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Members of the Hollywood Fire Department. 1st row (L to R) Jake Mahaffey, Tony Morris, Brian Williams. 2nd row (L to R) Mike Sullivan, Jason Sullivan, Tyler Insley, Chief Ricky Brady.



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Leonardtown is considering increasing impact fees to pay for expansion of their wastewater treatment



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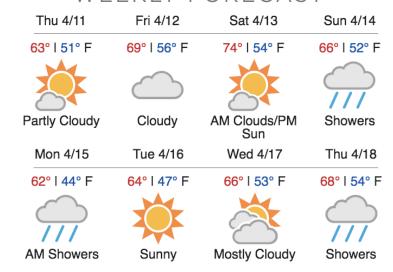
Kids hunted for Easter Eggs at the county fairgrounds over the weekend

Navy awards those who get grounded planes flying.

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County Dump Truck In Fatal Crash

By Guy Leonard Staff Writer

State police are investigating a fatal crash in which a county-owned dump truck was involved but county officials are refusing to talk about the incident or whether there were any safety precautions in place at the time of the crash.

State police are reporting that local government workers from the St. Mary's County Department of Public Works and Transportation were in the Charlotte Hall area repairing sporadic potholes throughout a neighborhood shortly before 11:30 a.m. April 9. The driver of the dump truck, later identified as John Lyon, 63, told police on the scene that while traveling on Mt. Wolf Road, he passed Chappelear Drive and noticed his crew working.

He told police that he stopped the truck, checked the mirrors and drove in reverse to turn on Chappelear Drive when the truck crashed into the motorcycle. State police say the motorcycle was stopped behind the dump truck when the crash occurred.

Elena Russo, spokesperson for Maryland State Police, said their investigation showed there were no safety crews in

the area of the crash; though there was one where the crew was working on Chappelear Drive.

Their preliminary investigation, Russo said, also found that the motorcycle came to a stop because the dump truck also stopped momentarily.

involved in the crash.

Killed in the crash was Chrystal Rae Rounds, 33, of Charlotte Hall. She was transported to University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center where she was later pronounced deceased. Chrystal Rae Rounds was the rear passenger of a 2018 Honda MSX 125 Grom motorcycle

Her husband, Michael Rounds, 40, was critically injured in the crash and was being treated at a regional hospital.

The passenger of the dump truck is identified as Robert Raley, 63, of Ridge. Neither Lyon nor Raley were injured during the incident.

State police said that the investigation was continuing but that charges are pending a review with the St. Mary's

"IT WAS A HORRIBLE ACCIDENT"

COMMISSIONER MIKE HEWITT

County State's Attorney's Office.

"If there are any charges it would most likely be against the dump truck driver," Russo said.

John Deatrick, the county's public works chief, said Wednesday morning that he knew about the crash immediately after it happened but did not know if there were any safety precautions taken that might have stopped the crash.

"I don't know, I haven't seen the report," Deatrick said, adding that he was in discussions during the call from The County Times with an engineer in his office regarding FDR Boulevard.

When asked in a subsequent interview if he had traveled to the site of the crash to investigate the situation he said: "I really can't speak to it at this point."

"We're holding off until we get the results from the state police investigation,"

Deatrick said regarding not making any statements to the press. "We're cooperating fully with the investigation."

County Administrator Dr. Rebecca Bridgett echoed Deatrick's remarks and also declined comment as to the condition of the site immediately before and after the fatal crash.

Commissioner Mike Hewitt offered his regrets for the family who lost one of its members.

"It was a horrible accident," Hewitt said.

Calls to the county attorney's office regarding any internal investigations of the crash were not returned as of press time.

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County May Pursue YMCA Partnership



By Guy Leonard Staff Writer

After Robbie Gill, the CEO of the YMCA of the Chesapeake made presentations about his organization to both Navy and county elected officials Tuesday they were so impressed about what the YMCA could do for communities that they became enthusiastic about bringing the first such organization to the region.

"A partnership between the Navy, St. Mary's County and the YMCA is absolutely doable," said Capt. Jason Hammond, commanding officer at Patuxent River Naval Air Station. "There are still a lot of details to work out and we are not planning to provide land or security, but I think this is a wonderful opportunity for partnership between the three organizations."

Supporters of a new community center for Lexington Park were thrilled at the possibility of bringing the YMCA to St. Mary's County, since partnering with them could provide a way for the group to raise funds to conduct various programs at the center.

The county government has allocated funding for planning a 70,000-square-foot community center at a location to be determined in Lexington Park; the project is estimated to cost upwards of \$16 million, according to

the county's capital construction plan in the latest budget documents.

At the meeting of the Commissioners of St. Mary's County, following a joint meeting with base officials, Commissioner Mike Hewitt made a motion that county staff begin reaching out to the YMCA of the Chesapeake and begin the process of finding out what it would take to bring the organization here

The commissioners, four were in attendance, voted unanimously to approve the motion.

The YMCA offers multiple programs for youth and the community members at large including health and wellness activities, community assistance programs, day camps, swimming lessons and family activities.

Community center supporters want many of these programs and more at the new facility once it's built.

Marcia Greenberg, a member of the group pressing for a new center, praised the commissioners for their willingness to explore the partnership.

"It's a day of thanks, gentlemen," Greenberg said. "This is a stupendous day for this county.

"There's no downside to this."

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School System Uncertain of Bus Driver Protest Impact

By Guy Leonard Staff Writer

St. Mary's County Public Schools officials are considering what consequences will befall contract bus drivers who refuse to pick up students on their scheduled routes April 23. It has been reported that some contract bus drivers will refuse to run their routes that day if their demands for higher wages are not met

"That's being discussed," said schools transportation chief Jeff Thompson in a Wednesday interview regarding consequences. "We expect contractors to do their due diligence on their routes that day.

"We don't know [which] drivers are planning to not drive that day."

Thompson said the school system was heavily dependent on contract bus drivers to get children to school; there are only 12 buses directly owned and funded by the school system.

There are 190 buses and routes run by contractors who pick up children all across the county.

Thompson said the school system's proposed budget, which will be part of

the discussion at the county's April 23 public hearing on its own \$259 million budget with proposed tax increases, included more funding for contract bus drivers.

"What's included in the proposed budget is a three-percent increase and that's for hourly payments to contractors," Thompson told The County Times. "Contractors determine what their drivers are paid."

One contract school bus driver, who agreed to speak on condition of anonymity, said a petition had been circulating since September of last year asking for signatures to demand higher wages from the school system.

A letter had also been circulating among contract bus drivers for the past two weeks attempting to gain signatures as to who would drive their routes on Apr. 23.

"It's not going to hurt the county," the driver said. "It's going to jeopardize the bus contractors.

"They have a contract with the county that says they have to put someone on that route."

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Van Hollen Encourages Students to Vote

By Guy Leonard Staff Writer

Sen. Chris Van Hollen asked St. Mary's College of Maryland students to vote and actively encourage others their age to vote.

He said young people in the range of 18 to 29 years old had a 40 to 50 percent participation rate in times of a presidential election but that plummeted to between 20 and 30 percent during mid-term elections.

Van Hollen, a Democrat, said he and others in Congress and the Senate were working to pass the "For The People" bill which would curb money's influence in politics, particularly money that is not traceable to its donor, and expand access to voting.

This would include same-day voting registration and 15 days of early voting nationwide.

"It's to refresh our democracy and break down barriers to voting," Van Hollen said of the bill. "It's to break down dark money in politics; voters have the right to know who's spending all that money.

"There's too much special interest money in politics."

He said it was discouraging to see how few people took advantage of the right to vote; he said people mistakenly believed



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Sen. Chris Van Hollen talks to students at St. Mary's College about efforts to break down barriers to voting.

that their vote did not matter.

He said the recent vote in the Senate, one of the last votes of Sen. John McCain, a Republican, before he died, preserved the Affordable Care Act, also known as Obamacare, from being dismantled.

"It came down to one vote in the Senate," Van Hollen said. "Without all those votes we gathered the Affordable Care Act would've gone away."

Van Hollen said other legislation promulgated in the House of Representatives that would likely never pass a Republican-controlled Senate included universal background checks for gun ownership and an act that would mandate equal pay for equal work.

"Every vote counts," Van Hollen said. "Please do everything you can to participate."

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By Guy Leonard Staff Writer

The Leonardtown Town Council voted unanimously Monday to take an ordinance to public hearing that would significantly raise what the town charges in impact fees for new construction.

The ordinance would raise the impact fee from \$1,800 to \$3,000.

The public hearing is scheduled for May.

The need for the increase in impact fees, town officials have said, is to expand the capacity at the town's Van Wert Wastewater Treatment Plant.

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 treatment 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;



Leonardtown is considering increasing impact fees to provide for the expansion of its wastewater treatment plant.

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.

In other news Mayor Dan Burris announced that the owner of the Ford dealership in the northern part of town on Route 5, Tom Kody of Kody Holdings, planned to move that lot to merge with the one he plans to build on Route 235 near the San Souci Shopping Center in Lexington Park.

This would create at least one business vacuum in the town, but Burris reported that Kody Holdings, which has also bought out the Winegardner Chevrolet, Buick and GMC storefront on the town square would be staying put due to a prior-five year lease on the property.

"They're not going anywhere anytime soon," Burris

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Animal Control Division Gets New Chief

By Guy Leonard Staff Writer

Joy Wilson, the county's new Animal Control Supervisor, has big shoes to fill and she knows it.

Her former supervisor for the past five years, Tony Malaspina, died suddenly last year much to the sadness of his many coworkers.

Wilson said she and others "adored" Malaspina, and remembered him as a rare supervisor who always stood up for his employees.

"And hopefully I can make him proud," Wilson told The County Times.

Though she has only been here for five years, Wilson, 50, has a strong background in sheltering and helping animals

In Loudon County, Va. she started in animal sheltering and control in 2000 and worked for the Alexandria Animal Welfare group which, while a non-profit entity, held the contract to conduct animal control work for the entire city.

"They taught me pretty much everything I know," Wilson said during a busy Friday afternoon; animal control complaints continually come into the office.

They deal with all kinds of calls to wildlife in distress to missing or unleashed animals to animal cruelty; that's the toughest part of the job.

"Animal cruelty is the one that hits you the hardest on a daily basis," Wilson said.

She said when she first came on the



Joy Wllson is the county's new Animal Control Supervisor

job, many residents looked upon the Animal Control division as a "necessary evil" which sometimes intervened in how people took care of their animals or even took them away in the case of animal cruelty.

The tone she wants to set, though, is one where residents can trust animal control specialists to educate them on the law regarding animal care.

When they receive complaints, Wilson said, and go out to investigate them, they often find that owners may not know how to properly care for pets; they usually want to correct any problems animal control officers find

"We're showing people we're a positive resource," Wilson said. "If we can help one person be successful, we've done our job.

"I couldn't imagine doing anything else."

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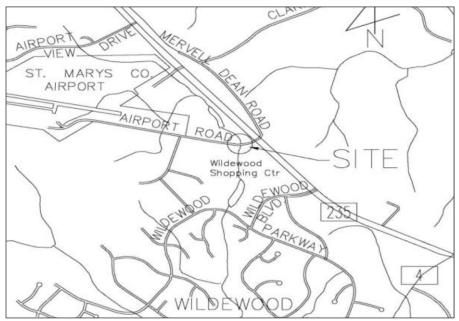
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one week, weather dependent.

For additional information, please contact the St. Mary's County Department of Public Works & Transportation at (301) 475-4200, or the St. Mary's County Public Information Office at (301) 475-4200, Ext. *1340.

Press Release from St. Mary's County Government

Great Mills Family Dental to Host Free Dentistry Day April 13

Residents in the Great Mills community and surrounding areas will have the opportunity to receive free dental services at Great Mills Family Dental on Saturday, April 13.

Dr. Vincent Davis and team at Great Mills Family Dental will be improving the oral health of the community as part of Free Dentistry Day, a day dedicated to providing free dental care to the growing number of Americans without dental insurance. According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, approximately 108 million Americans are living without dental insurance.

"We understand that many people in our community and across the nation haven't been to the dentist for a long period of time. Some don't understand the importance of dental health, but more often than not, they don't have the financial means," said Dr. Davis. "This event is a great opportunity for us to share our time and resources with those less fortunate and give back to the community."

There is increasing evidence that links oral health to overall health and wellbeing. The signs and symptoms of over 100 medical conditions, including diabetes, HIV/AIDS, Lou Gehrig's disease and oral cancer may first be detected through



traditional oral examinations.

