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Dunkirk Fire and Rescue Department President Scott Peterson (far right) and Fire Captain Toby Seeley (third from right) pose with other members and their rescue firehouse dog.



LOCAL 4

Raising the flag in Solomons on the 4th.



COMMUNITY 8

Watch out for Solomons boat ramp work



ENTERTAINMENT 19

It's "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas"

"THE PUBLIC HEARING IS SCHEDULED FOR 5 P.M. - LONG BEFORE MOST CITIZENS GET HOME FROM WORK."

KEEP CALVERT COUNTRY

WEEKLY FORECAST

Thu 7/11	Fri 7/12	Sat 7/13	Sun 7/14
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County Chided for Plan Hearing 5 p.m. Start

By Dick Myers
Editor

The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners has announced the details of their public hearing on their proposed update to the county's comprehensive plan. The hearing will be on Tuesday, July 23 at Calvert Pines Senior Center in Prince Frederick. The start time will be 5 p.m.

That latter detail, the start time, has drawn criticism from Keep Calvert Country (KCC), the advocacy group that has persistently criticized the comprehensive plan update process and some of the details on that revised plan.

In a blog post on the KCC website, the concern was raised: "The public hearing is scheduled for 5 p.m. - long before most citizens get home from work and we just learned that speakers must sign in to speak before 6 p.m.!"

They also criticized the lack of public presentations on the plan since it was finalized by the planning commission in May of 2018, although there were several public workshops on the plan at which planning staff were on hand to answer citizen questions one on one.

In expressing their disgust of the process, KCC quoted President Abraham Lincoln: "With public sentiment, nothing can fail, without it nothing can succeed."

County Commissioner President Tim Hutchins issued the following response to a request by The County Times for comment:

"The 5 p.m. start time allows for our older population to weigh in earlier in the day and can help keep our constituents from having to stay late in the evening to have their comments heard. A signup sheet will be available for 30 minutes before the public hearing and continuing for an hour after the start time of the hearing.

"Since the initial kick-off of the Comprehensive Plan process in 2016, there have been 97 public meetings including workshops, open houses, events and public hear-

ings. This does not include Planning Commission meetings and special meetings.

"Since April 4, 2019 alone, the date the Board of County Commissioners received the Planning Commission's recommended draft plan, there have been a total of seven meetings including work sessions, public hearings and presentations to various groups.

"Citizens are able to weigh in via the county website by visiting www.calvertcountymd.gov/comprehensiveplan-comments. Completing this form has the same impact as testifying at the hearing. All electronic submissions become part of the official record".

Also, in the blog post, KCC listed eight points in the proposed plan update which they feel need changing:

1. "The plan should promote sustainable development by continuing to link the amount, location and rate of residential growth to county land-use objectives, including highway, school, water quality and aquifer capacities and continuing to monitor residential growth and the effectiveness of existing regulations to control growth.
2. "The plan should not include any maps showing future town center expansion or adjacent residential area boundaries or include any specific zoning changes within these areas. The plan should state that any expansions or changes in zoning should be considered during updates to town center master plans upon consideration of adequacy of the county road network, aquifers and schools.
3. "Proposed to be deleted from plan: [The Plan should not allow privately funded community sewage treatment facilities to serve commercial, industrial, and employment uses outside town centers and within residential areas. Doing so would increase residential and commercial development outside the town centers, creating sprawl, and will result in the County being responsible for the systems if they fail.]

4. "The plan should strengthen its position on land preservation. The plan states that rural character and rural economies are a key to the future of Calvert County but the only actions it calls for will weaken the highly successful program. It should either improve the opportunities to transferable development rights or recommit to the purchase of development rights as began in 1999.

5. "The plan should oppose a bay bridge crossing from Calvert County. Because Calvert only has one main highway, bridge traffic would have a huge impact on quality of life.

6. "The plan should restore the water quality standards for fresh and saltwater and should restore level of service standards for roads that are contained in the current plan.

7. "The Huntingtown citizens convinced the planning commission NOT to expand Huntingtown, yet it is once again proposed to be expanded to include Commissioner McConkey's rural-zoned property. Commercial development of that land will create a bottleneck of traffic at the Cox Road intersection and we should not be expanding any of our town centers across Route 4. How can you have a walkable town when you have to cross a 4-lane highway?

8. "It is important to maintain the designations of Major and Minor Town Centers so that Calvert County does not become just like every other jurisdiction with oversized retail chain stores and restaurants. That type of development is not appropriate in the existing Minor Town Centers."

