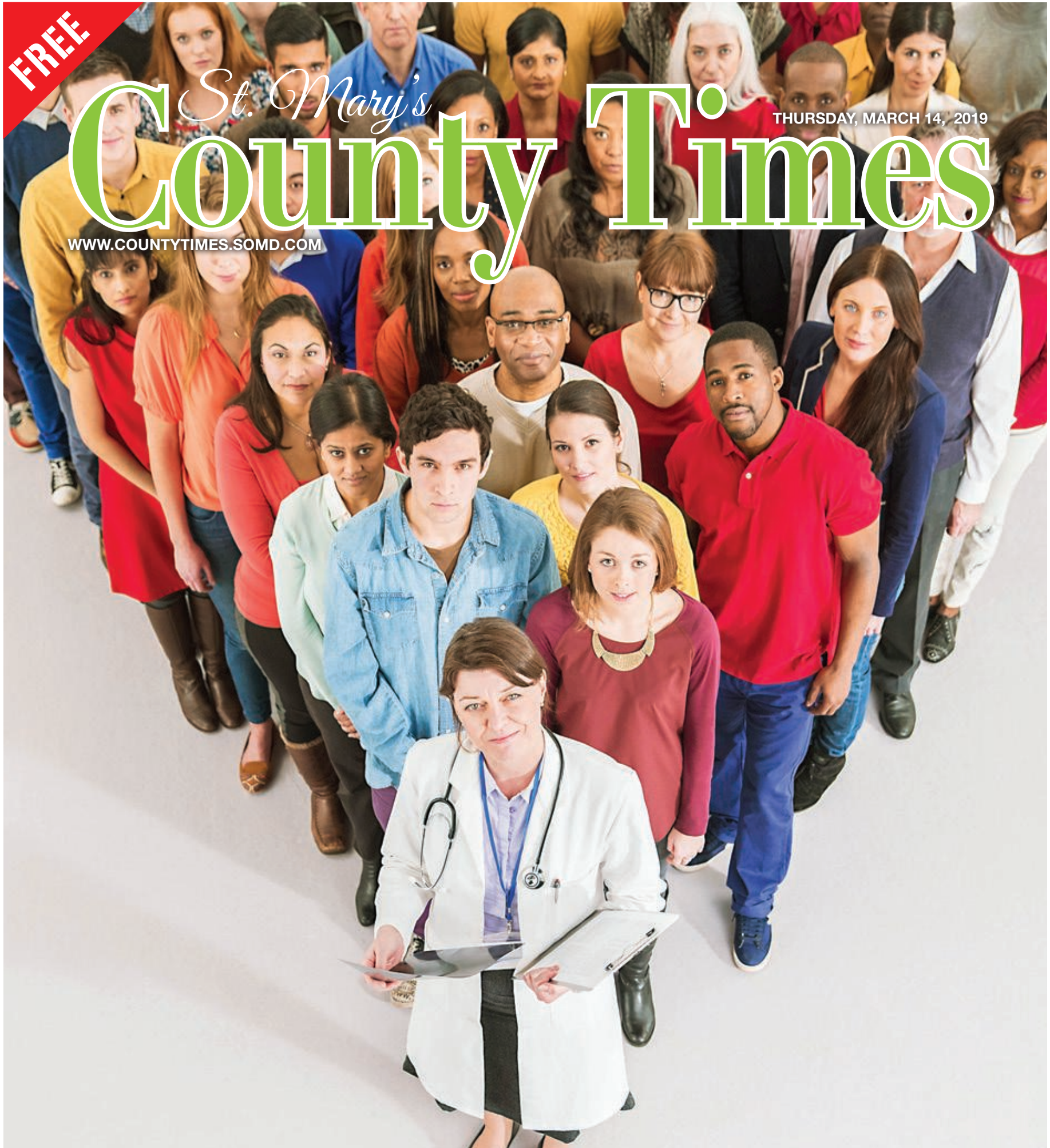


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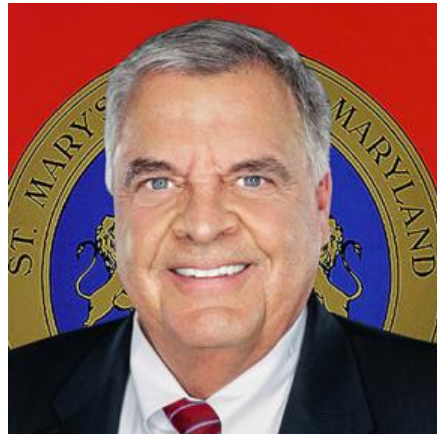
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Commissioners Signal Tax Increases May Be Necessary



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By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

Claiming tight fiscal constraints and burgeoning requests for services; as well as demands to meet increased school funding to fulfill a negotiated agreement with system employees, local elected leaders are saying they may have to raise taxes.

“A tax increase is inevitable in St. Mary’s County,” said Commissioner John O’Connor, who proposed zeroing out the homestead tax credit for this year. “That’s the only way I can see to protect our property owners.

“It’s a safety measure for our homeowners based on the way our budget is going.”

The commissioners meet one hour earlier than normal on Tuesday to conduct their budget work session, in which they agreed to slash from the budget many requested positions in county departments and to streamline positions that were still vacant.

Commissioner Todd Morgan said the budget would not cover all that the community demanded of the county government to provide.

“It does not appear that we have the revenues to pay for the services that the

public expects us to provide,” said Morgan. “We’re struggling... and nobody wants to say we need to raise taxes.”

Morgan said, however, that a “revenue enhancement” could be necessary.

The county’s fiscal 2020 operational budget stands at \$245.7 million.

The county also has about \$1.3 million to put towards funding for non-profit groups that help provide county services but they removed the Unified Committee for African-American Contributions (UCAC) because it scored too low on its application form.

Both Morgan and Commissioner Mike Hewitt continued to support fund-

ing for UCAC but O’Connor and Commissioner President Randy Guy said that the county’s three-year-old system of scoring applications from non-profits should be adhered to.

Commissioners were also concerned with funding an increase in the school system budget, by an extra \$6.7 million, mostly to honor a negotiated agreement for pay of school employees.

O’Connor said the commissioners should fund it because they had already agreed to do so despite the impact on the budget.

The baseline amount the county funded the school system in fiscal 2019 was \$103.8 million; the overall schools budget is \$206 million with state funding added.

With the Kirwan Commission, which has endorsed highly increased levels of funding for schools statewide, bearing down on local jurisdictions, Morgan said he wanted to wait to see what would be required of the county once the legislation enabling Kirwan was passed.

“I don’t believe maintenance of effort [baseline school funding] is the answer today,” Morgan said.

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Commissioners to Decide on Whether to Compete for Regional Ag Center



Land at the Charlotte Hall Convenience Center could be used for a new Regional Agricultural Center.

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

The Commissioners of St. Mary's County are slated to decide next week whether they wish to compete with other Southern Maryland counties for a \$1

million grant to build a Regional Agricultural Center.

The grant comes from the Southern Maryland Agricultural Development Commission (SMADC) and offers an extra \$800,000 to purchase equipment for the facility.

If the commissioners decide to compete against Calvert, Charles, Anne Arundel and Prince George's counties and win, it would bring a long-awaited meat processing facility to St. Mary's that would benefit local livestock producers in bringing their products to market.

Donna Sasscer, agricultural specialist with the county's Department of Economic Development, said the Regional Agricultural Center's (RAC) meat processing facility would provide cutting, wrapping, smoking and curing services for meat producers as well as a sales point for some of those meats.

The facility would also have space for training in meat processing and retail sales of other "value added" farm products such as jams and jellies.

There would be no slaughter of livestock at the RAC, Sasscer said, with much of the meat sales being shifted to a new farmers market to be built on Thompsons Corner Road.

This would replace the farmers market next to the Charlotte Hall Library with a new building similar to the Homegrown

Farmers Market on Route 235 in Lexington Park, Sasscer said.

If the county competes for and wins the grant, the facility would be located on land where the Charlotte Hall convenience center currently operates; Lettie Marshal Dent Elementary School would also be close to the facility.

The construction of the RAC would fall to the county's Department of Public Works and Transportation; public works chief John Deatrick talked about the potential project Monday before the planning commission.

The project is part of the county's capital construction budget plan.

"Public works will build it," Deatrick told The County Times Wednesday.

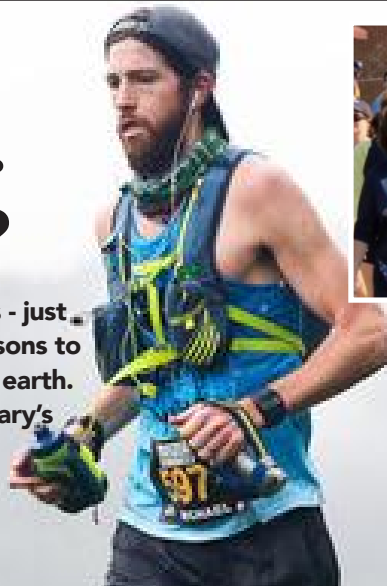
Sasscer said a slaughter house in the local Amish community that is working through being certified by the U.S. Department of Agriculture could give St. Mary's an edge in the competition.

"We're hoping this will give us a strong advantage," Sasscer said.

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What'll Be Next to Relocated Ford Dealer? Large Buildings Slated, Tenants Unknown

By Dick Myers
Editor

The St. Mary's County Planning Commission has approved a revised concept site plan for the new location of Lexington Park Ford on Three Notch Road (Route 235) next to the San Souci Plaza shopping center.

The revision to the original site plan approved by the planning commission in 2015 moves the 45,648-square-foot proposed building 115 feet to the east of its originally approved location. That did draw considerable discussion. But what really piqued the planners' curiosity were the additional two new large buildings now proposed for the 26.4-acre site.

Lexington Park Ford is owned by Kody Holdings, LLC, which also owns numerous other dealerships in the area, including Leonardtown Ford. Owner Tom Kody told the planning commission he was unable at that time to reveal the tenants of the two other buildings. Those buildings are coming up for review at March 27 Technical Evaluation Committee meeting.

Kody said he wanted to move forward because he was anxious to relocate from Great Mills Road to the new location. The dealership began its life in the 1950's as Aldridge Ford.

The TEC is a group of agency representatives that look over projects before they either go to the planning commission or are administratively approved.

The TEC agenda sheds some light on what's being proposed. It says two "vehicle retail establishments" with a total square footage of 136,944 square feet are under review. That total square footage is about the size of a typical Walmart Supercenter.

The proposed 115-foot eastward move, Kody and his representatives explained, was being sought to better position that building with the two others and give them better visibility. They are able to move eastward because they have purchased the former Armsworthy property with a house on it. The company has also purchased a sliver of land in the front from the State Highway Administration.

Much of the discussion at the March 11 commission meeting was over process. The staff report presented to the planners said, "Staff realizes that this is not a typical submission. Staff felt that changing the building location was significant enough to bring to the planning commission even though the square footage and use of the building is not changing, the variances were approved, and the driveway locations are not changing. From the meetings staff has had with the owner and engineer regarding the future buildings, staff thought it important that the planning commission sees the location change and understands the reason behind the change. If the 2019 concept site plan is re-approved the applicant must follow the major site plan requirements before the major site plan can be approved."

