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Broadmead's updated organizational framework

By Alice Cherbonnier

At a Town Hall Meeting on Monday, August 24, **Ann Patterson**, Broadmead's newly named Executive Director, introduced Broadmead's updated organizational framework. She also provided details about new reporting relationships among members of the leadership team. She explained how the new framework will enhance operations and help position Broadmead for a strong future.

Announced leadership changes at Broadmead include the following:

Jay Prince's role as Chief Executive Officer will include leading Broadmead, Inc. and Friends Care, Inc., and developing relationships, affiliations, and expansions in the life plan sector.

Joyce Malone, formerly VP of Facility Services, has been named VP of Construction and Development.

While Ann Patterson continues as VP of Health Services, **John Ottena** has been hired to be Broadmead's Health Services Administrator, overseeing the licensed care neighborhoods.

Stacey Young, formerly Director of Center of Excellence Dementia Care, has a new expanded position as Senior Director of Community Living.

Mary Jane LePard, formerly the RN MDS Coordinator, has a new expanded role as the Director of Clinical Reimbursement, overseeing medical records and health services purchasing.

Sara Stenger, formerly the Lifestyle Supervisor, has a newly expanded role as the Lifestyle Manager, adding the volunteer program to her team.



The Circle Garden in Stony Run parking lot has been in bloom all summer. Photo by Kathleen Truelove.

Heather Parrott named executive director of Vantage Point

By Jackie Mintz

Acting under the new management agreement between Broadmead and the Columbia-based retirement community Vantage Point (officially, Residences at Vantage Point), Broadmead has hired Heather Parrott to be Vantage Point's executive director. While her office is at the Columbia location, she is a Broadmead employee, reporting to CEO Jay Prince.



*Heather Parrott.
Photo courtesy of
Heather Parrott.*

As executive director, Heather is responsible for Vantage Point's overall operations and outcomes, including resident satisfaction, dining, and health care services. Her role extends beyond day-to-day management to setting priorities, supporting department leaders, and helping shape the community's future. All department directors, as well as the health services administrator, report to Heather.

Heather comes to Vantage Point with extensive experience in senior living and health care administration.

Most recently, she served as administrator of Albemarle Health and Rehabilitation Center in Charlottesville, Virginia. Her responsibilities included facilities operations and financial management, among other areas. Previously, she was CEO of Dogwood Village Senior Living in Orange, Virginia, and Martha Jefferson House in Charlottesville.

Heather has earned a doctorate in health science and a master of science in education. She holds a nursing home administrator's license in Virginia as well.

Heather began her career as a speech-language pathologist. When she took on her first administrative position, as director of rehabilitation at Dogwood Village, she broadened her knowledge to include physical therapy, occupational therapy, and the many other services involved in rehabilitation care.

Heather and her husband, Russell, currently live in Charlottesville. They have three children, Darren, Jordan, and Laci-Ann, ranging in age from 23 to 30. Heather and Russell will decide where to make their home in the coming months.

Broadmead begins management partnership with Residences at Vantage Point

By Jackie Mintz

This past winter, Broadmead entered into a five-year agreement to provide management services to Residences at Vantage Point (Vantage Point), a continuing care retirement community in Columbia, Maryland. This is a first for Broadmead and an important step in its plans for carefully considered growth.

Under the agreement, Broadmead provides Vantage Point with executive leadership and support for its operations, as well as financial management. Vantage Point's two senior executives—the executive director and the health services administrator—will be selected by Broadmead and will be Broadmead employees. The executive director will report directly to Broadmead President and CEO Jay Prince; the health services administrator will report to the executive director.

Broadmead will also make its administrative resources, systems, and operating procedures available to Vantage Point. Broadmead's vice presidents will serve as advisers and resources for the executive director and for Vantage Point's department directors.

The partnership expands Broadmead's mission by allowing it to share its experience and resources with another community and serve a larger number of older adults. It will also provide financial benefits to Broadmead residents: without the additional management income, resident fees would have increased substantially more on July 1, 2026. The agreement may also offer a glimpse of Broadmead's future direction. As stand-alone retirement communities face growing financial and operational pressures, carefully chosen partnerships can strengthen

Broadmead's position while allowing it to remain independent and true to its mission.

Vantage Point began its search for a new management firm by hiring an independent firm to solicit proposals from prospective management organizations. Broadmead was selected in part because the missions of the two communities are closely aligned, and because of Broadmead's strong reputation, particularly for the quality of its healthcare. Both organizations are financially sound and highly regarded, creating opportunities for them to collaborate and learn from one another.

The possibility of providing management services to another community was not entirely new to Broadmead. For several years, the board of trustees' strategic plan has identified thoughtful growth as an important goal, and during the past two years, Broadmead's executive leadership team has been developing the systems and administrative structure needed to support such an expansion.

Broadmead had previously received tentative inquiries from other organizations but concluded that they were not suitable partners. Vantage Point, however, was considered a particularly good fit.

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— Open Forums in September —

Thursday, September 3:

"Hummingbirds," with Brian Rollfinke, director at Wild Birds Unlimited

Thursday, September 10:

"Baltimore Streetcar Museum," with Matthew Nawn, Executive Director

Thursday, September 17:

"Bees," with Mary "Mary Bee" Bammer, Baltimore-based beekeeper

Thursday, September 24:

"Artificial Intelligence," with Dr. Anupam Joshi, Vice Provost & Chief AI Officer, UMBC

Sunday, September 27:

"Sailors for Sustainability," epic voyage with Floris Van Hees and Ivar Smits, Founders

All events will be held in the auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

Family members who work together at Broadmead

Information gathered by Kathleen Truelove



Broadmead has a long tradition of having team members who are also family members. **Clockwise from top:** Grace Robinson and her daughter, August Jackson-Sutton. Grace is a probation officer and August a first grade teacher. Each covers the reception desk on weekends, but usually not at the same time. Photo courtesy of August Jackson-Sutton. • Reid Holshouser and his mother, Kim Holshouser. Reid was a server in the Holly Terrace until he left for his gap year. Kim is a registered nurse in the OPD. Photo by Kathleen Truelove. • Married couple Lisa and Jim Barger. Lisa is on the reception desk and Jim is in maintenance. Photo by Kathleen Truelove. • The Fleming brothers (l.-r.): Executive Chef Jerrell, Campus Safety officer Allen, and Deon (the baby of the family!) in dining services. Photo by Kathleen Truelove.



Jobe Martin aptly called his photo, taken in the clusters on June 15, "Catbird Seat."

Perimeter Pathway Planning

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Some specific objectives for the path:

- to build a retaining wall along the path at the pinch point across the street from the back of the Community Center and Stony Run parking lot, as the road must stay twenty feet wide for firetrucks.
- to add a new area of conservation land from the Provenza property at the top of the ridge to make up for any loss at the road.
- to provide a few pedestrian crossings when the path must be built on the interior of the road and access to the path from parking lots.
- to wind part of the path below the pond and back up to apartments, and to remove the unused shed beside the pond.
- to move lampposts when necessary.
- to plant twenty-two or more trees and many plants.

Finally, Tom explained the next steps. Choices will be made for the materials of the pathway, the pathway and retaining wall will be designed and built, landscaping will be determined, and drainage will be worked out.

ABOVE. ALWAYS. CHAMPIONS

April, 2026: Nadia Burgess



Why Honored:

Early in her career, Nadia Burgess is already setting the bar high. She brings professionalism and integrity to every interaction she has with residents and fellow team members, leading with respect and a commitment to

creating a welcoming community for all.

Current Position: Dietary Aide
Length of Service at Broadmead: 1.5 years

Peers Say: Nadia isn't afraid to speak up for what's right, and she does so with grace, thoughtfulness, and care for others. Her actions strengthen our culture and reflect what it truly means to live our values every day.

