

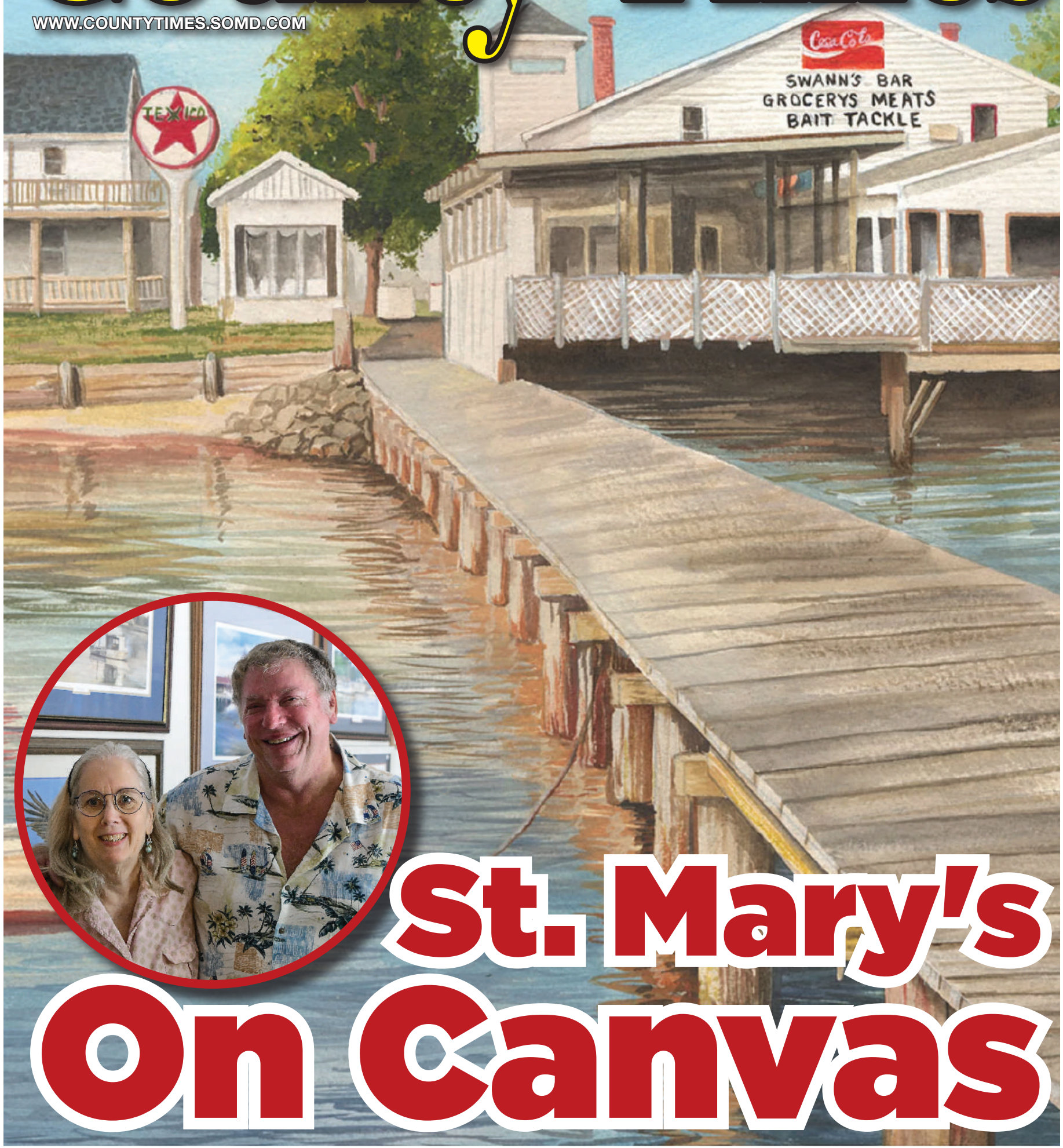
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Audio Recording Offers Glimpse into Peyton Ham Shooting

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

The County Times has obtained an audio recording that indicates there were a total of 15 bullets fired at Peyton Ham, the 16-year-old shot dead by a state trooper in Leonardtown on April 13.

The recording also indicates that a total of 15 bullets were discharged in a period of one minute and seven seconds. During that period the trooper ceased firing at Ham for 57 seconds after the 11th shot before firing four additional shots.

The County Times has shared the audio recording with the State's Attorney's Office and the family of Peyton Ham.

Christopher Longmore, attorney for Peyton Ham's family, issued a statement on the family's reaction to the recording.

"The family is troubled and concerned by the information they have learned to date," Longmore told The County Times. "They are anxiously awaiting the conclusion of the State's Attorney's Office investigation to learn more about what happened that fateful day."

The recording was taken at a residence off Hollywood Road and across from both the Leonardtown state police barrack and the site where Ham was shot, allegedly because he leveled what appeared to be a handgun at Tpr. Joseph Azzari who was responding to a 911 call about a suspicious person in the neighborhood with a gun.

The state's attorney's office has said they are examining the recording. "I appreciate the neighbor sharing that recording with us, just as we appreciate all of the members of the community who are assisting in this critical work," said Deputy State's Attorney Daniel J. White, who has overseen the investigation.

The timeline is based solely on the audio recording and shows the



following:

At 1:26:35 p.m. on April 13 the trooper begins firing his service weapon, a Glock 22 .40 caliber pistol, which has a magazine capacity of 15 rounds.

At 1:26:39 p.m., the firing has stopped briefly after 10 shots; the shots were fired in five seconds.

At 1:26:42 p.m., the recording shows the trooper fired shot number 11 three seconds after the initial salvo. Evidence markers from the scene indicated the officer moved about 9 to 12 feet closer to Ham before firing shot number 11.

At 1:27:30 p.m., emergency sirens can be heard, 48 seconds after the 11th shot was fired.

At 1:27:39 p.m., the officer opens fire again, firing four additional shots at close range, 57 seconds after shot number 11. The gunfire ended at 1:27:42 p.m.

The gun Ham is alleged to have wielded turned out to be an airsoft pistol, which State's Attorney Richard Fritz said did not have a distinguishing orange-or-otherwise colored tip to show it was not a real firearm, in this case a Sig Sauer 9mm pistol.

At a press conference the day of the shooting, held in front of the Leonardtown State Police barrack just yards from the site of the incident, State Police Superintendent Woodrow W. Jones III said they did not know how many rounds were fired.

Ham is reported by state police to have dropped to the ground at some point during the incident, and then is alleged to have tried to get back up while holding a knife

That knife was revealed to be a folding pocket knife with a blade length of approximately three inches.

The state's attorney's investigative report has been delayed, Fritz has said, because the autopsy report from the state medical examiner's office on Ham's shooting is not yet completed.

The county's chief prosecutor said he hopes to have his office's report released to the public by September.

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April 13 Shooting Timeline

1:26:35 p.m.

Trooper begins firing on Ham

1:26:39 p.m.

The firing has stopped briefly after 10 shots; those shots were fired in five seconds.

1:26:42 p.m.

The recording shows the trooper fired shot number 11, four seconds after the initial salvo. Evidence markers from the scene indicated the officer moved about 9 to 12 feet closer to Ham before firing shot number 11.

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Hogan: Hospital, Nursing Home Staff Must Be Vaccinated

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

With the Delta variant of COVID-19 continuing the summer viral surge across Maryland, Gov. Larry Hogan announced Aug. 18 that all hospital and nursing home staff would have to get vaccinated if they had not done so already.

“The Delta variant remains a significant threat to those Marylanders who remain unvaccinated,” Hogan said at a press conference in Annapolis. “There are concerns the Delta variant has led to increasing nursing home staff infections.”

Staff at all hospitals and nursing homes must show proof of vaccination or submit to regular testing for COVID-19, Hogan said.

Those workers must get their first vaccine dosages by no later than Sept. 1, Hogan said.

The orders Hogan issued have immediate effect, he said.

In many cases vaccination rates among nursing home staff have been high, he said, but he showed about a dozen examples of nursing homes across the state where just 50 percent or fewer of the staff

have been vaccinated.

At the start of the pandemic in March of last year, nursing homes were “ground zero,” Hogan said for the rapid rise in infections.

“We’ll be redoubling our enforcement actions,” Hogan said in regards to such facilities, “We’ll also be doubling the fines and civil penalties.”

Hogan said despite the recent case surge that vaccines against COVID-19 are still effective at preventing serious illness and hospitalizations.

“Less than 9 percent of our hospitalizations are COVID related,” the governor said of the state’s current conditions. “We are on track to have 80 percent of Marylanders vaccinated by Labor Day.”

As of Wednesday, 79.5 percent of the entire state population had been vaccinated, said Hogan, while 94 percent of the senior population had been inoculated.

“Our case rate and positivity rate are among the lowest in the nation,” Hogan said, adding that virtually all of those here who are hospitalized or dying from COVID-19 are unvaccinated.

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Beverage Board Adopts Alcohol Carryout, Delivery Rules

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

Alcohol beverage license holders will be able to continue selling carry out mixed drinks as well as deliver them to customers after the St. Mary's County Alcohol Beverage Board voted unanimously Aug. 12 to opt into legislation passed this year to make what had been prohibited, legal.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Gov. Larry Hogan had issued emergency orders that allowed for carryout and delivery of such cocktails, HB 12 and SB 205 passed in the Maryland General Assembly codifies those changes into law.

Under the newly adopted local regulations, only cocktails and mixed drinks are available for carryout and delivery. Beer and wine is available already to customers in packaged form at a licensee's counter; beer and wine may not be delivered.