Several of the leaders of Keep Calvert Country are former planning department staffers, including former director Greg Bowen and planner Mariam Gholl.

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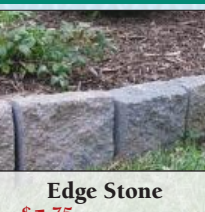
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Solomons Proudly Honors the Flag First 4th of July Ceremony Held



Solomons Civic Association President Ted Haynie (standing) and Bernie Fowler and Commissioner President Tim Hutchins at the first Solomons 4th of July Flag Raising ceremony. Photos courtesy of Joyce Baki for the American Legion Auxiliary Arick L. Lore Post 274.

By Dick Myers
Editor

Honoring the American flag is one traditional and respectful way to celebrate the 4th of July. This year local citizens lined the Solomons boardwalk at the Watermen's Memorial to do just that in what organizers hope will be an annual event.

Solomons Civic Association President Ted Haynie explained that they periodically change the flag that hangs at the memorial and he was asked why they don't make a July 4th ceremony out of it. He took the suggestion and ran with it with the help of Arick L. Lore American Legion Post 274 in Lusby.

"We want to build on the sense of community," Haynie said about the connection between the American Legion post's name-sake, an Army sergeant who was born in Solomons and died in France on October 14, 1918, and the family which ran the historic oyster house across the street from the monument.

Post 1st Vice-Commander Nate Stevens noted that this year marks the 100th anniversary of the founding of the American Legion.

Former state senator and county commissioner Bernie Fowler, 95, a WW II veteran, said he began his championing of the Patuxent River, just a few feet in front of where he was speaking, in the late 1960s and was told then by state officials it would take 20 years to clean it. They are not there yet, he observed.

"I am not discouraged, but I am disappointed," he said.

Fowler said the problem is that the massive Chesapeake Bay watershed is adding a quarter of a million people every year. "We are bringing into the watershed more people than we are able to tolerate" he explained.



Solomons Civic Association President Ted Haynie (right) assisted by John Simpson raise the American flag during the inaugural Solomons 4th of July Flag Raising Ceremony.

Fowler, who grew up during the Great Depression, spoke from experience when he said, "The river was good to us. You never went hungry."

"This river is worth fighting for," Fowler said, adding, "We are not going to give up the fight."

Commissioner President Tim Hutchins, also an Army veteran, noted the recent 75th anniversary of D Day, the Allied invasion at Normandy. He gave a moving account of his visit there for the 60th anniversary.

On the 243rd birthday of our country's founding, Haynie, assisted by John Simpson, hoisted the flag on the pole beside the Watermen's Memorial, proudly flying on Solomons' big day, with the annual boat parade on the river and fireworks over it to follow.

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Zoning Changes Aimed at Agritourism

By Dick Myers
Editor

The Calvert County Planning Commission has recommended that two proposed zoning ordinance amendments aimed at helping the county's burgeoning agritourism industry go to public hearing.

One amendment proposes to permit sales of alcohol not produced on the farm for events held on Farm Breweries, Farm Distilleries and Farm Wineries. A second proposed amendment would allow the same sales for rental facilities on farms, to accommodate caterers.

According to Principal Planner Rachel O'Shea, in the staff report to the planning commission, "A request for a zoning ordinance amendment was submitted by the Mr. Scarborough, owner of Running Hare Vineyard."

The text changes are in a section of the zoning ordinance that deals with "Agritourism, Ecotourism and Heritage Tourism."

The proposal added a condition of health department approval for such sales in addition to being consistent with state and county alcohol laws. That addition was requested by Calvert County Economic Development Advisory Commission and the health department.

The proposal did not have universal support from all the agencies that reviewed it. For instance, the Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board (APAB) wrote, "The APAB voted to recommend



Running Hare Vineyard

denial of the application. Further it is the opinion of the APAB that the proposed text amendment does not serve the purposes of furthering agriculture or the preservation of these landscapes."

Also, the Calvert County Farm Bureau opposed it. President Jason Leavitt wrote: "The Calvert County Farm Bureau is not in favor of Text Amendment 19-03 as worded. There appears to be little to no benefit to the agricultural community as presented. If the wording was changed to include products created utilizing local grapes or grains, it may be supportable. As written, it also seems likely to adversely impact the establishment/sales of locally produced beverages using local inputs in the future."

The various opinions will get a chance to be heard when the planning commission and the Calvert County Board of County Commissioners hold a joint public hearing on the proposal.

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New Director Announced for Jefferson Patterson Park

MD Secretary of Planning Rob McCord has announced Greg Pierce as the new Executive Director of the Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum (JPPM) in Saint Leonard, Calvert County.