Commission member Martin Siebert wondered why



A new Ford dealership could be coming to Route 235 next to the San Souci Shopping Center.

the proposal in front of them hadn't gone through another TEC review. So did J.D. Blackwell, a representative of Southern Maryland Toyota, who said it seemed to him the commission was setting a new precedent.

Planning Director Bill Hunt said he didn't feel the change was big enough to warrant another TEC review, but he wanted the planners to see it anyway. The two other buildings will eventually also come to the planning commission for concept approval.

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Study: Town Wastewater Capacity Needs Increase to Match Growth



Leonardtown is considering expansion of its Van Wert Lane wastewater treatment plant.

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

The water and sewer capacity provided by the Town of Leonardtown's wastewater treatment plant is adequate to serve the town's needs now, a study from the engineering firm of GHD shows, but in 20 years the need for treat-

ment capacity will almost double.

The study commissioned by the town, and reviewed at the town council's regularly scheduled meeting, showed the town is currently using 2,415 equivalent dwelling units (EDUs) or about the same amount of water a single-family home would use in a day, to meet its needs for water and wastewater services.

That number is projected to increase to 4,246 EDUs for water service based on projected growth rates in Leonardtown, the study showed.

The study reports that the number of EDUs needed for wastewater, beyond just water usage, will increase to 4,758 EDUs in 20 years.

According to the study an expansion to the wastewater plant will be necessary to serve a growing town; the current Van Wert Lane facility currently processes 513,000 gallons per day but that need will increase by 92 percent to 984,000 gallons per day by 2037.

The expansion's total cost could reach \$15 million, according to the projections in the study.

Just to keep up with current demand for EDUs as a result of rapid development, additional capacity will be needed at the treatment plant by some time between 2022 and 2026, the study predicts.

The town should also start to increase its capacity to store water, the study stated.

The town currently uses two storage towers, in the Greenbriar and Tudor Hall areas of town for a total of 800,000 gallons of storage capacity.

The study proposed a new tank to

be built at the Meadows at Town Run development currently under construction to increase storage by an additional 800,000 to one million gallons to keep pace with development and water usage.

The new tower could cost upwards of \$3.5 million, according to the study.

The study also recommends increasing the building impact fees from \$1,800 to \$3,000.

Town Administrator Laschelle McKay said town officials knew this need would arise.

"It's a lot," she said of the expansion price tag. "But it's not a surprise for us."

She said the town would use a combination of collected impact fees and borrowed money to complete the expansion.

The engineering firm recommended the town increase its daily capacity at the wastewater treatment plant to one million gallons a day above its current limit of 680,000 gallons.

Upgrades to the treatment plant were recently completed to better filter out pollutants such as nitrogen and phosphorous per a state mandate but it gained no additional treatment capacity as a result.

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Charges Pending in Elderly Woman's Death Following Police Chase

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

The driver of an SUV who crashed into a vehicle driven by an 87-year-old woman as he was fleeing police pursuit last week will face additional charges since she has died, a local prosecutor has said.

"It's almost certain we're going to charge him [Machiavelli Tyzhae Savoy] related to the death of Mrs. [Carol Jean] Anderson," said Assistant State's Attorney Daniel White. "We only have to work out which specific charge."

On the day of the crash law enforcement officers located Savoy, 20 of Lexington Park, operating a vehicle in the area of Midway Drive in Lexington Park. Savoy was wanted on numerous outstanding warrants, including illegally possessing and transporting a handgun. Officers attempted to take Savoy into custody, however Savoy refused to stop and a pursuit ensued, police reports stated. During the pursuit, Savoy lost control of the vehicle he was operating while negotiating a curve on Pegg Road. Savoy's vehicle crossed the centerline of the roadway, and was struck by Anderson's vehicle.

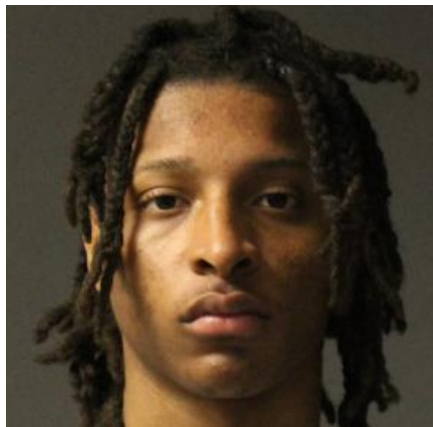
Both vehicles caught fire and both drivers had to be extracted; Anderson suffered burns to her left side.

Both Savoy and Anderson sustained serious injuries from the crash; sources close to the investigation said Savoy was not initially expected to live due to the severe injuries he suffered.

Police found that Savoy was in possession of a handgun once he had been pulled from the wreckage.

Two of Savoy's family members, Carla Yvette Blanton, 48, and Corrina Lyevette Savoy, 24 arrived on the scene of the accident and began to assault and impede law officers and rescue personnel; and had to be arrested after multiple attempts to order them to stop hindering the rescue, police reported.

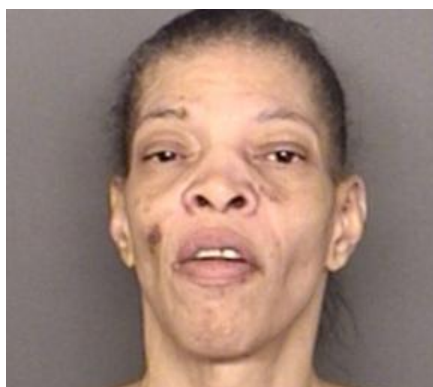
Sheriff Timothy K. Cameron told The County Times that the internal investigation into the propriety of the police pursuit showed that those in-



Machiavelli Savoy



Corrina Savoy



Carla Blanton

involved adhered to law enforcement standards in conducting a high-speed chase.

"The agency policy was adhered to, the state law was adhered to," Cameron said.

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Town Bus Service Under Consideration

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

County Commissioner Mike Hewitt told the Leonardtown Town Council that the county was looking for ways to fund a bus service for the town.

Hewitt made the announcement at the regular Monday meeting.

"We're looking at September and \$180,000," Hewitt said of the time frame and cost for such a project.

Laschelle McKay, town administrator, said details are few as to how the bus service would be established but it has been a point of discussion in the county's Transportation Advisory Board, which reserves a seat for Leonardtown to discuss transportation issues and goals.

The county is currently taking on the effort to update its transportation plans and getting a bus service for Leonardtown has been a recent topic, she said.

A team of consultants from a private firm recently gave their report on how to improve the town's downtown area and make Leonardtown more economically viable for development; having a

dedicated bus service was one of their recommendations.

"It was part of the discussion with the consultants," McKay told The County Times. "We have an STS bus route that comes through town."

"But what was discussed was a route around town."

The town bus service would be used to transport people from point to point inside the town boundaries, McKay said, and not in and out of town.

"It would just be an internal Leonardtown loop," she said.

In other news Sgt. Shawn Moses, with the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office, said the town's previous deputy, Cpl. Kristi Nelson, would be returning to police the streets there.

Also Moses reported a rash of car burglaries in three separate town neighborhoods, 12 car break-ins in total.

All of the burglarized vehicles were unlocked, Moses said.

"It goes back to the old adage; lock it or lose it," he said.

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Abrams Looks Back on a Lifetime of Achievement



By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

Retired Circuit Court Judge Karen Abrams said she was very humbled to be selected to receive a lifetime achievement award from the St. Mary's County Commission for Women this year.

She felt she was in auspicious company to be included amongst so many accomplished women as she had attended several of the banquets over the years.

She said she was honored to have it be her turn; several women are honored for their contributions each year.

"You read all of these biographies and you realize these are just incredible women," Abrams told The County Times Wednesday, the day before she was to receive her award.

Abrams started her career here as a social worker where she became close to many young people trying to resolve their issues.

Later as a lawyer she was always trying to resolve some kind of crisis for one of her clients, she said.

"As a judge you're in the middle," Abrams said. "Each person thought they were in the right and wanted you to provide some sort of relief."

"They weren't always happy with the result."

But her position helped her stand up a program she believed was of great help to St. Mary's County.

"I'm very proud of starting drug abuse recovery court," Abrams said. "It's always disappointing to see those who don't make it, but for the ones who do make it, it's incredibly rewarding for everyone involved."

She credited living in St. Mary's County as being central to her success.

"Being part of St. Mary's County my efforts ... have been enhanced by what the community is and the kind of people who live here," Abrams said. "It's a very special place and the ones who live here know it."

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Correction

In last week's County Times a sheriff's office member was paraphrased as saying fraud cases in St. Mary's spiked last year because the computer system at Cedar Point Federal Credit Union had been hacked.

This was not correct. Individual members' account information had been compromised at retailers not at the credit union.

St. Mary's County Sheriff's Blotter

Arrest in Attempted Vehicle Theft

On March 11, 2019, Deputy Shelko responded to the 41500 block of Fenwick Street in Leonardtown for the reported hit and run vehicle collision. Investigation determined the victim made contact with **Doug Delahay Woodburn**, age 18



of Leonardtown, in a parking lot. The victim was standing at the driver's side window of Woodburn's vehicle attempting to speak with him when Woodburn backed

his vehicle into the victim's vehicle, causing damage to the victim's vehicle. Woodburn then fled the scene. Shortly after the collision, Woodburn was observed operating his vehicle on St. Andrew's Church Road. Deputies attempted to conduct a vehicle stop however Woodburn accelerated and turned onto a commercial driveway in the 42700 block of St. Andrew's Church Road. Woodburn continued on at a high rate of speed, crashing through a closed gate, destroying the

gate. Woodburn then changed direction and proceeded back onto St. Andrew's Church Road. A short time later, a citizen reported a vehicle disabled in a ditch on Fairgrounds Road. Deputies responded to the disabled vehicle, and recognized it to be Woodburn's vehicle. Woodburn was observed hiding in the woods, and was pursued by deputies on foot. While deputies were searching for Woodburn, a citizen reported an individual on foot matching Woodburn's description had attempted to gain access to one of the marked police vehicles on scene. After not being able to access the locked police vehicle, the individual fled the area and ran back into the woods.

Woodburn was ultimately located in the backyard of a residence in the area and was arrested. Woodburn was charged with the following:

- Attempted Motor Vehicle/Unlawful Taking
- Malicious Destruction of Property
- Attempt by Driver to Elude Police in Official Police Vehicle by Failing to Stop
- Failure to Stop After Accident Involving Damage to Attended Vehicle

Escapee Wanted

The St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office is seeking the whereabouts of **Iyonna Kashae Baker**, age 18 of Leonard-



town. Baker was on pretrial release for the charge of robbery, and on March 9, 2019, she removed her GPS ankle monitor. Baker is 5'3" in height, and weighs 160 pounds; she has red hair and brown eyes. Baker is currently wanted for the charge of Escape Second Degree/Condition of Release.