The new rules would allow the practice through 2023; many licensees have reported that the extra leniency given them during the



Beverage Board Administrator Tamara Hildebrand opens discussion on approval of carryout cocktails.

pandemic helped them to keep their businesses running in financially difficult times.

The licensees who can participate in the off-site sales must register and receive permission from the liquor board to take advantage of the law; they must also have the capacity to serve prepared food.

Delivery-based sales of such drinks are required to be docu-

mented as the liquor board requires and that containers must be capped, corked, sealed or lidded without any holes to accommodate a straw.

These sorts of sales would also be prohibited after 11p.m.; also, the liquor board can regulate the quantity allowed for off-site sales to two 12-ounce mixed drinks or cocktails to an individual in a single transaction.

Sales would also be limited to the jurisdiction where the liquor board operates.

While bars and restaurants have broadly supported the move, there have been concerns that some of the regulations would not be easily enforceable, if at all.

The Community Alcohol Coalition has said it feared that the new law would allow for the proliferation of off-site sales venues, thereby increasing opportunities for underage drinking.

Members of the beverage board have also expressed their concerns that the new rules could lead to a lack of ability to enforce them, such as a delivery person not being able to refuse cocktails to a person who appears to have already had too much but already paid for the drink they ordered.

"If eight months from now we find there's public health and safety concerns we can end this practice," said David Willenborg, the chair of the beverage board.

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County Asked to Enact Indoor Masking

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

St. Mary's County is currently in the "red zone" of Delta variant of COVID-19, meaning viral transmission rates are high, according to a briefing from Dr. Meena Brewster, county health officer.

She strongly advocated for the roughly 50 percent of county residents who have not received a vaccine to do so; she also asked the Commissioners of St. Mary's County to enact policies for the county work force when they are indoors or among large groups of people.

She also encouraged businesses to consider masking policies for their employees

It was the best strategy for reducing the spread of the Delta variant, she said, barring increased vaccinations.

"It gives us, as a community, a decreased level of protection than we would have had with a higher vaccination rate," Brewster told commissioners. "The vast majority of new cases are happening in unvaccinated people."

The Delta variant appears to be stronger and carries more "viral load" than previous strains, Brewster said, which lends to its ability to infect people who have even been fully vaccinated.

However, vaccines are still working against the virus and the Delta variant and others, Brewster said, especially in staving off serious illness and hospitalizations.

She said that 80 percent of cases in the county now are among unvaccinated persons and people who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and have still been infected can pass on Delta to other people.

"It's more urgent to return to masking indoors whether people are vaccinated or not," Brewster said.

As the federal government is likely to approve booster shots for virtually all citizens across the nation, Brewster said at the Aug. 17 commissioner meeting that a booster shot clinic would operate at Great Mills High School Aug. 22 and would be available to specific persons who had immunocompromised conditions and certain medical conditions that put them at higher risk of infection.

Brewster said the health department expected as many as 1,500 people to come and get a booster shot.

Because of the Delta variant's strength and increased ability to infect people, there is growing concern as to how it will affect those who are afflicted with the so-called "long COVID" or disease which continues to have lingering effects long after the infection has ceased, Brewster said.

These people, who comprise between 10 to 30 percent of COVID-19 cases, often exhibit reduced ability to concentrate and overall hampered mental acuity as well as shortness of breath, lack of exercise resiliency and even muscle and joint pain.

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Man Found Guilty of Vehicular Manslaughter

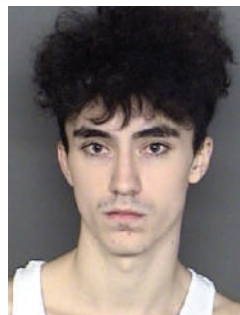
By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

A St. Mary's County Circuit Court jury found Avery Stokes, 21, of Indian Head, guilty of vehicular manslaughter in an October 2019 incident in which he had intentionally run off the road into a tree in Mechanicsville and hit a tree, killing a hitchhiker he had picked up.

Prosecutors had charged Stokes with first-degree murder but the jury did not convict on that count.

In last week's The County Times, it was reported that both Stokes and Alexandra Howard, his girlfriend at the time, drove the car off the road – this was an error. The County Times regrets it.

The only driver of the vehicle in the incident was Stokes; Howard was never charged regarding the incident.



"I was a victim & hospitalized because of this accident," Howard stated to The County Times in an e-mail. "I played no part in Avery Stokes' decision making."

Both police and prosecutors alleged that Stokes held a belief that he could not be killed by such an act as driving into a tree.

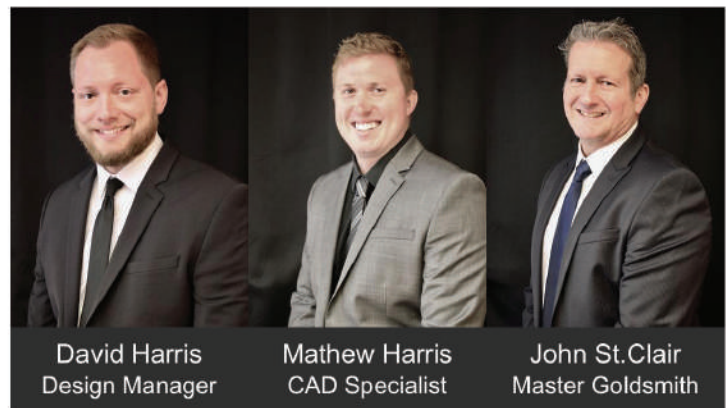
The crash occurred at the intersection of Rustin Family Way and New Market Turner Road; it killed 63-year-old Thomas Douglass and severely injured Howard.

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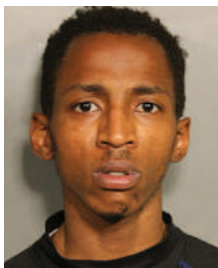
On August 2, 2021, Dep. Bowling responded to the 45600 block of Longfield's Boulevard in California, for the reported disturbance. Upon arrival **Ja'Sean Ijae Reed**, age 23 of no fixed address, was located inside the building. Witnesses advise Reed arrived at the business and began kicking the door to gain entry, after an employee refused to accept pamphlets Reed was trying to provide. Reed also destroyed a plastic holder attached to the door of the business. Reed entered the business and refused to leave, and continued yelling and causing a disturbance. Reed was arrested and charged with Burglary 4th Degree, Malicious Destruction of Property and Disorderly Conduct.

Assault/Burglary

On August 3, 2021, Sgt. Snyder responded to the 46200 block of Greens Rest Court in Great Mills,

for the report of an attempted burglary in progress. Investigation determined **Daniel Allen Spooner Jr.**,

age 31 of no fixed address, arrived at the residence and began kicking the garage and exterior doors to the residence in attempt to gain entry. Spooner then opened the gate to the backyard of the residence and began kicking the rear door to the residence. Spooner was able to force the door open and gain access to the residence where he assaulted the victim. Spooner was arrested and charged with Burglary 3rd Degree, Assault 2nd Degree, and Malicious Destruction of Property. After the incident, Spooner was served with a protective order prohibiting him from contacting the victim. Investigation determined Spooner contacted the victim from the detention center. Spooner was also charged with Violate Protective Order.



Ja'Sean Reed



Daniel Spooner

Planning Commission Nixes Mechanicsville Dollar General Concept Plan

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

After a nearly three-hour public hearing Aug. 9 the St. Mary's County Planning Commission voted unanimously to reject the concept site plan for a proposed Dollar General store in Mechanicsville to be located on North Sandgates Road.

The project was to be placed on a little more than two-and-a-half acres of land for limited rural development, according to county planning and zoning staff reports.

The project was proposed to be situated on the northeast corner of the intersection with Three Notch Road and North Sandgates Road.

Tim Lessner, with Lorenzi, Dodd and Gunnill, Inc. the Waldorf-based engineering firm working on the project said his company had both a traffic analysis and adequate public facilities report which had been approved by the State Highway Administration prior to the local hearing.

The project was slated for a 9,100 square foot retail store with a little more than 40 parking spaces, which Lessner said only about 12 of them were in use at a given time.

But it was the issue of traffic, and continued threat of congestion and traffic collisions that were the greatest concern to the planning commission members and ultimately led to their rejecting the plan.

Planning board member Merl Evans was concerned that the traffic data the state used to give recent approvals was actually six years old.

"Was this [traffic] turning report from 2015?" Evans asked.

Lessner said his company did the traffic study but contracted that work out to another firm.

"The traffic consultant we use, we use for all of our Southern Maryland projects," Lessner said. "They're very reputable, Traffic Concepts."

The head of the planning commission said the data compiled came from late

summer, which necessitated many other questions.

"We're not showing school buses in the morning, we're not showing school buses in the afternoon," said board chair Howard Thompson. "We're not showing a lot of things."

Lessner said traffic engineers had been figuring in percentage estimates of school buses into their studies, even during the pandemic when school buses were not running.

Lessner was representing the developer, Pentex Ventures.

Robert Vargo, a resident of Mar A Lee Court, just across from the proposed project site, opposed the project.

"From my house, I often hear the sounds of crashes at that corner," Vargo testified. "From my house I too often see and hear medevac helos come to treat and transport accident victims."

Vargo said Dollar General appeared to be "squeezing" their project onto a smaller piece of land by using a building design that was smaller than normal; he called it "solution" in search of a problem.

As the board began to close its deliberations Lessner said it appeared that the members were going to make a decision based on "personal feelings" about alleged traffic problems from public testimony.

"We're not necessarily following the ordinances," Lessner said. "That's what I hear."

"If [you] deny this, [you] are denying the use of this property which is what it's zoned for."

Some members of the planning board suggested delaying the vote to allow the developer to return with more traffic information and options to allay it, but others believed no amount of study could solve the traffic problems there.

In the end, all seven members of the planning commission voted to deny the project.

