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SEVEN LOAVES PANTRY

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Seven Loaves Food Pantry has been serving Middleburg, Loudoun County and surrounding counties with healthy food since 1994. One of the ways it does this is by gleaning food from area supermarkets. Four days a week, drivers pick up from Harris Teeter, Giant and Walmart stores to pick up baked goods, prepared foods, meat, produce and other items that are then given out to patrons of the pantry. Other drivers glean from area Farmers Markets on the weekends. Once a week a driver goes to the Blue Ridge Food Bank in Winchester to pick up USDA food and other staples. We need additional drivers to supplement the cadre of dedicated drivers already making these pickups.

Caroline and Jack Helmly have been on food pick up for many years. Caroline says, "Jack started driving first and then one morning, I asked if I could help him. He said sure and off we went with our pickup truck to the Giant in Chantilly, leaving the farm at 7:15am. We were greeted at the store by the deli department, produce department, bakery and meat departments. Jack had made friends with all of these people and they gave us grocery carts full of day-old, beautiful food!" After unloading and weighing the food it was "handed out almost

immediately ... it was glorious fun to feel so useful. Where else can you do so much good in [just] two hours a week?" It is true. There are few ways to make such a big difference in such a small amount of time.

Drivers need to have a valid driver's license and a pickup truck, SUV, or van to make the run. You will also need to be capable of lifting boxes weighing up to sixty pounds. (If that seems like a lot to lift bring a partner to help you with the heavier items.)

Ed "Snooks" Swain is an octogenarian and life-long resident of Middleburg who has been making Seven Loaves food pickups for thirty years. He knows his role is important. He also can tell you that you will "see a lot of folks and form good friendships" being a food pickup driver for Seven Loaves. He further notes that, "it is work that requires dedication, but that he enjoys doing it and knowing that he is helping others."

To learn more about volunteering as a driver or in any other capacity at Seven Loaves, contact their office at (540) 687-3489 or sevenloaveservices@gmail.com. Please fill out a volunteer application at www.sevenloavesmiddleburg.org. When you do you will become part of a team of people committed to love and service like no other. You will be glad that you did.

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THE WINDY HILL FOUNDATION CONNECTS THE COMMUNITY

PAYTON VOGAN

In this day and age, the internet not only provides information but a means of connection. The importance of the internet is evident in everyday life, such as using phones, computers, and other technology. However, COVID-19 and its effects have heightened its prominence. For instance, the introduction of online learning for many students required WiFi and the internet to be successful for learning. Additionally, while in quarantine, there was little contact with others. Thus, leaving many with only the internet as a means of connection and social interaction.

The Middleburg community recognized the many challenges that arose out of COVID. The actions of the Windy Hill Foundation, a local non-profit that provides housing and services to lower-income residents, reflected this. After reflecting on the current situations regarding COVID-19 and present-day life, Windy Hill decided to provide free WiFi to the residents. They wired two buildings, including their community rooms and offices, with WiFi. With the help from Loudoun County and the CARES Act, they transformed their vision into reality.

Bob Dale, Executive Director for Windy Hill Foundation, said, "Windy Hill also received a grant from the Rotary Club of Leesburg Daybreak to supply tablets to the residents of Levis. The combination of the WiFi network, and the tablets, will allow them to access the internet in helpful ways. They will be able to view a calendar of events, access health information, and communicate with their families. We continue to strive to address the digital divide in all our communities, including those in more rural areas of Fauquier County where the internet is a challenge." Previously, Windy Hill Foundation provided a computer lab with WiFi in the community room at one of the housing properties. That way, people could use the internet and kids could do school work. Thus, WiFi throughout entire buildings was a new initiative. However, adding wireless hotspots was not a drastic change. Some residents already had their own internet and were comfortable navigating it.

Nevertheless, this is not a minor addition. It allows residents to switch to the new internet and save money. For example, one resident of Levis Hill House said, "I have been using the WiFi to test it before I cancel my internet subscription. I am optimistic that it will be able to serve my needs for the internet. This will help me save my limited budget for other necessities." Therefore, the addition of the internet will provide monthly savings for people who use it solely. Additionally, it adds another access

point to the internet.

Currently, the WiFi hotspots are in place. Wires were placed in the ceilings and through the walls, allowing the two whole buildings to have WiFi. In addition to WiFi, Windy Hill is supplying tablets for the seniors and running computer training. Lisa Capraro, Marketing Director for Windy Hill, added, "We don't expect every resident to embrace the technology right away. But with the buildings, offices, and community rooms wired to the two communities, it provides many possibilities to tailor our programs and services to meet the needs of the residents going forward. Having the access in place now opens many doors for the future." The addition of WiFi at Windy Hill was a response to the reality that everyone is dependent on having an efficient internet connection. This, along with the unprecedented effects of COVID-19, motivated the addition. The internet is critical for people to lead their everyday life. Overall, Windy Hill provides the means for fast, efficient internet and the training to use it to make sure the residents have opportunities available.



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LOUDOUN LAURELS FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 2021 LAUREATE



The Loudoun Laurels Foundation has selected its 2021 Laureate. The honoree is Dorothy "Punkin" Lee who founded Journeymen Saddlers in Middleburg and has operated the business for 45 years. The high standards of Loudoun Laurels: selflessness; integrity; creativity; wisdom and courage, are personified in Punkin. Everything she does is for the love of her community, trying to help make things the best they can be.

Punkin is President of the Middleburg Business & Professional Assoc. She is Chair of the Middleburg Streetscape Committee and the Middleburg Beautification and Preservation Committee, and she serves on the Middleburg Historic District Committee, Middleburg Arts Council, Upperville Horse Show, and the Middleburg Film Festival Committees. Punkin is a board member of the National Sporting Library and the Middleburg Fall Races. She is also a founding member of Christmas in Middleburg and coordinator of the Middleburg Arbor Day Celebration. Punkin volunteers at Great Meadows events and is a member of The Hill School Alumni Association.

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each and every one of us.... her energy and determination are contagious. She is always the first in line to offer a hand and to help make things work smoothly. She is a great example to the Loudoun Laurels scholarship recipients. Punkin shows what hard work and dedication can and will accomplish."

The Loudoun Laurels Foundation is committed to honoring exceptional community service for the benefit of Loudoun County citizens and to developing future civic leaders through scholarships and mentorships. Each year, the Foundation honors Loudoun County citizens whose commitment to the Loudoun Community through, leadership, community service and philanthropy

have helped make Loudoun County a great place in which to live and work. In addition to honoring exceptional community service for the benefit of Loudoun County residents, the Foundation is committed to developing future civic leaders through scholarships and mentorships. Each year, the Loudoun Laurels award one or more \$40,000 scholarships to LCPs students who are first generation college attendees.

Punkin Lee and 2020 Laureate Chuck Kuhn, and the 2020 and 2021 Loudoun Laurels Scholars will be honored at the 2021 Gala to be held on Friday, September 24, 2021, at Lansdowne Resort.

