

LIFE & TIMES

of Marylanders

BRIDAL PATHS



Congratulations to **Nathan Charles Wheatley** and event rider **Erin Michelle Reilly** who were married on May 15.



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Congratulations to **Bobby Boyd** and former *Equiery* intern **Hannah Rosenberg** who were married on May 8 at the Howard County Conservancy.

COMINGS & GOINGS

Maryland will miss long-time *Equiery* distributor the **Thurmont Feed Store**, which originally opened as the Thurmont Cooperative in 1935. The store closed its doors one last time on March 20, 2021. Originally a farmers cooperative, shareholders sold the store in 2007 to the Hoke Mills and it became the Thurmont Feed Store.

Maryland bids a fond farewell to **Patrick** and **Kathleen Flynn**, who have moved to North Carolina. The Flynns were long time supporters of Seneca Valley Pony Club and the SVPC Horse Trials, as well as of their son Matt's eventing career.

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MARYLAND WILL MISS...

Dorothy "Dot" Cecelia Hogarty Rowland, who died on April 14 at the age of 95. Rowland was an art teacher, golfer, artist and horsewoman. She bred the Trakehner stallion Special Memories (son of open jumper champion Abdullah), who was a half brother of Touch of Class. Touch of Class was also bred on the Rowland's farm in Upperco. Special Memories competed at the international levels of show jumping and was part of the Nations Cup Team for the US at the Toronto Royal Fair, and he was awarded several champion open jumper awards by the American Trakehner Association.

Rowland was born in Pikesville and taught herself to ride at the family farm using cows and mules. She was gifted a weanling Chincoteague pony named Bambi. They became an inseparable pair, competing at many local horse shows. Bambi lived into his 40s and helped teach generations of Hogarty children how to ride. Rowland passed her love of horses on to her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Both of her daughters, Jacqueline and Jennifer, became successful amateur and professional riders, trainers, and breeders.

As a teen, Rowland volunteered at the Baltimore County Humane Society where she cared

for many shelter animals, and brought many home! After graduating from Forest Park High School, Rowland earned a Bachelors Degree in Fine Arts, and a Master of Arts in Art Education from the Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA). For over twenty years, she served as an art teacher in public elementary schools across Baltimore and Carroll County. She exhibited her artwork throughout her life, and at 92 years of age, she had an art exhibition of watercolor paintings at the Carroll County Hampstead Administration Building.

In 2017, Rowland was inducted into the MICA Master Guild to honor alumni creative life endeavors and achievements fifty years after their graduation.

Jonas Cash, long-time record-promotion executive and horse breeder died on April 14 at the age of 81. Cash was from Columbia and founded the influential radio programming competition AIR in the Baltimore-Washington area in 1983. The competition for radio programmers was divided into five musical genres and tested new songs' potential. He also started Billboard Airplay Monitor, with partner Alan

Smith, in 1993, as a publication covering Top 40 and other chart topping music. Billboard Airplay Monitor spun out into four different magazines that would be leading sources for hit music information. Cash also owned a few racehorses, which were often kept at his farm in Howard County.

Meredith Page Etchison of Lexington, KY, died on May 7 at the age of 64. She grew up in Frederick and loved horseback riding and art.



Meredith Page Etchison

Etchison attended Thomas Johnson High School before graduating from Hood College in 1979. She started her career at the Maryland Horse and Maryland Horse Breeders Association as a graphic artist and photographer. In 1983, she moved to Lexington, KY, to work for Fasig-Tipton in their advertising and marketing departments. While in Kentucky, Etchison opened a flower shop called Etchison Co. as well as a landscaping company called Ladybug etc.