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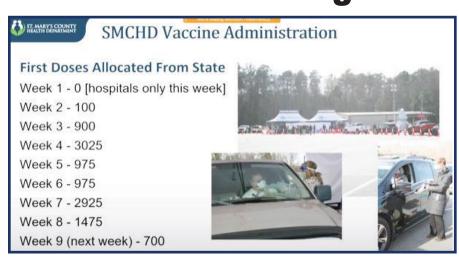
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Commissioners Chide State Over Vaccine Shortage



By Guy Leonard Staff Writer

Both the county health officer, Dr. Meena Brewster, and the Commissioners of St. Mary's County said local efforts to vaccinate the population against CO-VID-19 would be faster and more efficient if the county were not deprived of significant amounts of the inoculants.

The health department announced Feb. 6 that many doses were diverted away from St. Mary's by the state.

"Vaccine allotment received for this week was the lowest received by the SMCHD since the first 100 doses arrived for staff training/prepositioning. We are disappointed that allotments for local health departments were cut to divert supply for state run mass vaccination centers," a statement on the health department's Twitter account read.

State-run mass vaccination sites have activated in Prince George's County and Baltimore City and while one is planned for Southern Maryland it has yet to be opened.

Brewster was particularly frustrated, she said, because the state was getting increasing amounts of the COVID-19 vaccine from the federal government but the amounts the state was distributing to local health departments was diminishing.

"Health departments are the most efficient way to administer the vaccine," Brewster said.

Brewster explained that the state-exacerbated shortage of vaccine locally made making appointments for inoculation more difficult, because there was a great gulf between when the state got notification of a vaccine shipment and when the state informed the county.

Brewster said the state learned of a federal vaccine shipment Feb. 2 and only informed the county on Feb. 5; this left little time to prepare for the Feb. 6 vaccine clinic

the health department runs.

The continued shortage of vaccine meant the registration slots were also in short supply; Commissioner Todd Morgan said the on-line registration for the weekend filled up in nine minutes.

"You can do it better than the state thinks they can do it," Commissioner Eric Colvin said of Brewster's efforts to vaccinate the county population.

Health department data showed that this week's allotment of vaccine was 1,475 doses, about half of the 2,925 doses the week before.

Next week, Brewster reported, the county was only set to get 700 doses, the lowest amount since the second week of inoculations when the county received just 100 doses.

Commissioner John O'Connor said regional vaccination clinics forced some county residents to travel nearly two hours to get to the Six Flags location in Prince George's.

"You're spending the whole day there," O'Connor said, noting the state-run centers attempted to vaccinate thousands at a time, meaning long wait times.

"We're robbing Peter to pay Paul and we're putting our population at higher risk because they want to centralize these sites," O'Connor said. "They're really missing the mark here."

Hospitalizations in St. Mary's remain high, though they have declined, Brewster said, and the amount of new COVID-19 cases has dropped steadily for the past several weeks.

"We do appear to be emerging from the post-holiday surge," Brewster said. "This is a very encouraging trend... but this is not the time to loosen up on our efforts."

So far 13,922 people have been vaccinated in St. Mary's; more than 11,000 have received their inoculation from the health department.

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Some Students Return to Class This Week



By Guy Leonard Staff Writer

Special needs students in programs such as SAIL and COM-PASS began returning to in-person learning Feb. 8 in a hybrid model that allowed for alternating virtual learning as well.

Starting Feb. 16 the second phase will begin, Schools Superintendent Dr. J. Scott Smith told the St. Mary's County Board of Education at their Wednesday meeting, to include Head Start and pre-Kindergarten students, Kindergarteners and 1st graders, 6th grades and in high school both freshmen and seniors.

By March 1, according to the school return plan, all remaining grade levels will return to the hybrid model.

The school days will be divided between "A" day and "B" day sections; one group will be in class while the other learns in a virtual environment and then alternate the following day.

The amount of new weekly cases of COVID-19 spiked to more than 400 during the post-holiday surge, Smith told the school board, but has since dropped to about 236.

"We've seen it nearly cut in half," Smith said. "It's about twice what we want it to be... but the rate is going in the right direction.

"The trend is what we're looking for."

The system's school-based data dashboard available on-line will give parents the ability to see any COVID cases that occur in schools and track the response by the school system, Smith said.

The system would continue to closely monitor all COVID-19 related data as they reopened schools to students.

"This is the data that will drive our decisions," Smith said.

He said the efforts to vaccinate teachers as well as all other employees in the public schools have been largely successful.

"Anybody employed in the St. Mary's County public school system has been offered the opportunity to be vaccinated," Smith said.

All of the employees who registered to get a vaccine have received their first dose and many have already received their second dose as of last week, he said.

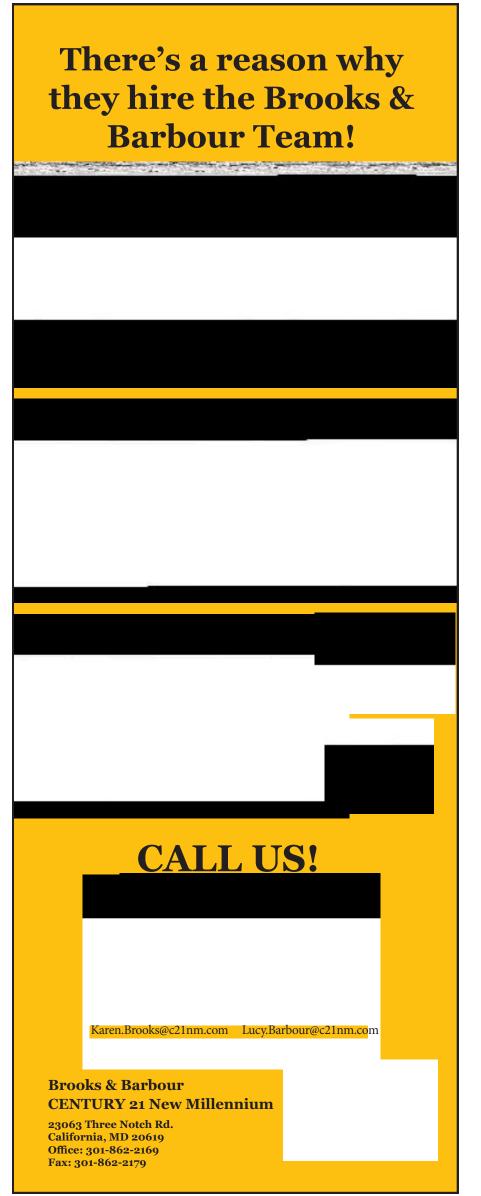
More than 75 percent of staff have stated they wanted to get vaccinated and Smith said he believed that same number have followed through, but that data was not known to him.

"It's not for me to know, it's a personal decision," Smith said. "They're as protected as they are going to be.

"We're in great shape: we've done everything we can."

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Lothian Grain Elevator Will Stay Open Two More Years



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By Guy Leonard Staff Writer

Perdue Agribusiness, announced Wednesday it would continue to operate a grain elevator in Lothian in Anne Arundel County for two more years, allowing Southern Maryland farmers more time to find a solution as to where to store their grain shipment.

The grain elevator is critical to Southern Maryland farmers who used it as a waypoint to sell and store their grain without having to engage in costly transport to markets much farther away on the Eastern Shore and in Virginia.

Perdue had announced it would close the storage site for good in January, with its final day being March 31.

"We understand the hardship closing the Lothian facility would have on some Maryland farmers and have decided to keep it open for at least the next two years, while continuing our search for a suitable buyer," said Scott Fredericksen, president of Perdue

AgriBusiness.

Jamie Raley, president of the St. Mary's County Farm Bureau, said this latest development allowed farmers more time to come up with options in dealing with future crops.

"It gives local farmers the opportunity to make changes to their operations and for the sale of their product," Raley told The County Times.

The grain elevator serves farmers in St. Mary's, Calvert, Charles, Anne Arundel and Prince George's counties; Perdue representatives said that the decrease in farmland in the region made operating the site untenable.

"The Lothian grain elevator plays a critical role in the agriculture community of Southern Maryland. It is important for the facility to remain open, and we look forward to finding a long-term solution," said Maryland Agriculture Secretary Joe Bartenfelder.

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Loveville Post Office Is Perfect Valentine's Fit

By Guy Leonard Staff Writer

Since the mid-1990s, postal customers have sought out the Loveville Post Office in Loveville, outside of Leonardtown, to make their special Valentine's Day wishes even more so with a custom-made postage cancellation stamp.

The ink blotter stamp of red cherubs and hearts has been highly prized as the perfect finishing touch to Valentine's Day cards, parcels and gifts since a post master who staffed the office, just a trailer on the side of Point Lookout Road headed towards Mechanics-ville, designed the stamp.

"Eva Hall was the one who came up with the stamp with the cherubs and the hearts," said Leonardtown Postmaster Sean Guy.

It's been popular ever since.

"We get packages full of letters and Valentines from all over the world just to get that stamp," Guy said.

Those packages that come in with individual cards are taken out and individually stamped with the special Valentine's Day stamp and sent on their way, Guy said.

In the past the Loveville post office has processed as many as

10,000 Valentine's Day greetings a year.

There are other such post offices aptly named for the romantic season around the nation, such as Loving, New Mexico, Romance, Arkansas and Honeyville, Utah.

Past postmasters at the Loveville station have credited the internet with spreading the appeal of the Loveville Valentine's stamp.

Some customers from as far away as New Jersey have personally brought their mail in to be stamped, while other customers from far out west send their mail to Loveville to be post marked despite other post offices with similar names being closer.

Guy said the special stamp is also popular for greetings used at weddings or other festive occasions where special memories are made.

Before the pandemic, lines would often form outside the small post office of customers waiting to get their special stamps, noting how it has become part of the local culture.

The community there was named for A. Kingsley Love, who once served there long ago as the postmaster.

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Town Council Approves Next Phase of Pier Project

By Guy Leonard Staff Writer

The Leonardtown Town Council voted unanimously this week to approve a contract with a local builder to complete the next phase of the pier project at the town wharf property S.E. Davis won the award of \$100,350 to build the "T" portion of the pier approximately 12 feet from the shoreline.

It would provide more space for docking of boats and other pleasure craft.

The town government received a waterway improvement grant from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources in 2019 to construct the first phase of the project and received a waiver to allow the awarding of the this second round of grant money from the same agency to S.E. Davis without go-

ing through a competitive bidding process.

The town made the request due to the contractor's familiarity with the project, town documents stated, and due to the difficulty of finding larger contractors who were willing to take on relatively smaller projects.

The completion of the pier project is a key economic development effort for Leonardtown as the strategic plan for the revitalization of the downtown calls for bringing in more boat traffic to the wharf for tourists and day trippers who want to use the town's amenities.

The first phase of the project included a 191-foot floating dock, while the second phase will include electric power, and a water and pumping out station.

