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Upcoming Events

RCA General Meeting

Thursday, May 1, 2003 8:00 p.m.

Guest Speaker, Housing Opportunities spokesperson

RCA General Meeting

Thursday, June 5, 2003 8:00 p.m.

Guest Speaker, Mike Smith of LCOR

Meetings are held at the Randolph Hills Recreation Center at the corner of Ashley Drive and Macon Road on the first Thursday of every month at 8 p.m., except January, July, and August. Usually, we alternate between General and Executive meetings. All are welcome at every meeting.

President's Message

by Matt Shore

The issue of the Matthew Henson Hiker-Biker Trail was addressed at the April Executive Meeting. This 8-foot wide bike path will stretch for 6 miles starting at Winding Creek Park and end at Layhill Road. This path will not be behind Montrose Park and Franklin Park, but our community will have access to the existing bike bridge at the intersection of Gaynor Road and Hunters Lane. The RCA Executive Committee voted to support this project due to the many benefits and accessibility this Hiker-Biker Trail will provide. After hearing oral and written testimony on this issue the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission voted to approve this 6-mile hard surface trail. The RCA will keep you posted on dates for the start of this project.

I wanted to update the community on the situation of the wrecked sign at Boiling Brook Parkway. The RCA does intend to put a new sign of similar make at the site. If everything goes as planned there will be a new sign by the fall of 2003. The mulch bed is in good shape but unfortunately the tree in the bed was broken in half and could not be saved. The RCA will put in new shrubs and plants to make it look the best it can. We have a beautiful community and we must work hard to keep it this way.

I hope to see you at the May meeting!



RCA Community Yard Sale May 17th!

(see page 3 for details)

Housing Opportunities to Address the RCA May 1 Meeting

Ever wonder how affordable housing, homeless housing, subsidized housing, public housing, etc., play out in Montgomery County? Ever wonder how this plays out in our neighborhood? Come to the May 1 meeting to find out. These are big-ticket (\$\$) programs that affect everyone's quality of life and deserve your attention.

A Montgomery County government spokesperson for housing will be our guest at the RCA General Membership meeting Thursday, May 1, at 8 p.m. at the Randolph Hills Recreation Center. Learn all about various housing programs and how they affect us here in RCA.

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RCA Telephone Number: 301-881-2722 (881-2RCA).

Recorded announcements of community events, 24 hours a day. Callers may leave messages.

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The Randolph Civic Association was formed in 1955 and incorporated in 1958. As stated in the original Articles of Incorporation, the purposes of the RCA are "to stimulate interest in all community problems and improvements that will better the general welfare of the community [and] to pay strict attention to any attempt to lessen the value of property within its before."

Web site: www.randolphcivic.org

GEICO Insurance Pays for Destroyed Sign

by Richard Zierdt

GEICO made payment to the RCA as compensation for our sign that was destroyed in a March 6 automobile accident. The amount was \$1420.50, based on a replacement estimate given to us by The Sign Shop in Wheaton. This is the same firm we use to make our other signs for meetings, yard sales, and picnic signs.

Now we can either hire The Sign Shop to do the entire project, or we can save about \$500 if we install it ourselves. We also have an opportunity to re-design the sign if we want. Got thoughts on this? Call an RCA officer or the hotline.

Minutes of the RCA Executive Meeting

April 3, 2003

RCA Treasurer Richard Zierdt reported that the LCOR representative, our guest speaker for the upcoming May meeting, postponed his presentation until the June 5 RCA meeting. Instead we've invited a representative of Montgomery County's Housing Opportunities Commission. This Commission manages affordable housing, homeless housing, subsidized housing, and public housing. We are interested in how subsidized housing impacts RCA-land.