Anyone with information on the whereabouts of Iyonna Kashae Baker is asked to contact Detective Trevor Teague at (301) 475-4200 extension *8128 or by email at Trevor.Teague@stmarysmd.com. Citizens may remain anonymous and contact Crime Solvers at (301) 475-3333, or text a tip to "TIP239" plus their message to "CRIMES" (274637). Through the Crime Solvers Program tipsters are eligible for an award of up to \$1,000 for information about a crime in St. Mary's County that leads to an arrest

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Arrest Made in Assault Case

On March 2, 2019, DFC. McCuen responded to the 46300 block of Columbus Circle in Lexington Park, for the reported assault involving a weapon. Investigation determined **Marcus Isaiah Peterson**, age 29 of Lexington



Park, struck the victim in the face. The victim was knocked to the ground and Peterson then stepped on the victim's throat and pinned the victim to the ground. A second

victim attempted to intervene, at which time Peterson grabbed a pistol from his waistband and threatened to shoot. The victim was struck several more times in the face by Peterson, and the second victim was also struck in the face by Peterson. Peterson then fled the scene; he was located a short time later and arrested. Peterson was charged with two counts of Assault 1st & 2nd Degree. CASE# 12733-19



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FOR CHANGE OF NAME TO MATTHEW THOMAS OLSON

In the Circuit Court for St. Mary's County, Maryland

Case No.: C-18-FM-19-000199
Notice (Adult) (DOM REL 61)

The above Petitioner has filed a Petition for Change of Name in which he/she seeks to change his/her name from Matthew Thomas Hobart to Matthew Thomas Olson. The petitioner is seeking a name change because: He is estranged from his father. He no longer wants to be associated with his father; who shares the same last name.

Any person may file an objection to the Petition on or before the 22nd day of April, 2019. The objection must be supported by an affidavit and served upon the Petitioner in accordance with Maryland Rule 1-321. Failure to file an objection or affidavit within the time allowed may result in a judgment by default or the granting of the relief sought.

Debra J. Burch,
Clerk of Court for
St. Mary's County Maryland

March 14, 2019

Legal Notice

REQUEST FOR BIDS

TOWN OF LEONARDTOWN, MARYLAND TUDOR HALL/DORSEY STREET WELDED STEEL ELEVATED SINGLE PEDESTAL WATER STORAGE TANK RECONDITIONING

The Town of Leonardtown, Maryland is requesting sealed bids from qualified water storage tank reconditioning contractors for the cleaning and repainting of selected and designated areas on the interior "DRY" chamber of their Tudor Hall/Dorsey Street welded steel elevated potable water storage single pedestal tank.

Specifications and Bid Documents can be obtained from: The Town of Leonardtown, 22670 Washington Street, P. O. Box 1, Leonardtown, Maryland 20650. Payment for the Bid Documents is non-refundable and shall be made as follows:

One (1) check for \$50.00 made out to The Commissioners of Leonardtown, 22670 Washington Street, P. O. Box 1, Leonardtown, Maryland 20650. Check can be hand delivered to the Town between the hours of 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM, Monday – Friday. or sent via US Mail. Payment MUST be received before bid package can be picked up or sent out. Bid packages being sent will be sent via standard US Mail, unless the Express Mail account number of the company requesting the bid package is provided with the payment of the mailing of the bid package.

Bid packages can be reviewed at No Charge at the Leonardtown Town Hall located at 22670 Washington Street, Leonardtown, Maryland 20650 between the hours of 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM Monday – Friday.

Sealed bids will be received until Friday, April 5, 2019 2:30 P.M. local time, at Town Hall, 22670 Washington Street, P. O. Box 1, Leonardtown, Maryland 20650. Bids received will be opened, read aloud and recorded at that time.

A bid security, bid bond or certified check in the amount of 10 percent (10%) of the Total Bid Amount shall be submitted with each bid. Bid security/bond/certified check shall be made payable to The Commissioners of Leonardtown.

A Pre-Bid meeting will be held at the Leonardtown Town Hall, 22670 Washington Street, Leonardtown, Maryland 20650, March 21, 2019 @ 10:00 AM local time to permit bidders to discuss the project, Scope of Work, present questions/concerns and then visit the actual tank site. Attendance is NOT mandatory, but is strongly recommended. This will be the ONLY time the water tank will be open for inspection by the bidders.

Please forward all questions in writing to Leonardtown Water Tank Consultant, Mr. Douglas DeClerck, 47 South Broad Street, Hughesville, Pennsylvania 17737 via e-mail: dadeclerck@hotmail.com – Questions received before 2:00 PM on Tuesday March 26, 2019 will be answered by Friday, March 29, 2019 @ 3:00 PM. Only written questions and responses will be binding.

The Town of Leonardtown, Maryland reserves the right, without liability, to accept or reject any or all bids, waive any and all informalities and to award this bid as it deems is in the best interest of the Town of Leonardtown. Bids shall remain firm for a period of 90 days after bid opening.

By Authority:
Laschelle McKay
Town Administrator

Fourth Graders Invited for 'If I Were Mayor' Contest

Fourth graders throughout Maryland are invited to take part in the Maryland Municipal League's (MML) annual "If I Were Mayor..." essay contest. The contest, which draws nearly 3,000 essays annually, challenges Maryland fourth graders to share their thoughts on how they would engage with citizens to make their municipality a better place to live and work if they were mayor. Students must submit their essays to MML no later than Saturday, March 30.

Since 2001, MML's "If I Were Mayor..." essay contest has given fourth graders the opportunity to learn about municipal government through sharing their thoughts on how they would govern as mayor. Each 275-word essay must open with the line: "If I Were Mayor, I Would..." and answer three questions that address the theme, "Together We Can." All Maryland students enrolled in the fourth grade during the 2018-2019 school year may participate in the contest. The student's teacher must submit entries. The 11 regional winners will be presented with a \$100 cash prize and a Governor's Citation at the Maryland State House in front of their immediate

family, their teacher, their municipality's mayor and other local dignitaries on May 10.

"We value building Maryland's next generation of local leaders by helping students learn more about how their municipality works," said Scott A. Hancock, executive director of the Maryland Municipal League. "Together We Can is a fantastic theme that will frame these fourth-grade students' vision for how communities can work together better."

The contest is sponsored by Maryland Municipal League, in partnership with the Maryland Mayors' Association, Local Government Insurance Trust, and Injured Workers' Insurance Fund. Essays are judged based on: essay relation to contest topic; displayed knowledge about municipal government and the role of a mayor; creativity; and proper use of grammar. To apply, download a form from www.mdmmunicipal.org/essay.

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Firm Selected to Design Enslaved Peoples Memorial Site to be Located at St. Mary's College

St. Mary's College of Maryland is proud to announce the artist selected to design A Commemorative to Enslaved Peoples of Southern Maryland is the design firm RE:site led by founders Norman Lee and Shane Allbritton.

"RE:site's striking and thought-provoking design truly captures the purpose of the commemorative – to acknowledge the existence of slavery in the region and remember the resilience of the enslaved people," said Tuajuanda C. Jordan, president of St. Mary's College. "Some designs attempt to take viewers back to the past, as if the journey of enslaved people is simply a relic. RE:site reminds us that this journey exists in both the past and the present, ever guiding us toward greater sensitivity, understanding and, hopefully, appreciation today and tomorrow."

"As artists, we are humbled by St. Mary's charge to create a memorial honoring the enslaved people who once lived, loved, worked, and resisted on the college grounds. The past is never dead, and history never leaves us. It is a privilege to be working on a project that attends to those the world has tried to forget, to erase, to bury beneath silence. We

owe them our care and our attention and are honored to give all that we have. It is our hope that this work will make the invisible visible and invite deep reflection on our future as a community," stated Shane Allbritton and Norman Lee with Quenton Baker of RE:site.

Lee presented RE:site's design proposal on Feb. 12 to students, faculty, staff and community members and received overwhelmingly positive comments and reviews of the team's proposed memorial. Feedback from the design included:

"This design and presentation drew me in, made me think, reflected backwards and projected forward;"

"You are part of the design, not removed from it, and it is a reminder that each of us must be part of the dialogue and the way forward;"

"...a thoughtful, layered project, deeply informed by the local context of the site. It was conceptually broad and nuanced and, more importantly, the physical expression of those ideas seemed like it would be an effective, multi-faceted visual memorial that would last over time."

The award of the commission was administered by a selection committee



Design for A Commemorative to Enslaved Peoples of Southern Maryland


composed of College administration, faculty, staff, students, and members of the community. The committee had selected three artists to submit design proposals and present to the campus community and general public. The presentations were videotaped and the design proposals posted to the College's website following the presentations, where comments were collected. The selection committee considered these comments when making its decision.

The half-acre commemoration site is adjacent to the archaeological site area, along the path from the planned parking area to the in-development Jamie L. Roberts Stadium. This location is about 300 feet southeast of the intersection of College Drive and Mattapany Road.



The memorial project is funded by \$500,000 in State of Maryland funds.

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Historic St. Mary's City Wins Preservation Award



HSMC won the 2019 Historic Preservation Award Adults Only. Shown are, left to right: Senator Jack Bailey, Historic St. Mary's City Executive Director Dr. Regina Faden, HSMC staff Aaron Meisinger, Peter Friesen, Beth Sanford, Sharol Yeatman, and DJ Lavery, Delegate Brian Crosby

On January 31, 2019, at the 44th Maryland Preservation Awards, the Maryland Historical Trust Board of Trustees recognized Historic St. Mary's City Education Department as winner of a 2019 Historic Preservation Award for Excellence in Public Programming for the Adults Only tour.

As stated on the Maryland Historical Trust website, "The awards honor and celebrate significant achievements by individuals, businesses, contractors, non-profit organizations, local governments and others who protect, promote, share and give continued life to the historic places and cultural heritage that make our great state unique."

According to Historic St. Mary's City Interpretive Programs Manager, Aaron Meisinger, "By comparing and contrasting 17th-century and 21st-century lives in an "R-rated" context these Adults Only Tour programs touch on the most human aspects of what makes us human – our flaws." It's these flaws that are highlighted in both the summer and fall Adults Only tours.

The Adults Only tours are by registration only and are held in July and November. To learn more about the Adults Only tours, visit HSMCdigsHistory.org.

Press Release from HSMC

Historic St. Mary's City Adds External Relations Manager

Historic St. Mary's City has named Sharol Yeatman their new External Relations Manager. Yeatman has worked with the museum for over ten years, and brings with her an extensive background in theater, as well as museum programming.

In her previous position as Public Programs Manager at Historic St. Mary's City, Yeatman oversaw group tours and educational summer camps; developed Shakespeare in the City, a summer partnership with The Newtowne Players; and helped create both the Adults Only tours (winner of the 2019 Historic Preservation Award), and Lost City, a free trick-or-treating event. Understanding the changes in audience needs, Yeatman also developed social narratives to assist students in preparing for their visit to the museum and spearheaded the family pack program.

Explained Yeatman, "Having worked as a museum guide and interpreter as well as working behind the scenes on programs and tours, allowed for a good glimpse into what the museum has to offer. I look forward to highlighting all aspects of Historic St. Mary's City, whether it's the gor-



Sharol Yeatman

geous wedding venues, top notch research staff and their discoveries, or the primitive campgrounds. Being able to share the story of Historic St. Mary's City and the beauty of its landscape is a privilege."

