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"When something is important enough, you do it even if the odds are not in your favor."

- Elon Musk

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Jessup Group Fights for New High School



Marquee sign outside of the Ridgelys Run Community Center on Mission Road, near the proposed Jessup site, prominently displays a call to action. (Photo Courtesy of **Why Not Jessup**)

There is a fight brewing in Howard County. Although this fight is not with fists, guns, knives, or anything like that, there is no doubt a hotly contested match-up.

In the ring are the communities of Elkrige and Jessup, with the Howard County Public School System superintendent as the officiating referee.

What is the fight about? A new high school. Most superstitious folk consider the number 13 an unlucky number. That certainly seems to be the case here.

Parents in Jessup want the school located on a 77-acre parcel of land on Mission Road, while residents of Elkrige are pushing for a county-owned location in Troy Hill Park.

Recently, Michael Martirano, Superintendent of HCPSS, held a community meeting at Howard High School to meet with interested parties and explain the decision-making process.

Both areas of the county have the same problem – more children than available space. The eastern part of the county is over-

crowded and growing. Students in middle school and high school are traveling too far to attend schools outside of their neighborhoods, say proponents of both sides.

Along Route One and other areas of the eastern county, there are new multi-family dwellings, while residential construction continues.

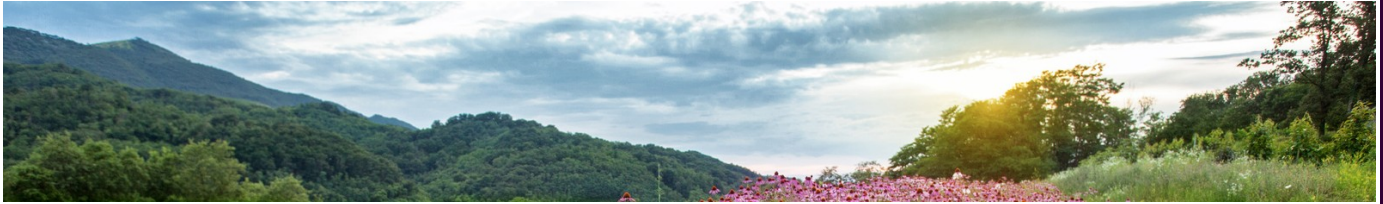
Becky McKirahan, a resident of Jessup, is in lockstep with nearly 300 other Jessup residents to get answers about the project. Their question is simple – Why Not Jessup? It is more than a question. It is a tag line posted around the county and online.

On the Facebook group, **Why Not Jessup** contends that the Mission Road site was a shoo-in until recently. What changed? Trees have been cleared, but now residents are no longer certain that they will be awarded the new school.

The group is circulating a petition in advance of the February 28th deadline, when the superintendent will announce the school system's decision.

Publisher's Notes

What's So Fake about Fake News?



Since the national campaign and election for president of the United States of America, we, the people, have been inundated with pronouncements of “fake news.”

A friend once asked me what I thought about the accusation that news outlets are less than honest in their reporting. My response was that while I would not characterize the media as creating fake news, I do find too often that reporters and editors are not careful about important details. They are not careful to follow some of the basic tenets of journalism.

Who said what to whom, and why? When did they say what they said, and where were they located? How did the subject come to his conclusion. Journalism is all about answering basic questions and doing it in a format that is easy for most readers, listeners, and viewers to understand.

Really, what we do is provide information. We provide entertainment also, but really, that's just there to keep folks engaged; and it helps pay some bills. After all, news rooms are not usually run by non-profit organizations.

But, one facet of news reporting is zeal. Zeal is good for a reporter. He gets pumped and doggedly chases down a story to get the kind of facts and details that causes his audience to swell.

The tough part is keeping one's personal agenda detached from the personal zeal. As long as a reporter and his editor are both more interested in facts, rather than proving or disproving a pre-formed opinion, chances are it is much easier to avoid inaccuracies.

The Guilford Gazette is not the Washington Post, the New York Times, or the Baltimore Sun; but whether large or small, we all suffer from the same bad habits from time-to-time. Likewise, we all endeavor to a high level of professionalism.

Here, that is no less true. We will personally do our best to report honestly and bring the type of news and features you want. Please hold tight and be patient. In the coming months, we will be on the ground with original articles about where you live and work (or go to school). That is to say, if you live in Savage, Kings Contrivance, North Laurel, Jessup, or Guilford, we are here for you.

