

There's just somethin' about the

weather

The forecast:

The National Weather Service forecast for today (Wednesday) calls for a partly sunny affair, with a high near 55. Tonight will be cloudy, with a 60 percent chance of showers and a low around 41. Thursday will be cloudy, with a 60 percent chance of rain and a high near 57. Thursday night will be mostly cloudy, with a 30 percent chance of rain and a low around 41. Friday will be mostly cloudy, with a high near 54. Friday night will be partly cloudy, with a low around 37. Saturday will be mostly sunny, with a high near 51. Saturday night will be mostly clear, with a low around 35. Sunday will be sunny, with a high near 53.



Fallen leaves gather around rocks along the creek in Bynum Park in Bel Air Monday morning.

The record high on Nov. 3 was 76 degrees in 1982.

The record low on Nov. 3 was 25 degrees in 1951.

The average high for Nov. 1 is 64 degrees.

Highs Lows Precip.

	Highs	Lows	Precip.
Oct. 27	79	67	0.02
Oct. 28	79	55	0.00
Oct. 29	60	45	0.00
Oct. 30	62	40	0.00
Oct. 31	65	46	0.00
Nov. 1	48	38	0.00

KAT WATERS FOR THE AEGIS

Commissioners impose property tax increase

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From *The Aegis*, dated Thursday, Nov. 3, 1960:

The county commissioners 50 years ago set the 1961 tax rate at \$1.75 for properties in the county and \$1.50 for properties within the three incorporated towns.

The county budget for 1961 was approved at \$5,121,178 with a 14-cent increase in the county real estate tax and a 10-cent increase for properties within the town.

The outline of expected revenue showed that \$3,255,950 would come from real estate taxes.

Remaining revenue sources included: \$284,000 from state income tax; \$233,630 from the state incentive fund; \$182,000 from the cigarette tax; \$157,000 from auto and truck license fees; \$70,000 from the liquor control board; \$62,000 from state stamps; \$47,000 from the race track; and \$39,000 from magistrate fines.

The county highways department was expected to receive \$595,548.

Also this week 50 years ago, the Bel Air library was officially dedicated.

Noted author and speaker was John Dos Passos, who said "public libraries in this country are far superior in speed and service than those of foreign nations."

Mignon Cameron announced at the end of the program she was resigning as president of the Board of Library Trustees, effective Jan. 1, 1961. She served for 25 years.

Bel Air Mayor J. Garland Green presented a check for \$3,000 from the Town of Bel Air to finance the library's furnishings.

Gifts including landscaping, memorial trees, tables and chairs, book displays and flowers were presented to the library by various local philanthropists and

nonprofit organizations.

Havre de Grace officials proclaimed this week in 1960 that an investigation into thefts of produce by two members of the police department from the Acme market proved the allegations to be "baseless."

It was alleged that a sergeant and an officer took some items from a display outside the market on Oct. 25, 1960.

An official from the market said the policemen stole crates of produce.

A sailor stationed at Bainbridge Naval Training Center was being held in Pennsylvania this week 50 years ago after he shot his 24-year-old wife and a Pennsylvania state trooper.

The man was stopped by a trooper on a speeding charge near Harrisburg. When the man rolled down his window, he shot the officer five times as he approached the vehicle. The 22-year-old officer was reported in fair condition in

the Polyclinic Hospital in Harrisburg.

Officers were radioed and followed the suspect in a high speed chase for 90 minutes before apprehending him on Bald Eagle Mountain, just south of Williamsport.

When they went to his home, they found his wife dead in their bedroom. She had been hit in the head with a hammer five times and then shot five times with a .25 caliber automatic.

The suspect's two children, ages 2 and 4, were with him when he was arrested.

At the movies, The Bel Air Drive-in Theater was playing "Rio Bravo," "The Island of Lost Women," "The Best of Everything" and "Spacemaster X-7."

Showing at Bel Air Theater were the films "Time Machine," "Strangers When We Meet" and "Ocean's 11."

Movie-goers could catch "Last Days of Pompeii," "Macumba Love," "The Apartment" and "The Hoodlum" at the Harford Drive-in Theater in Aberdeen.

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YEARS AGO

COLLEGE LINES

HOOD: Local students were honored for their academic achievements at a convocation ceremony at Hood College. Students who qualify for the convocation honors have sophomore, junior or senior status; have at least a 3.6 GPA for the preceding academic year; have taken at least 12 credit hours on a letter grade basis during each semester; and have no outstanding incomplete grades. Students who are named Hood Scholars have received convocation honors for at least two consecutive years. They include Timothy Nicholas Kuhn, of Jarrettsville, (Hood Scholar); and Lea Latasha Linton, of Joppa.

DUNN: Alexandria Dunn, of Joppa, a first-year student at Gettysburg College was awarded a Presidential Scholarship by the college.

DOAN: Connelly Doan, of Baldwin, was awarded an Abraham Lincoln Scholarship at Gettysburg College.