Press Release from HSMC

Original 17th Century Iron Cross Erected by Colonists in Maryland to be on Display



The 17th century iron cross, initially erected on St. Clement's Island by the earliest English settlers to Maryland on the first "Maryland Day," March 25, 1634, will temporarily return to its first home in the Americas where it will be on display at St. Clement's Island Museum during the Maryland Day Ceremony on March 25.

The hammer-welded cross, made of ship's iron and measures 4 feet tall, 2 feet wide and weighs approximately 24 pounds, was brought to the New World

by the settlers and their Jesuit companions aboard their ships, the Ark and the Dove. It is said that upon landing on St. Clement's Island in March of 1634, Fr. Andrew White, S.J. erected the cross and then led a Mass of Thanksgiving for the mainly Roman Catholic English settlers. This was thought to have been the first Roman Catholic Mass on English-speaking American soil and because of this the cross is considered by its caretakers to represent the freedom of religion, upon which the United States of America was built. More recently, the cross was used in Pope Francis' first Mass in the United States at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, in Washington D.C., in September 2015.

The cross was originally discovered in 1989 by Rev. G. Ronald Murphy, S.J. in the Georgetown University archives

and subsequently hung at the university's Dahlgren Chapel, until recently when it was taken down while the chapel underwent renovations. Rev. Murphy is a professor of the German Department and a member of the Jesuit Community at Georgetown University – the same group that landed with Fr. Andrew White, S.J. in 1634. Rev. Murphy will be this year's Maryland Day Ceremony keynote speaker and will bring the cross back to St. Mary's County for display.

"Because Father Andrew White is considered the forefather of Georgetown University, the St. Mary's County Museum Division [the caretakers of the St. Clement's Island Museum and hosts of the Maryland Day event] is very pleased to present Rev. Murphy as the keynote speaker at this year's Maryland Day Ceremony," says Karen Stone, Manager of the St. Mary's County Museum Division.

According to the university, the Georgetown University Jesuits are an apostolic religious community grounded in love for Jesus Christ and animated by the Ignatian spiritual vision of helping others and seeking God in all things. They serve God's people at the nation's oldest Catholic and Jesuit University, established in the religiously-inclusive and international spirit of Georgetown's

founder, John Carroll.

"We are so excited about having this cross return to the original landing site this year. Its presence will add an entirely new dimension to the ceremony and we hope people will come out to see this amazing piece of state and local history," states Stone. "We appreciate Rev. Murphy making the effort to bring this exciting and symbolic piece of history back to where it all began."

To hear the story of how the cross was found and saved over the centuries, plus more Maryland Day activities, head to Maryland Day at St. Clement's Island Museum on March 25. The ceremony will feature dignitaries from around the state and much more, and will occur from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. The museum will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and offer free admission, plus free water taxi rides out to St. Clement's Island. All are welcome during the ceremony as well.

For more information regarding Maryland Day at St. Clement's Island Museum, please call the Museum at 301-769-2222. For hours of operation, programs, admission prices and more, visit the St. Mary's County Museum Division's Facebook pages at www.facebook.com/SCIMuseum or www.facebook.com/1836Light or on Twitter at @StClemIsMuseum or @PineyPtLHMuseum.

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Health Disparities Continue in St. Mary's County



By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

St. Mary's County continues to rank among the healthiest jurisdictions in the state, sixth out of 24 but just gaining access to primary medical care is becoming increasingly difficult according to a recent report from the county's health department.

The Health Equity Report for 2018 released in January shows that when it comes to getting primary care, a good physician or almost any physician, is hard to find.

The report showed that on average in St. Mary's there are 2,560 patients for every primary care physician; the state average is 1,140 patients per every family doctor.

In neighboring Calvert County the ratio is 1,780 to one, while in Worcester County on the Eastern Shore, which is in the middle range of health for counties in the state, the ratio is 1,230 patients for every family physician.

This high ratio means that even having health insurance is no guarantee of access to effective healthcare.

"This may make it extremely difficult for people with and without insurance to get the medical help they need to become or remain healthy in St. Mary's County," the report states.



Dr. Meena Brewster, St. Mary's Chief Health Officer

Dr. Meena Brewster, the county's chief health officer, said access to care was critical to detecting illness early and heading off chronic disease, which is proving to be a serious killer in St. Mary's.

"If you can catch them [illnesses] early... that saves lives," Brewster said.

"It also saves a lot of money.

"Early detection gives a tremendous savings in health care costs."

The continued disparity in physicians available to practice here means the local emergency department at MedStar St. Mary's Hospital could face the brunt of primary health care needs.

Statistics show that the emergency department is already struggling; according to the report in 2016 the emergency department had 52,429 visits. That number has since dropped to 49,643 visits in fiscal 2018.

The use of the emergency department for a variety of primary health needs, including diabetes, mental health and hypertension, were well above the state average.

The report showed that for every 100,000 people there were 249 visits for diabetes in St. Mary's as opposed to the state average of 222.

For the same rate per 100,000 residents there were 5,804 mental health visits to the local emergency department; the state average was 3,769 visits for mental health to the emergency room.

The county's population is about 112,000.

Dr. Stephen Michaels, Chief of Medicine at MedStar St. Mary's said the hospital continued to aggressively recruit new primary care physicians.

"We offer scholarships and other educational assistance to help our associates further their education, some of whom go on to become nurse practitioners and continue to serve our community," Michaels said in a statement. "Mid-level



Dr. Stephen Michaels, Chief of Medicine at MedStar St. Mary's

providers such as nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and medical assistants are part of our innovative approach to solve this challenging shortage.

"We built a four- apartment building to accommodate residents and fellows-in-training and other providers. We are committed to fostering relationships across our MedStar Health system to attract additional talented medical professionals to our growing community."

The difficulty in accessing effective and regular primary care can lead to debilitating diseases such as undiagnosed cancer, cardiovascular disease and chronic lower respiratory disease.

The report showed that cancer was the leading killer in St. Mary's County in 2017 with a rate of 179 per 100,000 residents.

Cardiovascular disease was the second highest cause of death locally with a mortality rate of 102.8 per 100,000 residents, the report stated; also respiratory disease was also called a "major cause of death" in St. Mary's with an rate of 41.4 per 100,000 residents.

The number of deaths due to fatal opioid overdoses, which has received major attention from public health and elected officials, for 2018 was 33.

According to the report cardiovascular disease, diabetes, cancer and chronic lower respiratory disease contributed 57 percent of all deaths in St. Mary's County.

Several of these serious conditions, which can be exacerbated by a lack of access to care, are also connected to obesity, which is a serious problem in St. Mary's County.

The report showed that just 28.3 percent of county residents are at a healthy weight while the remainder, or 70.3 are overweight or obese; the report showed there are more obese residents than simply overweight.

Brewster, the county's chief health officer, said that St. Mary's suffered from much the same sort of "hidden epidemic" as other jurisdictions in the nation when it came to citizens keeping healthy weights.

"That's not unusual unfortunately," Brewster said. "It's why we continue to struggle with heart disease and even some cancers."

Obesity can contribute to the onset of some cancers, Brewster said.

She added that the health department was continuing to try to influence healthy eating and other lifestyle decisions and not just leaving it up to residents.

"You can't just leave it at that," Brewster said. "It's always about choice, what food we're exposed to and what level of activity we engage in.

"But you want to make it easy to eat healthy and be active," Brewster said. "It's about how we as a community make healthy options easy options."

Getting healthy food easily is also challenging for some county residents, since, according to the study 22.3 percent had "low food access," or did not live within one-half-mile of the nearest supermarket, supercenter or large grocery store.

The report goes on to say that 56.3 percent of the population had either low or no access to healthy food.

The county health department has instituted programs and initiatives to help audit community health and provide community advocates who can help underprivileged residents get the access to care they need.

But Brewster warned that patients had to need the advice of doctors and continue to make regular visits to allow their physician to better chart their health care progress; access did not always mean improvement.

"It's not just about access but it's about building that relationship with your doctor," Brewster said.

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Navy's Top Admiral Visits NAVAIR

Believing in your shipmates and co-workers was the theme of a town hall conducted by Chief of Naval Operations Adm. John Richardson here March 4.

"We're most effective if a small team is firing on all cylinders," he said. "Building trust and confidence leads to warfighting effectiveness. Let's be the most effective partner to our friends and allies, and the worst nightmare to our enemies."

Richardson addressed a crowd of approximately 300 military members and civilian employees, thanking them for their work and the technological milestones they're helping to achieve in support of the warfighter.

"You are at the cutting edge of naval aviation at a really exciting time," he said. "The impact of what you do here can't be understated. You are leading the way in so many different areas, and what makes it

happen is all of you."

During his remarks, he touched on the Navy's suicide prevention efforts, which include simplifying the Sailor Assistance and Intercept for Life Program, making counselors more available to the fleet and encouraging peer-to-peer interaction.

Richardson said he wants to make it as easy as possible for a Sailor to get the help he or she needs. "My sense is that the most effective approach to this is ourselves," he explained. "We've got small units, and it's the power of that small unit to take care of each other. The human-to-human connection really matters."

After brief opening remarks, Richardson answered questions from the audience, addressing the growth of the Navy, advances in technology on aircraft carriers and the future of mine countermeasures.

"You should be confident the U.S. Na-



We have the most talented Navy than ever before and I've got the numbers to show it, the Chief of Naval Operations Adm. John Richardson told approximately 300 military members and civilian employees.

vy's super carrier is the most survivable airfield in the theater," he said.

He also discussed the revamped human resources performance evaluation tool, which he said will focus on giving Sailors relevant feedback, eliminating unneces-

sary competition, evaluating leadership capabilities and allowing for a 360-degree performance review.

After the town hall, Richardson hosted a private session to discuss concerns with military housing residents.



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CSM Announces Spring Break Schedule Sabre Offers STEM Scholarships to High School Seniors



The College of Southern Maryland (CSM) will close for spring break at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19.

The College of Southern Maryland (CSM) will close for spring break at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19, 2019, and resume normal operating hours on Monday, March 25.

There will be no credit classes held March 18-22.

Campus bookstores will be open March 18 and 19 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The stores will close March 20-22 and will resume regular hours Monday, March 25. CSM fitness centers and pools will also close starting at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, March 19.

During spring break, access to the college's online services will remain

available at www.csmd.edu through my.CSMD services.

The Kids' & Teen College summer program online registration will remain open.

Spring Mini Session II starts March 25. The last day to withdraw without a grade for spring full-term classes and the last day to change a credit to an audit or an audit to a credit for spring full-term classes is March 27.

A complete calendar for CSM is available at <http://calendar.csmd.edu/main.php>.

Press Release from CSM

Sabre Offers STEM Scholarships to High School Seniors

For the seventh year in a row, Sabre Systems, Inc. will be awarding STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) scholarships to graduating high school seniors. Sabre launched the scholarship program in 2013 to support students planning to further their education in one of the STEM disciplines.

In an effort to help reduce the financial burden associated with pursuing a STEM-related education, Sabre will award four \$1,500 non-renewable scholarships to selected students. An exceptional student will be awarded from each of the designated regions which includes Southern Maryland. Scholarship recipients will be chosen based upon a thorough review of each applicant's academic record, personal statement, STEM experience and letters of recommendation. Sabre is currently accepting scholarship applications, and the winners will be announced in May 2019.