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Troutman's Art Preserves the Southern Maryland From Her Childhood

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

Mary Lou Troutman is famous throughout Southern Maryland, especially in her home county of St. Mary's, for her artwork using all kinds of mediums.

From paintings to prints on flags and coffee mugs, her artwork is everywhere in the region and often seen at serious art shows.

She never meant to be famous, despite her lifelong love of arts and crafts and a talent to match.

"I was always the kid doing something with their hands," Troutman told *The County Times* from her studio in Dameron. "I did a little bit of everything."

Working with arts and crafts were her favorite things to do in school growing up, being in other classes was not.

"I wasn't the most studious," Troutman said. "But I loved to get paint on me."

When she met her husband, Jeff, he was the one who convinced her to start putting her art up for show and for sale; that was 1977.

"I sold my first pen and ink for \$5 under the Drum Point Lighthouse," Troutman, 64, said. "He [Jeff] does all the shows; it's a team."

"Jeff Troutman is as much Mary Lou Troutman as Mary Lou Troutman is; he had faith in me."

Were it not for him, she said, she never would have taken her painting or any other artwork beyond her lifelong Dameron home.

"I was the first to think she should show her work," Jeff Troutman said. "It mushroomed from there."

When they first met he was going to Virginia Tech to study engineering but when they fell in love and got married he settled here with Mary Lou.

He worked as a land surveyor here for several companies but he and Mary Lou have worked hard to make her artwork not just a household name in Southern Maryland but a living for them.

"We've been full time art for 44 years," Jeff said. "Mostly shows is how we survived these years."

It's a comfortable life.

"A lot of people think we're rich, but not really," said Mary Lou.

But Jeff is happy to help keep their small family enterprise going.

"My goal is to let Mary Lou paint," Jeff said. "That's what she does best."

Jeff said he and his wife plan on staying with the art business "until they kick dirt over us, I guess."

She still doesn't consider herself widely known.

"I'm not famous," she said. "I'm kind of a recluse."

"My husband, he's never met a stranger."

Where many people have become acquainted with Mary Lou's work has been at the store at Cecil's Old Mill on Flat Iron Road. For years her artwork has been on sale there and has contributed to her growing fame.

"We always want to be there," Jeff said of the relationship they've had with the store and its various owners over the decades.

Of all the mediums in which she's worked, Mary Lou loves to paint, working in acrylics.

She's found regular work with a flag-making company, putting here artwork to fabric; that means using modern means to make her artwork adaptable.

From originals she creates she uses Photoshop with a stylus to put it on the computer and make copies that can be adjusted to other mediums.

"Now, with Photoshop, you can do anything," Mary Lou said.



Many of the pieces of artwork found throughout the region that bear her signature are either limited editions or what she calls gift ware; anything from coasters to garden flags.

One of her best known and best loved pictures- featured on coffee mugs and in paintings is of a golden retriever puppy on a dock at odds with a crab.

It is precisely the sort of image she treasures to enshrine, one which epitomizes the good life of St. Mary's and Southern Maryland as she knew it in her younger days.

"The things on the water are my favorite," Mary Lou said. "My heart's on

the water."

But if you ask her, it's a life she sees less and less every year.

"People love nostalgia," Mary Lou said. "Most of the things I've painted are gone."

"I'm not fond of some of the things [that have happened] in the county."

She remembers a St. Mary's less densely populated, more rural and with life at a much slower pace.

She remembers when people living on modest means could still afford to make their homes on or very near the water; now that is almost entirely the province of the wealthy, she said.

"As soon as someone dies [and leaves a rural or waterfront property] someone buys it and builds a mansion," Mary Lou said. "It's sad; I don't want to leave what I have."

She's happy living a modest life in the county she loves; she is in her studio eight hours a day working on projects.

"You don't need a lot," Mary Lou said.

Mary Lou said she will continue to do what she loves doing and will explore different mediums and modes of expression; right now she's working on taking print copies of old Southern Maryland and St. Mary's County maps and cutting them into shapes of crabs.

As always, she said her home will be her inspiration and she has no intentions of slowing down.

"I never had enough hours in the day to do what I wanted to do," Mary Lou said. "I'm reliving my childhood when I paint."

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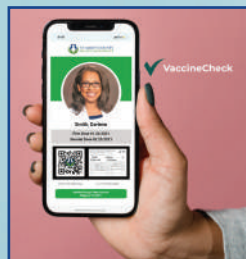


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Help with one-day special events and projects, such as the annual Health Fair sponsored by the Department of Aging and Human Services.

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The Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) of St. Mary's County, contact Norine Rowe, RSVP Project Manager, at 301-475-4200, ext. 71653, or e-mail Norine.Rowe@stmarysmd.com

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Health Fair

This year's Community Health & Wellness Fair: The Way to Wellness is back! Join us on Friday, Oct. 15 at the Garvey Senior Activity Center & Leonardtown Library (23630 Hayden Farm Ln, Leonardtown, MD) starting at 9 a.m. The Health Fair is free and open to the community. Keep an eye on this page for updates as they become available. For more information, please contact Community Programs & Outreach Division Manager Sarah Miller at 301-475-4200, ext. 1073, or sarah.miller@stmarysmd.com. We look forward to seeing you there!

Home-Delivered Meals Volunteer Drivers

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Senior Rides Volunteer Driver

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Hospice of St. Mary's

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Senior Vibes

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Tax Aide

Help seniors prepare basic tax returns. Requires good math and computer skills for e-filing. Substantial training in January; must pass test; volunteer throughout tax season.

Museum Guides

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Among the various perks that come with age, including increased knowledge and experience, are a whole host of discounts for the aging population. Men and women who have reached a certain age are entitled to key discounts if they know where to look.

The ages at which discounts are available vary. Auto insurance companies may provide a senior discount to drivers who are over 50. Certain restaurants offer these discounts for those over the age of 55. Retailers may begin offering discounts to customers who are over the age of 60. Many discounts can be used for recreational activities.

• **Dining out:** Why pay full price for a meal if you don't have to? A meal out with friends and loved ones becomes a bit more affordable thanks to the senior discounts available through many different restaurants, whether it's chains or independently owned eateries.

• **Hotels:** Seniors booking their stays through select hotel chains may be eligible to reduce their costs by 10 percent or more. When making the reservation, check to see if you qualify for an age-related discount. Some may be affiliated with memberships in organizations like AARP.

• **Theme parks:** Before buying entry tickets or season passes, check with the membership office regarding senior discounts. Certain items also may be discounted throughout the parks.

• **Movies:** Movie theaters



may offer special viewing days or times that are discounted.

• **Flights/cruises:** Discounted senior fares are available on select flights for Delta Airlines and American Airlines. British Airways offers up to \$200 off flights and packages when booked online through British Airways' AARP page. Seniors can enjoy discounts on select cruises through Carnival. Rental car companies also offer discounts for senior customers.

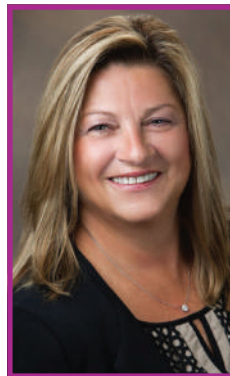
• **Clothing:** Looking your best for a night out may mean shopping for new clothing. Kohl's offers a 15 percent discount for customers ages 55 and over every Wednesday and Ross offers 10 percent off on Tuesdays when signing up for the Every Tuesday Club.

• **Gym memberships:** Individuals who are eligible for Medicare also may be entitled to a free SilverSneakers membership, which provides access to more than 13,000 participating fitness centers

• **Park admission:** Seniors age 62 and older can purchase a Senior Pass for \$10 that's good for more than 2,000 federal recreational sites and national parks in the United States. The pass is good for a lifetime.

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- 8:30 a.m. Parade of Teams followed by Opening Ceremonies
 - 9 a.m. Races begin
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 - 3 p.m. Races end
 - 3:30 p.m. Awards presentation
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Simple Ways to Maintain Memory As You Age

Adults confront various age-related side effects as they transition from middle age to their golden years. Skin may begin to wrinkle and hair may turn gray, but those are just the visible side effects of aging. Many additional effects are unseen, but those changes can have a profound effect on adults' quality of life.

According to the Mayo Clinic, various parts of the body are affected by aging. For example, the cardiovascular system changes as people grow older. Blood vessels and arteries stiffen as adults age, forcing the heart to work harder to pump blood through them.

Though many changes are linked to aging, other changes commonly associated with aging, such as a decline in memory, reasoning and other thinking skills, are not natural. The Al-

zheimer's Association® notes that dementia is not a normal part of aging. There are many different types of dementia, including Alzheimer's disease, and these are the result of damage to brain cells that affect a person's ability to communicate. That damage is not inevitable, even if it's commonly associated with aging.

The Harvard Medical School notes that fleeting memory problems experienced with aging often reflect normal changes in the structure and function of the brain. But it's important that those changes not be mistaken for dementia, and it's equally important that adults recognize there are many ways they can protect and sharpen their minds as they age.

- **Continue learning.**

HMS notes that a higher level of education is associated with

improved mental functioning in old age. The reasons for that are unknown, but experts theorize that advanced education compels people to remain mentally active, which in turn helps them maintain a strong memory. Even aging men and women who are still working in challenging fields can benefit from pursuing a new hobby or learning a new skill.

- **Use the tools at your disposal.**

It may seem counterintuitive to suggest that organizational tools like planners, maps and lists can help people maintain their memories. However, HMS notes that expending mental energy on finding car keys or trying to remember what to buy at the store makes it harder to learn new and important things.