The Foundation's Laureates include Childs F. Burden, G. Kim-

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NEWS OF NOTE

THE MICHAEL G. SANTANGELO JR. SCHOLARSHIP FUND SUPPORTS UNDERPRIVILEGED YOUTH

DEBBIE EISELE

In 2013, the Michael G. Santangelo Jr. Fund was established to honor the untimely death of Michael G. Santangelo, Sr.'s son who is an attorney practicing law in New York. In the years since, the nonprofit organization continues to assist students by providing scholarship funds to help deserving individuals to create a positive impact on the recipients' life.

Currently, The Michael G. Santangelo Jr. Scholarship Fund provides donations to educational institutions and charitable organizations that help students obtain a quality, private high school education. Specifically, the nonprofit provides a four-year scholarship to recipients that are selected by San Miguel Academy of Newburgh, New York and Student Partner Sponsors.

The minority students awarded scholarships live in very economically disadvantaged areas of New York. The beneficiaries are eighth grade students that are placed in private school settings such as Cardinal Hayes, All Hollows and the Blue



The San Miguel Academy's mission is to "educate and inspire the youth of the city of Newburgh [New York] so they may break the cycle of poverty and achieve new potential."

"The Michael Santangelo, Jr. Foundation has provided essential financial tuition support so that our students can access quality high schools outside of the violence of Newburgh. In many ways, the support of the foundation is life-saving," shared Father Mark Connell, founder of San Miguel Academy.

Located in George, Virginia, The Blue Ridge School is an all-boy boarding school, which offers a structured environment to help students learn with little distractions and provides an opportunity to develop leadership skills and more. The Blue Ridge School has a "focus on helping boys reach their potential through personalized, structured, innovative learning practices in a college-preparatory, all-boarding community."

"I am about to begin my junior year at Blue Ridge School where I am achieving academically, athletically and socially. None of this would be possible without the support of the Santangelo Foundation," shared Miguel Benitez, scholarship recipient.

Middleburg, Virginia has played an important role for the Michael G. Santangelo Jr. Scholarship Fund. In 2020, a group of students from Newburgh traveled to Middleburg for a weekend, as Santangelo's sister and brother-in-law are long-term residents of The Plains. The purpose of the trip was to expose them to new experiences. For many of these children, it was the first opportunity to travel outside the inner city and explore the quality of life that Middleburg offers.

San Miguel Academy's eighth grade class will visit Marblehead Farm in The Plains and Atoka Chase Farm in Middleburg for a weekend event in July. During the visit, students will enjoy a visit to the Middleburg Training Center and will participate in swimming, fishing, games and a horseback ride.

On July 16, 2021, students will be introduced to the Middleburg community — including Mayor Bridge Littleton — and other Virginia donors at a celebratory picnic that will be sponsored and hosted by Georgia Derrico, Rod Porter and Tim Whitbred.

Since its inception, this nonprofit has donated \$305,000 in scholarship funds to students. Specifically, \$65,000 was given directly to six students at San Miguel Academy. In all, a total of eight students are obtaining an education with a full scholarship. Additionally, the Fund supported seven students who have since graduated high school.

The Michael G. Santangelo Jr. Scholarship Fund will host its 9th Annual Fundraiser on December 1, 2021. The goal for this year's event is to continue to raise funds to support additional students with a private high school education. The event will be held at Alex's Bar & Grill in White Plains, New York.

"We believe it will be a great venue and those in attendance will be able to hear from the students and see first-hand how much they've grown since the last event in 2019," Michael G. Santangelo Sr., chairman, said in a recent statement.

For more information on The Michael G. Santangelo Jr. Scholarship Fund, please visit MichaelJrFund.org, email mgsesq@msn.com, or call (914) 304-4242.

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NEWS OF NOTE

MOB THE FENCE POST

CHANDLER VAN VOORHIS

Some people are simply known by their initials. The initials of MJ are enough to signal the greatness of Michael Jordan, the famed basketball player. In the world of conservation, MOB carries the same level of awe. Magalen Ohrstrom Bryant (MOB) was a force of nature whose impact spanned both local and global reaches of conservation.

The best way to understand MOB is to think of a great oak tree whose branches reach across time and territory. From Africa to South America to Europe to Central America to the Mississippi Delta to right here in Middleburg, MOB was a tour de force for conservation.

One time she walked into the office and told us she wanted us to borrow an old oil tanker. She proceeded to give us Sir John Brown's (CEO of BP) contact number. As directed, we called his office to borrow an old oil tanker because MOB wanted

to move excess elephants from Kruger National Park to Angola. Why? Angola had just gone through a nasty civil war where they decimated much of the wildlife. While Sir John Brown was unable to supply the tanker for what we called "Project Noah's Ark," we would transport elephant groups via plane. MOB saw obstacles as opportunities for solutions.

MOB cared deeply about people and wildlife. One time while the Dulles Greenway was being built, she traveled to South America. She wanted to save the Scarlet Macaw. In typical fashion, she bought a significant reserve of property to help the critical habitat. Landing back at Dulles Airport, she quickly lamented that she just came from the rain forest. Learning that the bankers in NY were raising a stink, she jetted off to NYC. On her way out, she grabbed her horsewhip and left for NYC. She wore her beliefs on her sleeve.

MOB had tremendous conviction and vision. With horsewhip



in hand and passion in her veins, she put the NY bankers on notice and promptly returned for dinner in Virginia. Barriers or obstacles only fueled her passion to "make it happen."

And she made things happen in different ways. So many of us in the area have been invited to various dinners of hers, whether for Wildlife in Europe or Earth College in Costa Rica. We called these dinners "Sing for Your Supper." One of the creative genius points of MOB was to invite a wide cross-section of guests. At the beginning of the event, she would ask everyone to state their name, what they did, and their passion. Invariably, the last question would create new linkages across the room where people who normally would never have reason to connect all of a sudden made a beeline to one another. MOB was like a chess player. She relished creating the art of the possible.

As MOB often sat on her veranda overlooking the Blue Ridge mountains from Locust Hill - whether, for a tomato sand-

wich fresh from the garden or a sundowner watching the hues of color splash across our Piedmont, she would speak to the need to conserve and restore the landscape by getting private landowners involved and utilizing the private market.

As a former Chairwoman of National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, she built what would become the central bank of conservation in the US. MOB was also the first Chair of Environmental Resources Trust (now the American Carbon Registry). She knew putting a price and value on nature was the only way we could start to make conservation pay. That was 1996. Twenty-five years later, world leaders such as Mark Carney, former head of the Bank of England, are building upon her clarion call to action by demanding that private companies scale these new market platforms by 15x between now and 2030.

I have been lucky to have had a front seat to witness her passion and her amazing children, who in different ways carry forward her

legacy and willpower. In conservation, Michael Crane led the building of the Dulles Greenway as an environmental highway second to none for Virginia and the Nation. Carey Crane has pioneered a particular pathway for scaling carbon removal by creating a revolution in reforestation. Together, Carey and our company have built a global solution. But this solution did not come out of the blue. It was forged in part through will, belief, and the passion of the unstoppable MOB.

Like a giant oak, MOB has cast her branches across many fields of interest and lands - both far and near. She has dropped her acorns, provided shade, and nurtured them in hopes new ideas would spring forth in our ever-unfolding story of creation. We all are blessed to have known MOB - a true force of nature for our community, country, and the world. Now, it is our turn to do as she would do so.