Sabre President and COO, Glen Ives stated, "our enduring commitment to our communities and our future through the education of our children is steadfast and true. There's nothing we value or enjoy more than this great opportunity to share these important scholarships with such deserving young students who them-

selves are truly committed to learning and contributing to helping to make our world a better one."

In order for a student to be selected they must meet the eligibility requirements which includes but is not limited to the location of high school attendance and intended higher education major. For more information, please visit <https://www.sabresystems.com/commitment-to-community/>

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Pitch Tournament

High - Low - Jack - Game

Date: Friday, March 22, 2019

Where: Leonardtown Volunteer Fire Department

Time: Doors open at 6:00 PM • Tournament starts at 7:30 PM
Must be on time as all tables have to start at once!

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NOTE: Each bump will cost an additional \$1 per partner at your table. Bid 4 and have a chance to win the Buddha Bump Money Fund - \$100.00

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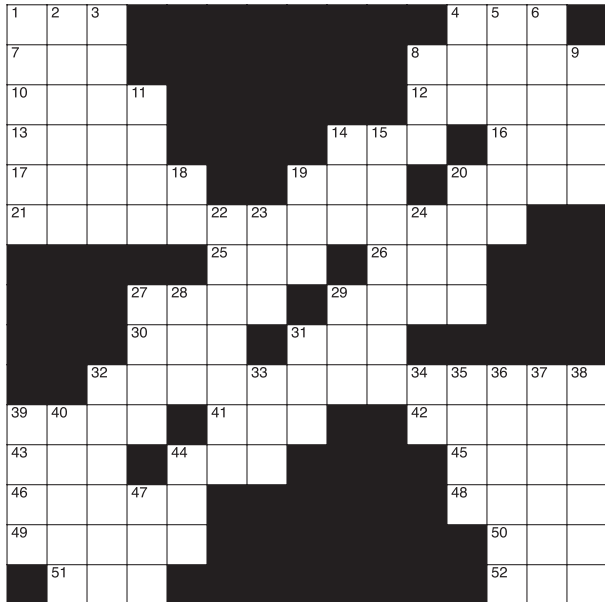
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- 8. Misfire
- 9. Amounts of time
- 11. The act of perceiving something visually
- 14. Female sibling
- 15. First
- 18. Sodium
- 19. Brother or sister
- 20. Satisfy
- 22. The lands of an estate
- 23. Antiballistic missile
- 24. Taxi
- 27. Covers the engine
- 28. Commentator Coulter
- 29. Mousse
- 31. Witness
- 32. Unlikely to be forgotten
- 33. Bar bill
- 34. Morning
- 35. City south of Moscow
- 36. Highly incensed
- 37. Intricately decorated
- 38. Drew closer to
- 39. Beers
- 40. Central China city
- 44. Touch lightly
- 47. Habitual twitching

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Employ
- 4. Not a starter
- 7. Matchstick game
- 8. One who receives a gift
- 10. One shows highlights
- 12. Open sore
- 13. Within
- 14. ___ Caesar, comedian
- 16. Investment account
- 17. A negatively charged ion
- 19. Immoral act
- 20. Cheek
- 21. Lacking in vigor or vitality
- 25. Partner to flow
- 26. Ink
- 27. "Mad Men" actor
- 29. A taunt
- 30. Single
- 31. A very large body of water
- 32. A configuration of stars as seen from the

- earth
- 39. Herringlike fish
- 41. No (Scottish)
- 42. White-breasted N. American auk
- 43. American time
- 44. Adult female
- 45. Singer Horne
- 46. Pronouncements
- 48. From a distance
- 49. Indian term of respect
- 50. One from Utah
- 51. Never sleeps
- 52. Type of bulb

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Hard to believe
- 2. Used as a pigment in painting
- 3. Induces vomiting
- 4. Fifth note of a major scale
- 5. Written in a majuscule script
- 6. Brews

LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

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The Joint Will Be Jumping CSM Sets Annual Jazz Festival



Award-winning Trumpeter Dr. James Moore will perform at CSM's 16th Annual Jazz Festival April 4-6, 2019

The College of Southern Maryland's (CSM) 16th Annual Jazz Festival, April 4-6, will give area public school jazz bands a chance to sharpen their skills—and area music lovers a chance hear some of the finest local jazz artists from our region and beyond.

Jazz band students from area middle and high schools will perform at clinics April 4 and 5 throughout the day beginning at 9 a.m. Award-winning trumpeter Dr. James Moore will rehearse with each band and critique their performances at the La Plata Campus, Fine Arts (FA) Building. The public is invited to attend these free events.

The festival continues with a jazz concert Friday at 8 p.m. with The Randy Runyon Project.

Then on April 6 at 8 p.m. the festival concludes with performances by the Charles County Public Schools Jazz Band and CSM's Solid Brass Big Band Jazz Ensemble with Moore as the special guest artist.

An integral part of the Pittsburgh jazz community, Moore is a member of RH Factor – the Roger Humphries Quintet, the 21st Century Swing Band,

and leads his own quartet. He performs regularly with the Norman David Eleventet in Philadelphia and has also performed with the Smithsonian Jazz Masterworks Orchestra, Bob Mintzer's GRAMMY nominated album "For the Moment." Moore has shared the stage as a featured soloist with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, members of the Pittsburgh Jazz Orchestra, and NEA Jazz Master Phil Woods for the reprisal of the famous Charlie Parker with Strings material and the equally notable Clifford Brown with Strings repertoire for the final performance of Woods' career. Moore is a renowned conference performer, adjudicator, clinician, and guest lecturer.

Moore holds a master's degree in music from the University of the Arts in Philadelphia and a Ph.D. from the University of Pittsburgh. For information, visit www.csm.edu/Arts. For tickets, contact bxoffc@csm.edu or 301-934-7828.

Press Release from CSM

St. Mary's College Appoints New Assistant Varsity Sailing Coach



Allison Shane, St. Mary's College of Maryland assistant varsity sailing coach. Photo credit: Matthew Cohen

St. Mary's College of Maryland is pleased to announce the appointment of Allison Shane as assistant varsity sailing coach. Shane grew up sailing in Duxbury, Mass., and taught at Duxbury Yacht Club and Duxbury Bay Maritime School (DBMS) for several summers. Shane graduated with a bachelor of arts degree from St. Mary's College in 2015, where she majored in public policy and competed on the varsity sailing team for all four years. She helped lead the Seahawks to a second-place finish at the team race national championships, received Academic All-American honors in 2015 and was selected to All-MAISA honors. Shane was an active member of the Student Athletic Advisory Committee (SAAC) from 2012 – 2015.

Director of Sailing Bill Ward is excited to have Shane working with the Seahawks, "Al was such a heady player as an undergraduate--she studied the game and will undoubtedly improve the

students' experience and performance."

Prior to her return to intercollegiate athletics at her alma mater, Shane worked at Allianz Asset Management as an international benefits specialist. She is looking forward to returning to St. Mary's County and getting back on the water. Shane states, "I am excited to share my experiences with the student athletes and also encourage college hopefuls to come to St. Mary's College."

St. Mary's College of Maryland is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education through 2024-2025. St. Mary's College, designated the Maryland state honors college in 1992, is ranked one of the best public liberal arts schools in the nation by U.S. News & World Report. Approximately 1,600 students attend the college, nestled on the St. Mary's River in Southern Maryland.

To the Editor:

I attended a middle school volleyball tournament March 8 at Leonardtown High School.

The coed teams were from parochial, public and charter schools of St. Mary's County.

The students were exceptionally cordial, respectful of each other and full of energy in their quest.

Every game was filled with exciting plays.

The final championship game was a thriller, decided in OT and finished at 32-30. The winner doesn't matter, but what did, was the sportsmanship and team spirit exhibited by all.

*Richard Colliflower
Bushwood, MD*

Heavy Rains Have Home Owners and Businesses Talking Flood Insurance

It's another rainy day in Southern Maryland, and a perfect time to talk about Flood Insurance.

Did you know that 2018 was the wettest year on record for many areas in Maryland and Virginia?

Average rainfall in the state of Maryland is typically around 42", but some areas finished out the year with over 66". That's nearly 60% more water flooding our roads, collecting in our rivers and streams, puddling and eventually pooling in our neighborhoods and yards, leaking into our basements, and even opening sinkholes from PAX River to Laurel. News stories on flooding seemed to pop up with every rain-storm last year, from Mechanicsville to Annapolis, through Ellicott City and Baltimore.

When you first bought your home, your lender may have talked to you about flood zones, and if your home falls into a certain zone you may have been required to obtain flood insur-

ance. But what many homeowners fail to realize is that flood insurance should be a consideration even when you fall into a low risk flood zone.

It is important to note that home insurance policies do not cover flood damages under any circumstance. Flood insurance coverage is defined and regulated by the Federal Government through a program called FEMA. A flood can be defined as:

"A general and temporary condition of partial or complete inundation of normally dry land areas from: (1) The overflow of inland or tidal waters; (2) The unusual and rapid accumulation or runoff of surface waters from any source; (3) Mudslides (i.e., mudflows) which are proximately caused by flooding and are akin to a river of liquid and flowing mud on the surfaces of normally dry land areas, as when earth is carried by a current of water and deposited along the path of the current."

And with all this extra water on the

ground, you can be sure that this was happening all over the state even in areas nowhere near the coast or a body of water.

Let's look at Ellicott City for example. Flash floods in May of 2018 devastated historic Main Street. Some of the area is in Flood Zone AE, a required coverage area for most lenders, but some of the area effected by the flood was defined as Flood Zone X, an area that often requires no coverage at all when working with lenders. Its safe to say that some people from that area, people we know and work with, were without coverage for flooding and are now paying out of pocket to cover the costs of rebuilding and replacing, after a flooding event that they never could have predicted.

The critical takeaway from this is that Flood Zones do not guarantee the potential impact for floods or flood damage. As a home or business owner it is your responsibility to carefully

evaluate the risks and take the steps necessary to at least minimize the impact a flood event could have on you, your family, and your financial health.

Riverside Farmers is here to help you with that. We can help you understand your flood risk and offer affordable coverage options that meet your specific needs, regardless of your flood zone.

Take a moment to discover your flood zone here msc.fema.gov/portal/search#searchresultsanchor or give us a call at 301-842-7587 and our expert team will be happy to assist!

Stay dry out there everyone!

Alyssa Schmidt is an agent with Riverside Farmers Insurance at 22888 Three Notch Road in California, MD. She can be reached at 301-842-7587 or alyssa.kbobkoskie@farmersagency.com

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In Remembrance

Luis Abercio Torres



Luis Abercio Torres, of California, MD, passed on March 8th, 2019 surrounded by his wife and family in Callaway, Maryland. He was born on July 16th, 1956 in Peñuelas, Puerto Rico to Juan

and Petra. He was the youngest of six children.

He graduated from high school and went on to get his B.S. degree in Chemical Engineering at the University of Puerto Rico, graduating in 1978. He married his wife Drusy Medina in 1979, and moved to the United States a few years later. He settled in New Jersey, where he spent most of his adult life. He and his wife had two children: Luis Jr. and David.

