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— NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT —

Editor's Saddlebag

By Josh Pons

It's the 1930s. You've just been handed the reins of the *Maryland Horse*, an idea really, not yet the famous trade magazine it would become. You work for an association of visionaries who see the need to promote horse breeding in Maryland, but the association cannot afford office space, so you work out of your home at 10 Dixie Drive in Towson. You scribble notes and quotes and stuff them into a file drawer in your desk. Literary gestation is occurring. Birth takes place when the drawer overflows. You spank your notes into sentences for your column, the "Editor's Saddlebag." *The Maryland Horse* magazine is born in your house.

Think, though, if you lived now, Mr. Humphrey S. Finney, in the spring of 2015?

What would you put in your Editor's Saddlebag, Finney? Let's set the scene: You work in a cramped office space leased in a building adjacent to a car dealership in a busy Baltimore suburb, detached from any connection to the horse community.

At lunchtime, you listen to public radio, and today, you jot down the name of a University of Maryland professor you hear on the Dan Rodricks Show. She is not speaking about the huge economic impact of the upcoming Preakness race; rather, she speaks about race relations in a torn city. You make a note to interview her for the magazine, to ask her how the horse community could become integrated with the youth of Baltimore City, home to Pimlico, home to the Preakness.

You would ask for her help in creating internships on horse farms that could lead to scholarships at colleges that offer equine courses.

You would show her a photo from 50 years ago of Maryland Horse Breeders Association secretary Betty Miller leading a class of young city students on a Pied Piper journey around a beautiful farm, cupola of a barn as a backdrop, introducing a world of possibilities, opening a door to a life off the streets.

Into your Editor's Saddlebag would fall example essays on the fresh efforts of the Timonium Fair board, heretofore under-appreciative of its lessee, the Fasig-Tipton Company, a loyal stalwart providing a sales market through lean times in the Mid-Atlantic.

You check your notes from a year ago, when several high-priced 2-year-olds at last spring's sale pushed open their screw-eye-riddled door latches and wandered the blacktop hard by York Road. You cite that as a tipping point. What if Kentucky Derby starters Dortmund, a \$140,000 purchase, or Materiality, a \$400,000 purchase, had met with post-sale disaster while still on the grounds? You would congratulate new Timonium president Andy Cashman for hiring a crew of Amish carpenters to replace the shopworn woodwork of the old barns.

Oh, and you'd travel happily to the handful of breeding farms who've soldiered on to reach the present-day resurgence of breeding in the state. Up and up in the past three years are numbers of mares bred, foals delivered, stallions at stud. One farm alone will deliver more than 100 Maryland-bred foals this spring.

Then you would reflect how plans for a riding ring to benefit Maryland's shell-shocked veterans could be a battleground of self-interest. Your notes would test your literary craftsmanship, and still not capture the confusion.

And so you'd drop the matter, and write instead about the brand-new wagering facility inside the Horseshoe Casino in downtown Baltimore, a new OTB, the first in a decade, and not some failing retrofitted restaurant, and not named to fail, a la Poor Jimmy's, symbol for an entire network of obsolescent cigarette-butt-strewn parlors.

And at last, you would sit on the concrete floor of a public storage warehouse, and carefully turn the pages of ancient books from the fabulous collection of the Selima Room recently donated to the MHBA by the Prince George's County Library system. The Selima Room

currently houses the turf library of William Woodward, owner of Belair Stud in Bowie, breeder of Triple Crown winners Gallant Fox and Omaha. You would dream of the day when the Maryland Horse Breeders would have

an appropriate space, perhaps even its own building, to promote this sport, to house the Woodward collection, to ensure that future generations of Maryland horse people would know who and what preceded them. You make a note to

write to the National Sporting Library in Middleburg and to the Keeneland Library in Kentucky, to cast about the idea of creating a Triple Crown of equine libraries.

You'd blow the dust off a leather-bound book, and read

of former worlds, filling your mind with knowledge for future columns of the Editor's Saddlebag.

Editor's Note: Thanks for the ideas. Plenty of work to be done, as always, for writers and horse people.



MARYLAND FUND STAKES RECAP



Jim McCue

Brenda's Way



Geisha Stakes

\$75,000-guaranteed, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., registered Maryland-bred fillies and mares, 3 & up. Pimlico, April 18.