After all, life is not a dress rehearsal. The best way to honor MOB is to put a dent in the universe and its future!



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YONDER MOUNTAIN STRING BAND IN UNISON

STEVE CHASE

Yonder Mountain String Band was formed in late 1998, and has become an important member of the Jamgrass musical community, where they draw fans from both the bluegrass and jam band worlds. Their unique progressive acoustic sound, rooted with bluegrass fundamentals, keeps your toes tapping and your body moving as you marvel in their amazing playing. They have established a tradition at Telluride Bluegrass, where they have the Saturday 3 PM slot permanently locked in for some time now. For the second time during the Pandemic, Yonder performed at B Chord Brewery in Round Hill over the July 4th weekend, and I had the chance to sit down with their mandolinist and multi-instrumentalist, Nick Piccininni. Nick, who is a songwriter and virtuoso on a number of fretted instruments, joined the band about a year ago, and he has stepped up Yonder's sound and performances another full notch (www.yondermountain.com/nick-piccininni/).

SC: What first got you playing and when did you first start performing?

NP: I was always interested in music because my mom's family was really big into music. They all played piano by ear and she went to music school, so I was introduced to it early on. I was never one of those kids that sat studiously at the piano—I didn't want to be taught anything. I just wanted to sit there and bang away. While I was always intrigued by it, I wasn't really serious about music until I was 11 or 12 and my buddy got a banjo. I just thought it was the coolest sound ever.

I didn't know anything about bluegrass music. I just knew that I liked that

sound. And so I begged my parents for a banjo. My mom basically said, well, we have a piano and I have the ability to teach it to you and teach you theory, so give me a good year of proving that you can learn the instrument and stick with it, and then we'll get you a banjo. So I did that and for my 13th birthday, they got me a banjo and I just fell in love instantly—I was obsessed. I was homeschooled, so I had a lot of time to put into it. It was maybe six months after we found out there was a local jam session and my parents took me to it. I had never experienced anything like that before— it was amazing. I met a bunch of people and one guy said "we need a banjo player". I was 13, I'd been playing for six months and I was thrown up on stage, freaking out. It was crazy how fast it all happened.

SC: I saw you six, seven years ago with the Band, Floodwood. What was it like playing with the band?

NP: Floodwood was probably the most career changing thing that I've done. It changed my whole trajectory and whole view of what music can be—it tore down a lot of the genre walls. I'd never really been exposed to jam bands or large festivals. I was always playing traditional bluegrass, with smaller and older crowds and I had never thought about playing in a bluegrass band that had a drummer, so all of a sudden here I was put into Floodwood and with guitarist Al Schnier and drummer Vinny Amico from the band moe., where people are dancing and really enjoying the music and not just sitting there staring at you. It was a whole new world. It put me on this track towards where I am now with the Yonder. Without Floodwood, I never would have known about this kind of music or known the people that I got

connected with, and they ended up being my connections to Yonder.

SC: How did you land the Yonder gig?

NP: Floodwood was playing at Summer Camp festival a few years back and I got to know Allie Kral, Yonder's fiddle player. When mandolinist Jake Jolliff was not able to make a couple of Yonder's gigs, they needed to get a fill in. Allie saw a video of me playing guitar and said "I thought Nick was just a banjo and fiddle player?" She said to Yonder's guitarist, Adam Ajjala, "if he plays guitar he must play mandolin", and Adam nodded asked if I could play fast, so she texted me. The rest is history. It's such a random, strange thing that happened because I was not putting myself out as a mandolin player. And next thing I know I'm getting asked; do you play mandolin? I said, "well, yes, I have a mandolin." So I sent a video of me playing something fast and they were like, yeah, come do some gigs. So I do a couple of fill-ins. And then next thing you know, Jake was moving on and they asked me to go on tour for a couple of weeks. And by the end of the two weeks, they had a talk with me, "we'd like you to come on full time." It was mind boggling. It's not anything that I could have dreamt up, you know? And it just goes to show you that you never know who you're connecting with and getting to know.

SC: How has the pandemic impacted the band?

NP: I think we have tapped into a creative process that what we found to be a better way to create an album. This is my first time experiencing it, but Adam and Ben have said it seems to have helped our creativity. We worked on the new album over Zoom and we sent demos back and forth, which con-



tributed to the full-fledged demos of the songs before going into the studio to record. I thought it was great. It was definitely the most I've ever been prepared to go in studio. And it was just a really neat way to work things out, you know, just dumping everything into a Google drive that allows us to make comments and hash things out when we're at home. That was really cool and was a neat thing that came out of the pandemic. And the other thing is that you feel so grateful just to be on stage again. It's like we all have a new lease on life and definitely on the music—it feels amazing.

SC: Last week you were at the center of the Bluegrass universe in Telluride. Each time I'd been at Telluride bluegrass, you really feel that the energy of the field go up about a hundred-fold at three o'clock on Saturday afternoon when Yonder Mountain String Band walks onto the stage. How was that?

NP: It was a whirlwind, for me. There's something surreal about walking into that. It was my first time ever setting foot in that town. And just looking at the surroundings I thought, where am I right now, you know? And then just getting to walk onto that stage and look out at that view, and the people, it was something I've heard, and dreamt about since I was about 14, when I started playing bluegrass. I heard everyone talking about Telluride and, and the bands that we played with there were talking about Sam Bush and Jerry Douglas being there. And next thing I know I'm standing on stage with those guys and they came and sat in, and every inch of my body was tingling. The adrenaline that I got from it was crazy. It was a huge highlight of my life.

SC: There's a couple of recent

Telluride Bluegrass videos of you onstage surrounded by some Telluride greats—Sam Bush, Ronnie McCoury, Drew Emmitt, and Jerry Douglas playing with you. How was that experience?

NP: They were all so gracious. Here I was, not really feeling like a mandolin player per se, and I almost tried to get out of that jam. I said to Adam, "you're not going to make me do this, are you?" And he said "go on, do it, get in there. Adam told Sam and Ronnie, just surround him. I think that is when I kind of blacked out was when that happened, and I played the music with them. Jerry Douglas was a trip. I didn't get to meet him beforehand. Next thing I know he's on stage with me, it was just gripping. And then backstage, he came right up to me and put his hand right out and said "I didn't get to meet you yet." They were all just normal, nice people, that just happened to be some of the most talented bluegrass musicians on the planet.

SC: What does the band think of the B Chord Brewery venue?

NP: We all love this place and the great audiences. We have had a really good experience here. The staff is just so nice, and that makes a huge difference. It's just like any job—coworkers can make a huge impact on someone enjoying their job—they love music here and they really take care of you. It has been that mutual appreciation that that makes you want to come back.

You can listen to the B Chord July 3 and 4 shows at nugsnet.com, or download the shows at bt.etree.org .

Steve Chase is playing Yonder Mountain String Band on his porch in Unison.

TOILET TWINNING

SINCERELY ME

BRANDY GREENWELL

This month the Greenwell Greenbeans started their bathroom adventures. I prepared by reading books and blogs on how to successfully potty train twin toddlers and started the mission armed with all the knowledge needed, or so I thought. The tales to follow by no means compile a "how to" guide, but rather meant to share life lessons of laughing and learning.