- **Let all your senses play a role.**

HMS reports that the more

senses a person uses to learn something, the more his or her brain is involved in retaining a memory. HMS cites one study in which adults were shown a series of emotionally neutral images that were each presented along with a smell. Participants were not asked to recall what they saw, but were later shown a set of images and asked to indicate which they had previously seen. The participants had excellent recall for the odor-paired images, and researchers believe that's because additional parts of the brain were activated when participants were asked to use more than one sense.

Memory loss is not an inevitable side effect of aging, especially for adults who take steps to maintain their memories as they age.



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Senior Activities

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L.I.F.E. committee members determine the curriculum and recruit instructors and facilitators. The program is sponsored by the Board of Commissioners for St. Mary's County through the Department of Aging & Human Services and the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP).

• Who can participate?

The program encourages participation without regard to previous education levels. Registrations are taken on a first come, first serve basis when registration opens.

• Who are our teachers?

Based on the concept of peer teaching, a majority of instructors/facilitators come from knowledgeable individuals who are willing to share their expertise and experiences. Guest speakers and community leaders are periodically invited to speak on subjects of interest.

• When and Where?

Classes are held at various locations around the county. Our locations and class offerings will expand as our program grows. L.I.F.E. classes are held in the spring and the fall.

• What does it cost?

Class fees are kept as minimal as

possible.

If you are interested in planning and organizing a local trip or tour for the L.I.F.E. Program, we'd like to hear from you.

Volunteers are needed who can handle all the logistics of a tour from start to finish. Mentors are also needed to accompany tours.

Call Norine Rowe, RSVP Project Manager, for more information on volunteer opportunities at 301-737-5670, ext. 71653.

Rock Steady Boxing

The Garvey Senior Activity Center is planning for implementation of Rock Steady Boxing this fall. During this fun hands-on program, people with Parkinson's Disease will participate in a non-contact boxing-based fitness curriculum. No boxing experience is required. Actually, most Rock Steady Boxers never boxed prior to participating in Rock Steady. Rock Steady Boxing gives people with Parkinson's disease hope by working on agility, speed, muscular endurance, accuracy, balance, hand-eye coordination, footwork and over-all strength. A 60-90-minute fitness evaluation and Parkinson's Disease diagnosis are required prior to participate. To be added to the email group and receive announcements about upcoming offerings, call or email Brandy at 301-475-4200, ext. 1072, or brandy.tulley@stmarysmd.com.

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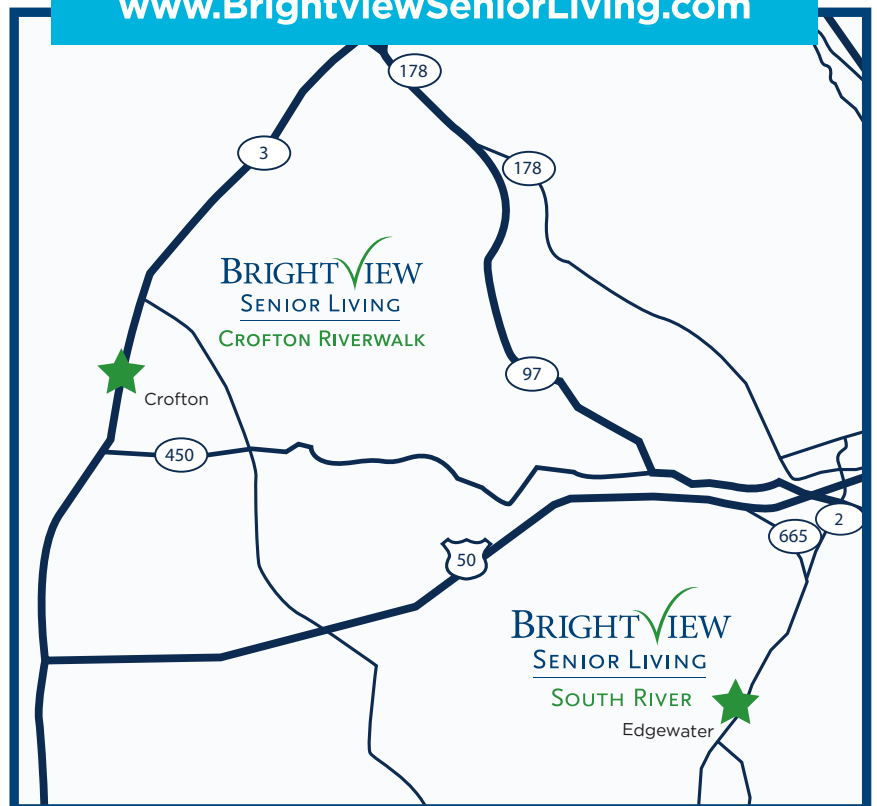
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BENEFICIARIES AND INSURANCE COMPANIES

*Contributing Writer:
Lynda J. Striegel*

Many people purchase life insurance to provide cash to their loved ones when they die. They pay premiums for years on these policies and fully expect that their beneficiaries will receive the payouts on these policies promptly. Major insurance companies (all the names we know) are delaying or not paying death benefits to beneficiaries. After all, the longer the insurance company takes to pay out death benefits, the more money they make from investing the cash.

How can this happen? Easily. If you have designated a beneficiary for your life insurance policy and have not told that beneficiary they will receive a death benefit payout when you die, insurance companies take the position that they are under no obligation to go looking for your beneficiary. The beneficiary must contact the insurance company with a copy of your death certificate to obtain the payout. So, not telling a beneficiary that they are a beneficiary and that, to obtain a payout, they must take action to advise the insurance company of your death, defeats the purpose of having life insurance. What should you do to protect your beneficiaries?

Step 1: GET a copy of your beneficiary designation from your life insurance company. While you are doing that, take a look at whom you have designated as a beneficiary and make sure it's what you want. It is easy to change a beneficiary. Every insurance company will send you a change of beneficiary form but you have to ask for it.

Step 2: TELL your beneficiary that they are the designated beneficiary for your life insurance policy. Give them the name of the life insurance company, their address, and a copy of the beneficiary designation.

Step 3: ADVISE the Beneficiary that, upon your death, they must send a written request to the insurance company for the death benefit, including a copy of your death certificate, along with a copy of the beneficiary designation and proof (through a picture ID) that they are the beneficiary you have named. Send this by certified mail, return receipt requested so you have proof you have advised the company.

Step 4: If the insurance com-

pany does not respond promptly to the beneficiary's written request for death benefits, seek the advice of an attorney. In the vast majority of cases, there is no excuse for unreasonable delays in paying death benefits.

It gets worse. In a whole life insurance policy, the customer builds up a cash value to the policy. This is like a savings account. Consumers can borrow money from their policies and beneficiaries get the death payouts and built up savings in a policy when the insured person dies. Here is the problem. The insurance company can deduct the cost of the premiums for these whole life policies from the savings account in the policy. When someone dies, if the insurance company is not notified (or claims they are not notified), the insurance company can use all the savings in the policy to continue to pay premiums even though the insured has died. The entire value of the policy can be depleted to zero if the insurance company is not formally notified of the insured's death. Again, the only way to avoid this is to advise the insurance company in writing (by certified mail, return receipt requested) that the insured has died and death benefits are claimed by a beneficiary.

Beneficiary designations are important and change over time. Keep your beneficiary designations up to date. So many people forget the names of those they have designated as beneficiaries—from parents, now deceased, to ex-spouses. Once you have updated the names of your beneficiaries, tell your beneficiaries that they have been named by you to receive death benefits and tell them what they need to do to collect those benefits. Finally, put all your beneficiary forms with instructions for your beneficiaries in a safe place with your will, trust and other important documents. Don't have a will, trust, power of attorney or living will? Get these critical documents to protect yourself and your loved ones.

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The House of Three Bears Part Two

While neither the original owner of the land nor the builder of the "Three Bears House" out on Bull Road, just off Newtown Neck Road, can be traced with finality, we do know that in 1946, the land and the building were purchased by Lloyd Cusic and his new bride, Mary.



Don Cusic and his grandparents in front of the Three Bears House.



One of the few photos taken inside the Three Bears House. Don Cusic is in the center.

According to their son Don Cusic, "my father was looking for a place to rent so they could get married. They found that small farm and my mother suggested they buy instead of rent. She had worked in Washington during World War II--for National Geographic magazine in the mail room--and had save up enough for a down payment. That's how they came to buy it and they were married on January 12, 1946, and moved into the house."

Life in the Three Bears House was not without challenges. The toilet was an outhouse -- which still stands behind the building. "The house had no electricity or running water," said Don Cusic. "They got water from the well in front of the house--but my father managed to get electricity installed--it would probably have been within a relatively short amount of time for me but I do have a



The outside water faucet - still in place today.

memory of kerosene lanterns."

Lloyd Cusic raised tobacco on the land -- which years later he discovered to be eight acres, not ten as he had thought when purchasing it.

The Cusic's moved from but retained ownership of the Three Bears House around 1952-1954 according to Don. Lloyd became a sharecropper on land owned by Buck Briscoe with Briscoe receiving one-third of the income and the Cusic's keeping two-thirds. "The move is a vivid memory from the house down to Briscoe's farm--there was a truck packed with our belongings and we drove away."

Lloyd Cusic continued to grow tobacco on the land later renting the house to a Mrs. Russell, her two sons, Diddley and Leonard and daughter Mary.

Mary Russell Dryden lives in Compton and while she did not live in the Three Bears House, she has many memories of her visits to it.

According to Mary Dryden, "my mom rented it for \$20 a-month from the Cusics and lived there with my two brothers from early 1963 until 1999." The house was already beginning to fall into disrepair but was still habitable.

By this time, the Lloyd and Mary Cusic had built a new home adjoining the Three Bears House -- the home in which Mrs. Cusic still resides.