B.m., 2010, by Weigelia—Malibu Mystique, by Malibu Moon. Bred by Stephen E. Quick and WynOaks Farm LLC; owned by Big Bertha Stable; trained by Damon R. Dilodovico. Foaled at St. Omer's Farm, Forest Hill, Md.

	Lifetime			earnings
starts	1st	2nd	3rd	
30	8 (1)	4 (1)	6 (2)	\$292,174 (through April 18)

2012: 3rd White Clay Creek S. **2014:** 2nd Geisha S; 3rd Conniver S. **2015:** 1st \$75,000 Geisha S, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ mi., registered Md.-bred fillies and mares, 3 & up, Pimlico, April 18.

The 43rd running of the Geisha Stakes kicked off the stakes action at the 2015 Pimlico spring meet April 18, and Big Bertha Stable's Brenda's Way recorded her first stakes

win, rolling to a front-running 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ -length victory in the \$75,000 stakes for Maryland-bred fillies and mares.

Sent off as second choice in the field of five, Brenda's Way controlled the race from the start through modest fractions, led by daylight at every call and poured it on in the stretch, cruising in to stop the clock in 1:46.78 for the 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ miles. Favorite Eddy Gourmet faded to last.

It was the second consecutive gate-to-wire victory for Brenda's Way a 5-year-old daughter of Weigelia who finished second in the 2014 Geisha.

From 30 career starts, she upped her earnings to \$292,174 with eight wins, four seconds and six thirds.

Among her third-place efforts were the 2012 White Clay Creek and 2014 Conniver Stakes.

Trained by Damon Dilodovico, Brenda's Way was claimed for \$15,000 at Laurel in November 2013. She is one of three foals, all winners, produced by the Maryland-bred mare Malibu Mystique (by Malibu Moon).

Purchased by Stephen Quick for \$10,500 at the 2008 Keeneland November Breeding Stock sale while carrying her first foal, eventual \$107,901-earner Cuban Devil (by Silent Name-Jpn), Malibu Mystique was bred to millionaire Weigelia in 2009, who was standing his first season at WynOaks Farm in Delta, Pa. WynOaks is owned by

Stephen and Susan Quick in partnership with the latter's son, Charles "Chip" Wheeler. Wheeler and his wife, Barbara, manage the farm.

Trainer John Salzman Jr. spent \$7,500 for Brenda's Way at the 2011 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Fall Yearling sale and sent her out for her debut in April 2012 at Pimlico. Her 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ -length victory was even more noteworthy for it was the fourth year in a row that Salzman won the first juvenile race of the season at the Maryland tracks.

In addition, the filly was Weigelia's first winner. Brenda's Way has continued to show her affinity for the Baltimore track, winning three times in six starts, and finishing second in two others.

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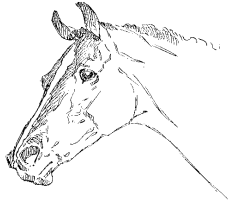
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MARYLAND FOAL REPORT