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Politics

Hogan Admonishes Lawmakers: Avoid Divisive National Politics



Maryland Governor Larry Hogan, R, delivers his annual State of the State speech to the General Assembly in the House of Delegates in Annapolis recently. Hogan touted three years of record setting education funding and key infrastructure initiatives. (Photo by **Aaron Rosa**/Capital News Service)

by **Hannah Brockway**
Capital News Service

ANNAPOLIS, Maryland — Gov. Larry Hogan on Wednesday addressed the Maryland General Assembly and touted his fiscal management while at the same time distancing himself from political upheaval in Washington.

In Hogan's fourth and final State of the State address before he seeks to become the second Republican to win re-election in Maryland, the governor encouraged lawmakers on both sides of the aisle to seek middle ground in order to "continue changing Maryland for the better."

He frequently alluded to Republican President Donald Trump and

strife at the federal level -- calling for bipartisanship and stating that Marylanders need not let national politics divide them.

During Hogan's 23-minute speech, the governor covered his legislative agenda and policy initiatives while avoiding more controversial social issues.

Hogan's focus has been reducing taxes and state spending since his 2014 campaign.

Since he has taken office, the governor has been battling the Democrat-dominated House and Senate over the state budgetary priorities. In the Maryland General Assembly, Democrats outnumber Republicans by almost a 2-1 ratio.

Among his successes, Hogan

pointed to record education spending, his efforts to battle the opioid epidemic, transportation funding, tax cuts, a stable economy and anti-crime efforts.

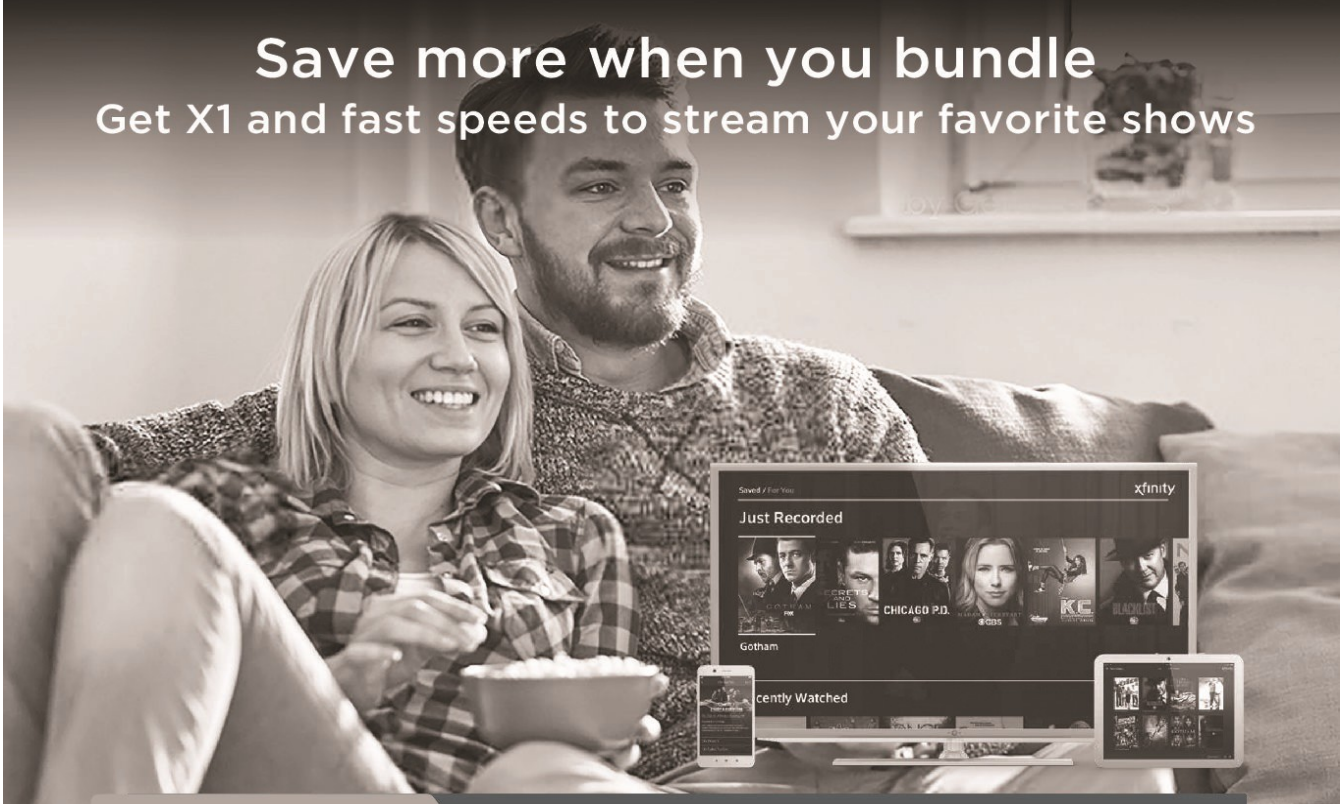
But some Democrats were critical that the governor is not sufficiently mitigating changes from the Republican-controlled Congress and White House, including immigration policy, tax reform and more.

