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ANNESLIE IS CRAZY LIKE A FOX

Q&A about our furry neighbors.

By Jon Morgan
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Trivia Question

How long is a fox pregnancy?

See page 12 for the answer



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Anneslie's Bowling Night

The Anneslie Community Association's bowling night at Stoneleigh Lanes was a smashing success: About 24 adults from the neighborhood with two hours to spare took over four lanes in May for beer, seltzers and great laughs. And, of course, bowling. While no one bowled a perfect game, all enjoyed a perfect night out.



John Kromkowski, Scott McGovern, and Keith Klinger.

Fantastic Fox

A Q&A about Vulpes running wild on neighborhood streets

BY JON MORGAN

Few Maryland government employees have titles as intriguing as Joshua Tabora. The Department of Natural Resources employee is officially called a “furbearer biologist,” not just a run-of-the-mill wildlife biologist. That means he conducts research and monitoring of 14 furbearing species in Maryland. His job also requires him to provide assistance to the black bear program. I sent Joshua a few questions that have been many neighbors’ minds about these cute red foxes darting about at all hours of the day.

Q: Our neighborhood — a pretty densely inhabited suburb — has seen an increase in foxes over the past few years. Is this happening elsewhere?

Overall, red fox populations are stable across their range in the state. On a finer scale, counties and municipalities may see fluctuations from year to year, but red foxes have been common in the region since it was settled. It may seem counterintuitive, but older suburbs are actually excellent habi-

tat for many wildlife species. Rabbits, squirrels and other small mammals thrive with the abundance of cover and edible landscaping plants, and small predators such as foxes are naturally attracted to these prey rich areas. Foxes are tolerant enough of human activities that they can complete their life cycle on small parcels of greenspace, and may den beneath porches or sheds, or in small woodlots adjacent to developments.



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Q: Why the sudden appearance of them?

This trend is likely a relic of the times that we live in. The global pandemic has changed workplace dynamics and made teleworking much more common, and it is suspected that increases in wildlife sightings may be increasingly common simply because observers are home during more daylight hours. Technology such as ‘Nest’ cameras and other wifi-enabled security devices also alert home owners to nocturnal or cryptic wildlife that went unnoticed prior to surveillance. The culmination of both of these trends is that there are more people aware of the presence of wildlife,

which is a good thing.

Q: What are they eating? Should our pets be kept on short leashes? Seems the rabbit population has dipped a bit.

Rabbits are indeed a preferred food source for red foxes, but they will also consume other small mammals such as voles, mice and shrews. Foxes

are opportunists and will eat berries, insects, eggs, nestlings, and amphibians when they come across them. Foxes are naturally conflict avoidant and will not readily approach domestic companion animals. Keeping your cat inside and your dog on a leash when outside is a good practice for a number of reasons, though.

Q: At first they were very cautious around people and only appeared at night and moved very stealthily close to houses and behind bushes. Now they saunter down the middle of the street even in daylight. Have they become habituated?

Habituation is generally used to describe animals that have been conditioned to associate humans with food, or some other form of reward; I would say that these animals are probably not habituated. Foxes are largely nocturnal in areas where they experience negative interactions with humans, but overtime may become less wary of human activity if there are no negative consequences for daylight movement. Foxes also exhibit higher levels of daytime activity during the spring and early summer, due to the larger caloric burden of nursing and rearing their pups.

Q: Should people be worried or take precautions?

In general, no. Foxes are mesocarnivores and evolved as subordinates to larger predators like wolves which are no longer present in the region. Even in the absence of hunting pressure from humans or other predators, foxes are shy and conflict avoidant. Aggressive behavior is rare, and is typically instigated by human-food habituation or neurological compromise due to rabies. As a universal rule regarding wildlife, it is always a good idea to enjoy watching wild animals from a safe distance that allows the creature to maintain natural boundaries and behaviors.

There are several concessions that homeowners can make to ensure long term coexistence. Firstly, securing trash and outdoor pet food will keep foxes and other wildlife from becoming food habituated.

