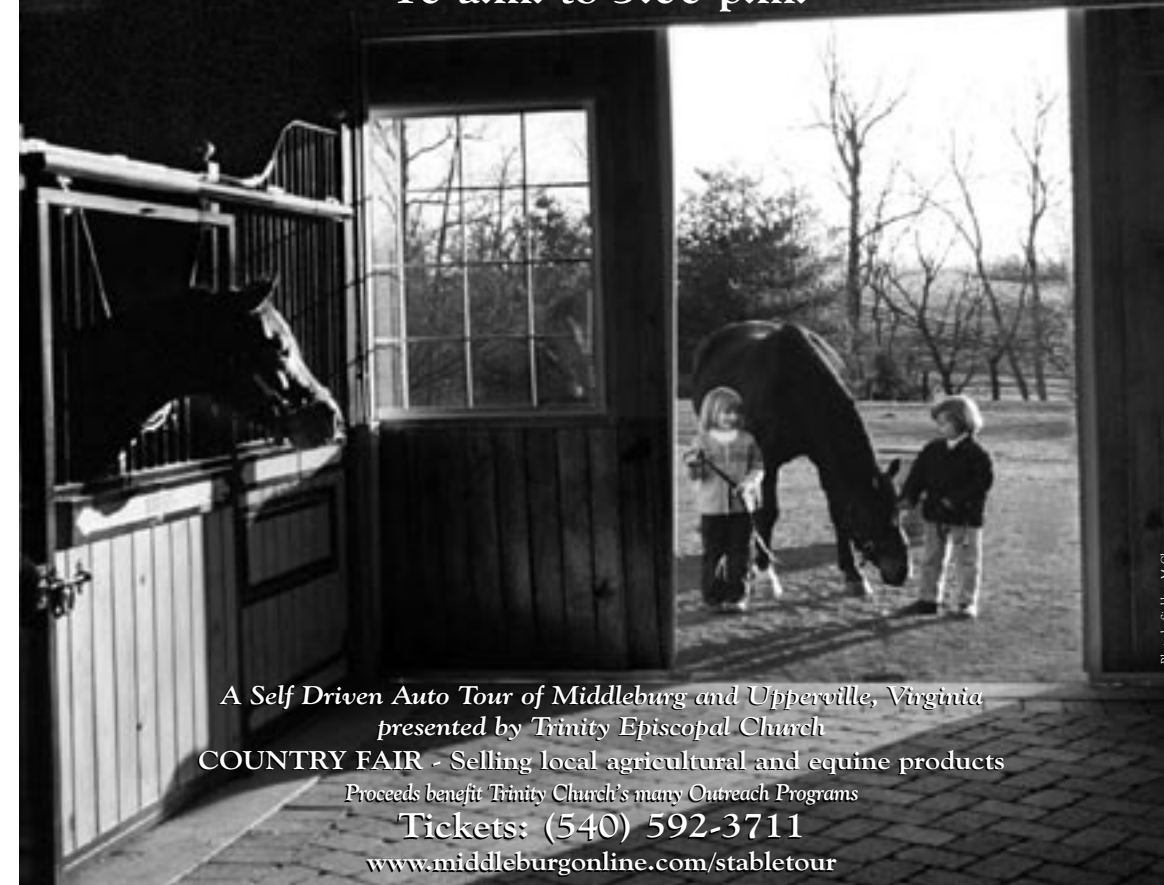
To commission a Simon Bland portrait, please contact him at his Lovettsville studio: 540 822 3080 or visit his website at: www.portraitsbysimonbland.com. Remember, you must place your commissions for end-of-the-year holidays by the previous August.

Simon Bland will be at the Upperville Stable Tour - Country Fair at Trinity Church, Upperville on May 27th and 28th and Arts in the Alley, Purcellville on June 10th.



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THINGS TO DO

Author Booksigning
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Horses and History
The 47th Annual Hunt Country Stable Tour on Saturday, May 27 and Sunday, May 28 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. Sponsored by Trinity Episcopal Church in Upperville, Virginia, this self-driven tour includes some of the most prestigious stables and equine facilities in the Middleburg and Upperville areas of Virginia. Admission to the Stable Tour is \$20/person in advance, \$25/person on the days of the tour. Children 12 and under are free. Admission for groups of 10 or more is \$18/person. For information, phone 540-592-3711, or visit the web site: www.middleburgonline.com/stabletour.