Awardee Says: "Thank you, everyone! I really enjoy working at Broadmead. I hope that other people stand out and stand up for what they believe in!"



A Monarch butterfly alights on a zinnia in Q Cluster. Photo by Sue Kim. See pg. 16 for story about one resident's efforts to save the Monarchs.

May 2026: Tetiana Volkavinska



Why Honored:

Tetiana Volkavinska has quickly become a familiar and appreciated presence at Broadmead. Through her kindness, care, and attention to detail, she reflects our values of Community, Integrity, Serenity, and Simplicity in ways residents notice

and value every day. One resident especially appreciated that she took time to learn English commands so their dog would feel safe and comfortable. It is this kind of extra care that makes Tetiana's work stand out. Tetiana brings a calm, cheerful spirit and a quiet sense of pride to everything she does. Residents are grateful not only for the beautiful results of her work, but also for the warmth and respect she brings into their homes.

Current Position: HMA for Upland and York Buildings

Length of Service at Broadmead: 1 year and 4 months

Peers Say: Tetiana's teammates describe her as reliable, hardworking, and deeply valued; someone whose steady presence helps make the HMA team stronger.

Awardee Says: "I was very surprised and grateful to receive this honor, especially because it came from the residents. Their kind words mean a lot. I always try to do my best, and I am happy the residents notice and appreciate my work. I truly enjoy working at Broadmead because the residents are kind and make me feel like we are a big family."

June 2026: Ally Svezese



Why Honored: Ally Svezese is being honored for her thoughtful initiative, creativity, and compassion.

Current Position: Marketing Coordinator

Length of Service at Broadmead: 5.5 years

Peers Say: Ally's supervisor describes her

as dedicated, thoughtful, creative, and deeply committed to Broadmead. By turning a large, paper-heavy priority-list binder into a beautiful online resource, Ally made the process easier for clients while supporting sustainability and saving time and resources. Her initiative and care have made a lasting positive impact.

Residents Say: Residents see Ally as someone who lives Broadmead's values with kindness and compassion. One resident shared that Ally stopped on her way to work to stay with an injured resident off campus until the ambulance arrived, offering a calm and caring presence when it was needed most.

Awardee Says: "I'm truly honored to receive this recognition. Broadmead has become such an important part of my life over the past five years, and I'm incredibly grateful to work alongside people who genuinely care about our residents, clients, and one another. I love finding creative ways to make things a little easier, more thoughtful, and more meaningful for the people we serve. As I begin my sixth year at Broadmead, I'm so thankful for this recognition and proud to be part of such a special community."

CAMPUS NEWS



Claude Meekins (at left) leads participants (l.-r.) team member, guest, Alan Evans, Roz Hyman, Nelson Hyman, Barbara Sindler, Leslie Glickman, and Robin Tate in a rousing session of cardio-drumming in the fitness center.

Cardio-drumming class resonates with residents

By Leslie Glickman

Cardio-drumming, or beating the ball, is a form of exercise that has been praised for helping to raise heart rate, improve blood flow, improve arm muscle strength, and lower blood pressure. It is a low-impact form of exercise for the arms and respiratory muscles, and it appears to improve cardiac, respiratory, and upper extremity fitness. And it is FUN!

You will need a large exercise ball, placed on top of an empty plastic tub, two drumsticks, and upbeat music. Play your upbeat music and “keep pace” with your drumsticks as you beat the ball. The goal is to beat the ball for a 30-minute period of time.

Claude Meekins, one of our Broadmead fitness instructors, leads cardio-drumming groups in the Broadmead Fitness Center and in the upper levels of care.

Check the Broadmead Calendar of Events for the specific days and times to join Claude and his faithful followers.

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PULLING TOGETHER

Who Moves You?

By Katy Taylor

The men and women of Broadmead have long been known for humbly volunteering. It's time, however, for the physical prowess and organizing abilities of Barry French and his team of senior movers to receive their due.

After family members have compiled their donation list, Barry rounds up his strong senior men and occasionally women movers by sending out an email that includes what will be moved and when it needs to be moved. Sometimes he includes pictures of the items.

The job itself requires lifting and carrying, but Barry teaches safety first. For example, larger pieces have to be put on rollers and rolled to the door. When loading carts, Barry directs the organization in the style of a game of Tetris. The movers turn things upside down, pile things on top of one another, disassemble and reassemble furniture or other large objects, and finally, tie the loads down with bungee cords. Retrieving the loads can be more difficult from some areas than others. One type of cluster home in particular has very narrow egress due to a hallway right inside the front door, making it difficult to maneuver some pieces through. In some cases, Barry will use a car to help move more fragile items or small items that are hard to stabilize on a cart.

After loading the carts, the crews then push and/or pull them, often uphill on very hot or very cold days, to the Community Center Barn Sale hallway. It can take several trips, so Barry takes into consideration the distance the team has to travel and stays away from high elevation changes.

Barry gives credit to Tom Boytim, who was previously in charge of collecting, repairing, and selling furniture for the Barn Sale. Barry says his mentor taught him very well. He learned how to arrange a load with minimal lifting and how to control its weight. He also stopped collecting very heavy pieces, such as stuffed couches or chairs, and items hard to sell, such as beds, mattresses, or boxsprings.

Barry is proud to lead a great group of volunteer senior movers, muscle men like Michael Yaggy, Mark Schlenoff, Bill Messner, Steve Siperko, Eric van den Beemt, Ed Papenfuse, Phil Taylor, Bill Hardy, and Bill MacDonald, but says he is always looking for more helpers.

Could you be one?

CULINARY ENHANCEMENTS

Changes are coming to food service areas

By Pat van den Beemt

Residents should soon be seeing construction in the Bistro that aims to improve service.

Beginning in late summer, work in the Bistro will include creating a new grab-and-go section where hungry folks can do just that—grab food that has already been prepared. Seating in the Bistro will also get some attention to make it more inviting as well as more practical.

The Corner Cupboard will also be reconfigured. The new layout will create additional space for merchandise. Residents will be able to use their badges to buy items like coffee, soft drinks, snacks, and other items when the store is not staffed.

Once the Bistro changes are complete and the winter holidays are over, construction and renovations to the Magnolia Room and the Arbor Café will start. The objective is to make the Arbor Café more efficient and improve the overall dining experience there. Changes will be made to the traffic flow and the food service layout, hopefully reducing bottlenecks and wait times. Residents will also have a clearer view of daily menu options.

A new action station will offer freshly prepared items and will have rotating themed selections.

Additional updates include a redesigned tray-return process, eliminating the current tray disposal area in the outer seating section. There will also be new seating.

The Magnolia Room will also undergo changes. The renovated space will feature an expanded cocktail service similar to what is available in the Bistro. This will allow residents to enjoy a cocktail before dinner if they choose. The Magnolia Room will also offer light-fare options as an alternative to the traditional buffet dinner, giving residents additional dining choices.

“The overall goal of these renovations is to create a more modern, efficient, and enjoyable dining experience that complements the quality of our culinary offerings while providing residents with greater variety and convenience,” says Joyce Malone, Broadmead’s VP of Construction and Development. Construction for both the Arbor Café and Magnolia Room is expected to begin after January 1, 2027.

Play Beginner Bocce Ball!

**Tuesdays at 3 p.m. in September and October.
Near the Pickleball Court. No experience needed.**

FOOD FOR THOUGHT



Pepperoni flatbread pizza was on offer at the Arbor Café on August 21. Photo by Alice Cherbonnier.

Pizza, pizza, pizza

By Pat van den Beemt

“Life is not about finding yourself. It’s about finding pizza.”