It is never a good idea to provide food for wild animals. Secondly, the use of rodenticides for household mice and rats can cause secondary poisoning in small predators; anticoagulant poisons that are widely available can cause poisoned rodents to become disoriented and vulnerable to predation, thus harming any predator that consumes them. When targeting rodents for removal, consider using traps or notify your exterminator to prevent the secondary poisoning of wildlife.

Q: Is the population likely to keep growing or is there a predator to keep the fox in check? Are grizzlies coming next?

Aside from rare predation by large eagles, foxes do not have any current predators aside from humans. In some parts of the state, competition with the more recently arrived coyote has decreased fox abundance, though not at an alarming or unsustainable rate. Wildlife populations are naturally attenuated by many factors other than predation, including disease, weather, and resource scarcity. Foxes and other canids (coyotes, wolves, etc.) can exhibit lower birth rates in response to a population nearing carrying capacity. Coyotes naturally arrived in Maryland by their own means in the early 1970's but there are no plans to add any carnivores to our current suite- the developed landscape of our state is too unlikely to support viable populations of larger predators.

Red foxes are a colorful and fascinating addition to urban spaces, and provide an ever present reminder that human spaces can be wildlife habitat, too. I would encourage readers to welcome these wild residents as a charismatic and uncommon look into the hidden world nestled amongst our own.

Can you guess the 14 furbearing species that Tabora spends all day thinking about?

Beaver, bobcat, coyote, fisher, gray fox, long tailed weasel, mink, muskrat, nutria, opossum, otter, raccoon, red fox and skunk.

New York Road restaurants radiate international flair

BY JON MORGAN

It's unlikely Anneslie will ever rival Paris – or even Towson -- for its culinary renown. But a triad of new restaurants on our York Road border has greatly expanded the community's dining options with a distinctly international flair.

Baltoz Bakery was the first to open in February. Started by a pair of MICA graduates, it is focused on organic and seasonal baked goods such as pastry and pizza and initially was only open for dinner and carryout. But owners Vlad Petrovski and Redeat Assefa plan to eventually expand the hours and offerings.

"We're working on that but hiring kitchen staff has been a challenge," Petrovski said. "We're slowly building up the menu. We're only open for dinner as we acclimate to the process and take it one step at a time."

Coming soon: seasonal pizzas of the month, starting with an eggplant and goat cheese pie with a balsamic drizzle. Classic Mediterranean fare, he says. (Get in line behind me.)

A native of Macedonia, Petrovski grew up in a household full of fresh baked goods made by his mother and grandmother and is intent on staying true to recipes that are free of artificial ingredients and make wide use of sourdough. The bakery's name is derived from Balto, a Siberian Husky that gained fame leading a team of sled dogs delivering serum to Nome, Alaska during a diphtheria epidemic. "It's a story of the underdog that we see ourselves as," Petrovski said.

His graduate degree from MICA is in painting – a discipline he says has a similar creative element to cooking. "There's such a broad creative palette" in cooking, he said.

He and Redeat, a native of Ethiopia, scouted sites for their bakery and settled on one in the city. But that fell through, and their real estate agent steered them to Anneslie – a good fit because, he



PHOTO BY DOUG DONOVAN

Baltoz Bakery owners Vlad Petrovsk and Redeat Assefa are getting their new place up and running. Petrovski says "Hiring kitchen staff has been a challenge,"

said, because of its family-friendly vibe.

"So far it's been great," he said. "The challenges never stop."