Luis came from humble beginnings, but came far in life. He spent his career in New Jersey working as a civilian engineer for the U.S. Army.

Luis's family meant more to him than anything. He enjoyed nothing more in the world than spending time with them and going on fun outings with them. He always took an interest in his children's hobbies. He enjoyed working with his hands, and had an amazing natural talent at handiwork and repair, which he passed on to his younger son David. He passed on his love of chemistry to his

son Luis Jr., who is a medicinal chemist.

Beyond that, he liked to watch TV, especially sports and home improvement shows. He had a big laugh that everyone enjoyed. He was laid back, kind, loving, strong, brave, and always knew what to do. He was a Christian man whose faith and spirituality was important to him.

Luis is survived by his beloved wife Drusy Torres, son Luis E. Torres and wife Katie Torres of Boston, MA, son David Torres and wife Bonnie Torres, and their children Isabelle and Benjamin. He is also survived by siblings Irma, Raúl, Ismael, and Adela.

He was very loved and will be missed, but is at peace in Heaven now.

A Memorial Service conducted by Chaplain Bill Miller will be held on Sunday, March 17, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at Rausch Funeral Home, P.A., 20 American Lane, Lusby, MD 20657. Interment will be private.

Condolences to the family may be made at www.rauschfuneralhomes.com.

ATCM Charles Alton "Charlie" Craft

ATCM Charles Alton "Charlie" Craft, USN, (Ret.), 67, of Lexington Park, MD passed away March 5, 2019 at MedStar Georgetown Hospital in Washington, D.C., with his loving family at his side.

He was born on July 12, 1951 in Greenville, SC to the late John C. Craft and Garland C. Burley.

Charlie joined the United States Navy



and proudly served his country for over 30 years, retiring on April 12, 2006 as a Master Chief Aviation Electronics Technician. He earned many medals, commendations and ribbons during his service. On March 26, 1992, he married his beloved wife, Terisita Craft in the Philippines. Together they celebrated over 26 wonderful years of marriage. He was a devoted and loving husband, father and brother. He was a good friend to many. His hobbies included golfing and fishing. He also enjoyed watching football and golf tournaments.

In addition to Charlie's beloved wife, he is also survived by his children: Joshua Craft of Norfolk, VA, Justin Craft of Lexington Park, MD, and Jasmine Craft of Lexington Park, MD; his brothers: Steve Craft of Greenville, SC, Mike Craft of Greenville, SC and Ed Craft of Lexington, SC; and many nieces, nephews and extended family and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents.

A Memorial Service was celebrated by Reverend Paul Nguyen on Saturday, March 9, 2018 at St. George's Catholic Church in Valley Lee, MD. Interment will be private.

Condolences to the family may be made at www.brinsfieldfuneral.com.

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

Walter Lawrence Guy, Sr.



Walter Lawrence Guy, Sr., 59, of Leonardtown, MD passed away on March 7, 2019 in his home. He was born on February 23, 1960 in Leonard-

town, MD and was the son of the late Dorothy Dillard Guy and Joseph Clyde Guy. Walter was the loving husband of Glenda Guy. Walter is survived by his children Kimberly A. Guy (Mike) and Walter L. Guy, Jr. (Jamie) both of Leonardtown, MD, and 4 grandchildren. As well as his siblings Charles Jerome Guy, Sr. (Cindy) of Avenue, MD, Kenneth Clyde Guy, Sr. (June) of Naples, FL, Margaret Louise Stickell of Leonardtown, MD, M. Jeanette Austin of Leonardtown, MD, Thomas P. Guy (Esther) of Prince Frederick, MD, Mary Susan Buono (Charlie) of Leonardtown, MD, and Elizabeth (Sissy) Walker (Danny) of Leonardtown, MD. He was preceded in death by his daughter Rebecca Guy, siblings Joseph Calvin Guy, and Dorothy (Lucy) M. Irwin.

Arrangements provided by the Mattingley-Gardiner Funeral Home, P.A. Leonardtown, MD.

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Roy Dunbar Daniel, Jr.

Roy Dunbar Daniel, Jr., 82, of Mechanicsville, MD, passed away on Tuesday, March 5, 2019, surrounded by his family. He was born on July 6, 1936 in Augusta, Georgia to Roy Dunbar Daniel, Sr. and Margaret Rowell. Roy is survived by his wife Phyllis Daniel; his children, Gary L. Daniel (Carolle), Kathy A. Hunley (Vernon), Kristy K. Sheriff (Steve), Lorie A. Wathen (Dale) and Michelle R. Perrie (Steve). Also surviving are his siblings, Barbara Sanderson, Robert (Gene) Daniel, Carolyn Lowstuder, Linda Vinciguerra, ten grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren. Roy is predeceased by his parents and his sister, Mary Douglas.

Roy was retired from Landow & Company Developers. He loved building large commercial sites (FBI, Washington DC, CIA Expansion, McLean VA, and 12 & G Street, Washington, DC) just to name a few. He enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren, playing cards, fishing, crabbing, going to Ocean City and sitting on the boardwalk eating Thrasher

Fries and people watching. He was very strong minded about politics.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations made be made to: Hollywood Volunteer Rescue Squad, Inc, P.O. Box 79, Hollywood, MD 20636; Mechanicsville Volunteer Rescue Squad, Inc, P.O. Box 15, Mechanicsville, MD 20659 or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Condolences to the family may be made at www.brinsfieldfuneral.com

Janice E. Tierno

Janice E. Tierno, 81, of Leonardtown, MD and formerly of Solomons, MD passed away on February 7, 2019 at her residence.

Born September 11, 1937 in Prince Frederick, MD, she was the daughter of the late James B. Bradburn and Oretha M. (Wilkes) Bradburn.

Janice is survived by her children, Kimberly Venus of Leonardtown, MD, Bonnie Lanz of Fairfield, CA and Mark Tierno of LaCygne, KS; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

She married her husband, John A. Tierno on July 9, 1955 in Solomons, MD. He preceded her in death on July 15, 2017.

A Memorial Service will be officiated by Rev. David Beaubien on Saturday, March 30, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Aloysius Catholic Church, 22800 Washington Street, Leonardtown, MD 20650. Inurnment will follow in St. Paul United Methodist Church Cemetery, 11000 H.G. Trueman Road, Lusby, MD 20657.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of St. Mary's, P.O. Box 625, Leonardtown, MD 20650.

Condolences to the family may be made at www.rauschfuneralhomes.com.

Catherine Elizabeth Johnson Mattingly

Catherine Elizabeth Johnson Mattingly, affectionately known as Piggie of Leonardtown, MD died February 23, 2019 at the age of 94.

Piggie was born July 3, 1924 in Clements, MD. She was the eldest child of Mattingly Gibbons Johnson and Catherine Elizabeth (Bessie) Drury Johnson.

In addition to her parents she is preceded in death by her husband William Clement Mattingly, her brother Joseph Aloysius Johnson and sister Mable Johnson Norris.

She was married to Clement on October 27, 1956 and had two children.

Piggie is survived by her children, Stephen Anthony Mattingly and his wife Linda, and Janet Mattingly-Nalley and her husband Todd.

She is also survived by her 7 grandchildren: Holly Elizabeth Borrer and her husband Byron, LCDR Stephen Clement Mattingly (USN) and his wife Megan, William Scott Grantham, Lindsay Elaine Mattingly, Capt Jonathan Smith Mattingly (USAR) and his fiancé Ali Nolan, Morgan Nalley-Roy and her husband James (USN), and Taylor Ann Nalley.

Piggie has 6 great grandchildren: Amber, Jocelyn and Scarlett Borrer, Spencer Adams and Clark and Henry Mattingly.

Piggie is also survived by her loving sister Dorothy Ann Russell of Clements, MD as well as numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

Piggie and her husband made their home in Hillcrest Heights, MD, moving to Waldorf after Clements death then relocating to Leonardtown and her beloved St. Mary's County.

She will be fondly remembered as a longtime cashier at Mattingly's IGA in Leonardtown, MD. She was a devoted house wife, and had a kind, loving and

happy spirit and will be greatly missed by all.

In Lieu of Flowers the family request contributions be made in her name to: Hospice of St. Mary's (P.O. Box 625, Leonardtown, MD 20650; hospice@medstar.net or call 301-994-3023

Condolences may be made to the family at arehartechols.com.

Richard Grau Horne III

Richard Grau Horne, III, 32, of Hollywood, MD passed away February 23, 2019, at Med-Star Washington Hospital Center

in Washington, D.C. with his loving family at his side.

He was born December 30, 1986 in Washington, D.C., to Michelle Smith DeWalt of Mount Jackson, VA and the late Richard Grau Horne II.

On September 12, 2015, Richard married the love of his life, Hattie Elizabeth Raley, in Lexington Park, MD. Richard was an adoring father to his two sons, Connor and Lucas. He loved playing baseball, soccer and football with them, educating them on historical events, describing super hero origin stories and teaching them to play video games and board games from his own childhood. Richard was whip smart, an avid reader, a consummate music and concert lover, and a history and political buff. He often held court talking politics with his friends and family for hours. He was knowledgeable beyond his years and his sense of humor was infectious. Richard adored spending time with his tight-knit family, especially his late grandmother, Rosemary, who raised him. He often called children and babies he met "angel."

In addition to his beloved wife, Richard is also survived by his children, Connor Matthew Lewis of Leonardtown, MD, and Lucas Richard Horne of Hollywood, MD; his grandparents, Betty Clipfel of Takoma Park, MD, Freddy Smith (Bonnie) of Woodstock, VA, his mother, Michelle Smith DeWalt of Mount Jackson, VA, his stepmother, Maureen Cornett of Shelby, NC, his siblings: Jessica Dawn Nichols of Dale City, VA, Steven Cornwell of Everett, PA, Kimberly Pittman of Manns Choice, PA, and Abigail Horne of Shelby, NC; his aunts and uncles: Holly Kulp, Kristen Kulp, John Kulp, Matthew Kulp, Tangela Runion (Ricky), Megan Johnson; his niece and nephew, Grace and Tucker Pittman; and many cousins, extended family and friends. He is preceded in death by his father, Richard Grau Horne II, his grandmother, Ida Rosemary Horne, his grandfather, Richard Grau Horne I, and his uncles William Emerson Horne and Jeff Smith.

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Margaret "Margie" Longacre



Margaret "Margie" Longacre, 75, of Lexington Park, MD, died March 3, 2019, at her home surrounded by her loving family.

She was born October 13, 1943 in Lewistown, PA to the late George Emil and Margaret F. (Weyman) Wenghofer.

On July 9, 1966, Margie married her beloved husband, Joseph G. Longacre, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Lewistown, PA. They celebrated over 46 blissful years of marriage before Joe's passing in August 2012. She was a loving mother and supportive friend. She always took time to listen and gave the best advice. She was always ready for the next adventure and especially loved camping. No trip was ever too small or too long, she just needed to get a small bag ready and she was off. She was an avid reader, enjoying mystery novels. She was the dancing queen, just this past New Years she was kicking up her heels. She loved her home and neighbors at Victory Woods. Her greatest love was spending time with her family.