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New Portal Provides Online Job Training

By Dick Myers Editor

Imagine 5,000 choices. That's how many online training courses are available to residents of Southern Maryland through a new portal called SkillUp Southern Maryland being made available by the Tri-Country Council for Southern Maryland (TCCSMD).

On the portal, job seekers can explore career pathways, view local job postings, register for free online learning, and receive workforce services. Employers can search for qualified candidates, post jobs, and receive in-depth consulting to address hiring and training needs.

Regarding the job training options, TCCSMD Director of Workforce and Business Development Ruthie Davis explained, "Accessible 24/7 from anywhere with internet access, SkillUp® Southern Maryland can help workers who plan to return to their former employer as well as those who are looking to change careers by of-

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Davis said she heard about the SkillUp platform several years ago at a national workforce conference. "With the pandemic, I de-

cided this was the time to invest in this training resource to upskill our local workforce and increase the pool of qualified candidates to support our existing and potential local businesses," she said.

Davis explained, "It is available nationally and is available in parts of many states. The governor of Connecticut recently purchased it for use by the entire state. In Maryland, it is available in Calvert, Charles, St. Mary's, and Prince George's counties."

Davis said, "Training is available for new and seasoned workers alike, covering essential skills (soft skills) and technical skills. There are trainings in career pathways for the industries in our region hardest hit by the pandemic, including retail and hospitality, healthcare, construction, IT/ Professional Services and many more."

The platform was officially launched on Jan. 19. Davis said, "We're finding many individuals are using it to work toward

industry-recognized tions. SkillUp Southern Maryland guides them through the process. After a brief 25 question survey where they indicate their skill levels for specific areas (anywhere from office technology, ethics, customer service, specific IT areas, leadership and more), they then choose the specific industry path and their desired occupation. Inputting this information then generates a Skills Progress Chart based on the information provided. On a colored pie chart, green indicates more than satisfactory skills for that occupation, blue meets skills requirements and red indicates their skills gaps. It then populates their career pathway with the courses and skills needed to obtain their certification."

The portal can be accessed at: http://southernmaryland.skillupa-merica.org/

It was funded by a grant from the Rural Maryland Council.

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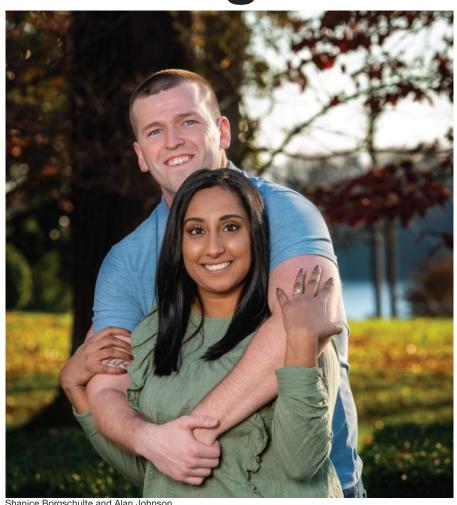
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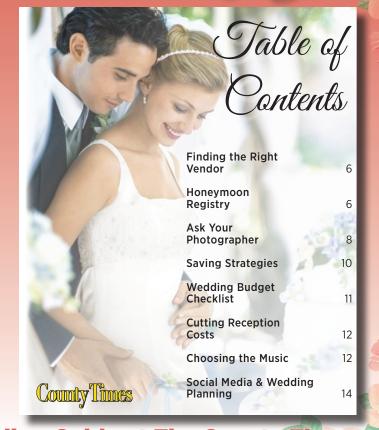






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NASCAR ALL-STAR RACE

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On The Frontlines of Local Mental Health

By Guy Leonard Staff Writer

With the closure of Trico Clinical Service in Lexington Park, St. Mary's County has one less mental health services provider in a county that is already lacking in that key component of residents' overall wellbeing.

William Arick, licensed clinical counseling provider, and founder of Trico in 1987, said he officially closed the business's doors Jan. 31; he has since moved to Florida.

Arick, 78, was on the frontlines of providing counseling services and diagnosing mental illness and disorders in St. Mary's County for 34 years.

He dealt with patients from all walks of life, young and old and his business eventually spread into neighboring counties.

His work here in St. Mary's taught him that the most common thread in those suffering from mental illness was some kind of depression, either as a root cause or as a symptom.

Depression could cause more serious mental illnesses, Arick said, or it could arise from suffering from other mental illnesses such as schizophrenia.

"Depression is part of a whole lot of stuff," Arick said. "It brings people down into the depths where they need to be taken care of.

"That's why we need that coordinated approach."

Arick said mental health in St. Mary's needed a more cooperative approach between the providers and government agencies such as law enforcement, who often have to deal with mentally ill subjects, to provide a constant continuum of care.

COVID-19 has exacerbated mental health problems here, Arick said.

"There's a lot more tension out there," Arick said. "And that's also because of what's going on in the country.

"We can't rule out the CO-VID situation; people with serious mental health cases are getting more serious." Political and social turmoil, magnified by recent unrest in the Capitol and in major cities around the country have taken a toll on local residents' emotional and psychological health.

When Arick first moved to St. Mary's County in the 1970s he found that recreational options were few, he said, and that continues to be a problem in the present day, particularly for young people.

Regular positive activities and interactions help ameliorate depression, he said.

"When I got here there was softball and drinking," Arick said.



Trico Clinical Service Founder Bill Arick

"Activities and achievements are what we worked on with people.

"You need to have things to look forward to."

In his younger years Arick, a Chevy Chase native, was a military policeman in the National Guard and went on work in business for Shell Oil and then 3M before becoming interested in prisons and prison reform; he pursued becoming a pastoral counselor and attended theological seminaries in Washington, D.C. and Maine.

He worked at St. Elizabeth's gaining experience in mental health counseling and worked at the local jail here counseling inmates.

"A lot of people who are incarcerated are depressed," Arick said. "Most people who come out of prison are depressed if not 100 percent of them."

Arick said he founded Trico, in

part, because patients were often having to wait too long for treatment.

"I saw a lot of people not getting services," Arick said. "We weren't working efficiently as mental health professionals.

"We wanted to get to people... regardless of their ability to pay."

There are several mental health providers in St. Mary's, Arick said, but communication could be better between them as well as with patients.

This would help mitigate the need for more mental health professionals, he said.

"The amount of work being done is good," Arick said. "We wouldn't have to be shorthanded if we communicated better. "We need to be able to follow up with people."

Following up with certain seg-

ments of the mentally ill population locally, such as the homeless, can be difficult as they are transient and sometimes difficult to locate.

Also, peoples' ability to pay for mental health services as well as other factors such as transportation access can make getting help difficult.

"There are a lot of local providers available but not available to everybody," Arick said. "I think there's a lot more that needs to be done."

Local health providers also compete with each other, Arick said, where they should try more cooperation and its usually over funding.

"There's always a struggle over who gets what money," Arick said. "That's where we'd get competition we don't need."

Arick's path to St. Mary's was a complicated one. When serving with the National Guard he found himself out in the Mid-West and by the time he and his wife were ready to settle down they wanted to move back to Maryland but even in the 1970s homes were far too expensive.

"We couldn't afford to live in Chevy Chase, even then," Arick said. "Then, my friend told me about a place called Breton Bay."

They soon made a home there and the family would stay there, even while Arick would live in other localities completing his studies.

He got his master's degree in theology from Wesley Theological Seminary, part of American University, and went on to finish his doctoral work at a seminary in Bangor, Maine.

He even pastored a church in Oakton, Va. for two years.

While living in Breton Bay – the family recently sold their long-time home – Arick focused on creating youth programs for summer sports there; much of it was based on tennis play, a favorite sport of his.

"I'm a Maryland boy," Arick said. "And I was beginning to feel at home in St. Mary's County."

Arick also worked for the Tri-County Youth Services Bureau and chaired an early mental health and substance abuse task force in St. Mary's in the mid-80s.

Arick said he was sad to have to close down his business but it was time to do so.

"We weren't able to find providers to come in and take over the operations," Arick said. "I couldn't get anyone to run the organization. "I still had a desire to get back into the rooms and do counseling one or two days a week."

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Police Investigating Two Shootings in Lexington Park

By Guy Leonard Staff Writer

Shootings that occurred in Lexington Park Feb. 5 and Feb. 6 have St. Mary's Sheriff's Office and Maryland State Police detectives searching for suspects.

Sheriff's office deputies responded to the first shooting and found the victim in a home on Ronald Drive; the 15-yearold victim reported he had been in the area of Midway Drive and Pegg Road when a vehicle arrived and an unknown male exited and started firing multiple shots at the victim, striking him once in the

leg, according to sheriff's office spokesperson Jason Babcock.

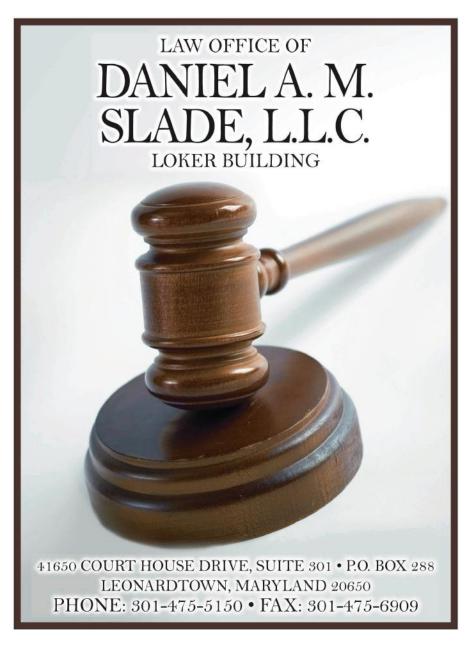
The victim was transported to MedStar St. Mary's Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries, said Babcock.

"We're seeking the public's assistance with this case," Babcock

Anyone with information on the Feb. 5 shooting may call Det. Melissa Green at 301-475-4200 ext.71996.

Maryland State Police are investigating the other shooting that occurred the next day.





ST. MARY'S SHERIFF'S OFFICE **CRIME REPORT**

Identity Needed for Motor Ve- then left the hicle Burglary Suspect

The Mary's Coun-Sheriff's Office is the seeking identity of the person shown in a motor vehicle burglary investigation. On Friday,



Jan. 22, 2021 between 2-2:30 am, the suspect entered several unlocked vehicles in the 43400 block of FWD Drive and the 24600 block of Broad Creek Drive in Hollywood.

The suspect stole cash, change, a grey HP Probook laptop computer, a pair of Adorrgan binoculars, an Atlanta Falcons lanyard with a CAC ID card and a SIPR token computer access card.

Anyone with information about the identity of the suspect or this incident is asked to call Deputy Benjamin Raley at 301-475-4200, ext. 78076 or email benjamin. raley@stmarysmd.com. Case # 3610-21

Citizens may remain anonymous and contact Crime Solvers at 301-475-3333, or text a tip to "TIP239" plus their message to "CRIMES" (274637). Through the Crime Solvers Program tipsters are eligible for an award of up to \$1,000 for information about a crime in St. Mary's County that leads to an arrest or indictment.