"There are a lot of challenges to our state that (Hogan) is not facing head on," said Attorney General Brian Frosh, a Democrat. "Foremost among them are the challenges posed by the Trump administration. We see an assault on civil rights, on our environment, on consumers."

(Hogan continued on page 15)

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Business

Old Faded Facilities Take on New Life as Tech Offices



by **StatePoint**

To counter generic new construction projects, many cities and towns are converting older structures into vibrant tech offices, loft-style residences and even art institutions -- a process known as “adaptive reuse.”

As midcentury facilities designed for once-humming industries are finding new leases on life, cities are retaining their architectural character. What’s more, adaptive reuse can be an eco-friendly option. By avoiding demolition of existing structures, architects reduce the amount of waste generated by the project. In many cases, it’s also more time-efficient than demolition and reconstruction, both in terms of the physical construction and the permitting processes involved.

Striking examples of such renovation projects include the Pinterest headquarters in San Francisco. Designed by the team of IwamotoScott Architecture with Brereton Architects, the space is in the former John

Deere factory in the city’s South of Market district. Pinterest’s mission of connecting people through shared interests is echoed in the design of the renovated four-story factory building, whose main feature is a central staircase that knits its floors together. An atrium in the former factory was expanded through to the ground floor, turning the stairs into a light well that illuminates the once-gloomy first level.

Just a few blocks down the street sits the headquarters of Airbnb, the tech company that connects homeowners with visitors who need to rent a home. Airbnb occupies another former factory that has been converted into tech offices by Gensler, with a subsequent expansion by WRNS Studio.

A towering lobby atrium showcases the company’s buzzing activity through windows that offer glimpses of open offices and conference rooms designed to mimic some of Airbnb’s most popular online rental listings.

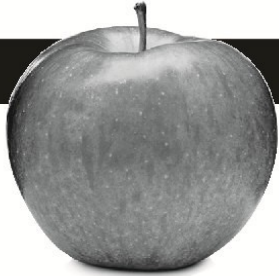
In North Adams, Massachusetts, a former textile printing plant of more than 25 buildings has become a cultural center and home of the Massachusetts Museum of Contemporary Art (MassMoCA), following a master plan by Simeon Bruner of Bruner/Cott & Associates, David Childs of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, Frank Gehry, and Robert Venturi.

In Washington, DC, several former warehouses have been converted into coworking spaces for WeWork, and the Art Deco Hecht warehouse stacks luxury lofts atop a NikeTown.

To learn more about how adaptive reuse is revitalizing communities nationwide, visit topicarchitecture.com.

As more local CEOs and decision-makers recognize that adaptive reuse often retains more valuable character than generic new construction can hope to create, more architects will be called in to preserve and renovate these aging relics.