Bobby D's came next and is familiar to diners who've been to its highly regarded outlet in Hamden. Chef Bobby Davis is a native of Jamaica and is committed to recreating a Caribbean dining experience with an eclectic menu that includes Jamaica

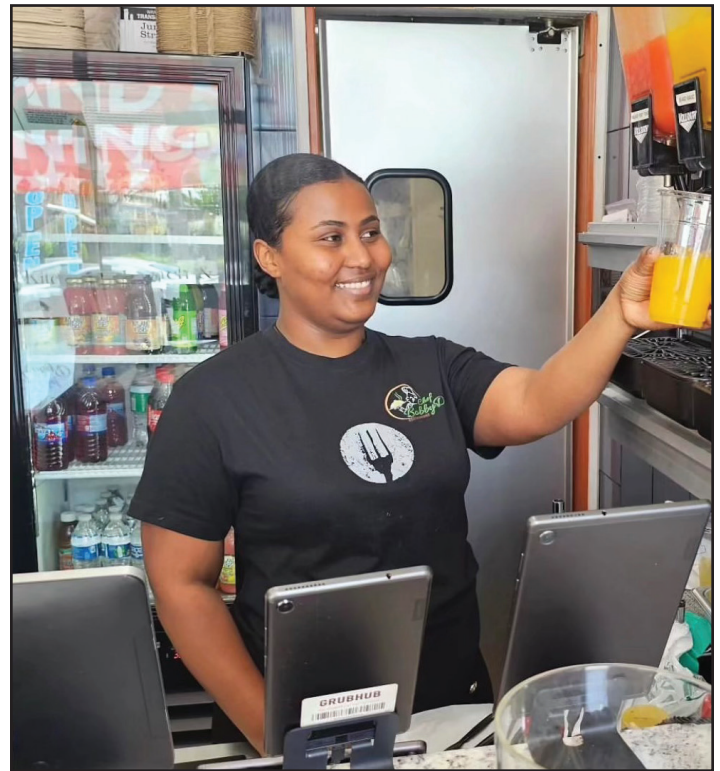


Photo from ChefBobbyD Towson Instagram

Chef Bobby D's is open and Nanna's expects to open toward the end of summer.

jerk chicken salad and reggae jam coconut shrimp – but includes such American staples as ribs and wings. (Don't miss the bourbon glazed salmon in a coconut rice bowl). (I mean it).

Davis said he is a self-taught cook who began working in restaurants as a dishwasher and soon was concocting dishes for the chef who would ask for the recipe. Problem was, Davis was working from memory, reconstructing dishes he remembered from his childhood.

The expansion of restaurants in the neighborhood is a welcome reversal of a trend when big chain restaurants pushed out mom and pop eateries such as his, he said. Now the chains are cutting back and the mom and pops are expanding.

"I'm very happy. The area has been very supportive," he said. He's looking at adding new items to the menu and wants to make use of the picnic area next to the restaurant, possibly offering cooking classes for kids.

Next up will be Nana Taqueria, the brainchild of Carlos Raba, a co-owner and chef of Clavel's award-winning restaurant in Remington. Nana, which means grandmother, is an homage to the family meals hosted by Raba's grandparents as he

was growing up in northern Mexico.

Raba, who lives on Walker Avenue in Anneslie, was raised by a single mother who was a working professional and didn't always have time to cook dinners. He hopes Nana's lean menu of affordable, all-in-one meals will appeal to harried parents looking for a quick dinner.

Another target: the hundreds of students who cross York at Register and may be enticed by a Sinaloan hot dog. That's a dog wrapped in bacon and served on a sweet bun – a staple of his youth.

"Food is so emotional. Eating one of those reminds me of my childhood," Raba said. So will Nana, which will serve tacos, rotisserie chickens and cauliflower, Mexican sandwiches, churros and other items. It will serve breakfast, lunch and dinner.

When will that happen? That's a sore point with Raba, who describes a frustrating two years of navigating contractors, BGE, landlords and the dictates of renovating a historic building.

As of late May he was hoping he could open the doors sometime in August. "We need to open as soon as we can," he said.

Bands of Annelise: Space Horse just starting to hit its stride

BY DOUG DONOVAN

Anneslie is filled with many talented musicians who take time away from their day jobs to form bands that either play for dozens of spectators at various venues or to just a handful of friends and relatives in basements and backyard bashes. Every issue and on the Anneslie Facebook page, the Anneslie Times will periodically spotlight a different band or musician. Thanks to Mia Capen for providing the following information to kick off the feature.