"Dental health is a vital part of a person's overall health," said Dr. Davis. "Through this event, we hope to educate patients on the importance of dental health and encourage them to adopt an ongoing oral care regimen."

During Free Dentistry Day, a choice of one free cleaning, fillings or extraction will be provided per patient on Saturday, April 13, between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. at 22329 Greenview Parkway in Great Mills. Patients will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, please call 301-862-2044 or visit www.FreeDentistryDay.org.

"It's very gratifying to see the impact that events like Free Dentistry Day can have on the life of a person. At the same time we're changing their life, they're changing ours," said Dr. Davis.







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State Mourns Passing of House Speaker Michael Busch

By Dick Myers Editor

A cloud hung over the final day of the 2019 Maryland General Assembly with the unexpected passing the day before of Speaker of the House Michael Busch of Anne Arundel County. Bush died at the University of Maryland Hospital, where he had been admitted for pneumonia.

Busch had received a liver transplant in 2017 and apparently contracted the pneumonia after a follow-up procedure for the liver trans plant.

Busch, 72, was a collegiate football star who had been the longest serving House speaker in the legislature's history.

Busch's death prompted an outpouring of reaction from Maryland's political establishment.

His colleague on the Senate side, President Thomas V. "Mike' Miller, who himself is being treated for cancer, said, "My heart is broken for Mike Busch's family, the State of Maryland, and the Speaker's extended family - elected officials and staff that he has been a mentor and coach to over his time in public service. Mike has been a friend for years and has led the state to new heights of environmentalism and education, while ensuring that a new generation of leaders move our state forward. He was a true model of a State Delegate; he cared for every corner of the state, but never forgot about the people he was elected to represent. I will miss him as a friend and partner in state government and I join all the state in mourning his passing."

Rep Steny Hoyer said, "The state of Maryland lost a true champion today. Speaker Michael Busch served his state with distinction and honor and fought tirelessly for families throughout our state. In an era of mean-spirited politics and irresponsible rhetoric, Speaker Busch was an example of civility, compassion, and fairness. I will personally miss him as a dear friend and a public servant of great integrity and honest policies.

"Mike's passion for leadership was born out of his career of teaching and coaching in Annapolis. To this day, he was affectionately referred to as 'Coach' by his colleagues in the State House and was widely respected for his ability to reach across the aisle to get things done.

"During his time in public service, he led the charge to expand access to health care for thousands of Marylanders, to protect the oyster population and



Michael Busch

improve the health of the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries, and to ensure more families had access to opportunity. Mike also fought to ensure marriage equality in Maryland, and he worked to improve education and fund school construction throughout our state.

"But more than his legislative accomplishments, Mike was a dear friend – to me and to so many colleagues he served with and mentored in the Maryland General Assembly. We will miss his counsel and his friendship deeply.

"Today is a sad day for the city of Annapolis, which he was so proud to serve, and our entire State. My thoughts and prayers are with Cindy, Erin, and Megan and the entire Busch family as well his colleagues, constituents, and staff. As we reflect on his life and legacy, may we continue to be guided by his spirit of bipartisanship and service."

The Commissioners of St. Mary's County extend their sincerest condolences to the family of House Speaker Michael Busch. Michael Busch passed away on Sunday April 7, 2019 at age 72.

"On behalf of the St. Mary's County Commissioners, we express our deepest condolences and ask God's Blessing upon the Busch family," said Commissioner President Randy Guy. "Michael Busch will be remembered and missed. He was the longest serving speaker of the House in Maryland History."

Per Governor Hogan's request, effective immediately, Maryland flags will fly at half-staff in honor of Speaker Busch's distinguished life and legacy until sunset on the day of interment. As a matter of protocol, the St. Mary's County Flag will fly at half-staff as well.

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Legal Notice

IN THE MATTER OF JAMES THOMAS WHITE FOR CHANGE OF NAME TO JAMES THOMAS DOVE

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

Case No.: C-18-FM-19-000271 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 James Thomas White to James Thomas Dove. The petitioner is seeking a name change because:

My mother's last name is Dove. All my documents have Dove as my last name.

Any person may file an objection to the Petition on or before the 19th day of May, 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

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

or the granting of the relief sought.

April 11, 2019

Legal Notice

IN THE MATTER OF KERRY ELIZABETH THOMPSON FOR CHANGE OF NAME TO KERRIE ELIZABETH THOMPSON

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

Case No.: C-18-FM-19-000260 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 Kerry Elizabeth Thompson to Kerrie Elizabeth Thompson. The petitioner is seeking a name change because: I would like to correct the misspelling of my name on my birth certificate to the name that is reflected on my school, employment, medical records, retirement and social security paperwork.

Any person may file an objection to the Petition on or before the 15th day of May, 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.

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The Work is described in Bidding Documents prepared by GHD Inc. ("GHD"). In general, the Work consists of constructing approximately 1,600-2,300 square feet of modular floating dock system off the existing public wharf on Breton Bay, complete with piles, gangway, fire protection equipment, and accessories, in accordance with the Contract Drawings and Specifications.

A pre bid conference will be held at 10:00 a.m. April 18, 2019 at the Town Hall at 22670 Washington Street, Leonardtown, MD 20650. Representatives from the Town and GHD will be present to discuss the proposed project. Attendance by prospective bidders is encouraged but not mandatory.

The issuing office for the bid documents is: Commissioners of Leonardtown, 22670 Washington Street, POB 1, Leonardtown, MD 20650.

Bid documents can be reviewed at either Town Hall or at GHD Inc.16701 Melford Blvd., Suite 330. Bowie. MD 20715.

Digital sets of Bidding Documents may be purchased at the Issuing Office upon submission of a check or money order payable to Commissioners of Leonardtown in the amount of \$20. If mailing of documents is requested, it will be done at cost. No refunds will be made for the return of Bidding Documents. Direct all questions regarding distribution of Bidding Documents to Laschelle McKay, Town Administrator, 301-475-9791 or Laschelle.mckay@leonardtownmd.gov

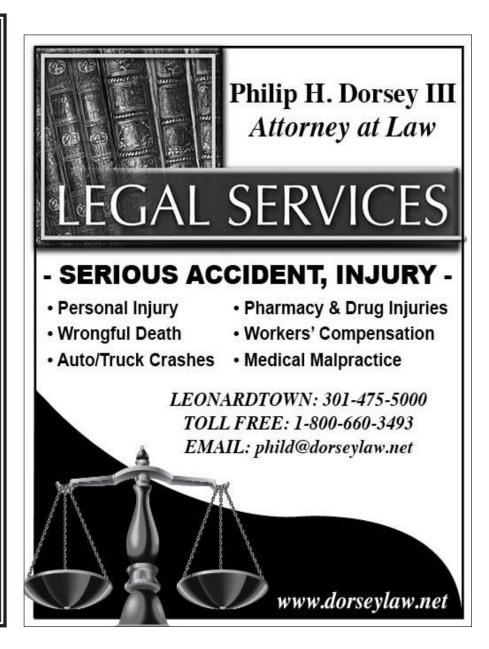
Direct all questions regarding bidding documents to Jason VerNooy, GHD, Inc., 240-206-6843 (phone) 240-206-6811 (fax) or Jason.vernooy@ghd.com. Use subject heading for all faxes and emails: Leonardtown Floating Dock.

No response will be given to questions received less than 7 days before the bid opening date.

Bidders are required to certify, under penalty of perjury, that bids have been prepared without collusion with other bidders, subcontractors, suppliers, etc. This certification is included with the Bidding Documents which each bidder must sign.

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By Authority: Laschelle McKay, Town Administrator April 5, 2019





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Two Arrested on **Narcotics, Gun Charges**

The St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Vice Narcotics Division began an investigation in January of 2019 into Sharon Artiago Mackall, 40 of Lexington Park, regarding his involvement in the distribution of controlled dangerous substances (CDS). A search and seizure warrant was obtained for Mackall and a residence in Mechanicsville.

On April 1, 2019, members of the Vice Narcotics Division assisted by the Emergency Services Team, and additional support personnel, executed the search warrants. Mackall was found to be in possession of suspected heroin. Wayne Darnell Winters, 46 of Mechan-



icsville, was located on the scene in a vehicle and found to be in possession of a loaded handgun.

Mackall was arrested and charged with CDS: Possess-Not Marijuana. Winters was arrested and charged with the following:

- Handgun on Person
- · Handgun in Vehicle



· Loaded Handgun on Person

Additional charges are pending further review with States Attorney Richard D. Fritz.

For official news and information, follow the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office on Twitter @firstsheriff.

Armed Robbery Suspect Arrested

On April 4, 2019 at approximately 9:42 p.m., William James Cooper, 32 of no fixed address. entered the Subway restaurant at Merchants Lane in Leonardtown. Cooper placed a knife to the neck of an employee of the store and demanded money. During the robbery, Cooper cut the victim, which caused minor injuries, before fleeing the area in a vehicle.

St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office patrol deputies located and apprehended Cooper. who was processed and charged at the St. Mary's County Detention and Rehabilitation Center in Leonardtown.

Cooper was charged by St. Mary's County Criminal Investigations Division Detectives with:

- First-Degree Assault
- · Second-Degree Assault
- · Armed Robbery



- · Robbery
- Theft: \$100 to under \$1,500

Cooper is currently incarcerated at the St. Mary's County Detention and Rehabilitation Center and is awaiting an appearance before a District Court Commissioner.



An Easter Egg Hunt for the Kids



The boys 5-year-old group goes after their share of easter eggs laid out for them at the county's annual Easter Egg Hunt at the fairgrounds in Leonardtown.





Girls in the 5-year-old group quickly picked up all the eggs on the field at the St. Mary's County Fairgrounds April 6.







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Hollywood Fire Company



The Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department has a diverse group of members from firefighters of all ages to members who help with important administrative duties that ensure the company runs smoothly.

By Guy Leonard Staff Writer

Richard "Ricky" Brady, chief of the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department, says there are about 100 active members in the company who answer fire and emergency calls along with 50 auxiliary and associate members who support the company's mission; while he thinks they aren't struggling for membership they could always use more help.

"It's important for the community to know our strengths and our weaknesses," Brady, a paid fire-fighter in the District, said. "I'll sum it up in our membership; we have a lot of members, but we never have enough."

Their roster numbers on paper may show that they don't have a recruitment and retention problem, Brady said, but many of those members have jobs during the day which makes them unavailable to respond to emergency calls on a daily basis.

Other weeks more people are available to respond based on their personal schedules; it becomes more than just a numbers issue and one of scheduling.

"We call it feast or famine," Brady told The County Times.

Many members of the company respond to calls from home on most days, Brady said, but still others find the time to respond from the firehouse.

"A lot of guys hang out," Brady said. "We have a lot of members here who are career firefighters."

Though most of the active volunteers are men there are eight women firefighters who volunteer regularly, Brady said.

Some who serve work in counties as far away as Anne Arundel, said Brady, which means that on their days off from shift work they are able to spend more significant amounts of time at the station making ready to answer calls for service.

Brady estimated the scratch rate, the amount of calls they cannot respond to, is less than five percent a year.

"It's all about timing," he said. "We always need folks; we struggle in the spring and summer times."

The atmosphere at the firehouse is often relaxed but there is still plenty of activity, including cleaning, maintaining and checking that all apparatus are available for service; members who come to the station awaiting calls are often training in either firefighting on controlled burn exercises or life-saving methods of extracting crash victims from vehicles.

"We have space on the property where we have training drills," Brady said. "We go to the local scrap

yards and get cars for training exercises as well."

Prospective members must submit to background checks before being accepted for memberships; no felons are allowed in the company's ranks and potential members must be voted in by those actively serving.

The screening process recently rejected a person with a felony record who attempted to gain membership; that same person had been turned out by another fire company in St. Mary's after their felony record was discovered.

"That's immediately against our by-laws," Brady said of considering anyone for membership with a criminal record.

Those who do gain membership must undergo statemandated training, known as Firefighter I, before they can ride an apparatus and take part in operations on a fire ground.

The call schedule can be rigorous with the company responding to about 800 emergencies per year.

Volunteers at Hollywood respond to all manner of emergencies, from fires to car crashes and serious emergency medical calls that rescue squad volunteers also respond to.

"Significant [life-threatening] medical calls we respond to," Brady said. "We have emergency gear on all our apparatus."

Their presence on critical incidents other than fires is necessary for securing scenes where large numbers of people are present and even for clearing areas for evacuation of injured people by helicopter.

The opioid crisis has added another layer of danger to an already stressful job, the Company 7 chief said, with firefighters responding to reverse overdoses with Narcan and often coming close to being exposed to potentially lethal narcotics from the most casual physical contact.