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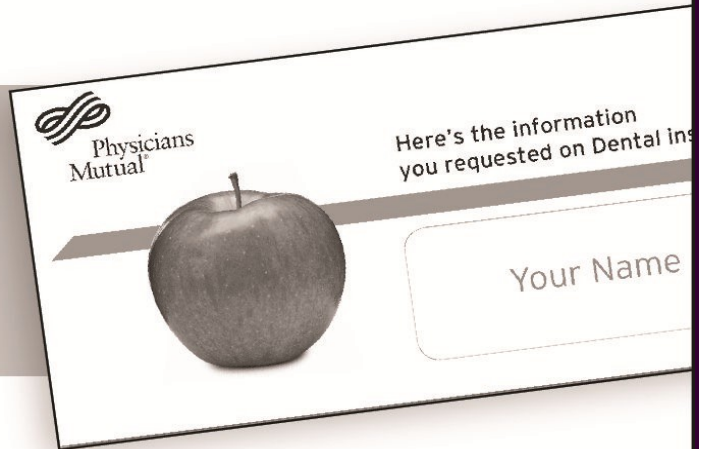


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Religion

Is it Possible to be Sexually Satisfied Without Sex?



by **Dan S. Baty**

But he said to them, “I have food to eat that you know nothing about.”

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Sex is like dynamite. It can clear obstacles and provide a path to intimacy, or it can destroy homes created by years of loving labor. It is a natural and extremely powerful human desire. And God created it! What was He thinking?

The physical pleasure of sex, like every other earthly pleasure is an expression of its Source, in Whom is its ultimate fulfillment. All pleasures are intended to point us to the Creator of pleasure and result in our worship of Him.

Does this mean it is possible to be sexually satisfied without sex?

It means there exists in Christ a satisfaction that is deeper than sex, of which sex is a physical representation. One may still crave the physical experience, but beyond it is a satisfaction that is superior to it. Many spiritually-minded people for whom sex, for various reasons, is either currently or no longer an option can attest to this.

Jesus felt physical hunger. On one

occasion He had not eaten, and recognizing this, His disciples sought to give Him some food. But Jesus’ response was “I have food to eat that you know nothing about.” They puzzled over where He had gotten food and Jesus further explained, “My food is to do the will of Him who sent me and to accomplish His work.” The very real and powerful appetite for physical sustenance was subjugated by the deeper satisfaction of Jesus’ fellowship and partnership with His Father.

Like everyone else, I have diversions that bring me pleasure, but there are times in my relationship with the Lord where the connection with Him is such that He is a greater attraction.

And yes, when those foretastes of heaven with Him pass, the cravings for the earthly pleasures may return. But knowing that with Him and in Him is superior joy and satisfaction brings me back again and again to Him. Knowing what is possible in Him beckons me to trust Him through the cravings, even as I acknowledge them, to find in Him the fulfillment that many “know nothing about.” In that sense, “self-denial” is

not a sacrifice of pleasure but an upgrade.

However, it is very important to understand there is nothing wrong with pleasure in the right context.

Food, entertainment, sex, friendship, material things are not wrong to enjoy. In fact the Scripture instruct us that God gave them to us to enjoy. The point is He is the Creator and Supplier of those pleasures and therefore He Himself is a superior source. There is always “more” in Him.

Apprehending this truth is a process that the Lord wants to lovingly and patiently coach us through. Part of that coaching involves creatively providing for us along the way ideas, activities and resources to ease the physical craving for inaccessible or inappropriate sexual relations while strengthening our personal and ultimately satisfying relationship with Him.

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Sports

Eagles' Hollins Set Goals Since Early Days at Wootton



BLOOMINGTON, Minnesota - The Philadelphia Eagles' Mack Hollins talks to the press prior to Super Bowl. Photo by **Kyle Melnick/Capital News Service**

by **Kyle Melnick**
Capital News Service

BLOOMINGTON, Minnesota — As a senior playing for the Wootton High School football team in Rockville, Maryland, wide receiver Mack Hollins dressed in a suit and tie and carried a briefcase around school everyday.

All of his friends questioned his attire, but they became used to it after two weeks.

“You dress for the job you want,” Hollins told Capital News Service, “not the job you have.”

Hollins has continued those quirky actions as a rookie wide receiver with the Philadelphia Eagles.

He played with a Rubik’s Cube to stay calm when speaking with Super Bowl media this week. He always rides his bike to the NovaCare Complex for Eagles practice, and he’s encouraged his teammates to buy Nintendo Switches so they can play Mario Kart 8 Deluxe with him.

Hollins’ different personality correlates with the unusual path he took to the NFL.

Wootton is best known for its academics, rarely producing Division I college talent.