"Mr Cusic piped water from his house to a faucet outside which was very convenient. They heated the water on a gas cook stove and they all took a bath in a big wash tub, said Mrs. Dryden.

At this time, the house was heated by two oil heaters one in the living room & one in a large bedroom. "It was toasty warm," she reported. "The electric bill was less than \$2.00 a month I remember one was \$1.98."

There was a urinal-pot a (a "slop jar") that was taken out every morning to the outhouse, washed out, and bleached. The house "wasn't cold at all," according to Mrs. Dryden. "They had heavy plastic over the windows and a carpet on the floor. Those were the best days!"

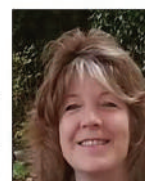
Next Time: The Three Bears House Today



The Three Bears House.

Wanderings of an Aimless Mind

by Shelby Oppermann



Magic Of Childhood

I was thinking about what two of my grandsons, Liam, and Carson, said when they stayed with us the weekend before last, "Daddy (referring to my son Ryan) said he'll take us to Disneyworld some time!" We had the TV on and there was a segment on one of the morning shows about Walt Disney World's 50th anniversary which is what sparked these words. At the time we were playing my original Candy Land game from well over 50 years ago. I felt like I was right back in the time of my own childhood for a bit: especially remembering my trip to Disney World in its first year with my Great Aunt Margaret in 1971.

Oh, that magic of childhood. There were long lines, even back then, but seeing the Country Bear Jamboree, the Hall of Presidents, The Haunted Mansion, and It's a Small World are some of my most vivid memories. I was 10, and pretty sure I went on a few of the rides like the Jungle water ride and the magic teacups, but my great aunt wasn't able to do a whole lot each day due to lameness in one leg from Polio. But, Aunt Margaret was a doer, in spite of her leg, and was determined that I was going to have a good time. We stayed in the Contemporary Hotel, with the Monorail that ran through the center, which I thought was the coolest thing ever -- felt like I was one of the Jetsons.

I really hope that Liam and Carson are able to go to Disney World while they still have their childhood innocence and awe. I would love to go to Disney World with them. I would just rent a zippy little Zinger Chair to keep up if need be. They are such sweet, good boys, and I want them to experience all those precious joys of childhood. I watch them play with Mindy; they lay all over her, scratch her head, rub her tummy, and she loves it. They do so gently, because we have told them that Mindy has arthritis just like Grandma, so you have to be gentle with her joints. Mindy will even share her special blanket with them. The boys laughed on Saturday night as Mindy went to go pull out her blue blanket from



a corner of the living room just as the Jeopardy theme music started. I told them that she does the same thing every night. She has her after dinner power nap at that time.

When it got dark outside, the boys found the binoculars they use when they are over, to watch the bats that come out from behind the shutters each night to eat up lots of mosquitos. It is so funny seeing Liam, the older grandson using the 130 year old opera glasses. I'm so glad they are being used -- almost sold them a couple times years ago, but now I am glad I didn't. I even had them listen at the wall behind one of the shutters here in the office so they could hear the bats thumping around, jockeying for position.

I love that they are not old enough for cell phones, and don't bring gadgets for gaming over. I am pretty sure their dad knows that Grand Pop and I like them electronics free, so they can use their imaginations in the house and out in the yard -- which they do -- and I have never heard them say, "I'm bored". I found about 50 dinosaurs at a yard sale, gave them a large piece of Fome Cor, and each time they come over they add more mountains, grass, volcanos, and lakes with a big bag of magic markers to create a small world for all the dinosaurs. Maybe that's how "magic" markers got their name. Here's to imagination and the magic of childhood.

To each new day's magical adventure, Shelby

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

St. Mary's 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.

Aug. 19 to Aug. 22

Hollywood VFD Annual Carnival

24801 Three Notch Road Hollywood
Start Time: 7:00 PM
End Time: 11:00 PM (04:00 Duration)
Annual Fundraiser with rides, food, games, and prizes. Great for kids of all ages.

Shakespeare's "Hamlet"

St. Mary's College of Maryland, State House Lawn, St. Mary's City

Start Time: 7:30 PM
End Time: 10:00 PM (02:30 Duration)

The annual collaboration between The Newtowne Players and Historic St. Mary's City is back and this year will be bringing "Hamlet" to the State House Lawn in Historic St. Mary's City. Bring your blankets, lawn chairs and picnic basket and enjoy one of The Bard's most performed works under the stars (no outside alcohol and no pets please). For tickets, visit www.newtowneplayers.org.

Saturday Aug. 21

Children's Day at St. Clement's Island Museum

St. Clement's Island Museum, Colton's Point

Start Time: 11:00 AM
End Time: 3:00 PM (04:00 Duration)

Join us for a FREE day of kid-friendly fun on the beautiful waterside lawn of St. Clement's Island Museum. Families can enjoy lots of kids activities including games, crafts, outdoor fun and lots more throughout the day on the waterside lawn of the museum.

Sunday Aug. 22

Leonardtown Summer Music Festival

Leonardtown Square, 22670 Washington Street

Start Time: 9:00 AM
End Time: 12 Noon (03:00 Duration)

Sam Grow (Acoustic Performance)
Born in Southern Maryland, and now based in Tennessee, Country singer/songwriter/musician, Sam Grow, grew up on "old school" music and lists Sam Cooke, Otis Redding, Eric Clapton, and Gavin DeGraw as some of his influences. Sam performs in Leonardtown Square for the first time.

For more information please visit www.leonardtownmusicfest.com

Back-to-School Blessing and Celebration

Good Samaritan Lutheran Church, this Sunday, Aug 22 @ 9am.

20850 Langley Rd.

Lexington Park,

Students, parents, siblings, and grandparents. Support-staff, caregivers, teachers, and administrators. There are so many people whose lives are about to undergo a big change. Such a time as this calls for us to bring it all to God in prayer. So if you're feeling it, get to church this Sunday and receive a back-to-school blessing. Make sure to bring your school stuff too. Backpacks, computers, pencils, lunchboxes, sneakers, whatever... If you want it blessed, bring it. It is going to be another great year so let's get it started the right way. All are welcome! See you soon!

Monday Aug. 23

ELKs Texas Holdem Tournament

St Mary's County Elks Lodge

45779 Fire Department Lane

California

Start time 7p.m.

Buy-in: \$35.00

Blinds will start at 25-50 and progress every 20 minutes

For any question or additional details contact

James Dean

240-577-0828

jdeanjunior@gmail.com

Tuesday Aug. 25

Kevin's Corner Kafe Lunch & Dinner Fundraiser

24509 Point Lookout Road Leonardtown

Start Time: 11:00 AM

End Time: 8:00 PM (09:00 Duration)

The Seventh District VFD Auxiliary will be having a Lunch and Dinner Dine in or Carry out Fundraiser Wednesday August 25th from 11:00 AM until 9:00 PM at Kevin's Corner Kafe. The Auxiliary will receive a percentage from from the following meals—4 piece Chicken dinner \$9.99 and all Basket Meals at \$15.99. Stop by and have a delicious meal or pick up and take home and relax before the summer is over and the kids are back at school. Fire Prevention material will be available for children and adults.



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In Remembrance

Louise Catherine "Chickie" Goddard



Louise Catherine "Chickie" Goddard, 56, of Callaway, MD passed away on Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at Chesapeake Shore Nursing Home. Born

April 26, 1965 in Leonardtown, MD. She was the daughter of BettyCarol Goddard and the late Leslie Wayne Goddard. Chickie graduated from Great Mills High School in 1983. During high school she was a member of the marching, jazz and concert band playing her beloved trumpet. Chickie completed the sheet metal workshop at the Dr. James A. Forrest Career and Technology Center and loved all things mechanical and became an ASE certified brake technician and worked for Midas Muffler and Brakes for many years at various locations.

Chickie was a life-long resident of St. Mary's County and was a member of St. George's Episcopal Church in Valley Lee, MD. She enjoyed fishing, crabbing, especially trot-lining and was an avid oyster shucker. She enjoyed playing pitch, pool and shuffle bowl and loved watching Maryland Terps basketball, football and NASCAR. She never saw an animal she didn't love or always wanted to help the ones in need and loved her turtles, Pebbles and Bam-Bam. She had a big heart and was always willing to help anyone in need.

In addition to her mother, BettyCarol Goddard (Ernie) of Rising Sun, MD she is survived by her sister, Christy Currie (Ray) of Valley Lee, brother Paul Goddard (Christie) of McHenry, MS, nieces Aimee Raley (JJ) of Piney Point, MD., Brooke Bixby of Valley Lee, MD., Lindsey Hamer (Adam) of Scottsboro, AL and nephews Brandon Ingersoll of Murfreesboro, TN, Stephen Ingersoll and Nicholas Goddard of McHenry, MS and great-niece, Lilah Hamer of Scottsboro, AL and a host of very special friends. She was preceded in death by her nephew, Jonathan Ingersoll of Panama City, FL. She will be affectionately missed by so many.

A small graveside service will be held for family only.

Condolences to the family may be made at www.mgfh.com. Arrangements by the Mattingly-Gardiner Funeral Home, P.A.

Michael Anthony Howe, "Big Air"

Michael Anthony Howe, "Big Air", 64, of Lexington Park, MD, formerly of Sandgates, MD, passed away on



George Henry Howe. Michael is survived by his children David Howe of Lexington Park, MD, Stephen Howe of Hollywood, MD, and Stacey Howe of Bushwood, MD, his siblings Patricia Tippet of Lexington Park, MD and Jeffrey Howe of Sandgates, MD, as well as his grandchildren Jennifer Thompson, Joshua Thompson, Jason Farrell, and Justin Farrell.

He was preceded in death brother Ronald Howe and Uncle Karlheinz Franz.

