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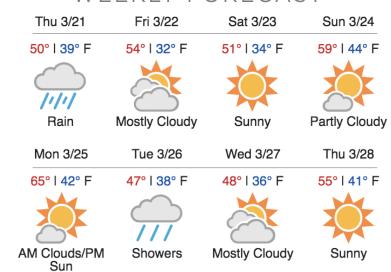
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County Staff Budget Unveiled

With 38 Paid Emergency Workers



Calvert County Fire and Rescue Board Chairman Bob Hall.

By Dick Myers Editor

A proposal has been presented that would cause a seismic shift in Calvert County's tradition of all-volunteer emergency services. The Fiscal Year 2020 budget recommended by county staff includes 38 paid paramedics, emergency medical technicians (EMTs) and supervisory personnel at the cost of \$3.6 million. Additionally, \$1.5 million is in the capital budget for three new ambulances and two chase cars to support those personnel.

The budget proposal was the culmination of much discussion within the volunteer ranks and is supported by the county's Fire and Rescue Board, according to its chairman Bob Hall, who spoke at the March 19 hearing on the budget at the Calvert Pines Senior Center in Prince Frederick.

"It's a big change," Hall told The County Times after the hearing. He said the plan would cover all shifts with paid personnel and they would be strategically stationed to cover each of the three election districts

Hall said the county's new fire and rescue coordinator is very volunteer oriented, and he said he assumed that paid and volunteer personnel would make runs together.

Commissioner President Tim Hutchins said after the hearing that his board had not yet received a briefing on the proposal. The commissioners will consider all of the budget for the next few months before they hold their own public hearing in May.

Hutchins, whose background is in law enforcement, said Charles County did a slower roll-out of paid emergency personnel and perhaps that would be the way to go for Calvert as well.

The paid emergency personnel are part of a staff recommended \$310.3 million budget, representing a 4.32 percent increase over the current fiscal year.

According to County Administrator Terry Shannon, the budget includes a \$60 million Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) from Dominion Energy for their Cove Point LNG facility. She said staff is recommending that the tax monies be used for non-recurring expenses because the PI-LOT will end in 2024 to be followed by a lower property tax bill for the

The staff recommended

budget is a \$12.8 million increase, with a \$9.3 million increase in Dominion's PILOT representing the bulk of that. Property tax revenue is expected to increase by \$2.8 million with income tax revenue going up slightly.

According to staff, the budget highlights are:

- · County Employee salaries: one Step increase
- County Employee Cost of Living Adjustment: 2.05%
- Board of Education Operating Funding: increasing by \$4.8 million

Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB):

- Funding the OPEB Trust - County \$2.3 million
- Board of Education \$8.9 million

Shannon said that nonrecurring expenses such as OPEB and paying cash for capital projects would be the recommended spending for the Dominion PILOT.

The proposed \$39.4 million capital plan was also presented which is conspicuously absent construction monies for the county administration building. That project's \$37 million has been delayed at least a year while the commissioners decide where to put it.

School Superintendent Dr. Daniel Curry also presented his proposed budget, which includes 47 percent of the expenses in the overall county budget. Curry said there is a disagreement between county staff and his staff over how to calculate the funding formula between the county and schools. He said the disagreement involves \$600,000 that needs to be worked out.

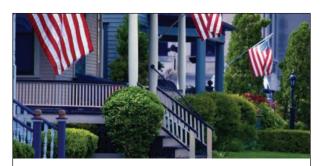
The hearing portion of the evening featured 10 speakers, with a mix of funded agencies thanking the county and others asking for restoration of monies cut in the first round by county staff. Director of Budget and Finance Tim Hayden said

that was more than \$9 million.

Several representatives of the University of Maryland Extension Service asked for restoration of \$67,000 for a watershed protection and restoration specialist and Carolyn McHugh from the library board asked that monies to operate the bookmobile and for a new staff position be returned to the budget.

Hayden earlier in the budget presentation said there were no new positions in the budget. He later corrected himself about the 38 paid emergency personnel. "That's something different," he quipped.

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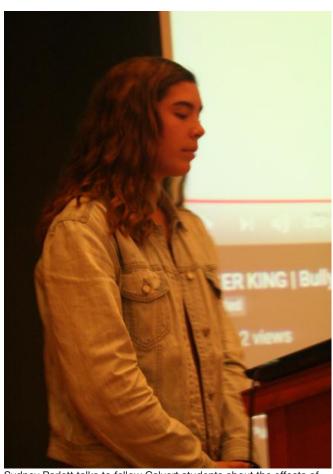
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Calvert Students Carry Anti-Bullying Message



Sydney Parlett talks to fellow Calvert students about the effects of bullying in school.

By Guy Leonard Staff Writer

A select group of Calvert County public school students learned last week that people are often more concerned and will complain about a bullied cheeseburger than they will a bullied young person.

That was the message from a Burger King sponsored video in which a secret camera recorded few people coming to the aid of a bullied teenager in one of the fast food restaurant's stores but when they received a squashed burger they were incensed.

Only a few customers came to the aid of the bullied teen, who was suffering humiliation at the hands of a group their age.

Sydney Parlett, a freshman at Northern High School who has taken up the cause of stopping bullying in schools, said she had been a victim of bullying and asked anyone in the auditorium at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Prince Frederick if they had ever witnessed or even heard of a bullying incident.

Virtually all there stood; but

almost none stood to say they had intervened to stop it.

"One-third of students are bullied at school," Parlett told the students gathered on March 15. "And 70 percent of students have witnessed bullying, but most take no action.

"Why can't we, why can't everyone, take a stand against it?"

Parlett said bullying taking to an extreme could drive a student, such as Nikolas Cruz who committed the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School massacre in Florida, to commit heinous acts.

Though bullying was no excuse for the atrocity committed, Parlett said, Cruz was "an easy target for bullying.

"They brushed him off and called him names. If we can halt these bullying incidents... we can halt their deadly effects."

She also challenged school staff and administrators to intervene more often and quickly into instances of bullying; many students felt their complaints were either ignored or not taken seriously.

Parlett said she knew of only one teacher in her academic career who purposely aided students in dealing with bullying.

As for the bullies who have wronged her, Parlett said she would not change her past if she had the chance.

"They shaped me into becoming who I am today," she said.

Kim Roof, director of Student Services, said there was a fine line between standing up for the bullied and physically confronting a bully.

"Standing up is important," Roof said. "But what does that look like?"

Superintendent Daniel Curry echoed that students should stand up for each other but not take their frustrations out on bullies physically.

"The best solution for bullying is at the ground level with kids taking ownership of the problem," Curry said. "You should stand up to bullies and tell them what their doing is wrong, but we don't want kids taking care of their own problems."

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Event Shined Spotlight on Calvert Women *Speaker Discusses Human Trafficking*

By Dick Myer Editor

"Be the Influence" was the theme for the 17th Annual Woman of the World luncheon held March 16 at the Rod 'N Reel in Chesapeake Beach. The annual event is sponsored by the Calvert County Commission for Women and the League of Women Voters of Calvert County.

This year's keynote speaker was Ambassador Susan Esserman, who held four senior positions in the Clinton Administration, including Deputy U.S. Trade Representative and Assistant Secretary of Commerce. She is currently a partner in a DC based international law firm and is founder and director of the University of Maryland Support, Advocacy, Freedom and Empowerment (SAFE) Center for Human Trafficking.

Before talking about human trafficking, she discussed some of the historical successes and challenges facing women today. She noted the League of Women Voters role in those victories. She said, "On this a hundredth year of the congressional passage of the right of women to vote, we are reminded of the pivotal role that the League of Women Voters played a century ago and continuing to this day in helping women carry out your responsibilities to vote and in using their power to participate in shaping public policy."

She said when she began her career as a law clerk in DC there was one woman judge in the District Court and no women in the entire federal appeals court for the District of Columbia. Today, half are women.

"Clearly there has been significant progress for women at all levels in law and in government," she said. "But persistent barriers and head winds remain, particularly as women seek to advance to higher levels of responsibility, leadership and compensation as they rise. Women too often face unequal opportunities and a higher hurdle to prove themselves. This is compounded by the fact that employers generally still provide insufficient accommodation for family responsibilities. As you know, this doesn't only affect women, but it disproportionately affects women as they often have greater family rearing responsibilities. In my experience, in order to promote the proper advancement of women in law or in any field for that matter, first and foremost, it is essential that women support other women.

She observed the collective power of "women working together, the vital importance of women supporting one another and the power of mentorship to transform careers." She added, "I have seen firsthand the profound difference it makes to have women in leadership positions. Women bring different perspectives that can contribute to greater fairness and inclusion, a more supportive working environment, including more accommodation for family

responsibilities, and they also contributed to sound decision making."

Esserman quoted Michelle Obama: "You will not always be able to solve all the world's problems at once, but don't ever underestimate the importance you have because history has shown us that courage can be contagious and hope takes on a life of its own."

She then switched to talk about her current passion – the fight against human trafficking worldwide and especially close to home at "the country's first university based comprehensive research and advocacy center for human trafficking survivors."

The center was founded, she said, "with the goal of restoring the dignity and human rights to survivors of sex and labor trafficking. The concept arose out of my experience providing pro bono or public interest legal assistance to sex trafficking victims. Through the cases I took on, I was shocked to learn the extent of human trafficking in the state of Maryland."