"We ran about 100 more medical local calls this past year (2018) than the year before," Brady said. "That's due to the opioids."

The job isn't all danger and excitement, though.

Volunteers also have to put in significant amounts of time arranging the many community activities the company hosts each year including the fireworks display for the 4th of July and their summer carnival, which are among their main fundraising efforts.

The Hollywood volunteers started their own fireworks program years ago when the county commissioners cut the funding from the budget for the annual show at the fairgrounds.

Bill Mattingly, a 41-year member of Company 7 and now its president, said the county fire tax only accounts

for a fraction of their operating budget.

"We have to work hard with the fundraising," Mattingly said. "The fire tax does not pay our yearly budget.

"We stress that when you become a member it's not just about firefighting."

Company 7 has the advantage of an in-demand banquet hall that is often rented out for weddings, sportsmen's events and even professional wrestling shows; the Ladies Auxiliary has always provided a strong fundraising effort but have outdone themselves this past year, Mattingly said.

"They usually raise about \$50,000 every year for us," he said. "This year they gave us \$75,000."

It's a testament to how much community support goes out to the Hollywood volunteers.

For an ever evolving fire service, the volunteers will likely need all of it and more.

"With the way the county has grown, people may not know we're 100 percent volunteer," Mattingly said. "With the rising costs, for fire apparatus, gear and fuel the rates go up about 15 percent per year."

Insurance for volunteers injured while in the line of duty, essentially workmen's compensation, is also costly.

"It's not cheap but you need it," Mattingly said.

Volunteering at Company 7 is much like working as a family, Mattingly said.

"We can have a good time while we work," he said. "In 41 years I've met a lot of good people who've come and gone.

"We still have four active charter members who sit in our meetings."

The company was started in 1957 with the firefighting engine being stored in a nearby barn until the company could move into a building that now houses a used car dealership on Route 235.

The current building was constructed in 1991 after much fundraising by the department; Mattingly said even then people were skeptical of a need for such a large fire house, but they still supported the project.

Brady said the firehouse retains its members despite all of the personal sacrifice required, even if they chose firefighting as a career, they still volunteer their time when at home.

"It's hours upon hours of training... it's just their dedication to come out and serve their community," Brady said. "We're professional volunteers."

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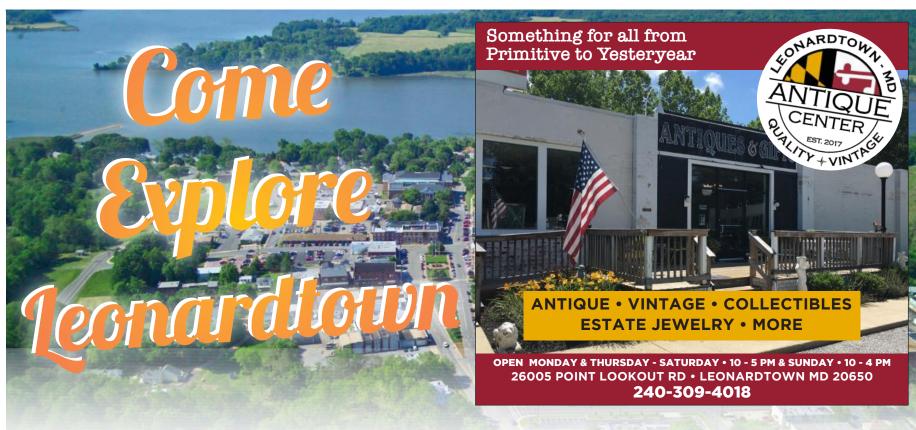


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Hotrods and History



The annual Coming Out Car Show put on by the Southern Knights Car Club brought hotrods and historic cars from all over the region April 7.

Buy Local Challenge Seeks Vendors

Development Commission (SMADC), a division of the Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland, is pleased to announce that Spider Hall Farm, in Prince Frederick, will be the host venue for the 3rd Annual Buy Local Challenge Celebration (BLC).

The annual celebration invites the general public to experience the bounty, the food and the fun of Maryland's farms. The summer evening event will take place at Spider Hall Farm on Monday, July 29, 5-8 p.m., and will feature tastings and sales of local farm products, food trucks, live music, and entertainment for the whole family.

Spider Hall Farm is a family-owned and operated 362-acre tobacco, corn and grain farm that offers agritourism and educational events every Fall. The farm also features a road-side store selling a wide variety of farm products from around the region. "We are excited to co-

The Southern Maryland Agricultural host the third Annual BLC Celebration with Spider Hall Farm," said Shelby Watson-Hampton, SMADC's director. "Everyone is invited to come celebrate the bounty of Maryland's farms and producers. It's a evening that the whole family can enjoy; there's food, fun and great activities for the kids."

SMADC is now seeking Maryland farms, wineries, distilleries, breweries, watermen/aquaculture, craftsmen and artisans to attend as vendors. Vendor participation is free, but space is subject to availability and suitability. Ticket sales for the general public will commence in May.

To apply to be a BLC Celebration vendor and event updates, information and ticket sales, visit 'Celebration Event Info' at www.buylocalchallenge.com, or email: info@smadc.com.

Press Release from SMADC

Wheels to Wellness Helps Overcome Transportation Challenges Helps the Elderly and Low-Income Get to Medical Appointments

Wheels to Wellness helps patients in need of roundtrip transportation for non-emergency medical appointments. Officially launched in August 2018, Wheels to Wellness began as an agreement among Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland (TCCSMD), The Arc Southern Maryland (The Arc SoMD) and The Center for Life Enrichment (TCLE). The program has provided more than 1,000 trips in its first six months.

In 2018, TCCSMD, The Arc SoMD and TCLE entered into a partnership for the pilot program. The program was narrowed to St. Mary's and Cal-

vert counties, with The Arc SoMD and TCLE acting as transportation providers, while requests were controlled by medical centers MedStar St. Mary's Hospital and CalvertHealth.

The project works by combining hospital and human service providers to help people with disabilities or who are low-income find reliable transportation. Prior to the patient's appointment, hospital staff request a ride through the "Ride Roundtrip" software program. The Arc SoMD acts as the dispatcher and accepts the ride and will either assign it to The Arc SoMD or TCLE. The day of the ride, the patient is transported

from his or her home to the appointment, and if needed, transported home.

The Wheels to Wellness project began as a way to address transportation challenges for elderly or low-income populations, especially those who live in rural communities. Wheels to Wellness offered 46 rides in its first month, and more than doubled the services by September 2018, with 120 rides.

TCCSMD committed \$60,000 for the projects to fund mileage rate charges, while The Arc agreed to commit to \$100,000 for staffing costs, vehicle expenses and other direct costs. By January 2019, 11,703.8 miles were driven, of

which 1,042 were one-way rides. Mileage costs were \$67,983.

A 2014 study published by The Gerontologist reported that 3.8 million Americans miss a medical appointment each year due to transportation issues. And about 1 in 5 people miss non-emergency appointments because patients could not get to the appointment.

To find out more about Wheels to Wellness, visit https://tccsmd.org.

> Press Release from Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland





PATUXENT RIVER NAVAL AIR STATION



Naval Aviation's New Aircraft-On-Ground Cell Expedites Readiness

The day starts early for Cmdr. Jeff Brown and team at the Aircraft-on-Ground (AOG) cell as they prepare for their teleconference with squadrons from Strike Fighter Wing Atlantic to check the status of short-term down Navy and Marine Corps aircraft and determine what is needed to get them flying again. They will connect with Strike Fighter Wing Pacific later in the morning.

Located at Commander, Naval Air Forces Atlantic Fleet (CNAL) in Norfolk, Virginia, the newly formed AOG is an element of the Naval Sustainment System (NSS) model, implemented last fall, with a focus on building long-term collaboration among naval aviation stakeholders by bringing together experts from all lines of support to quickly resolve constraints of short-term down aircraft.

The concept has proven successful in the commercial airline industry and naval aviation has already started to see results.

"Bringing needed parts from Boeing and Northrop Grumman, as well as those organically manufactured by the FRCs, has returned 94 unique aircraft to mission-capable status since its inception in October," said Brown, from Commander, Fleet Readiness Center (COMFRC) in Patuxent River, Maryland. "This not only increases readiness immediately it will also have positive ramifications for years to come."

Brown sits before a large screen that lists each AOG aircraft by BUNO. At the table with him are representatives from Naval Supply Systems Command (NAV-SUP), Weapon Systems Support (WSS), Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), the Navy Type commanders (TYCOM), along with engineers, data analysts and industry partners.

Maintenance material control officers and master chiefs from each squadron are on the phone while Brown leads the teleconference through the list of aircraft, BUNO by BUNO, addressing each constraint and getting answers on the spot, in real time. He knows the intricacies of each aircraft and who to go to for solutions.

"This problem-solving process occurs every day, several times a day at the AOG," Brown said. "During a recent spike in Door 68 discrepancies, we were able to spread multiple doors across four repair sites and get the matter resolved in a matter of weeks. Otherwise they would have taken maybe six months to repair all at one site."

His take-charge and amicable leadership styles are well received by the stakeholders on the phone and the problem solvers around the table. Asking the status of a component, he quickly gets answers or a way forward.

This is apparent as Brown asks, "How long will it take? Do you have the tracking information for that part?" while looking directly at the person responsible so there is no question as to who has the action. He also



Cmdr. Jeff Brown and his Aircraft on Ground (AOG) team on one of the four daily calls, with Strike Fighter Wings Atlantic and Pacific to check the status of short-term down aircraft.

reiterates who is responsible for which actions.

David Ferreira, director, Maintenance Operations Center and deputy director for Aviation Material Readiness, noted that Brown is the right person to lead the AOG.

"You talk about continuous process improvement then you're talking about everything Cmdr. Brown is doing. He is full of energy and is all about the team."

The team-oriented atmosphere is apparent with every person in the room sharing the same goal and willingness to take ownership if a constraint is their responsibility.

The team also extends to COMFRC Headquarters as Aviation Maintenance and Production (N42) directors, Tom Carpenter and Capt. Grady Duffey, interact regularly with Brown and provide entry points into the FRC sites, since they know which sites have the capability and capacity to respond to AOG requirements.

"Cmdr. Brown is certainly missed at COMFRC HQ,

but we know he is absolutely the person who should be leading this effort," Carpenter said. "At COMFRC, he had a birds-eye view of what it takes to produce readiness in multiple aircraft communities across naval aviation and uses that knowledge to empower his team and focus on the tasks at hand."

Typically, there are 40 aircraft in-scope at AOG at any given time. To gain the attention of the AOG, the aircraft must have flown in the last 160 days and must have less than 10 issues to be addressed. Exceptions may be made for aircraft at risk of becoming long-term down without AOG intervention or if the down aircraft limits the wing's ability to conduct operations or meet readiness standards.

"This is what's needed to address and address quickly the reason for the aircraft not flying," said Ferreira. "AOG gets to the root of the problem and quickly solves it."

Wanderings Aimless Mind

by Shelby Oppermann



The County Times

The Moon and Venus

There was no way I could write anything last week, as I suffer like many of you, with spring (and fall) allergies. This year has been the worst for me in 30 years I believe. You know the routine; you can't do anything because your nose is running, your eyes are red and watery, and your brain is filled with cotton balls. I normally handwrite my column first or have odd pages of partial paragraphs all through my daily



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notebook. Last week I had two paragraphs in the notebook, a sentence or two on the back of an envelope, and half a sentence in this Word document. All the scraps of writing were scattered just like my thoughts. I have a hard time putting coherent thoughts together on a normal basis as you know.

I don't know if anyone else is going through allergy attacks right now, but whatever is blooming, at least in our yard, is allergy pill, Excedrin Migraine, and Prednisone resistant – yes, mutant, plague-like allergens are just what I needed. So, I still had all the symptoms listed above but was also grouchy, edgy, and speeding. Felt like I was in college again - "NoDoz"ing for a big exam.

You all know from over these last nearly 11 years of the column that my husband is not a morning person. I used to sing in the mornings and beg him to wake up and see the sunrise with me, or I'd chirp and chatter away about all sorts of things. He's worn me down though...well somewhat. I still will sing, and chirp and chatter, but it is normally to myself. I did do all that to crazy hound dog Mindy for her first two years here, and she would happily wag her tail and give kisses and nose bumps. But now even Mindy has been worn down, she stays in the bed for hours in the morning, long after I've been up, and now...and now, long after my husband gets up. Yes, my husband. He has taken to waking up early, around 7 or 7:30.... well, early for him most mornings. Wasn't this what I always wanted? Someone to share the sunrise with me. Someone to have morning conversations with while we stared lovingly into each other's eyes.