The author of that quotation would love it here at Broadmead. All three restaurants serve pizza. Chef Jerrell says the Arbor Café serves the equivalent of four whole pizzas six days a week at lunch. Pizza is also served at the higher levels of care every Friday for lunch. The Arbor Café serves pizza on both Sunday and Friday nights, with Friday being the big pizza night. That is when the Arbor Café serves flatbread pizzas. An average of fifty personal-sized flatbread pizzas is consumed by residents each Friday night. The favorite is meat lovers’ pizza, followed by pepperoni. The Bistro also sells about ten pizzas a week, where the choices are cheese or pepperoni.

Pizza was sold in cities like Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Baltimore in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. It was originally called “tomato pie.” But it wasn’t until soldiers returning from World War II craved the pizza they had eaten in Europe that pizza really became popular. Pizza Hut opened in 1958, Little Caesars in 1959, and Domino’s in 1960. Remember—when life gives you lemons, sell them and buy pizza!

Student Support Volunteer Project gears up for school

By Pat van den Beemt

It's Back to School time. Plenty of residents are getting ready to assist Padonia International Elementary School and Cockeysville Middle School students in a variety of ways. Some 500 students attend the elementary school, where the predominant language spoken is Spanish, followed by Dari and Farsi. About eight Broadmead residents volunteer to be classroom assistants, and another two help out in the school library. Fifteen more Broadmead residents work in the school's Cottage, which distributes free supplies to students. Finally, another 10-15 residents assist with the food distribution that takes place at both Padonia and Cockeysville.

Here at the Broadmead campus, residents recently filled donation bins with backpacks, umbrellas and water bottles for the students to receive on their first day of school. In addition, a large number of knitters and crocheters spend their free time creating hats, scarves, and mittens to keep students warm this winter.

In all, about 80 Broadmead residents donate their time, said Sandy Angell, who heads up the all-volunteer committee along with Marion Baker and Cindy Sugatt. This Broadmead trio recently had lunch



(L.-R.): Sandy Angell, Nancy Castellanos, Ashley Harris, Cindy Sugatt, Jennifer Audlin, Jennifer Hernandez. Not pictured: Marion Baker.

in the Arbor Café with Padonia principal Jennifer Hernandez, assistant principal Jennifer Audlin, Nancy Castellanos, CARE liaison (Caregiver Assistance Resource and Engagement), and Ashley Harris, Community School Facilitator.

"Getting support from Broadmead is very special and dear to our hearts," said Jennifer Hernandez. "They give

us comprehensive support and there is deep comfort knowing such support is there."

Jennifer Audlin agreed. "I have never seen a partnership like this anywhere else."

Volunteers are needed for an upcoming Health Fair at the school on Oct. 10. They are needed to register participants, assist with craft projects, paint students' faces and distribute food.

Anyone wishing to volunteer is asked to contact Sandy Angell, Marion Baker, or Cindy Sugatt.



Back row (l.-r.): Broadmead volunteers in this group include Jenny Killgallon (retired Maryvale teacher), Don Killgallon, Bobbie Cook, Beth Wells (Maryvale alumna). Front row (l.-r.): John Burton, Leslie Glickman, Barbara Sindler, Nell Baumiller, Colleen Jordan, Sharon McKinley, Allyn Arnold.

The Maryvale Mentoring Project

Broadmead residents and freshmen from Maryvale Preparatory School recently celebrated the completion of a four-month mentoring partnership. Through monthly meetings, residents shared their experiences, wisdom, and encouragement while helping students grow both personally and academically. Residents interested in becoming a mentor for this year's freshman class can watch for an upcoming announcement in the mailroom or contact Kirsten Oudin for more information. Email: koudin@broadmead.org.



Frog in the Terrace Garden pond on August 2. Photo by Marsha Howes.

Barn Sale Works for All

By Lin Hardy

The Broadmead Barn Sale's volunteer team works year-round for the benefit of all its residents and the community. In addition to the semi-annual sales, we help residents year-round by picking up furniture donations and other items, delivering furniture purchases, and by sorting and pricing regular donations for selling.

If a resident leaves home to move to another care level or departs from campus, or dies and the family must vacate the home, the Barn Sale volunteers can help by removing furniture and items no longer needed that we think can be sold. Through this process, we recycle usable items that family members do not want.

First, a member of the team visits the resident or family as soon as possible to let them know how we can help. They may have plans for all the furniture and miscellany in the unit and not need us at all. Or they may have odds and ends like chairs, pictures, knick-knacks, dishes, glasses, etc. no longer needed. We will pick up those salable items and take them to the Barn Sale Workroom. Then the Old & New Shop manager picks some "treasures," and department volunteers price the other appropriate donations.

Volunteers determine price by checking online to see what an item is and then finding out its value. Then it is priced at about 25-40% of that value. If something doesn't sell, the price may be reduced. There are some real bargains.

The Barn Sale Workroom is open on Thursdays, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. and 2-4 p.m., for donations. Furniture that has already been priced is for sale all the time. One may also buy other items in the hallway and open storeroom at any time. Occasionally, when we have a lot of in-season clothing, we have a "pop-up" sale during Old & New Shop hours.

To use a credit card, one must take the item or bottom half of the price sheet to the Old & New Shop (11 a.m.-3 p.m.) weekdays, get two receipts, and attach one with your name and phone number to the purchased item price sheet, especially if you must leave it for later pickup. If the Old & New Shop is not open, you may pay for your item with check or cash by using the lock box in the hallway by the open store room. Write your name, the item purchased, and the amount on the lock box envelope, tuck your cash or check and the sales slip in the envelope, and drop them in the lock box. If your item is small, take it with you. If you must come back for it, or have it delivered on campus, please put your name and phone number on the top of the price sheet.



A cart full of memories goes to the Barn Sale hallway on the lower level of Broadmead Center. Photo by Katy Taylor.

In the past year, the Barn Sale volunteer team have assisted over sixty residents or families with furniture and item moves, providing saleable items for two Barn Sales a year. It's safe to say, the Barn Sale is a service for all Broadmead residents as well as for the community at large.



Ruby Spider daylilies. Photo taken on June 15 by Sam McClintock.

"Broadmead Paints" show

While strolling through the clusters, you may wonder what is going on behind closed doors. In many cases, it might be...PAINTING!

Thanks to Marion Baker, who led the charge, some of these resident painters agreed to display their works during August and September. They can be viewed along the OPD hallway. The painters include: Jeanette Anders, Marion Baker, Gerry Ballek, Val Bigelow, Ana Maria Colwill, Charlie Cruse, Doug Fambrough, Lynn Jones, Barbara Kajdi, Becky Kennedy, Joyce Lister, Jackie Mintz, Judy Sweeney, Katy Taylor, Richard Truelove, and Jerry Winkelstein.



Left: "Dancing," by Becky Kennedy. Oil on canvas.

Below: "Purple Barn," by Jerry Winkelstein. Watercolor on paper.



Above: "Kitty in a Tree," by Val Bigelow. Oil on canvas.



"Fence: Prince Edward Island," by Richard Truelove. Acrylic on paper.

Cruisin' Through the Golden Years

By Ross Jones

"See the USA in your Chevrolet." Remember listening to that iconic Dinah Shore advertising jingle back in the day? Chevy is still putting cars and trucks on the road but there are just five of them here at Broadmead (Camaro, Cruze, Equinox, Malibu and Trax) out of a total of 322 vehicles registered on campus.

A recent survey, compiled with the generous assistance of Lisa Berres, Transportation Supervisor, indicates that while 27 different brands of automobiles can be seen at Broadmead, three are residents' favorites: Toyota (81); Subaru (61); and Honda (52).



Barry French in his 1976 MG Midget. He has owned this car for 50 years. Photo courtesy Barry French.

the 61 Broadmead Subaru owners, 23 drive the Forester model, with the Outback and the Crosstrek models just behind.

While most residents lean toward what one might describe as conservative auto purchases, at least two among us have joined the largest group of American vehicle owners—those who bought Ford F-150 trucks. Some 828,832 Ford F-150 models were sold in the United States last year. More than 12 million light trucks were sold last year in contrast to 2.4 million traditional passenger cars.