Margaret is survived by her children: Christine Griffith (Matt) of Hollywood, MD, Kathleen Kreps (Jeffrey) of Great Mills, MD, Amy Gray (Richard) of Hollywood, MD and Cathy Dobbins (Drew) of Lexington Park, MD; her grandchildren: Bethany Kreps, Taylor Wilson (Jerry), Kyle Boyd, Ryan Gray, Sara Griffith, and Brandon Gray; her great granddaughter, Madison Clark; and many extended family and friends. In addition to her parents and husband she is also preceded in death by her brother, George Wenghofer.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to Hospice of St. Mary's, P.O. Box 625, Leonardtown, MD 20650.

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Monireh Allahverdizadeh

Monireh Allahverdizadeh, 96, of California, MD passed away on March 3, 2019 at her residence.

She was born on September 1, 1922 in Quochan, Iran to the late Hussain and Zahra Allahverdizadeh. She spent most of her adult life in Mashad, Iran working as an office manager. As an Iranian Bahai and a long serving member of Spir-



itual Assembly of Bahai's of Mashad, she was persecuted by the Iranian government and had to go into hiding for over a year before fleeing to Pakistan in 1984. After an extended stay in Pakistan and with help from various refugee support organizations, she was able to travel to Vienna, Austria where she resided for several months. In 1986 she was finally able to come to the United States where she was united with her sister, Dr. F. Allahverdizadeh.

Ms. Allahverdizadeh moved to Saint Mary's County, MD in 1996 to be near her extended family. She was a member of the American Bahai Community and served in the local spiritual assembly of the Bahai's of St. Mary's County.

Ms. Allahverdizadeh is survived by her sisters: Rizan and Farideh; and many extended family and friends. She is preceded in death by her parents, her brother, and four sisters.

Condolences to the family may be made at www.brinsfieldfuneral.com.

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Jonathan Paul Picciotta



Jonathan Paul Picciotta, age 58, passed away peacefully on Monday, February 25, 2019 surrounded by his family. He was born on March 3, 1960

to Jean Owen Picciotta and Paul Matthew Picciotta and lived in Mechanicsville, Maryland. Jon is survived by his beloved wife of 35 years, Pamela Perry Picciotta; daughter, Stephanie Lorraine Picciotta; father, Paul M. Sr.; step-mother Wendy Picciotta; brother Paul M. Jr.; sisters Nicole G. and Kelly M.; aunts Carol Young and Marilyn Owen; a niece and three nephews.

Jonathan is originally from Fort Washington, MD and graduated from Friendly High School in 1979. He worked as a subcontractor at the Navy Research Lab in Washington, DC for 21 years before landing his dream job with Lockheed Martin in Lexington Park, MD in 2016.

Jonathan enjoyed his job as an Electronics Technician and loved tinkering with anything mechanical, especially cars and motorcycles, riding his Harley and spending time with his family and dogs.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations made be made to: the American Liver Foundation, 39 Broadway Suite 2700,

New York, NY 10006.

Condolences to the family may be made at www.brinsfieldfuneral.com

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Tamara Lynn "Tammy" Bennet



Tamara Lynn "Tammy" Bennett, age 49, of Woodbridge, VA, passed away suddenly on Friday, March 1, 2019 at Sentara Northern Virginia Medical Center. Tammy was born on Sunday, April

13, 1969 at St. Mary's Hospital in Leonardtown, MD.

Tammy attended St. Mary's Ryken High School (Class of 87), Leonardtown, MD, participating in track and cross country, graduating from Northern High School, Owings, MD.

Tammy was born and raised in St. Mary's County, Maryland amongst many loving relatives and friends, until she graduated and moved to Virginia, pursuing her dental assistant career, and later enjoying spending time with family, friends, and her pets. Tammy's passion of gardening and her "Green Thumb" was a testament to all the care and love she gave to her plants and flowers, a special part of her life. Her home and yard are like a "tropical garden and forest" with so many colors and species of plants, some even from Hawaii!

She always loved animals, especially horses, and her childhood pony, "Moonlight".

Starting at a very young age, and into her early teens, riding English with "Moonlight" and competing in many Horse Shows, Equestrian Events and County Fairs in St. Mary's County - with no fear of jumping - Tammy won many ribbons and trophies.

But above all, she got immense plea-

sure and happiness just from horseback riding, having no fear of jumping, even if "Moonlight" on occasion did. When he refused, with Tammy encouraging him on, they glided over hurdles together. Both showing so much pride in what they accomplished in the end.

There was her dog "Ginger", followed by "Hunter", "Bullet", and "Jake"... And now there is her beloved "Dexter" - her "pot belly" pig!

Loved her "Redskins"... Whether they won or lost! Calling, texting - "GO SKINS!" and/or "HTTR", every game! That was Tammy!!

She enjoyed many motorcycle adventures with Danny, loved riding behind him on the Harley!

Tammy loved the outdoors...loved camping, boating, traveling, beaches, sunny weather, sunsets...and fell in love with Key West, Florida, where she spent time with Danny and her family whenever she could. "I'm coming to Key West"!

Tammy is survived by her husband, Daniel Ross "Danny" Bennett, the love of her life. They married on June 10, 2010 and have been enjoying a never-ending "honeymoon" together for almost 9 years now. Tammy is also survived by her loving family: her son, Nathan Newlove of Woodbridge, VA; father, Joseph Van Dalsum, Sr. of Fairfax, VA; mother, Sandra Guy Roy and step-father Carl W. Roy II of Owings, MD; brother, Joseph (Joey) Van Dalsum, Jr., (Kim), nephew, August (Auggie) Van Dalsum, niece, Chloe Van Dalsum of Forest Hill, MD; step-son, Michael Bennett (Tara) and granddaughters, Amanda and Danni of Dayton, VA.

Tammy's smile and spirit were infectious, so sweet, and always giving of herself to others. She will be missed by many, but memories of her will always make us smile.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: St. Jude's Children's Hospital in memory of Tammy.



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Community Calendar

To submit your event listing to go in our Community Calendar, please email timescalendar@countytimes.net with the listing details by 12 p.m. on the Monday prior to our Thursday publication.

UPCOMING

Run4acause: Non-Profit Running Series

7th Annual Walk, Run, & Roll Event April 27, 2019 at Greenwell State Park! 100% of the proceeds from this family event supports Bay Community Support Services to enrich the lives of individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. Register by Friday, March 15 to receive a FREE t-shirt and \$5 off registration. www.baycss.org/walk.html

Academy Application

St. Mary's County Public Schools accepting online applications for its four signature Academy Programs at www.smcpss.org/academies until Friday, April 19. Late applications will not be accepted. Department of Curriculum and Instruction, 301-475-5511 x32104.

Friday, March 15

NARFE's Welcome Back Celebration!

Olde Breton Inn, Leonardtown
11:30 AM

Chopticon's Triple Threat Performance Troupe at the luncheon/meeting of St Mary's NARFE Chapter 969. Reservations required. \$16.50. Joyce Gentillo 301 645-5006. Cake Raffle during the meeting. Contact Geneva for membership details 301-884-5112.

Lenten Fish Dinner

St. George Catholic Church, Valley Lee
4:00 - 6:30 PM

Hosted Fridays by the Knight of Columbus. Catfish, Pancit, Mac & Cheese and More.

Pitch Card Party

Hollywood Volunteer Rescue Squad
5:30 - 9:30 PM

Game starts a 6:30. \$20. \$1/bump. Biggest loser receives \$20. 50/50 raffle. BYOB. Sodas, water, coffee, hot chocolate, snack and sandwiches for purchase. Bonnie Lemonds 301-247-8397 or email bonnielemonds@hotmail.com. www.hvrs.org

Queen of Hearts Drawing

Brass Rail Sports Bar, Great Mills
7:00 PM

Ticket sales, \$1 each, begin at 4:00 PM. Drawing at 7:00 PM. 50/50 raffle each week. Jackpot begins at \$2,000+ and continues to grow each week until the Queen of Hearts is found. Benefit the Archangel Scholarship Foundation Corporation in support of St. Michael's School, Ridge.

Texas Hold'em Tournament

VFW Post 2632, 23282 Three Notch Road (Rt. 235)
7:00 PM

No Limit Texas Hold'em Tournament. \$50 Buy in (\$40 Prize Pool + \$10 Charity). Early Bird Bonus: sign in 6:20-6:45. Pre-registration encouraged; not required. Must be 18 or older to play. Info/pre-register: Brian, email: poker@vfw2632.com.

240-925-4000

Sat. & Sun., March 16 & 17

Family Worship Conference

Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church,
22646 Benswood Rd., California
8:30 AM - 1:00 PM

The Rev. Angelo O. Valle teaches on the importance and practice of Family Worship. Four teaching sessions, a special covered dish practicum and two worship services. Special sessions and activities during Saturday's seminar for children. Register: www.gppopc.org. Info: gppoffice@gppopc.org.

Nunsense Fundraiser

St. Francis Xavier Church Hall, 21370
Newtowne Neck Rd., Leonardtown
Saturday, 7:00 PM. Sunday, 2:00 PM

This production of Nunsense will benefit St. Francis Xavier parish; 50/50 and Basket Raffles. \$20 advance; \$25 at the door. Call 1-800-838-3006 or go to www.ourcabaret.com.

Saturday, March 16

Spring Craft & Vendor Fair

St. Mary's Fairgrounds, Leonardtown
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Handmade items, baked goods, and various art work. Stuffed ham sandwiches and food for sale. 50/50 raffle. \$25/space. Proceeds benefit the Valley Lee 2nd District VFD & RS. 240-434-1095

For the Love of Our Animals

Summerseat Farm, 26655 Three Notch Rd., Mechanicsville
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Visit this historic farm. See buffalo and other animals. Hay rides, face painting, Civil War reenactors, children's crafts and more. Bring a picnic. No admission; monetary donations for veterinarian and animal supplies are greatly appreciated. Proceeds benefit our farm animals.

Family Hike & Beach Clean Up

Myrtle Point Park Beach
3:00 PM

A family walk through the park to the beach and a little spring cleaning and pick up trash. Bring yourself, a friend, a trash picker upper, layered clothing and closed toed shoes. We supply gloves, bags, and buckets. Meet at the "Sierra Club" sign inside the park gates. Info: email rosahance@mdsierra.org. 240-808-4233. (Rain date Sunday, March 17, 3:00)

Reggie Rice's Fool Of Illusions

Great Mills High School, Great Mills Road
6:00 - 7:30 PM (doors open 5:30)

Be amazed and fooled by this award-winning comedy illusionist. Tickets \$10 at www.FOOLOFILLUSIONS.com. \$15 at the door. 3 years & under free. Benefit Great Mills Class of 2020. A portion of proceeds benefit mental health awareness.

