



CHRISTMAS IN MIDDLEBURG

PAGE 12



ORANGE COUNTY HOUNDS TEAM CHASE RESULTS

PAGE 10

SEVEN LOAVES, WORKING TO FEED THE HUNGRY

When Governor Robert F. McDonnell officially declared September "Hunger Awareness Month" in the Commonwealth, he acknowledged that more than 1,012,500 people in Virginia rely on food provided by the members of the Federation of Virginia Food Banks annually.

This food is distributed to those in need through a network of food pantries in communities throughout the commonwealth.

Since 1994 one of those food pantries, Seven Loaves Services, Inc., has been dedicated to providing nutritious food, personal supplies, and other assistance to those in need.

The all-volunteer, ecumenical, faith-based, non-profit organization operates out of the Middleburg United Methodist Church.

Nearly 800 households registered for help from Seven Loaves in 2011. During that year the organization responded to a combined total of 5,188 visits to the Seven Loaves Food Pantry.

The specific circumstances that necessitated those visits are generally unknown.

What is known is that the visitors had a singular purpose — they needed food.

By the end of 2012 the number of registrations and visits to Seven Loaves will equal, and probably exceed, those experienced in 2011.

Most people living in our community and the surrounding area enjoy what we call "food security." Food security exists when all members of a household, at all times have access to enough food for an active, healthy life.

At a minimum food security requires: (1) the ready availability of nutritionally adequate and safe foods, and (2) an assured ability to acquire accept-

able food in socially acceptable ways (that is, without resorting to emergency food supplies and other coping strategies.)

Unfortunately, too many people (some of them our neighbors) know and experience "food insecurity." In those households the availability of nutritionally adequate and safe foods is uncertain or worse, as is the ability to acquire acceptable foods in socially acceptable ways.

Those experiencing food insecurity often include: the elderly trying to live on a small fixed income; the sick, injured, and disabled, those who are unable to work; the able-bodied but unemployed (of which there are many given our current economy); and the working poor, whose wages are insufficient to support themselves and/or their families.

These categories focus on the adult population; but there are also children who live in many of these household.

Last year there were 972 children in the households served by Seven Loaves alone.

Fortunately, Seven Loaves exists in a generous community within a generous country.

It is supported by local churches, local organizations, local businesses, and caring individuals.

It is staffed with volunteers who want to help their fellow man by doing what they can to help feed those in need.

If you would like to support Seven Loaves by becoming a volunteer, please call 540-687-3489.

If you would like to make a monetary donation to Seven Loaves, please mail it to Seven Loaves Services, Inc., P.O. Box 1924, Middleburg, VA 20118.

THE WASHINGTON STREETSCAPE

DANIEL MORROW

Town Administrator Martha Semmes formally kicked off the long-awaited improvement project for Middleburg's award-winning main street at a meeting that took place the first week in December.

Middleburg was awarded a rare \$30,000 "Transportation Land Use" study grant for the project from the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments.

The grant will make it possible for the Town to hire experts in contemporary urban design to review and ideally improve the functionality and safety of Middleburg's Main Street, a streetscape honored in 2010 by the American Planning Association with a coveted "Great Places in America" award.

According to Semmes, the town wants to use the project for, among other things, laying the groundwork for improving our side-

walks, protecting our existing trees, and planning for systematic "succession" plantings.

Noting that the town's beloved Main Street would be "tricky to improve" without destroying its time-honored character, Semmes announced with pleasure that Washington, DC-based Rhodeside and Harwell has been retained as the project's lead consultant.

Among other projects the firm has worked with the Waterford-based "Journey Through Hallowed Ground" organization to plan its "Living Legacy" Gettysburg-to-Charlottesville tree planting project designed to honor the fallen in the American Civil War.

"They know how to be respectful of historic streetscapes," Semmes noted.

MIDDLEBURG REAL ESTATE

Quietly Serving Our Clients Since 1943

540.687.6321



PATRICKSWELL LANE – MARSHALL - HERITAGE FARM now available. FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITY. RARELY AVAILABLE LARGE PARCEL. 296 ACRES. ZONED RA. POTENTIAL EASEMENT CREDIT. MAIN STUCCO HOUSE AND 3 MORE TENANT HOUSES. LARGE POND. BARN AND VIEWS. FQ793537

SCOTT BUZZELLI 540-454-1399 \$6,833,300
PETER PEJACEVICH 540-270-3835



FIVE POINTS ROAD – THE PLAINS - LEGACY FARM now available! 450 ACRES IN ORANGE COUNTY HUNTS MOST PRIZED TERRITORY. BUILD YOUR DREAM ESTATE AMIDST ROLLING, PARK-LIKE FIELDS AND STONE WALLS, A LAZY LITTLE CREEK, CROMWELLS RUN, AND FRAMED BY UNMATCHED MOUNTAIN VIEWS. THE PROPERTY IS IN A CONSERVATION EASEMENT.

SCOTT BUZZELLI 540-454-1399 \$5,850,000
PETER PEJACEVICH 540-270-3835



DRESDEN FARM LANE – MIDDLEBURG - DRESDEN FARM now available. THIS BEAUTIFULLY MAINTAINED 115 ACRE HORSE FARM INCLUDES A CIRCA 1785 5 BEDROOM MAIN HOUSE, A 12 STALL BELMONT BARN WITH 8 PADDOCKS, HEATED WATERERS, A NEW GENERATOR AND A SEPARATE TACK ROOM. THERE ARE 4 ADDITIONAL DWELLINGS INCLUDING NEWLY RENOVATED MANAGERS HOUSE AND GUEST HOUSE, EXTENSIVE GREENHOUSES, GARDENS, A POOL, AND A 5 ACRE POND.

SCOTT BUZZELLI 540-454-1399 \$4,900,000
PETER PEJACEVICH 540-270-3835



SNAKE HILL RD– MIDDLEBURG 1850 GEORGIAN ESTATE. 121 ACRES. TRADITIONAL VIRGINIAN HUNT COUNTRY MANOR. SPACIOUS & PRIVATE 8-BEDROOM HOME. GRACIOUS WINDING STAIRWAY & RESTORED HARDWOOD FLOORS THROUGHOUT. LONG, TREE-LINED DRIVEWAY, LAKE, 3 BARN, 7 & 24-STALL. SWIMMING POOL AND EQUINE HEATED EXERCISE POOL, OUTDOOR ARENA, 4-BOARD FENCING, 2 TENANT HSSES. 5 MINUTES TO MIDDLEBURG, 1 HR DC. CONSERVATION EASEMENT.

SCOTT BUZZELLI 540-454-1399 \$2,600,000
PETER PEJACEVICH 540-270-3835



KOREA LANE – MIDDLEBURG - AMAZING 148+/- ACRE FOX CROSS ESTATE WITH GATED ENTRANCE STREAM JUST 2 MILES FROM MIDDLEBURG. HUGE 7 BED, 7 BATH ALL BRICK MANOR HOME W/MASSIVE ROOM SIZES AND THREE FINISHED LEVELS. EXPANSIVE DECK OVERLOOKS THE POOL AND PATIO. WOODED OPEN ACREAGE WITH FENCED PASTURES, 2BARN AND TWO GUEST HOUSES. SUB-DIVIDABLE LAND NOT IN EASEMENT!

SCOTT BUZZELLI 540-454-1399 \$2,500,000
PETER PEJACEVICH 540-270-3835



WYNHURST CT – MIDDLEBURG - OUTSTANDING 5 BR 5.5 BA VAN METRE HOME AVAILABLE W/ A MIDDLEBURG ADDRESS! ENJOY COUNTRY VIEWS, AND ALL THE MODERN AMENITIES ONE CAN HOPE FOR ONLY 5 MILES FROM MIDDLEBURG, 9.6 MILES FROM PURCELLVILLE, AND 19 MILES FROM LEESBURG.

SCOTT BUZZELLI 540-454-1399 \$699,000
PETER PEJACEVICH 540-270-3835



ST LOUISE RD – PURCELLVILLE OUTSTANDING VIEWS OF THE BLUE RIDGE MOUNTAINS FROM THIS BEAUTIFUL CUSTOM COLONIAL ON 10.38 ACRES. CUSTOM BUILT-INS THROUGHOUT, A GOURMET KITCHEN WITH GRANITE COUNTERS, UPDATED APPLIANCES WITH WOOD FLOORS. GREAT WET BAR WITH WINE COOLER AND ICE MAKER. HUGE MASTER SUITE WITH A SITTING ROOM, DELUXE BATH AND SITTING ROOM. GUNITE POOL WITH A WATERFALL. A STOCKED POND. A MUST SEE.

SCOTT BUZZELLI 540-454-1399 \$749,999
PETER PEJACEVICH 540-270-3835



BEAVERDAM BRIDGE ROAD ~ PURCELLVILLE ~OUTSTANDING 20 ACRE GEM WITH ELEVATED, UNOBSTRUCTED VIEWS OF THE BLUE RIDGE, BULL RUN AND COBBLER MOUNTAINS, AND SURROUNDED BY OPEN LAND. L07813318

SCOTT BUZZELLI 540-454-1399 \$699,000
PETER PEJACEVICH 540-270-3835



SAM FRED RD MIDDLEBURG SMALL ANIMAL HOSPITAL NOW FOR SALE JUST EAST OF MIDDLEBURG. ALL EQUIPMENT CONVEYS MINUS THE X-RAY PROCESSING MACHINE. SOLAR PANELS ON THE ROOF. EXCELLENT LOCATION WITH ROUTE 50 SIGNAGE.

SCOTT BUZZELLI 540-454-1399 \$699,000
PETER PEJACEVICH 540-270-3835



20596 AIRMONT ROAD – BLUEMONT - CLASSIC FIELDSTONE FARMHOUSE ON 5 OPEN ACRES WITH 7 STALL BARN, FULL SIZE DRESSAGE ARENA, VIEWS AND ADJACENT TO MUCH OPEN SPACE FOR RIDE OUT. BEAUTIFULLY LANDSCAPED GARDENS PRISTINELY MAINTAINED. HOUSE IS AUTHENTIC AND ORIGINAL WITH 4 STUNNING, PLACES, , TIN ROOF, COMPLETELY RENOVATED OVER THE PAST 10 YEARS, WATER AND ELECTRICITY BARN W/ BOX STALLS, FENCING, PIEDMONT HUNT. L07928777

SCOTT BUZZELLI 540-454-1399 \$589,000
PETER PEJACEVICH 540-270-3835



9229 PATRICK STREET – UPPERVILLE- CHARMING COUNTRY COTTAGE ON QUIET STREET IN UPPERVILLE. FENCED BACK YARD WITH LARGE TREES AND FLAGSTONE PATIO. HARDWOOD FLOORS THROUGHOUT, AND AN OUTSTANDING MASTER SUITE. FQ7915615

SCOTT BUZZELLI 540-454-1399 \$449,000
PETER PEJACEVICH 540-270-3835



1530 WESTON LANE – MIDDLEBURG - LOVELY BRICK HOME ON 1.1 ACRES JUST OUTSIDE MIDDLEBURG - SIZABLE FRONT AND BACK YARD - TWO CAR DETACHED GARAGE - FLAGSTONE PATIO - MATURE TREES AND STONE WALL - LARGE REC ROOM IN BASEMENT. MUST SEE.

SCOTT BUZZELLI 540-454-1399 \$399,000
PETER PEJACEVICH 540-270-3835

Middleburg Eccentric
P.O. Box 1768
Middleburg, VA 20118
540-687-3200
fax 866-705-7643
www.mbecc.com
news@mbecc.com

Cover Photo by
Dee Dee Hubbard

Editor In Chief
Dee Dee Hubbard ~ editor@mbecc.com

Design & Production Director
Jay Hubbard

Publisher
Dan Morrow

Copyright © 2012 All rights reserved. No part of Middleburg Eccentric may be reproduced without written permission of the Eccentric LLC. Middleburg Eccentric is not responsible for unsolicited manuscripts or artwork. Middleburg Eccentric reserves the right to accept or reject any and all copy. Middleburg Eccentric is published monthly on the 4th Thursday by Middleburg Eccentric LLC. Circulation to Clarke, Fauquier, Loudoun & Prince William Counties.

We are pledged to the letter and spirit of Virginia's policy for achieving equal housing opportunity throughout the Commonwealth. We encourage and support advertising and marketing programs in which there are no barriers to obtain housing because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, ethnicity, familial status or handicap.

All real estate advertised herein is subject to Virginia's fair housing law which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation or discrimination because of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, ethnicity, familial status, handicap or intention to make any such preferences, limitation or discrimination."

The newspaper will not knowingly accept advertising for real estate that violates the fair housing law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on equal opportunity basis. For more information or to file a housing complaint call the Virginia Fair Housing office at (804) 367-8530. Toll free call (888) 551-3247. For the hearing impaired call (804) 367-9753. Email: fairhousing@dpwr.virginia.gov Web site: www.fairhousing.vipnet.org

NEWS OF NOTE HERITAGE HEROES



LEFT TO RIGHT: BOB SINCLAIR, SU WEBB, WALTER NICKLIN, AND LORI KIMBALL

In ceremonies held at the National Sporting Library on Wednesday, December 5, the Mosby Heritage Area Association honored Su Webb, Walter Nicklin, Bob Sinclair and Lori Kimball with its annual Heritage Heroes Awards.

Bob Sinclair is the president of the Fauquier Heritage and Preservation Foundation, was the co-founder of the John K. Gott Library in Marshall, Vir-

ginia, and served as chair of the 250th Anniversary of Fauquier County Committee. He played an integral role in getting the town of Marshall a place on the National Register as a Historic District.

Su Webb served on Loudoun's Parks, Recreation and Open Space Board for more than twenty years, including terms serving as vice chair and chair. As chair of the Northern Virginia

Regional Park Authority, which owns Balls Bluff battlefield, she also was a moving force behind acquisitions such as White's Ford. Su Webb has worked with the NVRPA in several roles since the 1960s. She also serves as chair of the Loudoun County Farm Heritage Museum and on the Aldie Heritage Association Board of Directors.

Editor and publisher Walter Nicklin is the author of *Pieces of the Piedmont, the Puzzle of One Life: A Personal Geography from Virginia's Foothills and America's Historic Heart* and is the co-author of *250 Years in Fauquier County: A Virginia Story* for the 250th anniversary of Fauquier County. He is the publisher of the *Piedmont Virginian* magazine, which has consistently and forcefully supported historic preservation efforts in the Mosby Heritage Area.

Regional Park Authority, which owns Balls Bluff battlefield, she also was a moving force behind acquisitions such as White's Ford. Su Webb has worked with the NVRPA in several roles since the 1960s. She also serves as chair of the Loudoun County Farm Heritage Museum and on the Aldie Heritage Association Board of Directors.

PROPERTIES IN HUNT COUNTRY

TRANQUILITY FARM



Purcellville-c 1807, Fully renovated 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath Federal-style stone home on 23+ acres nestled along the North Fork of Goose Creek. Hardwood floors, 4 fireplaces, 10' foot ceilings, and plaster crown moldings. Original stone springhouse, smokehouse, 5-stall bank barn with finished guest apartment/office, 3 bedroom tenant house and spring-fed pond. Ideal small horse farm. \$1,750,000
Cricket Bedford (540) 229-3201

MIDDLEBURG PHARMACY



Commercial C2 Zoning in Middleburg, VA. Central Business District. Prime location. Detached, three level, mixed use. Retail with large display windows on main level, 3 one bedroom apartments on upper level, fully leased. English basement-lower level leased as workshop. Approx. 7000 Sq. Ft. Stone building, with 4 parking spaces. \$1,700,000
Rebecca Poston (540) 771-7520

CHIMNEYS



An English country estate. "Chimneys" exudes charm. Main house, c1790 with later additions, is stucco over log and frame, has heart of pine floors, beamed ceilings, 5 FPS, 6 Bs, 5 FBs, 2 HBS, boxwood and perennial gardens. Stone guest cottage, c1770, is 3 floors with 1B-1FB. Poolhouse has flagstone floors, pickled walls, 2 FPS, 1B-1FB. 2-car garage, barns, sheds, 12.5 acres. \$1,595,000
Sheryl Heckler (540) 272-4300

FROG HOLLOW



Turn Key Horse Property #7 Stall Center-Aisle Stable with spacious 1 Bedroom Apartment above #5 Paddocks #2 Run-In Sheds • Large Ring • Spacious Stone Residence • 4+ Bedrooms, 3 Baths, 2 Half Baths, 2 Fireplaces • Huge Unfinished Walkout Basement with add'l Fireplace • 25 Acres • Orange County Hunt • Mountain Views • Located between The Plains and Middleburg on Zulla Road. Great ride-out and price. \$1,395,000
Cathy Bernache (540) 424-7066

FLEMING FARM



Two adorable cottages in the woods and an idyllic building site in an open field offer a unique opportunity for a family or guest compound in the Virginia countryside. Part of Fleming Farm in The Plains, this piece is 127 acres and includes a 1 bedroom log cabin, 1 bedroom stone cottage, and private building site at the end of a winding lane. Orange County Hunt. \$1,350,000
Sheryl Heckler (540) 272-4300

EXNING COTTAGE



Middleburg-Charming stone & frame cottage circa 1880's with 3 Bedrooms, 1 bath on 4.57 open acres just East of town. Cottage was originally part of neighboring estate "Exning". Lovely hardwood floors, 2 stone fireplaces, screened & flagstone porches. Updated kitchen. Old stone walls. Fruit trees. Open field with run-in shed. Separate storage shed. \$575,000
Cricket Bedford (540) 229-3201

RAMBLEWOOD LANE



Excellent opportunity to build your dream home on a rare 3.69 acre parcel! Just off Foxcroft Road, down a quiet dead-end lane, this property is only minutes to town & surrounded by large farms. County approved 5-bedroom septic field. House site located on top of a hill. Parcel also contains existing 1970's farm house which is tenant occupied. Property is offered "as is" \$275,000
Cricket Bedford (540) 229-3201

JENKINS MTN LODGE



RAPPAHANNOCK OFFICE - Breathtaking views through picture windows. This 9-10 bedroom retreat has been a licensed Bed And Breakfast Inn for years • 50 acres in Easement and surrounded other protected properties • 5 min to Washington Virginia • 3 Stone Fireplaces • Indoor Lap Pool • Outdoor Pool • Tennis Court \$1,490,000 O/LREA
Alex Sharp (540) 219-4425

THOMAS AND TALBOT REAL ESTATE
LAND AND ESTATE AGENTS SINCE 1967
A STAUNCH ADVOCATE OF LAND EASEMENTS



Telephone (540) 687-6500
P.O. Box 500 • 2 South Madison Street
Middleburg • Virginia 20117

Licensed in Virginia and West Virginia. Offer subject to errors, omissions, prior sale, change of price or withdrawal without notice. Information contained herein is deemed reliable but is not so warranted nor is it otherwise guaranteed.