Emphasizing the wide variety of cars residents have chosen to own, here is a list of other vehicles registered here and their numbers:

Acura, 8; Audi, 8; BMW, 5; Buick, 3; Cadillac, 2; Chrysler, 1; Dodge, 1; Ford, 8; GMC Acadia, 1; Hyundai, 8; Infiniti, 1; Jaguar, 1; Jeep, 5; Kia, 7; Lexus, 11; Lincoln, 3; Mazda, 8; Mercedes, 3; MG, 1; Mini Cooper, 1; Nissan, 4; Tesla, 4; Volvo, 12; VW, 11.



Roger and Linda Michel's self-driving Tesla, one of two on campus. The other is owned by Eric and Pat van den Beemt.

Remembering Gabriele Bruck (1912-1998)

By Ed Papenfuse, Chair of the BRA Archives Committee

Gabriele Bruck came to live in K-12 at Broadmead in 1983, serving for a time as volunteer office manager for the Broadmead Residents Association. In 1989 she moved to A-12, where she was cluster representative to the Broadmead Residents Association board. In 1992, after a short stay in Hallowell, she began a plan to leave much of her wealth at death for the benefit of residents living in the continuing care facilities in Broadmead Center. In 1997 she moved to Hallowell 227 permanently.

When Gabriele's will was probated it was learned that she had left an estate worth almost \$5,000,000. She bequeathed specific items, including a large family portrait to a relative, \$100,000 to the Unitarian Church, and numerous items of value to the Walters Art Gallery [now Museum], but most importantly she gave \$3,632,068.39 to the "Broadmead Special Needs Fund of Lifetime Care Center of Baltimore [Broadmead]."

In 1995, when she was in the process of working with her lawyer to make this bequest, she wrote Dr. Thomas Crawford, Broadmead's medical director, explaining what she intended the "Special Needs Fund" to be.

Dear Dr. Crawford: *It seems that some people think that the "Special Needs Fund" is for medical extras. Actually it is meant for anything whatsoever that brings physical or emotional assistance without and beyond being a necessity. I hope that you can spread the word for its "luxury" character.*

At the time of her bequest and in the years since, little was known about who Gabriele was before she came to Broadmead and how she came to have such a fortune to leave for the benefit of Broadmead residents in what today is familiarly referred to as 'upstairs' in the Broadmead Center.

When she arrived at Broadmead, the *Voice* published a brief notice in "New Residents":

Bruck, Gabriele (Mrs. Eric C. R.) K-12

Coming from Frankfurt - Milan - London - Richmond, Va. - Baltimore, Md., now seeking to make port in Broadmead. Her field of study has

been political science and economics, her last occupation, teacher of foreign languages. Her retirement and recreational interests are in music, the arts, [and] literature.

Subsequent issues of the *Voice* did not add more to her background, although it did publish an article by Fran Beasley in 2007 describing the work of the Special Needs Fund, which featured an image of Gabriele from the BRA Archives.

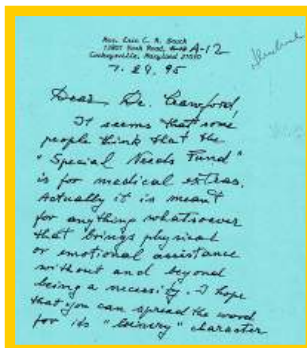
Minutes of the BRA Health Committee and other scattered references to her in the archives suggest that Gabriele was hired as a physical therapist and then taught foreign languages in the Baltimore City School system, once she had gotten her master's degree from Johns Hopkins and met the qualifications to teach French and German.

Gabriele Bruck arrived in New York in the Spring of 1940 aboard the *Caledonia*, which was crowded with Jewish refugees from Nazi Germany by way of London and Glasgow, their port of departure. She and her husband Eric disembarked with few possessions and \$40 in his pocket. They moved from New York to Richmond, Virginia, where by 1943 Eric was a sales clerk. They moved again to Baltimore, where by 1947 Eric was a sales clerk for Bond Clothes and Gabrielle was hired by the Baltimore City Schools as a physical therapist at PS 301. She remained there until the mid-1960s, when she qualified to be a teacher of foreign languages at Eastern High School.

As soon as she was appointed as a physical therapist at PS 301, where her first patients were public school children suffering from the after-effects of polio, she and Eric placed a down payment on a modest house at 4112 Belle Avenue in Baltimore City, where they lived until Eric died in 1966.



Above: Gabriele Bruck. Below: Gabriele Bruck's expressed wishes for her bequest. From the Broadmead Archives.



How We Spent

Welcoming New Residents

June: (Clockwise from right) Turner and Judy Smith (foreground) were greeted by Jane Elkinton and Jai Dixon. Tina Rives shares a laugh with Jeanette Anders; Herb Goldman says "Aloha!" to Tom Sparks.



Rescuing a snake

July: Diana Jacquot (right) discovered a beneficial snake near the pickleball court and released it in the meadow.



Appreciating the relocation of a portable toilet



August: With Holly House construction nearly completed, the bright green portable toilet was finally hauled away, greatly improving the view for York Building residents. Photo by Mar-nie Pilachowski.

Attending the Broadmead Chorus concert



June: The Broadmead Chorus summer concert's theme was weather; singers dressed according to their songs. Here, in foreground, l.-r.: Peter Babcox, Ed Hirschmann and Nelson Hyman in winter caps as they sang "Let It Snow." Photo by Katy Taylor.

Playing Pickleball



August: (l.-r.) Wendy McIver, instructor Paul Kelly, Nancy Gilpin, Frank Berger, Ron Harman, Sam McClintock, Kayla Suchocki, Ken Strubler, Robin Tate. Photo by Jobe Martin.

Eating from a bucket at the Clam Bake



July: (l.-r.) Susan Elinsky, Pam Zavitz, two visitors, Gene Swackhamer, Sharon Swackhamer, and Emil Elinsky were among the many residents who enjoyed cracking clams. Photo by Katy Taylor.

Our Summer!

Tasting Wine



July: Enzo Fargione (r.), Director of Dining & Hospitality, serves (l.-r.) Susan Farnandis and Happy Brooks at the wine-tasting on July 22. Photo by Pat van den Beemt.

Getting new door locks in the clusters

August: Shawn Sims (r.) and a helper install a new lock in C cluster. Instead of using keys, cluster residents now use swipe cards to open their doors. These cards do double duty as name tags. Another installation gradually taking place all summer; cottage by cottage: new HVAC systems. Photo by Phil Taylor.



Avoiding falling trees

August: Fallen tree in Cluster MN parking lot. Heavy rains were thought to be a factor. Photo by Bobbie Cook.



Enjoying the Farmers' Market



July: Yvonne Lev (foreground) and Renate Meise look over vegetables at the Broadmead Farmers Market on July 22. Photo by Pat van den Beemt.

Let's get outside!

By Katy Taylor

With the weather soon to become chilly, it's a great idea for those of any age to have some outdoor spots to go for a quick celebration or a day out! Here are some popular choices:

NCR Trail: Whether it's a short walk or a longer bike ride, the Northern Central Railroad Trail (known as the NCR Trail) covers 20 miles of natural scenery in Baltimore County, from Ashland Rd., north to the Mason-Dixon line, as well as another 20 miles into Pennsylvania. If you prefer to begin your walk after a leisurely drive north on York Road, simply drive to one of the several stops on the trail map. It's worth the exploration.

Weber's Cider Mill Farm: Located in Parkville, at 2526 Proctor Lane, Weber's is open year-round. The market sells fresh fruit and vegetables. Plan to visit the bakery, gift shop, and/or take the kids for some barnyard fun, including animals, hayrides, and play structures. Weber's Farm also holds seasonal festivals, such as the Fall Harvest Days. Mondays are Senior Citizen Discount Days.

