

Preakness Balloon Festival, Turf Valley, Ellicott City, MD Saturday, May 17, 2014*

This is a date change from the original field trip long-range schedule posted on the DPCA web site



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Sign-ups If you plan to participate, please email Chris your name and cell phone number. Indicate whether you are interested in carpooling (as a driver or rider) or whether you will meet the group at Turf Valley. **Email signups are due no later than Wednesday, May 14.**

Cancellation If weather or an insufficient number of participants forces the trip to be cancelled, Chris will notify those signed up by email and post an announcement on the Announcements page within the Forums of the DPCA by 7:30 pm on Friday, May 16. (You must be registered to access Forum postings.) You may also call her.

Please note that even if the weather looks good, the wind may be too strong or its direction may be such that the balloons do not launch. Usually, however, some will at least be inflated and give tethered rides. More information about the event is at [this web site](#). The balloon launch is scheduled for 6:30 a.m. although launches are staggered.

Itinerary

- 5:30 a.m. Carpoolers meet at the rear of the Sears Auto Center at Annapolis Mall. If you carpool, please help the driver with gas money. Parking at the event is free.
- 5:40 a.m. Carpoolers depart for the 35.9-mile, 39-minute drive to Turf Valley, 2700 Turf Valley Road, Ellicott City, MD. Directions and a map are on page 2 and 3 of this document.
- 6:20 a.m. Members meet at the middle of the parking lot along the edge of the balloon launch field.

8:30 a.m. Depart for optional coffee and pastry at [Shilla's Bakery](#), 9339 Baltimore National Pike Unit 3 and 4, Ellicott City, MD 21042. Phone: 410-418-8811. Shilla's is about a 6-minute drive from Turf Valley on Route 40 (see map on page 4). The breakfast site is tentative and will be firmed up when we rendezvous at the balloon launch field.

Showcase Send your best field trip shots to Chris at vpfieldtrips@digitalphotoclub.net by May 31. Use the same sizing guidelines that apply to Club Showcases and Challenges and make sure your name is incorporated into the file name.

Liability *Members and others participating in field trips do so at their own risk. Neither the Photo Club nor its officers or field trip leaders assume any responsibility for members' safety or well-being. By participating on a field trip you accept full responsibility for your safety and wellbeing.*

Drive 35.9 mi, 39 min

○ Sears

1040 Annapolis Mall, Annapolis, MD 21401

✕ Get on US-301 S/US-50 W from Annapolis Mall Rd and Jennifer Rd

0.5 mi / 2 min

✕ Take I-97 N and MD-100 W to US-40 W/Baltimore National Pike in Ellicott City. Take exit 24B from US-29 N