I started, as advised by one of the books read, to start having them in the bathroom with me when I go. No real change here as I haven't done my business without 6 eyes on me for well over a year. (If you're counting that's 4 for the twins and 2 for my geriatric shadow dog who is surgically attached to my heel and has been for 16 years.) The Beans learned how to flush and spread toilet paper across the room for sport.

Next, we started identifying "poop" and "pee" along with changing diapers standing up, wiping and practicing pulling up clothes. This resulted in being greeted in the morning by my sweet daughter proudly handing me her fresh turds and announcing "it's a poo". At the same time, both of them learned to escape their cribs and could generally be found not where I put them in the morning or after naps. We had a few au natural



artistic displays including one abstract, 3 dimensional, multimedia piece. Translation: they ground their pool into a toy train with thorough coverage.

Early on, after a bath, I tried to get them to engage with the potty concept before dressing them. This ended up with me chasing naked tots around with a diaper in one hand and a training potty



of many, many, many. Too many. Though well intentioned, super frustrating as I had resolved that my children will be going to college in diapers.

Finally after a solid week of trying every Googleable method, what stuck for the Beans was being good, old fashioned country commando. My children's Coppertoned bottoms could be found streaking Zulla Road with no inhibition nor shame, stopping to tinkle whenever necessary and fertilizing a few plants along the way. Indoor activities included memorizing the scripts to Ferdinand and Rio and learning the choreography to Dirty Dancing, Footloose and Grease. Two weeks in, and we are (hold breath) using potties, both real and training, telling us when they have to go, holding their bladders for the most part when away from home and using "G*D D@mmit" appropriately and far too often. Twinning.

Mistake number 362 was making a Facebook post about my toilet woes and got the opinion

GRILLED SHRIMP WITH CITRUS HERB BUTTER

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EMILY TYLER

Time to fire up the grill! This shrimp takes just minutes to cook to perfection and keeps your kitchen cool. I served these skewers on top of a simple green salad along with deviled eggs and ham biscuits for a classic summer supper.

Grilled Shrimp with Citrus Herb Butter
Serves 6-8

3 pounds large raw shrimp, peeled and deveined (about 30-35 count per pound)

3 small lemons cut in half lengthwise and then cut in thin half moons

1 ½ sticks unsalted butter
6 spring onions, sliced thinly
1 tablespoon fish sauce
1 tablespoon honey
½ teaspoon fresh black pepper
Salt to taste
1 lime zest and juice

¼ cup each of fresh dill, basil and flat leaf parsley, roughly chopped

Your favorite hot sauce for serving

About 40-46 bamboo skewers

In a medium saute pan combine a few tablespoons of the butter and the spring onions and saute until just soft

Add the rest of butter, fish sauce, honey, and black pepper

Bring to a simmer and remove from the heat

Add the lime juice, zest and the chopped herbs and stir until combined

Add salt to taste

Thread six shrimp and one lemon wedge on each pair of skewers (which makes them easier to flip over to grill) and continue until all of the shrimp/lemon have been prepared

Place them on top of a sheet of aluminium foil in a single layer, ok if they overlap slightly

Brush them with about half of the herb citrus butter

Heat the grill to high



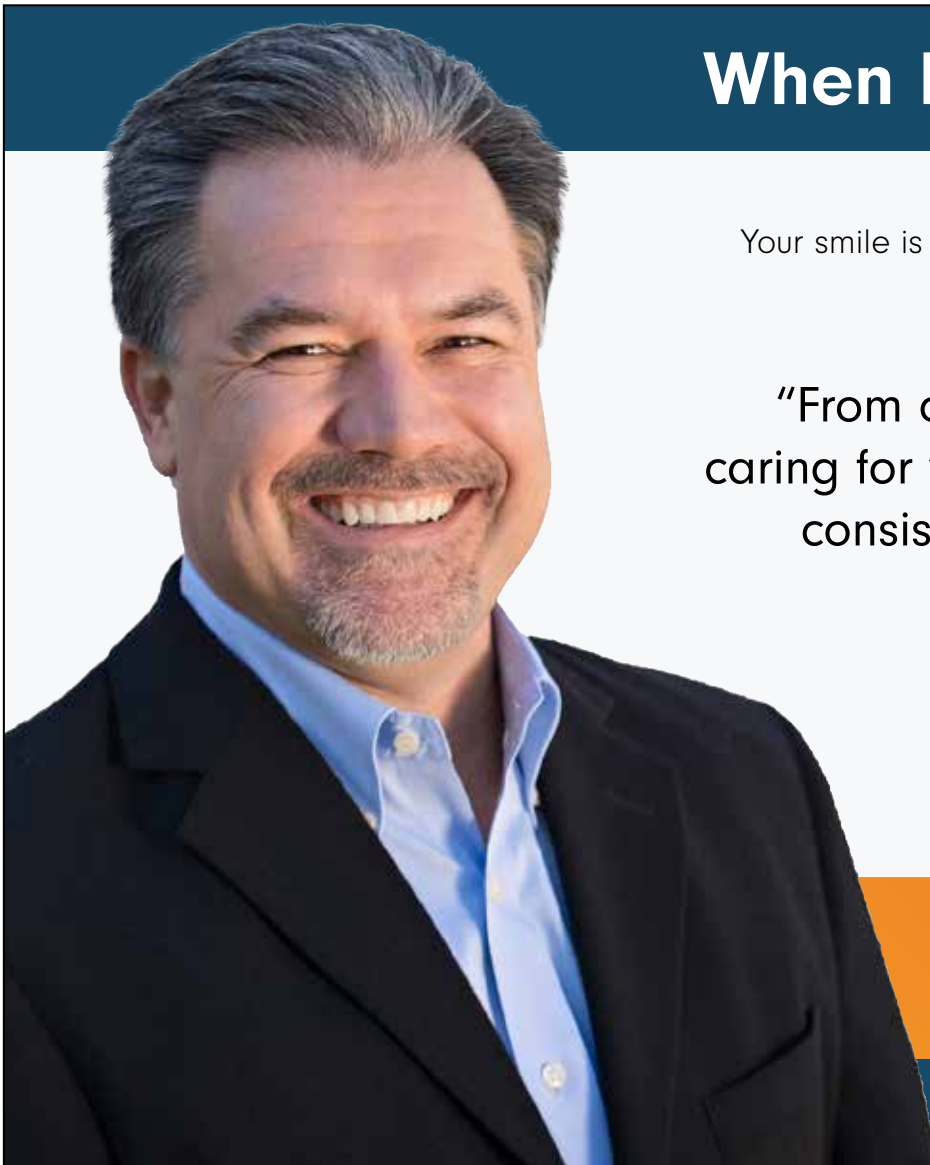
Grill the shrimp on the aluminium foil for about 4-5 minutes turning about half way through the cooking time and remove

when they have just turned pink and are firm to the touch

Transfer to a platter and brush the shrimp with the remaining

citrus herb butter

Serve warm or room temperature



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SHOULD I TREAT A BITE DISCREPANCY?