Hollins didn’t receive any Division I scholarship offers out of high school or after his year at Fork Union Military Academy in Fork Union, Virginia. The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill admitted Hollins, where he walked onto the team and stood out on special teams.

After completing his roundabout route to the NFL, Hollins and the Eagles will play in the Super Bowl against the New England Patriots on Sunday at 6:30 p.m.

“Mack was a home run,” said Marcus Berry, North Carolina’s former director of player personnel. “In the nine years I’ve done it, he’s one of the highlights of my career. I’m not surprised by any of his success.”

Hollins didn’t play his junior year

at Wootton for an incident he didn’t specify, which Wootton coach Eddie Tolliver said prevented him from receiving college attention.

Wootton hasn’t groomed another NFL player in Tolliver’s seven years leading the program, so college scouts didn’t spend much time watching Wootton’s games.

But Hollins’ dad, Richard, connected with Berry through their ties of playing football at West Virginia University. Hollins’ speed impressed Berry, and he encouraged the Rockville native to attend preparatory school for a year to gain more exposure.

Hollins learned how to long snap at Fork Union, just so he could get on the field at some position.

Still, Hollins didn’t receive any Division I offers after his season at Fork Union. He emailed about 100 colleges, and while some of the coach’s secretaries responded, Berry was one of the only coaches to respond himself.

Health

Is Sugar the Cause of Your Weight Gain? Tips to Reduce



by **StatePoint**

February is American Heart Month and a great opportunity to focus on your cardiovascular health. According to the American Heart Association, cardiovascular disease accounts for about one of every three deaths.

Taking care of your heart starts with your diet and making healthy changes. Cutting down on sugar, which experts say most Americans consume far too much of on a daily basis, is the perfect place to start. Processed sugars add empty calories to your diet and can disrupt your metabolism, making weight loss or maintenance difficult and posing serious health risks.

Americans on average get about 16 percent of their daily calories from added sugars, according to a Food and Drug Administration report, but the USDA's dietary guidelines recommend less than one-third of that amount. And it's not just the usual suspects like candy, cookies and cake that can cause the sugar surplus.

"Foods like white bread and bagels

break down the same as added sugar, so, it's about the types of carbs you're eating, too. In fact, I would say fats aren't making us fat, sugar is," says Dr. Arthur Agatston, founder of the South Beach Diet.

To avoid extra sugar in your diet and get on a path to greater health, consider these simple strategies.

- **Shop the Perimeter.** Sticking to the perimeter of the grocery store is a good rule of thumb, as this tends to be where you'll find the least processed foods, such as vegetables, fruit, dairy, meat and seafood, most of which are free of added sugar.
- **Read Food Labels.** Seek out foods containing little to no sugar, being careful to read labels. You may have to look hard though, as sugar is ubiquitous in American foods. Bear in mind that ingredient listings on packaged foods are in order of volume.
- **Learn Sugar's Other Names.** "Pretty much anything ending in 'ose' is a sugar. And whether it's fructose, dextrose or sucrose, it will end up as a sugar in your body," says Mandi Knowles, Registered Dieti-

tian at South Beach Diet. Avoid them if you want to eat less sugar.

- **Buy Unsweetened Foods.** Look for food labels that say the food is unsweetened. Not "naturally sweetened." Unsweetened. That means there won't be anything lurking in there that could throw you off.
- **Make Sugar Swaps.** Simple swaps can help you save on sugar. Swap soda for unsweetened iced tea and save 31 grams of sugar. Swap non-fat flavored yogurt for Greek yogurt with fresh strawberries and save 19 grams of sugar. Swap your favorite vanilla latte for black coffee with a splash of cream and save 35 grams of sugar.
- **Try Something New.** Consider a diet plan that focuses on good carbs, good fats, healthy protein and high fiber, such as the South Beach Diet, which is proven to have a positive impact on heart health, weight loss and belly fat. Delivering on average just 1 percent of calories from added sugars.