31.0 mi / 31 min

⤴ Continue on US-40 W/Baltimore National Pike. Drive to Turf Valley Rd

4.5 mi / 7 min

⤴ 12. Merge onto US-40 W/Baltimore National Pike

3.9 mi

➡ 13. Turn right onto Turf Valley Rd

📍 Destination will be on the left

0.5 mi

◎ 2700 Turf Valley Rd

Ellicott City, MD 21042

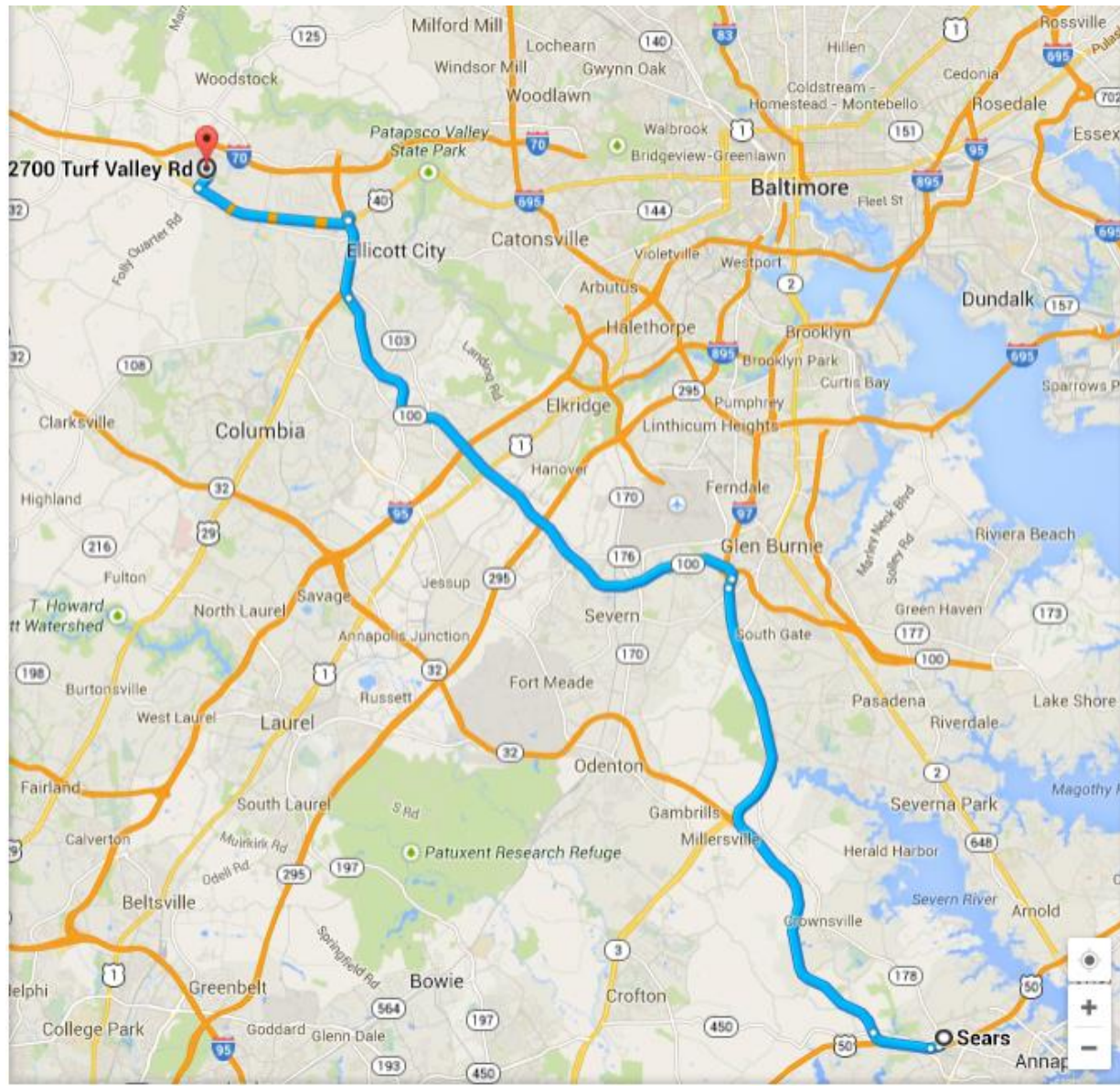


Figure 1 Route from Sears Annapolis Mall to Turf Valley, Ellicott City

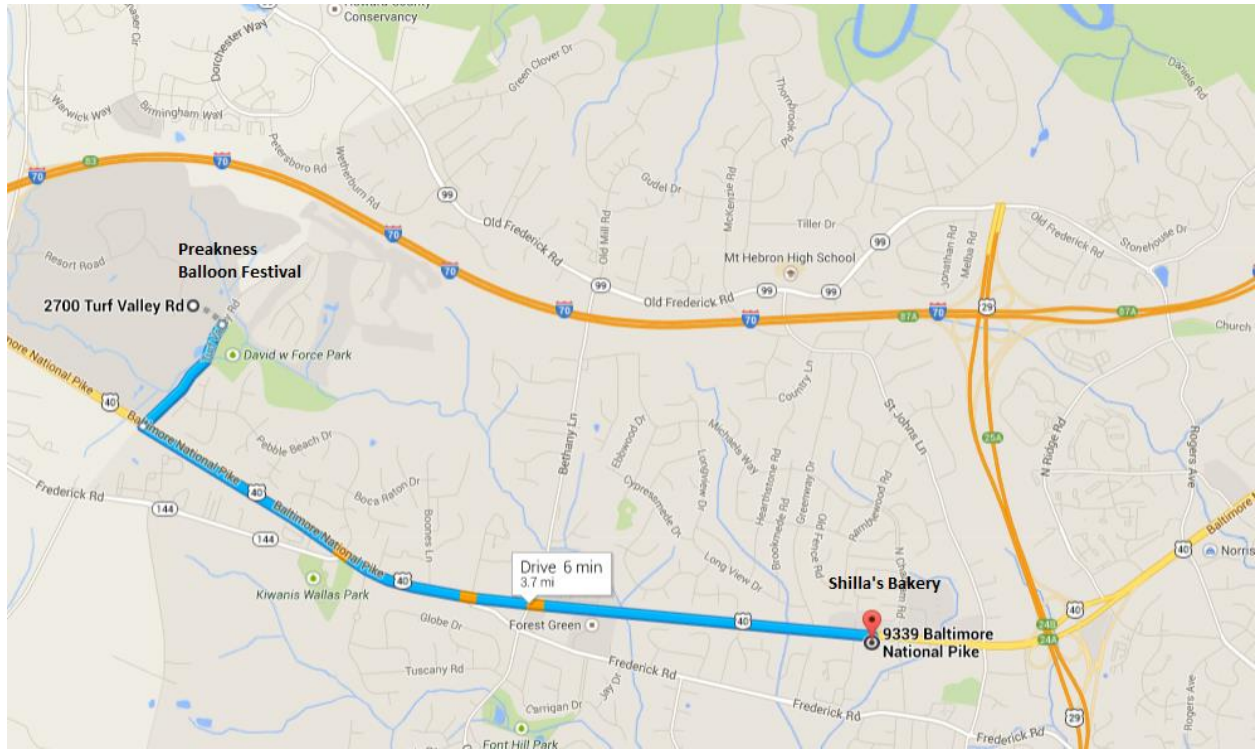


Figure 2 Route from Turf Valley to Shilla's Bakery, Ellicott City (tentative breakfast stop site)