MIDDLEBURG SMILES
DR. ROBERT A. GALLEGOS

What issues arise when your teeth do not meet properly, which is called malocclusion or a bite discrepancy? Malocclusion can be minor or major. Malocclusion is a common occurrence as evidenced by the high percentage of people who need orthodontic treatment. Some people get headaches, neck pain, jaw pain and tooth pain from bite discrepancies. When teeth, muscles of the jaw and or the jaw joint hurt one of the things to check is the bite. I have been part of several courses on occlusion, the way the teeth come

together, as both a participant and visiting faculty. Occlusion is a core concept in dentistry and is taught early in dental school and continues in advanced post-doctoral programs. Some headaches and neck pain are associated with malocclusion. When the teeth do not correctly hit each other the jaw muscles try to move the jaw to a more acceptable position, this can over activate these muscles. Due to over activation the muscles become fatigued and painful. The muscles that control jaw movement a large area of the head and are common painful triggers for headache and neck pain suffers.



Malocclusion can cause tooth pain from teeth hitting too hard on one or more points of contact causing the nerves in and around the tooth or teeth to become hypersensitive. Long standing hard contacts can lead to cracks, fractures and excessive wear on teeth.

Jaw pain can arise in the jaw joint (temporomandibular joint, TMJ). The jaw joint is a unique joint in our body. The lower jaw is held up against the upper jaw by muscles. It is located on the left and right sides of the head just in front of the ear

canals. There is a piece of cartilage in TM joint space to make rotation of the lower jaw easy and smooth. Trauma or long-standing malocclusion may contribute to TMJ pain and disorders. It is not uncommon to have popping and clicking noises in the joints. These noises are from a malposition of the cartilage in the joint usually caused by trauma.

Large discrepancies in the bite can sometimes be treated with orthodontic therapy (braces or clear aligners) or a combination of orthodontic and surgical treatment. Minor discrepancies can be treated with bite adjust-



ments (recontouring a tooth or teeth).

Some bite discrepancies require splint therapy. Splints, sometimes called night guards, are hard acrylic pieces made to fit over the teeth that can be made for upper or lower teeth. The splint distributes the bite forces evenly and keeps any one area from being hit too hard while also balancing the muscle forces for more even use. Splints are particularly useful with acute pain and for long-term management of TMJ pain.

Proper diagnosis and treatment of bite discrepancies is important to long-term health. If you dentist points out a problem, it is best to address it before pain or irreversible damage occurs.

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CHANGES IN HORTICULTURE

THE PLANT LADY



KAREN REXRODE

Recently I pulled out some old books, gardening books by some of my favorite authors. Going as far back as Louise Beebe Wilder and her brilliant prose in the 1930's, to Pamela Harper's book "Designing with Perennials", published in 1991, Henry

Mitchell in 1992, or "Elements of Garden Design" by Joe Eck in 1995. These are brilliant publications which grounded me. Even as I revisit the pages, I find the sources for references that built my knowledge. Some of Henry Mitchell's Washington Post articles bookmark a page and I laugh at his mastery use of personal stories and wordsmithing.

HAVING PEOPLE OVER

AROUND THE TOWN

HAZEL SWEITZER

I know you humans are finally getting back, well mostly- to what life was before. Tom is very excited to see the families at his Music Therapy center once again and to reunite with family and friends, but I also see that he is careful still in crowded places and has found himself getting tired faster than he used to after he's been with people. Well, I am here to tell you he is not the only one. I think we all feel a little shell-shocked from last year, and it takes some energy and time to get your stamina back. Watching all of you in town without masks has been wonderful to see. How much I missed the full human face. Your eyes, nose and mouths work so well together! I know many of you have been behind those masks for quite a while and it is hard to express yourself once again. Don't stress about it. It takes time. Go slow, and now all you humans are feeling the same way.

Tom and I have been thinking about many things we like about the last year:

- More time to walk
- More time to create
- More time alone to think
- More time to cook, to paint, to reflect, to build Legos, to write and to cuddle.

Tom has also said he is grateful for every little thing more than he has ever been. We love our yard. It became the office for both of us. We didn't love Zoom, but we zoomed with people we haven't seen for years. Something about the isolation made it more important to see people you missed. We gardened



and watched movies and also did a lot of praying. I found out that when humans are scared, they have to do something to make them feel they are trying to make things better. Some of you pray. Some of you have other ways to ask for help. Tom did a lot of praying and making new choices in his life. To be honest, I had never seen him so scared or determined to make changes for the better having to do with his health, career, and personal life. I think Tom having Covid changed him. It certainly changed me. When he was gone in the hospital I missed him every day, but as a dog I already knew he'd be fine. But, it still was great to have him home. And throughout this year the house is full of new plants, art, music and I even have a new dog-toy! Little changes happened, and now that I look back, they made the biggest difference. So, I know it's hard to get back into life, but maybe don't see it as getting back, but as a new next chapter and a chance to live life fuller than before the Pandemic.



The trends were clear, gardening was for beauty. The model for much of this were the large garden borders of Great Britain, layered sweeps of color. It was also the source of most of our gardening books; American garden writers took a while to come into their own. Keeping with the trends I started my nursery. The public wanted colorful flowers, anything new, and long blooming.

That story began more than forty years ago, my nursery closed more than fifteen years ago, and things have changed. The book collection I have now is different. Titles like "A New Garden Ethic" (Benjamin Vogt), "Planting in a Post-Wild-World" (Thomas Rainer and Claudia West), or Doug Tallamy's smart books like "Nature's Best Hope" squeeze next to "Color for your Garden".

Full circle, my profession is still horticulture or grounds maintenance. There is the continuing aspect of

beauty and surely the higher learning courses are still formulated around ornament. But something else is happening. Science is infiltrating every aspect of our horticultural world. From the relationship with mycorrhizal fungi, the need for erosion remediation, and research on the decline of birds and animals, one needs only watch the news to see how our climate has changed and believe these changes will and are affecting us.

To follow horticulture in today's world involves understanding how to improve sediment oxidation, or better filter water using plants. The new science is finding that the tiniest connectors are linked to the health of plants from a moss to a giant oak. Soil science is exploding with new research on how to use plants to clean soil of contaminants and understand the relationship between fungi and the insects that inhabit the ground.

The old questions "What will bloom all summer?" are slowly replaced with "how to feed the monarchs", "Which tree provides the most food for migrating birds?", and "How do I increase the health of my soil?". The geeky nerd in me is excited and we need this. The gardeners need to do more than plant pretty flowers because we are the closest link to nature's connections. We see and understand more than most and we can help.

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JOHN P. FLANNERY

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These celebrations evoke the language of the declaration hammered out in a hot Philadelphia Hall, striking and revising the words of Thomas Jefferson, setting forth who we believed we were as a nation aborning.

We must reflect upon the sentiments of that grand occasion, and not just on the 4th, and consider how we may fulfill those worthy sentiments today when our independence is at risk from within and from without, including, according to intelligence sources and a Senate Committee, a foreign nation state, Russia, that interfered in our last two presidential elections.