NEWS OF NOTE

TEST DRIVE: TESLA MODEL S

ALEX CUDABACK

Three years ago August, I was one of the first people in the state of Virginia lucky enough to test drive a Tesla Roadster, the first production vehicle sold by Elon Musk's all-electric vehicle company, Tesla Motors.

Looking back on that first report, I realized I left a few, important things out.

First of all, the Roadster was essentially an electric car shoe-horned into a Lotus Elise's body. This was, after all, not just a new kind of car, but a proof of concept vehicle; designing an entirely new body to ferry around an entirely new drivetrain and power system didn't make too much sense.

Second, for all its technological wizardry (and there was a lot, don't get me wrong), this was by no means a people's car, and nor was it meant to be. As I said before, it was a proof of concept vehicle, designed to show that an all-electric vehicle that wouldn't perform like a glorified golf cart could really be designed, produced and sold to a dead-dinosaur-fuel obsessed driving public. There was power, lots of power. It was fast, wickedly fast. And it handled like it was riding those proverbial rails.

Those two things, the shoe-horning and the proof-of-concept bottom line, required buyers and passengers to accept something important: short of performance (which was there, in abundance)

Fast-forward three years.

The Tesla S was the world's first "premium electric sedan" when deliveries started this past June, according to the company. The powertrain and all the related lessons learned from the Roadster had been incorporated into what is, for all intents and purposes, the first sedan built from the ground up as an entirely electric vehicle.

On first glance, the car is nothing short of striking. Its five-door layout means the body flows from the windshield, over the passenger compartment and gracefully down to the car's rear, without stops and breaks for the car's

c-pillar and trunk deck. The first impression is of an Aston Martin Vanquish that's been stretched to accommodate an extra three adults in the back seat.

This is a beautiful car, and one that you enjoy looking at.

A few things jump out right away as you walk closer. Obviously, there are no exhaust pipes protruding from the rear: no internal combustion, no exhaust. But there also don't seem to be any door handles. Or charging ports for the aforementioned batteries.

If you're not the owner of the car, or don't have the key, those door handles will stay hidden. However, with the RFID-equipped "key" on your person or that of someone with you, as you get closer the car will sense the key's unique signature and "poof!" like magic, door handles will emerge. Once you're safely inside, the handles retract, sitting flush with the body. (The charging port, for those of you dying to know, is cleverly hidden behind one of the rear, driver-side reflectors. Pretty cool.)

Before sitting inside the car, it's enlightening to get on your hands and knees next to it. Not to genuflect to this remarkable piece of engineering, though that's not a bad idea. Rather, get all the way down so you can look beneath the car, at its underside.

In a nod to aerodynamics, as well as the simple fact that a simpler drivetrain requires fewer moving parts, the bottom of the Tesla S



is perfectly clean: no driveshaft, to exhaust lines, none of the things you're used to seeing hanging out below your typical gas-powered automobile. It's not a huge deal, but it is does serve as a reminder that this car has about a much in common with your father's as his did with Fred Flintstone's.

Once inside, you'll be struck by a number of things, but they all fall into three categories: one, the inside is beautifully put together, with wood and aluminum accents in all the right places, sumptuous leather seats, a big, chunky steering wheel that begs to be held; two, the room inside is more than plentiful, thanks to the lack of a traditional drivetrain running down the middle of the car as well as the five-door layout; and three, the center stack, normally home to a sound system, climate, navigation, and the like, all manner of knobs and dials and buttons, has been replaced by an enormous 17-inch screen that serves as home for all those.

It's a breathtaking layout and you just sort of want to take it all in, touch it, feel it, play with it. It's quite something. And even better, it all works. The touchscreen is so big, and so well thought-out, that everything is where you want it.

And for you contrarians out there, you can reformat it. That's right, with a few simple, intuitive steps, you can move the controls up or down, putting the temperature at the top of the stack, or the radio, or the nav system. Or you can blow the nav system up so it takes up the entire stack. You get the idea. You won't get the tactile feedback you do from knobs and buttons, true, but users I've talked to say you get used to the change very quickly.

The car comes to life once you sit inside, reporting battery charge, range, weather, and just about anything else you'd like to configure it to do. The Tesla S is designed to be more than just a conveyance; it should reflect its owner and anticipate his or her needs. This is simply the direction all cars will be moving in the future, but for now no manufacturer pulls it off as nicely, as seamlessly, as Tesla.

Driving the car is a dream, with flawless acceleration, regenerative braking and handling enhanced by the low center of gravity brought to you by the lithium-ion batteries that rest under the floor.

The three primary levels available revolve around the three battery configurations available for the car, namely the 40, 60 or 85 kWh, or kilowatt hour, models. The base, or 40 kWh model, will set you back \$49,900 (after a \$7,500 Federal Tax Credit); estimated range is 160 miles; 0-60 mph is 6.5 seconds; and top speed is 110 mph. The mid-level, 60 kWh model, bumps range to 230 miles, top speed to 120 mph, 0-60 time in 5.9, and cost to \$59,900 (again, after the tax credit.) The top, 85 kWh model, will set you back \$69,900 (after the tax credit), but range increases to 300 miles, top speed to 125 mph, and 0-60 in 5.6 seconds.

A high performance model is also available for \$84,900 (heard about the tax credit?), which includes an upgraded interior, suspension and wheels, bumps the top speed to 130 mph and improves the 0-60 time to 4.4 seconds.

You know, if you're in a hurry. The battery warranty on all models is 8 years; mileage is 100,000 for the base, 125,000 for the mid, and unlimited for the top and performance models.

Bottom line? The Model S is a homerun, in just about every measurable area imaginable. From aesthetics, to performance to environmental impact, this car is a game-changer. The only drawback is wait-time for delivery; order your Model S today with a \$5,000, fully refundable deposit, and you won't get your car until next summer.

But that's a small price to pay to drive the future.

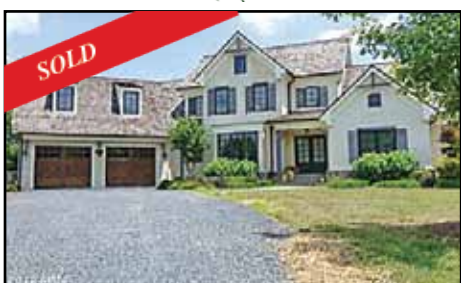
If the Roadster was the proof of concept, the Model S is the proof of evolutionary dominance. Bravo.



MIDDLEBURG REAL ESTATE

Quietly Serving Our Clients Since 1943

540.687.6321

 6313 OLD GOOSE CREEK ROAD, MIDDLEBURG GEORGE ROLL 703.606.6358 \$1,950,000	 1398 JOHN MOSBY HWY, UPPERVILLE CHARLIE WESTBROOK 703.447.9505 \$1,700,000	 7 WASHINGTON STREET, MIDDLEBURG PETER PEJACEVICH 540-270-3835 \$1,250,000	 3216 ZULLA RD, THE PLAINS SCOTT BUZZELLI 540.454.1399 \$1,250,000
 40213 DOE RUN LANE, PAEONIAN SPRINGS SCOTT BUZZELLI 540.454.1399 \$1,250,000	 261 ROKEY RD, UPPERVILLE SCOTT BUZZELLI 540.454.1399 \$1,245,000	 3502 MAVIS CT, FAIRFAX SCOTT BUZZELLI 540.454.1399 \$1,225,000	 23137 TAIL RACE RD, ALDIE MARQUET SIMMONS 703.774.6109 \$1,199,000
 36278 BELL RD, ROUND HILL CHARLIE WESTBROOK 703.447.9505 \$1,700,000	 120 MAIN STREET, PURCELLVILLE MARCY CANTATORE 540.955.3782 \$985,000	 36510 WYNHURST CT MIDDLEBURG PETER PEJACEVICH 540.270.3835 \$824,990	 35290 PRESTWICK CT, ROUND HILL JIM LEMON 703.203.9766 \$665,000
 15018 CLOVER HILL RD, WATERFORD MARCY CANTATORE 540.955.3782 \$657,000	 16953 SIMPSON CIRCLE, PAEONIAN SPRINGS COLLEEN GUSTAVSON 703.296.2347 \$625,000	 14354 WATERFORD WOODS, LEESBURG SAM REES 703.408.4261 \$569,000	 704 EMERALD HILL DR, LEESBURG JANET MULHERN 703.431.2084 \$490,000
 41905 FELDSPAR PLACE, STONE RIDGE JIM LEMON 703.203.9766 \$475,000	 37591 CECILIA LANE, PURCELLVILLE ROSEMARY DEBUTTS 540.454.6792 \$400,000	 329 HERMITAGE BLVD, BERRYVILLE MARY GOTT 703.431.8388 \$398,000	 37034 CHARLES TOWN PIKE, PURCELLVILLE MARY KOKOURAS 540.454.1604 \$339,000

Please consider us for all your Real Estate Needs

10 East Washington Street • Post Office Box 485 • Middleburg, VA 20118
office 540.687.6321 fax 540.687.3966 middleburgrealestate.com



Thos. Hays & Son Jewelers

Celebrating 40 years ~ Fine Jewelry and Silver ~1972 ~2012



19 South Madison Street • Middleburg • Virginia • 540.687.6997
www.ThosHaysJewelers.com

NEWS OF NOTE

AH&T RAISES \$26,000 FOR LOUDOUN INTERFAITH RELIEF

AH&T Insurance proudly announced that it raised \$26,000 for Loudoun Interfaith Relief from its 24th annual Charity Golf Tournament at Piedmont Club in Haymarket.

With strong support from area residents, businesses, and several national insurance companies, the proceeds from this year's event represent a continued commitment to support local charities.

The mission of Loudoun Interfaith Relief is critically important to the lives of thousands of residents in Loudoun County: feed the hungry by providing emergency food assistance to those in need and promote self-suf-

ficiency to any person or family living in Loudoun County.

Bonnie Inman, Executive Director, Loudoun Interfaith Relief said, "The contribution given to Loudoun Interfaith Relief will have a huge impact for our community. The generosity of AH&T Insurance enables us to provide emergency food assistance to an ever increasing number of families in need."

Alex Green, President of AH&T Insurance added, "We thank those who contributed to making this event a success. The work of Loudoun Interfaith Relief is vital to the residents of Loudoun County, and we are proud to continue to support local charities."



NEW AUCTION COMPANY IN WESTERN LOUDOUN

Auctions on Main, a live auction company in downtown Purcellville, is now accepting consignments for their Grand Opening auction. Savvy buyers and motivated sellers will meet to do business in the lively shopping events planned for 2013.

For the home or business with unused items, or those looking to furnish or equip their places, auctions are the perfect solution for buyers and sellers.

Buyers can find bargains on previously owned items, all under one roof. Auctions sell just about anything— one never knows what unique item will be discovered. Buyers can also browse a photo gallery online, which features many of the items being auctioned that week.

Sellers eliminate the hassle of selling through the classifieds. Auctions on Main does all the advertising, qualifies the buyer, sells the item and processes the funds. Most importantly, sellers preserve their privacy and save time in finding potential buyers.

Since all items are sold 'as is,' buyers can attend scheduled previews to examine seller items prior to bidding.

Both buyers and sellers seek fair market value, which is best achieved at auctions. Auctioneer Mark Albright says, "Auctions represent 'what the market will bear' for a particular item today."

He adds: "We live in the most affluent county in the country and people here are always on the move. Folks need a place to turn their quality goods into cash, whether they are relocating for a job or moving into a retirement community."

"Estate liquidation can be especially challenging for families. Just about anything can be sold at an auction— real estate, farm equipment, home furnishings, collections— you name it. We'll come in and take good care of you."

Auctions on Main looks forward to holding 'No-Work' fundraisers for local non-profit organizations. Members can bring items to consign and proceeds will go toward their organization.

Hoping to contribute to making Purcellville a destination for buyers seeking a historic downtown shopping experience, Auctions on Main joins a collection of unique shop owners that specialize in vintage, antique and recycled items.

Auctions naturally have the feel of an event due to the energy of its buyers, competing for an item.

"If you've ever felt the exhilaration of winning a bid on E-bay, you'll love a live auction," added Albright.

About Auctions on Main

Auctions on Main Auction Company is locally owned and operated, specializing in live auctions, located ½ mile west of historic downtown Purcellville. Sign up for news and event notifications at www.auctionsonmain.com. Mark Albright, Auctioneer 1 VA License #2907003884

For more information, please visit www.auctionsonmain.com.

THE NEW AGRARIANS

ORIGINS OF MODERN CONSERVATION ETHOS INTERSECT AT NATIONAL SPORTING LIBRARY EXHIBIT



Thomas Lovejoy to speak January 28th

Without hunter-naturalists, gamekeepers, artists and naturalists, modern conservation would not have evolved to be a hallmark of social ethics today.

The fascination with and respect for the American landscape and the wildlife it shelters began a conversation about preservation that is the basis of much of 21st century thinking about the natural environment.

Thomas Lovejoy, an innovative and influential conservation biologist who has led contemporary thinking on biodiversity and served as director of many noteworthy organizations, will speak to members of the Ivy Circle and Chairman's Council January 29th as part of the NSL's celebration of the Intersection exhibit.

In a brilliant combination of books and art, the National Sporting Library has mounted an important and enlightening exhibit entitled "Intersection: Field Sports and the Evolution of Conservation" in its Forrest E. Mars, Sr. Exhibit Hall. Visitors will thoroughly enjoy this small but succinct exhibit that includes the includes the octavo first editions of John James Audubon's *Birds of America* and *The Quadrapeds of North America*; several editions, including the first, of Izaak Walton's *The Compleat Angler* and a rich collection of sketches, books and paintings by contemporary artists who continue in the Walton/Audubon tradition.

Relying on the permanent library collection, now totaling 24,000 volumes, Curator Maureen Gustafson has created an exhibit that educates and fascinates.

Early gamekeeping practices and poaching laws recognize the need to protect resources and illustrate how deeply connected the protection of game was to social structure.

Often, these rules express a code of moral behavior that is obvious when one closely regards *The Statutes at Large, Made for*

the Preservation of Game, of 1762 and the angling books by Thomas Barker and others that preceded and influenced Walton.

Clearly, sportsmen of the time were exceedingly aware of the need for game and fishing laws to protect wild stock and its habitat.

Edith O.E. Sommerville's painting of *An Irish Trout Stream* lovingly captures the beauty of the fisherman's haven at the turn of the 20th century, and under-

scores why protection of these areas was becoming such an important issue of the day.

American Presidents

John Quincy Adams, Grover Cleveland and Teddy Roosevelt were sportsmen who addressed the fundamental issues of over-hunting, codes of conduct, and, in Roosevelt's case, the need to protect exceptional landscapes.

A record of an Eisenhower

1955 fishing trip is included in the exhibit, as is Hoover's 1931 fishing camp on the Rapidan and Grover Cleveland's 1902 volume entitled *A Defense of Fishermen*.

Theodore Roosevelt's original handwritten manuscript for an article in *The Century Illustrated Monthly Magazine* is fascinating. Written in July of 1886, his careful notations and his editor's edits speak volumes about his appreciation of the hunt and field sports.

Artist's & Author's Role

A first edition of Izaak Walton's *The Compleat Angler*, or *The Contemplative Man's Recreation, Being a Discourse of Fish and Fishing, Not Unworthy the Perusal of Most Anglers*, printed in 1653, rests beside a collection of successive editions. Among the most published books in the English language, *The Compleat Angler* is second only to the Bible.

One edition, printed in 1844, includes illustrations based on beautiful watercolors by John Absolon. A large folio of those original watercolors is also included in the exhibit.

Delightful paintings that illustrate the appreciation artists of all eras have for the natural world and its inhabitants create a lovely context for the progression of literary thinking about conservation.

Especially charming are the

paintings of Robert McCauley, a Mt. Vernon, Washington, native whose highly respected work which he calls *Visual Literacy*, presents a moment in time that conjure "a moment when nature is in limbo, with a future to be determined," rather than presenting a doomed future for the natural world.