The Execs have been studying and discussing the proposed Matthew Henson Hiker/Biker Trail. This Trail is a "greenway" that runs from RCA-land's Rock Creek Park East towards Veirs Mill Road and beyond, so it doesn't directly impact RCA neighborhoods. In the last *Echo* newsletter, we stated that the woods behind (north) of Franklin Park would be affected – this is in their longrange plans, but is not part of this proposed project (whew!). The Park & Planning Commission has asked for Trail comment. We submitted our comments now, rather than waiting for an RCA general meeting, so we could have some input on the planning process. Again, this new Trail does not enter RCA-land. This Trail was originally planned to be a road, making it easy for us to favor a new greenway. The RCA Execs decided to favor a hard-surface Trail over a gravel one.

Next, the Execs discussed missing signs throughout RCA-land. Two green street signs are missing and will be reported to the County for replacement. Richard Zierdt is filing the insurance claim to replace the RCA Boiling

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RCA Community Yard Sale

Saturday, May 17th 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Loehmann's Plaza

Cost is \$5.00 for RCA members, \$10.00 for non-members.

No registration required, just show up. No rain date. Bring your own table(s) if necessary. Great opportunity to get rid of that trash in the basement and attic.

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RCA Executive Meeting

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Brook sign that was knocked down by a car (see article above). The horrendous traffic at the "worst intersection in the County" (Boiling Brook and Rocking Horse) was discussed.

The Execs discussed the LCOR project (condos, offices and stores on the 32 acres of the White Flint Golf Park/White Flint Metro station). The LCOR representative was supposed to be our guest speaker at the RCA's May meeting but cancelled. This is the second time LCOR has cancelled a meeting with us. The RCA attended a hearing regarding this nearby project. The project was delayed because the zoning has to be loosened to allow for taller buildings and more density. The RCA Execs are opposed to any loosening of these zoning requirements, but have no illusions that we can stop this project.

RCA Execs do hope to influence how the LCOR project is developed. Projects of this size must include "public amenities" to compensate for the additional traffic and burdens they place upon surrounding communities. LCOR has proposed building a day-care and indoor community center at the White Flint site. The RCA is working to get the greatest neighborhood benefit we can from this massive development. Specifically, the RCA Execs want LCOR to commit to a public recreation center, and spell out how exactly how big it will be, hours of operation, and equipment to be installed.

The County is proposing a new road, Citadel Ave. Extended, connecting Nicholson and Marinelli Roads, and asked for comments. The Execs will respond, offering "no comment at this time," because we want the County to continue asking for our input, even if we do not yet have an opinion.

The unsightly house on Ashley with the hodgepodge of fences and yard full of building materials was discussed. The County says the owner was issued a fine in December, but it still hasn't been cleaned up. Streetlights were also discussed, and the county has our latest request list. We are wondering if the County has the funding to continue installing new streetlights.

The RCA Execs ask you to volunteer a little time to our terrific organization. You can do legwork or phonework. We communicate via email. No one will complain how little you contribute, and you can't be fired! You will feel wonderful for contributing to the greater good. Join us! High school students must perform community service to graduate. The Execs would love to take advantage of this high school program, and have students volunteer their time to the RCA. Can anyone help in getting us into this program?

Treasurer's Report

by Richard Zierdt

As of April 12, 2003, combined RCA+RCF assets total \$11,545.31. We received a \$1422 check from GEICO Insurance as compensation for the RCA sign that was destroyed on March 6 in a car accident.