When we declared our independence, we said we believed that we were all “created equal.” We have struggled since to perfect that sentiment, but of late, persons of color, women and others are treated as suspect by many, and, unfortunately, this is especially true among the current the Republican

“leaders.”

We should respect the declaration’s notion that “prudence” does dictate that “governments long established,” as ours, “should not be changed for light and transient causes,” but we watched over recent years how critical functions in the Executive Department were compromised or destroyed by Cabinet Officers and especially by the past Chief Executive, Mr. Trump.

Because “we the people” knew we were better than this, that our nation had to do better, we elected Joe Biden last November, choosing normalcy and accountability over the chaos and autocratic impulses of the orange menace in the West Wing.

Our declaration of independence declared, “Governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed.”

Because of what was a daily sufferance under the last presidential Administration, we gave our consent to “fighting Joe Biden” who promised a restoration of the Republic.

Our Declaration of Independence was an indictment of oppressive rule.

The Declaration sanctioned Great Britain when the King had “refused his assent to laws…”

We had a Chief Executive, Trump, who would be King who failed to respect and enforce our laws, who favored court rulings only if they favored his “rule.”

The nation recoiled from his lawless leadership, from his autocratic rule by bullying fiat.

As was true of King George, we had a Chief Executive who failed “to pass laws of immediate and pressing importance.”

Among them were laws and regulations to sustain the health care of millions of Americans, the protections necessary for our air and water, to safeguard our public lands, to respect migrants seeking asylum, and to provide for the “general welfare.”

Biden has since corrected these past failures and omissions with a stimulus bill, executive orders, and, as important, how he conducts himself as our Chief Executive, as he speaks to the people. Of course, it is a quilt of mostly quiet incomplete work that remains unwoven.

Like King George, we had a Chief Executive who “obstructed the Administration of Justice …”

We now have Chief Executive Biden who seeks to be transparent, even as he errs.

In regal fashion, claiming unprecedented power to do as he wished, our past Chief Executive Trump fired those who dared to investigate or question his conduct.

Elected officials couldn’t pass a bill to block efforts by Chief Executive Trump to fire the Special Counsel charged with investigating him.

Ultimately, the Special Counsel detailed efforts to obstruct his investigation and to fire him,

prompting elected officials to make strong critical statements, impeached him twice but failed to indict his obstruction, or to remove him from our office.

“We the People” did with the ballot box what congress lacked the courage and integrity to do themselves.

Trump daily misled the nation on one thing or another, attacked our institutions, ran down dissenters, violated our laws, and, all this, seemingly with impunity, even as we gave lip service to the false bromide, “no man is above the law.”

The conclusion was obvious that we had a man occupying the West Wing who acted as a “Prince whose character is thus marked by every act which may define a tyrant …”

Indeed, he tried to overthrow the government to continue as President as if he won the presidential election he lost.

As we found King George, Trump was “unfit to be the Ruler of a free people?”

In our declaration of Independence, it was well said that “[A]ll experience hath shown that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed.”

We have work yet to do.

We must secure the Republic against the persistent challenge by Republican autocrats, the leaders in the party who seek to undermine our democracy and to rule by

suppressing the vote and by lying to our citizens.

Our Declaration of Independence plainly set forth our mission – to oppose any usurpation of our hard won democracy, and that meant most particularly to defend against any effort from within to embrace a despotic or monarchical government.

Whether by indictment, resignation or impeachment, we have not yet made an accounting for the misconduct that put our Republic at grave risk.

This needed accounting is of course derived from the language of law and constitutional obligation.

The public demands an accounting but this current Congress and Justice Department sanctions none.

Our character as a nation, our cultural DNA, is of rugged independence, as lovers of freedom, with a can-do spirit, and an extended hand to help others on a journey, still underway, to secure for every person the rights that we declared paramount, the rights of “life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.”

These rights are at risk.

We could not have done better to start this journey of restoration than to elect Joe Biden.

But we still have work to do – to hold accountable those persons who would overthrow our government – and remain the enemy within – apparently way “above the law.”.

OBITUARIES

PAULINE FRANCES HALEY

Pauline Frances Haley departed this life on Tuesday, July 13, 2021 at ManorCare Health Services-Fair Oaks, Fairfax, Virginia...50 years to the day of her mother’s passing, July 13, 1971. She was born on February 2, 1940 to the late William B. Haley and F. Henrietta Bailey and was the youngest of 13 children from this 58-year union. During her early years, she lived with her parents on the Maddox Farm, currently known today as the Salamander Resort, in Middleburg, Virginia. She lived her entire adult life in the greater Middleburg area with her last place of residence being the Levis Hill House.

Pauline accepted Jesus Christ at an early age at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Middleburg, VA under the leadership of Pastor Thomas L. Proctor. She remained a faithful member there for many years. Her most recent worship and fellowship was at First Asheville Baptist Church, Marshall, VA under the leadership of Pastor William Swann.

Pauline began her life-long passion as a caregiver where she provided care to her father until his death in 1974. Following his passing, she continued to provide the same loving care for her family and many people within the greater Middleburg Community.



She was involved in activities offered by Levis Hill House and the Windy Hill Foundation which included regular Bible Study, Shopping Trips, and let’s not forget the special meals/gatherings where she was a very active participant with her fellow residences. Her love for puzzles which required a keen eye and much patience, was truly her gift. She was also a competitive domino player.

In addition to her parents, Pauline is preceded in death by her 4 brothers (James, William, Theodore, and Louis) and 7 sisters (Willie Agnes, Mary, Florence, Sarah, Dorothy, Luella, and Cora).

Pauline leaves to celebrate her life, one sister Philippine Alsberry of Winchester, VA. Although she had no biological children, she will be missed by her numerous nieces and nephews that loved and cared for her like a mother and grandmother. She, also, leaves to celebrate her life, a host of cousins, her best friend, Theresa Thompson, many friends from Levis Hill House, and a beloved four-leg friend...Foxy Brown.

JOHN MASCATELLO

LEONARD SHAPIRO

Daly was in trouble again.

Mr. Mascatello’s current firm represents Daly to this day. He once negotiated two endorsement deals for Daly at the same time, one for the weight-loss specialist TrimSpa, the other for Dunkin’ Donuts. A day after Daly used super glue to close up a wound in his right hand, Mr. Mascatello began pitching the company that made the glue for a possible endorsement opportunity.

“There’s nothing more credible than having a genuine real-life moment like that involving the use of a product,” Mr. Mascatello told ESPN.com at the time.

Mr. Mascatello began his career in 1985 at ProServ, a Washington, D.C.-based sports management firm that represented pro tennis players. Mr. Mascatello headed its fledgling golf department and, in 1991, he and Martin, also a ProServ alum, launched their own golf representation business, Cambridge Sports International.

They sold the company to SFX Sports Group in 1998 and Mr. Mascatello served as CEO. In 2011, SFX was purchased by Wasserman, a major Los Angeles-based sports and entertainment marketing and management firm.

For the last ten years, Mr. Mascatello, Bud Martin and Terry Reilly, an early Cambridge hire, ran Wasserman’s golf division, which represented more than 50 players, men and women, worldwide.

