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OBITUARIES

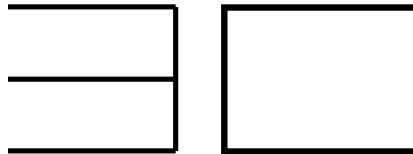
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GET WELL WISHES

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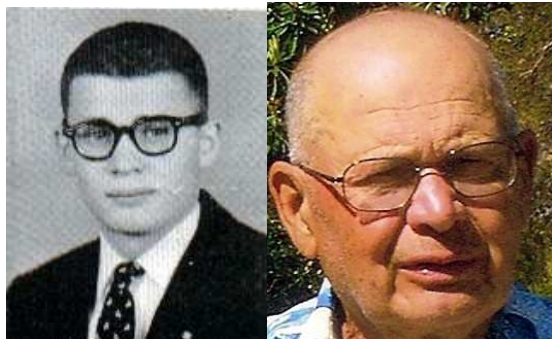
SOLUTION TO APRIL'S PUZZLE OF THE MONTH

Move one line and make 3 square



MAY BIRTHDAYS

Dick Messersmith – 5/2



Larry Weber – 5/8



[Bobi Musser – 5/15](#)



[Doris Holsinger – 5/22](#)



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

[Lynn & Nancy Lumm Russell – 5/30 – 51st](#)



MAY CALENDAR

May is “Older Americans Month”

May 5th – National Teacher Day

May 10th – Mother’s Day

May 14th – National “Dance Like a Chicken Day” *(Honest!)*

May 16th – Armed Forces Day

May 30th – Memorial Day

CLASSMATE ACTIVITIES

[Bobi Musser](#)

Rob Kinslow, Bobi Musser’s son, has been working on the TV show LOST as a background character. On April 8th, Rob appeared in his first show. He was in a group around the campfire. Rob also worked on three other episodes: the 12th, 14th and 15th.

(Editor’s Comment: Congratulations Rob, let me know if you need a stand-in.)

[Glen Julian](#)



Glenn Julian had a print, "Bird", accepted for the juried 44th Greater Hamilton Art Exhibit.
(Editor's Comment: Congratulations Glen!)

[Bob Cianelli](#)

Along with hundreds of other "radical, racist, tea bagging, redneck" Americans, I had the opportunity to get soaked and cold on tax day by attending the Tea Party in Annapolis. It was worth every wet, cold moment.



MISCELLANEOUS

[Vision for Hagerstown](#)

By TIM ROWLAND

Herald Mail

April 26, 2009

The four senior citizen towers in Hagerstown must have seemed like a good idea at the time. People with limited transportation options would have nearby access to groceries, a drug store and the hospital.

Who knew that all of the above would be just a memory in the early part of this century? Now, these senior citizens sorely lack for services. At the same time, the downtown sorely lacks for people with disposable income who will shop during the week and kick up their heels on the weekends.

Part of the beauty of developer Don Bowman's four-page vision for a future Hagerstown is the layered thought.

For example, he would like to see the Alexander House on Public Square converted into a fashionable hotel; at the same time, he would move the residents into a new building (Bowman suggests the 200 block of East Washington Street) with retail business and perhaps a small grocery that, for seniors, would necessitate only an elevator ride.

But this is just a start. Nearby would be a high-rise apartment building with subsidized rents for public service employees - police, firefighters, nurses, correctional officers and the like, most of whom would likely just be entering the work force.

This does three things.: They would be good neighbors for the seniors, making them feel more secure; low-cost housing would be a powerful recruitment tool for attracting talented people into local, public service positions; and it would add people with good incomes, a much-needed commodity, to the downtown.

Those with a short-term view might be tempted to say: Housing subsidies for people with good jobs? Ack! But Bowman's vision extends beyond the current fiscal year.

After living downtown for a while, it's very likely these people would discover the truth - the city is much more livable than its public image oftentimes would suggest. So when they are ready for their first house, the city would be an option.

And as these new, solid families begin to buy homes, they begin to choke out the weeds - those neglected, disheveled rental properties owned by absentee landlords, whose interest in the downtown does not extend beyond next month's state-subsidized rent checks.

So Bowman's public-service subsidies - unlike most housing assistance - is a seed that will grow into tax-generating flowers that more than make up their initial costs.

Yes, some of Bowman's ideas are regrettable. He endorses the city's decision to tear down the adult bookstore building on East Washington Street. It seems a shame that such a monument to debauchery that has been a thorn in the city's side for decades could not be saved, but progress admittedly has its costs.

Bowman's plan supports the current widening of the adjoining alley to Antietam Street to two-way traffic with sidewalks and landscaping and opening up another streetscape for new storefronts in the downtown arts district. The old bus depot across Antietam would become a library annex, and the old Massy Ford property would be used to revive the long-smoldering plan for medium-priced townhouses.

More upscale, professional townhouses would take the place of the soon-to-be-old hospital, perhaps attracting school administrators to new Board of Education offices in a renovated or replaced Pangborn Hall. The board needs plenty of parking, which would conveniently be supplied by the hospital parking deck.

Despite the community's predisposition to resent any perk for Commonwealth Avenue, the truth is that the current board officers are shoehorned into a horrible old building the looks as if it were cobbled together by Calvin and Hobbes. At some point, the board is going to have to move into headquarters where the floors don't give beneath your feet, so why not allow it to benefit the city at the same time?

Needless to say, there's more to the plan than space allows for here, and needless to say, Bowman himself does not believe this plan in its entirety can be enacted overnight, if ever.