Elks Texas Hold'em Tournament

St Mary's County Elks Lodge, 45779 Fire
Department Lane, Lexington Park
6:00 PM

No Limit Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament. Buy in \$80. Food and drink for purchase. James Dean 240-577-0828. Email: jdeanjunior@yahoo.com

Benefit Concert—St. Paddy's Day Party

5 South Event Center, 21030 Point Lookout Rd.,
Callaway
7:00 - 10:00 PM

Featuring BEATLEMANIA AGAIN, live in concert for one show only. Doors open 6:00. Concessions, cash bar, silent auction and raffles available. All ages! Proceeds benefit Sugar Faces Senior Dog Rescue of Southern Maryland. 410-474-2958.

Swing and Ballroom Dance

Little Flower School, Route 5, Great Mills
7:00 - 11:00 PM

Dancing to music of all kinds. No experience required! Singles welcome! Bring a snack to share; water provided. \$10/person. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus of Holy Face Church. Email somdballroom@gmail.com or call 240-577-0153.

Sunday, March 17

St. Patrick's Day

Celebration!

First Missionary Baptist Church, Pegg Lane, Lexington Park
10:00 AM

Celebrate Reverend Roderick W. McClanahan's 29th Pastoral Anniversary during Divine Worship. 301-863-8388

American Legion Turkey Shoot

Big Foot Hunt Club, 24450 Pin Cushion Rd, Loveville
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

\$80 for 15 rounds: 10 Meat rounds and 5 Cash rounds. Info contact the Post 301-274-3522

Quarter Auction

Knights of Columbus Hall, Ridge
12:00 - 3:30 PM

Join the Fun Bunch & Friendz Quarter Auction Team and the Ridge Volunteer Rescue Squad. All bids 1-4 quarters; nothing over 4 quarters. Paddles \$3 each, 2 for \$5 or 3 for \$7. Info or reservations 240-416-4224.

Turkey Shoot

Moose Lodge 495, Mechanicsville
12:00 PM

Special turkey shoot to benefit Young Life St. Mary's camp scholarships. 12:00-1:00 sign-in and practice period. Shoot begins at 1:00. \$80 for 15 rounds. Prizes. 240-298-5265 or tcbalazs93@gmail.com

Monday, March 18

CABS

Garvey Senior Center, Leonardtown
6:00 PM

Companions and Buddies for Singles is an adult social group of friends. Meets every Monday except Holidays. \$15/year; no dues first four visits. 240-794-8033. CAB-Sorg.WixSite.com/CABS

Tuesday, March 19

Piano Talk

Auerbach Auditorium, St. Mary's Hall
12:00 PM

St. Mary's College, Musician-in-Residence Brian Ganz continues his popular series with an exploration and performance of four of Frédéric Chopin's mazurkas. First of a series entitled "The Mazurkas: Chopin's Creative Laboratory." Free and open to the public. 240-895-4498. www.smcm.edu/events/organizer/music-department/

Wednesday, March 20

PABA (Parent's Affected by Addiction)

Real Life Church, 27399 Old Village Road, Mechanicsville
6:30 PM

A Tri-County support Group for those who have loved one's with substance abuse problems. All welcome! 301-848-6449.

Thursday, March 21

Maryland Day Stuffed Ham Sandwich

Trinity Episcopal Church, St. Mary's City

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Lunch Carryout. Stuffed ham sandwich—\$6; bean soup—\$3, 2 piece fried chicken w/ coleslaw, baked beans and roll—\$7, chips and water—\$1. Order early—call the Church office at 301-862-4597 (leave message with telephone number to confirm) or email trinityofficesmc@gmail.com.

Infant Loss Support Group

45870 East Run Drive, Lexington Park
6:00 - 7:30 PM

A Grief Support Group meets for six weeks at East Run Center (across from Great Mills High School). Sponsored by Footprints of Faith and Hospice of St. Mary's. No fee, registration required. 301-994-3565

Anne of Green Gables

King's Christian Academy, 20738 Pt. Lookout, Callaway
6:30 - 8:30 PM

This family-friendly play captures the charm of L.M. Montgomery's enduring classic about an orphan girl. Advance tickets, 301-994-3080: Adult \$10, Child/Student \$5. At the door: Adult \$12, Child/Student \$7.

St. Mary's Department of Aging & Human Services Programs and Activities

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Garvey Senior Activity Center, 301-475-4200, ext. 71050
Northern Senior Activity Center, 301-475-4002, ext. 73101

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Keys to Independence Workshop Series

What are your plans for retirement? Do you know how to access Medicare, Medicaid, or other programs and services? Are you seeking volunteer opportunities within the St. Mary's County Community? Find all that and more with the Department of Aging & Human Services!

This free community workshop series is hosted by the St. Mary's County Department of Aging & Human Services and the College of Southern Maryland at the College of Southern Maryland's Leonardtown Campus in Building C - Room 304 on Tuesdays, April 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2019, from 6- 8 p.m. Topics will include –

Introduction to the Department of Aging & Human Services (Tuesday, April 9)

The Department of Aging & Human Services provides a wide variety of programs and services to the county's senior residents, as well as other segments of the population in need. Join Community Programs & Outreach Manager Sarah Miller to learn about home and community-based services, social and recreational programs, community outreach, volunteer opportunities, supportive services to families and children, Christmas Caring, Teen Court, and much more.

Music and Memory (Tuesday, April 16)

Spend an evening with Program Specialist Kathy Creswell from the Department of Aging & Human Services'

Garvey Senior Activity Center learning about the effect of music on memory, health, and wellbeing. Participate in an interactive demonstration of Drums Alive using rhythm as the source of inspiration to discover a new group fitness experience.

Mobility & Independence (Tuesday, April 23)

Join College of Southern Maryland and Department of Aging & Human Services staff to learn about mobility aids and how they can be utilized successfully. Also learn how physical fitness classes offered at the Department of Aging & Human Services' Senior Activity Centers can assist in promoting improved mobility.

Scams, Frauds, and Elder Abuse Prevention (Tuesday, April 30)

Corporal Kristi Nelson and Sgt. Shawn L. Moses will teach community members about scams that are directed toward the aging population and how to detect, avoid, and report them. Also learn how the Department of Aging & Human Services may provide additional advocacy in the community and in long-term care.

For more information, or to sign up, contact Community Programs & Outreach Manager Sarah Miller at 301-475-4200, ext. 71073, or Sarah.Miller@stmarysmd.com. Registration is required, space is limited.

Safety Presentation:

Do you have a personal safety plan? Whether it is your physical safety while

you're out and about or your cyber safety while in your own home, it is important to know how to limit your risk and what to do in case an incident occurs. This presentation, led by Harold Tafe who has experience in law enforcement and private/corporate security for 45 years will take place on Thursday, March 21 at 10 a.m. Advance sign up is required. Call 301-475-4200, ext. 71658, by March 19, or stop by the reception desk.

Introduction to Sewing Class

If you have always wanted to learn to sew but have never had an opportunity to learn, now is your chance! An introduction class in which you will learn how to thread a machine and create basic stitches will be held at the Loffler Senior Activity Center on Thursday, March 21. We have six sewing machines or you can bring your own. Class size is limited. To sign up call 301-475-4200, ext. 71658, or stop by the Loffler reception desk.

Maryland and St. Mary's County Flag Presentation

Michael Barbour AECS, USN (Ret.) from the Southern Maryland American Legion Post 221 in Avenue, MD will give a presentation on the Maryland flag and the St. Mary's County flag at the Northern Senior Activity Center's celebration of Maryland Day on Friday, March 22, from 9-10 a.m. This presentation will include the history and protocols regarding these flags. Space is limited. To sign up for this free presentation in advance,

please visit the sign up table or call 301-475-4200, ext. 73103.

Cherry Blossom Canvas Art

The cherry blossoms are a beautiful tradition in our area and will soon be opening. Join us at the Garvey Senior Activity Center on Wednesday, March 27, at 10 a.m. and create a beautiful piece of art to hang on your wall for the spring or give as a gift to someone special. The cost for the class is \$5. To register, call 301-475-4200, ext. 71050.

Lunchtime Theater

The Reader's Theater will perform 2 pieces at the Garvey Senior Activity Center on Wednesday, March 27, at 12 p.m. Join us for a new spin on Mother's Day when a mother and her friends concoct a scheme to teach the daughter a lesson about the importance of visiting her mom in Mother's Day. A retirement community's new resident is stunned, and you will be too, when he learns what role he plays in an astonishing lottery in The Prize. Come join us for the performance and lunch. Lunch that day will be baked chicken leg, lentil soup, carrots, seasoned greens, WW dinner roll and fruited Jell-O. Cost for the meal is \$6 for those above the age of 60 or a donation for those ages 60 and above. Advance sign up is required! See the receptionist or call 301-4

ST. MARY'S COUNTY Library

Zumba at the Library

Leonardtown Library will host Zumba at the Library on Tuesday, March 26 from 10 – 11 a.m. Looking to try Zumba at your gym but not sure if you will like it? Join us for a one-time Zumba class sponsored by United HealthCare Community Plan. You will get an awesome aerobic workout while dancing to energetic music such as hip-hop, soca, samba, salsa, merengue and mambo. Squats and lunges are also included. Please wear sneakers and comfortable clothes.

Friends of the St. Mary's County Library Spring Book Sale

The Friends of the St. Mary's County Library will hold their annual Spring Book Sale at the St. Mary's County Fairgrounds from Friday, March 29 through Sunday, March 31. The first day of the sale, Friday, March 29 will be open for Friends members only

from 12 – 8 p.m. Become a member online at www.stmalib.org or at the door! The sale opens to the general public Saturday, March 30 from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Sunday, March 31, 12 – 4 p.m. Sunday will also be ½ price day. Cash, checks, and credits cards will be accepted, and an ATM will be available onsite. Volunteers will be needed on moving and set up days (Saturday, March 23 – Thursday, March 28), as well as during the sale. Please sign up on www.stmalib.org if you're interested in volunteering!

Expungement Day: Second Chances with Williams, McClernan, & Stack LLC

Charlotte Hall Library will hold Expungement Day: Second Chances with Williams, McClernan, & Stack LLC on Friday, March 29 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Williams, McClernan, & Stack LLC will be offering free legal help to those seeking expungement of criminal records. Call the Charlotte Hall Library (301-884-2211 ext. 3) to register for a time slot. Walk-ins are welcome as time slots are available. This is part of the Dismantling Racism series, and is a Choose Civility Southern Maryland event.

Mini Monet

Lexington Park Library will hold Mini Monet on Friday, March 29 from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Join us on

an art adventure! We will explore the world of art through various forms. Please expect and prepare for messy activities. Ages 6 months - 4 years old. Registration required.

Itsy Bitsy Storytime

Leonardtown Library will hold Itsy Bitsy Storytime on Thursday, March 29 from 10 - 11 a.m. A storytime designed for a smaller group, but still filled with lots of fun. If your little one finds our regular storytimes a little too overwhelming then this may be more their style. Designed for ages 2-5 with their caregivers. Registration required.

American Sign Language for New and Expecting Parents

Leonardtown Library will hold American Sign Language for New and Expecting Parents on Saturday, March 30 from 10 - 11 a.m. More and more we are seeing that the benefits of communicating with your infant using American Sign Language are tremendous. Join us for an hour of learning basic ASL to communicate with your new baby! Geared towards new and expecting parents, but feel free to bring your babies and young toddlers as well. Childcare providers and family members are also welcome.

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