She continued, "I came to realize that successfully serving the legal needs of human trafficking victims was not sufficient. That much broader assistance was needed to enable human trafficking survivors to overcome the trauma of their trafficking.

"At the Safe Center, we provide bilingual legal services, social services, mental health and medical care, economic empowerment programming, and crisis intervention services," she said.

She told the story of a young woman who left her child behind to come to America for a job to pursue the American Dream. The job she was promised turned out to be prostitution and she was forced to have sex multiple times daily under threat her child would be harmed if she didn't comply. Her rescue was one of the center's successes.

"She was trafficked up and down the east coast from New York to South Carolina and much of the trafficking occurred here in Maryland." Esserman said.

"Traffickers prey on people who are vulnerable, impoverished, and oppressed. They prey on migrants and refugees. They prey on those fleeing from conflict, gang violence and natural disasters. Few people appreciate the extent of trafficking here in the United States; experts estimate that several hundred thousand victims are trafficked within the US each year" she explained.

Esserman reported that in 2016 Washington DC ranked first and Baltimore 14 among American cities in trafficking cases per capita and Maryland ranked 13th among states for reports of human trafficking. She said three bills dealing with trafficking are currently wending their way through the Maryland General Assembly, including making trafficking a felony and removing criminal records of victims.

Esserman concluded by saying that Frederick Douglass warned that slavery would not end with emancipation, that the snake would raise its ugly head. She said, "This old snake has come forth today. Hundreds of thousands of human trafficking victims live in fear and despair in our great nation. The monster wears a different skin, but make no mistake, this is slavery and together it is our work to end it."

The program was moderated by Commission for Women President Joan Winship and Grace Mary Brady of the League of Women Voters. Winship noted a letter printed in the program from former U.S. Senator Barbara Mikulski, the longest serving female senator. Mikulski wrote, "Calvert County might be the home of a nuclear power plant, but it is no match for the energy of Calvert County women and their manty contributions to their community and country."

During the event the following awards were handed out by various community organizations:

- Calvert Collaborative for Children and Youth – Alexis Hill
- Calvert County Commission for Women Rane Franklin, Danielle Frye and Marsha Gast Rymer
- Calvert County Historical Society Rosemary Dawley



Ambassador Susan Esserman

- Calvert County Minority Business Alliance Cynthia Thorne-Carter
- Community Mediation Center of Calvert County – Vicky and Dusty Rhoades
- Concerned Black Women of Calvert County – Casandra Okwumabua
- League of Women Voters -- Casandra Okwumabua and the Voter Service Team of Ashley Anderson, John Ashby, Janet Bellizzi, Sharron Bickel, Carol Booker, Judy Hooker and Gladys White
- Calvert County Branch of the NAACP
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Book on Calvert's Black History Readied for Print *NAACP President Completing 30-Year Project*

By Dick Myers Editor

It's been a 30-year labor of love. That's how long Calvert County NAACP President Michael Kent has been assembling information and photos for what will become a new book that he is calling "Mulatto, the Black History of Calvert County." He hopes to publish the book before the year is out.

Kent started working on his family history first, learning that several ancestors were fathered by the white slave owner, hence the title of the book. But he also learned as his net widened to include all of Calvert County that his family's experiences were far from unique.

Kent learned that often the lighter skinned blacks of the community were sent away so that they could have a better chance of being successful and then return to Calvert County.

Kent, 61, said when he began his research there were some people alive who could tell stories from the days of slavery in Calvert County

Kent was lucky in having a grandmother who he described as a hoarder, unwilling to throw away anything and



Michael Kent talks to an attendee at the March 16 Women of the World luncheon in Chesapeake Beach.

thus the repository of much useful information. He also had a grandmother and great grandmother who were midwives, and who thus had birth records of a large number of the county's black population.

Early on in his quest he used oral history to assemble the facts but later had to depend on records gleaned from the State Archives and other repositories, since many local records were lost in a

courthouse fire.

Prior to emancipation, there were no black churches or schools. So, the records of both of those important institu-

tions began only after the Civil War but have proved valuable to him.

Kent found in his research several prominent black Calvert countians and the records of the "Colored Troops" from Calvert County who fought in the Civil War and those who fought in subsequent wars. During his research he interviewed 24 World War II survivors.

Kent isn't keeping the information he has gathered close to his vest awaiting publication. He has been traveling around the county giving presentations on his research to large crowds. He has spoken at Huntingtown and Calvert high schools, the Calvert County Health Department, churches and civic organizations.

Kent's next public event is scheduled for Sunday, March 25 at 2 p.m. at the North Beach Town Hall.

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State of Calvert Agriculture Aired

By Dick Myers Editor

"The State of Agriculture" was the subject of a presentation March 19 to the Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC). According to Calvert County Farm Bureau President Jason Leavitt the industry is healthy and has a bright future.

Leavitt said there are 269 farms comprising 32,901 acres of farmland (24 percent of Calvert's land base). The average farm size is 122 acres with a \$11.2 million market value of products sold.

Leavitt called agriculture an economic engine: "Between 2007 and 2012, there was a 90 percent increase in direct sales of local food in Calvert County and a 6,000 acre increase in acreage over the same period. In 2018, Calvert County produced a total economic impact of \$15.7 million, contributing \$1.4 million in tax revenue."

Leavitt added, "As an industry, agriculture supports 307 jobs, placing it among the top 10 employers in Calvert County."

Funding for agricultural land preservation programs was deemed one of the industry's needs and priorities, along with strengthening agricultural education and supporting economic opportunities for Calvert's farmers.

Calvert has a long history of preserving farmland, with the successes going three-fourths of the way towards the goal of 40,000 acres preserved. The county started its landmark Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) program just a year after the state began the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF).

Leavitt listed the benefits of preserv-

ing farmland:

- Preserves working farmland and open space
- Contributes to the "rural character" of Calvert County
- Enhances the county's natural resources through voluntary and mandated agricultural conservation practices
- Enables farmers to invest in their businesses
- Creates opportunities for younger generations
- Limits needs for county resources in rural areas

Commissioner Buddy Hance, himself a farmer, strongly agreed. He said people often misunderstand the purpose of the agriculture land preservation program. "It's not just a check and bank the money. This shows how that money is used."

One of the key issues for the future, Leavitt said, is providing market opportunities for the TDRs. "We need a place for TDRs to go," he said, noting the town centers are the logical places.

Leavitt added, "One of the most significant challenges that landowners enrolled in the TDR program face is receiving a fair value. Unlike state programs which pay a lump sum for conservation easements, the TDR program is a piecemeal payment system where the landowner is paid per TDR sold, varied by the market value at the time of sale."

The Farm Bureau, Leavitt said, is the "Voice for Agriculture" in Calvert County. It has 634 familty members.

One of the Farm Bureau's biggest annual fundraisers is Saturday, March 25 -- the Farm-to-Table Breakfast, 7-10 a.m. at the Calvert County Fairgrounds.

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Review Continues on Exelon Emergency Center Move

Conference Call Set for Upcoming Emergency Drill

By Dick Myers Editor

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is continuing to review the plans of Exelon Generation Company to move their Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant emergency operations facility from Calvert County to Coatesville, PA.

As part of that review Exelon is planning a drill sometime later this year to show NRC how things will go under the new arrangement. A teleconference between NRC and Exelon officials to discuss the scope of the proposed drill is scheduled for March 26.

According to NRC spokesman Neil Sheehan, "Exelon plans to conduct an emergency preparedness (EP) two-site simultaneous drill involving Calvert Cliffs and one of Exelon's nuclear power plants in Pennsylvania (Peach Bottom or Limerick) to demonstrate that there would be no loss in EP functions or capabilities resulting from the proposed changes. The NRC and affected offsite emergency response organizations, including state and local agencies, will be invited to observe and/or participate in this drill, as deemed necessary. The drill scenario will include the following specific criteria:

- Calvert Cliffs will have an event affecting both units at the plant.
- Calvert Cliffs will escalate the event at one unit.
- One Calvert Cliffs unit will progress to a General Emergency, the highest level of emergency classifi-



cation used by the NRC.

• One Pennsylvania unit will have an event which will ultimately escalate to a General Emergency.

"The NRC staff intends to observe the demonstration drill to further verify the ability of the Coatesville EOF to perform the functions. Observation by NRC staff will also be coordinated with FEMA Region 3."

According to the NRC, the public can participate in the teleconference by calling Michael Marshall at 301-415-2871 at least two hours prior tom the planned March 26 at 10 a.m. conference call start.

The Calvert Cliff's emergency operations facility is currently located in the Calvert Industrial Park, located at Skipjack Road and Hallowing Point Road in Prince Frederick.

Exelon submitted the license amendment request – available at https://www.nrc.gov/docs/ML1824/ML18242A067.pdf – at the end of August. The com-

pany has been informed by NRC that they anticipate completing their review by the end of October 2019.

"If there are emergent complexities or challenges in our review that would cause changes to the initial forecasted completion date or significant changes in the forecasted hours, the reasons for the changes, along with the new estimates, will be communicated during the routine interactions with the assigned project manager," the NRC staff wrote to Exelon on Sept. 28.

The five-member, presidentially appointed Commission that oversees the NRC would need to approve the proposed changes.