18 years ago, this would have been fine. Be careful what you wish for. Now my whole morning routine has been turned upside down. I was liking my quiet mornings with tea and the news. I'd make my list for the day. Mindy and I would have our time outside when she finally woke up, and then Murder She Wrote at 9 a.m. Usually by the end of Murder, my morning meds would kick in and my joints (and mind) and I could really start our day. Now, my husband and I have those morning conversations...and sometimes heated debates over the news. He also reminds me of all the things I forgot to do the day before. AND, there is no more Murder She Wrote, it's the 3rd and 4th and 5th hour of the Today Show. Yes, I've got what I always wished for. Maybe a second cup of tea would help.

Early last week about 6 a.m., in the glowing twilight before dawn, the last sliver of crescent moon was visible with Venus as bright as I have ever seen her. I could not believe the beauty. My husband was waking long enough to go downstairs and tend the woodstove (6 a.m. is still way too early for him). I said, "Honey, come here and look at the Moon and Venus quick before it gets too light out." He replied, "What, do you think this is the first time I've been up this early to see the sunrise?" "Yes, but you really need to see this one; each section of the bay window has a completely different, beautiful view." As he came over and stole a quick glance at the sight, he said sweetly, "I got that bay window just for you to see the sunrise every morning." "Oh," I replied, "how did your first wife feel about you putting in this window for your future second wife?" He is such a smooth operator.

You know I say all that in jest, I really am enjoying the early mornings with my husband, and I am grateful for all the love, all the fussing, and the banter we share. As it happens, the Moon and Venus are the perfect morning pair...and who wants a boring life anyway?

To each new day's early adventure, Shelby Please send your comments or ideas to shelbys.wanderings@yahoo.com or find me on Facebook.

FUNd-raising Cruises for Non-Profits

The biggest challenge today for nonprofits is finding the money to complete their mission. Nonprofit organizations are among the faster growing sectors in the US economy. Presently, there over 1.4 million in the United States that generate over one trillion dollars. Nonprofits have a huge impact on our community and are making a difference in someone's life every day. These organizations are all around us and you would be hard pressed to find anyone who has not been touched in some way by a nonprofit organization.

For several years I was a board member for Junior Achievement. We were responsible for finding several fundraisers each year that would generate the funds we needed to make the local program a success. JA's purpose is to inspire and prepare young people to succeed in a global economy. JA reaches nearly 4.9 million students each year in school classrooms in the US. Our biggest challenge was finding a unique fundraiser, "the next big thing" that would yield high profits, be risk-free, and run itself! We did not know that fundraising with cruises were profitable, easy to manage, and fun to participate in.

Why are fundraising cruises successful?

The cruise industry is the fastest growing segment of the travel industry and everyone loves to travel! Each year, 11 million people choose to go on a cruise vacation and most cruisers take another cruise within 12 months. Fundraising cruises require very little time or effort from your staff other than promoting the cruise to its members & friends. The travel agent handles all booking details for you and their services are free to the organization. Anyone in the community can go on the cruise and it helps your nonprofit raise money. It's absolutely, risk-free and easy to organize. It's a WIN-WIN.

How much can your group raise with a fundraising cruise?

For a four-night cruise, your non-profit could raise an estimated \$6700. That amount would increase for a longer cruise. A seven-night cruise could easily yield over \$11k.

Carnival Cruise Lines donates a total of \$8 per cabin, per day for each cabin booked. Paradise Travel Team donates \$20 for each cabin booked. The cruise line also gives one berth (1/2 cabin) for every 8 cabins booked. This credit can be used for the group organizer to sail for free. (Taxes & port fees not included), or this credit can also be added to the funds raised. Some organizations sell raffle tickets for a free cruise to increase funds and there are other opportunities before and during the cruise to raise even

more. These details will be discussed with the travel agent when you organize the cruise.

Current Fundraising Cruise in Calvert County for Camp C.O.P.S

There is a current fundraising cruise in Calvert County that helps support the Maryland State Police Prince Frederick Barrack's Camp C.O.P.S c/o the Maryland Trooper's Foundation. This Carnival cruise will sail from Norfolk, VA on May 5, 2020 for a 4-night cruise to the Bahamas. Anyone in the community can go on this cruise. Cabins with great prices are being held until May 3, 2019. A \$300 deposit secures the booking and the final payment is due March 2020. Click on this link to get more information about this cruise, www.campcopscruise.com

The money raised from this cruise will directly support Camp C.O.P.S. This camp is designed to bring a better understanding of law enforcement activities to the youth of Calvert County and the camp is free to 100 middle-school children. The camp will be staffed by law enforcement personnel and other adult volunteers.

What type of business can profit from a fundraising cruise?

Any nonprofit organization who has a 501c3 or 501c6 affiliation to be eligible for this program. A "Fundraising Cruise" is the perfect solution for all groups of any size. Organizations, big and small, along with churches, sports programs, schools, youth groups, mission trips, associations, etc., can earn high profits with this risk-free fundraising program.

How can your organization plan a Fundraising Cruise?

- 1-Contact your travel professional to set up a cruise and lock in cabin prices for 60 days
- 2-Members of your organization get the word out with newsletters, emails, website, and social media.
- 4-Members either call travel agent or can sign up on a link that from a website
- 5-Travel Agency handles all bookings, payments & details.
- 5-You receive a check for your organization after the cruise has sailed.

Paradise Travel Team Dream Vacations is 5 -Star Google rated Travel Agency in Southern Maryland. A full-service travel agency who is experienced in planning cruises, family vacations, honeymoons & destination weddings, and organizes fundraising options for nonprofit organizations. Website: www.ParadiseTravelTeam.

By Jeneva Lucianetti, Owner & Vacation Specialist at Dream Vacations The County Times runs complimentary obituaries as submitted by funeral homes and readers. We run them in the order we receive them. Any submissions that come to guyleonard@countytimes.net after noon on Mondays may run in the following week's edition.

In Remembrance

Crystal Dawn Faulstich



Crystal Dawn Faulstich, 34, of Mechanicsville, MD earned her angel wings on Thursday, April 4, 2019.

She was born on January 6, 1985 in Leonardtown, Maryland. She

was the daughter of Don and Dorothy Miller, of Mechanicsville, MD. She was the loving wife of the late Raymond Faulstich Jr. that she lost in IRAQ on August 5, 2004. Ray was the love of Crystal's life.

She loved to sing and listen to country music. She loved frogs, gardening and being outdoors attending to her gardens. Crystal attended church at Encounter Christian Center.

Crystal was the daughter-in-law of Ray and Linda Faulstich, Sr. of Redgate, MD, granddaughter of Charles (Honky) Johnson of Hollywood, MD and Liz Goddard of Leonardtown, MD and also the biological daughter of Susan Wathen. She is survived by her siblings: Brian Morgan (Shannon) of San Antonio, TX, DJ Miller of Mechanicsville, MD, Justin Miller (Jen) of Mechanicsville, MD, Stacey Williams (Chris) of Colton's Point, Melvin Wathen, Jr. of Pennsylvania, Roger Wathen of Virginia and David Dodge of Virginia.

Crystal has a special companion, David Quade. She will be missed by many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews that loved to spend time and play with her. Crystal was a beautiful soul that was loved and will be missed by many.

Along with her husband, Raymond Faulstich, she was proceeded in death by her brother Harrell Morgan, biological father, Melvin Wathen, Sr. and aunt Rose Lawrence.

Family will receive friends on Thursday, April 11, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a Prayers being heard at 7:00 p.m. at Brinsfield Funeral Home & Crematory, P.A., 30195 Three Notch Road, Charlotte Hall, MD 20622. A Funeral Service will be held on Friday, April 12, 2019 at 10:00 at St. John Francis Regis Catholic Church, 43927 St. Johns Road, Hollywood, MD 20636 with internment immediately following in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that donations be made the Brinsfield Funeral Home & Crematory, P.A., Post Office Box 128, Charlotte Hall, Maryland 20622 in Crystal's name.

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

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Ben Cartwright



Ben Cartwright of Lexington Park, Maryland passed away at home on April 7, 2019 after a long illness. Ben served his country proudly for 22 years, 9 months, and 3 days in the United States Navy. He retired as a Senior Chief and settled with his family in Lexington Park, Maryland, where he worked for the Department of Defense as a civil servant with NAVAIR for 19 years.

Ben was preceded in death by his parents, Edward Vernon and Betty Cartwright. He is survived by his loving wife of over 50 years, Janatha Cartwright, brother Michael and wife Rose of Kansas, brother Tom of Oklahoma, son Andrew (Hailey and Liliana) of Leonardtown, MD, and daughter Amy and husband Jake Bachman (Caleb) of Pennsylvania, along with numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. In addition to family, Ben was blessed with a caretaker for the past 15 months, Robyn Inks, who brought light and laughter to he and Jan during a very difficult time

Ben loved the military and trains. He was a life-long model railroader. He traveled extensively during his time in the Navy, with duty stations in Tennessee, Maryland, and Maine, while he served on multiple overseas deployments. Ben and Jan were together for over 50 years, having just celebrated their 50th anniversary this past August. When he was unable to go out shopping and do things to surprise her, Ben always found a way to make her feel special on holidays and her birthday.

The family will receive friends on Friday, April 12, 2019 from 1:00 Pm to 2 Pm in the Mattingley-Gardiner Funeral Home Leonardtown, MD. A Funeral Service will follow at 2Pm with Pastor Calvin Colvin officiating. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that you make a donation in Ben's memory to either the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, or to the Brunswick Naval Museum & Memorial Gardens in Brunswick, Maine.

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

James Henry Goin



James Henry Goin, 73, of Leonardtown, MD passed away on April 2, 2019 at St. Mary's Hospital with his family by his side.

James was born on November 1, 1945 in Detroit,

MI to the late Carroll Lee Goin and Alice Louise (Unger) Goin.

James is survived by his wife, Patricia "Patsy" Cooper Goin, children, Mary Alice Hatfield (Erik), of Baltimore, MD and Judith Leppo (Erik), of Baltimore, MD; siblings, Carol Louise Schuster, of MI, Marilyn Hurst, of FL, Shirley Gentile, of MI, Nancy Restum, of MI, and Judi Baker, of FL; grandchildren, Tyler Anson Batts, Dylan Thomas Hatfield, Ian James Leppo, and Ryan Erik Leppo. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Laurel Elaine Goin.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 10665 Stanhaven Place, Suite 205D, White Plains, MD 20695.

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

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral

Home, P.A.

Maurice Patrick "Reese" Gray, Jr.



Maurice Patrick "Reese" Gray, Jr., 10, passed away on April 2, 2019 at St. Mary's Hospital in Leonardtown, MD.

He was born on October 31, 2008 in Leonardtown, MD to Maurice P.

Gray Sr. and Marylynn Jefferies of Lexington Park, MD.

Reese was a vibrant, athletic fourth grader attending Green Holly Elementary School. He was an up and coming basketball star and played for the Wizards. He loved listening to music and singing. He also enjoying playing video games and spending time with his siblings. He attended Church of the Nazarene in Leonardtown, MD.

In addition to his mother, Marylynn Jefferies, Reese is also survived by his stepfather, Brian Jordan of Great Mills, MD; his siblings: Trayvell Jefferies, Nataysjaa Jordan, Leaire Jordan, Kye'vontay Jordan, Marquez Jordan, Markese Jordan, and Khalaya Hall; his grandfather, Omegar Jefferies of Lexington Park, MD and many aunts, uncles cousins, extended family and friends.

Family will receive friends on Monday, April 15, 2019 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m., with a Funeral Service celebrated by Pastor Paul McPherson at 2:00 p.m., at Brinsfield Funeral Home, 22955 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown, MD 20650. Interment will follow at Charles Memorial Gardens in Leonardtown, MD.

Memorial contributions may be made to Brinsfield Funeral Home to assist the family with funeral costs.

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

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Mary Catherine Kohut



Mary Catherine Kohut, 84, of Scotland, MD passed away on April 5, 2019 at St. Mary's Nursing Center in Leonardtown, MD, with her loving family at her side.

She was born June 9, 1934 in Scotland, MD to the late Henry O. and Reba E. Ridgell Cooper.

