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TODAY'S NEWSMAKERS

JASON LYNCH

Jason Lynch, a student from Millersville, finished a recent six-week summer internship program at NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt. The Space Club Scholars program helps students learn about aerospace-related careers. Each student received a \$1,000 stipend to help with transportation and meals.

LEE COCKERELL

Lee Cockerell, a former Walt Disney World executive, talked about the importance of lifelong learning during keynote addresses at two recent Strayer University commencement ceremonies. Cockerell, who heads Lee Cockerell LLC, a leadership and consulting company, retired as executive vice president of operations for the Walt Disney World Resort in Lake Buena Vista, Fla., after a 42-year career in the hospitality and entertainment businesses.

CYNTHIA GRIGGS FLEMING

Cynthia Griggs Fleming, professor of history at the University of Tennessee and author of "In the Shadow of Selma," will speak at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Symposium on Sept. 22 at Anne Arundel Community College. The event will take place at the Pascal Center for Performing Arts on the college's Arnold campus, 101 College Parkway. For more information, call 410-777-7095 or visit aacc.edu.

Residents call for crackdown on violence after slaying

By Mike Silvestri
and Josh Kowalkowski
Examiner Staff Writers

Harford County law enforcement can do more to curb violence, said residents in the Edgewood neighborhood where a man was killed this weekend.

"It's a regular thing," said Earl Braun, who was grooming his dogs when he heard the gunfire. "Either there's somebody getting beat up across the street ... it's like they get beat up, there's all kinds of violence out here."

The Saturday slaying of Samuel David Horne, 25, of Grempler Way, was the second homicide in Harford this year.

Horne was shot on the 1800 block of Brookside Drive, the same location as a slaying the previous year, said the Harford County Sheriff's Office.

On Sunday, residents, who did not provide their names for fear of being targeted, wanted plainclothes police officers to sit with them and see what residents see every day. They also said young adults and children should have curfews.

Other residents said they may move to escape the violence.

One resident said she doesn't let her four children play outside and often goes to parks in Havre de Grace or Pennsylvania.

Another resident said a lot of people usually hang out in the evenings around the area where Horne was killed.

The Sheriff's Department said it does not have any suspects but is looking for four to five men who ran from the scene. On Sunday, police were on the scene with metal detectors looking for gun casings.

The Harford Crime Solvers is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to an arrest. Anyone with information is asked to call 410-836-5430.

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BEST IN SHOW



BRUSHING ROYALTY

Princess, a Persian dilute calico, is groomed by owner Christine Watts, of Willow Grove, Pa., in the benching area Sunday of the 28th Annual Hidden Peak Cat Show in Timonium. - Kristine Buls/Examiner

O'Malley to endorse Dixon today

Police union: Mayor must need vote boost from governor

By Luke Broadwater
Examiner Staff Writer

Gov. Martin O'Malley will endorse interim Baltimore Mayor Sheila Dixon today — signaling a divide between big-name politicians, who support Dixon, and law enforcement officials, who back her chief challenger, City Councilman Keiffer Mitchell.

Former U.S. Rep. Kweisi Mfume also is set to endorse Dixon at 11 this morning at the War Memorial Plaza across from City Hall.

"Dixon was a very good lieutenant for O'Malley while City Council president when he was mayor," Morgan State political science professor C. Vernon Gray said.

"I think voters will see it as a good thing. O'Malley received a

great majority of the African-American vote in past campaigns."

Mitchell says Baltimore's public safety agencies support him, including the unions of the police department, sheriff's office and fire department. Attorney General Doug Gansler also has endorsed Mitchell.

"If public safety is what citizens are worried about, does it not send a message that police, firefighters and sheriff's deputies are all lining up against the mayor?" Baltimore police union president Paul Blair asked.

Dixon must have internal polling that shows her lead over Mitchell is dwindling, Blair said. A July Baltimore Sun poll gave her a 3-to-1 lead over Mitchell.

"She's tried so hard for so long to distance herself from O'Malley, and now she wants him to support her?" Blair asked. "She's doing this because her numbers have dropped. If she believed she could win on her own, she would not have turned to the governor."

ON THE NET

Sheila Dixon's campaign site:
sheiladixon.com
Keiffer Mitchell's campaign site:
keiffermitchell.com

Dixon's campaign manager, Martha McKenna, said Mitchell is misleading voters about his support from Baltimore City police through erroneous campaign ads. The union supports Mitchell, not the whole department, McKenna said.

O'Malley's support is expected to carry more weight with voters than the unions' endorsements, Gray said.

"O'Malley has a proven voting constituency," Gray said. "Union endorsements mean something if they translate into dollars and volunteers. Keiffer will need that, because at this point, he's fighting an uphill battle."

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THE 3-MINUTE INTERVIEW

Dr. Craig Vander Kolk

Plastic surgery is entertainment. From reality television to celebrity gossip tabloids, the good, bad and ugly results of plastic surgery are changing the way people think about their appearance.

Certified by the American Board of Plastic Surgery, Dr. Craig A. Vander Kolk received his medical degree in 1980 from the University of Michigan School of Medicine, and completed his residencies in general surgery and plastic and reconstructive surgery at the University of Michigan Medical Center.

He now practices at Mercy Medical Center in Baltimore.

Are there patients you would refuse to operate on or try to talk down?

The key to any operation is not only the technique that you use, your training and your equipment, but what the person actually is looking for and the expectations of the patient.

If they're not happy with the results, you haven't really accomplished anything.

The way I look at it, I'm trying to help someone get somewhere in life that they won't actually get to without surgery.

What is the most common procedure?

For people in their 20s and 30s, it's breast augmentation, liposuction and tummy tucks.

For those in their 40s to 60s, it's eye lifts, face lifts and neck lifts.

Does the popularity of shows like "Nip/Tuck" and "Extreme Makeover" create demand or unrealistic expectations?

When they were true reality shows, that actually showed people what to expect and what could happen, it was a good thing.

When they gloss over the downside, then it's just a show about glamour, not about real human beings. - Karl B. Hille