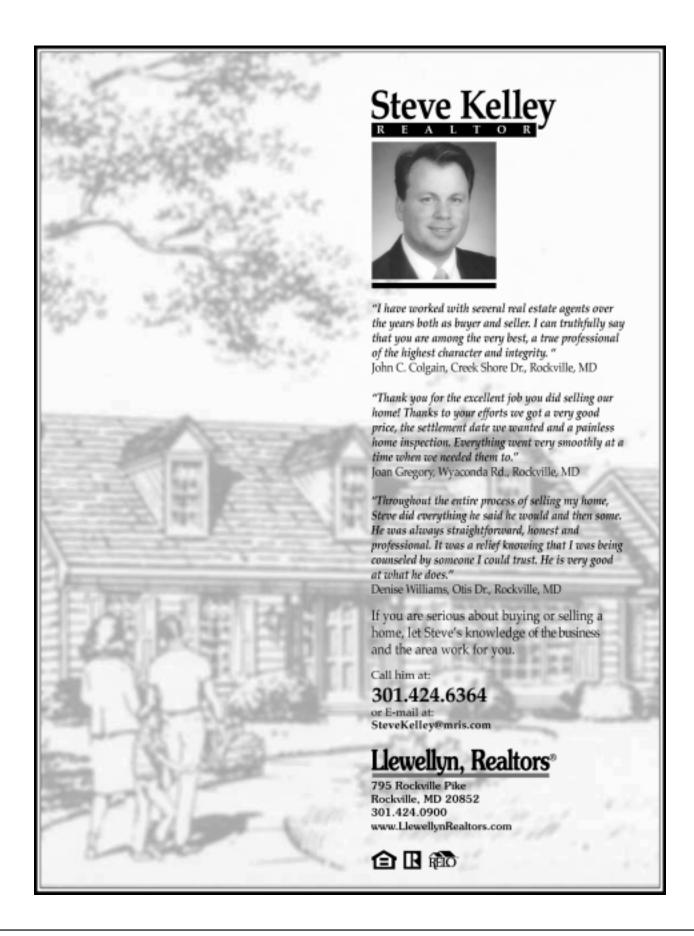
Insurance for our Community Yard Sale continues to cost \$200 per event (April 7 RCF check). A donation to the Cub Scouts was also made.

3/09/2003 through 4/12/2003					
Date	Num	Payee	Memo	Amount	Balance
		BALANCE 03/09/200	03		9,617.94
03/10		RCAssociation	Pizza Calzone	50.00	9,667.94
03/19	E-xfr	Verizon	Feb 22 telephone	-21.68	9,646.26
03/21		RCAssociation	classified ad	5.00	9,651.26
03/24	698	Quick Printing	April ECHO; 20 pgs	-965.00	8,686.26
04/11		RCAssociation	— Split —	1,427.50	10,113.76
		inc:advertising	class. ad: Seigel	5.00	
		inc:refund	destroyed sign	1,422.50	
		BALANCE 04/12/200	03		10,113.76

3/09/2003 through 4/12/2003					
Date	Num	Payee	Memo	Amount	Balance
		BALANCE 03/09/2003			1,781.35
03/17		RCFoundation	donation	50.00	1,831.35
03/28	1056	VOID: used to order new checks for Suntrust			
03/31		interest	.15%	0.21	1,831.56
04/07	1057	Erie Insurance	yard sale May 17	-200.00	1,631.56
04/07	1058	Cub Scout Pack 1081	contribution	-200.00	1,431.56
		BALANCE 04/12/2003			1,431.56
		RCF bank balance, Mare	ch 31, 2003 statement: 1,831.50	5	

Total RCA+RCF cash assets

11,545.31



Calls Received on the RCA Hotline

301-881-2722 (2RCA)

March 10, 2003 to April 12, 2003



General Note: The RCA gets a lot of calls about code violations (untagged cars, tall grass, etc). Please note that phone numbers for agencies that handle such matters are published in the ECHO almost every month. You don't have to leave your name or phone number. The RCA is here to help everyone keep our neighborhood as orderly as possible, so please use these numbers. Please call the RCA as well. We appreciate knowing and learning about our community.

2003-03-16 (Sun) 7:01 pm Anonymous. The house at 470x Topping Road has trash all in the front and the back yard is full of trash. If the people aren't made to clean it up, we're going to wind up with rats. Caller would appreciate if the civic association could do something about it.

2003-03-16 (Sun) 8:15 pm 1191x Ashley Drive house was broken into March 5th between 9:30 pm and March 6th 4:15 am. Police were notified, and caller wanted the RCA to know as well in case someone saw anything. [It's a shame this happens. Caller is correct in reporting this to both the police and the RCA so that we can all be made aware. By the way, crimes such as this happen all over the County. However, we are unique in that the RCA has a way of informing everyone through the hotline, website, and ECHO when it occurs.]