Band: **SPACEHORSE**

► **Anneslie connection:** Mia Capen of Windwood Road plays the drums; Jarrod Wunderlich of Overbrook plays keyboards.

► **Founded:** January 2023.

► **Performances:** The band's first performance was at Zen West's open-mic night in June.

► **Next performance:** Keep an eye out for other open mics, or reach out to Mia to offer a gig.

► **Members:** In addition to Capen and Wunderlich, Space Horse is composed of singer Beren Mally and bassist Matt Sampson, both of Mount Vernon; and guitarist Lynne Ruchlewicz of Rosedale.

Mia and Beren are the newest musicians in the group while Lynne has been playing various instruments since she was a kid, including drums and bass. Jarrod started playing keys in the early 2000's, but stopped for many years and got back into it about 18 months ago. Matt, however, is a professional guitar player and is playing bass as a favor.

We picked up our guitar player, Lynn, because a neighbor on Overbrook mentioned her to Jarrod. She came over to check us out and has been with us ever since! We have so much fun together! Weekly practices always include dumb jokes, lots of laughs and decent music. We specialize in staring hard at each other to confirm it's time to play, and hoping the neighbors on Windwood don't mind listening to Tears for Fears 9,000 times in a row.





PHOTO BY ELIZABETH MILLER

Anneslie residents in this picture are Ellen Sheridan, Tanya Saarinen and John McKusick.

Anneslie Volunteers Clean Herring Run

Tucked behind the St. Andrew Lutheran Church at 1201 Taylor Ave., a western branch of the Herring Run trickles its way toward the Back River mostly unseen but not untouched.

Trash from all directions makes its way onto or into the stream, dumped there either by the winds of nature or the hands of people.

On Earth Day, April 22, 2023, nine Anneslie volunteers arrived at the church to do their part to clear the waterway of pollution.

This is what they found: 24 bags of trash, an inflatable swimming pool, a child's bicycle, a tire, two hubcaps, a wet-vac, a lampshade, a vinyl window blind, an exercise chair, an upholstered chair, a pile of clothes and a googly eye.

I have been leading our neighbors to this location every spring for several years. St. Andrew



PHOTO BY ELIZABETH MILLER

Louis aka "Soft Kitty" with his mom, Emily Dorman.

Lutheran Church has always been appreciative of our willingness to help given the aging congregation that struggles to deal with the trash that blows into the stream from busy Taylor Avenue.

Our youngest volunteer was Louis, an Anneslie preschooler who goes by the alias "Soft Kitty." This little feline was terrific at getting pieces of trash out of tight spots.

If you don't think government bans on toxic materials don't work, then you haven't been volunteering with us. There has been a noticeable reduction in

the amount of Styrofoam in the stream since it was banned in Maryland four years ago. We look forward to fewer plastic bags in the stream next year now that Baltimore County banned most retailers from using them!

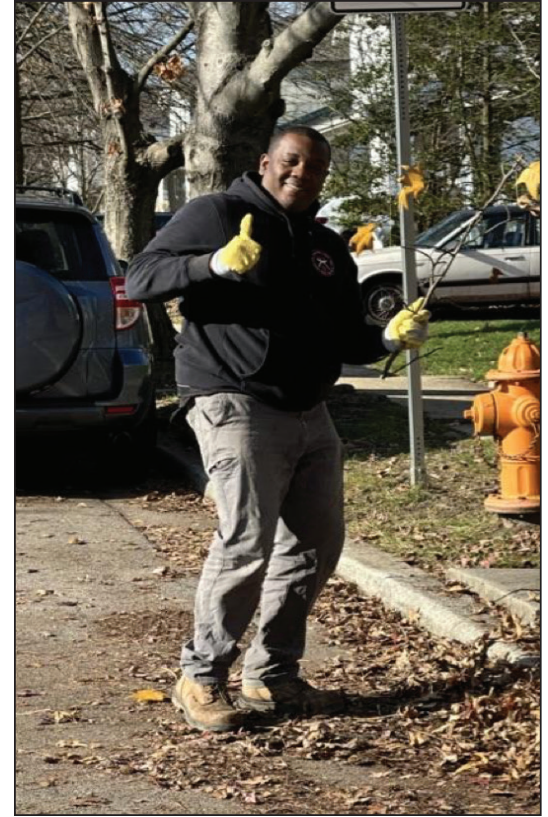


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Anneslie residents volunteer pruning trees.