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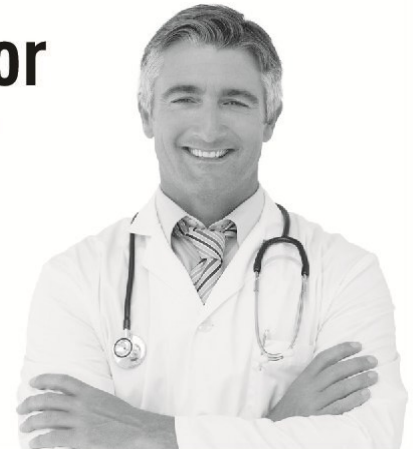
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Calendar

Savage Historical Society Meets at Faith and Ministry Center



Event: Savage Historical Society occurs on **Mon, Feb 19, 2018** at 7:00pm to 8:00pm

Category: Special Event

Location:

Faith & Ministry Center
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Savage MD 20763

TOPIC: "Wendel Bollman: Building Bridges

PRESENTER: Galen R. Menne, President, SHS

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Contact: Helen Rushing, Secretary

Zumba for Women at Kings Contrivance Center Through Feb 10th

Event: Zumba with Nefertiti repeats every week on **Saturday** at 10:15am beginning **Sat, Jan 27, 2018** and ending **Sat, Feb 10, 2018**

Category: Sports & Fitness

Location:

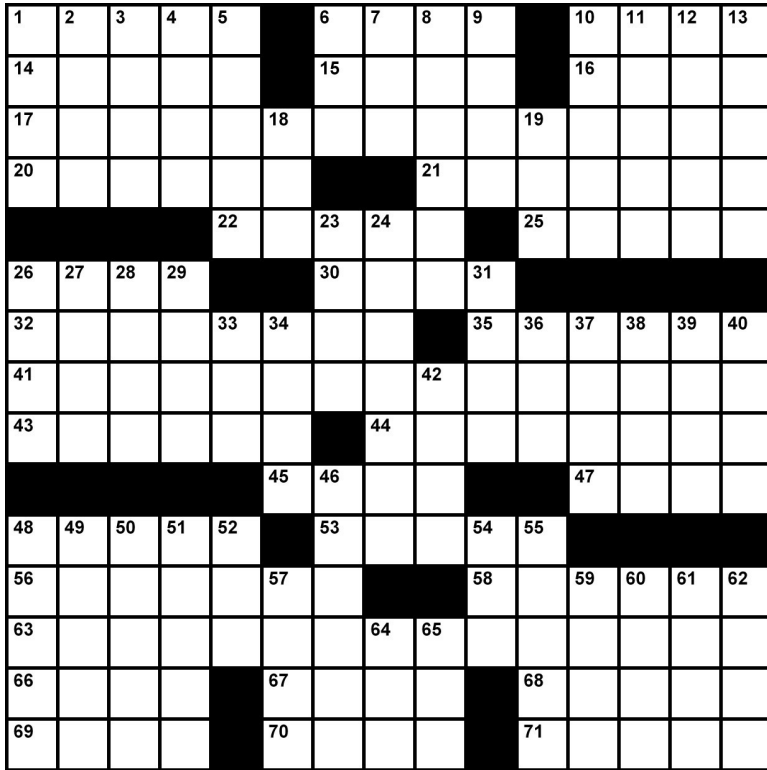
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Comics / Puzzles



Across

- 1. Young salmon
- 6. Kisser
- 10. Droops
- 14. Lowest point
- 15. ___ believer
- 16. Small gull
- 17. 1952 novel, with The
- 20. Split
- 21. Rowboat adjunct
- 22. Not too brainy
- 25. ___ Rebellion of 1857-59
- 26. Twisted
- 30. Hoodlum
- 32. Fuse
- 35. Sniff out
- 41. Author of 17 and 63