The Delaplane Strawberry Festival
May 27 and 28, 2006. Heralded by the Southeast Tourism Bureau as one of the area's top 20 events, is scheduled for Memorial Day weekend at beautiful Sky Meadows State Park, in Delaplane, Virginia. The festival features fresh strawberries, live music, crafts, the Anna C. Ringer Memorial 5K Trail Run/Walk and the first ever National Strawberry Eating Championship.
Festival gates are open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, May 27 and 28. Daily admission to the festival is \$20 per car at the gate or \$15 per car in advance. For more information about the festival and to obtain advance car pass visit the Web site at www.delaplanestrawberryfestival.com

The Upperville Horse Show
The 153rd Upperville Colt & Horse Show takes place on June 5-11. The week culminates with the \$100,000 Budweiser-Upperville Jumper Classic, which draws top riders from across the nation. The Jumper Classic will be held on Sunday, June 11 at 2:30 pm.
Prior to the Jumper Classic, the Pedigree Country Fair will take place

on Sunday from 10:30 am to 2:00 pm with craft vendors, Jack Russell Terrier races. Throughout the week, gates open at 8am. Admission is \$10 per person, with kids under 12 free, if accompanied by an adult. Proceeds benefit local charities.

Land Trust of Virginia 2006 Garden Party
Spring is here and the Land Trust of Virginia (LTV) will hold its annual "Garden Party to Save Virginia's Countryside" on Sunday, June 4 from 5 to 8 p.m. This year attendees have the opportunity to enjoy a spectacular setting rarely opened to the public. Dean and Linda Linderman, the owners of Birchwood, a stunning garden and arboretum north of Waterford, Va. are welcoming members and friends of LTV to this event. The Lindermans have also placed a conservation easement on 14 acres of their land which is held by LTV.

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Piedmont Child Care Center Summerfest 2006
Summerfest to be held June 17, 2006 from 10:00am to 2:00pm on the grounds of Piedmont Child Care Center, Route 50, Upperville VA. This family oriented, fun filled event is open to the public. Highlights include a large silent auction, 50-50 raffle, games, ice cream eating contest, pony rides, dog agility demonstration, titanic slide, character artist and much, much more! Food and drinks will be available on site. For more information contact PCCC (540) 592-3908.

Polo for Piedmont
June 25th high goal polo in beautiful Virginia. The Piedmont Child Care Center of Upperville is the wor-

thy beneficiary. Teresa Condon, President of Piedmont Child Care Center, said. "Our goal is to make this an annual event celebrating the sport of Polo in Upperville as well as bringing awareness to the important work of the Child Care Center and we are very happy to have the generous support of the Middleburg Trust Company this year."

Gates open at 11 a.m. for pre-event entertainment, including: tailgating picnics, children's games and family entertainment. The polo match will begin at 1:00 p.m.

General admission car passes are \$30 in advance, \$40 at the gate. Reserved Railside Car passes overlooking the Polo Field are \$100 in advance. Car passes admit up to 6 people per car. Children under six are free.

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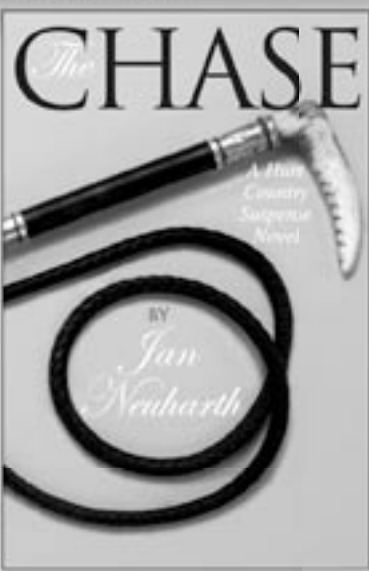
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PARENTS & PROGENY

WAKEFIELD NEWS

ETHICS STUDENTS ATTEND FORUM WITH NEWSWEEK MANAGING EDITOR



On Monday, May 8, the Wakefield School's sophomore Ethics class visited the Miller Center of Public Affairs at the University of Virginia. The Miller Center is an independent, non-partisan institution devoted to understanding and improving the American presidency and the executive branch

of government.