Theft Suspect Sought

The St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office is seeking the identity of the person shown in a theft investigation. On Friday, Feb. 5, 2021 at 6:08 pm, the suspect entered the California Wine & Spirits liquor store, picked up a bottle of champagne, placed it under his jacket and into his pants. The suspect

store without paying for it.

Anyone with information about the identity of the suspect or this incident asked to call Deputy Rich-



ard Wilhelmi at 301-475-4200, ext. 78152 or email richard.wilhelmi@stmarysmd.com. Case # 6493-21

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Assault- On January 31, 2021, Dep. Walker responded to the 47700 block of Devin Circle in Lexington Park, for the reported assault. While on scene conducting the investigation Chandra Bianca Robinson, age 26 of Lex-

ington Park, became gressive and attempted to stop of-ficers from ficers completing the investigation. Robinson spit in an officers face. and struck the



Chandra Robinson

officer in the leg. It was also determined Robinson had assaulted another victim prior to the arrival of law enforcement. Robinson was arrested and charged with two counts of Assault and Obstructing and Hindering an Investigation.

Editor's Note:

The above arrests are not an indication of guilt or innocence as the cases have not been adjudicated.



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PATUXENT RIVER NAVAL AIR STATION

Navy Engineers Developing Augmented Reality Headsets to Revolutionize Maintenance and Repair

The County Times

Engineers from the Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division are developing augmented reality headset applications to connect engineers with maintainers across the globe to maintain and repair Navy aircraft and systems.

The technology received the 2020 Department of Defense Maintenance Innovation Challenge Award, and has application both in and outside of the military.

"I am incredibly proud of the innovation and mission focus of our engineers in bringing this ARRMSS technology to life," said NAWCAD Commander, Rear Adm. John Lemmon. "This level of agility and service to the Fleet will ensure our Navy maintains the readiness and lethality needed by our fighting forces.'

Dubbed the Augmented Reality Remote Maintenance Support Service (ARRMSS), the portable system audibly and visually connects two users from anywhere in the world via an Augmented reality (AR) headset. The system will enable fleet maintainers to troubleshoot maintenance and repair issues in real-time with distant engineers as if they were in the same room. Engineers can communicate verbally, and use holograms that appear in a maintainer's view superimposed on the equipment a maintainer is troubleshooting. Users are also able to share photos, documentation and other content.

The system has gone through successful live testing on the East Coast and is being prepared for next steps.

"We're working to an aggressive developmental schedule - ARRMSS went from proof of concept to working prototype in less than two years, and we're ready to start beta-testing the product worldwide," said Aristides Staikos, NAWCAD Lakehurst's AR Research and Development Engineering lead. "Our ultimate goal is a reduction in aircraft downtime and faster assistance to those that need it."

Though the headsets are commercially available, the system - a kit that includes the headset, a tablet, and a remote network wireless access point – is unlike anything currently available, as ARRMSS will operate on low-bandwidth networks.

"We purposely designed the tech with the Navy in mind to conserve bandwidth, especially at sea and in other remote environments," said Staikos.

ARRMSS is expected to be ready for production in 2023, and is also generating interest from the Marine Corps, Air Force and Army for several potential uses in addition to

maintenance, repair, and explosive ordinance investigation.

NAWCAD advances capability and operational readiness for naval aviation and our warfighters. The warfare center is where naval aviation takes flight through research, development, test, evaluation, and sustainment of both fielded and not-yet fielded naval platforms and technologies that ensure America's Sailors and Marines always go into conflict with significant advantage. With sites in Patuxent River, Maryland, Lakehurst, New Jersey, and Orlando, Florida, the command is the Navy's largest warfare center with a diverse force of military, civilians, and contractors building the Navy of today, the Navy of tomorrow, and the Navy after next.



Engineers from the Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division demonstrate the Augmented Reality Remote Maintenance Support Service (ARRMSS), a portable augmented reality headset and application system.

Wanderings Aimless Mind



It looks like my husband and I hit the Covid lottery. We tested positive and are awaiting our release from Covid quarantine. The MD Dept of Health said I was free today after their every few days questionnaires, but our doctor would like us to wait out the last of our 14 days. Our Primary said, she didn't care if the CDC and MD Dept. of Health say 10 days, she, and the urgent care physician said 14 days. We don't have anywhere to go any way and it looks like we are in for more snow, so this is not a problem. We have thoughtful family and friends who have or will drop off anything we need on the porch.

We do our big shopping once, maybe twice a month, so we have plenty of food in the freezer and fridge. We both have had mild symptoms, me especially. I normally have a bit of congestion this time of year, and I am normally tired from my Rheumatoid Arthritis – nothing feels different to me. I had no fevers, cough, extra aches and pains, or any other symptoms. If it weren't for my husband losing his sense of taste and smell last Thursday, we may never have gotten tested.

I wasn't even going to write about it, but my husband and a friend thought I should, especially for people who are just experiencing what they think is a mild sinus infection like we did. No way of knowing where we picked it up. We get packages and get groceries like most people, but immediately use our sanitizing gels and wipes. We clean everything before its put away, so who knows.

It is so strange how some people it affects strongly, and others barely notice a difference. I would have thought that I, being immunocompromised, would have been hit harder, but my rheumatologist has had me on the suggested vitamins of Calcium w/D, and the pill combination of Calcium, Magnesium, Zinc for years. Maybe that helped? Also, because of my bacterial infection last January, I was taken off biologics altogether. Not that there is anything left for me to try anyway - had them all over the years.

We did have to have the ambulance come for my husband on Monday because he was feeling a little disoriented and generally not well midday. With his past heart issues, we don't fool around. Every test known to man was performed, but other than a little fluid around



the heart, and blood pressure fluctuations, nothing major was found, thank goodness. I picked him up outside at the hospital at 1 a.m. By the time we wound down from all that it was 2:30 a.m. before we fell asleep. Apparently feeling loopy and blood pressure fluctuations are in the nature of the COVID-19 beast. I must admit both of us have napped a lot. It's like it hits you all at once that you have to go lay down. Since no one is coming over, we have just left our extra blankets out on the couches in the living room for those "impromptu" couch naps.

We are both happy that Covid has hit us now instead of during my husband's busy pool season in a couple months. He is already getting calls for scheduling pool openings this spring. So, maybe the rest of this year is going to be good... and healthy. We will still be careful wearing our masks and using sanitizers of course. And we will be waiting for our time to get the vaccine - you can never be too prepared. Though, we have been told both 30 days and 90 days after quarantine is fine for the shot. Each place has different guidelines.

Well, that's all for this week, our good neighbor just Shelley dropped by the cream and the Fig Newtons I've been craving on the mailbox, and crazy hound dog Mindy says its nap time for her patients. We still have some Wawa cold cut subs to look forward to that are being brought by my step-daughter – so things are looking up. Please stay safe as you can.

To each new day's adventure, Shelby

Please send your comments or ideas to: shelbys.wanderings@yahoo.com or find me on Facebook.

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Videos from Aging & Human Services

The Department of Aging & Human Services is proud to announce our brand new Virtual Senior Activity Center and YouTube page! Go to https://www.stmarysmd.com/aging/virtual-senior-center/ or www.youtube.com, keyword SMC Aging & Human Services, to see what we have for you! There are more videos coming soon!

Sign Up for Live Stream Craft

Set aside some time on Thursday, Feb. 25, at 10 a.m. for a fun bottle upcycling class. You can look around the house for some fabric, twine, string or yarn, then reach into your recycle bin and pull out a glass bottle. If you have a foam paint brush and some Mod Podge or white glue that dries clear you have just about everything you need. Once we wrap the bottle up in your material of choice and let it dry, maybe you'll want to add some embellishments to make it really unique. Let's do this together on Zoom! E-mail Sheila.Graziano@stmarysmd.com

Independent Project Club News

Next Project Reveal Day is scheduled for Wednesday, March 10, 1-3 p.m. at the Loffler Senior Activity Center

Work on a project at home between now and March 9. Bring it to the Curbside Reveal Event on March 10. Contact Sheila.Graziano@stmarysmd.com learn more about it. Here are the new assignments:

- Sewing Club- Something with Scraps- Use at least 3 different fabric patterns- can be anything at all, large or
- NEW Garden Club- Three Herbs in a Pot- Make a potted herb garden. Can use one large pot as long as plants are compatible OR can use three different pots.



Hi there folks, my name is Kevlar. I'm a BIG FURRY LOVER OF EVERYONE! I will stand up as tall as I can and gaze at you with my PRETTY EYES, letting you know that all I want to do is be your FAITHFUL BFF. If you have a HOME then I've got the LOVE!! Make me part of your family and you won't regret a moment spent with me. Now is the time to email animalshelter@charlescountymd.gov to schedule an appointment to meet me ASAP. BE MY MIRACLE and PLEASE CHOOSE ME! When you choose to adopt from TCAS, you are literally saving a life. And remember, if there is room in the heart, there is room in the house.

To see more of my amazing friends also available for adoption, "like" us on Facebook @ Tri-County Animal Shelter Southern MD or view us on our website at https:// www.charlescountymd.gov/ services/animal-care-control/tricounty-animal-shelter



St. Mary's Calendar Community Calendar

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

Thursday, February 11

CSM Transfer Thursday Virtual; 11 a.m.

CSM hosts Transfer institutions virtually each Thursday from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Representatives from two different institutions will be available to chat with students and help navigate their future transfer experience. RSVPs are required to access Zoom information. Free. csmd.edu/transferthursdays

Tobacco Cessation Program

The Tobacco Cessation Program is free and that takes place over the course of 8 weeks (weekly 1 hour sessions). Participants learn behavioral modifications, stress management, and other techniques to help them quit using tobacco products. Next Series: Thursdays, February 4, 2021 – April 15, 2021 from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Learn more or register at: www. smchd.org/tobacco

Diabetes Prevention Program

The Diabetes Prevention Program helps participants establish and stick with positive lifestyle changes, such as healthy eating habits, physical activity and positive stress management, which can prevent or delay the onset of Type 2 diabetes. This free program includes 16 weekly sessions, followed by monthly sessions for ongoing support from a lifestyle coach. Register at www.smchd. org/dpp.

Friday, February 12

Beth Israel Synagogue Shabbat Services Online

7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Shabbat evening services are being held online due to COVID19. Beth Israel Synagogue will hold online services EVERY FRIDAY at 7 PM. Check our website calendar (bethisraelmd.weebly.com/calendar.html) for event details.

Tuesday, February 16

Grief Support Group

Calvary Chapel; 7 p.m.

Help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend. The support group meets weekly. You are welcome to begin attending at any point. You'll find it to be a warm, caring environment and will come to see your group as an "oasis" on your long journey through grief. For more information call the church office and leave a message at 301-645-0660 or email us at admin@ccsomd.com.