His painting of a salmon, titled *Hide Your Good Work*, perfectly conveys his immense ability to render animals exquisitely in an eccentric world of historical references and symbolic gestures.

Robin Hill's *Buff-Breasted Pitta*, is an original sketch with notations and color studies. Hill is a from the prominent naturalist, writer and artist whose work for the book, *The Waterfowl of North America* that was published on the 25th anniversary of the World Wildlife Fund.

Conservation and its origins so permeate this distinctive exhibit that one's appreciation for field sport and the wild woods escalates axiomatically.

Suddenly, centuries of thought and concern intersect to create a taut network of respect for and dedication to preservation of the natural world.

This is an exhibit everyone who loves the land should see.

Intersection: Field Sports and the Evolution of Conservation at the National Sporting Library's Forrest E. Mars Gallery runs through January 30th, 2013.

Season's Greetings from Goodstone Inn & Restaurant



Celebrate the Holidays at Goodstone.

Join us for outstanding French Country cuisine at our award-winning, farm-to-table restaurant.

Please call to reserve your table for Christmas or New Year's Eve.

Corporate Meetings • Weddings • Special Events

THE PERFECT HOLIDAY GIFT

Call today to order a Goodstone Gift Card and give the finest in elegant guest rooms, outstanding cuisine and Spa services.



3605 SNAKE HILL ROAD, MIDDLEBURG
540.687.3333
WWW.GOODSTONE.COM

TripAdvisor: 2012 Certificate of Excellence • Wine Enthusiast Magazine: 100 Best Wine Restaurants 2012
OpenTable: 100 Best Restaurants in the USA 2011 • Condé Nast Johansens: Most Excellent Inn North America 2011



CHARLIE WESTBROOK 703.447.9505

• Broker of Estate & Land Properties

• Practiced in Conservation Land Easement Strategies

• Real Estate & Tax Credit Advisory Services



SOLD

BELL ROAD
ROUND HILL VIRGINIA
COMMERCIAL NURSERY SITE
\$1,700,000



SOLD

JOHN MOSBY HIGHWAY,
UPPERVILLE VIRGINIA
93 ACRES ~VOF EASEMENT
\$1,700,000



MIDDLEBURG REAL ESTATE

10 East Washington Street • Middleburg, VA 20118
office 540.687.6321 middleburgrealestate.com



540.347.0765
703.754.3301
540.825.6332

Warrenton
Gainesville
Culpeper

Guaranteed
✓ Service
✓ Up-Front Prices
✓ Satisfaction

The Drip. The Leak. The Clog.
The Solution—Appleton Campbell



Water Heaters ■ Well Pumps ■ Toilets
Faucets ■ Drain Cleaning



APPLETON CAMPBELL

PLUMBING • HEATING
AIR CONDITIONING • ELECTRICAL

facebook.com/appletoncampbell appletoncampbell.com



SACKLER GALLERY 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRANTS VISIT NSLM



NABIL SAIDI, LONDON; GRACE BENDER, WASHINGTON, D.C.; JOHANNES AND CLAUDIA AUERSPERG, LONDON AND AUSTRIA; BARONESS AZIZA ALLARD, LONDON; APRIL GOW, LONDON; LAWRENCE CONNOLLY, TEXAS; JAMES ARMSTRONG, TEXAS

As notable dignitaries, art lovers and philanthropists gathered recently to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Smithsonian's Arthur M. Sackler Gallery, some of the event organizers and guests made a side trip to the National Sporting Library and Museum in Middleburg.

Arranged by Ann Nitze, a Sackler Gala sponsor, the visit included tours of current exhibitions and highlights from the rare book collection followed by luncheon in the Founders' Room with NSLM board members Mimi Abel Smith, Guy O. Dove and Jacqueline Ohrstrom.

Visitors included members of the Sackler Gala International Committee: Mrs. Roderick Gow (London), who with her husband was a co-chair of that committee; Baroness Allard (London); and TSH Prince and Princess Johannes von Auersperg (London and Austria). The Sackler Gala Committee was represented by James Armstrong and Larry Connelly (Texas); and Grace Bender (Washington, D.C.). Oriental manuscripts expert Nabil Saidi (London) and historian Travis Barton Kranz (California), a Foxcroft alum, also joined the group on Thursday, November 29th.

The visit included tours of current exhibitions and highlights from the rare book collection followed by luncheon in the Founders' Room with NSLM board members Mimi Abel Smith, Guy O. Dove and Jacqueline Ohrstrom.

Among the many enthusiastic conversations was the discovery that April Gow's husband is the great grandson of Lord Mottistone (General Jack Seely) who wrote My Horse Warrior, the 1934 book that is the basis for the play and film "War Horse." The book was illustrated by his friend Sir Alfred Munnings and contains a moving inscription about Munnings' drawings by Seely. Two Munnings paintings are a prominent part of the NSLM art collection.

The Sackler has two important exhibitions of interest to horse enthusiasts: Nomads and Networks: The Ancient Art and Culture of Kazakhstan and Roads of Arabia: Archaeology and History of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

The National Sporting Library and Museum was pleased to personally congratulate the Smithsonian's Arthur M. Sackler Gallery on their 25th anniversary.

~ Peace on Earth ~

*10% Off
All
In-stock
Items*

Expires 12/31/12

HAUTE

*Designer Fabrics
for the Home*

Mon.-Sat. 10 to 5
8393 W. Main Street • Marshall, VA 20115 • 540.364.1221
www.hauteonline.com • hautefabrics@gmail.com

Duchessa

Middleburg

Dear Friends of Duchessa,

*During the Holidays, our thoughts turn gratefully
to those who made our progress possible.*

In this spirit we sincerely say,

"Thank you"

Best Wishes for Joyful Holidays

&

A Healthy New Year!

540-687-8898

100 E Washington St. Middleburg

Richard Allen Clothing

LET US HELP YOU
WITH YOUR NEW YEARS
CLOTHING SOLUTIONS

GET MEASURED BY
RICHARD ALLEN

FINE CLOTHING TO
SUIT YOUR NEEDS

WE OFFER THE BEST
GARMENTS
MADE IN AMERICA

Make your appointment today 703-344-1215

100 E Washington St. Middleburg, VA

Propane Costs Too Much!

*"That's why I started
Hunt Country Propane."*

— Dale Schulz

A 5-minute call could save you \$1,000 or MORE!

- We're Local
- We're Less
- We're Friendly

540-687-3608

www.HuntCountryPropane.com

LOUDOUN • FAUQUIER • CLARKE

NEWS OF NOTE

ORANGE COUNTY HOUNDS TEAM CHASE RESULTS

JUNIOR CHAMPION CAROLINE FOUT WINS AGAIN; MIDDLEBURG HUNT'S HELEN BRETTCELL IS 'GENUINE HUNTER'



GENUINE HUNTER CHAMPION: HELEN BRETTCELL ON BROOKE

Hurricane Sandy delayed the Orange County Hounds annual Team Chase event, originally scheduled for October 30th. Despite a busy hunt season it took place

Sunday, November 18th at Old Whitehead Farm in The Plains. Nearly 100 horses and riders rode over the beautiful course in the heart of Orange County's territory. Riders representing hunts from Vir-



JUNIOR HUNTER CHAMPION CAROLINE FOUT ON MORNING PLEASURE

ginia, as well as from farther flung packs in Maryland and Pennsylvania, teamed up on horses and ponies to compete in a variety of events. Awards were given for Best Turned Out, Ideal Time, Best Hunt Team as well as the Junior Hunter championship and coveted Genuine Hunter Championship.

For the second consecutive year, Caroline Fout won the Junior Hunter Championship on her late grandmother Eve Fout's elegant Thoroughbred hunter, Morning Pleasure.

Caroline, a senior at Foxcroft School, turned in a flawless test after being one of eight riders chosen for the final. Riding with the Middleburg-Orange County Beagles and with OCH, she exhibited the Fout family tradition of excellent riding and horsemanship.

The Junior Hunter Reserve Champion was Allegra Solari on her lovely bay Doncaster, representing both Warrenton Hunt and Snickersville Hounds.

Helen Bretell of Middleburg Hunt earned the The Genuine Hunter Championship on her picture perfect chestnut mare Brooke to enthusiastic cheers from the audience. The duo recently won the "Best Turned Out" division at the Virginia Field Hunter Championship. Reserve honors went to Leslie Hazel on her rock solid grey gelding, Bob.



BEST HUNT TEAM: HAYLEY, NANCY AND BEVERLY ALCOCK

The Eduardo Coria Team with Kathleen Lyons on Luke and Eduardo Coria won the Best Hilltopper Pair.

Final Results - OCH Team Chase Event

Hilltopper Pairs:

Best Hunt Team: Eduardo Coria Team 1-Kathleen Lyons on Luke and Eduardo Coria- Casanova Hunt

Best Turned Out: Coria Team 2 of Christie Fitzsimmons and Eduardo Coria- Casanova Hunt

Limit Hunters

Best Hunt Team: "Fox Jumpers" Graham Alcock on Matchstick, Hayley Alcock on Foxy, Nancy Alcock on Millpoint Farbetter, Beverly Alcock on Martigraw- Piedmont Fox Hounds

Ideal Time: "Robin and Allegra" Allegra Solari on Doncaster, Robin Ross on Maverick, Enrique Solari on Ruby- Warrenton Hunt

Best Turned Out: " Making Ends Meet" Ashley Boardman on Greystone, Jane Braswell on Turf and Caroline Fout on Morning Pleasure- Middleburg Orange County Beagles

Junior Champion: Caroline Fout on Morning Pleasure - Middleburg Orange County Beagles and OCH

Junior Reserve Champion: Allegra Solari on Doncaster- Warrenton Hunt

Genuine Hunters

Best Hunt Team: "Joint Ventures" Andrea Gilman on Jamieson, Kathleen O'Keefe on Dudley, Eduardo Coria on Arcadia's Gold-Casanova and old Dominion Hunt

Best Turned Out: " The Champagne Chasers" M'lesa Boike on Bennet, Jim Drunagel on Skip Along Slew, Pann Drunagel on Jimmy Slide, Mike Olding on The Cane Prince

Ideal Time winners: "Tally Ho Trio" Mark Thompson on Eli, Joy Crompton on Seamus, and Tracey Cover

The Genuine Hunter Championship

Champion: Helen Brettell on Brooke- Middleburg Hunt

Reserve Champion: Leslie Hazel on Bob- Orange County Hounds

PHOTOS COURTESY OF RICHARD CLAY
WWW.RICHARDCLAYPHOTOGRAPHY.COM

GENEROUS INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS MAKE POSSIBLE NEW HIGHLAND SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP

Highland School recently announced The Piedmont Scholarship Program, a new merit-based scholarship available to qualified new students entering grades 9 - 12.. The merit-based program, originated by generous donors, seeks to enroll students who possess the ability to make a meaningful and significant contribution to the quality of school life.

Applicants must be able to demonstrate a passion for and excellence in academic performance, ex-curricular activities, leadership, and/or community service.

The Piedmont Scholarship Program will award scholarships up to \$10,000 each academic year to prospective students who distinguish themselves, starting with the 2013-14 academic year. The scholarship will be renewed annually for all recipients who maintain a G.P.A. of 3.3 or above, act as a positive role model and remain active in the Highland School community.

With the addition of the Piedmont Scholarship Program, Highland School now offers three merit scholarship opportunities to students who demonstrate excellence in academics, extra-curricular activities, leadership and/or community service.

"The results speak for themselves," says Henry Berg, Head of School at Highland. "For two years, we have had the only National Merit Scholars in the county, public or private. The Highland class of 2012 posted the highest average SAT scores in the county. This tradition of academic excellence continues, and will now be available to more students with the advent of the Piedmont Scholars program."

Tim Dunn, Chairman of the Highland Board of Trustees, agrees. "Highland school has the strongest academic programs in the area, including our arts, experiential learning and robotics programs. The Board of Trustees is excited about how the Piedmont Scholarship Program will make these programs available to the region's best and brightest students."

The Piedmont Scholarship Program is made possible through the generous support of individual donors, including Highland parents and parents of alumni.

"We are honored to be a part of this new scholarship program," says Highland parent and former Highland Board Chair, Ellen Stofan, of the donation she and her husband, Tim Dunn, made to support the Piedmont Scholarship Program. "As active members of the Highland community, our hope is that this new scholarship will allow a wider range

of students to benefit from the exceptional programs at Highland."

Scholarship awards will be determined by the Piedmont Committee, which includes the Head of School, Director of Admission and Financial Aid, Upper School Director and current Upper School faculty members. The committee will consider each applicant's overall academic performance, character, citizenship and leadership skills before reaching a final decision.

Qualified applicants will maintain a G.P.A. of 3.3 or higher, and will demonstrate excellence in at least one discipline, including academics, the arts, athletics, leadership and / or community service. Applicants who meet the academic requirements will be invited to submit two teacher recommendations and a resume that highlights the applicant's excellence in academics, the arts, athletics, leadership and / or community service.

The Piedmont Scholarship Program is open to all prospective students in the Piedmont region who are applying for admission to Highland School, grades 9 - 12. Prospective students may self-nominate, or may be nominated by any adult inside or outside Highland School.

Prospective students and parents are encouraged to contact Donna Tomlinson, Director of Admission and Financial Aid, at 540-878-2740 or dtomlinson@highlandschool.org. Priority will be given to applications received by Friday, February 22, 2013.

ART OF THE PIEDMONT

The 2nd annual "Art of the Piedmont" will take place at The Middleburg Community Center on Friday, February 22nd from 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm. Twenty participating artists this year include Dana Volkert, Misia Broadhead Barham, Charlie Matheson, Cathy Zimmerman, Dana Lee Thompson, Nancy Bass, Hwa Crawford, Donna Clark, Antonia Walker, Gail Guirren-Masylyk, Anthony Barham and Lilla Ohrstrom.

"We are thrilled to be partnering with these talented artists," explained BethAnn Slater, Head of School of Middleburg Montessori.

"Ultimately, we are all coming together to benefit the children in our community."

Middleburg Montessori School is a primary Association Montessori Internationale accredited environment that for more than 30 years has educated children, age 2-½ through 6, in the Middleburg community.

In Fall 2011, the school opened a new elementary classroom for children age 6 through 14. All proceeds from the evening will benefit the school.

For more information about the event, or to become a donor, please contact BethAnn Slater at 540-687-5210 or info@middleburgmontessori.com



'EXTREME MAKEOVER' PROJECT MANAGER TO BOWA

Timothy "Tim" J. Burch, a nationally-known and recognized certified home remodeler, has joined BOWA (www.bowa.com), an award-winning home transformation company specializing in the design and construction of luxury additions and renovations, as Project Leader in Loudoun and Fauquier Counties.

Burch is a prominent figure in the national home remodeling industry due to his central role as lead project manager for ABC Television's Emmy-winning show, "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition," where he oversaw the completion of 22 of the reality TV show's intense home construction projects over two seasons from 2009 to 2012.

"Tim has been on a national home remodeling stage where he completed extensive renovation projects while facing some of the toughest construction challenges and deadlines," said Josh Baker, founder of BOWA.

"We couldn't be more pleased with Tim joining BOWA because of his extensive knowledge and experience and clear commitment to deliver exceptional results for clients."

As Project Leader for BOWA's Middleburg office, Burch will work with clients to manage their extensive residential remodeling and renovation projects.

Burch is a third-generation builder with more than 20 years of remodeling experience in the Washington, D.C. metro area and nationally. He has served as president and chairman of the board of the

National Association of the Remodeling Industry (NARI), Metro D.C. Chapter and is a multiple recipient of the NARI Metro D.C. Capital Contractor of the Year award.

"I joined BOWA because they are the best and set the benchmark in the industry," said Tim Burch. "I gained my 'doctorate' in remodeling while working on the show as every project was tailored to meet very specific needs and we solved any issue that came up to make sure the work was done right and on time."

"I look forward to applying the invaluable experience I gained to my work with clients in this area where I have lived for so many years."

Burch is a Virginia native and lives in Fauquier County with his wife and three children and is actively engaged in the community, serving on the Board of Building Appeals for Fauquier County and the Board of Directors for the Partnership for Warrenton Foundation.

He also serves on the Board of Directors for The Fishing School in Washington, D.C. which runs after-school programs for under-served youth and their families.

Burch received a Bachelor of Fine Arts from James Madison University and has post-graduate studies in project management from the Keller Graduate School of Business Management.

For additional information about Tim Burch and BOWA, please visit www.bowa.com.

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Upperville, Virginia

SERVICE OF LESSONS & CAROLS

5:00 pm Saturday, December 16, 2012
with The Master Singers of Virginia

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

4:00 pm Family Service

with a children's homily, children's choir, and celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

8:00 pm Festival Service

with the full Trinity Choir, soloists, strings, and the celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

11:00 pm Candlelight Service

with a more quiet and contemplative liturgy, a cappella music and the celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE

10:30 am Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

Epiphany

Sunday, January 6, 2013

8:00am & 10:30 am Celebration of the Holy Eucharist



The Reverend Robert L. Banse, Jr., Rector
Christian Myers, Director of Music Ministries
540-592-3343
www.trinityuppsville.org

ALL ROADS LEAD TO WAKEFIELD

Open House

MONDAY, JANUARY 21, 9 a.m.