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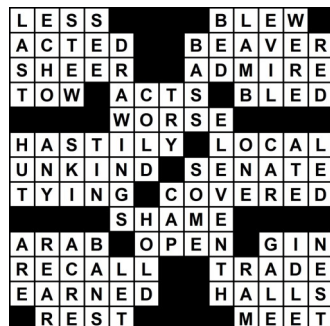
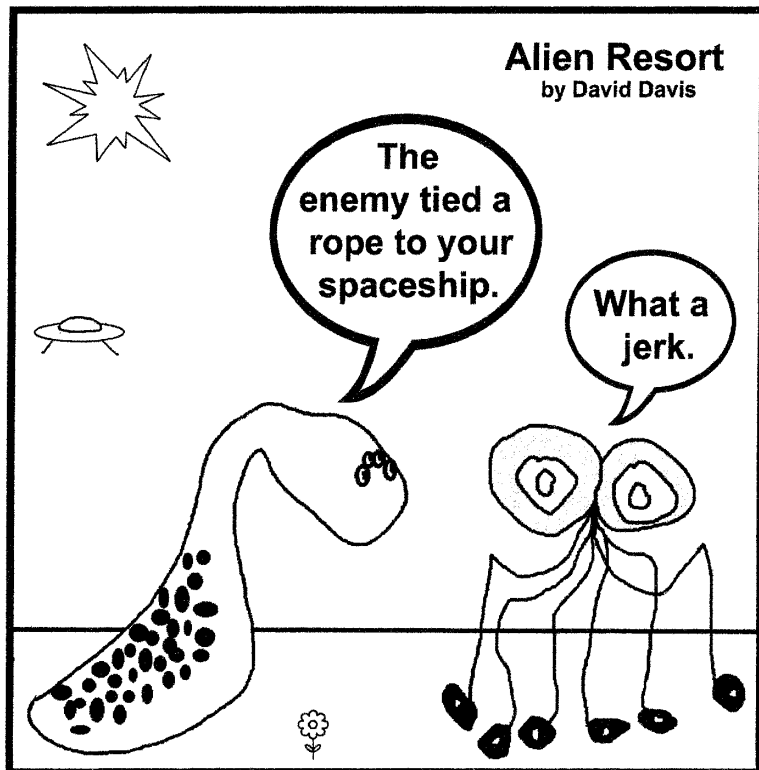
- 43. Meager
- 44. Broad view
- 45. Square
- 47. Che or gen followers
- 48. Item with a ladder
- 53. Pastoral poems (var.)
- 56. Wheels for mom
- 58. Lest
- 63. 1929 novel
- 66. Cost of living?
- 67. Ashtabula's lake
- 68. Exhaust
- 69. Deuce topper
- 70. Turned blue, maybe
- 71. Interesting

Down

- 1. Prig
- 2. French Sudan, today
- 3. Betting data
- 4. Beer garnish
- 5. ___ housing
- 6. "Harper Valley ___"
- 7. Ashes holder
- 8. Logic game

9. "La Scala di ___" (Rossini opera)

- 10. Inscribed stone
- 11. Greek moralist
- 12. Artist, with El
- 13. Sinuous
- 18. ___ degree
- 19. "48 ___"
- 23. Yen
- 24. Sang like a canary
- 26. Scores high
- 27. Do the trick
- 28. Doctor Who villainess, with The
- 29. Big bang matter
- 31. Beam
- 33. Sixth sense
- 34. Peep problem
- 36. "Walking on Thin Ice" singer
- 37. Shrek, e.g.
- 38. Holiday opener
- 39. Weak
- 40. Young falcon
- 42. Lots
- 46. Napa Valley area
- 48. Sting
- 49. Certain inmate
- 50. Empty
- 51. Kind of pool
- 52. "Give It To You" rapper
- 54. Illuminated
- 55. Muzzle
- 57. Blown away
- 59. Hombre's home
- 60. "Iliad" warrior
- 61. Blue books?
- 62. See
- 64. Go horizontal
- 65. Directed



Solution to last week's puzzle

Crime

HCPD Crime Bulletin: Savage, KC, N. Laurel, Jessup, Guilford

MONDAY, FEB. 5

Commercial burglary:

Laurel, 201723: LilneX 9700 block of Davis Avenue, Feb. 1-2 overnight | Unknown suspect(s) gained entry to the business by prying open a window and stole cash

Theft from vehicle:

Jessup, 20794: 8100 block of Washington Boulevard, Feb. 1-2 overnight, five vehicles: tires

Laurel, 20723: 9700 block of Country Meadows Lane, Feb. 1-2 overnight, tires

Vehicle theft:

Columbia, 21046: 9200 block of Berger Road, Oct. 2017-Feb 2018 (late reported | Two vehicles: Kia, Toyota

FRIDAY, FEB 2

Assault:

Columbia, 21046: 7100 block of Natures Road,

Feb. 1, 11:24 p.m | Witnesses reported that an adult male was being assaulted by a group of male suspects, who then pushed the victim into a van. Police responded and located the van. All five occupants, including the victim, got out, ran from the van and were not able to be located by officers. Police launched a search using K-9 and a helicopter. They located the victim, who had a gunshot wound to the leg, nearby a short time later. He was transported to Shock Trauma with non-

life-threatening injuries. The four suspects were not located. Detectives believe the victim may have been targeted. The investigation is ongoing.