Mary is a lifelong resident of St. Mary's County. On November 21, 1951, she married her beloved husband, Thomas James Kohut, Sr. at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Ridge, MD. Together they celebrated over 43 wonderful years of marriage before his passing. She is a 1973 graduate of St. Mary's College, earning her teaching degree. She completed a post graduate certificate in Theology from Trinity College. She began her long career working at the post office in St. Mary's City. After earning her degree in education she taught for St. Mary's County Board of Education as a dedicated and loving teacher

from 1973 to 1996. She taught nine years at Margaret Brent Middle School and another 13 years at Esperanza Middle School. She was a loving mother, grandmother, mentor and guide to many. Her hobbies included needlework, particularly croqueting and knitting, she had a vast collection of angels, and was an avid reader.

She was a lifelong devote member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, a 25 year member of the Ladies of Charity, and the original director of the Religious Education Program for the church. She was also member of the Secular Order of the Franciscans.

Mary is survived by her children: Susan Elaine Burns of Joppa, MD; Thomas James Kohut, Jr. (Lisa) of Leonardtown, MD, and Christopher Patrick Kohut (Patti) of Mount Holly, VT; her siblings: Frances Henrietta Cooksey, Joseph Bernard Cooper and David Henry Cooper; her grandchildren: Michelle Benser, Rebecca Jean Burns, Jennifer Brown Perry, Hannah Hofmann, Ashleigh Bouchard, Nicholas Kirby Kohut, Allison Marie Kohut, Thomas James "TJ" Kohut, III, Claire Jorgenson; her great grandchildren: Benjamin, Nathaniel, Savannah, Luca. and Zane. In addition to her parents and husband, she is also preceded in death by her daughters, Pamela Jeanne Keller and Mary Angela Postthumous; and her great granddaughter, Alyanna Nicole Shaulis.

Family will receive friends on Saturday, April 13, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., with a Mass of Christian Burial celebrated by Reverend Peter Giovanni at 12:00 p.m., at St. Michael's Catholic Church, 16566 Three Notch Road, Ridge, MD 20680. Interment will follow in the church cemetery.

Serving as pallbearers will be Thomas James Kohut, Jr., Thomas James "TJ" Kohut III, Nicholas Kirby Kohut, Bernard Ridgell, Bobby Cooper and Tommy Cooper.

Memorial contributions may be made to The Archangel Scholarship Foundation Corporation, P.O. Box 211, Ridge, MD 20680 and the American Diabetes Association, 1701 North Beauregard St., Alexandria, VA

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Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

Theresa Ann McVerry



Theresa Ann McVerry, 63 of Mechanicsville, MD, died peacefully Friday March 22, 2019, after a sudden, and accelerated battle with Metastatic Liver Cancer.

Born September

29, 1955 in Washington D.C., she was the daughter of James Michael and Eleanor Ann McVerry of Mechanicsville, MD.

In addition to Theresa's parents, she is also survived by her children; Dennis Price (Crystal) of Valley Lee, MD, Jeffrey Price of Myrtle Beach, SC, sister Diane Maddox of Mechanicsville, MD, and her four grand-children; Lacie Price, Lane Price, Brylee Price, and Trevor Price.

She was proceeded in death by her son Brian Robert Price.

Theresa was of Catholic faith. She was



a loving mother, daughter, sister, and most importantly a 'Grandma'. One of her greatest joys in life was planning family gatherings, taking family photos, attending her grandchildren's various school functions and sporting events throughout St. Mary's County. Theresa especially love going to Myrtle Beach, SC for family vacations every summer.

Theresa retired December 31, 2011, after 31 years of federal service with the Department of Navy.

A grave site memorial service is being held on Monday April 22, at Saint Mary's Queen of Peace Cemetery in Helen, MD.

The family is planning a summer Celebration of Life in Theresa fashion; a gathering of family and friends, enjoying family dishes and steamed crabs.

Cindy Kruszewski Arnone



Cindy Kruszewski Arnone, 54 of LaPlata, MD, passed away on April 6, 2019, at her home surrounded by her loving family.

She was born on June 27, 1964, in Washington D.C.

to Donald L. Davis, Sr. and Shirley Ann Davis. She was the fifth (5th) child of six (6) children.

On July 16, 1994, Cindy married the love of her life David Thomas Arnone, Sr. at Clinton Baptist Church and together they celebrated over twenty-four (24) wonderful years of marriage.

Cindy loved helping families find their perfect homes. She was a Real Estate Agent for the past twenty (20) years, currently she was working with Remax One.

Cindy enjoyed being outside and was always happy to be working in her yard. She loved going to the beach with her family. Cindy loved looking for shells and sand fiddlers. Her favorite beach was Long Beach, North Carolina.

Cindy was preceded in death by her father Donald L. Davis Sr. She is survived by her loving husband, David Thomas Arnone, Sr., daughter, Sarah Ann Halfacre (Adam) of Charlottesville, VA, son, Stanly Joseph Kruszewski V (Angie) of Waldorf, MD, daughter, Julia Desiree Arnone of Nashville, TN and son David Thomas Arnone Jr of LaPlata, MD, her mother, Shirley Ann Davis of Harrison, AR, her siblings: Deborah A. Ellis (Fred) of Harrison, AR, William Edward Davis of Waldorf, MD, Judith Marie Unkle (Donnie) of Prince Frederick, MD, Donald Lee Davis, Jr. (Cyndee) of Harrison, AR and Suzanne Lee Rog (Matt) of Hollywood, MD. Cindy was blessed with five (5) grandchildren.

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

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home & Crematory, P.A., Charlotte Hall, MD

Carol Lynn Nevala

Carol Lynn Nevala, 48, of Leonardtown, MD, passed away on April 2, 2019, at her home surrounded by her loving family.

She was born on December 27, 1970, in



Leonardtown, MD, to the late James J. Drury and Carolyn Swann Drury. She was the youngest of 8 children.

Carol was a graduate of St. Mary's College of Maryland where

she earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Elementary Education. On July 4, 1991, Carol married her husband, Troy Scott Nevala, at SAYSF Bible Church, and together they celebrated over 27 wonderful years of marriage. She was the owner/operator of TLC Daycare while her children were growing up. She then returned to teaching at The King's Christian Academy, where she taught Kindergarten through third grade. In the summer, she watched many of her students at "Camp Carol," where they enjoyed going to the pool and reading. As an avid reader she passed her love of reading onto her daughters and many of her students. She also enjoyed taking cruises with her family and taking trips in the RV to see her daughters in Mississippi and South Carolina. Her greatest love was her family and the students that she taught.

She had an amazing talent for cooking and made many home-cooked meals like her mother before her. She always got up early and fixed breakfast for her family. In addition to her husband, Carol is also survived by her daughters. Rebekah Strong (Levi) of Picayune, MS, and Rachel Nevala of Leonardtown, MD; her siblings: James P. Drury (Laura) of Leonardtown, MD, Robert G. Drury (Vicki) of Yorktown, VA, Jenkins P. Drury of Fort Leonardwood, MO, Mary A. Peloquin (David) of Westminister, MD, Mark A. Drury (Anita) of Mechanicsville, MD, David C. Drury (Nora) of Westminster, MD, and Catherine L. Clements (Tommy) of Leonardtown, MD; and many extended family and friends. She is preceded in death by her parents and her sister-in-law Deborah Drury (Jenkins Drury).

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 405 Williams Court, Suite 120, Baltimore, MD 21220 and Hospice of St. Mary's, P.O. Box 625, Leonardtown, MD 20650.

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

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

Maria Suzan Adams



Maria Suzan Adams, 57, of Lexington Park, MD, formerly of Geneseo, NY, passed away on April 2, 2019 at her home. Born on March 26, 1962 in Urbana, IL she was the daughter

of the late Suzette C. Lenihan Adams and Ralph Everett Adams. Maria was the loving wife of Gordon Craig Meyer. She is survived by her daughter Katrina Atieh (Jay) of New York, NY and her granddaughter Anna. She is also survived by her siblings Lauren Adams, Joan Carlson (Skip), Catherine Cummings (Keith), Ken Adams (Jill), Sue Ann Adams (Bill Schultz), and many nieces and nephews. Maria is preceded in death by her sister Jennifer Walker.

Maria graduated from Geneseo Central High School in 1980 and served in the United States Navy for 8 years. She enjoyed gardening and was a collector of antiques and her sisters' art.

All services are private.

Arrangements provided by Mattingley-Gardiner Funeral Home, P.A. Leonardtown, MD 20650.

LtCol Richard Herberg, Jr.



LtCol Richard Herberg, Jr., USMC passed away on Friday, March 29, 2019 at the age of 75. He was preceded in death by his parents, Richard Herberg, Sr. and Elisabeth Beyer Her-

berg; his wife of 40 years, Catherine Huntt Herberg and his son, Richard Herberg, III. He is survived by his wife of eight years, June S. Buttone Herberg; his children: Garrett Herberg (Laura Lyons), Daniele Jenkins (Vincent), Mauricio Rodriguez (Jan Becker), Larry J. Buttone, Jr. (Tammy Clakely) and Bryant J. Buttone (Rona Antoy); a daughterin-law, Elizabeth Carriere Herberg; nine grandchildren: GiGi Herberg, Rebekah Herberg, Rikki Herberg, Günter Jenkins, Björn Jenkins, Colin V. Buttone, Samantha D. Buttone, Marissa M. Buttone and Hailey K. Buttone. Also survived by his siblings. Elizabeth Fluhart (Danny), Reinhold Herberg (Patsy Harmeyer) and John Herberg as well as many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Richard Herberg possessed a fervent love of God, family and country. His unselfish, daily mission was to protect all three. Among the passions for those things that he held most sacred was the United States Marine Corps. He retired after 23 1/2 years, and continued his love of flying as a 20-year pilot for Air Logistics. Other passions included veterans' rights, education and service to his fellow Americans. It was in these passions that he found the perfect mission in which to dedicate the final years of his life to - The Blackhawk Flight Foundation which provides scholarships for children of wounded military and law enforcement. Richard was a founding member of the Blackhawk Flight Foundation Board of Directors.

The family has requested that anyone wanting to make a donation, please contribute to the BFF mission. This may be accomplished either by check, payable to the Blackhawk Flight Foundation, Inc., Attention B.J. Perrett, Executive Director, 300 Oak Island Dr., Mandeville LA 70448, 985-789-2746 or via the Blackhawk Flight Foundation's PayPal donation link, http://www.blackhawkflightfoundation.org/px. A hundred percent of all donations made will be used for a scholarship that will be awarded





in Richard Herzberg's honor for children to attend the National Flight Academy's STEM Education Program, located at NAS in Pensacola. FL.

Semper Fi LtCol Herberg, job well done. Arrangements provided by the Mattingley-Gardiner Funeral Home, P.A. Leonardtown MD.

John Michael Hodges, Jr.



Jack Hodges passed away peacefully at his home on Herring Creek surrounded by his loved ones on April 2, 2019. Jack was the son of the late John and Rosine Hodges. He was

preceded in death by his son-in-law, Chuck Downs. He was the loving father to Marie Hodges McCrossen, Missy Hodges, Rosine Hodges Downs, and Jackie Hodges Dvorak and the proud grandfather to Edward McCrossen, Sarah Dvorak and Brett Dvorak. He is survived by his endearing friend and devoted companion, Triggie Draper. He is also survived by his sisters, Kay Owens, Virginia Hodges Diehm, Beth Freeman and Linda Tincher.

Jack was a farmer's son and grew up on Hatchet Thicket Rd, attended Holy Angels School and served as an altar boy at Holy Angels Church. Later in his childhood the family farm grew, acquiring a large tract of land on Herring Creek in Valley Lee, MD. Jack attended Mount St. Joseph's High School in Baltimore, MD and was always excited for those weekend train rides that brought him back home to family, friends and chores on the farm.

Jack was a special kind of man growing up with four sisters and then raising four daughters. He always gave of his "time". His patience, wisdom and unyielding ability to listen were those strengths that made him such a great father. Jack loved his dog Pearle and found pleasure in his daily walks with her along Hodges Lane. His daily walks served to strengthen his faith and deepen his relationship with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. His personality spoke for himself. Many will remember his fun-loving spirit including summer days boating on the water, watching NASCAR, cheering on the

Washington Redskins, and especially kicking off the Baltimore Orioles' Opening Day. Jack was a colorful story teller and those close to him will cherish those memories of enjoying a cold drink while sitting on the porch looking out on Herring Creek.

At Jack's request there will be no funeral service. However, masses may be offered for him at St. George Catholic Church in Valley Lee. MD.

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

John H. Reynolds



It is with great sadness we announce the passing of John H. Reynolds at the Washington Hospital Center on Friday, March 29, 2019 at the age of 77. He joins his parents, John

"Jack" and Edna "Polly" Reynolds, his sister Martha "Skip" Rose, and his brother Richard Reynolds in a warm family reunion in the afterlife.