INFO SESSIONS MONTHLY
RSVP:
www.wakefieldschool.org/
openhouse
or (540) 253-7600



WAKEFIELD SCHOOL
4439 OLD TAVERN ROAD
P.O. BOX 107
THE PLAINS, VA 20198

Avg 1.7M awarded in scholarships annually
Princeton, UVA, USNA, Washington U
100% College Acceptance
Average class size of 14
Foreign languages taught in ps-grade 12
Avg SAT scores of 1820

Need Holiday Cash?

Bring Us Your

SILVER and GOLD



Silver Coins

U.S. 1964 and older
Foreign Coins
Silver Medallions,
Bars, Bullion

Sterling Silverware

Dishes, Goblets,
Bowls, Pitchers,
Ornamentation

Gold

Scrap Gold, Class Rings,
Dental Gold, Gold Watches,
Damaged Jewelry, Gold
Coins, Wedding bands

Virginia Collectibles

We Buy Collectibles
Located Inside DMV Gold
Bring your collectibles on the following dates
between 11am and 4pm
OR Other Times by Appointment:
December 8 & January 12 in Warrenton
December 15 & 22 and January 19 in Leesburg
www.NOVAcollectibles.com

DMV Gold & Jewelry Exchange

www.dmgold.com

322 W. Lee Highway
Next to Taco Bell and Papa John's
Warrenton, VA 20186
540-422-0963

GET AN EXTRA
\$10 CASH

for any gold over \$100
Offer cannot be combined. Must present coupon before an estimate is given for your extra bonus cash. Expires 1/25/13

25 Catocin Circle NE
Next to Jimmy John's, behind Wendy's
Leesburg, VA 20186
703-777-2470

GET AN EXTRA
5% BONUS CASH

for any jewelry exchange over \$250
Offer cannot be combined. Must present coupon before an estimate is given for your extra bonus cash. Expires 1/25/13

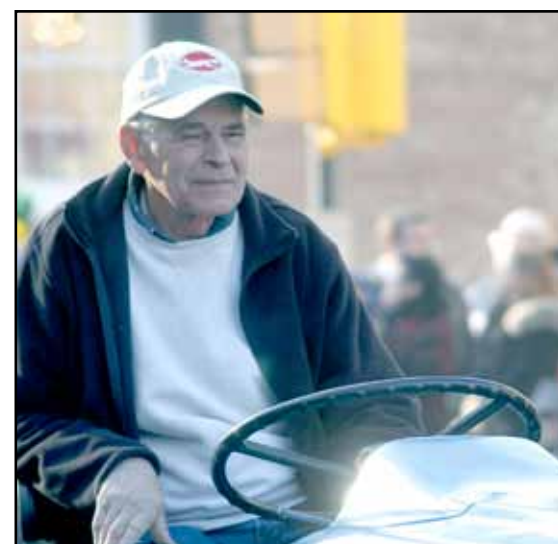
GET AN EXTRA
10% BONUS CASH

for any jewelry exchange over \$350
Offer cannot be combined. Must present coupon before an estimate is given for your extra bonus cash. Expires 1/25/13

FACES & PLACES

CHRISTMAS IN MIDDLEBURG

MIDDLEBURG, VA



Christmas In Middleburg

It Takes A Village

What does it take for thousands of people to have an incredible experience in Middleburg? A joyous message of invitation about the true meaning of Christmas, at least 50 businesses planning special activities for the day, sponsors and donors, and a few volunteers!

2012 Sponsors



2012 Volunteers

Bill	Brown	Stewart	Herbert
Teresa	Brunetti	Dee Dee	Hubbard
John	Bull	Charles	Ince
Barbara	Bull	Punkin	Lee
Jorge	Carvajal	Rich	Luttrell
Brad	Davis	Mike	O'Brien
Gloria	Dawson	Franklin	Pearson
Reggie	Dawson	Cindy	Plescow
Cynthia	Flynn	Steve	Poston
Tom	Flynn	Ron	Reid
Joann	Hazard	Ken	Santmeyer
Kevin	Hazard	Matt	Strama
Browning	Herbert	Donna	Tumblin
J.J.	Herbert	Jerry	

Especial thanks for work and support above and beyond the call from Middleburg Police Officers AJ Panebianco, Mike Prince, Tim Tharpe, Heather Fadely; Loudoun County Sheriff's Department Deputies and Auxiliaries; Virginia State Police Troopers; Town of Middleburg staff Marvin Simms; GATORS provided by Hickory Tree Farm; Locust Hill Farm, Homewood Farm, Dean Elgin and Earheart Equipment Warrenton; Alan Tipton and Carlyle & Anderson Purcellville.

WINCHESTER
540.868.3000
4015 Valley Pike, Winchester, VA 22602

DULLES
703.421.5700
21830 Pacific Blvd., Dulles, VA 20166

America's Favorite Volvo Dealer

GALLOPING PAST THE COMPETITION
donbeyervolvo.com

FACES & PLACES

CHRISTMAS IN MIDDLEBURG

MIDDLEBURG, VA



Leather Repair <i>Journeyman</i> Custom Chaps! Tack Repair! Boot Repair! Shoe Repair! 2 WEST FEDERAL ST., MIDDLEBURG • VA 540.687.5888 • 800.962.4405	Plumbing J.R. Snider Ltd. Professional Plumbing Services 540-687-5232 Your Full Service Plumber And Quality Water Provider	Architect ANDERSON COOPER GROUP ARCHITECTS 20 S. Madison Street, Middleburg, Virginia 540-687-5787 www.acgarchitects.com	Health Cleansing Water, Inc. PRIVATE HOME HEALTH CARE Meeting the Needs of the Whole Person... Body, Mind, and Spirit. FREE In-Home Needs Assessment www.CleansingWater.com 30 Main Street, Suite 234 • Warrenton, VA 20186 (540) 341-0212 • (866) 294-4665 • Fax (540) 341-8477
Landscaping Campos Landscaping MARCELINO CAMPOS MOWING & LANDSCAPING OIL CHANGING • BLADE SHARPENING GUTTER CLEANING • POWER WASHING 540.398.6540 540.671.3847 macampos75@hotmail.com	Catering Back Street Catering 5 East Federal Street Middleburg, VA 20117 540-687-3154 bscafe@middleburg.com Weddings • Receptions Anniversaries • Parties • Tailgates Luncheons • Special Occasions	Mortgages "The housing market is back." I've got your back! HOLLY HOOPES Office: 540-338-2223 • Mobile: 703-409-2600 Holly.Hoopes@suntrust.com	Embroidery Stella & Dean MONOGRAMS Make it Uniquely Personal! Custom Embroidery for all your business and personal needs 540-592-9599 www.stellaanddean.com www.companycasuals.com/stellaanddean
Books SECOND CHAPTER BOOKS We have lots of new books for every reader. Special orders, author signings, book clubs & more. Hours: Mon-Sat 10 to 6, Sun 12 to 5 10 South Liberty St., Middleburg, VA 540-687-7016 secondchapterbks@gmail.com	Massage Fox Tails Massage MARION COOPER, CMT 101 West Federal Street Middleburg, VA 20117 413-687-2130 mccooper9@aol.com	Arborists SUNRISE TREE SERVICE We'll go Out on a Limb to Please! Tree Removal • Stump Grinding Brush Clearing • Cabling Trimming • Tree & Shrub Care Pruning • Lot Clearing Storm Damage FREE ESTIMATES FULLY INSURED & LICENSED RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL 540.687.6796	Shade Trees Growing & Installing BIG Trees Shade Tree Farm 703.370.TREE (8733) www.shadetreefarm.com

Iron Work Fairfax Iron Works Inc. Established in 1956 Custom Gates Railings Fencing Cell - 703.929.3489 Office - 703.550.9090 www.fairfaxironworks.com	Organic Foods Home Delivery Fresh Cut Beef, Pork, Lamb, Poultry! Pasture-raised. Affordable. Hormone & Antibiotic-free! From your local farmer 703.300.5765 www.FieldsofAthenryFarm.com	Electricians EMBREY ELECTRIC SERVICE, LLC Residential and Commercial Electrical Services Licensed and Insured Serving Western Loudoun & Fauquier Counties RON EMBREY Cell: 703-606-0372 Office: 540-554-8706	Roofing VIRGINIA PRO ROOFING "We specialize in Standing Seam Metal" NEW ROOFING • RE-ROOFING METAL • COPPER • SLATE SHINGLES • RUBBER • GUTTER 540.722.6071 540.664.0881 vaproroofing@comcast.net www.virginiaproroofing.com
Construction MELMORE, INC. since 1982 HISTORIC RESTORATION, DESIGN & CUSTOM BUILDING VA Class A Contractor's License Lead EPA Certified Maximizing tax credits & cost control Middleburg VA 540.687.3003 Email: tl@melmore.com	Wine Tasting ALDIE PEDDLER Got Wine? Wally is always tasting at The Aldie Peddler! Tue-Sun 11am-5pm 703-327-6743 Rt. 50 Historic Aldie, VA	Music Lessons The Community Music School of the Piedmont REGISTER NOW! Private Music Lessons & Classes available for all ages Convenient locations in Upperville, Middleburg, Aldie, Purcellville & The Plains (540) 592-3040 piedmontmusic@aol.com www.piedmontmusic.org	Pets & Grooming WYLIE WAGG for pets Healthy food & supplies at great prices! Middleburg, VA wyliewagg.com 4 locations in Northern VA

Deadline for Jan.17th issue is Jan. 3rd

540.687.3200

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!

WWW.MBECC.COM

FACES & PLACES

PIEDMONT FOX HOUNDS THANKSGIVING MEET

PHOTOS BY LIZ CALLER



HUNTSMAN SPENCER ALLEN



EVA SMITHWICK AND GREG RYAN



PETER WALSH AND EMMA WALSH



ELIZABETH GREEN AND HUNTSMAN SPENCER ALLEN AT HUNTLAND



**Win Dinner for 2, once a month
for 1 whole year at The Railstop.**

Half the proceeds benefit The Plains Volunteer Fire Dept.
Raffle Tickets are \$60 each and there will be only 150 tickets sold.
Makes a great Christmas Gift. Buy now before they sell out.
Tickets are available at The Railstop.
You need not be present to win.

**Do not forget to make reservations
for New Years Eve.**

We will be open for dinner
with our regular menu and some great specials.
Whether your are coming to celebrate or
just enjoy a bite to eat, we welcome you.

For reservations call 540-253-5644 after 5:00 tues. to sun.
or go to www.railstoprestaurant.com



An Extraordinary Home

IN AN EXTRAORDINARY COMMUNITY

Creighton Farms invites you to experience our new Villa Model.
The 4,600-sq.-ft. home boasts stunning views of the
Jack Nicklaus Signature Golf Course, 4 bedrooms, 4.5-baths and
a 3-car garage on 1+ acres in Creighton Farms' new
Nicklaus Village neighborhood.

Schedule a tour today to learn more about all the spectacular
opportunities at Creighton Farms, tour the Villa Model and Clubhouse,
and sample a taste of extraordinary living.

Call 703.957.4800 to schedule your tour today.

22050 Creighton Farms Drive, Aldie, VA 20105
www.CreightonFarms.com

Junio Loudoun, LLC is the owner and developer of the project. Access to and use of recreational amenities are not included in the purchase of real estate in Creighton Farms and require separate club membership which is subject to application, approval, and payment of applicable fees and dues. Initiation fee may be waived if membership is activated within sixty (60) days of purchase. Obtain and carefully review the offering materials for The Club at Creighton Farms before making any decision to purchase a membership. This is not an offer to sell property to, or a solicitation of offers from, residents of NY, NJ, CT, OR or any other state that requires prior registration of real estate. Prices and terms are subject to change without notice. Obtain the property report or its equivalent, required by Federal and State law and read it before signing anything. No Federal or State agency has judged the merits or value, if any, of this property.



ANTIQUES

blue moon antiques
fabulous finds from the world
over!
located....
207 west washington
street
(across from the middleburg
community center)
open... Fri-Sun 11-4



locally-owned & community-obsessed since 2003

Thank you for choosing to shop with us!

If you're one of our regulars, we hope you'll use the attached coupon the next time you're in. And, if you're new to Wylie Wagg, please come by for a visit and take advantage of the savings!

5B East Washington St.
Middleburg
540.687.8727
wyliewagg.com
locations in Arlington, Fairfax, Middleburg, & Tysons

voted best pet shop in Northern VA, 2012
(Northern VA Magazine &
Virginia Living Magazine)



Save **\$3** on your purchase of **\$30** or more
OR save **\$10** on your purchase of **\$100** or more.

Limit one coupon per customer.
Not for use in conjunction with other coupons or discounts.
Expires December 31, 2012.



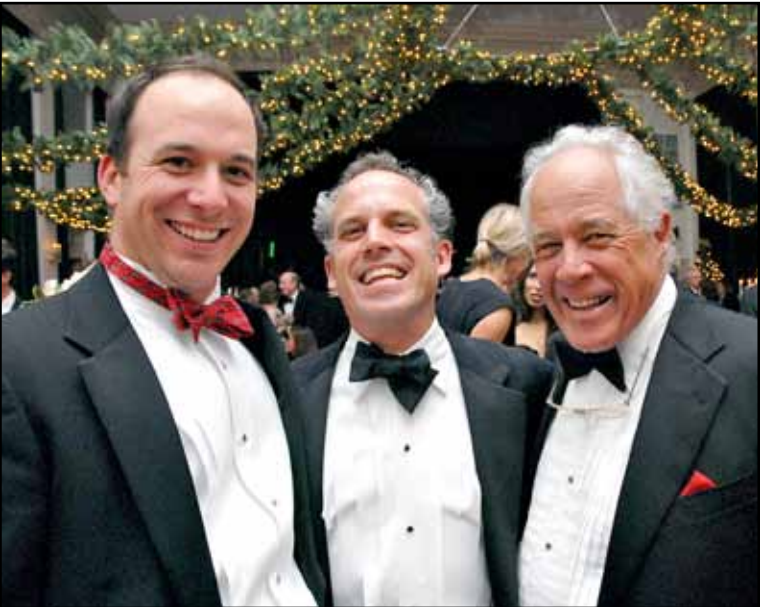
WYLIE WAGG
wyliewagg.com

FACES & PLACES

HOLIDAY BALL
MIDDLEBURG COMMUNITY CENTER



CHANDLER & HEIDI HANZEL VAN VOORHIS, BOB FOOSANER & BETSY MINETREE,
CARY CRANE & LOUISE GREEN



NICKY JENKINS, BRADLEY & JIM GABLE



VIRGINIA JENKINS



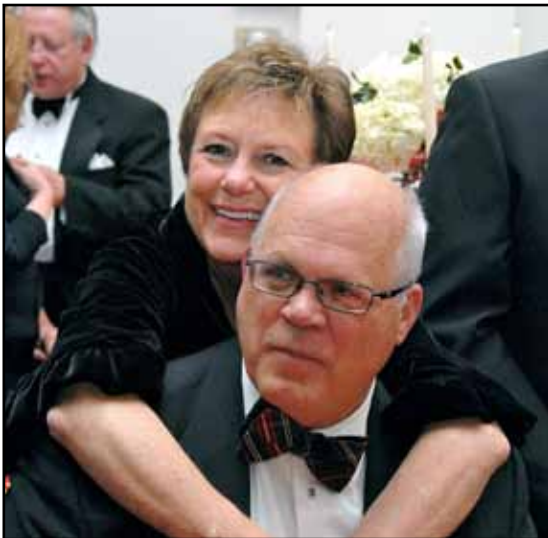
MANUEL SIMPSON, MELINDA GABLE, NICOLE WYATT AND NIKKI STEVENSON



GAYLE & TOM DELASHMUTT



JASON & CARMEN ARWINE



JOANN & KEVIN HAZARD



MARGARET & TROW LITTLETON



LINDA & TIM CLITES



RUTH SCHIERENBECK AND DALE SCHULZ



GAIL & MALCOM MATHESON



BOB FOOSANER & BETSY MINETREE.



ANN RODMAN & GARY SHOOK



BUNDLES MURDOCK AND MIMI DU'PONT



HOWARD & GLORIA ARMFIELD



BAILEY & BRAD DAVIS

Auctions on Main



Auction Co.

Full Service *Live* Auction Company in Downtown Purcellville

Now accepting consignments

Antiques & Collectibles • Estates • Home Furnishings
Specialty Items • Tools & Equipment

701 W. Main St. | Purcellville, Virginia 20132 | 540-441-7635
Auctioneer Mark Albright VA License #2907003884
consign@auctionsonmain.com www.auctionsonmain.com

AURORA SERVICES, INC.



Great things are done when men and mountains meet....
William Blake

Providing the Following Services:

- ◆ Professional Gate Consultation & Design Service
- ◆ Automatic Gate Operating System Design
- ◆ Installation, Service & Repair
- ◆ Emergency Attendance
- ◆ Proficiency with All Major Equipment Manufacturers

(540) 937-2400, (888) 5 Aurora
www.auroraservicesinc.com

*Aurora Services is proudly invested in installations, service and repair
For more than fifteen years in the metropolitan Washington DC area.*

Class A Electrical Contractor - VA & MD

Need a Dental Crown? Now you have a choice.....