2003-03-20 (Thu) 1:07 pm Anonymous. Corner house at Macon Road and Timber Lane: for some reason, police have to go there two or three times a week. It's too much activity. Also, why does the resident have to ride his Harley motorcycle up and down the street? At one o'clock at night? He must really enjoy it, but caller doesn't. It's too loud. He should have some consideration for his neighbors, and that's all neighbors within a quarter mile. *Everybody* hears it. *Nobody* likes it, except him.

2003-03-30 (Sun) about 12:30 pm Rocking Horse Road. Caller is the administrator for the Wheaton Boys and Girls Club. Last night, someone pulled a Club sign and placed it on caller's yard. Please call. [Technically, all signs are illegal without a permit. However, short-duration, temporary term signs are generally ignored.]

2003-04-03 (Thu) 4:23 pm Galena Road. Couple of things. (1) Series on Civic War is delightful. Also, (2) thank you (RCA) for the list of important phone numbers. Caller noticed graffiti on the sidewalk and then called the number listed in the *Echo [next-to-last page in every ECHO; graffiti is listed under Transportation]*. Within 10 days, it was gone. Thank you for helping everyone here keep the neighborhood up.

2003-04-08 (Tue) 9:41 am 1131x Schuylkill Road. The *Echo* was delivered totally wet, unusable. Please deliver another. [Done!]







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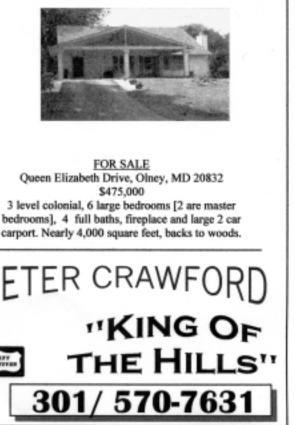
Fertilize azaleas. Once they are finished blooming, sweep off dead leaves with a broom to allow for new growth. Prune forsythia after flowers fall. Pine bark or cypress mulch is better than shredded bark much, which soaks up water, thereby preventing it

from reaching plant roots. Start tomato plants right after the last frost. Green thumbs race for the first ripe tomatoes, around July 4th.



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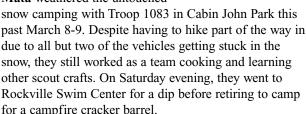




News from Pack 1081

by George Gadbois

Pack 1081 Webelos II boys **Johnny Hilderbrand** and **Fredis Mata** weathered the untouched



The Webelos Scouts got out of the cold for the annual inside science exploration adventure weekend, also in March. The boys "camped" overnight at the Maryland Science Center in Baltimore on March 15-16. Enjoying the theme of Agricultural Science, our scouts attended workshops on the structure of the corn kernel, soil and irrigation, visited the Planetarium and the IMAX theater, and rode on the virtual reality capsule, which simulates a variety of fantasy vehicles. Our new junior agriculture scouts were Johnny Hilderbrand, Joseph Owen, Matt Fieller, Tony Caffi, Derick Pineda and Kyle Blakely.

The March Pack Meeting was abundant with boy-baked cakes and pies at our annual Parent-Son Bake-Off event. The aroma of cookies, fudge and other baked items filled the air as they were judged for taste and appearance. Scouts participating in baking a treat with their adult partner were Sasha Hevey, Ayinde Warren, AJ Taylor, Tony Caffi, Johnny Hilderbrand, Brenton Polk Joseph Owen, Gregory Gadbois, Alan Costas, Jason



Some of the Pack 1081 group just finishing the Potomac Watershed Cleanup at Boiling Brook.