Ladew Topiary Gardens: A favorite time to visit Ladew is during the carved-pumpkins display in October. Located on a historic estate site, Ladew features over 22 acres and 100 topiary sculptures. It's called "the most outstanding topiary garden" by the Garden Club of America. Other diversions include a nature walk, house tours, the Butterfly House, and 15 themed garden rooms, featuring ponds, fountains, and unique designs. The gift shop is amazing. Located at 3535 Jarrettsville Pike, in Monkton. Tickets range from \$22 to free for children under 2. Members are also free.



Nature is all around us at Broadmead, even in surprising places. While dining in the Holly Terrace on June 22, a movement on the Holly House porch caught John Mueller's eye. He quickly captured this image of a placid evening muncher.

How bees make honey

By Lynne Shue

September is National Honey Month, so now's the perfect time to learn how honey is made. It all starts while the worker bees are busy foraging for nectar, the sugary liquid produced by flowers that is about 80 percent water and 20 percent sugar. Bees suck the nectar from the center of the flower through a hollow tongue called a "proboscis" that acts sort of like a straw. As the bees collect the nectar, they store it in a special organ called a "honey stomach." Bees can gather their own body weight in nectar on every trip away from the hive. As they return to the hive with their sweet treasure, enzymes in the honey stomach begin to break down the nectar into simpler sugars.

While collecting nectar, the bees also transfer pollen from flower to flower, so that the flowers are fertilized to create seeds and fruit. The bees also take some of the pollen back to the hive in small structures on the sides of their back legs called "pollen baskets." Pollen provides the protein needed in the bees' diet, while honey serves as a carbohydrate.

Once back at the hive, the bees repeatedly pass the nectar from mouth to mouth to further break down the complex sugars in the nectar. Then they deposit the liquid into the hexagonal wax cells of the honeycomb and fan it with their wings to evaporate some of the moisture in the nectar, which thickens it. Once the liquid is the right consistency, the bees cap each cell of the honeycomb to store it for later. Turning nectar into honey preserves it indefinitely.

Bees need at least 50 pounds of honey to feed the hive throughout the season, plus extra honey to survive during the winter when flowers with nectar are not available. Broadmead's beekeepers harvest the surplus honey for the residents to enjoy. It is estimated that it takes two million bee visits back and forth from the flowers to the hive to produce one pound of honey, so we should appreciate all the work the bees do to produce honey for themselves and to share it with us.

KNOW YOUR TREES

Pause for a pawpaw

By Lynne Shue

Pawpaws have been around for a long time. George Washington enjoyed eating them, and Thomas Jefferson grew them on his estate. Even Lewis and Clark ate pawpaws on their expeditions. In fact, pawpaws are the most numerous native fruit-bearing tree in North America! We even have some growing right here along the Pawpaw Trail at Broadmead.

Pawpaws are understory trees that grow from 15 to 30 feet tall. They produce purple flowers during the spring in April and May, fruit from late August into early October, and yellow leaves in autumn. The green fruit is about the size of an avocado and has yellowish-orange flesh with a sweet, tropical custard

flavor similar to the taste of a banana or ripe mango. Interestingly, two different variations of the pawpaw tree are required for cross-pollination to produce fruit.

Humans like pawpaws in ice cream, breads, and even cocktails. Foxes, opossums, raccoons, and squirrels also like to eat pawpaws, but not deer! Deer don't like them because of the chemicals in the bark and foliage. This is part of the reason pawpaw trees have become the most common sapling in national parks in eastern, southern, and midwestern states. In addition, the foliage of the pawpaw tree is the exclusive host plant for the larvae of the

beautiful zebra swallowtails we see fluttering around Broadmead.

Unfortunately, pawpaw fruit bruises easily and does not ship well, so you will not see it in large grocery stores. However, if you want to know more about this fruit or sample it for yourself, you might want to check out one of the nearby pawpaw festivals held in September. The closest option for Broadmead residents is the Premiere Parkton Peterson Pawpaw Picking Party Fest, held at the Fieldstone Nursery in Parkton on Saturday, September 12, from 10:00 am to 4:30 pm. Another option is the Pawpaw Fest at the Long Creek Homestead in Frederick, which is also held on September 12 from 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm. If you are unable to attend one of the events, York County, PA, has a pawpaw festival on September 20, at the Horn Farm Center. Broom's Bloom, in Harford County, holds a Pawpaw Celebration on September 27 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm, with pawpaw ice cream, as well as whole fruit by the pound, jam, and seedlings for planting. However, if you are considering attending one of these pawpaw festivals, check online first, as most of them require tickets purchased ahead of time.



A pawpaw fruit.
Photo by Jack Shue.

CAMPUS NEWS

Holly House update

It is so, so close to being finished, but Holly House isn't quite ready to open its doors to residents. Work was delayed while waiting for materials to cover the roofs in the rear of the house and the front porch. Now, county and state folks need to inspect the building before giving it their approval. Once inspectors from both Baltimore County and the Maryland Historical Trust give their okays, it'll be time to move in furniture, which has been refinished and reupholstered, as well as carpeting, paintings, and other furnishings, back into the house. Plans are being made for residents to be able to rent the facility for parties or meetings beginning on or about October 1. Jaime Stup, senior executive assistant to CEO Jay Prince, will handle those reservations. Look for more details in the October issue of the *Voice*.

—Pat van den Beemt

– In Memoriam –

Gabriella Youngblood

May 26, 1936 - June 27, 2026

David Harley

June 22, 1944 – June 28, 2026

Sharon McKinley

August 28, 1954 - July 1, 2026

Mary Ellen Satterlie

January 7, 1930 – July 3, 2026

Jacqueline Flournoy

November 4, 1926 – July 5, 2026

Hazel Griffith

October 28, 1928 – July 14, 2026

Alan Chisolm

January 6, 1937 – July 19, 2026

Violet Saxe

May 29, 1938 – July 29, 2026



Saving the Monarchs

By Lynne Shue

Did you know that, thanks to Geri Schlenhoff, Broadmead is a registered monarch butterfly waystation? Geri is our resident “monarch guardian” and has taken a special interest

in trying to improve the plight of the monarchs. Populations have decreased dramatically since the 1990s due to widespread destruction of milkweed—the monarch caterpillars’ primary food source—and changes in climate that have disrupted the butterflies’ breeding habits and long-distance migration patterns. According to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the eastern monarch population has dropped 88%, from about 383 million to less than 45 million, since 1996. Similarly, the western population, overwintering in California, has decreased by 99%, from 4.5 million to just 1,914 monarchs, over that same period. No wonder Geri is worried about these beautiful butterflies!

Monarch butterflies fly thousands of miles each year from Canada and the United States to just a few sites in the mountains of Mexico and coastal California, and Geri wants to ensure that this miraculous feat of nature continues. Each year, she collects monarch caterpillars and places them in the safety of her butterfly enclosure to feast on the milkweed she grows in her garden. The caterpillars are voracious eaters, so Geri has her hands full supplying them with fresh milkweed every day for about two weeks, until they’re ready to spin a chrysalis and transform into butterflies. She knows when a caterpillar is about to enter this next stage because it attaches itself to a milkweed leaf and hangs upside down in a “J” shape. About two weeks later, the butterfly emerges from its chrysalis. Adult monarchs typically live two to six weeks, growing and laying eggs to start the cycle again.

Monarchs can produce several generations over the summer before a special “super generation” is born in late summer or early fall. The super generation can live six to nine months — long enough to migrate and return in the spring to start the process all over again.