CEREC Crowns and Restorations:

- Computer designed and fabricated
- All ceramic – no metal
- No out-sourcing – made in our Middleburg office
- Completed in a single appointment
- No messy impressions or uncomfortable temporaries

*Unsurpassed precision
in a totally natural looking restoration*

*Tomorrow's technology today.
Call for an appointment and say "Yes!" to*

CEREC

Gregg A. Helvey, DDS
Associate Professor VCU School of Dentistry
14 W. Marshall Street • Middleburg • Virginia 20117
Office: (540) 687-5855

www.gregghelveydds.com

info@gregghelveydds.com

FACES & PLACES

OLD WHITEWOOD FARM FOR THE HOLIDAYS

FOR WINDY HILL-THE PLAINS



BRUCE LELACHEUR, JR., GEORGIA HERBERT, HOWARD SMITH



LILLY McDONALD, GRACE McDONALD, GERTRAUD HECHL, KARIN OHRSTROM AND CRICKET McDONALD



ANNE BACKER AND MARK OHRSTROM



CHRIS MALONE ANN BACKER, GEORGIA HERBERT AND MARK OHRSTROM



WINDY HILL - THE PLAINS BOARD MEMBER - DR. MARJORIE HALL



BRUCE & EDIE SMART

HO!

MAKE A STATEMENT.
A SELECTION OF
UNIQUE VINTAGE
& CONTEMPORARY
CUFFLINKS.

Highcliff
CLOTHIERS

Custom Apparel For Men And Women

HO!

KEEP THEM IN THE
LAP OF LUXURY.
OUR CASHMERE
TAILGATE
BLANKETS.

Highcliff
CLOTHIERS

Custom Apparel For Men And Women

HO!

A PERFECT FIT FOR
HER OR HIM FROM
OUR SELECTION
OF EXQUISITE
GLOVES.

Highcliff
CLOTHIERS

Custom Apparel For Men And Women

MERRY

WRAP HER UP
IN SOMETHING
LUXURIOUS FROM
JOHN BRANIGAN
WEAVERS, IRELAND.

Highcliff
CLOTHIERS

Custom Apparel For Men And Women

CHRISTMAS!

OR LET THEM
DO THEIR OWN
SHOPPING. GIFT
CARDS AVAILABLE.

16 South Madison Street, Middleburg, VA 20117
www.highcliffclothing.com Phone: 540 • 687 • 5633

Highcliff
CLOTHIERS

Custom Apparel For Men And Women

HIGHCLIFFE!

Spread some joy this holiday season
with unique and fitting gifts from
Highcliff Clothiers. Exquisite and
original men's and women's apparel
and accessories that you'd be hard-
pressed to find at the mall.
Ho! Ho! Ho! Merry Christmas!

Highcliff
CLOTHIERS

Custom Apparel For Men And Women



*The Middleburg Business and Professional Association
Would like to thank the community for supporting our members in 2012.
We look forward to doing business with you in 2013.*

2012 Members

- | | | |
|---|---|------------------------------------|
| A Place To Be | Graham Companies, Ltd. | Bundles Murdock |
| ACG Architects | Great Meadow Foundation | National Sporting Library & Museum |
| American Water Resource Association | Highcliffe Clothiers | O'Donnell & Co. |
| Armfield, Miller & Ripley Fine Properties | Hill School | Old Meadow |
| Baileywyck Shoppes | Home Farm | Saskia Paulussen Photography |
| Barrel Oak | Honeymoon Islands, Inc. | Print Management, Inc. |
| Bendure Communications | Hubbard Marketing Group | Pro Mortgage |
| Betsey | Hunt Country Counseling | Quest Global Management |
| Blue Ridge Hospice | Hunter's Head Tavern | Red Fox Inn/Red Fox Fine Art |
| BOWA Builders | J.R. Snider, Ltd. | Richard Allen Clothing |
| Boxwood Winery | Jane Covington Restoration | SONA Bank |
| Briar Patch Bed & Breakfast | Journeyman Saddlers, Ltd | Salamander Touch |
| Charter Technologies | Julien's Restaurant | Second Chapter Books |
| Chester Business Services | KBK Group (Farmer's Insurance) | STITCH |
| Christmas Sleigh | Laurie Post | Suntrust Mortgage |
| Cleansing Water, Inc | Les Jardins de Bagatelle | The Shaggy Ram |
| Climatic | Long & Foster Realtors | The Spirit Program |
| Clites Architects, Inc. | Lou Lou | The Studio |
| Corti Designworks | McEneaney Associates, Inc. | Thomas & Talbot Real Estate |
| Country Classics | Market Salamander | Thos. Hays & Son Jewelry |
| Creighton Farms | Melmore, Inc. | Three Crowns |
| Crème de la Crème | Middleburg Academy | Town of Middleburg |
| Duchessa | Middleburg Bank | Union First Market Bank |
| Falkenstein, Richard C. MD | Middleburg Community Center | Upper Crust |
| Farmer's Delight Plantation | Middleburg Country Inn | Visit Loudoun |
| Focus Wealth Management | Middleburg Eccentric | Watermelon Wishess |
| Foxcroft School | Middleburg Eye Care Center | Wendy Pepper |
| Fox's Den Tavern | Middleburg Millwork | Woodville Hall Capital |
| French Hound | Middleburg Orthopedics | Wylie Wagg |
| Fun Shop | Middleburg Real Estate/Atoka Properties | Yount, Hyde & Barbour |
| Goodstone Inn | Moore, Clemens & Company, Inc. | |

Now is the time to join MBPA for 2013!

For more information visit our website at
www.visitmiddleburgva.com

On Facebook & Twitter at Visit Middleburg

PASTIMES

SHOOT OUT

7TH INNING STRETCH
ALEX CUDABACK

On Saturday, December 1st, the same day as the Middleburg Christmas Parade, Jovan Belcher, a linebacker for the Kansas City Chiefs, shot and killed Kasandra Perkins, his longtime girlfriend and the mother of his 3-month-old daughter, before driving to the Chiefs’ practice facility and killing himself in front of his general manager and head coach.

To be clear, Belcher shot Perkins nine times in the head and torso, knelt beside her barely breathing body, gently stroked her head, whispered, “I’m sorry,” then drove to his place of work, thanked his employers for the opportunities they’d given him, and shot himself in the head.

The following evening, during halftime of the nationally televised Sunday night matchup between the Eagles and the Cowboys, Bob Costas stepped on the uniquely American third rail that is the right to bear arms.

Costas, with whom I do not always agree, had the temerity to offer 90 seconds of halftime commentary (which is, technically, his job) on the predominant NFL news story of the day, if not the season, namely that a professional football player had chosen to murder another human being, kill himself, and leave a newborn child parentless for the rest of her life.

Costas quoted and paraphrased from a column written the night before by Jason Whitlock of Fox Sports, the conclusion of which took to task this nation’s “gun culture” and “how numb we are in this society to gun violence and murder.”

“What I believe is, if [Belcher] didn’t possess/own a gun, he and Kasandra Perkins would both be alive today.... Handguns do not enhance our safety. They

exacerbate our flaws, tempt us to escalate arguments, and bait us into embracing confrontation rather than avoiding it,” Costas read.

The world of social media exploded.

Not at Whitlock, mind you, the actual author of the words that so incensed the easily incensed.

At Costas.

(Quick side note. Given that nobody I’ve spoken with or whose venom directed at Costas I’ve read seems to have actually read Whitlock’s column, here’s a link to it: <http://msn.foxsports.com/nfl/story/jovan-belcher-kansas-city-chiefs-murder-suicide-tragedy-girlfriend-self-leave-orphan-daughter-why-still-playing-sunday-120112> If you do take the time to read it, you’ll learn that Whitlock’s first barrage was not leveled at guns and gun-ownership in the United States, but rather at the tone-deaf nature of a league that decided to carry on with the football game as if nothing at all had happened.)

Guns are a sensitive subject in this country. People like them. Movies like them. Toy makers like them.

Many claim they are Constitutionally guaranteed the right to own as many firearms as they damn well please. The second amendment to the Constitution says so, after all.

But what does the second amendment actually state?

“A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.”

I’m not a lawyer, a legal scholar, a clerk, or a legal secretary. My legal training amounts to reruns of Law and Order (the original, not the hundreds of Tribble-like spin-offs that followed.)

But it seems to me that the second amendment makes the

case, murkily and in as a round-the-back-way a manner as possible, that since a well regulated militia is necessary for national security, and since you can’t have a well regulated militia without well armed people, the right of those to keep and bear those arms shall not be infringed.

Fine.

How many militias are we currently depending upon to protect our “free State?”

How many militias did Jovan Belcher belong to?

(For the record, the Supreme Court disagrees with me on this. In 2008, in District of Columbia v. Heller, the Court ruled that the Second Amendment protects an individual’s right to possess a firearm, unconnected to service in a militia.)

What on earth did Jovan Belcher need EIGHT guns for?!

People point out that if Belcher had really wanted Perkins dead, he didn’t need to use a gun. He could have used a knife. Or a car. Or a bow and arrow. (Seriously.) Or his bare hands.

And they’re all right.

But Whitlock’s point, and the point of many people who feel the gun culture in this country has far exceeded anything ever intended by the second amendment, is that guns, cheap, all too easily accessible handguns in particular, make snap, life altering, life ending decisions, all too easy.

Too many times, and certainly with growing frequency, intelligent, valuable, civil debate in this country is trumped by volume and filibuster.

For Bob Costas to be ridiculed and excoriated for presenting an argument, rationally, intelligently and openly, for him to be lambasted for using his bully pulpit to make a rational presentation, by the people who use every soapbox and opportunity available to them to

shout that gun-ownership is an inalienable right, inviolate and unimpeachable, is ludicrous and insane.

Flamers online and guns rights activists make the case every day that guns don’t kill people, people do.

The sad thing is, they’re

right.

Jovan Belcher *did* kill Kasandra Perkins and then himself.

The gun he used just made it that much easier.

Alex can be reached at cuda24@yahoo.com



REINVENT YOUR RESOLUTIONS

TRANSFORMATIONAL HEALING
CINDY BATTINO

New Year’s Resolutions represent a fresh start, a clean slate. But a 2007 study involving 3,000 people who make resolutions found that 88% fail (per Wikipedia.com). The top 10 resolutions involve every aspect of self – physical (lose weight, quit smoking), emotional (reduce stress, get out of debt), mental (learn something new), and spiritual (volunteer more). As an energy worker I am pleased that people intuitively know that every aspect of self is important and needs nurturing.

Pick Only One

It seems that we use either/or thinking – either “don’t make a resolution this year” or “I will make five major resolutions.” Do something radical and pick just ONE area of your life that you want to change. What have you neglected? What bothers you? What are you most motivated to change?

Don’t Think – DO

Get Support – Your Brain Will Thank You

Change is difficult and change takes time. Most fail because they don’t have the support to keep them going when life gets in the way. It’s natural to default to old ways. If you are human, then at some point in your journey you will want to give up. It isn’t about your lack of tenacity or self-discipline. It’s about the human trait to resist change.

Support is: accountability, motivation, and a shift in perspective. Support is hiring a professional who understands your needs better than you do. It’s having someone who believes in you and wants to help you to be a better you. Who? Doctor, therapist, coach (divorce, life, business, wellness), energy worker, personal trainer, nutritionist. Don’t have the money? Call in the troops – friends, family, spouse, children, and even the overweight dog.

Haven’t convinced you yet? Neurological patterns in use for years wear deep grooves in our psyche. New neurological patterns are easy to make and easy to erase – because they lack the deep grooves of time and reinforcement. To make the new patterns stronger than the old ones requires constant reinforcement over an extended period of time. This is both truth and science. In making any large change in your life, your brain will work against you initially. Use support to help you create new patterns and keep them – forever.

You Can Reinvent Your Life in 2013! Attend to those places in yourself that have been neglected. You will be a better person because of it.



HOLLY JOLLY BERRIES

THE PLANT LADY



KAREN REXRODE

Most gardeners hate short days and long nights. The season we call winter is hardly a season at all, at least not one we like. Call it the “let’s appreciate brown” season. Shades of tan and sienna with a little gray and black, so it goes in winter. There are a couple of redeeming points for December, days stop getting shorter and red looks so good with brown.

There are numerous shrubs that produce bright red berries, one of which is so stellar for December that it glows in the landscape. A native holly, Ilex verticillata is deciduous, shedding its leaves to reveal bare stems covered in berries of red, yellow or orange. The most popular selections have red berries but all are worthy. Indigenous from Maine to Georgia, the national record holders or largest specimens are both located in Virginia Beach, Virginia (16’ tall x 13’ wide).

You need to plant a male and female to ensure berries and there are two cycles for flowering, early and late. It’s often worth planting two males, both an early and late flowering variety to guarantee pollination and berries. Only the female shrubs will

produce berries, so plant accordingly. The small flowers are produced from late May to late June and watering in July helps hollies hold on to their fruit. Stress, like drought, will result in premature berry drop.

Ilex v. ‘Sparkleberry’ was hybridized at the National Arboretum and might be the most popular of all. Ilex ‘Winter Red’ gives slightly larger berries and I. ‘Red Sprite’ is a dwarf. I personally love I. ‘Winter Gold’ with creamy gold berries that become more orange.

The popularity of their cut stems, especially in December, has created a demand that continues to grow every year (to the point of shortages). The cut stems hold up for a long period and can be placed in a container without water, drying with berries intact.

In the landscape they do best in an area with some natural moisture. In the wild they love swampy areas, but certainly don’t need that to do well. I love them with ornamental grasses, particularly the native little bluestem or schizachyrium. The yellow branches of thread leafed cypress or Chamaecyparis pisifera ‘Golden Mop’ also make for a striking combination. It takes the drab out of December.



Prada

Gucci

Tory Burch

Vince Camuto

Michael Kors

Dolce & Gabbana

Ted Baker

Versace

Burberry

Ray Ban

Oakley

Maui Jim

Happy Holidays!

Associates In Eyecare

Optometrists, PC

Stone Ridge/South Riding

located on Route 50 in the Stone Ridge/Aldie shopping center, next to Harris Teeter

Don't let your Flexible Spending Account money go to waste! It can be used for eyeglasses, sunglasses, and/or Contact Lenses! Come in and check out our new designer lines before the end of the year!

www.Stoneridgeeyecare.com

703-542-8888

Dr. Tiffany Leone

Dr. Amir Abyaneh

IAM Modern

VOTED #1

Winner

BEST OF DC SUBURBS 2012

TULLY

RECTOR

13 E. Washington

Middleburg, VA

540.687.5858

Gifts Toys Clothing Party

The Fun Shop Inc.

Middleburg, Virginia

• 2 Floors & 10 Rooms to be Explored & Enjoyed

Hunt Scene Middleburg Ornament

Exclusively at The Fun Shop

\$22.00

Other items with the Hunt Scene Also available: Coasters, Trivets, Wallcals, Keyrings, Moneyclips, Notecards

117 West Washington Street • Middleburg, VA 20117

funshopinc@aol.com • www.thefunshop.com

540-687-6590

Bed & Bath Lamps & Shades

Fresh olive oils.

Aged balsamics.

Fine teas.

And much more...come taste!

17 E. Washington

Middleburg, VA

540.687.3004

The French Hound

Now Serving Sunday Lunches with BrunchSpecials

Tuesday - Saturday Dinner Starting at 5:30 pm

Wednesday - Sunday Lunch Starting at 11:30 am

Bar Opens @ 5:00 pm

French Inspired bistro Cuisine in a Relaxed Country Atmosphere

540-687-3018

Seeing is Believing!

Landscape Design and 3D Imaging to help you Visualize your project before you Build it

703.468.7271

www.landvision.damatodesign.com

LAND STUDIO

Shade Tree Farm

At Shade Tree Farm, we LOVE trees!

From 6 feet to over 45 feet in height, our trees are healthy, high-quality, Virginia-grown trees.

And with one of the largest fleet of tree spades in the Mid-Atlantic Region, we install them, too!

Transforming landscapes since 1981!

Shade Tree Farm

703.370.TREE (8733)

www.shadetreefarm.com

WWW.MBECC.COM

WWW.MBECC.COM

PASTIMES

MIDDLEBURG WELLHEAD PROTECTION COMMITTEE

WATERWORLD

RICHARD A. ENGBERG

Previously, this column has discussed a wide range of water issues, but for this month, let's look in our own backyard.

How many of you knew before you saw the title of this month's column that Middleburg has a Wellhead Protection Committee?

I didn't know it until June of this year when I was asked to consider becoming a member. Saying yes, within a few days I received a letter from the Town Council saying that I was appointed for a two year term.

The committee, all non-paid volunteers, has met monthly since July.

So what is the purpose of the Middleburg Wellhead Protection Committee and what does it do? To

answer the question, we first should look at Middleburg's drinking water supply.

Middleburg's drinking water source is groundwater that is supplied by five wells. Middleburg is in an area where the geology is complicated and groundwater occurs intermittently, so finding an adequate fresh water supply was sort of catch as catch can.

One of the wells is south of town on Landmark School Road, two are on Salamander property, and the other two are in town, one near the corner of West Federal and 626, and the other near the standpipe on Marshall Street.

Water from the five wells collectively is Middleburg's 'source water'. A state-of-the-art water treatment plant is located on Marshall Street about one-half mile west of the

standpipe and a second plant is just south of town.

When groundwater becomes contaminated, the contamination usually is from surface sources such as spills; the closer to a well, the greater the likelihood of contamination. Contaminated water is more expensive to treat and some contaminants may render water unusable. It has been estimated that the source water protection area for each Middleburg well is a radius of one mile.