Beam, Brad Gessford, Patrick Owen, Dwayne Remillard, Kyle Blakely, Matt Fieller, Fredis Mata, Devin Kenney, Jake Blakely, Joshua Murtagh, Ben Weitzel, Sawyer Kibbe, Diego Vallejos, Jose Gallardo, Alex Sanchez and Derick Pineda. Gregory and Ben tied for the ribbon for overall best cake. All the boys received a ribbon for their creations. There was a bidding frenzy as all the baked items were auctioned to generous parents who contributed over \$350 to our fundraising efforts. Many thanks to our coordinator, Mary Remillard, and to Mary Anne Gadbois as well as to our judges, Ben Pitkin, Brian McGahey and Viers Mill staff members Ms. Adell Milne and Ms. Patty Keplinger for all their help.

For March awards we had Webelos I **Matt Fieller** complete requirements for his Geologist Activity Pin, which was presented to him. Bear Gold Arrow Points were awarded to **Gregory Gadbois**, **Sasha Hevey**, **Dwayne Remillard** and **AJ Taylor**. **Sasha Hevey** also earned his 1st Bear Silver Arrow Point.

The following Saturday we had an absolutely beautiful morning for our March outing at the Brookside Nature Center. The boys visited the exhibits inside and then went on a self-guided nature hike through the woods. The best part seemed to be investigating the frog pond at the end of the hike. Scouts attending were Jason Beam, Sawyer Kibbe, Brad Gessford, AJ Taylor, Jose Gallardo, Alex Sanchez, Gregory Gadbois, Kyle Blakely, Matt Fieller, Brenton Polk and Tyler Bochniak.

If you think the area along Boiling Brook Parkway on the creek side appears cleaner, well it is! Our Cub Scouts, along with Boy Scouts with Troop 1083 picked up an assortment of trash on the annual Potomac Watershed Cleanup Day, April 5th. Cub Scouts participating were AJ Taylor, Jason Beam, Joshua Hart, Derick Pineda, Matt Fieller, Steve Hernandez, Brenton Polk, Krisztian Mazo and Patrick Owen. Adding in boy scouts and helping parents, we had over 30 people in attendance filling more than 60 bags with garbage from the creek.

The next Saturday, the Potomac District Pinewood Derby Finals were held at the LDS Center on Falls Road. Race car entries from **Jake Blakely, Gregory Gadbois, Dwayne Remillard** and **Tyler Bochniak** gave the others some fierce competition in the many heats. Jake and Gregory were recognized for making it as far as the top 20 before being eliminated. **Sasha Hevey**, whose car won our pack's "Best Looking" award, represented us in the appearance category. All the boys received a special district derby patch for the event.

We are looking forward to our April bike ride outing, our annual Native American Pow Wow and our Webelos II scouts graduating to Boy Scouting on April 24. Visit our website:

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Troop 1083 News

by Brian McGahey

The big event for Troop 1083 this past month was **Andrew Tao's Eagle Court of Honor.**

On March 22, the troop and guests gathered at Immanuel's Church to present Scouting's highest rank to **Andrew Tao**. Andrew has been part of Scouting for most of his life. He joined Pack 1081 when he was in first grade as a Tiger Cub, but was around Cub events before that, since his older brothers and parents were involved in the Cub pack. Andrew joined Troop 1083 seven years ago when he finished fifth grade. He is now a senior at Wheaton High School. Andrew has held every office in the troop and has earned 37 merit badges. His service project for Eagle involved leading and organizing a construction project at Camp Sonshine at Immanuel's Church.

The highlight of the event was the reading of the "Eagle Charge" by his brothers – **Timothy, Matthew** and **Christopher**, each of whom is an Eagle. **Manette** and **Freeman** have four sons and all are now Eagles.

Congratulatory letters from the Chief Scout Executive, the President, Vice-President, Rep. Van Hollen, Sens. Sarbanes and Mikulski and our State senator and Delegate were read.