Winter Pruning: Help Wanted!

The Winter 2022 pruning was a bittersweet event as Boy Scout Troop 102, our partners in pruning since 2016, disbanded at the end of 2022. Their efforts pruning trees throughout the neighborhood has helped to keep all our loved ones and property safe.

All of the Troop members expressed great appreciation for all they learned about tree care during the years they have helped to improve the health of our street trees.

But I was the lucky one getting to watch them grow up into such mature, polite and hardworking young men.

A big thank you also goes out to our neighbor Toyin Ani for picking up the branches and taking them to the dump!

We are looking for a new group of Scouts (boy or girl) to work with in coming years.

Fall Tree Planting

Anneslie and Blue Water Baltimore have partnered since 2008 to plant trees at low costs throughout the neighborhood. Since then we have planted 172 trees on the street and in yards.

In honor of Anneslie's 100th anniversary in the fall 2022, residents rose to the challenge to plant a tree for the next century. The result: 23 trees were planted in a single season in October – a record!

We look forward to continuing this program for many years to come!

If you have questions about the program, contact John McKusick or Beth Miller.

If you know of a group willing to help – or if you want to pitch in – reach out to me at bethbonemiller@gmail.com

CORRECTION: A previous version incorrectly stated that Troop 102 had not participated in the Winter pruning. We regret the error.

How to care for your trees when adding-on

Planning a construction project at your house? **FIRST! Consider your trees.** They provide you with beauty, shade, and higher property value, so try to plan around them if you can! Design your new room with a view of your tree and the bird's house or feeder or the squirrel's acrobatics, and the ever-changing display of leaves and branches through the seasons.

To preserve the trees you already have, protect the roots! Tree roots can be damaged easily in the process of home renovation. Weakened roots can lead to slow death for the tree that can take 1 to 5 years to become evident.

If grading your property is necessary for the project, bring in a tree expert before you begin to move dirt. The roots are close to the surface; about 80 per cent of the roots lie less than 24 inches deep. Roots can be buried too deep or destroyed in the process of grading.

Keep heavy items OFF THE ROOTS! Vehicles and supplies can crush the soil, the roots, and the mycelial structures underground that are essential to tree health. How to do this? **Mark out the "critical root zones" of your trees, and protect the roots inside the zone.** This is an invisible circle that runs just outside the drip line of the tree (just outside the edge of the canopy of the tree). Directions for how to measure this circle are in: <https://www.acompletetree-care.com/blog/how-to-measure-a-trees-critical-root-zone/>

Put a barrier, such as orange construction fence, around the critical root zone to keep off any vehicles, supplies, or other items. Instruct the crew chief that you want the critical root zone protected. If workers must walk or carry equipment over the critical root zone, it should be covered with planks or plywood to minimize crushing or compacting the tree roots.

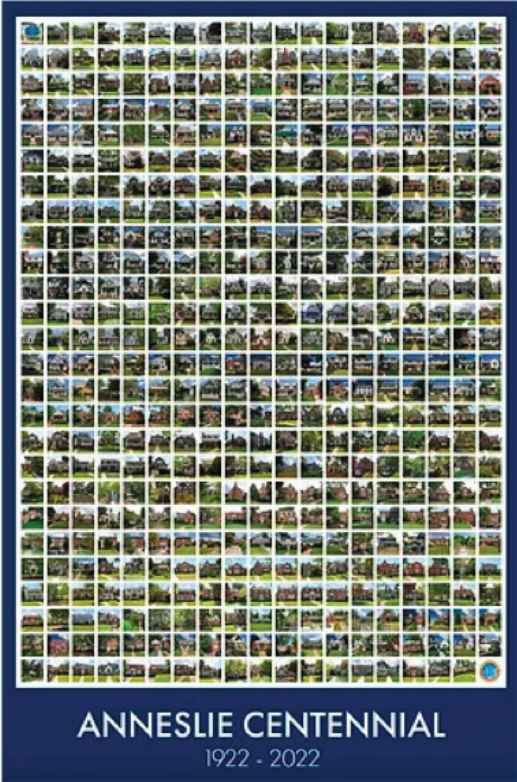
Water the tree, 20 gallons slowly every week during the growing season to support its health during construction! Apply 3 inches of mulch over