The students participated in the Forum Program, which brings together leading experts and thoughtful audiences for discussion of critical public policy issues.

The speaker was Mr. Jon Meacham, the managing editor of Newsweek, who discussed his latest book, American Gospel: God, the Founding Fathers, and the Making of a Nation. His book looks at how our founding fathers' views on faith have shaped religion's place in American public life as well as the role it has played in many of the major events in our nation's history.

The day involved a tour of the Miller Center, an introduction to the Center's White House Tapes Program, the Forum lecture by Mr. Meacham, a personal meeting and book signing, and an inside look at the Center's Presidential Oral History Program.

Wakefield's Ethics class is co-instructed by Headmaster Peter Quinn

and Upper School Head Steve Davis.

CONGRESSIONAL ART SHOW AWARDS

Five Wakefield Upper School students came away with awards in the annual 10th Congressional District Art Show, held this year on May 6 at the Ida Lee Recreational Center in Leesburg.

In Drawing, 3rd place went to ninth grader Chelsea Fischer of Haymarket, and 4th place to sophomore Ashley Marchi of The Plains and Warrenton.

In Photography, 2nd place went to junior Matt Warner of Manassas, 3rd place to junior Mary Katherine Napier of Front Royal, and 4th place to junior Sarah Kim of Gainesville.

Eleven Wakefield Upper School art students participated in the 2006 Congressional Art Show, entering a total of 22 works. All are the students of Wakefield Upper School art teacher

Gary Genther.

BEST COMIC ACTRESS NOMINATION

Wakefield senior Laura Prahlad of Luray has been nominated for "Best Comic Actress" by the National Capital Area's "Cappies" program, for her performance in Wakefield School's spring production of Blithe Spirit.

The Cappies Program, which seeks to promote excellence in both theatre and writing through student critiquing of member schools'

plays and performances, originated in Northern Virginia in 1999. There are currently 58 participating schools in the National Capital Area, and 14 Cappies programs across the U.S. and Canada.

The nominations in 33 categories were determined by the votes of more than 300 critics who each reviewed at least five shows at other schools.

"Cappie" awards will be presented at the seventh annual Cappies Gala at the Kennedy Center Concert Hall, at 7:00 PM on Sunday, June 11.

NOTRE DAME NEWS

EXCELLENCE IN ARTS AWARDS



The Loudoun Arts Council Excellence in the Arts Awards Competition is an arts competition held annually for juniors and seniors in Loudoun County public and private schools. Professional panels jury the work of students in the areas of literary, visual, and performing arts.

Nine Notre Dame Academy students participated in the competition. The following three students received awards:

Ana Quijano - First Place - Instrumental Music category (this is the second year that she has received first place in this competition)

Shea Carney - Honorable Mention - Visual Arts category

Lydia Smith - Second Place - Literary Arts category

YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS

Ian Snow (Millwood, VA) and Philip Embury (Boyce, VA) have both been nominated and selected

NATIONAL LATIN EXAM CONQUERED



On March 13, 2006, Notre Dame Academy's Latin students came, saw and conquered the National Latin Exam. NDA students joined other Latin students across the nation in taking this hour-long exam. Students were tested on their grammatical, historical, cultural, and mythological knowledge. The text also contained a reading comprehension passage from which the students answered questions. NDA is very pleased to congratulate several of our Latin scholars for their fine performance on the exam.

FOXCROFT NEWS

GIVING BACK



Senior Amy Lucas of Leesburg, VA, recently concluded a very successful dress drive at Foxcroft School, collecting 18 prom gowns and assorted accessories from students for the annual Fairy Tale Closet and Boutique conducted by the Junior Woman's Club of Loudoun.