Geri even got our former horticulturist, Julia Craddock, in on the act, hiring landscapers to plant large areas of swamp milkweed and bee balm for butterflies and pollinators at Broadmead. The landscapers planted an area between the aviary and spring house to create an appealing pollinator habitat. In just one season, the plants have flourished and attracted many different kinds of bees, as well as butterflies. Geri then helped Julia register Broadmead as a monarch waystation, cementing our commitment to encouraging butterflies and other pollinators to make Broadmead their summer home.



Top: Newly hatched male monarch butterfly (two black spots mean male). Photo by Katie Taylor. **Center:** Three stages of the pupa’s transformation within the chrysalis are shown. From left to right are a newly formed green chrysalis, a dark chrysalis ready to be hatched with a monarch butterfly, and an empty chrysalis after the

monarch butterfly has emerged. Photo taken by Lynne Shue in Geri Schlenhoff’s monarch butterfly waystation in her back garden. **At left:** A Monarch caterpillar found on Butterfly Weed in the York Building’s front garden. Photo by Marsha Howes.



NEW RESIDENT PROFILE

Beth Albright

G-5, 443-578-8484, bethalbright@verizon.net, May 21

Text and photo by Kathleen Truelove

Beth Albright was born in New Jersey and grew up in Newark, Delaware. She grew up in a community with lots of children, unlike her husband. After high school, Beth entered the University of Delaware and graduated in 1970 with a BA in psychology and a minor in sociology.

After graduating from college, Beth moved to Baltimore and started her career at the Baltimore City Department of Social Services. Then she went on to graduate school at the University of Maryland while working part time, and graduated with a master's in social work in 1980. While working for the city, Beth gained experience in foster care cases, single-parent services for pregnant teens, and child abuse cases. During this time period, childhood sexual abuse cases became her area of expertise.



Beth Albright.

In 1982, Beth met David on a blind date. The couple married two years later and lived in Charles Village. Then, in 1990, they moved to their home in Guilford.

Later, Beth was the supervisor in the Sexual Abuse Treatment Center in Carroll County. During the last five years of her career, Beth went into private practice with another therapist in Anne Arundel County, until retiring in 2007.

After she and David were both retired, they began the process of downsizing by moving to a large condominium in Lakehurst. Then, ten years later, they downsized even further when they moved to Broadmead.

During her retirement, Beth has enjoyed gardening and landscaping for herself and her neighbors, and has already started to help with landscaping the center area of her cluster. Beth also loves decorating everything from wall hangings to walking sticks with her fun, whimsical style of painting, in addition to creating art with beading and mosaics. Like David, Beth likes reading and birdwatching in her new backyard.

Have a question about what to do with your trash, recycling, and compost? Pick up the colorful handouts titled "Broadmead Recycles" and "Compost" in the mailroom.

NOTICES



Risk/Safety Good Catch Program Initiative

For any resident who has ever tripped over an uneven sidewalk, struggled to walk through an area at night where a light is out, or seen a leak creating an icy patch, this message is for you. Just use the camera on your cell phone to scan the QR code on one of the Risk Management signs scattered throughout the Broadmead campus in such places as laundry rooms, elevators, and trash rooms. Scanning the code (shown above) automatically connects you to a link that allows you to report an issue so that a proper work order can be filled out for the repair. Another tool in the toolbox to keep everyone safe!

Volunteer opportunities: Support other residents who live in our skilled-care neighborhoods. Contact Kirsten Oudin, Volunteer Program Coordinator, at koudin@broadmead.org or 443-578-8089.

TECH TIP

DEAD PHONE BUT NO CHARGER? Yikes! Get a small plug-in charger for purse, pocket, car, to charge it wherever you are. Available online. —Don Killgallon

CAMPUS NEWS



Each month the winning team of the Trivia competition receives a cute little Easter egg cup masquerading as a trophy.

Trivia Nights aren't Trivial

By Lynne Shue

The first Trivia Night in February was such a resounding success that the players begged for more. As a result, what was intended as a one-time event has become a monthly favorite.

During the summer, Trivia Nights were held on Thursday nights to avoid conflicting with other Broadmead activities, but starting in the fall, Trivia Night will be held on Tuesdays at the beginning of each month. The next Trivia Night is on Tuesday, September 8 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fireplace Room.

The Broadmead residents on the winning team of the most recent Trivia Night in August were Marion Baker, Polly Roberts, Kathleen Truelove, and Eric van den Beemt. It's anyone's guess as to who will be on the winning team in the fall.

NEW RESIDENT PROFILE

David Albright

G-5, 443-578-8484, davidalbright@verizon.net, May 21

Text and photo by Kathleen Truelove

David Albright led an idyllic life growing up with his family on his grandfather's farm in Randallstown. His grandfather grew hay and vegetables on 30 acres, as well as raising chickens, pigs, and cattle. Although there were not many children around, David has fond memories of throwing



David Albright.

his baseball up on the roof of the barn to practice playing catch and of rooting through the day-old donuts his uncle brought to feed the pigs looking for a donut that wasn't too stale for a boy to eat. All that practice with a baseball on the farm stood David in good stead as he grew up, because he continued to play baseball all through school.

After high school, David attended Virginia Tech in a five-year program for architecture. In his fifth year, David was chosen to work at Virginia Tech's Community Design Center in Portsmouth, Virginia. There he provided planning and design assistance for neighborhood

projects in Portsmouth.

When he graduated, David joined VISTA and became involved in short-term community-based urban architectural planning. After VISTA, David got his architectural license and worked for Baltimore's Economic Development Corporation, trying to attract new businesses to Baltimore. During his career, David started his own architectural business to work with row house renovations in Baltimore City, as well as working for Johns Hopkins' Dome Corporation to manage development of the land Hopkins had purchased from Baltimore City Hospitals. Later David used his architectural experience to provide financial analysis for Struever Brothers, which was renovating historic older vacant buildings in South Baltimore's Tide Point. Toward the end of his career, David was involved with redevelopment of the Allied Chemical site on the Baltimore harbor.

Now that David is retired, he spends his free time reading, exercising, swimming, and birdwatching. He also has an interest in art appreciation and was a docent for the Walters Art Museum. In the past, he and Beth have traveled to many interesting places, but now they plan to live a quieter lifestyle at Broadmead.

NEW RESIDENT PROFILE

Jo Blankenburg

K-5, 443-680-7368, bburg.jo@gmail.com, June 30

Text and photo by Alice Cherbonnier

Catonsville native Jo Blankenburg has enjoyed a life intertwined with reading and books. After graduating from Catonsville High School, she earned a B.A. at St. John's College, a bastion for studying the Great Books curriculum.

Jo was a manager for Waldenbooks for 17 years and then managed the Loyola College Bookstore. "It was taxing," she recalls. "At the start of every semester I worked 16 hours a day for three weeks straight." Quitting in 1999, she stumbled into her calling



Jo Blankenburg.

as a public librarian in Baltimore County. While working, she earned a master's degree in library science from Clarion University in Pennsylvania. "I liked being a public face in a public institution," she says. She worked at seven branches, retiring in 2021 from BCPL, her favorite being the Cockeysville branch.

Jo met her late husband, Gary, in high school, where he taught literature and creative writing. Friends for years, they became a couple when she was 25, and he had a young son from a prior marriage. For 32 years, they lived in "a very needy house" on York Road in Sparks, where they enjoyed gardening and collecting

vintage pop culture items. Gary died in 2020, shortly before his son also died.

Jo's mother, Marjorie Plitt, was a Broadmead resident, so the campus was already familiar when Jo put her name on the waitlist and joined the wellness program. When she was offered K-5, its view of trees won her heart. Now a minimalist, she has retained just four book series: Nancy Drew, Anne of Green Gables, her grandmother's "Little Colonel" series, and Jane Austen.

Besides reading 12 to 15 books a month, Jo enjoys hiking, patchwork, and pumping iron.