Shrove Tuesday Drive Thru Pancake and Sausage Supper

St. John's Church in Hollywood is hosting a drive-thru pancake and sausage supper on Feb. 16 from 5 p.m. to 7:30p.m. Each meal includes four pancakes, two sausages, plus topping of choice: sausage gravy, blueberry, apple and strawberry.

The cost is \$5 per person.

St. John's Church is taking preorders for number of meals and time of pick up.

Please e-mail Mike Thompson at mikeandbarbarat@gmail.com

To order on site, drive up to St. John's School's main door, where you will order and pay.

Then pull ahead to the corner door between the school and Msgr. Harris Center for pick up.

Wednesday, February

Wayback Wednesdays

We hope you're loving our weekly video series showing some of the stories that make St. Mary's County's history so unique and interesting. We thought this would be a fun way to bring our closed museums to you while we all keep our social distance. Join us every week for short videos featuring everything from the quirky to the fascinating - tune in! We have several episodes in the playlist! Facebook.com/SCIMuseum

Virtual Lecture

Major General Charles Bolden (ret.), former NASA administrator will discuss "My Journey to Nasa and Becoming a Soft Power Advocate." Bolden, a former NASA administrator, retired USMC Major General, and former astronaut who flew on four space shuttle missions, will discuss his personal experiences, the leadership challenges he faced, and how he addressed diversity and inclusion goals along his path to success. With a focus on the future, Bolden will challenge the audience to consider what can be accomplished when people dream big together. The St. Mary's College Office of Inclusive Diversity, Equity, Access, and Accountability is also a sponsor of this event, which can be accessed at http://bit.ly/mgbolden.

DAV Assistance Program

St. Mary's Square ReStore; 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Veterans - do you have a serviceconnected disability? Did you receive an injury while on active duty and are now filing for disability through the Veterans Administration (VA)? The Disabled American Veterans organization is here to assist you with those VA forms at no cost to you. These men and women (who are disabled veterans) are volunteers who ensure you are placing the proper information in the proper blocks and advise you on common mistakes that are made on these VA forms. Their spaces are toward the rear of the building on the left side. Stop by and see if we can be of assistance to you. No appointment necessary.

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Ongoing

COVID-19 Appointment-Free Testing

Lexington Park Office:

Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

46035 Signature Lane, Lexington Park (co-located with U-Haul Moving & Storage)

For assistance or accommodations, call ahead to (301) 862-1680 Leonardtown Office:

Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

21580 Peabody Street, Leonardtown

For assistance or accommodations, call ahead to (301) 475-4330 SMCHD COVID-19 Testing:

Walk up for testing, parking is available

Appointment-free

No doctor's order needed

Free of Charge (no out-of-pocket cost, co-payment, co-insurance, etc.)

Bring health insurance information and identification, if possible – Uninsured community members are welcome.

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John Sheldon Howe



John Sheldon Howe, Jr, passed away on January 27, 2021. He was born on August 1, 1943 to the late John S. Howe, Sr.

and Mary Evelyn Howe. He worked many positions at the St. Mary's Ice and Fuel for over 35 years and went to Burch Oil when they acquired the company in 1995, where he continued as an HVAC tech until retiring in 2016.

He leaves behind his wife, Doris, his sons, John Michael (Linda) of Rancho Cucamonga, CA John III "Binks" (Caroline) of Hollywood, MD, James Matthew (Norma) of Leonardtown, MD and Philip Wallace "Wally" of Hollywood, MD. His grandchildren, Sean Michael of Lexington Park, MD, Sheldon Starr of Orlando, FL, Jaiden Quin and Ashtyn Seara of Hollywood, MD, Clyde Matthew of Leonardtown, MD and great-grandson Camden Reese of Lexington Park, MD. His sisters Susie Russell (Bobby) and Betty Greenberg (Mark).

In addition to his parents, John was predeceased by his sister Maryann Shaw of Oregon, Dorothy Skok of Great Mills, MD and brothers, James Howe of Hollywood, MD and Paul of Leonardtown, MD.

All Funeral Services will be private.

Caridad Angelina Roa Schaller



Caridad Angelina Roa S c h a l l e r , known fondly as Carrie, 95, of Compton, MD passed away peacefully at home surrounded by her fam-

ily on January 22, 2021. She was born on May 12, 1925 in Manila, Philippines and was the daughter of the late Remberto Duterte Roa and Juanita Mina Roa. Carrie was the former wife of the late Donald Le-Roy "Don" Schaller who preceded her in death on April 8, 2000. Carrie is survived by her children, Robert Reves "Bob" Schaller, Sr. (Valinda "Wendy") of Leonardtown, MD, Iris Ann Schaller (Paul) of Leonardtown, MD, Maria Juanita Nickerson (William "Nick") of Compton, MD, 11 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren, and sibling, Francisco Mina Roa of Manila, Philippines. She was preceded in death by her son, Donald Michael "Danny" Schaller, and siblings, Josefina Roa Segura, Lourdes Roa Hartendorp, Guillermo Mina Roa, and Manuel Mina Roa.

Carrie, a native Filipino, mar-

ried Don Schaller, then U.S. Army, on June 9, 1946, and emigrated to America and settled in Baltimore, MD. In 1951, she and Don, and his parents, Emmett and Lola Schaller moved to Compton, MD to start a family business called Don's Superette, a general merchandise store. Helping Don run the store would be her first duty until her 4 children were born. As the children were growing, Carrie became very active in the community including at her beloved church, St. Francis Xavier where she played the organ and directed the choir for many years. She helped organize the 300th anniversary of St. Francis Xavier Church in 1962. She was an advocate for youth activities, serving as a girl scout leader, on school PTAs, and very active in the early days of recreation and parks programs in St. Mary's County.

In her own right, Carrie was a talented pianist, and loved all kinds of music. She passed this gift on to her children and others. Later in life, she became an avid coin collector, picture organizer, and a serious timeshare vacation organizer. She loved to travel. If you needed a ride cross-country, Carrie was available. She was a free spirit, her energy, determination, and friendly smile are what stood out. Carrie also loved to be outside working in the yard, tending to the many flower beds and picking at those stubborn weeds. She got the most pleasure from spending time with her family, friends, grandchildren, and especially the great-grandchildren. She knew everyone's birthday and made sure to call and sing happy birthday to them on their special day.

Carrie touched so many during her long and full life. Her purpose was to lift others, to see past adversity to possibilities and opportunities, to smile and leave others smiling. For her family, her primary mission on this earth was to keep her entire family together as one unit. Carrie's family extended to relatives and friends from all over, reaching halfway around the world. She owned several timeshares and relished in scheduling timeshare vacations for many of her Filipino relatives here and abroad. Some would include her, but most would not. Enjoyment at a vacation spot was her gift to so many. She would also arrange many family gatherings at Maria and Nick's homestead on Combs Creek, where she lived and where all still call home. Even though her time on earth is over, her light will shine on in all of us!

Funeral services at this time will be private. In lieu of flowers, a charitable contribution to Hospice of St. Mary's County in Callaway or St. Francis Xavier Church in honor of Carrie Schaller is requested. Due to Covid restrictions a Celebration of Life Memorial will be scheduled at a later date when it's safe to do so.

Serving as pallbearers will be William Jess Nickerson III, Brian Dale Nickerson, Collin Matthew Nickerson, Robert Tyler Pegg, Robert Reyes Schaller, Jr., and Emmett Michael Schaller. Honorary pallbearers are Richard Lombardi and Jhoanna Roa.

Donald Gale Cooke



Donald Gale Cooke, 80, of Mechanicsville passed away surrounded by his family on February 6, 2021. He was born in Baltimore, MD to

the late Elmon and Edith Cooke on April 19, 1940. He is survived by his siblings William Cooke (Kathy) and Patricia Rawlings (Bill). He was preceded in death by sisters Elizabeth ("Betty") Flerlage and Adele Peed and grandson Brogan Kade Ruppert.

Don married the love of his life Kitty (Townshend) on May 21, 1960. He is survived by his son Gregg Cooke and Melinda Cooke Ruppert and son in-law Kobey Ruppert. He is also survived by two grandchildren Keilan Chayce Ruppert and Leah Cooke.

Don served a printing apprenticeship in 1961 and then worked as a hot metal typesetter. Over the years he held various positions in the printing industry which included starting his own company, Marco Composition. He ended his lifetime of hard work as a bailiff for the Circuit Court of Calvert County, retiring in 2018.

Don was a "jack of all trades" such as doing different jobs such as car repair, carpentry, plumbing, electrical repair and home renovation. His love for his faith and church led to projects and service that included producing and printing the church bulletin, lay reader, Eucharistic minister and acolyte training. He had a passion for community involvement and was a former member of the Brandywine VFD, Brandywine Lions Club, Community Support Systems and the Masonic Lodge.

Don was diagnosed with mild cognitive impairment in 2011. Alzheimer's eventually took over his life but he remained the same calm, funny, patient and cooperative person he always was; always wanting to help others. Alzheimer's stole a lot from him but did not diminish his hearty laugh and creative one liners. A fall on January 20th changed all of that and his whole world, and ours, crashed. After just a few short days in hospice care and with compassionate caregivers at home he was comforted and loved by his family until his final hour.

Family will receive family and friends for Don's memorial service on Saturday, February 13th from 1:00-3:30 pm at Brinsfield Funeral Home & Crematory, Charlotte Hall.



A Masonic prayer service will begin at 1:45 followed by a memorial service officiated by the Reverend John Ball. Interment will be held in the spring. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Masonic Centennial Lodge 174, Upper Marlboro (scholarship fund), Hospice of St. Mary's and St. Paul's Episcopal Parish, Baden, MD.

Jordan Andrew Topolski



Jordan drew Topolski, 29 of Mechanicsville, MD passed away on February 4, 2021.

He was born on November 1991 26, in

Leonardtown, MD to Mark Edward Topolski and Amy Lynn Reeger Topolski.

Jordan is a lifelong resident of St. Mary's County. He attended Chopticon High School and was employed for over three years as a maintenance technician in property management until COVID caused him to be laid off. He was a competitive and skilled goalie for ice hockey and roller hockey since he was nine years old. He played for several rec leagues, various travel teams including, Bowie Travel and Navy Youth Travel, Leonardtown High School and most recently on men's recreational leagues. He was an avid Washington Capitals fan and Pittsburgh Steeler fan. He was a big fan of Brayden Holtby. He enjoyed studying history, whether it was reading books, watching documentaries on the history channel or other historical movies. He was a trivia wiz, and prided himself on having "a lot of useless knowledge." He enjoyed fishing for catfish with his friend Tyler. He also enjoyed family vacations and reunions to the Outer Banks in North Carolina Jordan loved his family, especially his sister Macie.

In addition to his parents, Jordan is also survived by his sister, Macie Topolski, his grandparents, Robert and Mary Reeger; his aunts and uncles: Sheila Rishel (Jim), Steve Topolski (Jeannette), Joseph Topolski, Jeff Topolski, Mike Topolski, Kathleen Stone (Jim), Steve Topolski (Teri), Marta Topolski, Rhonda Kocevar (Sam), Robert Reeger (Joann), Ronald Reeger (Deb), Marie Hebert (Rick), and Randal Reeger (Marylee); and cousins, extended family and friends.