Guests included former RCAer **Scott Fessenden** and his parents. Scott has just finished his Eagle in his troop in New Hampshire. **Mr. Dave Moquin**, Andrew's wrestling coach and English teacher; **Ms. Adell Milne**, Andrew's first grade teacher; and **Mr. Bill Breon**, former Scoutmaster and Eagle in 1942 were among other guests.

Congratulations Andrew. Scouting has prepared you for success in the future. Luck will not be needed.

Other things are happening with Troop 1083. We are biking at Antietam in April, Whitewater rafting in May and Recreating at Solomon's Island in June.

Thanks again to all who bought mulch. Special thanks to Strosnider's Hardware and Washington Gas for supporting the project.

If you would like to start your trail to Eagle and join the Adventure, and you are a boy who has finished the fifth grade, we meet every Monday night at 7:30 p.m. at Viers Mill Elementary School. Or call Scoutmaster Dave Talbott at 301-881-6567.

RCA Hotline – 24 hours

The RCA invites you to call the RCA Hotline at any time and leave your comments on topics concerning the neighborhood. The Executive Committee is notified of each message left on the answering machine. Be assured your calls are heard and that we appreciate your input.

Andrew Tao Named as Scholars Program Finalist

Andrew Tao, RCA resident and an honors student at Wheaton High School has been named as one of two hundred fifty national finalists in the 2002-2003 Coca-Cola Scholars Program from more than 120,000 applicants nationwide. The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation selects for recognition a diverse group of high school seniors based on the level of excellence, leadership, and achievement demonstrated in school and community activities.

AJ, as he is called by friends and family, will travel to Atlanta, GA to attend the Coca-Cola Scholars Weekend April 24 -27. During his visit the seventeen-year-old will undergo a final interview process which will determine his designation as either a Regional or one of the fifty National Scholars. Regional Scholars receive a four-year renewable award of \$1,000 per year, a total award of \$4,000, and National winners receive a four-year renewable award of \$5,000, a total award of \$20,000.

The Coca-Cola Scholarship is one of several recent awards and special recognitions AJ has earned recently. He has been named Wendy's 2002-2003 Heisman Scholar-Athlete for the State of Maryland. This past November, he earned his Eagle Scout rank as a member of Boy Scout Troop 1083 (he has been one of Santa's Elves on the fire truck for years). He plays on the varsity football team and is team captain for Wheaton's varsity wrestling and baseball teams. Honors include the 2002 Wheaton-Kensington Outstanding Community Service Award and Maryland Distinguished Scholar. He was voted by his peers as the most Athletic Senior Boy and Homecoming King and he is a member of the Wheaton High School Chapter of the National Honor Society.

Andrew plans to major in marine biology and mathematics in college. He has been accepted to the University of Maryland, College Park, St. Mary's College, and Christopher Newport University, Newport News.

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Thursday, June 9, 1864. Matthew Fields was released from the Old Capitol Prison on Monday where he had been held since April 13, 1863. Military authorities in Rockville said he was to be charged with "disloyalty" because of his articles appearing in the Sentinel newspaper. However, he was never formally charged nor was he given a hearing. Finally, on June 4, Mrs. Fields wrote to Mr. Francis Thomas, Maryland's US Congressman., pleading for assistance. Two days later Matthew was released. In 1862 Matthew was held for six weeks because of his radical views on secession.

Saturday, July 16, 1864. Jeb Stuart's calvary passage through Rockville last July was one thing, but this week

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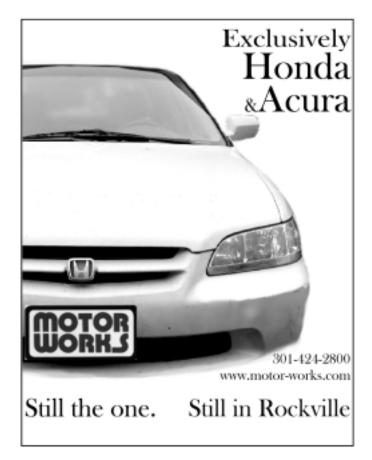