But there is little doubt that this succinct blueprint, given to us for free without the flour paste of committees and consultants, is the most comprehensive, far-sighted plan the city has ever seen.

Those running for mayor and city council should read every word and, should they win, be prepared to pay it more than lip service.

Tim Rowland is a Herald-Mail columnist.

Editor's Comment: I'm lucky if I can envision tomorrow!

[Jone Burket](#)

Washington County is going to be opening a new high school in August 2009. It is the Barbara Ingram School for the Arts on South Potomac Street in downtown Hagerstown. A fundraiser for the foundation for the school was a project with thirty butterfly sculptures, which were painted by local artists, some of whom are high school students. They were unveiled on April 24 and are on display until June 20. If you are in the area, it would be worth a trip downtown to view the sculptures. They are located in Public Square, the first block of North Potomac Street, the first block of South Potomac Street, and the first block of West Washington Street. Also, there is one at City Hall and one at Otterbein United Methodist Church both on East Franklin Street. If you go to downtown Hagerstown, walk around the area and reminisce about the days when we were in school and the stores that were located there.

[Carole Smith Daly](#)

Krumpe's may be the only doughnut shop in the country that doesn't open until 7 p.m. The business was started in 1948 by Max Krumpe as a distributor supplying local convenience stores, but over the years addicted locals starting sniffing around Krumpe's back alley location at night begging for a sugar fix. While most of Krumpe's business remains wholesale – hence the evening hours – they now sell about 30% of their doughnuts to the late night bar crowd and those stocking up for morning

[Honor Flights](#)

If you are looking for something new to do on a rainy day, consider coming to BWI to participate in welcoming an Honor Flight. These flights are populated by WWII veterans and their chaperones all paid for by various organizations and fundraisers. The purpose is to make sure these members of the “Greatest Generation” have an opportunity to visit the WWII memorial in Washington that was built in their honor. What a fantastic group of American heroes. If you are interested, please let me know and I will send you a schedule.

**COMEDY CENTRAL FOR
SENIORS**

Want to start your day off with a laugh? Click on the “[AARP Ins](#)” button on our home page.

Submitted by ElaineFinniff

Older Women Are So Reasonable

AFTER BEING MARRIED FOR 44 YEARS, I TOOK A CAREFUL LOOK AT MY WIFE ONE DAY AND SAID, 'HONEY, 44 YEARS AGO WE HAD A CHEAP APARTMENT, A CHEAP CAR, SLEPT ON A SOFA BED AND WATCHED A 10-INCH BLACK AND WHITE TV, BUT I GOT TO SLEEP EVERY NIGHT WITH A HOT 25-YEAR-OLD GAL.

NOW I HAVE A \$500,000.00 HOME, A \$45,000.00 CAR, NICE BIG BED AND PLASMA SCREEN TV, BUT I'M SLEEPING WITH A 65-YEAR-OLD WOMAN. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT YOU'RE NOT HOLDING UP YOUR SIDE OF THINGS.'

MY WIFE IS A VERY REASONABLE WOMAN. SHE TOLD ME TO GO OUT AND FIND A HOT 25-YEAR-OLD GAL AND SHE WOULD MAKE SURE THAT I WOULD ONCE AGAIN BE LIVING IN A CHEAP APARTMENT, DRIVING A CHEAP CAR, SLEEPING ON A SOFA BED AND WATCHING A 10-INCH BLACK AND WHITE TV.

AREN'T OLDER WOMEN GREAT? THEY REALLY KNOW HOW TO SOLVE YOUR MID-LIFE CRISES.

Anonymous

WHAT IS A GRANDPARENT?

(taken from papers written by a class of 8-year-olds)

GRANDPA IS THE SMARTEST MAN ON EARTH! HE TEACHES ME GOOD THINGS BUT I DON'T GET TO SEE HIM ENOUGH TO GET AS SMART AS HIM!

Grandparents are a lady and a man who have no little children of their own. They like other people's.

A grandfather is a man & a grandmother is a lady!

Grandparents don't have to do anything except be there when we come to see them. They are so old they shouldn't play hard or run. It is good if they drive us to the shops and give us money.

When they take us for walks, they slow down past things like pretty leaves and caterpillars.

They show us and talk to us about the colors of the flowers and also why we shouldn't step on 'cracks.'

They don't say, 'Hurry up.'

Usually grandmothers are fat but not too fat to tie your shoes.

They wear glasses and funny underwear.

Grandparents don't have to be smart.

They have to answer questions like 'Why isn't God married?' and 'How come dogs chase cats?'

When they read to us, they don't skip. They don't mind if we ask for the same story over again.

Everybody should try to have a grandmother, especially if you don't have television because they are the only grownups who like to spend time with us.

They know we should have snack time before bedtime and they say prayers with us and kiss us even when we've acted bad.

A 6 YEAR OLD WAS ASKED WHERE HIS GRANDMA LIVED... "OH," HE SAID, "SHE LIVES AT THE AIRPORT AND WHEN WE WANT HER WE JUST GO GET HER. THEN WHEN WE'RE DONE HAVING HER VISIT, WE TAKE HER BACK TO THE AIRPORT."

It's funny when they bend over, you hear gas leaks and they blame their dog.'

RECIPES

Six 16 oz. bottles of good domestic beer ('lite' beer is not allowed)

Six 16 oz. glass mugs

One bottle opener

Put the beer in the frig until completely chilled

Put the mugs in the freezer until frosted

Use bottle opener to open beer

Pour into a frosted mug

Turn on any sporting event

Drink a beer

Repeat as necessary until fully satiated

Ignore all requests to do chores or go shopping

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