Better known as "Jack" to his wife, brothers, and friends, "Dad" to his kids, and "B-Dad" to his grandchildren and great-grandson, he has left a legacy of how to be an ordinary guy and do it extraordinarily well. He loved his family above all other things and never turned down the opportunity to spend time with them.

He took great pride and joy in being a fixer and maker of things, spending hours out in his wood shop and emerging with something beautiful. He fixed items that were broken and restored beauty to others that had lost their shine. He then gave those things away to those he loved, and recipients are blessed to be surrounded by the fruits of his labor of love that will live on in his absence.

Jack spent over 40 years as a pressman at the McArdle Printing Company, working alongside his brothers, son, son-in-law, nephew and friends. Upon retirement he landed a fifteen-year-plus dream job in the Office of Land Records for St. Mary's County, as the token male in an office full of smart, talented women whom he adored.

A Hall of Fame athlete himself and a na-

tive of Washington DC, he loved DC sports and considered himself very fortunate to have seen his Redskins win a few Super Bowls and his Capitals finally lift the Stanley Cup. Family members know that he will be using his position in the afterlife to help his beloved Nationals achieve success as well. When the Nats get there, we will all say "Thanks Dad."

He will forever be loved and missed by his wife of over 52 years, Gayle, and his children Stacy (and husband Bill) Oosterink, and Jack (and wife Susannah) Reynolds. His grandchildren, Ashley, Kylie, Maddie, Bradley, Abigail, Lyndsey, Samantha, and Jimmy, and his great-grandson Jake could never have asked for a better "B-Dad."

He was the much loved older brother to Tommy (and wife Bonnie), Gary (and wife Bobbe), and Eddie Reynolds, and he will be fondly remembered by his many nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family and many good friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you do what he would have done by making a difference at home. Please make a donation in his name to your favorite local charity, hug your loved ones tight, and smile every chance you are given.

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

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Mary Catherine Mileto



Mary Catherine Mileto, 97, of Hollywood died March 30, 2019, at her home. Born July 26, 1921, in Hanover, Pa., she was the daughter of the late Louis William Smith and

Frances Adams Smith. She was the wife of Louis Anthony Mileto, whom she married Oct 22, 1949, in Hanover. He preceded her in death on March 28, 1987. She was also preceded in death by twin sons, David and Gerard, who died in infancy in 1961. She is survived by her 10 children: Celeste Mileto (Stewart) of Chestertown, Christopher Mileto of Atlanta, Karen Byrne (Dave) of New Britain, Pa., Mark Mileto of La Plata Frank Mileto (Sandra) of Millbrook, Ala., Louis W. Mileto (Susan) of Leonardtown, Marianne Corrigan (Mike) of Hollywood, Cecilia Sarlo (Ignazio) of California, Annette Morgan (Donnie) of Hollywood and Michelle Parcel (Jim) of Franklin, Tenn. She is also survived by grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Mrs. Mileto graduated from Central Catholic High School in McSherrystown, PA. She enlisted in the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps and received her training at Providence Hospital in Washington, D.C. She served as a registered nurse until her marriage. When her children were grown, she returned to the nursing profession until her retirement.

Mrs. Mileto was a loving wife, mother and homemaker known for her cooking and baking skills. She was a woman of great faith and a devoted, lifelong Catholic. She was a parishioner of St. John Francis Regis Church in Hollywood, where she served as a lector and Eucharistic minister for many

years. She devoted her retirement years to many volunteer pursuits, serving as a reading tutor with the St. Mary's County Literacy Council, driving for Meals on Wheels, and working with Helping Hands Food Pantry and Hospice of St. Mary's. She enjoyed traveling, tending her garden and spending time with her family. She was an avid reader and Scrabble player in her later years. She was a wonderful example of living a life of faith and service, and a gentle and loving presence in the lives of all who knew her.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Perpetual Adoration Chapel Project at St. John's, Hospice of St. Mary's and/or A Community That Shares (ACTS).

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Sharon Marie Jorden



Sharon Marie Jorden, 69, of St. Mary's City, MD passed away on March 28, 2019 at her home overlooking Lucas Cove surrounded by her loving family.

Sharon was

born on October 23, 1949 in Leonardtown, MD to the late Allan Edward Hammett and Helen Mackey Landis.

Sharon grew up in St. Mary's county, attended Great Mills High School (graduating class of 1967) and later graduated from the University of Maryland with a Bachelor's degree. Sharon spent the majority of her employment with defense contractor Wyle. She started work for heritage company Veda in 1986 as an administrative assistant supporting Joint Tactical Information Distribution System program integration to the E-2C aircraft. Over time, Sharon achieved the position of Senior Contracts Manager of the Business Support Center managing a team of contract administrators. Prior to her retirement in 2013, Sharon commented that she felt privileged over the years to work with so many talented and wonderful customers, co-workers and managers in support of the warfighters.

Sharon met her husband, Jim in Lexington Park MD in 1964, and it was the start of a wonderful life together. Sharon and Jim were married November 18th, 1967 and celebrated their 51st wedding anniversary last year. Sharon was a lifelong resident of St. Mary's county MD. Well-travelled, having vacationed in Ireland, Italy, Mexico and the Caribbean, Sharon loved St. Mary's the best of all places. She often found peace walking the shore of Elms Beach looking for sea glass, or on the back porch of her home on Lucas Cove. Sharon understood difficult times. When she became ill, she resolved to face it with determination and to find moments each day for happiness and humor. Sharon loved life and family, friends and the quiet joys of living close to nature.

She was preceded in death by her oldest son, James E. Jorden; brothers, Edward A. and G. Gibbons Hammett and niece Jessica Ayers. Sharon is survived by her husband, James Robert Jorden; her son, Michael A. Jorden (Jeannette), of McDonough, GA; her sister, Lynn R. Hammett (Freddie), of Ches-



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apeake, VA; grandchildren, Brandi Maloney (Edward), Jenna and Maria Jorden; and her great grandchildren, Ellie and Eva Maloney, and by much loved nieces, nephews, in-laws and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society Research Center, 405 Williams Court, Ste. 120, Baltimore, MD 21220.

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

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Patricia Jones



Patricia "June" Jones, 86, Dunkirk, MD (formerly of Piney Point, MD) passed away on April 6, 2019 at Burnett Calvert Hospice House in Prince Fredrick, MD with her loving family

She was born July 1, 1932 in Washington, D.C. to the late James and Mary Verna Huff Ryan.

June was a lifelong resident of St. Mary's She married John W. "Bubby Jones and celebrated many wonderful years of marriage before his passing in 1993. She was employed many years in the food service industry until she retired. She enjoyed playing cards, especially Pitch, watching car races, playing the slots at the casinos, and travelling to Maine. Her family was her great love and she relished the time she spent with them, especially her grandchildren. She was a member of Adams United Methodist Church in Lothian, MD.

June is survived by her children: Darla Ridgell (Joe) of Ridge, MD, Robert Staff (Melanie) of Lexington Park, MD, Dennis Staff (Beth) of Dunkirk, MD, Karen Redmon (Jerry) of Ridge, MD, Lou Mason (Darnell) of Lexington Park, MD; 16 grandchildren; 26 great grandchildren; and many extended family and friends. In addition to her parents and husband, she is also preceded in death by her daughter, Sandra K. Smith; her siblings: Mary Vernette Souders, Paul Ryan, Libby Barringer, Yvonne Kent, Earl Ryan and Dick Ryan; and her great granddaughter. Ahlona Mason.

Family will receive friends on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., with a Funeral Service celebrated by Pastor Marilyn Lewis at 12:00 p.m., at Brinsfield Funeral Home, 22955 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown, MD 20650. Interment will follow at Charles Memorial Gardens,

Leonardtown, MD.

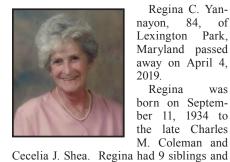
Serving as pallbearers will be Dennis Staff II, Richard Jenkins, Darnell Mason Jr., Daryl Mason, Timothy "TJ" Bock, and Keegan Wathen.

Memorial contributions may be made to Burnett Calvert Hospice House, 4559 Sixes Road, Prince Fredrick, MD 20678.

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

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral

Regina C. Yannayon



Regina C. Yannayon, 84, of Lexington Park, Maryland passed away on April 4, 2019.

Regina born on September 11, 1934 to the late Charles M. Coleman and

she was the youngest. She joined the Navy in 1953 and married Weldon A. Yannayon in 1954. After marriage, she left the Navy and stayed at home to raise her children. Regina was later employed for over 20 years with the Federal Government and served in numerous positions at NAS Patuxent River, MD. Other work positions took her to Seattle, Washington and Omaha, Nebraska. After retiring from the Federal Government, she moved to Wilmington, North Carolina, where she spent about 20 years enjoying the Wrightsville Beach and Wilmington, NC area. She continued to work different jobs while living in Wilmington. She especially enjoyed providing child care to several working families in the Wilmington area. Regina was a devout Catholic and staved active with the church. She spent many years teaching Sunday School at different Catholic churches. At her last job, she worked in the office at St. Stanislaus Church in Castle Havne, NC, where she was also very active with Sunday School and Church events such as the Annual Polish Festival.

Regina was predeceased by her parents, all of her brothers and sisters, and her daughter, Julie C. Yannayon. She is survived by her children, Timothy F. Yannayon (Leslie Taylor) of Leonardtown, MD, C John Yannayon (Rosedale) of Hollywood, MD, and Glen W. Yannayon (Jackie) of Mechanicsville, MD. Regina is also survived by her grandchildren, John Yannayon (Sara) of Conway, SC; Bryan Yannayon of Abell, MD; Jason Yannayon (Nina) of San Antonio, TX; Lee Guy (Laura) of Leonardtown,

MD, and Becky Daniels (Joe) of Hollywood, MD; and great grandchildren, Lana Guy and Caden Daniels.

A Visitation will be held on Thursday, April 11, 2019 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. with prayers at 6:00 p.m., at Brinsfield Funeral Home, 22955 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown, MD 20650. Interment is private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Lexington Park Volunteer Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 339, Lexington Park, MD

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

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

Michael Peter "Mike" "Ski" Kocinski, Sr., USN



Petty Officer First Class Michael Peter "Mike" "Ski" Kocinski, Sr., USN (Ret.), 67, of Great Mills, MD passed away on March 19, 2019 suddenly at his home.

Mike was born on June 18, 1951 in New York City, New York to Rose Rudyk and the late Jerzy Kocinski.

In 1970 Mike enlisted in the United States Navy and proudly served his country until his retirement in 1992. During his service he earned numerous awards and medals. He was employed as a dedicated Avionics Technician for the past 15 years with Dyn-Corp. On June 10, 1972 he married his beloved wife, Elizabeth "Peggy" McMillian in Ridgecrest, CA. Together they have celebrated over 46 wonderful years of marriage.

Mike enjoyed traveling the world, and cruising the Caribbean. He was an avid reader of mysteries and spy adventures, one of his favorite authors being Tom Clancy. He was a member of the Lexington Park Rescue Squad from 2007-2015. Mike loved to be out on the water, fishing and crabbing. He was a very handy man to have around if you needed any assistance. He was a wood-worker, welder and amateur automotive mechanic. If Mike couldn't fix it he had the equipment for you to use as he collected tools. He was a history buff. Mike was a great friend and will be missed by all. His wife, children and grandchildren were his greatest blessings in his life and he loved every moment he was able to spend with them.

In addition to his beloved wife, he is also survived by his children: Michael Peter Kocinski, Jr. (Danielle) of Leonardtown, MD, Ilo J. Richardson (Orrin) of Easton, MD and Victoria Kocinski of Lexington Park, MD, two grandchildren, Nicolina I. Kocinski of Farmville, VA and Alexander Paul Richardson of Easton, MD and many cousins and extended family.

A Chapel and Graveside Service will be held at Arlington National Cemetery at a

Memorial contributions may be made to Lexington Park Rescue Squad, Post Office Box 339, Lexington Park, MD 20653.

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Edward S. Ervin



Edward Sterling Ervin, of Brogue, entered in rest on Friday, March 29, 2019 at 8:00 pm at his residence at the age of 80. He was the husband of Ellen Webster (Mattingly) Ervin.

He was born in

Elkins, West Virginia on March 22, 1939 and was the son of the late Sterling Furman and Mildred Violet (Daniels) Ervin. He worked for Mid Atlantic Regional Carpenters Union, located in Oxon, MD. Ed was a member of the Local Carpenter's Union # 132. He enjoyed being by the water, fishing, crabbing and tinkered with wood carving.