Governmental entities and members of the public will have an opportunity to request a hearing on the plans.

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What's Coming to Calvert County



The following list of pending site plans was presented to the Calvert County Planning Commission at their March 20 meeting. That means that the proposals are on the list for consideration by the planning commission at a future meeting. Those meetings are now normally being held at the Harriet E. Brown Community Center (HEBCC), 901 Dares

Beach Road, Prince Frederick, although this meeting was held at the Calvert Pines Senior Center..

1) SPR-2017-266, **Calvert Hills** located on the west side of North Prince Frederick Boulevard and Radio Road in Prince Frederick on five parcels consisting of 22.57 acres, zoned PFTC, Village District. The proposed five new build-

ings contain 96 apartments, a maintenance building, required parking, utilities and recreation area. The project is on public water and sewer. The submittal was accepted September 27, 2017. Agent: Bay Engineering

2) SPR-2018-285, Maryland Self Storage located at 8400 Nursery Road in Lusby on an 8.3 acre parcel, zoned Rural Commercial. Proposed 75,500 square foot development for self-storage units and office space. Phase I was submitted as a change in use to the existing building previously used as a contractor supply store to office space. Phase 2 and 3 will expand the proposed use within the existing area previously used as contractor supply storage area to selfstorage units. This project is on private well and septic. The submittal was accepted December 19, 2018. Agent: Collinson, Oliff& Associates

3) SPR-2018-286, Calvert Gateway, Lot 4 located at 10825 Town Center Boulevard in Dunkirk on a 4.3 acre lot, zoned Dunkirk Town Center. Proposed 15,890 square foot building for commercial retail space with parking and site improvements. This project is on private water and sewer. The submittal was accepted December 19, 2018. Agent: Bay

Engineering

4) SPR-2019-291 Scaggs Industrial Flex Space located at 7620 Meadow Run Lane, Owings on a 2.75 acre parcel, zoned 1- 1. Proposed two multi-tenant light industrial buildings totaling 28,920 square foot with necessary utilities and amenities. The submittal was accepted March 6, 2019. Agent: Collinson, Oliff and Associates

The following Major Subdivision Proposed Project List for Upcoming Review was also submitted at ten same meeting:

1) SD-2017-047, **Shoppes at Apple Greene**, Lots 1 & 2, and Outlot 3 located on Dunkirk Way within the Shoppes at Apple Greene Shopping Center, on a parcel consisting of 15.47 acres, zoned Dunkirk Town Center. Submittal accepted July 26, 2017. Agent: Collinson, Oliff& Associates

2) SD-2017-48, **Calvert Hills** located on Prince Frederick Boulevard in Prince Frederick. Zoned Town Center (TC), 22.57 acres; three lots. Submittal accepted September 27, 2017. Agent: Bay Engineering.

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Maryland State Police Report

Possession of Oxycodone: On 3/6/19 at 12:22 am, Trooper First Class Davis stopped a vehicle for traffic violations on Rt 4 near Cove Point Rd. in Lusby. Several criminal indicators were observed and a K-9 scan was requested. The scan by K-9 Flip of the Calvert County Sheriff's Office resulted in a positive alert and a probable cause search was conducted. Matthew T. Hutchins, 27 of Lusby, was found to be in possession of oxycodone for which he did not have a prescription. Hutchins was arrested and incarcerated at the Calvert County Detention Center.

Fraud/Possession of Oxycodone: On 3/6/19 at 4:21 pm, Corporal Esnes stopped a vehicle on Rt. 4 near Town Center Blvd. in Dunkirk for traffic vio-

lations. The driver, Erica V. Brooks, 33 of Prince Frederick, provided a driver's license that after investigation was found to be that of a deceased member of her family. A K-9 scan was conducted by K-9 Benelli of the MSP and gave a positive alert, however, no CDS was recovered. Brooks was placed under arrest for the fraud and driving without a license. She was incarcerated at the Calvert County Detention Center. During a secondary search a plastic straw containing crushed Oxycodone was located.

Possession of Marijuana and MDMA: On 3/7/19 at 6:53 pm, Trooper Strong stopped a vehicle for traffic violations on Rt. 4 at Stoakley Rd. in Prince Frederick. The distinct odor of marijua-

na was emitting from inside the vehicle. A probable cause search was conducted and a small plastic bag of Methylene-dioxmethampheamine (MDMA) was located in the center console. Demetrious C. Holland, 28 of Owings, voluntarily admitted to having over 10 grams in marijuana in his jacket. Holland was arrested and incarcerated at the Calvert County Detention Center.

Public Intoxication/Indecent Exposure: On 3/8/19 at 2:32 pm, Trooper First Class McCombs observed several vehicles hitting brakes on Main St. near Armory Rd. in Prince Frederick. As he drove through he observed a male urinating in public exposing himself to people passing by. Christopher A. Hall, 57 of Lusby, was found to be intoxicated. Hall was arrested and incarcerated at the Calvert County Detention Center.

Possession of Cocaine: On 3/11/19 at 1:11 am, Trooper First Class Barlow stopped a vehicle on Rt. 231 at Skipjack Rd. in Prince Frederick for traffic violations. The odor of raw marijuana was emitting from inside the vehicle. A probable cause search was conducted and a passenger, Kenyetta T. Chase, 26 of Mechanicsville, was found to be in

possession of Cocaine. Chase was arrested and incarcerated at the Calvert County Detention Center.

Possession of Marijuana Over 10 Grams: On 3/12/19 at 8:41 am, Trooper First Class Davis stopped a vehicle for traffic violations on Lusby Lane at Town Square Drive in Lusby. A strong odor of burnt marijuana was emitting from inside the vehicle and a probable cause search revealed over 10 grams of marijuana. Alonzo E. Mayes, 23 of Lusby was arrested and incarcerated at the Calvert County Detention Center.

Trespassing: On 3/14/19 at 12:01 pm, Trooper First Class Davis responded to the Fastop in Lusby to investigate a reported trespasser on the stores property. Dean A. Graham, 61 of Lusby was located on the property and had previously received a "not to trespass" order from the Calvert County Sheriff's Office in February. He was served with another "notice not to trespass order" from the Maryland State Police and was arrested and incarcerated at the Calvert County Detention Center.

Press Release from MSP Barrack U – Prince Frederick

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REQUEST FOR BIDS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

By Authority: Laschelle McKay Town Administrator



301.904.3402

Hogan Joins State Agency Adopt-A-Pet Day



Gov. Hogan at Adopt-A-Pet event.

Governor Larry Hogan on March 15 joined the SPCA of Anne Arundel County (AACSPCA) in hosting the Maryland Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration's (MDOT MVA) first ever Adopt-A-Pet Day. Governor Hogan was joined by MDOT MVA Administrator Chrissy Nizer, SPCA of Anne Arundel County President Kelly Brown, and SPCA Volunteer and Event Coordinator Lynn Gill for the

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event, which was held at the Annapolis branch of the MDOT MVA. The governor's Citation and spent the morning ing the branch, and visiting with dear

"As a proud owner of two adopted dogs, I am thrilled to have our administration support this new partnership with the SPCA," said Governor Hogan.

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ernor presented the SPCA with a Govgreeting MDOT MVA customers, tour-

"Today's event is a great opportunity to honor this amazing organization and connect Marylanders with pets in need of their forever home."

SPCA of Anne Arundel County had dogs, cats, and a rabbit for adoption at today's event. Prospective parents were able to start the adoption process at the event. Those who are interested in adopting a pet are encouraged to visit the SPCA's website, aacspca.org, to learn more information.

"At MDOT MVA, we truly are committed to being part of the community," said Administrator Nizer. "It's great to provide our services, while promoting an organization committed to saving the lives of animals and enriching the lives of Maryland residents."

The SPCA of Anne Arundel County, founded in 1920, focuses on protecting animals from inhumane treatment.

Governor Hogan presented a citation to the organization for its commitment to community service and educational

"It's an honor to receive the Governor's Citation for our work in saving homeless animals, a labor of love and devotion that benefits our entire community," said SPCA President Brown. "This event shined a bright spotlight on the joy and value pets bring to our lives, and we were thrilled to be a part of the first Adopt-A-Pet day here at the MDOT MVA. We applaud the creativity and commitment to people and pets alike."

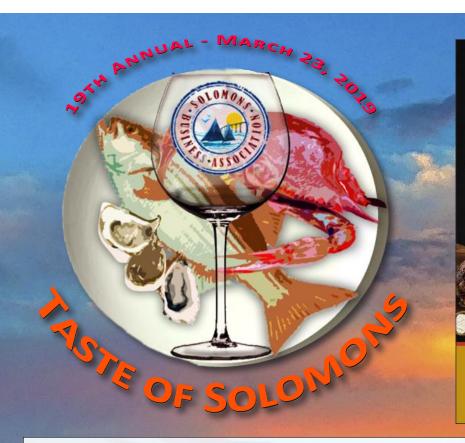
For additional information on MDOT MVA branches and services, visit www. mva.maryland.gov.