- A LOVE THEME, by Not For Love, ch.f., April 7, by Plan. Dr. and Mrs. Bruce C. Wells. Mare to Afleet Alex.
- BEAU'S TRIP, by Valley Crossing, ch.f., May 4, by Friesan Fire. Mrs. J.W.Y. Martin Jr. and Country Life Farm.
- CASUAL KISS, by Dehere, b.c., April 16, by Old Fashioned. Thornmar and Tim Keefe. Mare to Buffum.
- COURAGE TO CHANGE, by Two Punch, dk.b./br.c., April 22, by Friesan Fire. Country Life Farm.
- DANCE FOR JAN, by Citidancer, ch.c., April 23, by Freedom Child. Country Life Farm.
- DUCK THE PUNCH, by Two Punch, ch.f., May 4, by Friesan Fire. Mrs. J.W.Y. Martin Jr. and Country Life Farm.
- EXUDING QUALITY, by Elusive Quality, ch.f., February 25, by Wiseman's Ferry. Steven Newby. Mare to Friesan Fire.
- FANCY DIAMOND, by Eastern Echo, b.c., April 12, by First Samurai. Thornmar. Mare to Flashback.
- FOR HUGS, by Not For Love, gr./ro.f., April 18, by Paddy O'Prado. Buckingham Farm.
- FRAN'S SECRETARY, by Clever Secret, ch.c., April 15, by M Eighty. George Swope. Mare to Baltimore Bob.
- GOLDEN DREAMS, by Touch Gold, b.c., April 22, by Tapizar. Dr. and Mrs. Bruce C. Wells. Mare to Shakin It Up.
- GOT HER CHEAP, by First Defence, b.f., March 7, by Cal Nation. Shelley Stoneking. Mare to Despite the Odds.
- I'M UNFORGETTABLE, by Unforgettable Max, b.f., April 11, by Etched. Bonita Farm. Mare to Etched.
- ISABEL HARP, by Mojave Moon, ch.f., April 28, by Showing Up. Bonita Farm and Mike Dalton. Mare to Limehouse.
- JUST SAY GOODBYE, by Not For Love, b.f., April 22, by Quality Road. Thornmar.
- LADY IN ERMINE, by Honour and Glory, dk.b./br.c., April 8, by Line of David. Carol A. Kaye, Jeanne Baker and James Boyce. Mare to Bellamy Road.
- LADY QUICKSTEPPER, by Aldebaran, b.f., February 28, by Girolamo. Richard Lewis and Ellen Comeau.
- LITTLEBITABLING, by Carson City, dk.b./br.c., April 26, by Violence. Angie Moore. Mare to Flat Out.
- LOST TIMBER, by Prime Timber, dk.b./br.f., April 29, by Maclean's Music. Susan H. Wantz. Mare to Super Ninety Nine.
- LOVE ME TWICE, by Not For Love, ch.c., March 15, by Trappe Shot. Carol A. Kaye. Mare to Paddy O'Prado.
- LUCKY BRIDLE, by Unbridled Jet, b.f., March 5, by Cal Nation. Black Fox Farm. Mare to Bullsbay.
- OFFICER CAT, by Officer, b.f., April 19, by Brother Derek. Bradley and Connie Merrell.
- ONEMORETIMEAGAIN, by Love of Money, ch.c., March 4, by Great Notion. Clover Hill Farm Inc. Mare to Tritap.
- P AND B AND J, by Flatter, b.f., April 13, by Cherokee's Boy. Foard Wilgis. Mare to Great Notion.
- PENSY, by Johar, ch.f., April 17, by El Padrino. Dr. James Edwin Bryant and Linda Page Davis.
- PHLOXY, by Alphabet Soup, ch.f., April 6, by Curlin. Susan Granville.
- PROM QUEEN, by Discreet Cat, b.c., April 25, by Freedom Child. Country Life Farm.
- RHYTHMICALLY, by Meadow Monster, b.c., April 3, by Etched. Monica Ryan. Mare to Etched.
- ROSE BROCADE, by Shuailaan, dk.b./br.f., April 25, by Scipion. Helen H. Masek.
- SHESABOPPER, by Bop, b.f., April 18, by Hunt Crossing. Tommy Lee Jones. Mare to Super Ninety Nine.
- SIMPLE SONGS, by Bowman's Band, b.c., May 1, by Fusaichi Pegasus. Dr. and Mrs. Bruce C. Wells.
- SINGING SWORD, by Allen's Prospect, b.f., March 4, by Great Notion. Dr. and Mrs. Bruce C. Wells. Mare to Oriantate.
- TALE OF THE TIGER, by Eye of the Tiger, b.c., March 2, by Cal Nation. Shelley Stoneking. Mare to Plan.



George Adams

Rose Brocade and her daughter by Scipion enjoy a leisurely day at Country Life Farm. Helen Masek is the breeder.



George Adams

Hunt Crossing filly out of the stakes-placed Bop mare Shesabopper stretches her legs at Country Life Farm.



Sabrina Moore

Violence colt out of stakes winner Littlebitabbling strikes a pose.



George Adams

Frisky son of Freedom Child—Two Stars was co-bred by Glennie Martin.