PHOTO COURTESY HARFORD HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

At a ceremony in Aberdeen Oct. 25, Harford Habitat for Humanity and its partner, Corporate Office Properties Trust, or COPT, presented the keys to two recently completed homes to Tacora Cockran, third from left, and Teresa Herbert, second from right. Cockran's daughters, Promis and Nastazia, stand to her right; Herbert's son, Jesse, stands to her left.

Habitat gives homes to families

HABITAT, from AA1 p.m. dedication ceremony, Sen. Nancy Jacobs, representing Southern Harford District 34; Griffin, CEO of COPT, Wayne Lingafelter, president, COPT Development and Construction Services; Max Ryan, development manager at COPT; Catherine Raggio, secretary of disabilities for Maryland; Jenny Hope, project manager for the Division of Neighborhood Revitalization for Maryland; Shawn Kingston, director of the Harford County Housing Agency; and numerous COPT employees attended.

U.S. Sen. Barbara Mikulski visited the home sites Oct. 19 as part of a tour.

For more information on Harford Habitat for Humanity, visit www.harfordhabitat.org. For more information on Corporate Office Properties Trust, visit www.copt.com.

Dancing for the Arts raises \$121,797 for proposed cultural center

Hugo Benalcazar, MD, FACS won the "Judge's Choice Award" at the third annual "Dancing for the Arts" gala Oct. 2 at the Residents' Club at Bulle Rock.

He wowed the judges dancing the samba with professional dancer Shara Rzepnicki of Dancing With Friends.

Mary Teddy Wray won the "Top

Fundraiser Award" for raising \$12,958. Craig Ward was the second top fundraiser and brought in \$12,177 and Jim Butcher was the third top fundraiser with \$8,446. The event raised \$121,797 to help sustain the Center for the Arts as they move forward to build a regional Center for the Arts in Harford County. Last year's "Dancing for the Arts" Gala raised \$99,630.

The Harford County "Stars" who showcased their ballroom dancing talents and competed for top honors included: Craig Ward, president, Frederick Ward & Associates danced the quickstep with Shara Rzepnicki; Paige Boyle, director of marketing and customer relations, Boyle Buick GMC Truck danced the paso doble with Gonzolo Zambrana; Monica Worrell, public information specialist, Harford County Sheriff's Office danced the west coast swing with Tom Rzepnicki; Bill Vanden Eynden, associate broker, RKS Realty danced the East Coast Swing with Debbie Howley; Diane Sengstacke, attorney and president, Home Title Company of Maryland Inc. danced the tango with Tom Rzepnicki; Jim Butcher, artist, danced the waltz with Debbie Howley; Mary Teddy Wray, Laurel Bush Dentistry danced the cha-cha with Tom Rzepnicki; Betty Pearce, Board member of the Village at Carsins Run danced the rumba with Gonzalo Zambrana; Hugo Benalcazar, MD, FACS, Chief, Neurosurgery, Upper Chesapeake Medical Center, danced the cha-cha with Shara Rzepnicki; Chris Street, Associate

Broker, Garceau Realty Inc. danced the cha-cha with Debbie Howley.

The evening also included a special choreographed ensemble dance with former celebrity dancers: Betsy Campion, Alan Doran, Claudia Holman, Lynne LaCalle, Jim LaCalle, Eric McLaughlin and Betty Ward. The Dancing With Friends Studio choreographed the dances and instructed all of the dancers.

The honorary co-chairs of the event were Harford County Executive David Craig and Melinda Craig. The evening included sumptuous food by Simply Elegant, music, open bar, silent auction and the ballroom dancing competition.

Deborah Pro-Marshall, Judge Angela Eaves, Tony Meoli and Mark Welsh returned for the third year to judge the dancing competition and award the "Judge's Choice Award." The master of ceremonies was Diane Lyn, Morning Co-Host and Midday Host 101.9-FM and the co-host was Don Thomann.

Sponsors included: Presenting Sponsor - Harford Mutual; Art Masterpiece - Maryland Public Television (MPT) and *Mason-Dixon Arrive Magazine*; Art Society - Comcast and Modular Components National Inc.; Art Ambassador - Laurel Bush Dentistry and Clark Turner Signature Homes; Friends of the Arts - APG Federal Credit Union, *The Aegis*, Fast Frame, *Harford's Heart Magazine* and Diane Smith; and Art Gallery - Harford Cable Network and the Village at Carsin's Run.

THE AEGIS

Empty Stocking Fund

A non-profit charity helping those less fortunate

If your family is in NEED OF ASSISTANCE this holiday season and if you have children age 14 and under, please call 410-836-8870 to apply.

Application hours are as follows:

TUESDAY
10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY
and FRIDAY
6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

SATURDAY
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Applications will be accepted
October 12 - November 6, 2010

Phone applications only,
no written applications accepted.

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