The Town Council recognized the need to protect the town's source water and created the Wellhead Protection Committee.

The first task of the committee has been to develop a brochure about protecting our source water. This brochure will be distributed to all Middleburg residents in late December or early January 2013.

The brochure provides practical, common sense suggestions to town residents concerning source water. These suggestions include among others: Apply fertilizers and pesticides strictly according to directions on the packages; recycle used oil at a service center – don't pour on the ground or in storm drains; don't flush unused pharmaceuticals – they can be disposed of by mixing them with coffee grounds or kitty litter and placing in the trash; take unwanted household chemical waste such as paint and personal care products to proper waste collection sites; and check and repair leaks at fuel tanks.

In coming months, the Wellhead Protection Committee will be working with a consultant, Tetra Tech, that has been tasked to update the town's wellhead protection plan. This plan should be ready for presentation to the Town Council early next year.



tation to the Town Council early next year.

Members of the committee include Lisa Patterson, Chair; Jillann Brunnett, Vice Chair; Mark Snyder, Town Council representative; Charlie Triplett; Michael Haynes; and me. Middleburg Town Clerk, Rhonda North, also participates.

The committee is tasked to protect Middleburg's source water, and it appreciates the support and help of Middleburg residents in this important task.

Happy holidays, everyone!



name on it.

It is what others see in your work and I'll even take this a step further to make my point. Take a chain of restaurants, walk in any of them and there is no surprise to what you will find, because they are all the same and sometimes this familiarity has its merits. But take your favorite local restaurant and ask yourself why you like it? Even if they are both just cooking burgers, the answer becomes clear. That's the narrative aspect. The you in what you do. Don't miss it, you're worth having around.

LiveAnArtfulLife.com, Tom

THE ARTIST'S PERSPECTIVE

TOM NEEL

The creating of artwork, in a sense has no boundaries. It is so vast, as an artist you really must make sure you have a true understanding of more than just technique, but also yourself. For it is yourself you are painting or sculpting or expressing while venturing into any artistic medium. Every time you create something. Losing sight of the you in whatever you are creating, removes the soul of your work.

Good technique on its own, while important, is nothing without what you bring to the table in the creative process. If four people paint the same subject matter, all being required to use the same techniques, same palette and the same materials, on the same day and with each other, you will still have four different results. Even if one is asked to paint the subject first and the next artist is asked to copy the first's work and so on, each of the four paint-

ings will still have differences.

These differences could have something to do with years of experience. They could have to do with being left or right handed. They could even have to do with the artist's height and thus the slight difference in vantage point. But it also has to do with things much deeper. Sensitivity to color, atmosphere, age, mindset, confidence, passion, needs, reasoning, relationships, beliefs and so on. These are all like power tools of creativity. Technique is the work bench. Materials are what you express yourself with and inspiration and imagination? That's what powers the tools.

The greatest technique in the world only allows for expanded ability and we all know there are many people in the world with an ability to do something that do not even try or do not even know they carry an ability within themselves to do so. Even for those with born talent, good technique is learned. But the understanding of

expressing who you are, is felt. I suppose one may have to learn that too, but there is a clear difference here.

There's no doubting it. If you are trying to break through a plateau as an artist, first ask yourself about the you in your artwork. When a client purchases a painting of mine, I know without question they are not just purchasing a picture of the Piedmont, they are purchasing my version of it. My personality is all wrapped up in that work of art and my best advice to those giving this some thought is - yours should be too. If you take a painting class, you should first have a respect for the teacher's technique and then the hardest part is understanding that you should not be there to become a clone, but rather, a better version of you. That is the only way to truly grow as an artist.

What you bring to your artwork defines the narrative. Sometimes the story is more apparently realistic, such as a boy and his dog or kids at the

beach. But in artwork less realistic, such as contemporary genres, the narrative is even much more about the artist. Make no mistake, the narrative had better be there, for without it, you'll just have lifeless rendering and we all may have heard - render long enough and you'll render yourself useless.

I always love when actors are being interviewed and the host asks them what they were trying to bring to their roll. No one just says - me. Think of the most iconic characters of stage and screen and ask yourself this. Are the words "I'll be back" from the 1984 movie the Terminator, iconic because of the words themselves or because an Austrian body builder, turned actor, spoke them in his thick native accent? Well, and then back up his words, but you have my point. Songs get sung and hits are made and then others come along and cover the same song and another hit can be made or not. You make it your own. This is what makes your work relevant and worth placing your

FAQS ABOUT PROPANE

WHAT'S IN YOUR TANK?

DALE SCHULZ

What is happening with the market price of propane?

The wholesale price of propane is down over 40% from this time last year. On a retail level, homeowners were paying over \$2.50/gallon last year this time and today Hunt Country Propane is delivering for under \$2.00/gallon. This is the cheapest propane has been in years.

When should I get filled up?

If you gauge is reading less than 50% you are ready for a fill up now. You want your tank to be topped off going into January. If we have a blizzard in January you may not be able to get propane for several weeks and propane could be in short supply.

My current propane company says they own my tank. I am not sure they do. How do I find out for sure?

Call the company that has been providing your propane recently and ask them to kindly provide you with documentation that they own your tank. We have found several instances of recent where the propane company said they owned the tank only to find they didn't in fact own the tank.

If I don't own my tank can you fill my tank up?

Unfortunately, we cannot fill you up. Approximately, 50% of the homeowners in Loudoun and Fauquier Counties do not own their own tanks. These homeowners pay significantly

more than homeowners that own their own tank. In over 25-years of building custom homes in the area we never installed a propane tank that the homeowner did not own.

How did it happen that I don't own my own tank?

When your home was being constructed your builder, often a production builder, struck a deal with a propane company that they would provide the buried propane tank without charge in return for their owning the tank when the home was completed. It was a good deal for the builder as they got a tank for free and a good deal for the propane company as they had a captive customer. You were the only one with the bad deal. We have found instances where homeowner who didn't own their tank are paying \$1.50/gallon more than homeowners who own their own tank.

How long will it take for me to payback the cost of purchasing my tank?

Often less than 2-3 years, after which time you will be saving every fill up.

Is propane cleaner burning than fuel oil?

Yes. Propane is produces approximately 50% less harmful emissions than oil. Many people are surprised to learn that home heating oil is the same product as diesel fuel. The diesel fuel you purchase at a service station includes on-road taxes which home heating oil does not. In 25-years of building



ing custom homes we only installed a single oil burning furnace. Most of our clients insisted on clean-burning propane. The majority of new homes built in the area have gas (propane) furnaces.

If I want to make the switch to Hunt Country Propane how hard is it to do?

It couldn't be easier. It only takes a 5-minute call. We can typically deliver the next day.

Where does propane come from?

All propane used in this area is produced in North America and is delivered via rail and pipelines.

About the Author: Dale Schulz is the President of Hunt Country Propane, www.huntcountrypropane.com, located in here Middleburg. Hunt Country Propane is a local, lower priced area propane supplier. You can contact them at 540.687.3608 or dale@HuntCountryPropane.com

I'M DOING OKAY RIGHT NOW

KAY COLGAN, B.S. HEALTH COACH AND CERTIFIED PILATES APPARATUS AND MAT TRAINER

Are you overwhelmed? Do you feel that your to do list is twice as long in December? It seems December causes a lot of stress for a lot of people. With the halls to deck and the cards to write not to mention the gifts to purchase even an elf will feel less jolly. Most of what we do today has us caught up in tomorrow somehow. In other words, we are trying to get things done for the next day and then the cycle continues. What if you were doing okay right now?

A few weeks ago I was at a local Safeway checking out. In front of me was a man who appeared homeless. He had a backpack full of clothes and a rolled up blanket on the side of his backpack. I felt the need to do something. It was going to be a cold night and I wondered where he would stay. What would he do tomorrow? How would he eat? What about keeping warm? So I looked for some extra cash in my wallet and as we both were leaving the store I handed him the cash and I said Happy Thanksgiving. He looked up at me with big eyes and he said; "thank you miss, but I am doing okay right now." I said no really take this, it is going to be cold tonight. Do you have a place to stay? Again, he said; "I am doing okay right now." He added that I would see him walking, and who knows he might need help

another day, but today he was doing okay. WOW! First I was stunned that he would not take the money. After all, I was thinking about what he needed for tomorrow and so on. But, he was taking each moment as it came. In that moment he was doing okay. Powerful gift he gave me. In my profession I am always trying to help fix something for individuals. If you do this series of exercises for this period of time you get these results. Now I am not suggesting you don't exercise and set future goals. But maybe check in with yourself and see how you are doing right now. Maybe you have weight to lose, but how are you doing right now. Because the decisions we make right now will affect the future.

During this holiday season check in with yourself and see how you are doing. Simple yes, but so effective. When I find myself getting a little stressed about what I have on the agenda for tomorrow, I check in with myself and see how I am doing right now. Blessings come to us in many ways. This gentleman gave me a gift I will treasure. Funny, I was going to help him, in return he helped me. So I pass this on to you because what we really have is right now. How are you doing right now?

For more information about health and fitness please contact: Kay Colgan, Middleburg Pilates and Personal Training, 14 S Madison Street, Middleburg, Va. 20117 or call 540-687-6995.

MIDDLEBURG OFFICE
6 & 8 North Madison Street
Middleburg, VA 20117
540.687.8530
www.MiddleburgSales.com



LONG & FOSTER®

PURCELLVILLE OFFICE
102 North 21st Street
Purcellville, VA 20132
Office: 540.338.1350
Fax: 540.338.1620



Greenwood ♦ LP \$6,950,000



Millwood ♦ LP \$1,300,000



The Plains ♦ LP \$1,200,000



Aldie ♦ LP \$1,199,000



Purcellville ♦ LP \$799,000



Middleburg ♦ LP \$700,000



Purcellville ♦ LP \$699,000



Haymarket ♦ LP \$698,500

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Our Long & Foster Middleburg and Purcellville sales associates would like to thank our clients and our customers who helped make 2012 such a successful year! We look forward to an even better year ahead!

Michele Stevens, Managing Broker

Amy Adams

Kim Hurst

Andy Stevens

Cathy Bowman

Belinda Hyde

Janelle Stewart

Kathy Chovnick

Francesca Jewett

Marci Welsh

Danny Clarke

Bobby Kirk

Shellie Womelsdorf

Joyce Gates

Betty Roth

Yolanda Brittle, Branch Administrator

* In these transactions L&F represented the Buyer.



Delaplane ♦ LP \$686,000



Purcellville ♦ LP \$649,900



Paris ♦ LP \$600,000



Round Hill ♦ LP \$599,000



Middleburg ♦ LP \$509,000



The Plains ♦ LP \$549,000



Warrenton ♦ LP \$499,995



Purcellville ♦ LP \$525,000



Marshall ♦ LP \$499,000



Purcellville ♦ LP \$525,000



Purcellville ♦ LP \$449,900

Follow us on:



Worldwide Connections



FRIENDS FOR LIFE

Middleburg Humane Foundation A Friend to All Animals

KITTENS!!!

We have 32 adorable kittens of all ages available for adoption. If you are interested please submit an application now! Ask about our buddy program!!!



Daisy is a charming Beagle X Setter who was born in March. She is a little shy, but sweet. She is very quiet inside, walks nicely on a leash & loves to play. Daisy should have a home with fencing & no kitties.



Spring is one special dog! She is a Shepherd mix that is about 5 years old. She is smart, playful, and seems to love absolutely everyone!



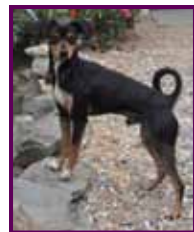
Kelly is an adorable love-of-your-life kitten that is looking for a home. He has a HUGE personality & is extremely affectionate. Kelly needs to be an only kitty for about 3 more months (we can explain more...) He is about 5 months old, is neutered & very healthy.

PUPPIES!!!

We have 5 adorable puppies born September 24, 2012. They will grow to be medium-large size. They will need homes where they receive lots of socialization. Their mom is an Airedale Terrier X & their dad is a Beagle X.



Joker is the sweetest, most special bunny you will ever meet! He is 1 year old, litter box trained, very social, enjoys attention, likes being held & loves cats! He would make a great companion as an indoor bunny.



Julio is a sweet Beagle X Miniature Pinscher that is about 2 yrs old. He gets along great with other dogs, cats & children. He LOVES to play and would love a family of his own!

Middleburg Humane Foundation
mhfdtn@earthlink.net
(540) 364-3272
middleburghumane.com

Middleburg Humane Foundation's Grooming Salon

Liz Washington is now grooming full time at Middleburg Humane's Grooming Salon in Marshall. Liz does a terrific job & truly has a special way with all animals. Saturday hours as well as early and late drop-offs are available. The Grooming Salon is a great source of income for the shelter as well. Please call for an appointment!

(540) 364-GROOM (4766)



ALBERT'S CORNER

A MONTHLY COLUMN FOR PEOPLE WHO SHARE THEIR HOMES WITH FOUR-LEGGED FRIENDS.

ALBERT P. CLARK

Dear Santa,

While it is perhaps true that I have not behaved well 100% of the time this year, I have always had good intentions, even when my instincts have betrayed me. With that in mind, I would like to beg your forgiveness and consideration. I realize that you have complete jurisdiction over what you will be bringing me this Christmas, and I recognize that your decision is based on whether I have been naughty or nice. Given that I may have been naughty once or twice, I would like to confess my sins in the hope of expunging my record and qualifying for a basket. (I'm sure that sentence mixed metaphors, holidays, and perhaps even religions, but I'm a dog, so please forgive me for my transmissions or whatever that word is.)

Anyway, as I said, I would like to confess. First and foremost, you should know that pulling all of the stuffing out of the most expensive throw pillow was not my intent. It was news to me that the other pillows in the room came from a place called Target while the pillow I chose came from a very fancy place. Had I known that, I can assure you that I would have destroyed a cheap pillow instead.

Also, I got in a lot of trouble for digging that giant hole under the fence, but you don't know the whole story. There was a crazy squirrel who kept sitting on the other side and taunting me endlessly day after day. He was mean, rude, and annoying. There's only so much a self-respecting Jack Russell can take. So, yes, I dug the hole, but for a very good reason. And when I

escaped -- whoa!!! -- you should have seen that squirrel panic. It was the funniest thing ever.

So those are the two big things that come to mind. But just in case you're super serious about this naughty or nice thing, allow me to briefly explain a few more things:

1) Nobody told me the difference between a pee pad and an iPad. I'm sure you can understand my confusion.

2) The cat loves it when I chase her. She does. I mean it.

3) I do not steal food from the other dogs when no one is looking. That is a fig newton of your imagination.

4) The water bowl and the toilet bowl seem like the exact same thing to me except one is bigger. You have to admit I'm right.

5) If there were any other mistakes, they were probably Isabelle's. She constantly does bad stuff and blames me for it. If you give her anything at all, it should be a bath because she hates baths.

I rest my case. Please take all of this under advisement and share it with the Easter Bunny because he is still really, really upset about what happened when he came to our house last year. But he's a rabbit and I'm a terrier! What did he expect?

Happy holidays!

Albert P. Clark

Albert, a Jack Russell Terrier, is Chairman of the Board of Wylie Wagg, a shop for dogs, cats, and their people, in Middleburg, Fairfax, Falls Church and Arlington.

Middleburg Academy Congratulates

Dr. Jonathan Cook
English Department Chair
on the publication of his
newest scholarly work



Jonathan A. Cook has a Ph.D. from Columbia University and is a nationally recognized scholar of the writings of Melville, Hawthorne, and Poe. He has published numerous articles and reviews on these and other nineteenth-century American authors. In his most recent book, *Inscrutable Malice*, Cook provides a new interpretation of *Moby-Dick* that places Melville's creative adaptation of the Bible at the center of the novel.

For more information contact:
jcookinscrutable@gmail.com



MIDDLEBURG ACADEMY
www.middleburgacademy.org
Discover our close-knit learning community

photo by Mona Botwick

BARTLETT

Because Every Tree Is A Family Tree



Today, more than ever, property value is as much about your landscape as it is about your home. The trees and shrubs that grow along with you and your family are valuable assets that deserve care and protection.

For over 100 years, Bartlett Tree Experts has led both the science and services that make your landscape thrive. No matter the size or scope of your needs, our arborists bring a rare mix of groundbreaking research, global resources and a local service approach to every task at hand.

Trees add so much value to our lives.
And Bartlett adds even more value to your trees.



PRUNING • FERTILIZATION • PEST & DISEASE MANAGEMENT • REMOVAL
MARSHALL OFFICE (540) 364-2401 OR 877-BARTLETT OR VISIT BARTLETT.COM

LOVE animals, LOVE a bargain!

Middleburg Humane Thrift Shop
6 W. Washington St., Middleburg, VA
(Next to Scruffy's Ice Cream Parlor)
Open 7 days a week, 12-5

DONATIONS NEEDED
Clothing • Household • Books

CANINE COLLEGE
JUST LIKE HOME...ONLY BETTER
Serving Va, Md and DC for over 15 years
540-364-2878 OR 703-926-1158

Sure, it was a great vacation...
But those mini-bar fees...outrageous!

At **Canine College**, you won't come home from vacation to a bill padded with "extras."

We offer a flat fee – Boarding \$30 a day – so that the only surprise waiting for you at pickup is a better behaved dog!