> Press Release from Office of Gov. Larry Hogan









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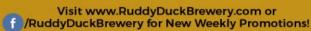
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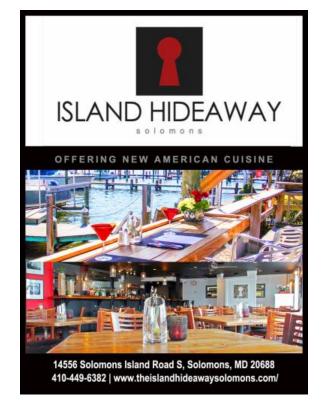
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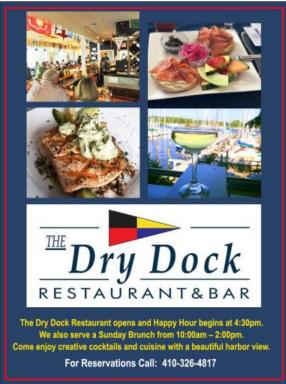
Tickets: \$5 each for a food plate or a beverage.

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- 2 Boomerangs Original Ribs Hand Breaded Jumbo Shrimp, Hand Breaded Haddock, Homemade Hush Puppies, Citrus Moscato Sangria (21+)
- 3 Captain Smith's Seafood Market Oyster Stew/ Fried oysters, Rock fish strips, Haddock strips, Scallop wrapped with bacon
- **4 Angler's Seafood Bar and Grill -** Oyster Sliders, Crab Dip, Cold Plate, Raspberry Lemonade (21+).
- 5 Calvert Marine Museum Sea Salt Caramel Sweet Treat (4 pc bag)
- 6 Dry Dock at Zahniser's Old Bay Rimmed Oyster Shooters (21+), Lobster Salad over a Fried Green Tomato, Sweet Red Curry Glazed Melon and Shrimp Skewers
- **7 Kingfisher's -** Crab Mac N Cheese, Old Bay Wings, Truffle Tater Tots, Orange Crush (21+).
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IT'S NOT AN IF, IT'S A WHEN

Hello to all of you procrastinators out there. Three months of 2019 have passed and you have still not taken steps to protect yourself and your family with a will or a trust. Why not? Here are the five most used excuses not to have a will or a trust:

1. I'M NEVER GOING TO DIE: Clearly, the first reason not to have a will or a trust is unrealistic. The saying is "nobody is getting out of this alive." In spite of this, it is amazing how many people put off creating a will or a trust because they are afraid. They think planning for a will or a trust will cause them anxiety about their own death. The easy solution to this problem is to think about creating a will or a trust to protect the people you love. You do not have to face your own death to create a will or a trust. just focus on how you want to protect those you care about. Without a will or a trust, they are defenseless. And, young or old, almost all of us have loved ones we want to protect. Even if we are elderly and alone and do not have any loved ones, many of us want to create a legacy for the charities we care about. If we are young and have children, we are already involved in protecting them. Without a will or a trust, your children could very well end up in foster care when you die. Having children means taking steps to protect them. What good is funding their college education if you have not created a mechanism to distribute your property to them upon your death? How are you helping?

2.I HAVE NO ESTATE: How about the excuse that you have no estate to protect? Do you have a home? A car, a boat? A bank account? Personal property like furniture, jewelry? All of that becomes part of your estate. If you don't make plans to distribute your property in a will or a trust, the state will decide for you.

3. EVERYTHING IS IN JOINT NAME WITH MY SPOUSE OR CHILD: I have heard the excuse that everything is in joint name so there is no reason to have a will or a trust. And, it is the case that if property is titled in joint name with right of survivorship, upon the death of one person, the joint owner takes all the property. The excuse is common with spouses. The problem is, of course, spouses often travel together. There are no assurances that both spouses will not die together-if they do, then what? You're back in the same position without a will or a trust-letting the state decide where your property will go. And, what if your property is titled as "tenants in common" not as joint tenants with right of survivorship? In that case, each of you owns 50% of the property so if one dies without a will, the property will not go automatically to the other but instead the state will decide where 50% of the property will go. By the way, please check the title to your property so you know how it is held.

Many people I talk to think that putting their child on the deed to their property solves their problem about not having a will or a trust. But, there are tax and other consequences of doing this. Let's say you bought a house for \$50,000 and market value is now \$100,000. If you put your child on the deed now, that child "takes" their interest in the prop-

erty at the value you paid for the property, not at market value. That means, if the child sells the property when you die, the child will have to pay tax on the difference between \$50,000 and \$100,000. If the child takes the property when you die through a will or a trust, however, the child takes the property at market value and when they sell it for \$100,000, no tax is owed. And there are other reasons not to put your child on your deed. Once you do so, you expose yourself to the child's creditors. Those creditors may have claims on all the child's property, including property formerly owned solely by you.

4. IT'S TOO EXPENSIVE: Have you ever purchased a big screen TV? The average cost of a will is about the same as a big screen TV. Trusts are more expensive but do not require that your beneficiaries pay legal fees for probate. Legal fees for making the probate filings can easily become far more costly than a trust. I know some people are using will forms provided online and a word of caution about those. First, the online services do not provide legal advice. It is one form fits all and if you do not fit into the form, too bad for you. After hundreds of years, certain common language has developed that is used in a will or a trust and expertise is required to use that language. You would not go to a plumber to perform surgery on you. Why trust something as important as your family to chance? Creating a will or a trust is your last act of love and affection for your family. What price can you put on that?

5. MY FAMILY WILL TAKE **CARE OF EVERYTHING:** Whoa. The excuse that "my family will take care of everything" is simply not true. It is amazing how many families fight during the probate process, with or without a will. And, I am not talking about fights over huge estates. Otherwise normal families allow themselves to be torn apart arguing over property-without a will or a trust, the arguments can take on epic proportions. "Dad loved me best" and wanted me to have the gun collection, "Mom told me she wanted me to have the diamond ring". Old wounds reopen, childhood memories come flooding back and family nightmares are common during the probate process. Some people think that the best approach is to leave everything to one child, counting on that child to distribute everything to his or her siblings. Keep in mind that if you leave all your property to one child, that child is under no obligation to share it with siblings even if you specifically put your intention in writing. Even if that child is attentive to your wishes, what if that child has a spouse who wants all the property for themselves? The only way to resolve the situation is to speak through a will or a trust and make known your wishes while you are alive.

The bottom line is protect your loved ones. Stop procrastinating. Make a will or a trust and do it now.

Join me for a free seminar on estate planning at the Law Office of Lynda J. Striegel, 8906 Bay Avenue, North Beach, MD 20714. Our next seminar will be on April 17. 2019. Call 301-855-2246 to reserve a seat.

By LYN STRIEGEL



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16 Feature The Calvert County Times Thursday, March 21, 2019

Calvert Ranks One of State's Healthiest

Study Rates Every County in Country

By Dick Myers Editor

How healthy is Calvert County.? A nationwide study of all counties in the country concludes Calvert is doing pretty well, especially when compared to Maryland's other 22 counties and Baltimore city. The study by the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute, with support from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, showed Calvert 4th in Health Outcomes and 5th in Health Factors.

According to the report, "Health outcomes in the County Health Rankings represent measures of how long people live and how healthy people feel. Length of life is measured by premature death (years of potential life lost before age 75) and quality of life is measured by self-reported health status (percentage of people reporting poor or fair health and the number of physically and mentally unhealthy days within the last 30 days) and the percentage of low birth weight newborns."

The report also says, "Health factors in the County Health Rankings represent the focus areas that drive how long and how well we live, including health behaviors (tobacco use, diet and exercise, alcohol and drug use, sexual activity), clinical care (access to care, quality of care), social and economic factors (education, employment, income, family and social support, community safety), and the physical environment (air and water quality, housing and transit).

Calvert ranks first in Southern Maryland. Baltimore city is at the bottom of the list, but the next three lowest ranked counties are rural, on the Eastern Shore.

Yet the high ranking doesn't mean that the county is immune from health concerns. The 2017 Community Health Needs Assessment prepared by CalvertHealth Medical Center with the assistance of the Calvert County Health Department lists exercise, nutrition and weight (includes obesity), cancer, heart disease and stroke, mental health and mental disorders all as "Prioritized Health Needs."

Calvert County Health Officer Dr. Larry Polsky has confidence in the Wisconsin assessment. He said, "It is reliable data. They take into account things like infant mortality rates, HIV sexually transmitted infections, teen births, smoking and obesity. They also factor in access to health care providers. I think that as a county we do very well. There's certainly more room for improvement.

"Things that we have seen on the plus side is a significant decrease in the percentage of adults in Calvert who smoke over the past 10 to 15 years. But we've also seen some increases in obesity rates, which mirror increases across the country. It's not unique to Calvert, but that is an area where if we can start to see obesity rates start to trend back down, I think that's going to push us even higher in the

rankings. It's probably the one single factor that we can improve more than anything else."

Regarding the Prioritized Health Needs, CalvertHealth Associate Vice President of Corporate Communication and Philanthropy Theresa Johnson explained, "For each priority area, there is an action plan for how CalvertHealth intends to address it. The plan is multifaceted in its approach showing the identified need/priority area, key issues, data scoring and the implementation plan."

"Every day we work to make significant progress on the top priority health needs for our community. Sometimes it takes a financial commitment like renovating our Behavioral Health Unit; in other instances, it's educating our community about making healthy choices through classes and events. At the end of the day, it's about making an impact on the health and well-being of our community members," CalvertHealth President and CEO Dean Teague told The County Times.

