

He won't 'Let It Be'

Beatle McCartney in legal fight with Sony over getting back rights to his old songs. 10A

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Judge calls for hearing on consent decree

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The federal judge who would give final approval to the consent decree between the Justice Department and Baltimore city has asked lawyers and officials on both sides, including Mayor Catherine Pugh, to appear before him Tuesday to address "multiple issues" about the agreement.

U.S. District Judge James K. Bredar, in a letter sent Wednesday, laid out six general issues he would like addressed, including the total cost for implementing the consent decree. The judge "wishes to confer... on the record" with Pugh as to how the city is preparing to pay for the stillto-be-determined cost of the agreement, according to the letter, and whether the proposed language in the decree is adequate.

Bredar, while noting the court

date is not the "public hearing" the parties requested in seeking approval of the consent decree, also asked for the "process and format" the parties recommend he follow in holding the public hearing or hearings.

In the letter, Bredar calls many of

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MAXIMILIAN FRANZ

nce a shining star in an affluent suburban community, Owings Mills Mall is now well on its way to being demolished, its remains sorted into scrap by work crews as seen Thursday. When the mall opened in 1986 it was home to high-end stores like Saks Fifth Avenue, but a steady decline over the past 30 years has forced its owners, New York-based Kimco Realty, to wipe the slate clean. Kimco plans to redeveloo the site into an open-air shopping center.

Hogan unveils ethics, redistricting reform plans

Governor points to loopholes, says redistricting should be nonpartisan process

By BRYAN P. SEARS

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ANNAPOLIS — Gov. Larry Hogan Thursday announced a set of proposed measures he said would reform state government in the wake of a number of recent criminal and ethics investigations of state and local officials.

The four-bill package includes legislation to overhaul state ethics and lobbying laws and to place new restrictions on lobbying for lawmakers, former lawmakers and executive branch employees. Also included is a bill, previously introduced, that would create an independent redistricting commission as well as nearly \$2 million that would

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Gov. Larry Hogan displayed his four-bill package while standing at the base of the steps of the State House Thursday.

Measure seeks to end mandates on mass transit farebox recovery

Advocates say current rule prevents more investments into transportation

By Adam Bednar

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Activists backing robust public transportation argue that a mandate for the Maryland Transit Administration to recover 35 percent of its operating costs from fares and other revenues distorts the evaluation of the system's efficiency.

Democratic state legislators in both chambers of the General Assembly on Thursday proposed legislation repealing the requirement. Instead reports to legislative committee's assessing the state's public transportation system would focus on performance metrics, such as efficiency, reliability and access to service.

"The intent behind the farebox recov-

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■ The state comptroller will have more power to crack down on tax fraud and identify theft under proposed legislation. **9A**

Legislative committees Thursday were briefed on the implementation of last year's Justice Reinvestment Act. 10A

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Members of the Fortego LLC team pose with their prize-winning entry as the "Judges Favorite" at the second annual Stars, Stripes & Chow event.

STARS, STRIPES & CHOW RAISES \$52K FOR THE BALTIMORE STATION

PHOTOS BY JENNIFER CASEY PHOTOGRAPHY

he Baltimore Station hosted its second annual Stars, Stripes & Chow event Nov. 12 at Gameday Warehouse in Baltimore. Presented by Venable LLP Foundation, the event raised more than \$52,000 to support The Baltimore Station, a therapeutic residential treatment program for veterans and others in recovery from homelossness

Hundreds of attendees joined honorary chair Richard Gorelick, a former restaurant critic with the Baltimore Sun, at the event which featured food by Mission BBQ, drinks from City Limits, music by the Klassix, a kid's zone, a prize wheel, a 50/50 raffle and a visit from the Oriole Bird.

Teams from The Baltimore
Station, Praxis Engineering, PriceModern, Fortego,
Prosync and Varen Technologies prepared their best dishes
to compete for the Judge's Favorite Award (won by Fortego
LLC and chosen by a panel of
celebrity judges); the People's
Choice Award (won by The
Baltimore Station); and Best
Decorated Booth, which was
selected by event attendees.

The Baltimore Station helps homeless men — primarily veterans — bound by drug and alcohol addiction break the cycle of poverty and become self-sufficient members of society.

Sponsors included RK&K, M&T Bank, WBFF-TV, Arris, A Design Studio, Alban CAT, Connor, PNC Bank, SC&H Group, Bozzuto, JLL, Sinclair Broadcast Group, Fuchs North America, Kelly & Associates, Corporate Office Properties Trust, Total Health Management, Tuxedo Pharmacy, Modu Tech, Nelson, Jim and Sheila Barry, Jay and Sandra Erbe, Mike and Christine Myers, Ebony Hypolite, Cushman & Wakefield, K. Lechleiter, Architect, The Arnold Consulting Group and Schneider Electric.

Raleigh Erbe and his wife, Suzi Erbe, had a fun time at the second annual Stars, Stripes & Chow event with their children Eliya, Penelope and Brycen.



From left, Steve Groff, Valerie Groff, Natalie Woomer and Harold Woomer attended the second annual Stars, Stripes & Chow event.



From left, Debra SeBour, Lou Kousouris and Chad SeBour were in attendance at the second annual Stars, Stripes & Chow event.