Michael graduated from Potomac High School in 1975, and was employed at Safeway for 37 years, retiring in 2020.

The family will receive friends on Thursday, August 19, 2021 from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM in the Mattingly-Gardiner Funeral Home, Leonardtown, MD, where a funeral service will be held in the funeral home chapel at 10:00 AM with Bishop William McClean officiating. Interment will follow in Charles Memorial Gardens, Leonardtown, MD. Serving as pallbearers will be Stephen Howe, David Howe, Gary Steventon, Greg Steventon, Jeremy Tippet, and Jeffrey Howe. Honorary pallbearers will be Carrol Farrell, Ron Motley, Jayden Steventon, Brian Howe, Patricia Tippet, and Jessie Tippet.

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George "Georgie" C. Mattingly, Sr



George "Georgie" C. Mattingly, Sr, 70, of Great Mills, MD formerly of Chaptico, MD passed away on August 8, 2021 in Leonardtown, MD.

He was born on July 9, 1951 in Washington, DC and was the loving son of the late Hazel Tote Mattingly, and James Latham Mattingly, Sr. Georgie is survived by his son George Mattingly, Jr of Chaptico, MD, along with his siblings Gloria Bolt of Willis, VA, William Mattingly of Hollywood, MD Joseph Mattingly of Independence, VA, Priscilla Mattingly of Indian Head, MD, Debbie Kane Hamilton of

August 8, 2021 in Leonardtown, MD. He was born on September 19, 1956 in Rantoul, IL to the late Hannelore Anna Frieda Howe and

Leonardtown, MD, Susan McGregor of Hollywood, MD, Rose Raiser of Waldorf, MD, Mary Mattingly of Nemascolin, PA, Cindy Mattingly of Charlotte Hall, MD, Alice Mattingly of Mechanicsville, MD, Judy Whorl of Charlotte Hall, MD, Carla Mattingly of Lexington Park, MD, Michelle Messenio of Hughesville, MD, and Linda Miller of Olean, NY. He was preceded in death by his siblings Barbara Mattingly, James L. Mattingly, Brenda Mattingly, and John Mattingly.

Georgie was employed for many years on different jobs-PEPCO, Laborer part time at the farmers market in Charlotte Hall, MD, and Village Liquor's known to many as "Teddy Bears" in Chaptico, MD.

In his younger years he enjoyed fishing at Chaptico Wharf with his brother Jimbo and a good friend Margaret.

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All funeral services will be private.

Thomas Michael "Mike" Anderson

Thomas Michael "Mike" Anderson, 67, of Mechanicsville, MD, passed



away on August 7, 2021 in Callaway, MD. He was born on November 7, 1953 in Leonardtown, MD, and was the son of Mary Alice Anderson of Me-

chanicsville, MD and the late Thomas Lewis Anderson. Mike is survived by his wife Robin Priscilla Anderson, whom he married on July 26, 1980 in Mechanicsville, MD. Mike is survived by his children Justin Anderson (Denise) of Mechanicsville, MD, and C. Travis Anderson of Mechanicsville, MD, three grandchildren Kellan, Harper, and Finely, as well as his sister Joan Diehl of Mechanicsville, MD.

Mike was a lifelong St. Mary's County resident and graduated from Chopticon High School in 1971. He was a farmer and TV repairman for Woods TV in Mechanicsville, MD.

Mike was an avid Redskins fan and sports enthusiast. He loved coaching and watching softball games. His true passion was farming--- raising tobacco and his yearly garden. There was never a stranger in Mike's presence; anyone who met him was an im-

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mediate friend. He loved his wife and sons more than anything. Mike was an even prouder grandfather.

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Audrey Veronica Yates



Audrey Veronica Yates, 86, of Valley Lee, MD passed away peacefully with her children at her side on August 4th, 2021 in Leonardtown, MD.

On November 28th, 1934, Audrey was born upstairs in the family home at 3005 7th Street SE, Washington, DC. She was the youngest child of the late Joseph E. Richards, Sr. and Dorothy L. (Hall) Richards. Audrey had three older siblings, Helen, Earl Jr. (Booba) and Melba. Audrey grew up in Congress Heights, attended parochial school in DC and was a graduate of St. Patrick's Academy - Class of 1953.

Audrey worked for the FBI, then the Naval Research Laboratory, retiring with over 30 years of Federal Service. In 1958, Audrey married Blair Quentin Yates of the 1109 Alabama Avenue, SE "Yates Family". Audrey and Blair raised two children, a son James Quentin (Jimmy) and a daughter, Karen Veronica. In 1967, Audrey, Blair, Jimmy and baby Karen moved from an apartment in "Southeast" DC, to their first home on Dee Lane, in Clinton, Maryland.

Audrey became a "housewife," as she didn't drive, yet. In 1968, Audrey took it upon herself to learn how to drive a car, via the "Easy Method Driving School". Mom got her license and began transporting her kids, relatives and the neighbor's kids in a 1962 Rambler station wagon with a "push button" transmission, but no reverse gear! Audrey was very active in her Walden Woods neighborhood, organizing summer block parties, poker games, many Yates & Greenwell Family picnics at Cosca Park and numerous "hat shows", performed by her beloved Sheltie, "Peanut". Audrey loved the Washington Redskins and serving Blair's famous chili on game day. Mom loved to travel, which took her and Dad to Las Vegas, Atlantic City, many sunny beaches, and Newport, RI for the Americas' Cup races and the Jazz Festivals. Sometimes, no long road trip was needed, Audrey and Karen would sunbathe in the backyard, relaxing and waving to mom's longtime friend, Edwina Kearns and her twin girls, who were doing the same thing in their adjacent backyard. Good times with good friends!

Mom made growing up in Clinton fun for everyone. It was like living

in a TV sitcom, but so much better! Audrey's support and guidance of her husband, children and grandsons Alex and Joe, ensured their success with careers and in life. Her Catholic faith and upbringing, guided her and gave her strength and inspiration. Mom's faith and guidance helped all of us make it through self-doubt and personal crisis.

In 2001, after living in Clinton for over 34 years, Audrey and Blair sold their "First Home" and moved to "The Cottage," in Valley Lee. Mom and Dad enjoyed living on the water in her parent's old home, but most of all, being close to nephew Charles and Virginia Foster of River House Farm and great nieces Amber Wood and Jamie Foster, who treated Mom and Dad with so much love and kindness. Audrey and Blair's retirement years at The Cottage were comfortable and fun, due to Charles and Virginia's support and generosity. There was always something going on at The Cottage, or River House. Audrey and Blair were very active with picnics and other social events held at the Oxon Hill American Legion - Post 248, St. Clements Hundred, or Russell's Bar in Valley Lee. Mom was a proud member of the Daughters of the American Revolution - Gen. William Smallwood Chapter, the St. Mary's County Historical Society and The St. Clements Hundred.

Since 2017, Audrey resided on Peabody Street in Leonardtown. Mom received amazing care from the nurses and staff at SMNRC and great pleasure from the many letters and photos sent by her nephew Jody Richards and "Care Packages" from Charles and Virginia. The prayers and spiritual support provided by Father Paul from St. George RC Church and great niece Jamie Foster gave mom great comfort. Audrey was predeceased by her husband, Blair Q. Yates, her sisters Helen Foster, Melba Richards, brother Joseph E. Richards, Jr. and lifelong friend Juanita F. Gass. Audrey is survived by her son James Q. Yates and fiancé Teresa E. Jones, daughter Karen V. Marquess and husband Timothy D. Marquess, Sr., grandsons Alexander J. Yates, Joseph T. Yates, great-grandson Leo T. Yates, beloved nephews Joseph E. (Jody) Richards III and wife Lynnea, Charles R. Foster and wife Virginia, niece Dorothy Anne Richards, her maid of honor Jane Payne, great and great-great nieces and nephews. In addition, Audrey is survived by her sisters in law, Betty Steinle, Barbara Greenwell, Bebe B. Bopp, Colleen Yates and many more nieces and nephews. At a later date, a private memorial service and interment will be held at Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery, Cheltenham, MD. In lieu of flowers and to share Audrey's love of family history, memorial donations may be sent to: St. Clements Hundred, Inc. Box 71 - Colton's Point, MD 20626 and/or the St. Mary's County Historical Society - P.O. Box 212 - Leonardtown, MD 20650.

Mom, your unconditional love,

kindness and humor touched so many people and will live forever in our hearts.

ut benedicat tibi dominus et custodiat te

Love, Jimmy and Karen

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James Wilson "Bay Boy"

Bush, Sr.



James Wilson "Bay Boy" Bush, Sr. 63, passed away on August 10, 2021 at MedStar St. Mary's Hospital surrounded by his loving family.

He was born on November 1, 1957 in Leonardtown, MD to Mary "E" Bush of Lexington Park, MD and the late William "Benny" Bush.

Bay Boy was employed for many years as an asphalt laborer. He was always helping someone with a side job. He was extremely personable and never met a stranger. He particularly enjoyed family gatherings. He was a delicious cook, specializing in soul food. Some family favorites were smothered pork chops and cabbage. His other hobbies included shooting dice, watching football cheering on the Washington Football team, and watching wrestling and old cowboy movies. His family was his greatest love, and he enjoyed spending his time with them.