At the March 12 Calvert County Board of County Commissioners meeting, a representative of Blue Cross/Blue Shield noted what she perceived as a lack of urgent care facilities in the county as one of the health care gaps. But Johnson points out that CalvetHealth has a partnership with Choice One Urgent Care that now operates facilities in North Beach, Dunkirk, Prince Frederick and Solomons.

Chief Medical Officer/VP of Medical Affairs Dr. Michael Brooks said, "I think that currently the number of medical facilities we have in Calvert County can by and large for the most part address the gaps in care that just about anybody would need in our population."

The overuse of CalvertHealth's emergency room is certainly not just a local problem. At the commissioner meeting it was said that the shortage of primary care physicians is what may be driving people to the emergency room. But that shortage is also a nation-wide problem, according to Drs. Polsky and Brooks.

Since Calvert County pays a significant portion of their employee's health premium, getting their employees to choose an urgent care facility instead of the emergency room is of prime concern, since an emergency room visit costs \$1,000 while urgent care is closer to \$100. The difference is ultimately borne by the county's taxpayers.

Dr. Brooks refuted the contention that the emergency room often sends patients across the street to the urgent care facility. He says the emergency room accepts all patients, but it could be the other way around, in which the urgent care facility sends over the more serious cases to the emergency room.

Dr. Polsky said there are still some gaps in specialized care, largely due to the county's population and rural nature. He said, "Specialty care is particularly problematic with pediatric issues, but af-



Groundbreaking in May 2018 for the CalvertHealth expainsion

fects adults as well. Looking at obesity as an example, there's never been enough endocrinologists who will specialize in thyroid problems, diabetes problems, other hormonal issues that affect obesity."

Dr. Polsky added, "When it comes to the more rural that you get, the less attractive it tends to be for health professionals. There are a variety of reasons. It's not so much that you get reimbursed less than in a more urban area, but it's more lifestyle issues. And then realistically you need enough patients to keep a practice going and it's harder to have a half a physician or a half a nurse practitioner. So, if you can't keep people employed full time, it can become more difficult."

It's not just us, he insisted, "I just want to make sure that it's understood that these are not specific to Calvert County. You're seeing the same issues over in St. Mary's, same issues on the Eastern Shore and in western Maryland

Dr. Brooks said, "I don't think you ever have enough primary care physicians, but we've been very happy to add a couple of new primary care practices there.' He added, "I think there's active and ongoing efforts to continue to build primary care practitioners in the county to meet all the needs in any potential gaps that might arise."

Dr. Brooks, who is a primary care physician himself, feels reimbursement is an issue. "The state of Maryland as a whole is underserved by primary care practitioners. We are reimbursed the lowest levels for practitioners of any state in the country," he said.

The CalvertHealth expansion now underway, which includes an increase in the number of private care rooms, will be a significant bonus for health care quality, Dr. Brooks said. "I think it's going to be a wonderful change for our patients to have all private rooms. We will set the benchmark for Southern Maryland. We are going to have private rooms that will ensure patient confidence in their communication with their doctors and their nursing team and their families. "

Although it is not among the listed prioritized health needs, access to health care is mentioned and was discussed by the group assembled to establish the priorities.

The Calver Community Health Needs Assessment showed a variety of health indicators in which minorities have higher rates, including "adults unable to afford to see a doctor." Cost and limited availability are listed in the report as a "barriers to care" along with transportation.

The CalvertHealth report can be viewed online at https://www.calverthealthmedicine.org/Uploads/Public/Documents/CommunityNeeds/CHS%20FY17%20Implementation%20Plan%20FINAL.pdf

The Wisconsin report on Maryland goes into greater detail about gaps in health care for the minority population. The report says, "Health is influenced by a range of factors. However, social and economic factors, like connected and supportive communities, good schools, stable jobs, and safe neighborhoods, are foundational to achieving long and healthy lives. These social and economic factors also influence other important drivers of health and health equity. Social and economic factors impact our ability to make healthy choices, afford medical care or housing, and even manage stress leading to serious health problems. The choices we make are based on the choices we have.

"Across the nation, there are meaningful differences in social and economic factors among counties and among racial/ethnic groups. Even within counties, policies and practices marginalize many racial and ethnic groups, keeping them from resources and supports necessary to thrive. Limited access to opportunities is what creates disparities in health, impacting how well and how long we live."

The Wisconsin Health Rankings Report for Maryland also has a page full of ideas that can be used by communities to create opportunity and health for all. They fall into four broad categories:

- Invest in education from early child-hood through adulthood to boost employment and career prospects.
- Increase or supplement income and support asset development in low income households.
- Ensure that everyone has adequate, affordable health care coverage and receives culturally competent services and care.
- Foster social connections within communities and cultivate empowered and civically engaged youth.

To learn more detail about the strategies, you can go to www.county-healthranking.org/whatworks

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Thursday, March 21, 2019 The Calvert County Times Entertainment

The Joint Will Be Jumping CSM Sets Annual Jazz Festival

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

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

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

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

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

An integral part of the Pittsburgh jazz community, Moore is a member of RH Factor – the Roger Humphries

Quintet, the 21st Century Swing Band, and leads his own quartet. He performs regularly with the Norman David Eleventet in Philadelphia and has also performed with the Smithsonian Jazz Masterworks Orchestra, Bob Mintzer Big Band, Toshiko Akiyoshi, Ahmad Jamal and appeared on Bob Mintzer's GRAMMY nominated album "For the Moment." Moore has shared the stage as a featured soloist with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, members of the Pittsburgh Jazz Orchestra, and NEA Jazz Master Phil Woods for the reprisal of the famous Charlie Parker with Strings material and the equally notable Clifford Brown with Strings repertoire for the final performance of Woods' career. Moore is a renowned conference performer, adjudicator, clinician, and guest lecturer.

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

Press Release from CSM

a View From The BLEACHERS

Aunts, Honest Abe and Shameless Fraud

By Ronald N. Guy Jr. Contributing Writer

I had a special aunt growing up. You know the profile: younger, cooler than your parents, actually listened to your problems and offered advice like she could remember the struggles of adolescence. Unlike mom and dad, her default mode didn't involve lecturing, judging or reprimanding. She was kind and jovial, didn't embarrass you around friends and didn't make you earn a piece of cake by choking down vegetables.

Okay, she wasn't really my aunt – or just my aunt. For anyone and everyone who viewed the television show "Full House" with any regularity, she was our Aunt Becky.

Last week, in one of those reality ruins fantasy moments or, more specifically, when the real person destroys the character, we learned that Lori Loughlin, the actor who played Aunt Becky, is a crook. Loughlin, it is alleged, is one of nearly three dozen wealthy parents who used the services of William Singer, miscreant college recruiter for the stars, to develop fraudulent applications and bribe school officials to ensure their otherwise undeserving children were granted admission to prestigious institutions across the country. Aside from the dirty dollars that exchanged hands, the trust fund babies' applications included doctored ACT and SAT scores and faked photos of the "students" playing lower-on-the-radar sports (rowing, soccer, volleyball, etc.) they had never actually participated in.

Aunt Becky, how could you?

See if this sounds familiar: I had the good fortune of attending Towson State University (now just Towson University). Mid-sized, state school. Largely unknown to non-lacrosse fans outside the mid-Atlantic region. A prestigious institution? Not by any outside measure, but to me it is. I got there based on my (modest) academic credentials and graduated because of my own sweat. I did not play sports at Towson because...I wasn't good enough. That's how it's supposed to work. You get in, play and graduate - or not - based on your own credentials, talent and willingness to work.

It would be recklessly naïve, though, to think privilege and connections don't influence the admissions process. As Deep Throat said to The

Washington Post reporter Bob Woodward during the Watergate investigation, "Follow the money." Follow it indeed. President Trump's academic record and path to the University of Pennsylvania (Wharton) is shrouded in mystery and former President George W. Bush's stint at Yale and with the Texas Air National Guard is dubious at best. But Loughlin and her associates were involved in blatant fraud, a do-whatever-it-takes - money, test scores, manufactured profiles - to get my child admitted because it is their right, their privilege. The outrageous mentality values perceived entitlement because of economic or social standing over merit. The audacity and arrogance is enraging, but not surprising. Still, it p---s me off!

My fellow parents and guardians, see if this also sounds familiar: My oldest is in high school and is on the cusp of the college hunt. It seems daunting, a vastly different and more complicated process than I remember. My wife and I are worried. Our festering anxiety is based on this unfortunate reality: the gap between those with and without an advanced education has widened even since we were roaming college campuses in the 1990s. Good grades, strong standardized test scores, participation in a variety of extracurricular activities. volunteer work and endorsements are all part of constructing a strong candidacy. Then there's the financial aspect (something else that's changed dramatically in the last 20 years) - determining what is affordable and locating and competing for scholarships.

Competing...now there's a word. Just like when an umpire yells "play ball" or a referee tosses the ball up to start a basketball game, ultimately most parents and children (or those with any moral compass) just want an ability to compete fairly during the college admissions process. We owe that to our children. To think that more qualified candidates lost opportunities because of this criminal scheme is unconscionable. Shame on all involved.

Abraham Lincoln once said, "Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power." It is a simple test that many powerful people have failed. Aunt Becky is just the latest.