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- Organized racing in North American (Maryland Jockey Club, 1743)
- State Breeders Association (Maryland Horse Breeders Association, 1929)
- Annual Thoroughbred Yearling Show (Maryland Horse Breeders Association, 1932)
- State magazine for horse industry (The Maryland Horse, 1936)
- International race to feature horses from four continents (Washington, D.C. International, Laurel Race Course, 1952)
- Major northern state to pioneer winter racing (Bowie Race Course, 1957)
- State breeder incentive development program (Maryland Fund, 1962)
- Million-dollar, one-day stallion stakes event (Maryland Million, 1986)



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2. Talk Show Man. 97,050	12. Any Court Inastorm . . 69,288
3. Noteworthy Peach. . . . 87,041	13. The Big Beast. 60,800
4. Eddy Gourmet 81,945	14. Candida H. 60,762
5. Brenda's Way 78,345	15. Jitterbug. 57,951
6. Printasticat 75,590	16. Lunar Rock 56,901
7. Fran's Buckaroo 73,857	17. Scip's Sonata. 56,641
8. Sonny Inspired. 72,992	18. Eyeplayeveryday 55,713
9. Grinding Speed 72,000	19. Delaunay. 55,580
10. Bridget's Big Luvy 71,121	20. Lovable Lady 53,118

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Maryland's leading sires

Supplied by The Jockey Club Information Services,
these statistics were compiled on May 5. Lifetime earnings
for stallions with at least one starter in 2015.

Earnings in 2015

	Strs	Starts	Wnrs	Wins	Earnings
Not For Love.	66	184	18	24	\$785,380
Lion Hearted.	60	182	19	27	643,506
Orientate	73	213	26	28	554,252
Great Notion.	34	93	10	11	437,926
Giacomo	52	170	16	19	345,878
Outflanker.	29	92	10	13	328,026
Louis Quatorze.	36	111	12	17	292,633
Petionville	41	128	16	20	290,783
Two Punch	24	93	7	7	277,184
Street Magician.	15	45	4	4	274,968
Scipion	30	94	9	11	256,005
Dance With Ravens . .	44	121	10	13	241,887
Rock Slide	22	68	4	5	217,157
Gators N Bears	23	59	7	8	208,835
Cherokee's Boy.	22	65	8	11	199,827
Go for Gin	7	24	4	5	146,025
M Eighty	5	19	2	4	122,913

Earnings lifetime

	Strs	Starts	Wnrs	Wins	Earnings
Not For Love.	755	16,358	603	2,477	\$68,968,710
Two Punch	933	17,762	719	2,626	54,069,159
Orientate	600	11,345	459	1,687	40,810,457
Petionville	586	12,613	468	1,740	40,699,845
Louis Quatorze.	737	13,641	545	1,817	34,358,868
Waquoit	484	11,409	368	1,519	26,884,080
Outflanker.	392	8,399	298	1,217	26,436,487
Lion Hearted.	461	8,082	344	1,135	25,434,625
Eastern Echo	417	8,678	292	1,129	22,694,313
Go for Gin	319	5,926	210	708	18,517,393
Dance With Ravens . .	241	4,274	167	508	12,684,533
Great Notion.	125	1,813	101	303	8,980,533
Giacomo	197	3,223	129	402	8,875,707
Rock Slide	192	2,955	127	328	8,542,068
Wayne County (Ire) . .	157	3,085	101	348	6,041,394
Mojave Moon	153	3,052	106	334	5,844,224
Seeking Daylight	156	2,484	122	332	5,282,377
Gators N Bears	121	1,611	68	198	5,189,923
Scipion	76	1,213	47	158	3,525,569
Cherokee's Boy.	54	893	34	101	2,761,853
Purple Passion	44	870	27	78	1,531,168

2-year-old earnings lifetime

	Strs	Starts	Wnrs	Wins	Earnings
Not For Love.	340	1,076	130	176	\$6,450,665
Two Punch	449	1,447	164	207	5,686,112
Orientate	335	1,047	126	167	4,709,423
Petionville	349	1,093	114	141	4,474,912
Louis Quatorze.	326	1,006	101	127	3,383,523
Outflanker.	210	860	89	120	3,233,073
Eastern Echo	220	814	74	101	3,059,366
Lion Hearted.	211	689	79	109	2,999,623
Waquoit	204	694	59	84	2,000,531
Giacomo	111	413	34	55	1,498,105
Dance With Ravens . .	125	447	34	42	1,286,390
Great Notion.	45	133	19	29	1,008,136
Go for Gin	162	528	32	39	982,754
Rock Slide	82	266	19	30	949,197
Scipion	40	175	21	27	800,523
Mojave Moon	84	326	25	30	666,532
Cherokee's Boy.	19	77	8	13	573,930
Gators N Bears	51	176	18	21	514,349
Seeking Daylight	57	160	21	21	453,029
Wayne County (Ire) . .	64	220	22	24	412,280