In addition to his mother, Bay Boy is also survived by his long-time special companion of over 30 years, Sara Adams of Lexington Park; his children: Katrina Bush of California, MD, Latisha Bush of Forestville, MD, Elisha Bush of Great Mills, MD, James Bush, Jr. of Great Mills, MD, and Latoshia Bush of Lexington Park, MD; his siblings: William Benjamin Bush Jr, Helen "Doll Baby" Ford, George "Bobby" Bush, Joseph "Bubba" Bush, Joyce Frederick (Elvis), Rose Ann Sye, Izella E. Bush (Tracey), Mike C. Bush, Johnny Bush (Hope), Tina M. Bush, Scott T. Bush (Helen); his grandchildren: Tasia Milburn, Aisha Milburn, Anaija Bush, Jaivon Goldring, Makayla Bush, and Tomia Whack; God children; Fred Milburn and Johnita Baker and many extended family and friends. In addition to his father, he is also preceded in death by his siblings, Phillip Roosevelt Bush and Mary Lavella Bush and cousin James Curtis.

Family will receive friends on Thursday, August 19, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., with a Funeral Service at 1:00 p.m., at Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A., 22955 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown, MD 20650. Interment will be private.

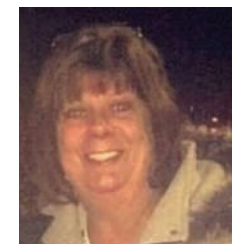
Memorial contributions may be made to Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.O.

Box 279, Leonardtown, MD 20650, to assist the family with services.

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

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

Debra Lee Gray



Debra Lee Gray, 64, of Charlotte Hall, MD passed away unexpectedly on August 7, 2021 at Med-Star Southern Maryland Hospital, Clinton,

MD. She was born on September 10, 1956, to the late Joseph Harold Hyde, Sr and Mary Pauline (Wilkerson) Hyde.

She was a dedicated mother and grandmother, who enjoyed life. She was enjoying her retirement after working as a tag and title clerk for several car dealerships. She loved the excitement of the customers as they walked out with their new car. She made many friends throughout her years at the dealerships.

Debbie had an infectious smile and kind soul. She could be the life of the party or the one you went to with your problems. She had her arms open to all who needed a hug or some advice. Debbie's adventurous spirit guided her to many fun and exciting places. An avid cruise ship patron, Debbie and partner-in-crime, Kim, loved to head to the islands and bask in the sun and live the cruise life. You'd never talk to Debbie without hearing about her next trip. She found peace with the ocean breezes blowing her hair back, sun on her skin and islands on the horizon.

A dedicated mother and grandmother, Debbie loved her family. Through miles and misunderstandings, Debbie loved every member of her family deeply and she prayed for happiness and peace for all. A gracious lady who was taken too soon, Debbie has found peace in her new heavenly home. She will be deeply missed by her family and friends. Her love will be carried on through the eyes of her children and the joy she brought to those who knew and loved her.

Debbie is survived by her children, Jessica Gray of Waldorf, MD and Andrew Gray of Littleton, CO; grandchildren, Brooke, Joshua, Taylor, Keiffer, Kaileigh and Kaleb; siblings, Charles R. Hyde (Elizabeth) of Mechanicsville, Paul "Tony" Hyde (Dorinda) of Charlotte Hall, MD and sister-in-law, Kim Hyde of Frederick, MD; and many extended family and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Mary Hyde and brother, Joseph H. Hyde, Jr.

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

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

Tyler Andrew Rose

Tyler Andrew Rose, 30, of Mechanicsville, MD, passed away on Friday, August 6, 2021. He was born on September 26, 1990 to Ricky Raymond Rose

and Linda Marie Rose of Mechanicsville, MD.

A 2008 graduate of Chopticon High School, Tyler would continue on to obtain his Associates Degree from The College of Southern Maryland. Tyler met his wife, Kaitlyn Rose in 2007 and they were married in 2014. In 2017, Tyler welcomed his baby girl that would complete his world, his daughter, Emma.

Tyler was an adventurous man who enjoyed being outdoors and loved riding his motorcycle. He loved playing sports, especially lacrosse and running track and field. When the sun warmed the air and shone bright, he could be found enjoying water sports. He enjoyed wakeboarding, water skiing, kite surfing and exploring the world below the sea when he would go scuba diving. As the day would come to a close, Tyler loved to sit back around the firepit with his family and friends and talk into the night. Tyler loved to stargaze with Kaitlyn, they would reminisce about days gone by and plans for their future.

If the weather kept him indoors, he enjoyed watching "Bluey" with Emma and cuddling up with his dog Hamish. Tyler was always willing to lend a helping hand to a friend and was willing to give the shirt off his back. He was fiercely loyal and was unapologetically himself, always. He laughed from his heart, smiled with his eyes, and lived with all of his soul.

A caring husband, father, son, brother, uncle, nephew and friend has left behind many wonderful memories. Keep his spirit alive by being kind and rejoicing in the Lord.

Tyler is survived by his beloved wife, Kaitlyn Rose of Mechanicsville, MD and daughter, Emma Rose. He is also survived by his parents, Ricky Raymond Rose and Linda Marie Rose of Mechanicsville, MD; siblings, Candice Rose Williams (Gregory) and Tiffany Rose Lima (John); parents-in-law, Melissa Havens-Long and Johnathan Long; brother-in-law, Gregory Havens (Shelby); grandparents, Joanne and James Hildreth and Bonnie Thompson; cherished dog, Hamish Duke Rose; and nieces and nephews; aunts and uncles and many other extended family members. He was preceded in death by his father-in-law, Geoffrey Havens and grandparents, Arthur and Norma Schmidt, Loren Rose and Brightmoore Thompson.

Interment will be private.

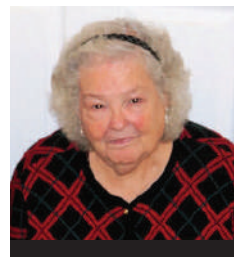
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Please visit the website, www.brinsfieldfuneral.com, to leave a virtual condolence for the family.

Arrangements made at Brinsfield Funeral Home & Crematory, P.A., Charlotte Hall, MD.

Ida Ann Lacey

Ida Ann Lacey, 86 of Avenue, MD passed away on August 7, 2021 at Hospice House of St. Mary's in Callaway, MD. She was born on October 31,

1934 in Dameron, MD to the late Joseph Eugene Trossbach and Lillian Margaret Biscoe Trossbach.

Ida was a lifelong resident of St. Mary's County. She was a homemaker and also cared for a number of children for family and friends who have always had a special place in her heart.

Over the years she enjoyed crocheting, dancing, canning vegetables, stuffing hams for holiday meals and spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren, great-grandchildren and her great-great-grandchild. She was an avid collector of knickknacks and amassed quite a collection over the years.

Ida was always one of the first to arrive to help her brothers or other family members in the tobacco fields. She was tireless spearing tobacco, and passing it up into the barn right there along-side of the men being one of the last to leave.

Ida is survived by her loving and devoted husband of 67 wonderful years, James Edward Lacey and her children: Lillian "Peggy" M. Alvey (Roger) of Avenue, MD, Mary J. "Jackie" Ellis (James) of Valley Lee, MD and Dennis E. Lacey of Great Mills, MD; her siblings: Robert Bennett Trossbach of Bushwood, MD, Phillip Ignatius Trossbach (Dorothy) of Avenue, MD, James Daniel Trossbach of St. Inigoes, MD and Thomas Richard Trossbach of Dameron, MD; her grandchildren: Robert Michael Unkle Jr. (Crystal), James Alvin Unkle (Heather), Tammy Marie Russell, Jacqueline Michelle Mattingly (Matthew) and Lisa Ann Ellis (Tyler Baldwin); 12 great-grandchildren, one great-great grandchild and many extended family and friends. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her sisters, Mary Lucille Sivak and Elizabeth Veronica Lathroum and her brothers, John Gregory Trossbach and Joseph Eugene Trossbach Jr.

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

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

Glenn Ellyson Gardiner

Glenn Ellyson Gardiner, 71, of Port Saint Lucie, Florida, passed away peacefully on July 28, 2021. Born in April 1950 in the District of Colum-

bia, Glenn was the youngest child of Gwyn Ellyson Gardiner and Margaret Redding Gardiner.

After spending part of his youth in Norway, Glenn attended High Point High School in Maryland, and later graduated with a degree in business from Bowie State University.

After graduating, Glenn worked in the automobile industry for Chrysler Corporation and later became a Business Owner in southern Maryland. As an entrepreneur, Glenn owned and operated several small businesses. Glenn believed strongly in contributing to one's community. Aside from being involved in local politics, he served as President of the Charlotte Hall Rotary in Charlotte Hall, Maryland, and additionally served on the local airport commission. He was also a pilot.

In 1998, Glenn suffered a major stroke while on a family ski trip. From that time till his recent passing, Glenn was faced with many neurological medical challenges, but he never gave up trying to remain active. Glenn worked doggedly at his recovery and found solace in sharing stories, often using technology to assist him with the writing process. Later in life, after moving to Florida, Glenn co-authored, along with Leona DeRosa Bodie, *Glimpse of Sunlight*, a work of historical fiction surrounding the life of adventurer Jonathan Dickinson for which they won an award from the Florida Writer's Association.

Glenn possessed a rare 'joie de vive' outlook on life, and he will certainly be remembered for his larger-than-life spirit. He enjoyed several hobbies ranging from reading to building and flying airplanes. He was always eager to explore the outdoors, whether by biking, kayaking, fishing, boating or hiking and loved relaxing, listening to every genre of music.

Glenn met his wife of 49 years, Myra Elaine Gardiner, on Golden Beach in southern Maryland in the early 70's. They were married on June 03, 1972, and together they raised three children: Merritt Juliano (42), Emily Vanlandingham (39), and Luke Gardiner who passed away in 2015 (32). They have three grandsons who adored their Pops: Peirce Gardiner (14) of California, Maryland, Grayson Vanlandingham (9) of Metairie, Louisiana, and Jonah Juliano (7) of Westport, Connecticut.

Glenn is survived by his sister, Mar-

sha Protzel, of Southport, Virginia.