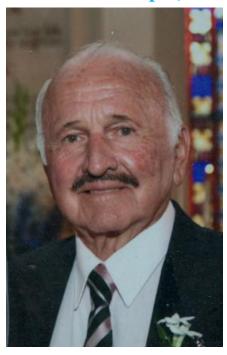
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In Remembrance

The Calvert County Times runs complimentary obituaries as submitted by funeral homes and readers. We run them in the order we receive them. Any submissions that come to jenicoster@countytimes.net after noon on Mondays may run in the following week's edition.

John Archie Soper, Sr.



John Archie Soper, Sr., 90, of Tracy's Landing passed away March 15, 2019 at his residence. He was born February 17, 1929 in Maryland Park, MD to John Edward and Martha Ethel (Bell) Soper. John was raised Prince George's County and graduated from Maryland Park High School. John joined the United States Army on April 3, 1951 and was honorably discharged April 3, 1953. He married Beverly Ann Ogle on November 14, 1953 and they lived in Seat Pleasant before moving to Tracy's Landing in 1972. John was a member of St. James' Parish, the Deale Lions Club, Deale Elks Lodge and Stallings-Williams American Legion Post 206 in Chesapeake Beach. He enjoyed gardening, raising cows and horses, bowling and spending time with his family.

John was preceded in death by his wife Beverly Ann Soper in 2003, grand-daughter Kimberly Gibson Stafford, sisters Gerry Yetter and Janice Soper and brother Merrill Soper. He is survived by his children Debbie S. Gibson and husband Barton of Dunkirk, Janice L. Kent

and husband Ricky of Huntingtown, Tammy L. Hurley and husband Greg of Owings, Linda M. Soper of Ocean City and John A. Soper, Jr. and wife Tracy of Greensboro, MD. He is also survived by 11 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and brother Charles Soper.

Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Home.

Joseph Ernest "Joe" Prowinski



Joseph Ernest "Joe" Prowinski, 75, of Port Republic, MD passed away on March 11, 2019 at Calvert Health Medical Center. Born March 2, 1944 in Philadelphia, PA, he was the son of the late Malcolm John Prowinski and Dotha Sally (Stephens) Prowinski. Joe served in the United States Army from 1963 until 1967. He was an elevator mechanic for IUEC-Local 10 until his retirement in 1996. Joe is survived by his wife, Toni D. Prowinski whom he married on May 29, 1971 in Rockford, IL; his children, Jason Prowinski (Jolie), and Jennifer Bruno (Louie) of Calvert County, MD; three grandchildren; and siblings John Prowinski and Joan Patton-Caraleri both of California, MD.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105; Link: https://www.stjude.org

Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Home.

William Robert "Bobby" Franklin



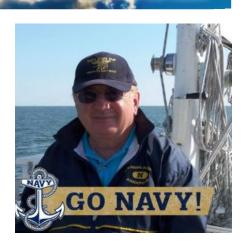
William Robert "Bobby" Franklin, 71, a lifelong resident of Deale, passed away February 17, 2019 at his residence. He was born August 15, 1947 in Annapolis to Tilghman and Beatrice Irene (Manifold) Franklin. Bobby was raised in Deale and graduated from Southern High School in Lothian in 1965. He joined the United States Air Force January 26, 1968 and was honorably discharged June 30, 1969 as a Sgt. after earning the National Defense and Viet Nam Service Medals. Bobby was a mechanic and travel lift operator and owned and operated Manifolds Marina, now known as Bay Harbor Marina in Deale. Bobby enjoyed fishing, watching Western movies, eating, and spending time at his home in the Florida Keys. Bobby was preceded in death by his wife Kim Piaskowski in 2014, and is survived by his friend Denise Klein of Deale, numerous cousins, his friend and god-daughter Melody Petro Vandevort of Churchton, and many other friends.

A Memorial Visitation will be held Saturday, May 4, 2-19, 2-5 p.mn. at Bay Harbor Marina, 6029 Herring Bay Road, Deale, MD 20751.

Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Hone.

Michael J McNelly

Michael J McNelly, 73, of Dunkirk, MD passed away March 10, 2019 at George Washington University Hospital. Michael was born in Boston, Massachusetts on October 5th, 1945 to Rose (Gonsalves) and Bertram Joseph McNelly. His dad was career Army officer; and his family was stationed in several parts of the United States, Germany and Asia. Michael attended Munich Ameri-



can High School (Munich, Germany) for 3 years, and finished his senior year at Glen Burnie High School in 1963. He graduated from the University of Baltimore with a Bachelor of Science; cum laude, in 1978. He was a United States Navy Vietnam War Veteran, serving from 1964-66 and was awarded the National Defense and Viet Nam Service Medals. He then became a Police Officer for Anne Arundel County for 26years, achieving the rank of Lieutenant. He was later a member of the Anne Arundel County Board of Education for 10 years, the Coalition for Fair Contracting and Retired CAO National Alliance for Fair Contracting, Inc., and was a former member of Maryland's Apprenticeship and Training Council, a former Director Military Order of the Purple Heart Service Foundation, and former Board of Director of the BWI Development Council. He was also a devout member of Jesus the Good Shepherd Catholic parish in Owings, MD

Mike's hobbies included "Chilly Wagging" (Irish term) with friends, boating, fishing, reading countless books, photography, writing poems and prose, traveling, singing to his wife, and football (Navy and the Giants). His favorite pastimes as he was slowing down were watching "Price is Right" and snuggling with Guiness and Kegger (dogs), and most importantly spending time with his family and friends.

Mike is survived by his wife of 47 years, Mary B. "Deb" McNelly, a son; Sean M. McNelly, a daughter Kerry M. Lennon (spouse Joseph M. Lennon, III), and four grandchildren, Alexandra Paige Askew-McNelly, Fiona Gerhard McNelly, Joseph M. Lennon, IV and Liam M. Lennon. He is also survived by a sister Carol Bridges of Little Rock, Arkansas, 8 nieces and nephews, and many great nieces and nephews. Mike was preceded in death by his parents Bertram and Rose McNelly, and sisters Barbara J. Cooper and Mary Lee Hawley.

Visitation will be Friday, April 5, 2019, 11 a.m. to noon at Covenant Community of Jesus the Good Shepherd, 1601 W. Mt Harmony Road, Owings, MD 20736. Memorial mass will follow at noob at the church. Interment will be in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers; please donate to the following: NEADS World Class Service



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Dogs (re: servicemen with PTSD), P.O. Box 1100, Princeton, Massachusetts 01541 (check their website for more in depth information) or the Togo Teak Tree Project, P.O. Box 130, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20884 (providing water wells in TOGO, Africa).

Mabel Lee Herring



Mabel Lee Herring, 92, of Prince Frederick, Maryland passed away on March 11, 2019 in Prince Frederick, Maryland. She was born on July 1, 1926 in Dowell, MD to the late Bryan and Ethel Humphreys Garner. Mabel was a very strong women both mentally and physically and she loved her family dearly. She would often go on trips with her sister around the country to visit friends and family, and enjoyed celebrating birthdays and special occasions on her hill surrounded by those she loved. She was a very good cook and her grandchildren were known to pretend they were sick just so they could stay home from school and have grandma cook some of their favorite treats for them to help make them feel better. Mabel was a long time member of Trinity United Methodist Church.

Mabel was the devoted wife of the late Elmer E. Herring, Jr. and beloved mother of Evelyn Kay Trimbath and her husband Phillip, Keith Bryan Herring and his wife Brenda, Peggy Lee White, Warren Mark Herring and his wife Mary and the late Jo Anne Windsor. Grandmother of Jeffrey Barnes, Troy Herring and his wife Emily, Kurt Herring and his wife Charisse, Wendy Herring, Gina Ferrell, Angie Patterson, Dawn Shilkoski and her husband John, Molly Herring, Warren Mark Herring, Jr. and Emily Windsor. Great Grandmother of eleven, she is also survived by one great great grandson and a brother, Bryan Garner.

Memorial contributions may be made to either Trinity UMC, St. Jude's Children's Hospital or the Salvation Army.

Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Home.

Norma Jean Melcher



Norma Jean Melcher, 79, of Chesapeake Beach passed away March 10, 2019 at her home, surrounded by family. She was born April 11, 1939 in Washington D.C. to Norman N. Sr., and Vivian Inez (Slater) Fletcher. Norma was raised in Hyattsville and graduated from Northwestern High School. She married Donald Melcher on June 29, 1957 and they lived in Hyattsville and Adelphi before moving to Chesapeake Beach in 2000. Norma was primarily a homemaker and later worked as a transporter for MARC, now known as The ARC of Montgomery County. Norma was a member of Jesus the Divine Word Catholic Church and enjoyed crabbing, cooking and spending time with her family.

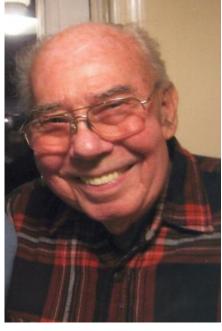
She is survived by her loving husband, Donald Vincent Melcher, daughter Cheryl Ann Lewis of Beltsville and grandchildren Michael Melcher, Carolyn Huddleston and husband Adam and Dale and Shelby Lewis. Also surviving are greatgrandchildren William and Brianna Huddleston, sister Ruth Bowen, brother Norman Fletcher, Jr., goddaughter Lori Jean Bowen-Ferranti, sixteen nieces and nephews and her beloved dog Daisy. Norma was preceded in death by her son Brian Richard Melcher, sister Peggy Snyder and nephew Stephen Charlton.