the critical root zone too, to both retain the moisture and indicate that this area is to be protected.

If, despite all precautions, you notice dead sections or branches in an otherwise healthy tree, this can be a sign of root damage. The dead limbs will need to be pruned out to give the tree the best chance to flourish.

Trees add enormous value to our homes and our community. **It is wise to plan ahead to ensure that your tree will survive any construction or renovation coming its way.**

ANNESLIE CENTENNIAL POSTER



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This commemorative poster was created to celebrate the Anneslie Community's Centennial Year.

It features the 492 homes in our neighborhood, as of August 2022.

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Ted Hull,
Anneslie resident

ANNESLIE CENTENNIAL
1922 - 2022

New food options on York Road gives us signs of optimism

BY ROBERT FISHER

As I contemplate topics for this edition of the President's Corner I'm relieved to think there isn't anything pressing for our community to contend with right now, at least that I'm aware of right now. (If there is, let me know!)

In previous articles I communicated about MDOT's daunting transportation study that could significantly impact our neighborhood, a frustrating lack of new business activity along Anneslie's stretch of York Road or the lackluster community dues participation rate.

Right now our community benefits from two new delicious food options with Baltoz Bakery and Chef Bobby D's Restaurant. Two completely different types of cuisine, yet both seem to be a great hit with area residents and I'm thankful these small business owners made the choice to open their establishments here. A third dining option – Nana – will be opening soon!

In addition, Scherr opening a showroom is a good indication they're active with projects in Anneslie and the immediate area. Also, historic Stoneleigh Lanes recently changed ownership so perhaps this establishment will receive a much needed makeover (just my two cents).

On the topic of community dues, as of mid July I'm happy to report our dues participation rate just surpassed 50%, a strong rebound from 30% in 2020. With several more community events on the 2023 calendar, I'm hopeful we can reach 60%.



A healthy dues participation helps to insure we can provide fun events like family movie night and the annual fall picnic. The discount card that dues-payers receive is a great incentive to pay dues and another way for people to support local businesses. Funds also allow us to take care of some items that may be overlooked, like new community banners within the neighborhood.

Enjoy the rest of the summer, which seems to be flying by.

If anyone has any pressing needs that need our attention, but we as a Board may be unaware, please reach out to us. We're happy to help if possible; we've had some recent success involving our local politicians with a few things that needed to be fixed.



Trivia Answer

The answer to the trivia question is:

Red foxes gestate for 52 days (around 7.5 weeks or just under two months)

According to Mark Cardwine, in his 2007 Animal Records book, Red foxes have the shortest gestation of the dogs – domestic dogs, by comparison, gestate for 58 to 65 days.

ON THE BLOCKS

600 Overbrook

- Congratulations to Lila Sheingate and her parents of 632 Overbrook on Lila's graduation from Roland Park Country School this spring.
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700 Overbrook

- Josie and Leslie Howe of 730 Overbrook graduated from Towson high school. Josie is going to the University of Pittsburgh and Leslie is heading to West Virginia University. Congrats grads!
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600 Windwood

- We welcome Jeff & Samantha Gossett and their two children to the newest house in our neighborhood. 618 Windwood.
 - We welcome new neighbors Clara Childers and Matthew Brinckerhoff at 612.
 - We welcome new neighbors Ciaron and Martina Vize and their two children, a 9-year-old daughter and 7-year-old son.
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500 Murdock