The client list includes top players like Jason Day, Rickie Fowler, Zach Johnson and the PGA Tour’s latest phenom, Matthew Wolff, who won his first PGA Tour event in 2019 at age 20. Mr. Mascatello was Wasserman’s executive vice president and managing executive.

“One of John’s most endearing qualities is that he just loved talented people, not just golfers,” Reilly said. “He loved American Idol. ‘Did you see that little girl sing?’ he’d say. John was never a jealous guy. He was always content in

his own space.

“He could have been the PGA Tour commissioner. In a meeting, he always understood other people’s viewpoints before he would talk about our selling points. He tried to figure out what they wanted and needed, and then he would figure out what we could do to make that work. He never did it the wrong way.”

John Stephen Mascatello was born in Brooklyn, N.Y., on May 29, 1960, the son of Antonio Vince Mascatello and Mary Anne Mascatello (Carlone). He grew up in the Bay Ridge section of Brooklyn and graduated from Brooklyn Poly Prep Country Day School.

He was a 1982 graduate of the University of Vermont, earning a B.A. in political science with a focus on international relations and nuclear warfare. In 1985, he earned a law degree and a Masters from the American University Washington College of Law.

Mr. Mascatello then joined ProServ, a Washington, D.C. sports representation agency headed by former tennis star Donald Dell. The company specialized in representing professional tennis players. Mr. Mascatello was hired and eventually was asked to start up a golf division.

His first client was Scott Verplank of Oklahoma State, the first amateur to win a PGA Tour event in 29 years when he prevailed in a playoff at the 1985 Western Open the summer before his senior year of college.

Verplank was highly recruited by the major sports representation companies, but said he chose Mr. Mascatello “because of his personality and his manner. He always made whoever he was with feel more important than he was. Everyone in the world was trying to get me, but we just hit it off. He was honest and straightforward, in a way that wasn’t at all abrasive. He represented me for 36 years. He was my manager, my advisor and my great friend.”

When Mr. Mascatello and Martin started Cambridge Sports, they sought out a headhunting firm to help find administrative help. Beth Ann Greeley was working at the recruiting company, and Mr. Mascatello was too shy to ask her out. Martin did it for him, and the three of them went to a happy hour at The Front Page, a popular D.C. restaurant.

After that first date, Beth Ann told her sister she had met the man she was going to marry. Mr. Mascatello told Martin he had met the woman he was going to marry. And so they did, in September, 1992.

They initially lived in Georgetown and moved to the Middleburg area in 1993. They also vacationed for 15 years in Sea Island, Ga., where a number of golfers and several agents also lived. Four years ago, they purchased a house there and moved permanently from Middleburg during the recent pandemic.

The Mascatellos both were heavily involved in the Middleburg community for many years. They volunteered in a number of capacities, including helping to raise funds for the Windy Hill Foundation, The Hill School and Blue Ridge Speech and Hearing.

Professionally, Mr. Mascatello also worked with several PGA Tour player foundations and, with Mark Steinberg (Tiger Woods’ long-time agent) and Steve Loy (Phil Mickelson’s agent), served on an advisory council for the PGA Tour.

Mr. Mascatello was a member of the Middleburg Tennis Club and a skilled and competitive player. He was a member of the Robert Trent Jones Golf Club in Gainesville, Va., Loudoun Golf and Country Club in Purcellville, Va., and Sea Island Golf Club.

Mr. Mascatello was an avid sports fan, helped coach several youth sports teams and loved watching his three now adult children compete when they were growing up.

LETTER FROM THE PLAINS

ANTHONY WELLS

Let me pick up where we left off in June regarding the national and international ramifications of the threats to the myriad global communications systems and networks, upon which we are all so dependent. It is indeed possible for us all to be held, potentially, to ransom in the emerging international cyber crime environment. The recent Federal government statement that part of the ransom payment was retrieved for the attack on the east coast oil supply system is, in my professional opinion as a fifty years Five Eyes veteran, simply not good enough. We have been faced with about 200 US businesses being hit by a colossal ransomware cyber attack on Florida based IT company Kaseya. Without wishing to be presumptuous please revisit my earlier words in another Letter about the US only hiring the very best and the brightest apropos of Bletchley Park and Station Hypo. We have the brain power here in the US, though sadly the government is slow to act. The President’s recent key meetings in Cornwall, England, and then in Brussels at NATO Headquarters, should produce, I hope, much more proactive combined Allied counter measures. His meeting with President Vladimir Putin in Geneva made explicitly clear that the United States will not tolerate further cyber crime emanating from Russia. His statement to Putin firmly implied counter measures that would be at a cost to Russia. It remains to be seen whether Russian state, or surrogate state sponsored, cyber attacks will cease and desist, and whether the Putin regime has control over independent Russian non governmental organized cyber crime. The recent attack in Florida indicates perhaps not. Time will tell.

We have the means to retaliate against what is state sponsored criminal hacking for financial gain, executed

via a variety of nefarious means and third parties. The community in which I served for decades has the ability to close down these illegal systems and literally bankrupt the perpetrators, so that Putin’s friends and associates wake up to the bad news that their accounts are empty. We have to be aggressive before the worst happens and a major network, such as the US banking system, or the air traffic control system, to name just two, are attacked. We need to be as deceptive and skilful as those who trained me in the 1960s, the brilliant World War Two men and women who successfully deceived Hitler and his odious cohorts, and penetrated the inner sanctum of Nazi communications systems. As I have stressed before in an earlier Letter, we cannot have the “Lowest Bidders” hired to do this. We need the very best and the brightest, the 21st century lineal descendants of the Bletchley Park and Station Hypo brilliant minds. Alan Turing, and one of the great men who trained me, Sir Harry Hinsley, will be turning in their graves at the abysmal response to date to international cyber crime. Let’s now return to the United States and where certain key aspects stand today.

Free speech in an age of disinformation, internet based commercial espionage, and extremist movements, particularly of the far right with racist and anti Semitic aspects, leads us to ask how far we should go as the guardians of international order regarding tolerance of intolerance. In the United States the rights enshrined in the First Amendment to the US Constitution beg the question, how far can “Free Speech Go?” when many of the main global social media providers, such as Facebook and Google, are the vehicles for spreading disinformation, and what by any standards of decency, and basic human rights, are clear and unequivocal violations of accepted norms since the

Nuremberg War Crimes Trials at the end of World War Two. A US Congressional Hearing polarized these issues with the close cross examination of leading executives from the Media industry. Current US law protects the media giants by specifically stating that they are not responsible for “The Content” of their hugely influential media.

A second and equally critical matter is the issue of Metadata exploitation and the “Exploitation vs. Privacy & Protection” issues that need to be faced by the Five Eyes intelligence community. In my opinion this should be done in concert with independent and unfettered professional legal expertise from the US Bar legal community, facing up to the dangers to peace and security from water and mineral shortages, climate change, and the myriad issues that I raised in June’s Letter, all of which require the close interface between crucial Five Eyes intelligence support and the legal community. The US legal community needs to come alive on these issues and be proactive at a time when the United States has at the helm of the Justice Department a first rate Attorney General.