The family has entrusted Aycock at Tradition in Port Saint Lucie, Florida and Mattingly-Gardiner Funeral Home in Leonardtown, Maryland to coordinate arrangements. A funeral service for all family and friends will take place at All Faith Episcopal Church on Monday, August 23 at 11 AM, 38885 New Market Turner Rd, Mechanicsville, MD 20659. Interment will follow in the church cemetery. A reception also for all family and friends will immediately follow the funeral at the home of John & Brenda Bowling in Hollywood, Maryland. The Reverend Debbie Kirk, Rector of All Faith Episcopal Church, will officiate the ceremony.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: General Patient Care at the Treasure Coast Hospice Mayes Center, 1201 SE Indian Street, Stuart, FL 34997, (772) 403-4500, <https://www.treasurehealth.org/292/Donate> The family would like to thank The Mayes Center for their incredible care and support during this difficult time. National Ataxia Foundation, 7701 Golden Valley Rd, PO Box 27986, Golden Valley, MN 55427, www.ataxia.org.

Condolences may be made to the family at www.mgfh.com. Arrangements provided by the Mattingly-Gardiner Funeral Home, P.A. & Crematory Leonardtown, MD.

Peggy Jean Sullivan

Peggy Jean Sullivan, 79, of Lexington Park, MD, formerly of Washington, GA, passed away on July 2, 2021 in Lexington Park, MD.

Born on June 14, 1942 in Marion, VA, she was the daughter of the late Ella Wheeler and Henry Wise Wheeler. Peggy was the loving wife of the late John Sullivan. She is survived by her son Richard Sullivan of California, MD, her siblings James Wheeler of Millersville, MD and Patsy King of Washington, GA, grandsons Richard "Scooter" Sullivan, Jr. (Teresa), Robert "Robbie" Edward Sullivan, Sr. (Kristin), and Ryan "Lil Sully" Patrick Sullivan, and great-grandchildren Valentina, Camila, and Robert "SJ" Edward Sullivan, Jr.

Peggy moved to St. Mary's County in 2018 from Washington, GA, and worked as a Human Resource Manager for Marriott Credit Union for 25 years, retiring in 2007.

Services will be held on Sunday, August 15, 2021 at 4:00 PM at Braddock Hall- BDVFD, Lexington Park, MD with Porter Lawson officiating.

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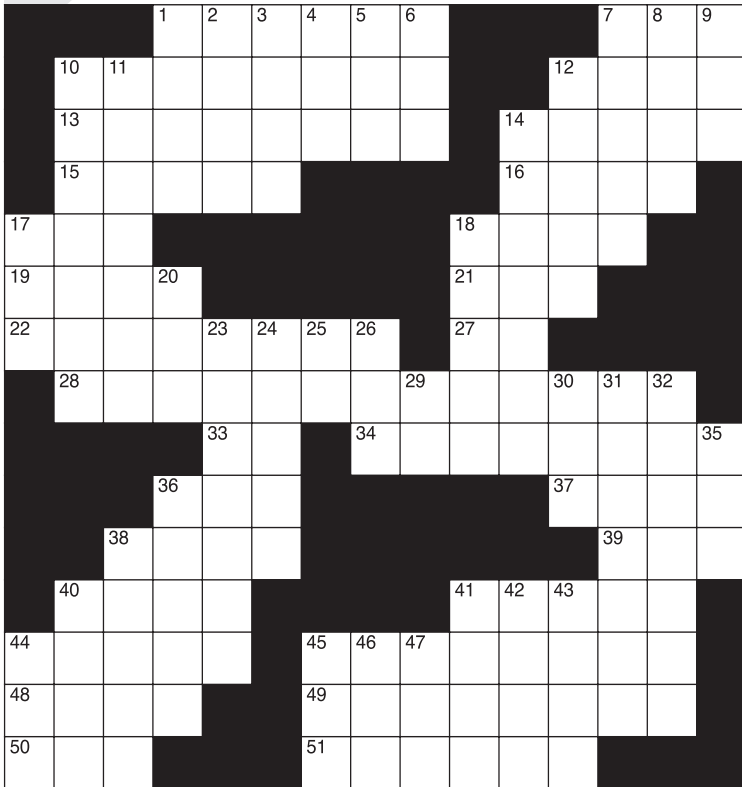
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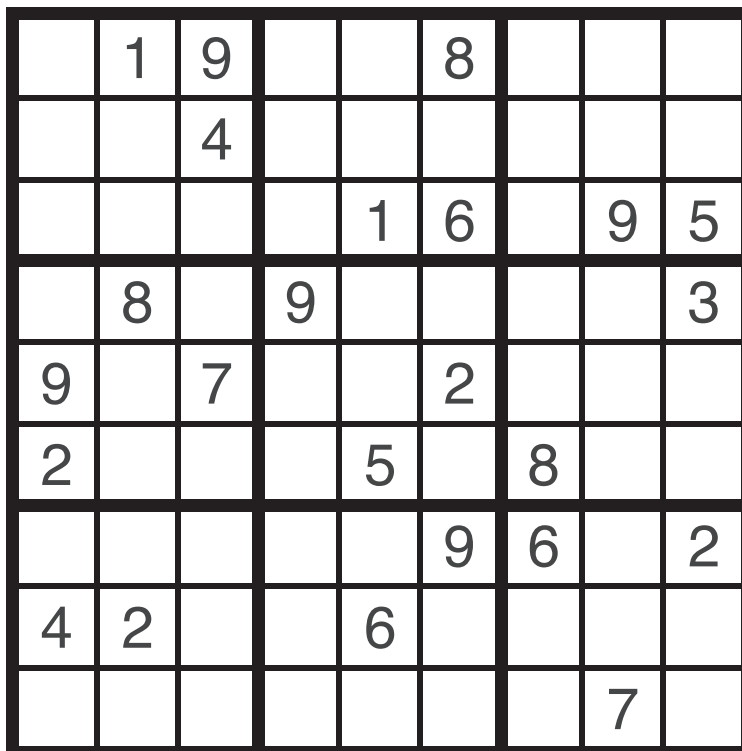
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- 7. Take the energy from
- 10. Bungled
- 12. Young salmon
- 13. Botanical gardens
- 14. Source of chocolate
- 15. Country singer LeAnn
- 16. Yokel
- 17. Unit of energy
- 18. Plant of the lily family
- 19. Tusked wild pig
- 21. Form of "to be"
- 22. Formerly
- 27. Letter of the Greek alphabet
- 28. Former First Lady
- 33. News organization
- 34. Shining brightly and intermittently
- 36. Brew
- 37. Teams' best pitchers
- 38. Edible fruit
- 39. Pitching stat
- 40. __ or bust
- 41. Baby product manufacturer

- 44. Monetary unit of Finland
- 45. Small spherical structures in cells
- 48. Pouches
- 49. Reached
- 50. Investment account
- 51. Oft-repeated slogan

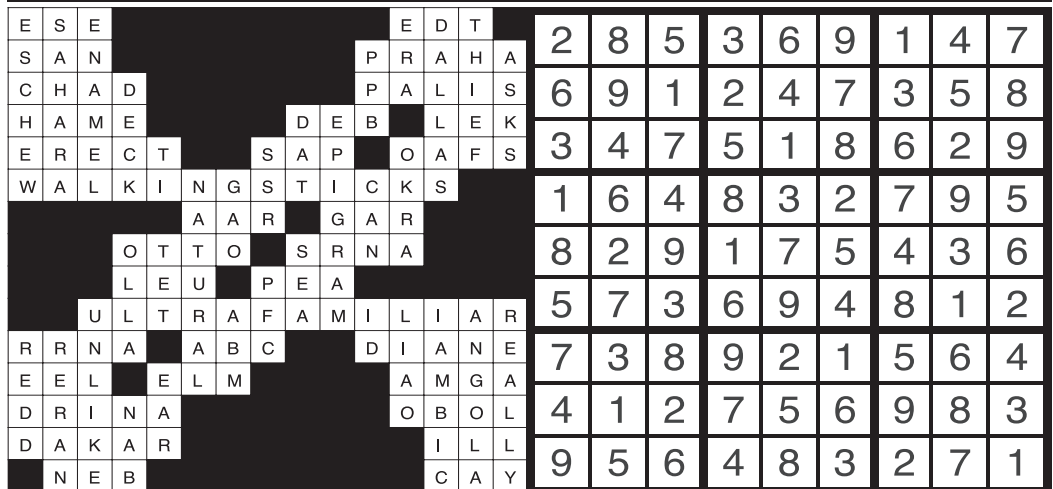
CLUES DOWN

- 1. Nuclear undersea weapon
- 2. Helps the skin
- 3. Evergreen coniferous trees
- 4. Relieve of employment
- 5. A way to drench
- 6. Journalist Tarbell
- 7. __ and Venzetti
- 8. Alcoholic liquor
- 9. An athlete who plays for pay
- 10. Where to get drinks
- 11. Japanese art form
- 12. Baseball great Satchel
- 14. Winged angelic beings
- 17. One point south of due east
- 18. Group of islands in Polynesia
- 20. A place to play:

- __ center
- 23. Masses of gray matter in the brain
- 24. Belgian city (alt. sp.)
- 25. Millilitre
- 26. Beloved Will Ferrell film
- 29. Railway above ground
- 30. Satisfaction
- 31. Aggregate of molecules
- 32. Type of barometer
- 35. Type of college teacher (abbr.)
- 36. Long periods of time
- 38. Native people of Nebraska and S. Dakota
- 40. Deliver
- 41. Thin, narrow piece of wood
- 42. Modern Israel founder
- 43. Small NY college
- 44. Pounds per square inch
- 45. Veterans battleground
- 46. Hollywood talent agency (abbr.)
- 47. Popular kids' channel



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