- Chris and Mark Harstein of 526 Murdock celebrate the marriage of their son Luke Hartstein to Joy Chen on April 8th. Luke and Joy will live in Boston, MA.
- Karen Carroll of 531 Murdock is retiring! Karen graduated from the University of Maryland School of Nursing in 1980, worked at Johns Hopkins as a student, then Peninsula General, Prince George's County Hospital and joined the staff at Sinai Hospital in 1983. Karen worked at Sinai for 40 years as a med/surgical nurse. She won Sinai 2023 Nurse of the Year award during the Nurses' week celebration. During her time at Sinai, she was a bedside nurse, a charge nurse, a mentor as well as a Clinical Leader with leadership responsibilities but never completely left the bedside. Though offered manager positions, her heart was always at the bedside and she retired as a bedside nurse because

that's where she "felt I truly made a difference." Congratulations!

- Joice Family of 518 Murdock welcomes back Roland after 6 months in Mannheim, Germany. Annabel has graduated from Roland Park Country School and will head to the University of Delaware.
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600 Murdock

- A warm (and slightly belated) welcome to Elliott Rauh & Britt Olsen-Ecker at 630 Murdock! They moved here from the Charles Village area of the city, and have been with us here in Anneslie for just about a year now. Elliott is a school teacher in Baltimore City, and Britt is a singer focusing on weddings & events (and by the way, also does great family photography!). They have two adorable kids to help add to the fun - Jackson is 3, and Bradley is 1. Great having you all on the block!
 - 2A huge congratulations to Tom Adolph and Elizabeth Furlong (at 604 Murdock) on the birth of their 1st child! Thomas Miller Adolph III ("Trace") was born March 10th, weighing in at 8 lbs 9 oz. Willie (the beagle) is gradually adjusting to the shift of attention in the house... but is loving his new "brother"! Welcome to the block, Trace!
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700 Murdock

- (709) Jason and Ali True Smith's son, Jake, graduated 8th grade at Cambridge and is headed off to Loyola Blakefield in the fall. Cooper will remain at Cambridge for the remainder of Middle School.
- (717) Sarah and Saun Skeen's son, Connor, married Hannah Krasinski in Lancaster, PA on May 20, 2023.
- (727) Julia and Walter Grio and big brother, Jude, welcomed baby Luca on 11/29/2022.
- (707) Jen and Clark Hudak celebrated their daughter, Anna's graduation from 8th grade at

Maryvale. She will continue to attend Maryvale for high school.

- (708) Kristin and Ben Morrow celebrated their daughter Maggie's graduation from 8th grade at Bryn Mawr. She will continue to attend Bryn Mawr for high school.
 - Elizabeth 'Bettie' Tabelaing, mother of Jim Tabelaing of 502 Anneslie died at Edenwald on June 15. She was 95. Bettie grew up at 608 Murdock. Many years later, she purchased the home where Jim and Mary live now.
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600 Anneslie

- Exciting news for the 600 Block of Anneslie. We have new neighbors moving into 633 this summer: Michael & Emily Williams with their 4-year-old twins, Mac and Beau. The boys are looking forward to meeting some new friends in the neighborhood!
 - Lori Hardesty (540 Anneslie) did a Retriever Talk (UMBC) last month, "You Deserve Your Own Care: Strategies to Get to the Other Side" - <https://hr.umbc.edu/lori-hardesty/>. The entire program can be found here: <https://hr.umbc.edu/umbc-retriever-talks-2023/>.
 - Oliver Almeter, son of Gary and Elizabeth Almeter (520 Anneslie), graduated from Calvert Hall College High School and will be attending Syracuse University in the fall. He will be majoring in Sports Analytics.
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700 Anneslie

- We are looking forward to meeting our new neighbors at 729 Anneslie!
- Other good news from the 700 block of Anneslie: Congratulations to our high school graduates! Bennett Chambers and Sophia Brown graduated from Towson High School. Bennett is headed to the University of Arizona and Sophia will be attending Haverford College. Baxter Pierce graduated from St. Paul's and is excited

to attend the University of Vermont. We are so proud of all their accomplishments and wish them the best!