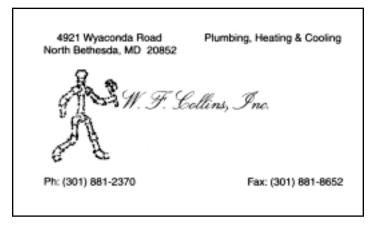


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was another. Last Sunday Confederate cavalry chased a Union cavalry force right through the heart of Rockville and then camped on the Fair Grounds for the night. Rebel General McCausland dined at Montgomery House with his staff while the band attached to the cavalry played martial music. Before they left the next morning, the officers scrupulously paid their bar bills – in Confederate notes. The next day it appeared as if the whole Confederate army marched down the Frederick Pike after the fight at the Monocacy River. The confederates passed through Rockville and down the Seventh Street Pike to attack Fort Stevens in Washington City. While passing through Rockville, the Rebs helped themselves to anything they could put their hands on. I regret to say they were aided and encouraged by some of our more Southern-leaning citizens. The Rebels were a sorry lot – dirty, unkempt, dressed for the most part in nothing resembling a uniform. Rebel wagon trains followed the troops, and no sooner had they passed through on their way to Washington City than they started back through Rockville, up the Darnestown Road, and back to Virginia. The trains were shortly followed by the rag-tag Rebel Army after its repulse at Fort Stevens. The Rebels were being closely pursued by Federal cavalry.

Wednesday, July 20, 1864. The last of the Rebel cavalry marched through Rockville. Some of these Rebels were the First Maryland Cavalry under General Bradley Johnson, from Frederick, Maryland. The Federal cavalry caught up with them and a skirmish started at Watt's Branch. The Rebels counterattacked, driving the Union forces back into Rockville. For hours, there was firing, skirmishing, horses running here and there, and many men of both sides killed or wounded. Since then, there has been a constant stream of Union forces passing through Rockville in pursuit of the Rebels toward the fords up around Poolesville. Whether they can trap the Rebels on this side of the Potomac River is another question. Confederate General Jubal Early stopped for a while at the Rockville Courthouse while on his way to Fort Stevens. There was no stopping on the way back through Rockville as the Rebs hurried out of town. The fighting surged back and forth along Commerce Lane and Montgomery Avenue – even onto the side streets. Some families abandoned their homes and those that remained sought shelter in their cellars. The Beall sisters not only refused to flee, but watched as the fighting surged back and forth through their orchard. A US trooper was shot at their front gate; they carried him into their home and are caring for him.

Source: Montgomery Historical Society

CLASSIFIEDS

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Note to Contributors:

The deadline for the June/July/August issue of *The Echo* is May 2nd.





Randolph Hills, Randolph Farms, Franklin Park and Montrose Park Market Update...

Home Sales Settled Since February 25, 2003

Address	List Price	Sold Price	Subsidy	DOM
10919 Schuylkill Road	\$309,900	\$309,900	\$0	6
12112 Gaynor Road	\$290,000	\$290,000	\$5,000	118
11012 Troy Road	\$287,500	\$287,500	\$0	22
11905 Ashley Drive	\$285,000	\$287,000	\$0	4
5007 Macon Road	\$299,000	\$285,000	\$0	82
4708 Macon Road	\$284,000	\$285,000	\$0	1
4705 Macon Road	\$285,000	\$285,000	\$0	11
4708 Olden Road	\$274,900	\$274,900	\$0	7
4804 Randolph Road	\$249,900	\$249,900	\$0	38

Homes Under Contract...

Address	List Price	Address	List Price
4725 Wyaconda Road	\$329,000	4710 Olden Road	\$286,000
11708 Rocking Horse Rd	\$314,900	4706 Olden Road	\$278,000
4711 Creek Shore Drive	\$308,000	12004 Ashley Drive	\$265,000
4907 Stickley Road	\$300,000	11116 Rock Road	\$235,000
11701 Hunters Lane	\$294,000		

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