Besides he wife, Ellen, he leaves a daughter, Justina "Tina" A. Webb of Windsor, a brother, Donald Ervin of Hollywood, MD, two sisters, Nancy McLeod of Hollywood, MD, and Helen Thompson of Mechanicsville, MD., along with numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his son, Edward "Chuckie" Ervin, Jr. in February of 1991 and a brother, Kenneth Ervin.

There will be no viewing. Cremation will take place with Burg Funeral Home, Inc., 134 W. Broadway, Red Lion. Services and burial will be at the convenience of the family, at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be offered to: American Diabetes Association, PO Box 15829, Arlington, VA 22215.







LOCAL COMMUNITY NEWS

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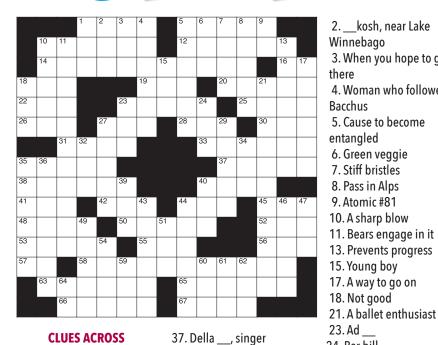
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Taste of Sotterley Menus Announced



"A Taste of Sotterley" - a new event which directly supports their educational programming is coming April 27, 2-5 p.m.

Vino, Brews & Food for YOU! On Saturday, April 27th, Sotterley's 1703 Manor House, Historic Barn, and entire breathtaking site will be the backdrop for an afternoon of delectable taste

The menus for Beer and Food and Wine and Food have been released.

BEER & FOOD PAIRINGS Menu:

- 1. Stella Artois served with Fresh Cantelope and Pineapple.
- 2. Blue Point Toasted Lager served with Crusty French Bread with Brie and Raspberry Preserves.
- 3. Ballast Point Sour Wench served with Crusty French Bread with a Garlic, Herbed Boursin.
- 4. Elysian Space Dust served with Assorted Italian Olives.
- 5. Troughs Nugget Nectar served with Roasted Red Pepper Hummus Mini
- 6. Rogue Dead Guy served with White Cheddar on Roasted Garlic, Pesto Ciabatta Bread.
- 7. New Belgium Fat Tire served with Rose and Crown Stilton on Toasted
- 8. Wicked Weed Napolean Complex served with Spanish Style Manchego over Whole Wheat Cracker.
 - 9. Victory Storm King Stout served

- with Chocolate Truffles Victory.
- 10. Trues Java Head Stout served with Fresh Strawberries

WINE & FOOD PAIRINGS Menu:

- 1. Mana Sauvignon Blanc (Dry White)/Fresh Cantelope and Pineapple.
- 2. Mortimore (Dry Sparkling)/Crusty French Bread with Brie and Raspberry
- 3. Deloach Chardonnay Crusty French Bread with a Garlic, Herbed Boursin.
- 4. Bodegas Breca Syrah-Grenache (Dry Red)/Assorted Italian Olives.
- 5. Bouchard Aisne & Fils (Dry Red)/ Roasted Red Pepper Hummus Mini
- 6. Palagetto Chianti (Dry Red)/White Cheddar on Roasted Garlic, Pesto Ciabatta Bread.
- 7. Yolo Malbec (Dry Red)/Rose and Crown Stilton on Toasted Wheat Bread.
- 8. Dontae Family Cabernet (Dry Red)/ Spanish Style Manchego over Whole Wheat Cracker.
- 9. Donati Family Cabernet/Chocolate Truffles
- 10. La Bustards Pinot Grigio/Fresh Strawberries.
- A \$40 discounted price is available if purchased by April 21st. Cost will be \$50 at the door or \$20 designated driver ticket. Advance reservations are required at www.sotterley.org

Press Release from Historic Sotterley

LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE SOLUTIONS



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St. Mary's Department of Aging & Human Services

Programs and Activities

Loffler Senior Activity Center 301-475-4200, ext. 71658 Garvey Senior Activity Center, 301-475-4200, ext. 71050 Northern Senior Activity Center, 301-475-4002, ext. 73101

Visit www.stmarysmd.com/aging for the most up-to date information

Brought to you by the Commissioners of St. Mary's County: James R. Guy, President; Michael L. Hewitt; Tom Jarboe; Todd B. Morgan; John E. O'Connor; and the Department of Aging & Human Services

Additional LIFE Tour: Pax River Bird Walk

Join bird photographer Dean Newman for a morning of avian fun on Friday, May 17, as we view the Spring migration of birds passing through the Naval Air Station to breeding territories further north. At this time of the year, birds are at their most colorful stage and are easiest to see. This outing will have very little walking or physical exertion other than getting in and out of the van

multiple times. Bring binoculars as most birds are high in the trees and are difficult to fully appreciate with the naked eye. The tour concludes with lunch at the Rivers Edge restaurant on the base. Tour departs from Loffler Senior Activity Center at 7:30 a.m. and returns about 1 p.m. Advance registration and payment of \$22 is required. Register at any of the senior activity centers in the county. For more information call Alice at 301-475-4200, ext. 71063. Tour leaders are Bettie Broadhurst and Dean Newman.

Nutrition Education

What's the deal with all the dairy alternative milks that are in the stores these days? Are there advantages of using plant-based milks? Are they as nutritious? Donna Taggert will answer these questions and more at the Loffler Senior Activity Center on Monday, April 15, at 10 a.m. at this free Nutrition Education Presentation. Sign up by call-

ing 301-475-4200, ext. 71658, or stop by the reception desk.

Master Gardener: Annual & Perennial Gardening with Patricia

Come join Master Gardener, Patricia Armstrong, at the Garvey Senior Activity Center on Wednesday, April 17, at 10 a.m. as she shows you how to make your spring garden vibrant with the use of annual and perennial flowers. The class is free! Call 301-475-4200, ext. 71050, to register for the class.

Reverse Mortgages

Confused by the ads on TV? Not sure if a reverse mortgage is the right move for you? Join Robbie Loker, Reverse Mortgage Consultant for a free informational session at the Northern Senior Activity Center on Wednesday, April 17, from 10-11 a.m. This presentation will review the basics about this government-insured mortgage program for homeowners age 62+. Space is limited. To sign up for this presentation in advance, please visit the signup table or call 301-475-4200, ext. 73103.

Author Visit: Carol McCabe Booker: Alone Atop the Hill

Carol McCabe Booker, author of Alone Atop the Hill, will be at the Loffler Senior Activity Center on Thursday, April 18, at 10 a.m. to discuss her book which tells the story of Alice Allison Dunnigan, a sharecropper's daughter from Kentucky, who in 1942 made her way to the nation's capital to begin a career in journalism that eventually led her to the White House. With Alone Atop the Hill, Carol McCabe Booker has condensed Dunnigan's 1974 self-published autobiography to appeal to a general audience and has added scholarly annotations that provide historical context. Dunnigan's dynamic story reveals her importance to the fields of journalism, women's history, and the civil rights movement and creates a compelling portrait of a ground-breaking American. Register to attend this talk by calling 301-475-4200, ext. 71658, or stop by the reception desk to sign up. Free.

Whole-Body Tension Relief

The Northern Senior Activity Center will host a Whole-Body Tension Relief class on Tuesday, April 23, from 1-4 p.m. Learn this easy, targeted, self-treatment method that may give you drugfree pain relief that can be both immediate and long lasting. Led by Judi Lyons, learn to use simple soft tennis ball techniques that reduce or eliminate pain and improve the condition of muscles and fascia to benefit posture, mobility, stability, range of motion, blood flow, nerve function and the immune system. This workshop addresses multiple issues and conditions from head to toe and is tailored to participants' specific needs. Some conditions that benefit are Arthritis & Joint Pain, Back Pain, Carpal Tunnel Syndrome, Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, Congestion, Fibromyalgia, Frozen Shoulder, Headaches/Migraines, Plantar Fasciitis, and Repetitive Motion Injuries, Restless Leg Syndrome, Sciatica/Piriformis Syndrome, Scoliosis, TMJ Syndrome, and more. The cost is \$30, includes two therapeutic-grade balls and is due at signup. To sign up and pay for this class in advance, please visit the front desk. For more information call 301-475-4200, ext. 73103.

Spring Party at Loffler

We still have a few tickets available for the Spring Diggity event, to be held at the Loffler Senior Activity Center on Thursday, April 25. This party will celebrate the joys of Spring! DJ Mean Gene will provide the music and Personalized Touch Catering will prepare the meal - stuffed chicken breast with chicken gravy; garden salad, candied sweet potatoes, country style green beans, fruit salad and coconut cake for dessert. Ticket sales will be limited to 100, and the suggested donation is \$10 per person. For questions call 301-475-4200, ext. 71658.

Softball

Do you like to play ball? Are you looking for a team to join? We have an opportunity for you! Come play softball at Leonard Hall on Fridays at 10 a.m. starting Friday, April 26. Call 301-475-4200, ext. 71050, to learn more.

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Sweet Structures

Leonardtown Library will hold Sweet Structures on Monday, April 15 from 2-3 p.m. Build skyscrapers, bridges, and domes out of sweet treats! With grapes, marshmallows, and rice crispy treats you can build the most amazing feats of engineering you can imagine. Designed with ages 6-12 in mind. Registration required on www.stmalib.org

Party in the Upside Down

Lexington Park Library will hold a Party in the Upside down on Monday, April 15 from 6 – 7:30 p.m. Something strange is going on at the Lexington Park Library. We're hosting a Stranger Things party and paying homage to all things '80s. Bring back that retro vibe by foraging through your local thrift shop for '80s clothing and memorabilia, and arrive dressed in costume to receive a small prize. And, no Stranger Things party would be complete without waffles, '80s inspired

snacks, Dungeons & Dragons, a mystery to solve, a killer photo booth, and trivia. All ages are welcome. But, please remember Stranger Things is full of spooky, creepy fun, and it may be too scary for little ones.

Book Bites

St. Mary's County Library will host Book Bites at Taphouse 1637 in California on Monday, April 22 from 6–7:30 p.m. Grab a bite and gab about books! Join us at Taphouse 1637 in California for a relaxed conversation about what you've been reading. Share what you loved (or loathed) about the last book you read, gather new recommendations from the rest of the group, and enjoy the company of fellow bibliophiles. Visit taphouse1637. com for directions and to see menu options available for purchase. Adults only. No registration.

Itsy Bitsy Storytime

Leonardtown Library will hold Itsy Bitsy Storytime on Friday, April 26 from 10 - 10:30 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 on www.stmalib.org.

Resumes and Interviews

Charlotte Hall Library will hold Resume and Interviews on Thursday, April 25 from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. A class on resumes from 10-12 and then on interviewing from 1-3. Taught by a career counselor from the Waldorf office of DLLR. Registration required on www. stmalib.org.

Author Fair

Lexington Park Library will host the Author Fair on Saturday, April 27. From 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., come together and learn with local and aspiring authors. Spend the day discovering new authors and learning how to get started in the writing industry. Authors include: Simons Acquah, Theresa Ford, Jennifer Foxworthy, Angela Harris, Nilma Jayaraman, Judy Kelly, Gary Knight, Yvonne Medley, JR Rhine, and Leonard Wathen. No registration required. From 2 – 4 p.m., register for Dare to Dream! Write a Book! workshop. Have you ever wanted to write a book but thought it might be too hard or too expensive to publish? Now there is an easy way to self-publish using a FREE website. Explore easy steps to upload your book file, design a colorful book cover, get an ISBN, revise, order books, upload to Amazon, select sales channels, and upload for Kindle. Presented by Cindy Freland. Registration required.

Community <u>Calendar</u>

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

7th Annual Walk, Run & Roll

Register now for this April 27 event at Greenwell State Park! Proceeds from this family event support Bay Community Support Services' mission to enrich the lives of individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. www.baycss.org/walk

Annual John Polko Memorial Polish Dinner

St Francis Xavier Parish Hall. Leonardtown, MD

Knights of Columbus, St. Francis Xavier Council #10957 is having its annual John Polko Memorial Polish Dinner on Sunday, April 28, 2019, 4:00pm-7:30 pm. Price \$15 Adults. \$5.00 Children 10 and under. Menu: Kielbasa, Pierogi, Golabki, Kapusta z Kluski Beverages: Coffee, Tea Soda and Water. For additional Information call (240)434-1464

ONGOING

Drive Thru Seafood Dinner

Third District Optimist Club is having a drive thru seafood dinner every Friday starting now thru April 19 starting at 4 PM, weather permitting. We will be set up in the St. Mary's County Fairgrounds parking lot in front of the main gate. Dinner is \$10 and will include fish fillet, shrimp, clam strips, fries, hush puppies, and applesauce.