Visitation will be Saturday, March 23, 2019, 10-11 a.m. at Jesus the Divine Word Catholic Church, 885 Cox Road, Huntingtown, MD 20639. Memorial mass will follow at 11 a.m. at the church. Interment will be private.

Memorial contributions may be made to Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, 26 Broadway, 14th floor, New York, NY 10004; 800-533-2873; Link: https://www.jdrf.org/

Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Home.

William Leroy "Bill" Brady



William Leroy "Bill" Brady, 85, of Huntingtown, MD passed away March 9, 2019 at his residence. He was born July 13, 1933 in Prince Frederick to Sarah E. (Gibson) and Leroy F. Brady. He was raised in Calvert County and graduated from Calvert High School. Bill was

employed as a carpenter and worked in home building in Calvert County, kitchen and bath construction in Washington, and was a commercial construction foreman in Calvert County before his retirement. In his leisure time Bill enjoyed gardening and yard work, crafting and fixing things in his workshop, watching NASCAR , and spending time with his great-granddaughters.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, a sister Edith Brady and a brother Mickey Brady. He is survived by sons William Allan Brady and wife Linda of Warrenton, VA, James F. "Jamie" Brady and wife Anne of Owings, and William Leslie Brady and wife Jackie of Prince Frederick; brothers Robert F. Brady of Hillsboro, AL and Leonard Brady and wife Zeta of Huntingtown, and sisters Peggy Loveless and husband Dick of Huntingtown, Dorothy Bridgett and husband Danny of Charlotte Hall, and Faye Browne and husband Jimmy of Lusby. He is also survived by grandsons BJ Brady, Bo Brady and his fiance Lauren, and Dale Brady, great-granddaughters Gabby and Lacey Brady, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Home.





Community

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.

ONGOING

Broad Perspective

A Photographers' Show. Eclectic styles and visions! A symphony of nature, Americana, wildlife, abstracts, and digital photographic art. Show runs through April 7. Wed-Sun, 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM. calvART Gallery, Prince Frederick Shopping Center. 410-535-9252

March Madness

Newly redesigned gallery featuring artists' works that highlight March -- fierce and calm! Show runs through March 31. ArtWorks@7th, 8905 Chesapeake Ave., North Beach. 410-286-5278

Rise Up!

A Teen Art Exhibit showcasing the talent, creativity and perspective of today's teens. Exhibit runs through April 14. Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center, Dowell Rd., Solomons.

UPCOMING

Backyard Buffers

Maryland Dept. of Natural Resources and Calvert Master Gardeners are offering free tree seedlings to help improve water quality in Calvert County. Residents can choose from two mixes of trees and shrubs. Requests must be received by April 10. Liz Laher, email llaher @umd.edu. 410-535-3662

Tri-County Job & Career Fair

College of Southern Maryland, Center for Business and Industry (BI), La Plata Campus, 8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata

Tuesday, April 9, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Register Now!!! Registration is open until March 26. www.csmd.edu/JobFair. Career Services, 301-934-7569

Thursday, March 21

Night at the Museum: For Young Professionals

Calvert Marine Museum, Solomons 5:30 - 7:00 PM

An evening of meeting and greeting, exploration and discovery hosted by Calvert Marine Museum, The Patuxent Partnership, NextGen Professionals, the Young Professionals Group of Charles County, Calvert Chamber Young Professionals Network, and Pax River Professional Development Council. Free. Pre-registration strongly encouraged. 410-326-2042. www.calvertmarinemuseum.com

Band Wizards/PHS Harlem **Fundraiser**

Patuxent High School, 12485 Southern Connector Blvd. Lusby

6:30 - 9:30 PM

The world-famous Harlem Wizards play a game against a team of Southern Calvert County administrators and teachers. Proceeds benefit the PHS Band Program. Tickets online: www.patuxentband.com/fundraising.html or at the

Friday, March 22

Chef's Choice Dinner

American Legion Post 206, Chesapeake Beach

5:30 - 7:00 PM

Informal dinner hosted by the American Legion Stallings-Williams Post 206 (Venturing Crew 429) in the lower level dining room. \$12 includes side, salad, and beverage. 410-257-9878. Public Welcome. www.ALpost206

Kids Bingo Night

CSA Fieldhouse, 200 Bugeye Square, Prince Frederick,

6:30 - 8:30 PM

\$15/child gets a card to play Bingo and access to Kids Open Gym. Great prizes for the winners! Limited Seats, get your tickets while they last! 443-295-8927. www.fieldhouse@calvertsoccer.org

Spring into Fashion

Northeast Community Center, Chesapeake Beach

7:00 - 9:00 PM

1st Annual Spring Fashion Show! Watch or show off your impeccable fashion sense. For ages 11-17. Register. 410-535-1600 ext. 8210 or 410-257-2554

Tribute to Nat King Cole

Calvert Marine Museum, Solomons 7:00 PM

Maritime Performance Series: Karen Lovejoy and The Lovejoy Group highlight the music, the man, and his influence on jazz. \$20 online and \$25 at the door. Purchase the entire series \$80. 410-326-2042. www.calvertmarinemuseum.com

Sat. & Sun., March 23 & 24

Calvert Artists' Guild Spring Art Show Southern Maryland Sailing Association, 14990 Solomons Island Road, Solomons

10:00 AM - 6:00 PM, Saturday 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM, Sunday

The public is invited to enjoy and purchase the artworks of a dozen of the talented artists of Southern Marvland in mediums such as watercolor, acrylic, clay, textile, and jewelry. Jan Barr 443-404-5746 fujibarr@comcast.net or Kate Dinnel, 410-586-3375, katesilas@comcast.net

Saturday, March 23

Residential Paper Shredding

Appeal Landfill, 401 Sweetwater Rd., Lusby

8:00 AM - Noon

Free paper shred for county residents. Rain or shine. Calvert County residency ID required.

Beach Zumba

Northeast Community Center, Chesapeake Beach

8:50 - 10:00 AM

If you love to dance, this is the fitness class for you. All fitness levels welcome. No experience necessary. Register. Calvert County Parks & Recreation. 410-535-1600 x8200.

Spring Into Spring

Middleham and St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 10210 HG Trueman Rd., Lusby 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

A Day of Happiness! Relaxation, Mindfulness & Meditation, Labyrinths Calm & Relaxation. Happiness Bags & Fun. Fundraiser for Outdoor Labyrinth Restoration Project. Register. 410-231-2227. simplespiritualshift@gmail. com. somdmeditationcommunity.org

Maryland Day

Historic St. Mary's City, 47414 Old State House Road

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Celebrate Maryland's 385th anniversary with ceremony, pageantry, speeches, and free admission to living history and museum exhibits. 240-895-4990, info@HSMCdigshistory.org,

Acoustic Music

American Legion Post 206, Chesapeake Beach

7:00 - 11:00 PM

Acoustic music by Ross Crampton in the Lower Level Lounge. Compliments of the American Legion Stallings Williams Post. 410-257-9878. www.AL-Post206.org

Sunday, March 24

Mulatto, the Black History of Calvert County

North Beach Town Hall, 8916 Chesapeake Ave.

2:00 - 3:00 PM

Based on his book, Michael Kent will discuss a portion of the slave era and the formation of churches and schools after slavery. Free.

Monday, March 25

Firehouse Zumba Gold-Toning

Dunkirk Firehouse, Ward Road 6:30 7:30 PM

A total body workout using light weights. Focus on muscle conditioning, balance, range of motion and coordination. Drop in \$5. Active duty first responders free. 301-520-2338

Tuesday, March 26

Science for Citizens Seminar

Chesapeake Biological Laboratory, Bernie Fowler Lab, 142 William St., Solomons,

7:00 - 8:00 PM

Diversifying the Geosciences: Lessons in culture, inclusion & community engagement. Free. Seating is first-come, first-served. Learn more: http://bit.ly/ Science4Citizens

Wednesday, March 27

Get to Know Hunting Creek

Mully's Brewery, 141 Schooner Lane, Prince Frederick

6:00 - 8:00 PM

Join the Friends of Hunting Creek to learn about the health of Hunting Creek and how you can make a difference! Relax, connect with other community members, and engage in a little trivia!

Snacks provided, beer tastings for purchase. Free. Registration required. app.etapestry.com/onlineforms/AmericanChestnutLandTrust/friendsofhuntingcreek.html.

Thursday, March 28

Where the River Meets the Bay Series

Calvert Marine Museum, Harms Gallery,

Solomons

7:00 PM

The Long Road to Chesapeake Bay Clean Waters: History, Tough Issues and Recent Successes. Presented by Dr. Walt Boynton. The first in a series exploring the history and natural environment of the unique and colorful region in which we reside. Free. 410-326-2042. www.calvertmarinemuseum.com

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Calvert Vents

For more information & to register for events visit http://calvertlibrary.info

Thursday, March 21

Kids Just Want to Have Fun. 6:30-7:30pm. Kids in kindergarten through 3rd grade are invited to this series of exciting events exploring topics from art to history to science. Each month will include fun activities, crafts and a snack! This month's topic: Sophie Germain, Please register. Calvert Library Twin Beaches Branch, 3819 Harbor Road, Chesapeake Beach, 410-257-2411.