As the youngest of four, with no nieces or nephews, Jo enjoys traveling to visit her siblings, who live, respectively, in Asheville, Delaware, and near Santa Fe. She is very close to her 10-year-old step-granddaughter, Aria, whose home is near the Ridgebrook campus.

CAMPUS NEWS

Broadmead MaCCRA Sponsors Candidates Forum on September 16

By Anne Perkins

The 2026 General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 3. Broadmead MaCCRA has invited eight local candidates to a Candidates Forum to be held in the Broadmead Auditorium at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, September 16. Those elected in November will serve for four years.

The following candidates have been invited:

Baltimore County Executive:

Julian Jones (D)

Patrick Dyer (R)

Baltimore County Council–District 5:

Shawn McIntosh (D)

Nino Mangione (R)

State Senate–District 42:

Stephanie Popescu (D)

Kevin Ford (R)

House of Delegates–District 42A:

Jyoti Mohan (D)

Kevin Ford (R)

So far, McIntosh, Popescu and Mohan have accepted the invitation, and MaCCRA expects to hear from the others soon.

It should be noted that Sarah David, who is running for Baltimore County States Attorney, won the Democratic Primary in June and is unopposed in the General Election. She will be the MaCCRA speaker at Broadmead on October 21.

The Forum program will allow each candidate to speak for a few minutes and then answer questions from residents.

If you have a question you would like to ask a candidate, please email it to Anne Perkins at annep315@gmail.com.

Broadmead Chorus

Welcome to residents and friends who find joy in the experience of singing with others.

Participate in weekly rehearsals and 2-3 concerts/year.

Auditions NOT required.

Attending weekly rehearsals and learning our music IS the Gift we give AND receive!

Contact: Hillary Barry hlbpcb@gmail.com or call 443-578-8336

Broadmead Stitchers

Bring your stitching project: to share ideas, chat, and have fun!

Tuesday afternoons from 1:30-3:00

Arts and Ceramics Studio

Classics Book Group

September 21: *The Volcano Lover*
(Susan Sontag)

October 19: *A Room with a View*
(E.M. Forster)

Fireplace Room

Contact: John Mattingly:
johnbosco360@gmail.com

First Monday Book Group

Fireplace Room 10:30 a.m.

Greater Barn Sale

Friday, October 23 (10-3)

& Saturday October 24 (10-12)

Donations accepted Thursdays

10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. and 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Except during the week before the sale!

HearHere

Meetings on fourth Fridays of the month at 1:30 p.m. in the Seminar Room.

Contact Janet Raffetto at
jdraff@comcast.net or 410-952-9540.

NEW RESIDENT PROFILE

Helene Clapperton

R-2, 410-236-8871, hclapperton@comcast.net, June 11

Text and photo by Kathleen Truelove

At 88, Helene Clapperton sees no reason to retire. She enjoys working two days a week at Irresistibles, a ladies' clothing store in Kenilworth, a job she applied for while trying to qualify for unemployment benefits. She had lost her previous job at Craft Concepts in Green Spring Station when it closed. To her surprise, Irresistibles found Helene irresistible.



Helene Clapperton.

Born Helene Cloutier in Lewiston, Maine, she grew up there, then attended the University of Maine, earning a BA in chemistry and biology. She began work in a hospital laboratory in Lewiston while her husband, Gilbert, was finishing his bachelor's degree at Bates College there. After his master's, it was on to Baylor University for his PhD. By then, they had a son, Scott. In Waco, Helene did lab work for McLennan County.

When Gilbert was offered an internship at Spring Grove State Hospital—the second-oldest continuously operating psychiatric hospital in the United States—the family moved to Maryland. They expected to stay just for that internship, but Gilbert got a job teaching psychology at Loyola College, and Maryland became their forever home. Helene taught science at Marley Junior High School, but with the birth of a second son, John, she stayed home. The family moved to Tally Ho Road in Lutherville, where they lived for 43 years. After Gilbert died about 15 years ago, Helene moved north to a condo in Mays Chapel, where she lived until moving still farther north to Broadmead.

While her children were young, Helene took night classes in painting at MICA, then switched to pottery classes at Antioch College's Columbia, Maryland, campus. She eventually had to give up pottery because of back problems, but a friend from the group wanted to open a craft store in Lutherville. Helene worked there part-time for 30 years, until it closed.

Helene's hobby is gardening. She has a community vegetable plot this year at Oregon Ridge, but anticipates having one closer to home next season, and planting a garden around her cottage. She was a board member of the Horticultural Society of Maryland and was treasurer of the Rawlings Conservatory in Druid Hill Park.

NEW RESIDENT PROFILE

Dorothea Stierhoff

L-7, 443-902-5046, dstierhoff@verizon.net, May 15

Text and photo by Jackie Mintz

Although Dorothea Stierhoff moved to Broadmead just three months ago, she already has deep roots here. She joins a growing group of “legacies,” second- or even third-generation Broadmeaders, the children of former residents who have chosen Broadmead for themselves. By coincidence, her late parents, Kitty and Hugh Stierhoff, lived in Cluster D, near the entrance to the fire lane, while Dorothea’s new garden home is at the far end of that same lane.



Dorothea Stierhoff.

Dorothea moves to Broadmead from Coldspring Newtown, the planned community in Baltimore City designed by Moshe Safdie, where she lived for 37 years. Born and raised in Baltimore’s Ruxton neighborhood, she attended Roland Park Country School and then American University, from which she graduated with a degree in fine arts.

Dorothea spent much of her professional career in marketing, primarily in the nonprofit and banking sectors. She began in the communications department of Baltimore County and later worked for the International District Heating and Cooling Association and the Washington-Baltimore Regional Association. She went on to hold marketing positions with several banks, including Bank of Baltimore, Signet, Allfirst, and MECU. Along the way she obtained degrees in management and public relations.

Dorothea’s work included community outreach, public relations for new programs and promotions, organizing special events and government conferences, and editing a quarterly magazine. She particularly enjoyed helping banks become more involved in the communities they served.

Dorothea brought that community spirit to her volunteer work as well. She served on the board of the Village Learning Place, as well as on boards connected with housing programs such as the Maryland Bankers Community Reinvestment Group. Dorothea also participated in the Preakness Celebration, helping to organize community events surrounding the race, including a race especially for young children.

After four decades in marketing and the corporate world, Dorothea is looking forward to returning to two longtime interests: painting and gardening. She is looking forward to taking advantage of the various art classes at Broadmead.

Jewish Heritage Group

Join in the celebration of the
Jewish New Year
Monday, September 14
7:00 - 9:00 p.m. • Bistro
Contact: Nadine Wobus:
nrnwobus@gmail.com

Moving Around Broadmead

Sue Baker, E-6 to Hallowell 220
Carroll Celentano, C-5 to Taylor 325
Herb Clark, N-8 to Tubman 207
Ed Hirschmann, L-10 to Darlington 202
Betsy Master, D-8 to Hallowell 202
Alma Smith, Taylor 321 to Tubman 206

Musical Performances

Jacqueline Schwab, Pianist
Sunday, September 20
3:00 p.m. • Auditorium

The Charmers, Trio
Wednesday, September 23
7:00 – 9:00 p.m. • Auditorium

Play Bridge

DUPLICATE GAMES

Mondays - Fireplace Room, 1:30-4:00 p.m.
Questions: Contact Sumner Clarren
(phone: 301-648-8855)

RUBBER BRIDGE GAMES

Wednesdays - Fireplace Room
Lessons with Sumner Clarren at 12:30 p.m.
Open Bridge 1:15-3:00 p.m.
Questions: Contact Sumner Clarren
(phone: 301-648-8855)

Quaker Meetings at Broadmead

Sundays 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.
Fireplace Room
—All residents invited—

Site4Sight Meetings

Second Wednesday of each month
10:00 a.m. • Fireplace Room

Socrates Café

Tuesday September 15
10:30-12:00

Short video: "Aristotle: Is friendship indeed a basic human need? How have I experienced it to be so?"