WHETHER FOR ONE DAY OR FOR AN ENTIRE VACATION – The dog you pick up will behave better than the one you dropped off! We Guarantee it!

www.JaymesCanineCollege.com

House Paws
In-Home Veterinary Care
We Bring The Vet to the Pet
Anything BUT surgery or x-rays done in your home.
703-264-7879
www.housepaws.com

CHEAP EDDIE'S
Roll Off Service
10, 20, 30 Yard Containers
Construction & Demolition Debris
Residential Cleanup & Moving
Farm Use & Manure Removal
540-338-2345
Purcellville, VA since 1995
Need Service Today? Call Pager 703-443-4139

24 HOUR SAME DAY SERVICE
CLIMATIC
HEATING & COOLING, INC.
Serving Middleburg For Over 15 years
\$15.00 OFF ANY SERVICE CALL
NEW CUSTOMERS ONLY
540-687-4676 ♦ www.climaticva.com ♦ 800-560-8609

ARBOGAST LAWN & TREE INC.
Licensed Insured
Hardwood Mulch • Tree Trimming & Removal • Stump Grinding
Paul D. Arbogast, Sr.
President
530 E. G Street • Purcellville, VA 20132
540-338-5714 • Cell 540-454-0514

Give the Gift of Music for Christmas!
The Community Music School of the Piedmont
Private Instruction & Classes available for all ages
Convenient locations in Upperville, Aldie, Middleburg, Purcellville & The Plains
REGISTER NOW 540-592-3040
piedmontmusic@aol.com • www.piedmontmusic.org
CMSP is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization serving Northern Virginia since 1994.

GEORGE WHITE FENCING AND SUPPLY
Custom Built Fences: Board, Rail, Wire, Vinyl, Picket, Deer
Portable Sheds & Stables - available in custom sizes

5 East Federal Street
P.O. Box 243
Middleburg, VA 20118
whitefencing@verizon.net

Office 540-687-5803
Fax 540-687-3574
Licensed & Insured
www.georgewhitefencing.com

Boutique Dog Salon
THE STUDIO
www.MIDDLEBURGGROOMER.COM
(540) 687-5119
11 W. FEDERAL STREET
MIDDLEBURG, VIRGINIA 20117
Be Sure To Book Your Holiday Appointments Early!

EDITOR'S DESK

CHRISTMAS IN MIDDLEBURG

Thanks and congratulations to all those who worked so hard to make this year's "Christmas in Middleburg" celebrations a success.

The weather was spectacular.

An estimated 15,000 people celebrated with us this year, a number 25% to 30% higher than anyone expected.

Both the hunt review and Santa's parade were significantly larger and more complex exercises than in years past.

Collateral activities were well planned and, almost as important, well publicized.

The independent non-profit that runs the celebration, the town's merchants, the Town Staff,

the Middleburg Police department and many, many others all worked together not only to make the day a success, but to handle the problems that inevitably arise when things go well, with grace and style.

Indeed, the celebration's biggest problem appears to have been its organizers' success.

The increase in traffic on route 50 affected both those trying to get in and out of Middleburg, and their best efforts to find a way to help.

Happily, with rare exception, the families who celebrated with us took those problems in stride, and by all accounts had a great time.

Merry Christmas . . . and thanks . . . to all.

WORDS

Words, as civil rights activist and Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel often noted, create worlds.

Whether he was paraphrasing Genesis or John or both or neither he was right.

Words create worlds.

They shape worlds, define them, and for better or worse, govern the way we live in them, whether real or imaginary.

They are sacred, powerful and not to be taken lightly.

Freedom to use them is protected by the very first of the amendments to our Constitution; the very first right in our Bill of Rights.

For those of us who live by the word they are both treasures beyond all price and burdens beyond

all bearing.

They are the last hope of the oppressed and the weapon of choice for the oppressor.

Through them justice is both defined and defended and misstated and undermined.

Even unspoken they are powerful, their absence capable of serving both good and evil.

In this holiday season, and as we approach our 10th year of publication, we reaffirm our dedication to do our best to do our duty use the words at our disposal to create worlds fairly and honestly described that are, in turn, a credit both to those read and those who write them.

We give you . . . our word.

RED

WHAT IS A CONSERVATIVE?

JAMES MORGAN

"A conservative may be defined," said Russell Kirk, "as a person who thinks himself such." This may not seem very helpful but it is true because conservatism, unlike liberalism, is not a systematic political ideology. Indeed, it is not fundamentally political at all though there obviously is a political side to it.

Leftists, on the other hand, believe that "everything is political." That ugly slogan and the even more horrifying, "the personal is political," reflect ideas which conservatives thoroughly reject because we see life from a less political perspective in general. We agree instead with Samuel Johnson who wrote, "How small, of all that human hearts endure, that part which laws or kings can cause or cure!"

A conservative believes, to quote Russell Kirk again, "that there exists an enduring moral order" on which all legitimate political order must be based. Belief in God is not absolutely essential to being conservative but it helps. After all, from what other source could an enduring moral order come?

"Change is the means of our preservation," said Edmund Burke, the father of modern conservatism. Conservatives understand this, but we also understand change to be morally neutral and in need of direction and control. Change in the body politic, as in the human body, is best if

it is slow, steady, and integrated into the existing form. Too fast a physical change is often cancerous and can destroy its host. Ditto in society which is why conservatives abhor revolutions.

Liberals blithely speak of "building a new society" as if any such project were not latently totalitarian. But liberals are enamored of socialist policies anyway and generally feel kinship with revolutionary movements. As G.K. Chesterton noted, however, in order to effectively "reform" one must first appreciate "form." This is difficult for those who view "change" as a battle cry.

Conservatives are skeptical about the labels "progressive" (oh, sadly abused word!) and "revolutionary." These are related because of the ideological thread that runs through the full spectrum of left-wing thought from the most benign to the most vicious. That thread, that kinship, is a presumption in favor of government. Leftists of all stripes assume that government necessarily does things better than individuals or groups which is why Fr. Richard John Neuhaus was correct when he said, "communism is liberalism in a hurry." There is no such common thread in conservatism.

Conservatives understand that those who came before us already have asked all of the same questions that we have asked about human existence. We are foolish to dismiss their answers as irrelevant to modern times as

if we have special insights simply by virtue of having been born later. Conservatives value traditions because it makes sense to give our predecessors the benefit of the doubt.

"Don't ever take a fence down," Chesterton said, "until you know the reason it was put up." This is why conservatives readily look to history for guidance while liberals often bemoan "the dead hand of the past." Daniel Webster called it "ascending to an association with our ancestors." Burke understood the connection between past, present, and future to be the basis of "ordered liberty," the only meaningful kind.

As the saying goes, "old books, old sweaters, old wine, and old friends are the best" so conservatives are happily "old fashioned." And all we really need do is consider the vulgar and tawdry state of American popular culture to realize that change is not necessarily progress. Is "The New Normal" really an improvement over "Father Knows Best?"

Conservatives understand that political decisions often are moral decisions. How could they not be? Thus, in our political preferences, we strive to make clear the connection between western civilization and the enduring Judeo-Christian moral order that underlies it. For that, we are called knuckle-dragging religious bigots and other charming names. But no matter. Conservatives are, so to speak, right.

BLUE

WHAT IS A LIBERAL?

DANIEL MORROW

Roughly one in five Americans define themselves as "liberals" with about one in twenty claiming to be "very liberal."

Most, if not all of us, define ourselves in that way because of what we believe (or say we believe) about what's right and what's wrong politically.

Jonathan Haidt, a brilliant social scientist at the University of Virginia contends that we actually make those decisions about what's right and wrong well before we actually begin to justify those decisions, either to

ourselves or to others . . . and that there are distinct and measurable differences between how Republicans and Democrats, conservative and liberals, make those decisions.

Haidt's studies clearly imply that we're hard wired to "lean" heavily in one direction or another when we make political decisions.

After we jump to a more or less hard-wired decision, Haidt observes, we then do our best to justify our leanings, both to ourselves and to others.

It's as if we all have a little lawyer or PR agent in our head,

to make up a plausible story to justify what we've already, instinctively, decided to do.

Six of those moral instincts they have been well identified, and many of the ways they move us have been experimentally tested and confirmed. They are:

1. Justice. Most, if not all of us, conservative, liberal, and otherwise, react instinctively to any hint of injustice or unfairness. We don't like cheaters. We also tend to be naturally fond of avengers.

2. Harm. We all respond similarly to any hint of physical danger, to ourselves, to our fami-

lies, to our "team" or to others. Most of us, conservative and liberal, hate seeing people hurt.

3. Liberty. Most of us instinctively love freedom and react viscerally to any hint, in word or deed, of oppression. We really don't like bullies.

4. Loyalty. Most of us despise betrayal of devotion. We're family people who don't take kindly to folks we think are "outsiders." We love the country. We love the Corps. We don't think about it. It's just so.

5. Respect. We also react viscerally to those who show a lack of respect for authority, whether it be the head of the family, a professor, a boss or the chain of command.

6. Reverence/Disgust. Finally, we react viscerally. Haidt has shown experimentally, to things that we find disgusting, as well as to things, attitudes, or ideas often defined in terms of religion or our personal transcendent sense of awe.

All of us, conservative and

liberal, Haidt finds, respond viscerally to stimuli in all six areas.

Reaction neurons fire, demonstrably and predictably, well before neurons associated with rational thought light up in all six areas.

Self-identified Liberals differ demonstrably from self-identified conservatives, however, in how they handle conflicting stimuli.

Statistically, liberals are more likely than conservatives to allow gut reactions about Justice and Harm to override their gut reactions about Loyalty, Respect, and Reverence.

It's not that we don't have the same gut reactions in those areas as our conservative friends, it's just that, statistically, we tend to give them less weight when we make ethical decisions.

The ideal ethical decision for a conservative or liberal is thus fair, helpful, freely arrived at, loyal, respectful and reverent.

If pushed, however, liberals will tend to allow considerations

of justice and harm to override all other considerations.

Over time, that means we liberals tend to be statistically more fair than respectful; more protective of the weak than loyal to authority.

That can be really annoying at times, especially to those in power.

A liberal at his best, in the words of JFK, will be ". . . someone who looks ahead and not behind, someone who welcomes new ideas without rigid reactions, someone who cares about the welfare of the people — their health, their housing, their schools, their jobs, their civil rights, and their civil liberties [and] someone who believes we can break through the stalemate and suspicions that grip us in our policies abroad . . .

Sometimes we succeed. Sometimes we fail.

The best of us recognize our limitations, but never stop trying to live up to a noble ideal.

WHITHER THE GOP?

PURPLE

BRUCE SMART

Recent election results should cause the Republican Party to examine its strategy. Pre-election, Republicans seemed to have everything going for them:

* Widespread belief that the nation was heading in the wrong direction.

* An incumbent President unable to cure the national ills.

* And almost unlimited money to make their case.

But they lost. Why? Some believe Governor Romney was too centrist, that a true believer from the Right would have made a better case for change, and invigorated the Tea Party base to work harder. Their answer: Tilt further to the Right.

Others point to demographics. More voters are Hispanic, or African-American, or female, or young, population groups that usually favor Democrats, and are expanding faster than white males. Answer: Work harder to convince these groups of the merits of the Party's agenda.

Before proceeding further, Purple reminds readers that he has been a long time Republican, voting first against FDR's fourth term. In business he battled union excesses, and watched them destroy the nation's steel industry. Later he

served as a Reagan appointee, and on the GHW Bush 1988 campaign staff. Believing deeply in the two party system, he wants a thoughtful Republican Party that promotes sensible national policies.

During the campaign Purple heard many people say: "I haven't left the Republican Party, the Party has left me." Evidence supports that view. A distinguished former Chairman of The Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Indiana's Richard Lugar, was defeated for re-nomination by a Tea Party candidate who then lost in the 2012 general election. In 2010 in Delaware, the respected moderate Republican Congressman Mike Castle was defeated in the primary for a Senate seat by an ultra-conservative, who then lost. Former Connecticut Republican Congressman Chris Shays suffered a similar fate in 2012. And Maine's Senator Olympia Snowe, a moderate Republican, retired rather than face internal Party opposition. Purple knew each personally. He concludes the Republican Party leadership is deliberately driving any remnants of its moderate, policy-oriented intellectual wing from office.

If the Republicans are to help America succeed, a fundamental redirection of policies is called for, reverting to the mix that enabled Republican Presidents prior

to George W. Bush (43) to win and govern effectively.

First, if serious about reducing the federal deficit, Republicans must agree to include tax increases in the mix. Reagan and Bush (41) raised taxes when needed. Bush (43) cut them while engaged in a war and enacted a costly prescription drug benefit program, exacerbating the debt problem. Congress members should not cede their tax decisions to an unelected anti-tax ideologue. And of course Democrats must help rein in unsustainable entitlement costs.

Second, Republicans must respect science. Evidence that carbon emissions are causing climate change continues to mount. The obvious answer is to charge a fee for emitting carbon, offset by tax reductions elsewhere if the budget permits. If we do nothing the impending Climate Cliff will make today's Fiscal Cliff seem minuscule. Yesterday, Republicans led in environmental protection. Today many Republicans discredit the realities of global warming and evolution. Their anti-environment stance is irresponsible.

Third, government must support effective education for all; it underpins our nation's future. Teachers' unions must join as allies — perhaps a problem for Democrats. But in Virginia a Republican

HYPOCRISY

TOM PRATT

In a column last summer I questioned why American troops seemed to commit more war atrocities than other allied country's troops. The answer may lie in the way in which the military has treated Bradley Manning.

I would assume that most readers have heard of Bradley Manning, the accused (not convicted) whistleblower whose conscience could no longer allow him to keep silent about war crimes that he was witnessing and recording as a data input processor in the marines in Iraq. His most famous release of documents was the video of a helicopter gunship in Iraq shooting and killing innocent civilians including children and then firing on those trying to rescue the victims of the shooting.

Bradley was turned in by a confidant of his that has since been discredited as a mentally unbalanced person.

After Bradley's arrest he was sent to Kuwait where he feared for his life because of threats from his jailers. After several months he was brought back to the U.S. and placed in the brig at Quantico where he was denied access to counsel and visitors and subjected to torture. After nearly two years of inhumane treatment he was transferred to Fort Leavenworth; only because many of us who were aware of his treatment demonstrated and got the attention of human rights groups around the world, including Amnesty International, who demanded that the torture stop.

Last week he testified in his defense and we learned the extent of his tortuous treatment. He was placed in a 6 X 8ft cage where he was kept naked for many hours each day, had to beg for toilet paper and was awakened in the middle of most nights and forced to sit on a metal bench for up to 12 hours. His glasses were taken from him; complete solitary confinement without even reading material. As an attempt to justify this treatment he was judged to be suicidal and put on suicide watch. However, two psychiatrists who interviewed Bradley independent of each other

governor, unwilling to raise even the gas tax, has allowed state support for UVA and VA Tech to fall below 10% of operating budgets. Localities, resistant to tax increases, handle stressed school budgets by increasing class sizes, reducing educational effectiveness.

The problem of illegal immigration cries out for political consensus to design and implement a reasonable and compassionate so-

lution. Republicans believe in individual freedom, except when women want to control their own bodies. The list of problems goes on.

Purple believes the Republican Party should stop playing ideologue, and seek ways to join centrist Democrats to move our nation forward. Until it does so, it is unlikely to win elections, or serve America responsibly.

Bradley Manning should be found not guilty and released immediately. If you agree write and call your representatives and tell them torture is not the American way.

Bradley Manning along with Wikileaks is among the nominees for the Nobel Peace Prize which shows how out of touch America is with the rest of the world when it comes to war crimes and government transparency.

Bradley Manning should be found not guilty and released immediately. If you agree write and call your representatives and tell them torture is not the American way.

Bradley Manning along with Wikileaks is among the nominees for the Nobel Peace Prize which shows how out of touch America is with the rest of the world when it comes to war crimes and government transparency.

Bradley Manning should be found not guilty and released immediately. If you agree write and call your representatives and tell them torture is not the American way.

Bradley Manning should be found not guilty and released immediately. If you agree write and call your representatives and tell them torture is not the American way.

Bradley Manning should be found not guilty and released immediately. If you agree write and call your representatives and tell them torture is not the American way.

Bradley Manning should be found not guilty and released immediately. If you agree write and call your representatives and tell them torture is not the American way.

Dulles To The District

Exceptional Commuter Bus Service from Dulles South (Stone Ridge) and Dulles North (Sterling and Ashburn) to Rosslyn, the Pentagon and Washington, DC



www.loudoun.gov/bus
1-877-GO-LCBUS

We Custom Design Awnings For Any Home Or Business!

- Custom-made and Retractable Awnings
- Window Coverings
- Porch Shades
- 30 years of Service
- Family Owned
- Loudoun, Fauquier and Prince William
- Best Prices
- Highest Quality
- Expert Installation
- Major Credit Cards

"We've Got You Covered"



www.montgomeryawning.com

LOUDOUN FAUQUIER TOLL FREE
703-737-0491 • 540-347-1941 • 800-300-1941

Executive Moving Systems, Inc.
Servicing the Greater Washington, D.C. Area and the World

Moving?
Relax and listen to the birds sing, the stream trickle or the wind chime ring. . .