Memorial contributions may be made to Christ Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 8, 37497 Zach Fowler Road, Chaptico, MD 20621.

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

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

William "Billy" Eben Woods, Jr



William Eben "Billy" Woods, Jr., 48, of Mechanicsville, MD passed awav on Wednesday, February 2021 at Med-Star Franklin

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Square Medical Center in Baltimore, MD after a brief illness. He was born on June 23, 1972 in LaPlata, Maryland to William Eben Woods, Sr. and Joan (Dyer) Woods.

Billy married his beautiful bride, Michelle Woods, on September 5, 1992 and they spent 28 years together growing in marriage and love. They were blessed with two (2) wonderful and kind children, Zacharv and Christina.

A dedicated husband and father, Billy supported his family over the years as a truck driver, general contractor and his final love, as a farmer. He appreciated a hard day's work and a good night's sleep. His dedication to the land he cultivated and livestock he tended showed his deep love of the great outdoors. Billy enjoyed the clucking of the chickens and crow of the rooster. It takes a strong work ethic and unwavering devotion to be a farmer and Billy encompassed these admirable attributes. He was a wonderful man who loved God, his family and friends with his whole heart.

During his many years in construction as a general contractor Billy believed that you should always do your best work and the words "it's good enough" never crossed his lips. He took pride in the projects he completed on the homes of his friends, family and clients.

Billy had a deep belief in the Lord and a strong tie to his Christian church family. He felt deeply for everyone he met. This deep belief in the Lord could be seen in all he did with the attention to detail he placed on anything he put his hands to work on.

If you knew him as Billy, Dad, brother or friend you were honored to know this amazing man. His laugh will ring in the wind, his smile will shine down upon you and his love will surround you daily. He will live on in your lives through the wonderful and priceless memories you made with him. He will be missed far and wide by those who knew him well and those who only knew him a little

In addition to his beloved wife, Michelle, he is survived by his children: Zachary Edward Woods of Mechanicsville, MD and Christina Sharon Woods of Lusby, MD; mother, Joan Woods, of Mechanicsville, MD; and mother-in-law, Sharon Williams of Mechanicsville, MD. He is also survived by his sister,

Kimberly Hobbs (Stewart) of Westminster, MD and in-laws, Michael Williams (Rebecca) of Mechanicsville, MD, Ricky Eastburn (Patty) of LaPlata, MD and many nieces, nephews and extended family. Billy is preceded in death by his father, William Eben Woods, Sr. and father-in-law Michael Williams Sr.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Billy's name to Living Word Community Church, 39371 Harpers Corner Road, Mechanicsville, MD 20659.

Billy's preference would have been to support a food drive run by a group of individuals in Charles County. You can drop a food donation to my office or DeHanas Real Estate 1218 Smallwood Dr W. Waldorf, MD 20603. This not an organized charity but just a group of people. All funds given to them are used to purchase food. You can write a check to Interstate Title (my company), if you want, and mail it to my office in Charlotte Hall or you can mail a check to the DeHanas office. Their phone number is 301-870-1717. Billy always felt that in this great county NO ONE should go hungry. This thought always disgusted him. You will not be able to get a tax receipt for this donation as they are just folks filling a need within our community. We have always felt a donation from the heart did not need a tax receipt.

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

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

Veronica Alfreda "Freda" Bullock



Veronica Al-"Freda" freda Bullock, of Lexington Park, MD earned her angel wings after a courageous battle with cancer on February

4, 2021. She was born on September 7, 1957 in Leonardtown, MD to the

late James Alfred Kelley and Agnes Delores Smart of Hollywood, MD. She was a devoted sister to Bruce Kelley.

An educated woman she worked as a Contract Officer for US Merit Systems Protections Board. She was a dedicated employee for over thirty-eight (38) years. During her time, she shared many of life's milestones with coworkers and memories of her inherent joy will bring them peace at this time.

Freda was a wonderful woman. but her greatest accomplishment was being a mother and grandmother. The love and guidance she gave to her son, Booker made him into an honorable man that she respected. She loved seeing her son, become a father himself and being with her grandchildren brought her great joy.

Style, class and the life of the party, all describe the bright light that was Freda. She had an extensive and enviable clothing and shoe collection that she happily added to every chance she got. When 'momma' called, Freda was always ready to get in the car for a shopping excursion. They were practically inseparable when it came to going out on the town. She enjoyed going to the movies, dances, car shows and softball games. She looked forward to the spring and summer so she could go crabbing or sit in the bleachers during a ball game. She was the best cook and her homemade macaroni and cheese was a family favorite.

Whether you knew her as Veronica, Moms, Grandma V, Alfreda, sister, cuz or friend, you knew a wonderful woman. A shining light has been extinguished but if you look up into the night sky she will be the brightest showing you she will continue lighting up the sky for you.

Freda is survived by her son Booker Terrance Bullock, daughter in-law Euniqua Bullock, two granddaughters; Keziah Bullock & Kalahni Bullock, mother Agnes D. Kelley, brother Bruce Kelley, sister in-law Francis "Tina" Kelley, Three Nephews; Justin D. Oliver (Wife Tiara), Julian D. Oliver and Maurice D. Kelley and one great niece Jordyn D. Oliver.



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Freda was proceeded in death by her father James Alfred Kelley and husband Booker T. "Tee" Bullock

The family will receive friends for Veronica's Visitation on Thursday, February 11, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 22381 Three Notch Road, Lexington Park, MD 20653. A Mass of Christian Burial will take place at 12:00 p.m. also at Immaculate Heart of Mary and officiated by Deacon Juan Ortiz. Interment will follow immediately in the church cemetery.

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

All arrangements have been made at Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A., Leonardtown, MD.

Patricia Joyce Frank



Patricia Joyce Frank, 66, of Tall Timbers, MD, passed away peacefully on February 1, 2021 at Hospice House of St. Mary's County in

Callaway.

Patricia was born on January 11, 1955 in West Point, NY to Patricia J. Fowler Stewart and the late William L. Stewart

Patricia was born and raised in the Hudson Valley and left to attend college in Florida. Life moved her to North Carolina then Philadelphia, finally moving to Maryland in 1995 where she made St. Mary's County her home. Even though she was raised in the North, she embraced the southern lifestyle including the tradition of preparing and eating stuffed ham, oysters, and Maryland crab. She was employed at McKay's working in the deli and bakery for 19 years before retiring in 2017. Her job fit her well because of her passion for cooking and baking. Patricia led an active lifestyle, participating in many groups and clubs, as well as keeping up with her many hobbies, such as scrapbooking, making cards, gardening, and watercolors. She was a Ham Radio operator throughout her life. She also followed NASCAR and the Washington Redskins. She loved going to the opera and to plays. She was the president of the UMW Women's Group for First Saints Community Church of Saint George Island, where she also attended service and taught Vacation Bible School. She was also the Church Historian. One of her interests was researching her family history as well as helping others do theirs. This led her to become a member of the St. Mary's County Genealogical Society over 20 years ago. She was also an active member in the Red Hat Society. She was a "people" person who loved to start up a conversation. Everyone looked forward to her annual Christmas letters. Patricia loved her fur babies, Elsie and Johnny Cash, more than anything.

In addition to her mother, she is survived by her siblings, Shirley (Nelson) Stewart Lam of Cheektowaga, NY, Marilyn (Alex) Julia Lechner of Walkill, NY, and Rubyann (Steven) Marie Raizman of Poughkeepsie, NY and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her siblings Victoria June Stewart and James David Stewart. Her long-term partner Charlie Saine died in 2016.

She will be interred at Cedar Hill Cemetery in Newburgh, NY with her grandfather, James Sutton Fowler, who called her Doodlebug.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of St. Mary's, P.O. Box 625, Leonardtown, MD 20650 or to First Saints Community Church of St. George Island.

Condolences may be made at www.brinsfieldfuneral.com.

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

Marissa Jean Smith



Marissa Jean Smith, 35, of Great Mills, MD passed away on February 1, 2021 at her home.

Born March 24, 1985 in Bal-

timore, MD, she is the daughter of Evelyn Rassa Summerlin and the late Matthew Smith. Marissa was a true "Diamond in the Rough". Known to have a huge heart with an extremely sensitive side and caring personality, she was also known to have a very strong personality and expressed herself in a clear, raw, and uncut manner. She was just as much into hair, makeup, and fashion as she was into hobbies such as boxing. Marissa's greatest achievement was her daughter, Arianna. She had a huge place in her heart for her family and also had a special love for animals; especially for her Pomeranian, Riley. She adored elephants, comparing herself to them in the sense she had a memory like an elephant. Her presence was undeniable and she will be greatly missed

In addition to her loving mother, Evelyn Rassa Summerlin and step-father, Stephen C. Summerlin of Lexington Park, MD, she is also survived by her daughter, Arianna A. Montgomery of Lexington Park, MD, her sisters Maria K. Smith of Lexington Park, MD, Marta Hirshman of Washington, D.C., and Michele Hapsis of Baltimore, MD, her nephews Amer Smith of Great Mills, MD and Kaedon R. Smith of Lexington Park, MD, her niece, Jolisa T. Thompson, of Great Mills, MD, her grandmother, Mary Brutch

of Baltimore, MD, aunts, uncle, cousins, and many extended family and friends. She was preceded in death by her sister, Monica L. Smith, her father, Matthew Smith, and her grandfather, Daniel Brutch.

A Memorial Service will be held at the Church of Christ, 44850 St. Andrews Church Rd, California, MD 20619 on Sunday, February 14th at 2:00 PM.

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

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

Ethel Virginia Lewis



Ethel Virginia Lewis (Boynton) known as Ginny, 89, of Great Mills passed MD peacefully on January 30 2021 at her home. She was

born in Bridgeport, Connecticut to the late Theodore Boynton and Alice Boynton on August 20, 1931. Her family consisted of four sisters, Elanor Sullivan, Dorthy Frank, Lillian Juliano, Barbara Gale and one brother, Theodore Boynton of Milford.

Ginny moved to Milford Connecticut when she was thirteen (13). She met the love of her life, James W. Lewis Sr. when she was a young girl of fourteen (14). They were married at twenty (20) and stayed in Milford to raise five children. They owned and operated New England Electric Construction Company in Bridgeport, CT until James took ill in 1984 and later passed away in 1986. In 2010, Ginny moved to Maryland where she resided with her daughter Cynthia and son-in-law, Harold and enjoyed being closer with her daughter, Cathy and son-in-law, Will and her grandchildren.

Ginny would often tell her family about the adventures of buying old homes and rehabbing them. She loved flipping houses with her husband, they once restored a 200-year-old home with help from a few contractors. The later became part of the historical society, as they were about to maintain most of the original form.