Sponsored by the Towson Unitarian
Universalist Church
—Open to all—

Always Confirm Dates & Times

Check flyers in the mail room or see
"This Week at Broadmead" for details.

Resident Email Lists

(for current residents only)

To join the Broadmead resident email list:
contact brabroadmead@gmail.com.

Be sure your notice is in the Voice

Contact Leslie Glickman (lblickman@verizon.net) with contributions for boxed notices in the *Voice* and/or to make changes to existing notices.

Visit Broadmead's Archives

Interested in the history of Broadmead and its residents? Search the Archives at the following link: <https://archive.org/details/voice-of-the-residents>.

To find specific information, use the "search text contents" option on the site.

PET PROFILES

Ninny and Jinx Jones settle into K Cluster

Text by Jackie Mintz; photographs by Judy Jones and Jackie Mintz

Ninny and Jinx, who moved to Broadmead with Judy Jones in December, are siblings. Born in April 2014, they could hardly be more different in appearance or personality.

As a tiny kitten, Ninny was afraid of everything—hence her name. She eventually overcame much of her timidity, and since coming to

Broadmead, she has become more sociable and has a better appetite. She also stands up for herself. Jinx used to bully her and steal her snacks; now, when he tries, she bats him away.

A beautiful long-haired tortoiseshell with symmetrical facial markings, Ninny is friendly and appreciative of human attention—especially attention of the brushing kind. Judy has a red rubber grooming glove covered with small nodules. The mere sight of it causes Ninny to rise from a half-asleep state to instant alertness, and then to charge across the room to be brushed.

Ninny's brother, Jinx—a.k.a. Booby—is an enormous tomcat the color of caramel. He is a noisy conversationalist who follows Judy from room to room, telling her whatever is on his mind—although that usually amounts to either "Pet me NOW" or "I need more food." Since moving here, he has gained three pounds, bringing him to just under



Ninny Jones.



Jinx, a.k.a. Booby Jones.

twenty pounds and making him very difficult to pick up.

Jinx once loved being outdoors. His daily routine would take him through the neighborhood, where he would visit the homes of friends and neighbors, and then head down to the pool at the end of the street to look for frogs. Somewhat to Judy's surprise—and to her great relief—he does not seem to miss these excursions. After a difficult transition—Jinx is a strict adherent to routine—he is now well settled in his new home and seems quite content.

SEPTEMBER MOVIES AT BROADMEAD

Saturdays & Tuesdays • Auditorium • 7:00 p.m.



Tuesday, Sept. 1: After Life

(Amazon rental, Criterion Channel) The recently deceased find themselves in a limbo realm where they must select a single memory from their life to be recreated on film that they can take into the next world. Directed by Hirokazu Koreeda ("Shoplifters"). 1999 • Fantasy • 2 hr



Saturday, Sept. 5: The Sheep Detectives

(Amazon Prime) The film follows a flock of sheep who try to solve the murder of their shepherd. With Hugh Jackman and a herd of A-list actors voicing the sheep. 2026 • Mystery/Comedy • PG • 1 hr 49 min



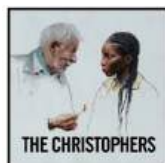
Tuesday, Sept. 8: Project Hail Mary

(Amazon Prime and rental) A science teacher wakes up alone on a spaceship. As his memory returns, he uncovers a mission to stop a mysterious substance killing Earth's sun. With Ryan Gosling, Sandra Hüller. 2026 • Sci-fi • PG-13 • 2 hr 36 min



Saturday, Sept. 12: Late Shift

(Amazon rental) Twenty-four hours in the life of a nurse on the late shift in an understaffed hospital in Switzerland. Stars Leonie Benesch. In German, with English subtitles. 2025 • Drama • 1 hr 32 min



Saturday, Sept. 19: The Christophers

(Amazon rental) A well-known British painter in the 1990s completed two series of paintings called "The Christophers"; a third series remained unfinished. His children hire a young artist to pose as his assistant and secretly finish the paintings so that they can be sold. Directed by Steven Soderbergh; with Ian McKellen, Michaela Coel. 2025 • Black comedy • R • 1 hr 40 min



Tuesday, Sept. 22: Woman at War

(Kanopy, Amazon rental) Halla, a choir conductor and eco-activist, plans to disrupt the operations of an aluminum plant in the Icelandic highlands by damaging electricity pylons and wires to cut their power supply. She is also trying to adopt a child. With Halldóra Geirharðsdóttir. English subtitles. 2018 • Drama • 1 hr 41 min



Saturday, Sept. 26: Good Night, and Good Luck

(Amazon rental) The film portrays the conflict between veteran journalist Edward R. Murrow (David Strathairn) and U.S. Senator Joseph McCarthy over a report on the TV program "See It Now." Directed by George Clooney, who also plays Fred Friendly. 2005 • Historical drama • PG • 1 hr 33 min

"Phantom of the Opera"

Wed., Sept. 2 • 3 p.m. • Auditorium

From his hideout beneath a 19th century Paris opera house, the brooding Phantom schemes to get closer to vocalist Christine Daaé. The Phantom enacts a plan to keep Christine by his side, while Raoul tries to foil the scheme. *Run Time: 2hrs 20 min*



Questions? Contact Don Killgallon at dkillgall@gmail.com or 410-804-7446.

Audiovisual volunteers needed! Training provided.

Contact MJ Schroeder, AV coordinator, at mjschroeder13801@gmail.com.

FALL EVENT SERIES

Coming Broadmead Arts Council Conversations

Join with a representative of the Broadmead Arts Council Education Committee for a conversation about selected works in the “Expanded View” exhibition now hanging in the Gallery Hall. Each conversation begins at 11 a.m. and will last about 30 minutes. All conversations are held in the back of the auditorium. Following are the conversations for September:

Wed., Sept. 2: “Veil” and “House and Tool Wall,” both by Matt Klos; **Wed., Sept. 9:** “Balance of Sequence” by Christine Neill; “Balance” by Jack Robbins; **Wed., Sept. 16:** “Cardboard Box and Sewing Machine” and “Still Life with Bowls,” both by Mark Karnes; **Wed, Sept. 23.:** “Turtle Shell, Sea Shell” and “Polish Pottery and Clamp,” both by Edmund Praybe. *Questions? Contact Marsha Howes at marshadhowes@gmail.com.*

“I’m Right–You’re Wrong” classes in September

A four-part class called “I’m Right—You’re Wrong” will be held at 1 p.m. in the Fireplace Room on the four Fridays in September. Led by resident Libby Loafman, the intent of this series is to provide a safe place for participants of varying viewpoints to move away from stereotypes and preconceived assumptions. *To register, email Libby Loafmann at 4eastinn@gmail.com*

“Writing Memoir” class starts October 6

“Writing Memoir,” a six-session class led by resident Judy Jones, will meet at 4:00 p.m. in the Fireplace Room on October 6, 13, 20, 27 and November 3 and 17. Enroll only if you can attend all sessions. *Contact Judy Jones at Jufrye@yahoo.com or 410-382-8500.*

BIRDING AT BROADMEAD



Chipping sparrow. Photo courtesy of the Maryland Biodiversity Project.

The Chipping sparrow

By Debbie Terry

This double-brooded sparrow loves Broadmead’s neighborhood, with its short grass, scattered trees, and shrubs. Its bright reddish (“rufous”) cap makes adult males fairly easy to identify. “Chippies,” as they are sometimes called, get their name from their loud, trilling song.

Chipping sparrows are the most widespread variety in Maryland. They eat many kinds of seeds and will visit feeders featuring sunflower seeds, as well as mixed seeds on the ground. Chippies are crisp and pretty, and look for them now. From September to the end of November, they will migrate south and not return until next spring.

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