To emphasize the role and interface of intelligence with the international legal process and institutions the Five Eyes can provide key intelligence to the international law enforcement and legal community regarding the protection of highly secure satellite derived time and position data (PNT) for all aspects of the GPS network, and especially the Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) that has already been attacked by several threat nations. The effects on the multifarious aspects of critical national and global infrastructure need to be better understood, and the vulnerabilities protected by a new, reenergized Five Eyes with the international legal community. In the US the American Bar Association should become proactively involved in this process, leading the way

in legal advice and representation.

At a strategic level the Five Eyes and the international legal community face major issues. The US Pacific Fleet, together with key allies, including in 2021 the recent deployment of the Royal Navy Queen Elizabeth Strike Group to East Asia, is the guardian of freedom of the seas not just in the Pacific Ocean but westwards through the Malacca, Sunda, and Lombok Straits into the Indian Ocean. China has a well documented maritime strategy for the 21st century. UNCLOS is an international body of law that the US Navy and its allies can collectively and legally enforce. What may this entail as China becomes increasingly belligerent and seeks to possibly expand its sphere of interest to what it has openly stated in its policies as the “Outer Island Chain?” No one wants a war in East Asia. That is a given. However deterrence, through allied strength and the maintenance of legally established and agreed UN norms, can be enforced, in an international forum, and prevent the worst from happening. UNCLOS provides the legal backbone to this “Alliance Strategy”.

Let’s look at realities in the South China Sea. Two examples will suffice. On May 9, 2012, about 200 miles south east of Hong Kong, China moved a platform into well established Vietnamese territorial waters. On May 2, 2014 China moved the rig to the Paracel Islands. Vietnam protested again, but regrettably there was no support for Vietnam’s cause and no means of countering China’s action. Between December 2013 and October 2015 China built artificial islands with a total area close to 3,000 acres on seven coral reefs in the Spratly Islands in the southern part of the South China Sea. China proceeded to fortify and weaponize them. There are multiple other examples of Chinese violations in the South China Sea. UNCLOS provides the international legal backbone for

countervailing actions.

The cyber threat poses challenges for the American Bar. How to engage, with whom, and at what level, given the clear need for a strident interface between the US government and the Bar. The American Bar Association can begin this process by initially determining through its meetings and perhaps dedicated events, together with direct exchanges and colloquia with European, United Kingdom, and Five Eyes nations as a whole, a strategy for moving forward, including draft international legislation. The means of detection, enforcement, and apprehension, and the trial of wrong doers require the attention of the American Bar in concert with the US government’s legal and security agencies. The future role of INTERPOL in this domain requires special attention. Cyber is a continuing threat that is not going away. It should be addressed legally as a high priority. The American Bar can play a critical role in this process.

In conclusion, the working interface between the international legal system and the Five Eyes intelligence community in this the totally new post Cold War and post 911 world is paramount. The American Bar can be a hugely positive influential force in shaping and determining the way ahead.

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JACQUELINE “JACKIE” ELDREDGE

LEONARD SHAPIRO

Jacqueline “Jackie” Eldredge, a long-time Middleburg resident and real estate agent as well as an enthusiastic equestrian and a friend of animals large and small, passed away peacefully at Lynn Care in Front Royal on June 21, 2021. She was 90.

A lifelong animal lover, especially her beloved horses and dogs, Mrs. Eldredge, an accomplished rider, enjoyed fox hunting with the Piedmont and Orange County Hounds, as well as attending point-to-point and steeplechase races and other local equine events.

She also made annual trips to Saratoga Springs, N.Y., to watch the races at the town’s iconic Thoroughbred track and attend yearling sales. In

addition, she was an eager beagler with the Middleburg Orange County (MOC) Beagles, especially with her grandchildren.

For many years, Mrs. Eldredge was involved in breeding Thoroughbred horses, and was always passionate about studying equine bloodlines.

She was born on January 1, 1931, in Washington, D.C., the second of three children of Walter Harry Kilbourne and Lillian Robinson Kilbourne.

In 1949, she graduated from Holton-Arms School in Washington, then continued her education at Smith College in Northampton, Massachusetts, graduating in 1953.

Over the years, Mrs. Eldredge spent many joyful summers at the Kilbourne family’s country home in Eagles Mere,

Pennsylvania and later at the Eldredge cottage in Prouts Neck, Maine.

After graduating from Smith, she moved to New York City, where she met her husband and a fellow dog lover, Edward Irving Eldredge III. Shortly thereafter, she moved to Middleburg. He predeceased her in 1985.

Mrs. Eldredge was a highly-regarded real estate agent in Middleburg for more than 25 years and also was a member of the Upperville Garden Club.

She was a dedicated volunteer in the kitchen of Trinity Episcopal Church in Upperville, helping prepare meals for the Washington-based organization, So Others Might Eat (SOME).

Mrs. Eldredge served on the vestry at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Middleburg for many years and more

recently, she regularly attended Trinity Episcopal Church.

Mrs. Eldredge was predeceased by her brothers, Walter, of Washington, D.C. and Bill, of Calgary, Alberta, Canada.

She is survived by her two sons, Ted Eldredge and his wife, Ede of Rectortown, and Coe Eldredge and his wife, Mana, of Bloomfield and five grandchildren, Elizabeth (Liza) of Middleburg, Emily and Charlotte, both of Jackson Hole, Wyoming, and Carley and Cady of Rectortown.

A memorial service and reception will be held at Trinity Episcopal on Tuesday, June 29 at 11 a.m. Donations in her honor can be made to Trinity or the Piedmont Fox Hounds.



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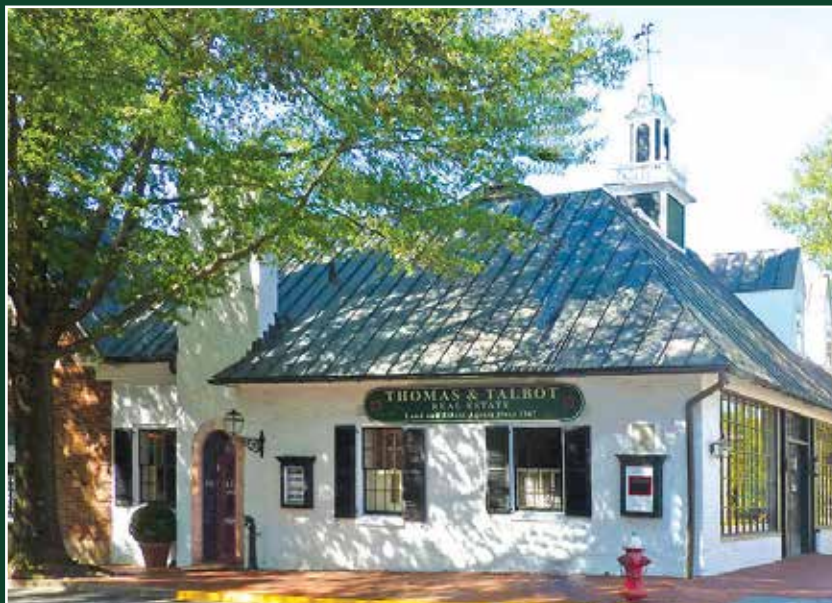


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