Let us handle the details!
(703) 497-2700
www.thebestmove.com

2008 International House of Moving Award Winner

Your **LOCAL** one call does it all for your Satellite TV, Internet

540-905-2454

Authorized Installer for

DirecTV & exede

Innovative web acceleration technology
*Up to 12 Mbps download speed *Up to 3 Mbps upload speed *10 gigabyte monthly allowance
\$54.99 per month

Cell phone Boosters ~ Wi-Fi Internet
Set-up & Configuration of Home Networks

We at SAT-MAN Communications practice EXCELLENT customer service while

GUARANTYING your 100% satisfaction with every job
WWW.SAT-MAN.COM SATMAN@SAT-MAN.COM

SAT-MAN COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
P.O. BOX 478, Marshall, VA 20116

ebay

THRILLRIDES-4-U

330 SALES WITH A 100% FEEDBACK
LET ME TURN YOUR CARS, HORSE TRAILERS, FARM EQUIPMENT INTO CASH!
I CAN SELL JUST ABOUT ANYTHING!
LOCAL OR REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE
EMAIL ME THRILLRIDES4U@GMAIL.COM
OR CALL CHRIS 703-220-6123

Happy Holidays!

Christmas Eve Dinner
Monday, Dec. 24, 5 - 9 pm
Dinner Menu with Holiday Chef Specials

New Year's Eve Dinner
Monday, Dec. 31
Reservations May Be Made During 2 Seatings: 5 - 6:30 pm and 8 - 9:30 pm
Dinner Menu with Celebratory Specials

 **Girasole**
4244 Loudoun Avenue
The Plains, VA 20198
540-253-5501

THE BLACKBURN MURDER

DANIEL MORROW

EDITOR'S NOTE: A sharp-eyed reader of our November edition noted that we had published the account of efforts to save Tom Blackburn's life before we published the account of the struggle in which he was mortally wounded. With thanks to our reader and apologies to all, here is the missing chapter. The story, complete to date and in its proper order, may also be found on our web site: www.mbecc.com.

A Violent Scuffle

Just before 6:15 PM On Sunday night, January 15, 1854, the sun had already set in Lexington,Virginia. The moon had not yet risen, and it was very dark.

According to James Woods Massie, it was also very wet, and the “damp seemed to add to the darkness.”

Massie was escorting a lady to church, most likely his bride

of two weeks. Sophonsiba Preston Benton Breckinridge McDowell,

They felt their way west along the north edge of unpaved, wet and muddy Nelson Street, toward Lexington’s First Presbyterian Church, on the south corner of Nelson and Main.

When they reached the front doors of Lexington’s Baptist church, just to their left on same side of Nelson Street as their destination, they noted happily that the street ahead was dimly lit, by light falling from the second story windows of the sanctuary of the Presbyterian church. The ground floor windows of the Presbyterian church were shuttered but the light from the sanctuary was bright enough to cast a glow on White’s Corner, directly across Nelson Street from the church.

Massie and his bride had reached a point about halfway between the two churches, when he heard “a little scuffle, just at or about the Engine House door.”

The volunteer fire department’s Engine House and an open-topped shed protecting a nearby set of hay scales, Massie noted, were in deep shadow.

Massie paid no attention to the scuffling sounds, he said, until a new and louder noise stopped him in his tracks.

He described the new noise as the “sounds of licks or strokes in quick succession, and more like a whip than a stick.”

Though he claimed he wasn’t personally “familiar with the sound of a stick when used in striking anyone,” the peculiar noise he said, sounded like “someone was whipping a Negro with a cowhide.”

Massie then noticed another couple, Thomas Benton Taylor and a lady, standing about fifteen yards farther down Nelson Street.

They too had been stopped short, he thought, by the sudden explosion of sound from the shadows.

Massie immediately hurried

his wife along Nelson Street toward the Taylor couple and what the relative safety of the glow from the sanctuary windows.

As soon as they reached the light, Massie said, “the strokes ceased and a tolerable violent scuffle ensued.”

The sounds of that “violent scuffle” went on for what, to Massie, seemed almost thirty seconds.

Massie later observed that the scuffle “may have been more violent than I supposed” at the time, given the muffling effect of the damp and mud.

The noises were, in any case, loud enough, to attract the attention of James Lindsay Kirkpatrick as he crossed the street from the Presbyterian Church to White’s Corner, nearly half a block away.

A VMI Cadet, most likely William Alexander Thompson of the class of 1857, was seated near Cadet John Howard Sharp on the stone steps of the church.

He also heard the commotion, jumped up and ran immediately toward the sounds, shouting as he ran, “There is someone whipping another. Do you not hear the licks?”

Sharp later claimed he heard nothing, but followed the other cadet.

In the meantime James Massie, terribly nearsighted, was squinting into the darkness.

He saw two people, struggling, on the ground, about fifteen or twenty feet away from where he stood, about a yard off the sidewalk and, he later testified, well into the street.

They had fallen so that Massie could just see the tops of their heads, dimly lit by the glow from the church windows..

They struggled in silence, Massie said, “locked in a close embrace, their heads close together. . . no noise, no blows . . . entirely quiet.”

By this time Cadet Thompson came running up from his perch on the church steps.

When Massie told Thompson he was going to try to separate the men wrestling in the street, Cadet Thompson offered to help.

Massie handed him his hymnal and ordered him to stay behind and watch over the ladies.

By the time Massie had time to glance back down Nelson Street, the wrestlers were on their feet again, still holding on to each other.

Massie described one of them as a “low and heavy-set figure” dressed in dark clothes.

The other was wearing his cadet-gray overcoat, standing face-to-face with his opponent, with “his half front and left side” toward Massie.

Massie ran straight toward them.

He was only was only a yard or so away, he said when he saw the shorter man give his opponent “a violent shove with his right hand, which seemed to have hold of his coat collar.”

The man he shoved “staggered some three steps and fell heavily, Massie said, “like a drunken man,” with his head toward Main Street, in a line with the cross street, about 10 feet or so from where he had been



JAMES WOODS MASSIE (1826-1872)
VMI ARCHIVES.

“pushed.”

Standing near the corner of Nelson and Main Street with the ladies, law student Thomas Benton Taylor also saw both men rise, one of them shove the other violently away, and one of them fall.

According to Massie, the man left standing “sprang actively to the sidewalk,” ran straight toward him, and then stopped in his tracks, directly in front of him.

They looked straight into each others eyes, according to Massie, but “exchanged not a word.”

Massie later testified he didn’t recognize Charles Burks Christian at the time, even though he “knew him very well and had been in his company several times.”

“I could see that he was a white man,” Massie later testified, “genteelly dressed, with a sort of sack overcoat on, but-toned in front.”

“I was familiar with Mr. Christian’s face,” Massie later told a court, “and but for my defective vision, would doubtless have recognized him” noting that “he usually wore a mustache.”

When Massie turned to check on the man who had fallen, Christian resumed his flight, this time running straight toward Thomas Benton Taylor. He stopped a yard away, Taylor later testified, “as if expecting some word or action.”

Taylor recognized Christian immediately, he said, but neither of them spoke a word to each other.

As the two stood in silence, Christian turned to look back down the street. As he turned the light from the church windows fell on his face. Taylor said it was covered with blood, “chin to brow.”

Christian then turned once more and ran toward Main Street, passing directly between James Kirkpatrick and “two ladies” who had stopped at White’s Corner (presumably Massie’s wife and Benton Taylor’s friend.)

Cadets Matthews and Sharp reached the corner at about the same time. They too saw “ . . . a man running, who afterwards proved to be Christian.”

“He ran to his hotel,” they said, scarcely a block away.”



Clifton

Berryville, Virginia • \$6,900,000

Classical Revival home, ca. 1834 • Perfectly proportioned • 12 1/2' ceilings • 25' front columns • 4 BR, 3 1/2 BA • Award winning historic renovation 1990 • Pool • Two tenant houses • Spectacular views of the Blue Ridge • 411 acres

Tom Cammack (540) 247-5408



Marley Grange

Millwood, Virginia • \$2,600,000

Understated elegance • Finely appointed 5600+ sq. ft. home built in 1997 on 75 acres in a private and secluded setting • 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 half baths • 10 stall barn • 224 ft. x 128 ft. blue stone ring • Excellent horse facility and ride-out

Tom Cammack (540) 247-5408



Pagebrook East

Boyce, Virginia • \$995,000

Gorgeous tract of land in middle of Blue Ridge Hunt territory • Small cottage, additional building site with approved 4 BR septic • 97.8 acres of open pasture land • Fenced for horses & cattle • Pond • Barn & run-in sheds

Helen MacMahon (540) 454-1930



Delaplane Post Office

Delaplane, Virginia • \$450,000

Commercial Zoning • 3,800 sf • 2 separate apartments • Each with 2 bedrooms • Large additional outbuilding • Great possibilities

Ann MacMahon (540) 687-5588



info@sheridanmacmahon.com

www.sheridanmacmahon.com



Wood Hill

Middleburg, Virginia • \$3,300,000

Located in the heart of fox hunting country • 3 miles from Middleburg • 49 acres • Elegant 1940's brick colonial home • Stable • Cottage • Apartment • Pool • Tennis court • Mature trees and sweeping lawn to Goose Creek which surrounds most of the property

Helen MacMahon (540) 454-1930



Lions Lane

Boyce, Virginia • \$1,490,000

109 mountain top acres • Unbelievable western views • Hunters' paradise • 3 bedrooms • 2 fireplaces • Gourmet kitchen • 3 car garage • Energy efficient

Paul MacMahon (703) 609-1905



Sherburne Farm Lane

Marshall, Virginia • \$790,000

Exceptionally well built house • 10 open acres • Geothermal heat system with 5 zones & radiant floor heat • Open floor plan offers excellent views • Master suite on main floor • 2-3 BR on lower level • Exercise room with access to patio

Ann MacMahon (540) 687-5588 Helen MacMahon (540) 454-1930



Meadowbrook Court

Middleburg, Virginia • \$439,000

Immaculate end unit town home feels like a private cottage • Completely renovated • New kitchen & baths • New roof • Elegant living room with wood burning FP • Built in book shelves • Private terrace & landscaped garden • Perfectly turn key • No maintenance

Helen MacMahon (540) 454-1930

SHERIDAN~
MACMAHON, LTD.
Realtors



Reliance Road

Middletown, Virginia • \$2,875,000

French Provencal • 158.84 acres • 5-6 Bedrooms • 5 1/2 Baths • 3 Fireplaces • Gourmet Kitchen • Exotic hardwood floors • Terraced gardens • Koi pond • Frontage on Crooked Run • Also available on 42.42 acres for \$1,750,000

Paul MacMahon (703) 609-1905



Washington Street

Middleburg, Virginia • \$1,000,000

Great opportunity for commercial C-2 building • Excellent visibility • Great parking and multiple uses allowed • Town Zoning allows for Restaurant and retail to name a few • Rare find in the historic town

Helen MacMahon (540) 454-1930



Piedmont Drive

Middleburg, Virginia • \$495,000

All brick townhome • Very bright end-unit • Back and side garden space • Hardwood floors on main level • Sunken living room with wood burning FP • Built in bookshelves • Separate dining room • 3 BR, 3 1/2 BA • Large closets • Lower level has large rec room, full bath, additional finished room

Helen MacMahon (540) 454-1930



Chestnut Street

Middleburg, Virginia • \$399,900

4 BR home in village of Middleburg • New first floor master suite w/extensive built in bookshelves & closets • Major renovations include new siding • New roof • New kitchen & new furnace • Great millwork, trim & finishes w/natural light throughout • Large 1/4 acre lot w/mature plantings

Helen MacMahon (540) 454-1930

110 East Washington Street
P.O. Box 1380
Middleburg, Virginia 20118
(540) 687-5588

Windy Hill Foundation warmly thanks the following patrons for contributing so generously to our 11th Annual Fashion Show.

FASHIONS PROVIDED BY
ANREV TENNIS FASHION
BETSEY DUCHESSA
HIGHCLIFFE CLOTHIERS
LOU LOU AND LOU LOU TOO
TIMMIE JANE
TRI-COUNTY FEEDS
TULLY RECTOR

LUNCHEONPROVIDED BY
Back Street Café & Catering
Blackthorne Inn & Restaurant
The Fox's Den Tavern
The French Hound
The Goodstone Inn & Estate Restaurant
Home Farm Store
Julien's Café & Restaurant
The Red Fox Inn & Tavern

CAR PARKERS
Rodney Hall
Roy Perry
Tom Walsh
Chip White
Carter Wiley
Brian Wilson

FASHION SHOW COMMITTEE
Mabel Walsh, Chairperson
Donna Barkley
Alyn Beauchamp
Lisa Catlett
Martha Cotter
Shannon Davis
Valerie Dove
Carina Elgin
Marcy Harris
Kim Hart
Lucy Holbrook
Mary Jo Jackson
Peter Nicoll
Judy Washburn
Helen Wiley

BARTON SPONSOR- \$10,000
Anonymous

LLEWELLYN SPONSOR - \$5,000
Shannon & Jim Davis
Mr. & Mrs. Guy O. Dove, III

LEVIS SPONSOR - \$3,000
Diversified Educational Systems
Lou W. Kennedy
J. Preston Levis Charitable Foundation
Porsche of Rockville
The Graham Companies

VIRGINIA LANE SPONSOR - \$1,000
Gloria Armfield, Carole Miller & Ruth Ripley
Lisa & Michael Catlett
Finicky Filly
Mary Jo & Ron Jackson
Middleburg Bank
Jeanne Morency
Nicole H. Perry
Vicki & Roger Sant
Mary B. Schwab
T.M. Associates, Inc
Mabel & Tom Walsh
Judith Washburn
Lauren & Rene Woolcott
Yount, Hyde & Barbour, PC

FRIENDS OF WINDY HILL
DARGroup
Bendure Communications
Maidstone Construction
Middleburg Eccentric
Middleburg Garden Club
Darrin Mollett & Bill Ballhaus
Amy Potter-Country Way
Tom Sweitzer
Laura van Roijen

We urge you to support the businesses that support our community.

Thank you!



WFP.COM
WFORMIDDLEBURG.COM

WASHINGTON, DC	202.944.5000
GEORGETOWN/DUPONT/LOGAN	202.333.3320
BETHESDA/CHEVY CHASE	301.222.0050
POTOMAC	301.983.6400
NORTHERN VIRGINIA	703.317.7000
MIDDLEBURG, VA	540.687.6395
WASHINGTON, VA	540.675.1488

FINEST

agents • properties • service



INTERNATIONAL OFFERING

MCLEAN, VIRGINIA

Private 12.2 acre estate. Exquisite 12,500 square foot stone residence overlooking rolling hills, gardens and pool. Tennis pavilion & 5 stall barn. \$6,550,000

William F. X. Moody
Robert Hryniewicki 202-243-1620



BRONZE HILL FARM, MIDDLEBURG, VA

Classic stone farm house dating from early 1800's. 48ac in 2 parcels, located on the VA scenic byway, Snickersville Tpke. Restored main house with 3 fin. levels, pool. In conservation easement. \$1,875,000

Rick Lowe 703-509-3962



TALLWOODS, DELAPLANE, VA

Enchanting home/weekend retreat, 3 bedrooms, 3.5 baths. Architecturally designed, quality constructed, traditional stucco residence filled with natural light throughout. \$995,000

Jud Glascock 540-592-3238



ATOKA CHASE, MIDDLEBURG, VA

Great Middleburg home with 5 bedrooms, 4.5 baths, 3 levels, eat-in kitchen, family room, rec room, terraces & deck. 10 acres with fantastic views. \$990,000

Gloria Armfield 540-687-2223
Jim Thompson 540-687-2224



MELMORE, MIDDLEBURG, VIRGINIA

Charming 4BR, 4.5BA Cape Cod on 3 acres just east of the village of Middleburg in Melmore. Totally renovated by present owners & is absolutely move-in condition. \$985,000

Jud Glascock 540-592-3238
Kevin Keane 540-687-2221



Wishing You Happy Holidays!



TURKEY RIDGE, MIDDLEBURG, VA

Perfect for the equestrian. 17 acres of open fenced and cross fenced pastures, great ride out, 7+ stall barn, pool and 4 bedroom, 2 bath home. \$950,000

Jim Thompson 540-687-2224
Lynn Wiley 540-454-1527



CRUMMEY'S RUN, MIDDLEBURG, VA

Original manor house, 3+ BR 3.5BA, 3 fireplaces. Recently updated kitchen, pool, 2 stall barn, 3 bay garage. 1BR guest house. 7+ acres. Minutes to Middleburg. \$820,000

Jim Thompson 540-687-2224
Lynn Wiley 540-454-1527



PURCELLVILLE, VIRGINIA

Wonderful combination in this great home. Charm only an older home can offer with the modern upgrades that make life easier. Five bedrooms, two full and one half baths. \$699,000

Kevin Keane 540-687-2221



MIDDLEBURG DOWNS, MIDDLEBURG, VA

Charming 4 bedroom with excellent construction. Slate roof, hardwoods. 2 car garage, pool, 3 stall stable, open 3 acre parcel. \$675,000 (Can be purchased with additional 3+ acres for \$930,000 total)

Carole Miller 540-729-7896



ROCK CLIFF, UPPERVILLE, VIRGINIA

RENTAL - The main house of a large farm approximately 1 mile south of Upperville VA. Large, comfortable, four bedroom country house. It has superb privacy. Minimum 1 year lease. Includes lawn care. \$2,700/month.

Carole Miller 540-729-7896

INTERNATIONAL NETWORKS AND OFFICES



LEADING
REAL ESTATE
COMPANIES™
OF THE WORLD