Lucas, who has been involved in a variety of community service activities since she was a middle schooler, educated the Foxcroft community about the need for new and gently worn formal dresses, evening bags, and jewelry among high school students who cannot afford to buy these often expensive items. A series of announcements and tours of the Foxcroft dorms, netted a beautiful collection

that, she says, "overwhelmed the folks at the Fairy Tale Closet."

Lucas has been accepted into the University of Tennessee's very selective interior design program for next year.

MATH ACCOLADES

Five Foxcroft students gave up a day of their Spring Break to participate in the Newton Math Competition, held in March at George Washington University in Washington, D.C. Competing against approximately 200 students from 13 different schools, juniors Steffi Fitter of The Plains and Sarah Smith of Millwood, VA, joined Zhang, Cairns, Reid to earn Honorable Mention honors. Last year, Cairns, Reid and Amanda Divine, a Severna Park, MD, resident, earned fourth place.

LATIN LAUDITS

Foxcroft freshman Carly Travell of Middleburg, VA, and junior Timmah Geller of Lincoln, VA., distinguished themselves in the 2006 National Latin Exam, Foxcroft School Latin teacher Glenn Kantz announced Monday.

Travell scored 33 out of 40 on the Latin II exam to earn a magna cum laude award. On the Latin I exam, Gellar scored 36 out of 40 to collect summa cum laude distinction and a gold medal. Eleven Foxcroft girls were among the 134,000 students from around the world who participated in the competition.

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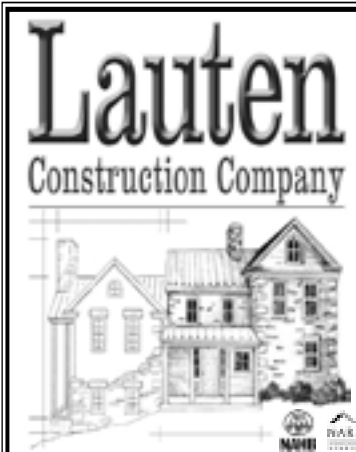
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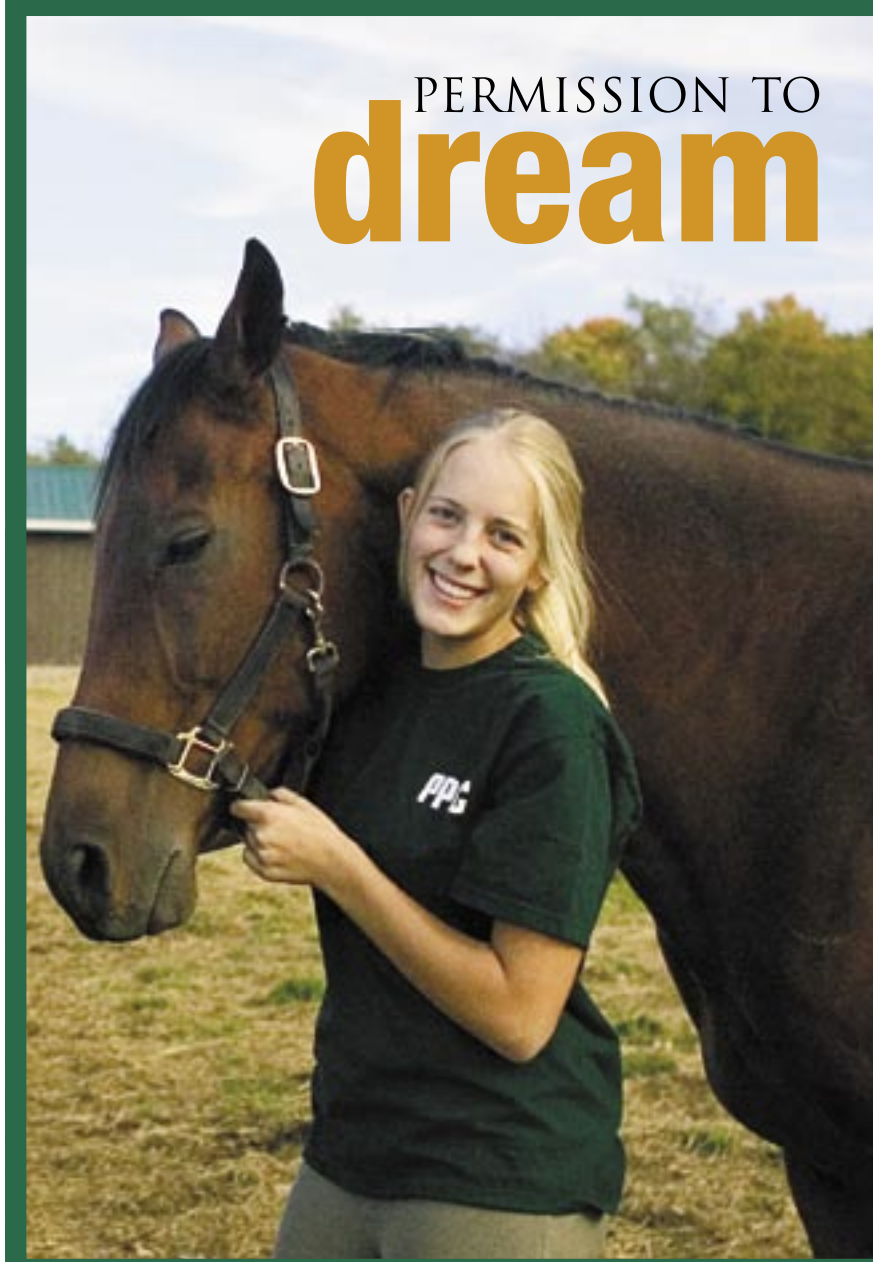
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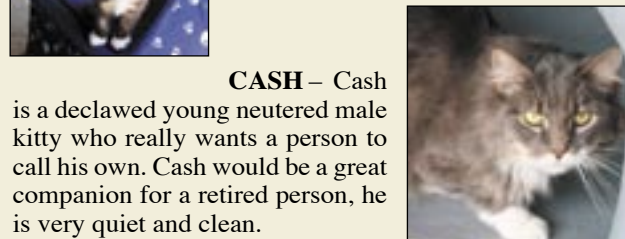