Summer Activities

Registration for St. Mary's County Public Schools Summer Activities is open now until Friday, May 31. Info and/or register, visit SMCPS' Summer Activities page: www.smcps.org/strategic-planning/summer-activities.

Thursday, April 11

Crab Pot Pitch Competition

Pax River Naval Air Museum 6:00 PM

Got a startup idea?! PITCH IT! Speed Round. Final Round: Thursday, May 9 at the Calvert Marine Museum. 1st place - \$5,000 and a bushel of crabs. 2nd place - \$1,000

Snow White and the Seven Fairy Godmothers

Father Andrew White School Gym 6:30 - 7:30 PM

A fun twist on an old classic! Doors open at 6:00. \$5. Concessions available. Also Friday, April 12.

Where the River Meets the Bay

Calvert Marine Museum, Harms Gallery, Solomons

7:00 PM

Anaconda's Tail: The Civil War in Southern Maryland, presented by Don Shomette. Free. 410-326-2042 www.calvertmarinemuseum.com

Friday, April 12

Park Place Toastmasters

Church of the Ascension, 21641 Great Mills Road, Lexington Park

12:00 - 1:00 PM

Develop your speaking, listening, and leadership skills in a non-threatening environment!

Ballesteros' Final Reading

Anne Arundel Hall, Blackistone Room 2:45 - 3:45 PM

St. Mary's College of Maryland's José Cacayo Ballesteros, Steven Muller Distinguished Professor of the Arts and professor of international languages and cultures,

will present "Mother Tongue: A Poetry Reading by José Cacayo Ballesteros." May contain mature content. Free. Open to the public.

Lenten Seafood Dinner

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Lexington Park 4:00 - 7:00 PM

Fried Rockfish or Baked Haddock, \$12. Fried or Steamed Shrimp, \$14. Fried Oysters, \$15 includes cornbread and two sides. Desserts available for purchase. 301-863-8144

Lenten Fish Dinner

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

Catfish, pancit, mac&cheese and more. Hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

Doofus

Calvert Marine Museum, Solomons 7:00 PM

The Maritime Performance Series presents a lively old time band of two couples: Neal & Coleen Walters, and John & Heidi Cerrigione. Doors open at 6:00. \$20 online, \$25 at the door. bit.ly//MaritimeConcerts

Elks Texas Hold'em Tournament

St Mary's County Elks Lodge, 45779 Fire Department Lane, Lexington Park

7:00 PM

\$60 Buy in. \$5 add-on extra chips. Food and beverage for purchase. James Dean 240-577-0828. Email: jdeanjunior@yahoo.com

Twain Lecture

Athletic and Recreation Center, Hill Commons Dr., St. Mary's College

7:30 - 10:00 PM

Comedian Roy Wood Jr. is the 13th lecturer for the Annual Twain Lecture Series on American Humor and Culture. \$10. Doors open 7:00; seating is first come, first served.

Advance reservations required. www.smcm.edu/twain-tickets.

Sat. & Sun., April 13 & 14

Pork Loin & Beef Sandwich Sale

American Legion Post 221, 21690 Colton's Point Rd (Rt. 242), Avenue

11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sandwiches \$7 each. Info 301-884-4071.

Saturday, April 13

Free Dentistry Day

Great Mills Family Dental, 22329 Greenview Parkway 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Choice of one free cleaning, fillings or extraction provided. First-come, first-served basis. 301-862-2044 or visit www.FreeDentistryDay.org.

SoMD Decorative Painters

Immaculate Conception Church, 28297 Old Village Rd., Mechanicsville

9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Painting a Cordy D project, "Spring Flowers/3 Ways." Choose the design in acrylic, watercolor or colored pencil, Guests welcome; contact for supply info. Garnett Joy @ 301-884-2835 or email smdp.LearnToPaint@gmail.com www.smdpaint.org/Calendar.html to view the project.

Pet Adoption

Pepper's Pet Pantry, Solomons Towne Center behind CVS

11:30 AM - 2:30 PM

Dog and cat adoption with local Saint Mary's and Calvert County animal rescue groups.

Corn Hole Benefit Tournament

7th District Optimist Field, Avenue 2:00 PM

Registration 2:00-2:45. Individual Tournament 3:00.

\$25 person. Two member Team Tournament follows. \$40 team. No coolers; Food, drink, beer available to purchase Register, info: 240-925-6950

Walk & Talk: Environmental Justice

UCAC Interpretive Center (old Flattops), Coral Dr., Lexington Park

2:00 - 4:00 PM

Walk the park, learn history of the area and discuss racism, environment justice and our community. www. sierraclub.org/events.

Fantasy Night

Mechanicsville VFD, 28165 Hills Club Road 6:00 - 10:30 PM

Sponsored by Optimist Club of Mechanicsville. \$130 includes Buffet Dinner for two; beer, wine, sodas & drink set-ups. Liquor BYOB. "DJ SkeeRolla." Giveaways total up to \$7,600. Tickets on sale now!! Colleen, 240-298-7706, or e-mail mechanicsvilleoptimist@yahoo.com

SMTMD Contra Dance

Christ Church Parish Hall, Chaptico 7:30 PM

Swing, promenade, and do-si-do to lively jigs, reels and waltzes. Beginners dance workshop 7:00. Dance 7:30. \$10.

www.smtmd.org

Sunday, April 14

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

2nd District Firehouse & Rescue Squad, Drayden Road, Valley Lee

8:00 - 11:00 AM

All-You-Can-Eat Home-Made-Home-Style menu. Adults - \$10; Children 6-12 - \$5; Children 5 & under free. Easter Egg Hunt if weather permits. 301-994-9999

Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt

St. Mary's County Elks Lodge, 45779 Fire Department Lane, Lexington Park

9:00 AM - Noon

Join the Easter Bunny for all you can eat breakfast. Adults \$10. Children under 10, \$8 includes Easter Egg Hunt at 9:15 and 11:15. Bring own basket. Prizes to win. Pictures with the Easter Bunny. Bring your camera.

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

28165 Hills Club Road Mechanicsville 9:00 - 11:30 AM

The Mechanicsville VFD Auxiliary provides a home cooked breakfast! Adults \$10. Children 5-12, \$5. Under 4, free. Get a picture with the Easter Bunny! Proceeds benefit the Mechanicsville Vol. Fire Dept. VISA, MasterCard and Discover accepted.

Spring Craft Show

Hollywood VFD Firehouse, 24801 Three Notch Road 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Crafters from St. Mary's Calvert, Charles, Harford, Montgomery, Prince George's counties and from Virginia feature handcrafted items. Lunch items for sale. Accepting non-perishable food items for the St. Mary's County Helping Hands Food Pantry. www.hvfd7.com

Chicken Dinner

K.C. Hall, Ridge 11:30 AM - 5:00 PM \$12 a dinner. Baked goods available. 301-872-4641.

Community Easter Egg Hunt

Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, 27108 Mt. Zion Church Rd Mechanicsville by Apple Basket

12:00 - 2:00 PM

Easter Story, Pictures with the Easter Bunny, Crafts, Face Painting, Lunch for purchase. Special section of eggs for children with food allergies. www.mtzionmech.

Earth Day Celebration

Leonardtown 12:30 - 4:30 PM

Attractions on the square and down by the wharf. Parking and admission free. 301-475-9791. Details, www.leonardtown.somd.com/earthday/index.htm,

Eyeglasses Collection

Leonardtown Square 12:30 - 4:30 PM

The Leonardtown Lions Club collects usable eyeglasses and hearing aids for recycling, as part of the Earth Day Celebration. 240-577-0029

Folk Salad Fans

Leonardtown Square 2:45 PM

Reduce, Re-use, Recycle - at Leonardtown's Earth Day Celebration, Folk Salad will be playing on the square at 2:45. Bushmill Band is playing at 1:45.

Mon. & Tues., April 15 & 16

\$6 Sale

MedStar St. Mary's Hospital Auxiliary Mon. 9:00 AM-5:00 PM, Tue. 7:00 AM-4:00 PM Main lobby, 25500 Point Lookout Road, Leonardtown. New items and favorites priced at just \$6! 301-475-6153

Mon.-Fri., April 15 - 19

Spring Break at Sotterley

Sotterley Plantation, Hollywood Site open 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Family friendly educational activities that showcase the theme "Building Bridges to Common Ground: Resilience." \$5 ages 6 and up, per day. \$45 Family Spring Break Pass. Rain or Shine. Description of events and tickets visit www.sotterley.org.

Monday, April 15

Legislative Debrief at St. Mary's College of Maryland Canceled

Maryland House of Delegates Speaker Michael Busch will lie in repose in the State House in Annapolis from 1-7 p.m. on Monday, April 15 and from 8-10 a.m. on Tuesday so that the public may pay their respects. Out of respect for Speaker Busch the Center for the Study of Democracy's annual legislative debrief scheduled for April 15 at 5:30 p.m. has been canceled.

Bible Study

Leonardtown Library 5:00 - 7:00 PM

Read and comment on the Gospel of John. Review Chapter 1 and read Chapter 2. All are invited. Mike Thompson, 301 373 8545.

CABS

Garvey Senior Center, Leonardtown 6:00 PM

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

Science for Citizens

Chesapeake Biological Laboratory, Solomons, 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Embracing Uncertainty: From Scientist to Entrepreneur. Dr. Shahrestani discusses her journey from student to start-up founder. Free. First-come, first-seated. www. umces.edu/cbl/science-citizens

Elks Hold'em Bounty Tournament

St Mary's County Elks Lodge, 45779 Fire Department Lane, Lexington Park

7:00 - 11:00 PM

\$25 Buy in. \$5 add-on. Food and beverage for purchase. James Dean 240-577-0828. Email: jdeanjunior@ vahoo.com

Wednesday, April 17

Homeschool Day

Visitor Center, Historic St. Mary's City 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM Old World, Modern World theme invites visitors to engage in the science of the past, with a modern twist. Hands-on demonstrations and activities. Open to all families. \$5 age 5 and older with one accompanying adult. \$10 additional adult. Register or info, 240-895-4990 or email info@hsmcdigshistory.org.

St. Clement's Island Art Kids

St. Clement's Island Museum 12:00 - 3:00 PM

Exploring fine arts through a variety of artistic styles. Young artists, ages 7-17, expand their understanding of art and learn to sketch, paint, draw, weave, sculpt and more. \$3 child. Pre-registration required. 301-769-2222. Reservations fill up quickly. Classes held in June, July and August. www.facebook.com/events

St. Mary's County Camera Club

Southern Maryland Higher Education Center, Building 2

7:00 - 9:00 PM

Competition Night-Theme "Everyday things found in your home." Must be a paid member to participate. See rules on smccc.org.

Wed. - Sun., April 17 - 21

"Stick Fly"

Bruce Davis Theater, Montgomery Hall, St. Mary's College of Maryland campus

April 17-20, 8:00 PM. April 21, 2:00 PM

St. Mary's College presents Lydia R. Diamond's comedy-drama depiction of generational conflict among an affluent African American family and friends.

An informal talk-back with cast, crew, and director follows the opening night performance. Refreshments

Reservations, email the Theater Box Office at boxoffice@smcm.edu or call 240-895-4243.

Thursday, April 18

Maryland Archeology Month Lectures

Visitor Center Auditorium, 18751 Hogaboom Lane Historic St. Mary's City host an evening of presentations from members of Historic St. Mary's City Research and Collections Department. Free and open to the public.240-895-4990. Visit HSMCdigsHistory.org.



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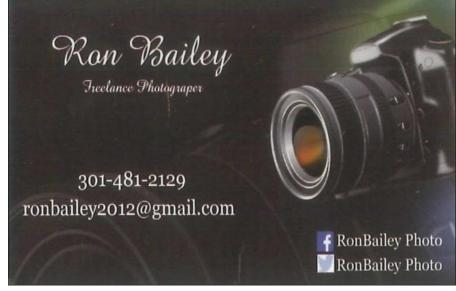
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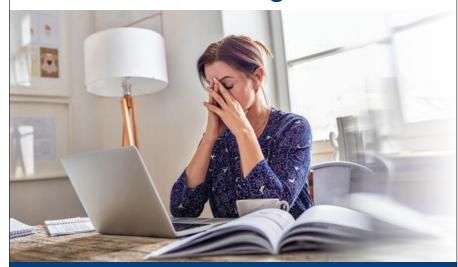
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