A talented artist, Ginny enjoyed making ceramics, knitting and sewing. She made beautiful ceramics for her family that they will cherish for many generations. She loved to make costumes for her grandchildren and they still remember speaking about Nana's "costumes".

Ginny was both adored and loved by her five (5) children, James W. Lewis, Jr. (Suzanne), Linda K. Gaglione, Cynthia J. George (Harold), Jeffrey D. Lewis and Catherine M. Parillo (William). She is also survived by her twelve (12) grandchildren, James Lewis III, Patrick Lewis, Cynthia Stewart, David Elmo, Harold George III, Rosemary George, Elizabeth Custer, Danielle Tompkins, Jeffrey Lewis Jr., Alexa Gauldin, Lacie Winkle and William Parillo; and nineteen (19) great-grandchildren and several nephews and nieces. She had a wonderful relationship with all of her family and was loved by everyone who met her. Our Mother, Grandmother and Great Grandmother will be missed terribly by all of us. We love you more Mom!

Services will be held at a later date in Milford, CT.

In lieu of flowers, the family would request donations be made to Hospice of St. Mary's, PO Box 625, Leonardtown, MD 20650.

Condolences may be made at www.brinsfieldfuneral.com

All arrangements have been made at Brinsfield Funeral Home, Leonardtown, Maryland.

Harry Earl Justice



AK1 Harry Earl Justice, USN (Ret.), 85, of Hollywood, MD, passed away on February 2, 2021 at Calvert Memorial Hospital in

Prince Frederick, MD.

He was born on October 17, 1935 Penns Grove, NJ to the late Earl Justice and Edith Keen Justice.

Harry served in the United States Navy from 1957 until retirement in 1976 as AK1. He was employed as a Supply Clerk for a Government Contractor. Harry spent his summers with his mother and they celebrated Christmas together every year in August. He loved shopping for and watching NASCAR races and often went to Charlotte, NC to watch live. Family was the most important to him and he cherished spending time with them as well as his King Charles Cavalier Spaniel named..... He had a special relationship with both of his children and was honored to be the best man at his son's wedding.

He is survived by his children, Deborah Leah Justice of Hollywood, MD and John Davidson "David" Justice, Jr. (Susan) of Hollywood, MD; 5 grandchildren, Shannon Sanchez, Stephanie Spicer, Shawn Justice, John Davidson Justice, Jr., and Jeffrey Allen Justice, 7 great grandchildren, Jasmine, Angel, Demarco, Elizabeth, Ava, Karma, and Trintin, and 1 great-great child, April. He is preceded in death by his parents.

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

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

Martha Jane Schuman

Martha Jane Schuman (Thorne), 79, of California MD, passed away



peacefully her home on Thursday, February 4, 2021.

Martha was born April 3, 1941 in Meadows, Maryland to the late Richard and Marga-

ret Thorne. She was one (1) of seven (7) children.

Martha graduated from Frederick Sasser High School in 1959. She then met the very handsome and charming, Jimmie Schuman. It was love at first sight and together they shared 35 years of delightful marriage before his passing in September, 2013.

Martha supported her family by working as a secretary for the U.S. Air Force on Andrews Air Force Base, for 15 years. She had a strong work ethic and excelled at her job. As much as she loved her job, she loved staying at home with her four (4) children. Nothing meant more to Martha than family. She was proud of being a homemaker and providing a wonderful home for her family. She felt blessed to have such wonderful children so when she became a grandmother she was over the moon with love. Baking and cooking with her grandchildren, and making so many fond memories. A beautiful day, she enjoyed sitting outside with a good book feeling the warmth of the sun and listening to the birds sing their songs.

Martha is survived by her children, Jimmie Dale Schuman, Jr. of Colorado Springs, CO, Gregory McVerry of Mechanicsville, MD, Bruce Schuman of Bath, NH, and daughter; Sharon McVerry of Felton. DE; and her brothers; James Thorne of Mechanicsville, MD, and John Thorne of Baltimore, MD.

She is preceded in death by parents, Russell Thorne and Margaret Thorne; her husband, Jimmie D. Schuman, Sr.; and siblings, Charles Thorne, Paul Thorne, Ruth Alvey and Elsie Saylor.

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

All arrangements have been made by Brinsfield Funeral Home & Crematory, P.A., Charlotte Hall, MD.

Scott Eric "Superman" Ledman, Jr.



Scott Eric "Superman" Ledman. Jr., 41, of Mechanicsville, MD passed away on February 2, 2021 at his home with his

family by his side. Born on November 11, 1979 in LaPlata, MD. He was the loving son of Scott Ledman, Sr. and Renee (Mathews) Bouchard.

Scott married the love of his life, Christina Diane Ledman, on November, 2013 and together they spent ten (10) wonderful years together. They had four wonderful children, Alexis, Taylor, Connor and Carley. He worked as a Steamfitter for the Local 602 since his graduation from high school. He loved his job and made great friends and memories working with his buddies.

An amazing father, Scott loved his family above all else. He enjoyed camping in the RV with his ATV in tow. A man born with sea legs, he enjoyed sunny days on the boat and dropping a line in the water. Always the life of the garage pool party, he was the first to shotgun a Bud Light while sitting around the campfire. You never had to worry about finding someone to do a shot with when he was hanging out with you. He was very proud of his marksmanship and his target shooting. A man with a heart of gold, strength of superman and soul of a hero, Scott was the best husband and father to his beautiful family.

He strived to be the best and to care for others in a selfless manner. Our superman has gone to heaven leaving behind a lifetime of sweet memories, laughter and love.

Scott is survived by his adoring wife, Christina Diane Ledman of Mechanicsville, MD; children, Alexis Ledman, Taylor Ledman, Connor Strafella and Carley Strafella. He is also survived by his parents, Renee Bouchard (Danny) of Mechanicsville, MD and Scott Ledman, Sr. (Natasha) of Mechanicsville, MD: and siblings: Michael Ledman, Jake Ledman, Archie "Buddy" Goldsmith, Nikki Medlin and Kayla Bradley and many nieces and nephews and extended family members.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Hospice of St. Mary's County, P.O. Box 625 Leonardtown, MD 20650 or Mechanicsville Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 37, Mechanicsville, MD 20659.

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

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

Janice Lee Gill



Janice Lee Gill, 64, of Mechanicsville MD died at her home with her family Wednesday February 3, 2021.

She was born November

12th, 1956 in Ashville, NC to the late Thomas and Audrey Pruitt.

On February 8, 1980 Janice married her beloved husband, Robert 'Bob" Gill in Upper Marlboro, MD where together they shared over 35 years of marriage. Janice and Robert came to Mechanicsville in 1983 with their son Marc. Janice was a dedicated mother and a hard-working woman where she spent years with Chaptico Market and The Halfway House. Even after working a double shift she would come home and cook a homemade meal for Marc and his friends.

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Janice loved everything about the beach and enjoyed taking time with her family in the sand. Janice would take the grandchildren, a loaf of bread, deli meat or peanut butter and jelly to be at the pool all day long. There was never enough time in the sun. Janice loved the company of her birds and many knew her for them. She would open the cages and let them fly around the house to sit on her shoulder and keep her company; all of which she would name after liquor brands. Janice spent time with family and friends. always being the life of the party with her wild jokes that would make you laugh until your face hurt.

Janice is survived by her only son Marc Ryan Gill Sr. (Jennifer Gassman), Crystal Gill (Tom Aylor) and her grandchildren: Alyssa Varnell-Gill, Shianne Gill, Marc "Ryan" Gill Jr., Jasmine Herbert, Jaden Herbert and Aleeah Gill. Janice is also survived by her sisters, Teresa Thompson, Diane Hogan and Brenda Kirkpatrick an many nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family is welcoming friends on Thursday, February 11, 2021 from 5:00pm- 8:00pm, with a prayer service celebrated by Reverend Joe Orlando at 7:00pm at Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A., 22955 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown, MD 20650.

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

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

Elizabeth Anne Robertson



Elizabeth Anne Robertson, 79, passed into eternal life on Tuesday, February 2nd, 2021

Anne born in Wash-

ington, DC on Sunday, August 3rd, 1941 to Stephen and Margaret Folk, and raised in Montgomery County, MD. She earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Information Management from The American University. Anne worked for nearly three decades with the National Institutes of Health. When she retired in 2003 she relocated to Pinev Point, MD in St. Mary's County.

It was Anne's expressed wish that she would be memorialized by acts of kindness, charity and forgiveness to others.

She is survived by a large family and many friends, all of whom have their favorite story about her.

She is preceded in death by her brother, a daughter, son, and two husbands.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by Fr. Paul Nguyen at St. George's Catholic Church, Valley Lee, MD on March 3rd, 2021 at 1 p.m. for her immediate family. Interment to follow. Mass will be livestreamed via the Internet for those unable to attend due to the current health and safety because of COVID-19 restrictions.

Frances Budzik (Daniels)



Frances Budzik (Danpassed iels) away on February 5, 2021. She was born on Elliott Street in the neighborhood of Canton, in Baltimore,

MD to the late Charles Daniels and Regina Malinowski Daniels.

As a little girl Frances loved watching the flag fly over Fort McHenry. After she graduated from high school, she worked for Schlenizer's in the Sewing Department as a skilled and accomplished seamstress. In 1955, she married her late husband, Paul Budzik and they lived in West Inverness. They celebrated over 62 years of marriage before his passing in 2018. Fran and Paul had four children: Annamarie Hackman, Rosemary Konior (Kenneth), Anthony Budzik (Kathryn) and Stanley Budzik (Yvette). She has four grandchildren whom she loved sharing time with. She instilled her patriotism, love of nature and shared her sense of humor with them all. In the 1960's and 1970's she helped start a physical education program at Our Lady of Hope School. Fran was also a dedicated volunteer for West Inverness Recreation Council, where she also played woman's softball and managed the girls' softball team. Fran continued to influence the lives of young children by being the Den and Pack mother for Boy Scouts Troop 354 and Girl Scout Troop 296. She will be remembered by many as the "Pretzel Lady" from Two Guys Department Store. Frances loved children and was a second mom to many in the neighborhood. She enjoyed swimming, camping, hiking and travelling. Though Alzheimer's robbed Fran of many memories, she meant the world to many people who will hold memories of her forever in their hearts

Frances will have a Celebration of Life at a later date, in which family and friends will be notified

Memorial contributions may be made in her honor to the Alzheimer's Association of Maryland, 90665 Stanhaven Place, Suite 205D, White Plains, MD 20695.

Condolences may be made at www.brinsfieldfuneral.com.