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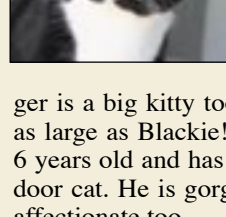
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Willow Hill
 Delaplane, Virginia

Charming stone and stucco home circa 1783, house has been completely updated. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1 fireplace, original floors, 3 foot thick stone walls, exposed beams, lovely kitchen. Improvements include office with fireplace, potting shed, 6 stall barn, large tack room, 2 wash stalls, large outdoor ring, 4 fenced paddocks on 35 acres. \$1,395,000.



Putnams Mill
 Orlean, Virginia

Traditional home surrounded by 2 acres of mature landscaping located on a quiet gravel road in Orlean. A charming and immaculate home, tastefully decorated throughout—light-filled rooms, front porch, large rear deck, finished basement, garage and gardener's shed. Perfect setting. Total privacy. \$695,000.



Mulberry
 Middleburg, Virginia

True Middleburg location, minutes from town, surrounded by large estates. Stately brick Georgian Circa 1965, completely updated and enlarged by current owners. 4 bedrooms, large studio, 6 full baths, 7 fireplaces, paneled library, spectacular entrance hall, exquisite detail throughout, high ceilings, lovely molding. Improvements include 22 x 50 inground pool, new pool house with kitchenette, spa, and entertainment area, 3-stall barn, brick tenant house. 75 gently rolling acres, with 35 acres of potential pasture, landscaped lawns with sweeping views of the Blue Ridge Mountains. \$4,200,000.



Meadow View
 Middleburg, Virginia

Minutes to Middleburg, protected location, 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 5 fireplaces, screened rear porch. 3-stall barn with tack room, 10 usable acres, 4 paddocks, new fencing, 200 x 150 riding ring. Lovely gardens, private setting. Property in land use. \$1,300,000.