THURSDAY, FEB 1

Residential Burglary:

Laurel, 20723: 9600 block of Covered Wagon Drive, Jan. 31, 9:39 p.m. | Unknown suspects(s)

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But Hogan, as a GOP governor in a majority Democratic state, has the support of Republicans in the legislature who are resisting efforts to link him to the president and Capitol Hill squabbling.

"His agenda is really common sense — bringing jobs (and) allowing Marylanders to keep their hard-earned money," said House Minority Whip Delegate Kathy Szeliga, R-Harford and Baltimore counties. "I don't blame him for staying away from Trump. We are not Washington, D.C. You see a lot of partisan bickering when you go just 50 miles down the road, but that's not how Annapolis operates."

The governor touted his record investments in school spending since he took office.

"Our budget provides an unprecedented \$6.5 billion for K-12 education, which is more than the legislative funding formulas call for," Hogan told lawmakers.

But Democratic legislators are upset with the public school system's decreasing national rankings and on Tuesday proposed a bill to dedicate an additional \$500 million from casino revenues to education.

Hogan has declared Maryland's increasing casualties from opioid addiction a state emergency, increasing an opioid crisis fund from \$3.7 million in 2017 to \$13.7 million this fiscal year, according to a state budget summary.

Senate Minority Leader J.B. Jennings, R-Harford and Baltimore Counties, said the opioid epidemic is the biggest challenge facing the governor right now.

"It's not an easy fix," said Jennings. "We can fix it as long as we work together."

The impact of a new Republican-backed federal tax plan has created

dissonance between the state and federal government. Left unchanged, most Marylanders would pay more in total tax.

Hogan announced legislation to protect taxpayers from increases resulting from the tax overhaul. Democrats have said their plan is on its way.

In his first State of the State address in 2015, Hogan said he hoped to make all retirement income tax-exempt. Wednesday he touted the Hometown Heroes Act of 2018, legislation that would exempt retired law enforcement, fire, rescue, emergency response personnel, and correctional officers from state tax specific to their service on their retirement income.

Hogan also touted a package of crime bills targeted to combat gangs and repeat-offenders as crime in Baltimore has soared, and said he would sign a bill that has unanimous bipartisan support that terminates the parental rights of rapists.

It was met with a standing ovation.

But Hogan has recently received criticism for a \$5 billion plan to entice Amazon to bring its second headquarters to Montgomery County. The headquarters could bring up to 50,000 jobs to the area.

Also criticized is his proposal to widen Interstates 270 and 495, and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway.

Mirroring a national trend, Maryland has seen a decrease in unemployment rates, dropping from 5.5 percent in 2014 to 4 percent today, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

In his speech Wednesday, Hogan referenced the job growth and economic turnaround for the "best year for business in Maryland in 15 years and the best year for job growth in a decade."

"Maryland's always had a good economy not because of what any

elected official has done, but because we are located close to the nation's capital," said Maryland Senate President Thomas V. Mike Miller Jr., D-Charles, Calvert and Prince George's. "We've always had good employment, we've always had good income and low poverty." "I think the governor stated the obvious, and it was a positive speech."

Prince George's County Executive Rushern Baker, who is running in the Democratic primary for governor, said he was hoping to see a more critical response from Hogan after President Trump's State of the Union on Tuesday night.

"What we find is Donald Trump is hard on Maryland but (Hogan's) response is always soft."

--CNS correspondents Layne Litzinger and Katherine Brzozowski contributed to this report.

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attempted to gain entry to the residence by breaking a window. No Entry was gained.

WEDNESDAY, JAN 31**Theft from vehicle**

Jessup, 20794: 7400 block of Asateague Drive, Jan. 29 – 30, overnight, food

Columbia, 21046: 9500 block of Clocktower Lane, Jan. 30, 1:18 p.m., tags

TUESDAY, JAN 30**Residential burglary:**

Laurel, 20723: 9500 block of Park Avenue, Jan. 25 – 29 | Unknown suspects(s) gained entry to the residence by kicking in the rear door and stole several items.

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