Family Night Goes to Outer Space. 7:00-8:00pm. Kids K-7 and their parents learn space by experts and handson interactive experience. This week: The Astronomer's Toolbox: Telescopes. Calvert Library Fairview Branch, Rt. 4 and Chaneyville Road, Owings, 410-257-2101.

Friday, March 22

On Pins & Needles. 1:00-4:00pm. Bring your quilting, needlework, knitting, crocheting, or other project for an afternoon of conversation and shared creativity. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862.

Saturday, March 23

Garden Smarter: Bags, Barrels, and Old Boots. 10:00-11:30am. Learn the essentials for successful container gardening and consider creative combos using vegetables, herbs and flowers. Numerous unique containers are illustrated. Share your own ideas, too! Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862.

Sunday, March 24

Mulatto, the Black History of Calvert County. 2:00-3:00pm. Michael Kent will present a lecture based on his manuscript, Mulatto, the Black History of Calvert County. The manuscript spans his family's presence here in Calvert from 1780 through the Civil Rights movement of the 1960's. This talk will encompass a portion of the slave era and the formation of churches and schools after slavery. Bayside History Museum and Calvert Library host at North Beach Town Hall, 5916 Chesapeake Avenue, North Beach. 410-257-2411.

Monday, March 25

Phillis Wheatley Living History. 7:00-8:30pm. Celebrate Women's History Month! Shemika Berry will present a living history on the life of Phillis Wheatley, the first published African-American poet. "Born in Africa in 1753, Phillis Wheatley was kidnapped at the age of seven and sold into slavery. At nineteen, she became the first black American poet to publish a book, Poems on Various Subjects: Religious and Moral. Wheatley's poetry created a sensation

throughout the English-speaking world." Amazon. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862.

Tuesday, March 26

Flying Needles. 6:00-9:00pm. Knitting, crocheting and portable crafting group open to anyone wanting to join in and share talents, crafting time or learn a new skill. No registration. Calvert Library Southern Branch, 13920 H. G. Trueman Road, Solomons, 410-326-5289.

Wednesday, March 27

Brain Games: Mahjongg, Scrabble & More. 10:00-1:00pm. Want to learn Mahjongg? Hope to make your Scrabble skills killer? Games are a great way to keep your brain sharp while having fun! Join us! Please register. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862.

Happy Crafternoon! 1:00-1:45pm. Children enjoy books and language through short stories and create fun art projects using a variety of techniques and mediums. For 3 to 5 year-olds. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please register. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862.

Song Circle/Jam Session. 6:30-8:30pm. Singer-musicians trading songs, taking turns in choosing and leading a group of musicians. It's a sing-along with space for learning from each other and trying new things. A range of playing abilities and experience can be expected. Public is welcome to participate. Calvert Library Southern Branch, 13920 H. G. Trueman Road, Solomons, 410-326-5289.

Thursday, March 28

JobSource Mobile Career Center. 1:00-3:00pm. Stop by to visit the JobSource Mobile Career Center for your job search needs! Get job counseling and résumé help, search for jobs and connect with Southern Maryland JobSource. No registration. Calvert Library Southern Branch, 13920 H. G. Trueman Road, Solomons, 410-326-5289.

"I Can" series: The Trades. 6:30-8:00pm. Women can have any career. Middle and high school young women are invited to come meet women in non-traditional careers, learn about their career path and ask questions. Cosponsored by Calvert Commission for Women and Career and Technology Academy. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862.



AARP Tax-Aide Program

Certified Tax-Aide Counselors will be available Monday, February 4 through Friday, April 12, 2019 to prepare individual federal and state tax returns at no cost or lowto-moderate income senior citizens aged 50-plus. You do not have to be an AARP member. All individuals on the return must be present and provide identification (SSN card and photo ID). Senior centers will begin taking calls Monday, January 28. Please call for more information. Calvert Pines, 410-535-4606, North Beach, 410-257-2549, Southern Pines, 410-586-2748.

Legal Aid

Attorney services are available by appointment for those aged 60-plus regarding SSI, benefit denials, disability payments, Social Security and SSI overpayments, debtor and consumer problems, advance directives, and tenant issues. A Legal Aid attorney rotates on a schedule between the three senior centers. Call the specific center for an appointment. Appointments are taken between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., Thursday, March 7 at Southern Pines Senior Center and Thursday, April 11 at Calvert Pines Senior Center.

Living Well with Diabetes

The Calvert County Office on Aging will host a Living Well with Diabetes class on Mondays, beginning April 15, at Southern Pines Senior Center. This free class will help you manage your condition. Call 410-535-5400. Ext. 357 to register.

Calvert Pines Senior Center (CPSC)

Wear your favorite team attire and celebrate Opening Day, Thursday, March 28, 11 a.m. Take a guess at who will be in the next World Series.

Join us for a delicious chicken dinner as you enjoy the award winning movie "Momma Mia", Wednesday, March 27, 4:30 p.m. Fee: \$10. Preregistration is required.

North Beach Senior Center (NBSC)

A group of representatives from the Twin Beaches Library will be visiting with us for Sit-A-Spell with a Librarian, Friday, March 29, 11 a.m. Talk about library programs, books and movies.

Calvert County Public Transportation Division Chief, Sandy Wobbleton will be discussing all that her department has to offer the senior citizens of Calvert County, Tuesday, April 2, 11 a.m.

Southern Pines Senior Center (SPSC)

Join us as we take a look back at (H)Our History: Amelia Earhart, Tuesday, March 26, 11 a.m. Earhart was the first female aviator to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean.

Our Monthly Movie: Ruth Bader Ginsburg Documentary reveals how the quiet, intense Ginsburg became one of the most iconic Supreme Court justices in American history, Thursday, March 28, 1 p.m.

Eating Together Menu

Monday, March 25

Chicken Parmesan w/Tomato Sauce over Spaghetti Noodles, Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Green Beans, Italian Bread, Fresh Orange Slices

Tuesday, March 26

Beef Tips in Gravy over Egg Noodles, Winter Squash, Dinner Roll, Canned Plums

Wednesday, March 27

Baked Chicken Leg, Lentil Soup,

Carrots, Seasoned Greens, Dinner Roll, Fruited Jell-O

Thursday, March 28

Meatloaf, Gravy, Succotash, Kale, Dinner Roll, Orange Sections, Brownie

Friday, March 29

Baked Fish w/Herb & Lemon. Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Seasoned Brown Rice, Seasoned Tomatoes & Zucchini, Dinner Roll, Pineapplee

Lunches are served to seniors, aged 60-plus, and their spouses through Title IIIC of the Older Americans Act. Suggested donation is \$3. To make or cancel a reservation call: Calvert Pines Senior Center at 410-535-4606, North Beach Senior Center at 410-257-2549, or Southern Pines Senior Center at 410-586-2748. Lunches are subject to change.







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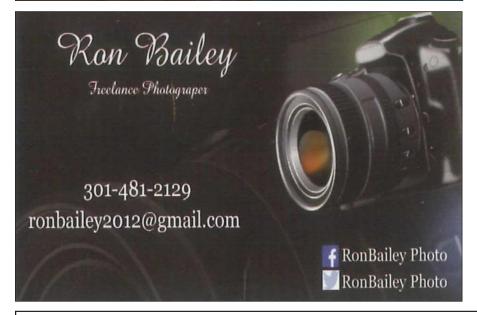
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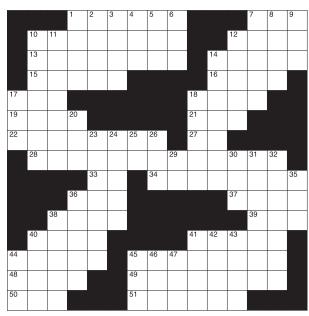
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- 10. Ducks
- 12. Ancient Dead Sea region
- 13. Hatch
- 14. Genus of finches
- 15. Knifes
- 16. Towards the oral region
- 17. Bitter-flavored beer
- 18. Brews
- 19. Hideouts
- 21. Where one sleeps
- 22. Unbroken view of a region
- 27. Hammer is one
- 28. Racing legend
- 33. Commercial
- 34. Understood by just a few

- 36. Global design effort 37. Portuguese folk
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- 41. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
- 44. Dabs
- 45. Bedspread
- 48. Visionary
- 49. Prime Ministers
- 50. Criticize
- 51. Teeter

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- 2. A baseball team
- 3. Taxis
- 4. Baseball stat
- 5. Insecticide
- 6. Midway between

- east and southeast 7. Icelandic poems
- 8. Rocker Rundgren
- 9. Doctors' group
- 10. Inform wrongly
- 11. TVs used to have one
- 12. Long-___: donkeys
- 14. Weasel-like mammal
- 17. Payroll company
- 18. Conductance unit
- 20. Fifth note of a major scale
- 23. Prepares
- 24. Yellow-fever mosquitos
- 25. Partner to Pa
- 26. They _
- 29. Canadian province (abbr.)
- 30. Official
- 31. More colorless
- 32. Goodies
- 35. Sanders was one
- 36. Talkative
- 38. Rips apart
- 40. Chinese Muslim
- 41. Rapid eye
- movements
- 42. Song
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