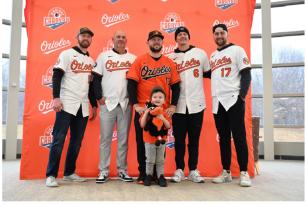


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BIRDLAND CARAVAN



Ken Zurawski, of Arbutus, and his 4-year-old son, Wyatt, pose with with Baltimore Orioles, from left, Jordan Westburg, Brandon Hyde, Ryan Mountcastle and Colton Cowser during the Birdland Caravan event at Harford County Public Library's Abingdon Branch on Friday. **BRIAN KRISTA/ STAFF**



Amanda Creger, of Bel Air , and her sons, James, 7, and Henry, 2, meet with Westburg, Hyde, Mount castle and Cowser .



Stephen Gregson, of Baltimore, and his 18-month-old son, Camden, are seen with Westburg, Hyde, Mountcastle and Cowser.



Celebrating her 17th birthday, Bel Air resident Kylle Shepard poses with Westburg, Hyde, Mountcastle and Cowser.



Baltimore Orioles players, from right, Mountcastle, Westburg and Cowser make their entrance as they arrive for the Birdland Caravan event.



Tyler Maheux, 19, of Fallston, center, poses with with Westburg, Hyde, Mountcastle and Cowser.



Olivia VanHorn of Joppa and her 1-month-old daughter Samantha wait for the start of the Birdland Caravan event .



 $\mathsf{Evan}\,\mathsf{Myers}\,\mathsf{of}\,\mathsf{Aberdeen}\,\mathsf{and}\,\mathsf{stepdaughter}\,\mathsf{Chayse}\,\mathsf{Belnkampen},$ 11, pose with Westburg, Hyde, Mountcastle and Cowser.

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Young Baltimore Orioles fans pose for a group photo with players as the Birdland Caravan event wraps up at Harford County Public Library's Abingdon Branch on Friday. See more photos on Page 12. BRIAN KRISTA/STAFF PHOTOS

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he Baltimore Orioles brought the Birdland Caravan to Harford County Public Library's Abingdon Branch on Friday. Fans were invited to meet Orioles players, coaches, Mr. Splash and the Oriole Bird during the special event, touring across the state this winter.

Meesha Kauffman, of Edgewood, and her canine companion, Bruce Wayne, pose with with BaltImore Orloles, from left, Jordan Westburg, Brandon Hyde, Ryan Mountcastle and Colton Cowser.









Two-year-old Francis Webb, of Rising Sun, looks up at Baltimore Orioles manager Brandon Hyde, left, while joined by players Ryan Mountcastle and Colton Cowser, right.

"I wish they would've spent a little bit more and picked up another pitcher, but I see the potential in the team," lifelong Baltimore fan Kelly Jones said.

Jones, a Catonsville resident, went with her husband, Jason, and their 13-year-old son, Joshua, to a Birdland Caravan event at Guinness Open Gate Brewery in Halethorpe on Thursday. Decked out in Orioles gear, the family and the hundreds of other fans interacted with Orioles players Ryan O'Hearn, Jackson Holliday and others. They took pictures, asked questions during Q&A sessions and sat at the bar as players made them drinks.

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Orioles fan Jason Jones, right, poses at a Birdland Caravan event at Guinness Open Gate Brewery in Halethorpe with his wife, Kelly, and son, Joshua. JACOB CALVIN MEYER/ STAFF



Harford County Public Library executive director Mary Hastler, left, poses as marketing and communications director Leslie Greenly Smith takes a selfie while Baltimore Orioles players meet with fans during the Birdland Caravan event at the Abingdon Branch on Friday. **BRIAN KRISTA/STAFF**