Greenfields
 White Post, Virginia

Finely crafted 4 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath house built in 2003. 3,800+ square feet. Top of the line windows, doors, and appliances; custom cabinets, granite counters, kitchen fireplace, great room with vaulted ceilings and fireplace. Oversized 2 car garage. 2.73 mostly open acres. Southern exposure opens to views of land in conservation easement and the Blue Ridge and Massanutten. \$885,000.



530 Main Street
 Purcellville, Virginia

Immaculate 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath classic stucco farmhouse. New kitchen with stainless steel appliances, hardwood floors, mud room, Trex deck, nice fenced yard, and shed. Rec room with fireplace and den on lower level with outside entrance. \$490,000.



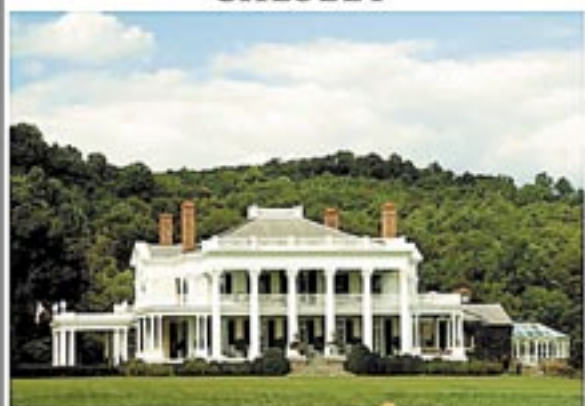
Hunton Wood
 Broad Run, Virginia

All brick one level home in a quiet neighborhood between Warrenton and The Plains on hard surface road. Lot backs up to wooded common area—towering trees and mature gardens. 4 bedrooms with additional unfinished space from the walkout basement and stairs are in place to finish the upstairs as well. Large wooden deck and screened-in porch accessed by the kitchen and family room. \$725,000.

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MIDDLEBURG



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•4.12 acres •4 BR, 3.5 BA •Gourmet kitchen •Great rm. w/FP •HW floors •Finished rm. over garage •Premium finishes & designer touches throughout **\$1,375,000**

BOLINGTON FARM



c.1740 on National Register •Beautiful renovation of 5 Bedroom, 4 Bath brick & log home on Milltown Creek
•8 FPs •Tavern Room •Bank barn •9 Stalls •Fenced •Original Toll House •Great potential for B&B, antique shop, or home based business **\$ 1,350,000**

GUINEA BRIDGE



Restored 1750's Fieldstone Quaker house •2BR •1BA
•Broad mahogany porch overlooking pond & gardens
•Sm. det. office •Stone retaining walls •Old landscaping •4 stall barn •Fenced pasture •Riding trails •Enjoy the wildlife and tucked away privacy **\$1,285,000**

FIVE OAKS



Immaculate horse property •Very protected acreage w/except'l. views •Warrenton Hunt Territory •6 stall barn •Fenced paddocks, streams •Pool & deck •4 BR chalet w/bright rms •HW flrs. & high ceilings •Main flr. master ste •Nr. Old Town **\$1,250,000**

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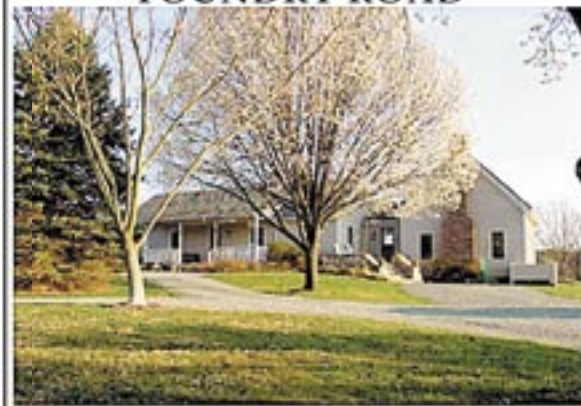
Middleburg •Privately situated in lovely woodland setting •3.86 acs •New 2 car gar. •Fabulous new prof. kit. •Heart pine flrs. •4 BR •2.5 BA •3 FP's •Landscaped grounds •Pristine condition & tastefully finished w/extraordinary attn to detail throughout **\$1,195,000**

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