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR SAINT MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND CASE NO: C18CV20-000282

MUNICIPAL INVESTMENTS, LLC C/O KENNY LAW GROUP, LLC 11426 YORK ROAD, 1ST FLOOR COCKEYSVILLE, MARYLAND 21030

JAMES B MORGAN

SERVE: 45530 HICKORY HILLS CIR, CALIFORNIA MD 20619

SERVE: 45885 SOUTH POTEAT COURT CALIFORNIA MD 20619

THE ESTATE OF PEGGY J MORGAN

SERVE: JAMES B MORGAN, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

> 45530 HICKORY HILLS CIR, CALIFORNIA MD 20619

AND

PNC MORTGAGE LLC N/K/A PNC REVERSE MORTGAGE, LLC

SERVE: PO BOX 11701 NEWARK, NJ 07101

SERVE: 2711 CENTERVILLE RD, SUITE 44 WILMINGTON, DE 19808

SERVE: CSC-LAWYERS INCORPORTING SERVICE COMPANY RESIDENT AGENT 7 SAINT PAUL ST. **SUITE 1660** BALTIMORE, MD 20878

AND

B GEORGE BALLMAN, TRUSTEE

SERVE: 461 LYNETTE ST GAITHERSBURG, MD

AND

SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

SERVE: 451 SEVENTH ST, SW WASHINGTON, DC 20410

(All persons having or claiming to have an interest in the propelty situate and lying in Saint Mary's County and

45530 HICKORY HILLS CIR CALIFORNIA MD 20619

AND

Unknown Owner of the property 21605 COLUMBIA ST described as follows: Property Tax ID 08-048878 on the Tax Roll of Saint Mary's County, the unknown owner's heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and their or any of their heirs, devisees, executors, administrators, grantees, assigns, or successors in right, title and interest in the propelty.

AND

SAINT MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

SERVE ON: DAVID A. WEISKOPF, COUNTY ATTORNEY 41770 BALDRIDGE ST LEONARDTOWN, MD 20650

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this proceeding is to secure the foreclosure of all rights of redemption in the following property, cold by the Collector of taxes for St. Mary's County and the State of Maryland to the Plaintiff in these proceedings:

LOT 6; SECTION I; P/O HICKORY HILLS and assessed to JAMES B MORGAN, JR and PEGGY J MORGAN, also known as 45530 HICKORY HILLS CIR, Tax Account No. 08-060495 on the Tax Roll of the Director of Treasury.

The Complaint Foreclose Right of Redemption states, among other things, that the amounts necessary for redemption have not been paid, although more than six (6) months from the date of sale has transpired.

It is thereupon, this 30th day of December, 2020, by the Circuit Court for St. Mary's County, Maryland.

ORDERED, That notice be given by the insertion of a copy of this Order in some newspaper having a general circulation in Saint Mary's County once a week for three (3) successive weeks on or before the 30th day of February 2021, warning all persons interested in the property to appear in this Court by the 30th day of February 2021 and redeem the property described above and answer the Complaint or thereafter a Final Judgment will be entered foreclosing all rights of redemption in the property, and vesting in the Plaintiff a title, free and clear of all encumbrances.

Debra J. Burch Clerk of Court for St. Mary's County, Maryland IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR SAINT MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND CASE NO: C18CV20-000284

MUNICIPAL INVESTMENTS, LLC C/O KENNY LAW GROUP, LLC 11426 YORK ROAD, 1ST FLOOR COCKEYSVILLE, MARYLAND 21030

BRENDA SUE DAVIS

SERVE: 42209 RIDGE RD,

MECHANICSVILLE, MD 20659

SERVE: 45890 NOLTE COURT CALIFORNIA, MD 20619

(All persons having or claiming to have an interest in the propelty situate and lying in Saint Mary's County and known as:)

MECHANICSVILLE, MD 20659

Unknown Owner of the property 42209 RIDGE RD described as follows: Property Tax ID 08-048878 on the Tax Roll of Saint Mary's County, the unknown owner's heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and their or any of their heirs, devisees, executors, administrators, grantees, assigns, or successors in right, title and interest in the propelty.

AND

SAINT MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

SERVE ON: DAVID A. WEISKOPF, COUNTY ATTORNEY 41770 BALDRIDGE STREET, LEONARDTOWN, MD 20650

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this proceeding is to secure the foreclosure of all rights of redemption in the following property, cold by the Collector of taxes for St. Mary's County and the State of Maryland to the Plaintiff in these proceedings:

LOTS 500-21 BLK E; SEC 2 PLAT 62/28; SAINT MARY'S BEACH and assessed to BRENDA SUE DAVIS and also known 42209 RIDGE RD Tax Account No. 06-019897 on taz Roll of the Director of Treasury

The Complaint Foreclose Right of Redemption states, among other things, that the amounts necessary for redemption have not been paid, although more than six (6) months from the date of sale has transpired.

It is thereupon, this 30th day of December, 2020, by the Circuit Court for St. Mary's County, Maryland.

ORDERED, That notice be given by the insertion of a copy of this Order in some newspaper having a general circulation in Saint Mary's County once a week for three (3) successive weeks on or before the 30th day of February 2021, warning all persons interested in the property to appear in this Court by the 30th day of February 2021 and redeem the property described above and answer the Complaint or thereafter a Final Judgment will be entered foreclosing all rights of redemption in the property, and vesting in the Plaintiff a title, free and clear of all encumbrances.

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



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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ST. MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND CASE NO: C18CV20-000281

MUNICIPAL INVESTMENTS, LLC C/O KENNY LAW GROUP, LLC 11426 YORK ROAD, 1ST FLOOR COCKEYSVILLE, MARYLAND 21030

VS.

ARTHUR WILLIAM DARR

SERVE: 29856 JEFFERSON RD, MECHANICSVILLE, MD 20659

AND

(All persons having or claiming to have an interest in the propelty situate and lying in Saint Mary's County and known as:)

29856 JEFFERSON RD, MECHANICSVILLE, MD 20659

AND

Unknown Owner of the property 23455 RIVER RD described as follows: Property Tax ID 08-048878 on the Tax Roll of Saint Mary's County, the unknown owner's heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and their or any of their heirs, devisees, executors, administrators, grantees, assigns, or successors in right, title and interest in the propelty.

AND

SAINT MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

SERVE ON: DAVID A. WEISKOPF, COUNTY ATTORNEY
41770 BALDRIDGE STREET
LEONARDTOWN MD

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this proceeding is to secure the foreclosure of all rights of redemption in the following property, cold by the Collector of taxes for St. Mary's County and the State of Maryland to the Plaintiff in these proceedings:

LOT 557; SECTION 2; GOLDEN BEACH and assessed to ARTHUR WILLIAM DARR and, also known as 29856 JEFFERSON RD, Tax Account No. 05-008557 on the Tax Roll of the Director of Treasury.

The Complaint Foreclose Right of Redemption states, among other things, that the amounts necessary for redemption have not been paid, although more than six (6) months from the date of sale has transpired

It is thereupon, this 30th day of December, 2020, by the Circuit Court for St. Mary's County, Maryland.

ORDERED, That notice be given by the insertion of a copy of this Order in some newspaper having a general circulation in Saint Mary's County once a week for three (3) successive weeks on or before the 30th day of February 2021, warning all persons interested in the property to appear in this Court by the 30th day of February 2021 and redeem the property described above and answer the Complaint or thereafter a Final Judgment will be entered foreclosing all rights of redemption in the property, and vesting in the Plaintiff a title, free and clear of all encumbrances.

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

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR SAINT MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND CASE NO: C18CV20-000280

MUNICIPAL INVESTMENTS, LLC C/O KENNY LAW GROUP, LLC 11426 YORK ROAD, 1ST FLOOR COCKEYSVILLE, MARYLAND 21030

VS

MICHAEL DAVID COHEN

SERVE: 23455 RIVER RD,

LEXINGTON PARK, MD 20653

AND

JASON BRANT COHEN

SERVE: 23455 RIVER RD,

LEXINGTON PARK, MD 20653

SERVE: 4545 NORTH WOODS TRAIL, HAMPSTEAD, MD 21074

AND

(All persons having or claiming to have an interest in the propelty situate and lying in Saint Mary's County and known as:)

23455 RIVER RD, LEXINGTON PARK, MD 20653

AND

Unknown Owner of the property 23455 RIVER RD described as follows: Property Tax ID 08-048878 on the Tax Roll of Saint Mary's County, the unknown owner's heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and their or any of their heirs, devisees, executors, administrators, grantees, assigns, or successors in right, title and interest in the propelty.

AND

SAINT MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

SERVE ON: DAVID A. WEISKOPF, COUNTY ATTORNEY 41770 BALDRIDGE STREET, LEONARDTOWN, MD

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this proceeding is to secure the foreclosure of all rights of redemption in the following property, cold by the Collector of taxes for St. Mary's County and the State of Maryland to the Plaintiff in these proceedings:

Lot 2, Block B, Section Jc Plat 11/27; Town Creek Manor and assessed to MICHAEL DAVID COHEN, also known as 23455 RIVER RD, Tax Account No. 08-048878 on the Tax Roll of the Director of Treasury.

The Complaint Foreclose Right of Redemption states, among other things, that the amounts necessary for redemption have not been paid, although more than six (6) months from the date of sale has transpired.

It is thereupon, this 30th day of December, 2020, by the Circuit Court for St. Mary's County, Maryland.

ORDERED, That notice be given by the insertion of a copy of this Order in some newspaper having a general circulation in Saint Mary's County once a week for three (3) successive weeks on or before the 30th day of February 2021, warning all persons interested in the property to appear in this Court by the 30th day of February 2021 and redeem the property described above and answer the Complaint or thereafter a Final Judgment will be entered foreclosing all rights of redemption in the property, and vesting in the Plaintiff a title, free and clear of all encumbrances.

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

REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Ridge Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. is currently soliciting bids for a JW Fisher Side Scan Sonar model SSS-600K. This package shall include the following:

- 1. Side Scan Sonar shall include 150 foot of cable with an additional 100 foot cable with connectors and capable of adapting to the existing cable and tow fish. (250 foot total)
- Microsoft Surface 10.8 inch tablet computer mounted into the lid of Sonar Processor Box.
- 3. Software for boat track and area scanned data
- 4. Shipping Cost
- 5. Training with fire department personnel

One (1) original and one (1) copy of the sealed bid should be addressed to John Gatton, Chief Engineer and marked "Sealed Bid for Marine Equipment". The bids will be received at the Ridge Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. at 13820 Point Lookout Road, P.O. Box 520, Ridge, MD 20680, until 7 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on March 1,2021. At which time, the bids will be publicly opened and read.

Bids for comparable equipment will be accepted. The Ridge Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in the proposals submitted when such waiver is in the best interest of the Department.

Inquiries concerning proposal information should be directed to John Gatton, Chief Engineer, 301-872-5571 or at peanutgatton@msn.com

IN THE MATTER OF MARY CAROL LYNN LANCASTER FOR CHANGE OF NAME TO CAROL LYNN LANCASTER

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

Case No.: C-18-FM-20-656

Notice (Adult)

The above Petitioner has filed a Petition for Change of Name in which he/she seeks to change his/her name from MARY CAROL LYNN LANCASTER to CAROL LYNN LANCASTER. The petitioner is seeking a name change because: Have always gone by Carol Lynn not Mary Carol Lynn. All legal documents are listed as Carol Lynn Lancaster.