- A belated welcome to Candice and Layla Maine-Proctor and their children, Beaux and Roux, who moved into Anneslie last spring!
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600 Regester

- Maria Tronolone and Brett Wallace of 601 Regester Avenue welcomes newborn, Cooper Cole Wallace. He was born on 5/21/23 and they are all very much in love.
 - Congratulations to Sue McGovern of 611 Regester Avenue! After almost 31 years with Arthur Bell/Cohen and Company CPAs, Sue is retiring. She is looking forward to taking some time off to travel and catch up with family and friends before figuring out what she wants to do next.
 - In March, Katie Leshinsky and Peter Franklin of 615 Regester became new parents of Lucas. He likes long walks around Anneslie and smiles when a puppy licks his feet.
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500 Dunkirk

- We have two Class of 2023 Towson High School grads: Chase Francis (523) is headed to University of Maryland and Isabel Aldana (518) is headed to George Mason University!
 - Congratulations to the Smedley family of 625 Dunkirk. Cary and Howard's son, Kyle, transferred with his company in San Diego to Chapel Hill, NC, along with fiancé Anna Kuplicki and Monty, their English Cream golden retriever. Kyle and Anna were married at Christmastime in Chapel Hill with the families in attendance during a beautiful week of celebration.
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700 Dunkirk

- Jim and Amy Thierer of 721 Dunkirk are thrilled to announce the engagement of their youngest

son, Alex, to his long time girlfriend, Jamiee! He is pursuing his law career in Washington, D.C., with the VA, and she is finishing her Master's Degree and working with Nielsen. Congrats!

- Wonderful news from Caren and Alissa DeBernardo at 712 Dunkirk about their three sons: Brian received the Presidential Award for Dumbarton Middle School and will be starting Towson High in the Fall. Christopher's art was selected to hang in the Baltimore Museum of Art, and Nicholas and his 4th grade class were featured on WJZ TV's Black History Month Special where they delivered a speech.
- Congrats are in order for Jesse Kaplin's and Scott Rosenfeld's two terrific graduates at 703 Dunkirk: Jonas graduated this Spring from Towson High with Honors and having been part of the Jewish Student Union, Key Club and piloting a highly successful compost initiative for the school. He will be attending Brandeis University in the fall to pursue Environmental Studies and Biology to continue working on his goal for a safer, healthier, more equitable world. Saskia graduated from her Master's in Nurs-

ing program at Mass General in Boston. She is now a Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner looking forward to doing medication management to help those struggling with mental health challenges. In the fall, Saskia will begin a one year residency at the VA in Bedford, MA.

- Double congrats to Juli and Joe Hopkins of 717, who now have two new granddaughters! Lucia Jean Tellez in Charleston, SC, was born in December, and Ellison Jane Hubbard in Turlock, CA, was born in February. Lots of travel south and west to look forward to.
- A message from Kelly and Toyin Animashaun and crew 720 Dunkirk: Thank you everyone, not just for helping to find Chili (our friend's dog), but for reminding us how truly good people are. We are perpetually amazed by the dozens of calls we have received, to the numerous people we witnessed walking the neighborhood to help bring her back home. It was a whirlwind but we could not have done it without our community. Again, thank you for the love and support!

2023 EVENTS

Please visit the Anneslie Community Association website and Facebook page for updates on event dates and times as scheduling will be determined as vaccinations increase. For now, here are tentative events, including the approximate dates for some:

DATE	EVENT	CHAIR
September 9	Anneslie Community Picnic, 3-6 p.m. 500 block of Murdock	
December 12	Santa's Visit	Ted Hull
December 20-21	Holiday Home Decorating Contest Judging	
October	Halloween Decorating Contest	
October 31	Halloween Parade and Trick-or-Treating, 5:30-6:30 p.m. (parade at 6:15)	
November 15	Annual Community Association Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Zoom Meeting	
December	Holiday Decorating Contest	
Early December	Santa's Cruise Through Anneslie, 6-7:30 p.m.	