Any person may file an objection to the Petition on or before the 03/01/2021. The objection must be supported by an affidavit (written statement confirmed by oath or affirmation) and served on the petitioner (Maryland Rule 1-321). If no timely objection is filed, the court may issue a default judgement or grant the name change.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR SAINT MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND CASE NO: C18CV20-000283

MUNICIPAL INVESTMENTS, LLC C/O KENNY LAW GROUP, LLC 11426 York Road, 1st Floor Cockeysville, Maryland 21030

VS

DOROTHY JANE DAWE

SERVE: 15388 POINT LOOKOUT RD, ST. INIGOES MD 20684

AND

(All persons having or claiming to have an interest in the propelty situate and lying in Saint Mary's County and known as:)

15388 POINT LOOKOUT RD, ST. INIGOES MD 20684

AND

Unknown Owner of the property 15388 POINT LOOKOUT RD described as follows: Property Tax ID 08-048878 on the Tax Roll of Saint Mary's County, the unknown owner's heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and their or any of their heirs, devisees, executors, administrators, grantees, assigns, or successors in right, title and interest in the propelty.

AND

SAINT MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

SERVE ON: DAVID A. WEISKOPF, COUNTY ATTORNEY 41770 BALDRIDGE STREET, LEONARDTOWN, MD

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this proceeding is to secure the foreclosure of all rights of redemption in the following property, cold by the Collector of taxes for St. Mary's County and the State of Maryland to the Plaintiff in these proceedings:

1.01~AC; N/E MD RT 5; ST INIGOES and assessed to DOROTHY JANE DAWE and, also known as 15388 POINT LOOKOUT RD, Tax Account No. 01-007130 on the Tax Roll of the Director of Treasury.

The Complaint Foreclose Right of Redemption states, among other things, that the amounts necessary for redemption have not been paid, although more than six (6) months from the date of sale has transpired.

It is thereupon this 30th day of December, 2020, by the Circuit Court for St. Mary's County, Maryland.

ORDERED, That notice be given by the insertion of a copy of this Order in some newspaper having a general circulation in Saint Mary's County once a week for three (3) successive weeks on or before the 30th day of February 2021, warning all persons interested in the property to appear in this Court by the 30th day of February 2021 and redeem the property described above and answer the Complaint or thereafter a Final Judgment will be entered foreclosing all rights of redemption in the property, and vesting in the Plaintiff a title, free and clear of all encumbrances.

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

If you would like to place a LEGAL NOTICE contact

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR SAINT MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND CASE NO: C18CV20-000279

MUNICIPAL INVESTMENTS, LLC C/O KENNY LAW GROUP, LLC 11426 YORK ROAD, 1ST FLOOR COCKEYSVILLE, MARYLAND 21030

vs

DENNIS L LANDIS

SERVE: 21605 COLUMBIA ST LEXINGTON PARK MD 20653

AND

THE ESTATE OF DENNIS L LANDIS

SERVE: PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE 21605 COLUMBIA ST LEXINGTON PARK MD 20653

AND

DEBORAH A LANDIS

SERVE: 21605 COLUMBIA ST LEXINGTON PARK MD 20653

(All persons having or claiming to have an interest in the property situate and lying in Saint Mary's County and known as:)

21605 COLUMBIA ST LEXINGTON PARK MD 20653

AND

Unknown Owner of the property 21605 COLUMBIA ST described as follows: Property Tax ID 08-048878 on the Tax Roll of Saint Mary's County, the unknown owner's heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and their or any of their heirs, devisees, executors, administrators, grantees, assigns, or successors in right, title and interest in the propelty.

AND

SAINT MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

SERVE ON: DAVID A. WEISKOPF, COUNTY ATTORNEY 41770 BALDRIDGE STREET LEONARDTOWN, MD 20650

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this proceeding is to secure the foreclosure of all rights of redemption in the following property, cold by the Collector of taxes for St. Mary's County and the State of Maryland to the Plaintiff in these proceedings:

LOT 500-19; SECTION 1 PLAT 10/2; CEDAR COVE and assessed to DENNIS L LANDIS and DEBORAH A LANDIS, also known as 21605 COLUMBIA ST, Tax Account No. 08-001715 on the Tax Roll of the Director of Treasury.

The Complaint Foreclose Right of Redemption states, among other things, that the amounts necessary for redemption have not been paid, although more than six (6) months from the date of sale has transpired.

It is thereupon, this 30th day of December, 2020, by the Circuit Court for St. Mary's County, Maryland.

ORDERED, That notice be given by the insertion of a copy of this Order in some newspaper having a general circulation in Saint Mary's County once a week for three (3) successive weeks on or before the 30th day of February 2021, warning all persons interested in the property to appear in this Court by the 30th day of February 2021 and redeem the property described above and answer the Complaint or thereafter a Final Judgment will be entered foreclosing all rights of redemption in the property, and vesting in the Plaintiff a title, free and clear of all encumbrances.

Debra J. Burch Clerk of Court for St. Mary's County, Maryland IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR SAINT MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND CASE NO: C18CV20-000278

MUNICIPAL INVESTMENTS, LLC C/O KENNY LAW GROUP, LLC 11426 YORK ROAD, 1ST FLOOR COCKEYSVILLE, MARYLAND 21030

vs.

JOSEPH HUSICK, JR

SERVE: 11 NORTH MAPLE AVE SW, #100 LA PLATA MD 20646

SERVE: 20664 COLTON POINT RD COLTONS POINT, MD 20626

SERVE: PO BOX 1628 LA PLATA, MD 20646

SERVE: 7050 HUSICK PLACE LA PLATA, MD 20646

SERVE: 20670 COLTONS POINT RD COLTONS POINT, MD 20626

SERVE: 20680 COLTS POINT RD COLTONS POINT, MD 20626

AND

ANDREA HUSICK

SERVE: 7915 BETHANY LN LA PLATA, MD 20646

SERVE: 20664 COLTON POINT RD COLTONS POINT, MD 20626

SERVE: PO BOX 1628 LA PLATA, MD 20646

SERVE: 7050 HUSICK PLACE LA PLATA, MD 20646

SERVE: 20670 COLTONS POINT RD COLTONS POINT, MD 20626

SERVE: 20680 COLTS POINT RD COLTONS POINT, MD 20626

AND

BIRCHWOOD CAPITAL, LLC

SERVE: 11240 REISTERSTOWN RD OWINGS MILLS, MD 21117

SERVE: 3200 COBB GALLERIA PKWY SUITE 250 ATLANTA, GA

SERVE: NATIONAL REGISTERED AGENTS, INC., OF MARYLAND RESIDENT AGENT 836 PARK AVE, SECOND FLOOR BALTIMORE, MD 21201

SERVE: 39 CLIFFWOOD RD BALTIMORE, MD 21206

SERVE: T. GUY COOK, REGISTERED AGENT 39 CLIFFWOOD RD BALTIMORE, MD 21206

AND

JOE E. HILL, JR., TRUSTEE

SERVE: PO BOX 189 WOODBINE, MD 21797 AND

(All persons having or claiming to have an interest in the property situate and lying in St. Mary's County and known as:)

20664 COLTON POINT RD LA PLATA MD 20646

AND

Unknown Owner of the property 20664 COLTON POINT RD described as follows: Property Tax ID 07-000111 on the Tax Roll of St. Mary's County, the unknown owner's heirs, devisees, and pe sonal representatives and their or any of their heirs, devisees, executors, administrators, grantees, assigns, or successors in right, title and interest in the property.

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ST. MARY'S COUNTY, MARYLAND

SERVE ON: DAVID A. WEISKOPF, COUNTY ATTORNEY 41770 BALDRIDGE STREET LEONARDTOWN, MD 20650

Defendants

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this proceeding is to secure the foreclosure of all rights of redemption in the following property described below in the State of Maryland, sold by the Collector of Taxes for St. Mary's County and the State of Maryland to the Plaintiff in this proceeding:

LOTS 5 & 6; BLOCK C; GOLD-EN SUBD and assessed to JOSEPH HUSICK, JR and , also known as 20664 COLTON POINT RD, Tax Account No. 07-000111 on the Tax Roll of the Director of Treasury.

The Complaint states, among other things, that the amounts necessary for redemption have not been paid although more than six (6) months and a day from the date of sale has expired. It is thereupon, this 30th day of December, 2021 by the Circuit Court for St. Mary's County:

ORDERED, That notice be given by the insertion of a copy of this Order in some newspaper having a general circulation in St. Mary's County once a week for three (3) successive weeks on or before the 30th day of February 30th 2021, warning all persons interested in the property to appear in this Court by the 30th day of February, 2021 and redeem the property described above and answer the Complaint or thereafter a Final Judgment will be entered foreclosing all rights of redemption in the property, and vesting in the

Plaintiff a title, free and clear of all encumbrances.

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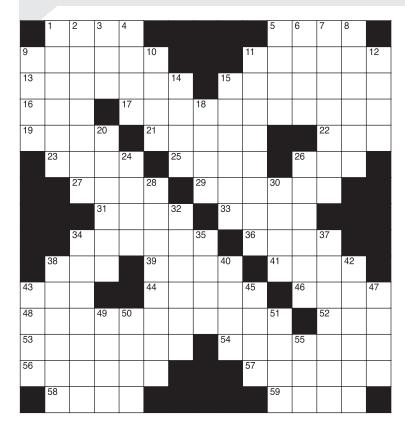
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9. Ethnic group associated with Hungarians

11. Gains knowledge of

13. Gradual

destruction

15. Purchase

16. Pharaoh of lower Egypt

17. Where you're going

19. The 6th letter of

the Greek alphabet 21. Fishing net

22. Midway between south and southeast

23. A way to sort

25. C C C

26. Popular sports podcast (abbr.)

27. Discount

29. Consumes tobacco

31. A way to run 33. Popular musical

awards show 34. Pertains to the

male sexual organ 36. Supplements

with difficulty

38. Green veggie 39. Deep-bodied

freshwater fish

41. Holv fire

43. Usually has a lid

44. Being of use or service

46. Have a yen for

48. Unknowingness

52. Dry white wine drink

53. Unwinds

54. Traveling by sea

56. Outdoor entertaining areas

57. Stringed

instruments

58. __ Redgrave, actress

59. Moves earth

CLUES DOWN

1. Progressive decay of a bone or tooth

2. Burrowing

rodents 3. French/Belgian

river 4. A professional

cleaner

5. A Russian river 6. Kiln

7. True statements

8. Most private

9. French city

10. Masses of fish

11. Apart from others 12. Monetary unit of

Samoa

eaas

14. Nanosecond

15. Film

18. Men's fashion

accessories

20. Flowering shrub

24. North Carolina

university

26. Former

monetary unit of

Spain

28. Foodies

30. New Zealand parrot

32. Makes very

happy

34. A payment

required for not

fulfilling a contract

35. Emerald Isle

37. The act of

terminating

someone's

employment

38. Gland in some

mammals 40. Commoner

42. Large animals

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