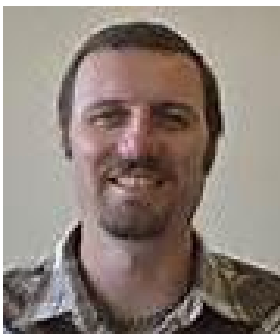
"We are excited Dr. Pierce has joined us here in Maryland to share his expertise and passion for archaeology along with his enthusiasm for improving upon the tradition of JPPM as a premiere site to interact with our past in Maryland," said Secretary McCord.

Pierce holds a BA in Anthropology and History from the University of Arizona, an MA in Anthropology from East Carolina University, and a Ph.D. in Anthropology from the University of Wyoming. He began at JPPM last week.

"I am excited to join the talented staff at JPPM," said Pierce. "I believe

historic preservation is a powerful and effective tool for community engagement and connecting individuals with the past, and look forward to working with JPPM staff to find new and creative ways to bring the cultural heritage represented by the park to life for the people of Maryland."

A native of Pennsylvania, he served as both the Wyoming State Archaeologist and as an Adjunct Professor of Anthropology at the University of Wyoming since 2014. In this position, he also managed the University of Wyoming Archaeological Repository, the only federally recognized repository in the state, conducted archeological research, performed contract services in archeology, and provided technical assistance to citizens and partner agencies. JPPM is located on



Greg Pierce

more than 500 acres along the Patuxent River in beautiful Calvert County. With miles and miles of trails to hike, a visitor center with interactive exhibits, educational programs and events, JPPM connects people to the past through history and archaeology and supports the preservation of Maryland's cultural resources.

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Planning

Development Policy Changes Proposed

By Dick Myers
Editor

The Calvert County Planning Commission has approved moving forward with two changes in the process for reviewing proposed developments and will take those changes for discussion with the county commissioners at a future work session.

One of the changes would add a step to the site plan review process. According to a memo from Deputy Planning and Zoning Director Brittany Waddell, "To incorporate the three-step stormwater management (SWM) state review requirement into the current site plan review process, the Department of Planning & Zoning (P&Z) and the Department of Public Works (DPW) have been assessing the merits of changing the Conceptual Site Plan Review from an optional to a mandatory step in the overall site plan review process. This would effectively result in the site plan review process becoming a three-step process to correspond with current SWM and subdivision review processes. The three-step process would require applicants of both Category I and Category II applications to obtain a Conceptual Site Plan (CSP) approval, Preliminary/Conditional Site Plan approval, and a Final Site Plan approval prior to the issuance of building permits. Staff discussed this proposal with the development community at two prior coordination meetings and received positive input."

The second change deals with what are called "administrative holds." Planning Commission Administrator Carolyn Sunderland said in a staff report: "Within the Department of Planning & Zoning, when reviewing either a subdivision or site plan, there has been a longstanding practice to use an administrative hold to pause the review process in certain instances. These instances could include an unforeseen issue that will require additional time to resolve, or a design change that needs to be re-worked before the project can move forward in the review process. Up until this point,

the Department has never had an official Project Hold Policy."

She further explained, "From the day of acceptance by either the Subdivision Evaluation Group (SEG) or the Technical Evaluation Group (TEG), it is the goal for projects to be able to reach preliminary or conditional approval within 90 days by following the Subdivision and Site Plan Review Process Chart. However, there are many instances that keep a project from reaching final approvals within 90 days.

"The decision to place a project on hold, will be made by the lead planner and/or project manager within the Department of Planning & Zoning, when there is sufficient justification to warrant a hold. The following criteria are a few examples of what would justify a project to be placed on hold:

- "Previous comments made by review agencies but not addressed by the engineer.
- "A major design change with a re-submitted plan that will require major modifications to the project from what was originally submitted.
- "A project that misses the next submittal deadline per the adopted Subdivision and Site Plan Review Charts.
- "A project is missing a supplemental plan, an approval, and/or certification that is required prior to conditional or final approval."

Sunderland reported, "When the decision is made to place a project on hold by the county's project manager, the engineer and applicant will be notified by email the same day with a follow-up letter mailed indicating the justification for the hold. The project will be taken off hold after the project is submitted by the next process chart submittal deadline with the criteria that placed the project on hold resolved. If through the review of the re-submitted project the county project manager determines or is informed the issues were not resolved, the project will be placed on hold again."

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Join the Calvert County Board of County Commissioners and the Department of Economic Development in congratulating the following new, expanded and relocated businesses.

New Businesses

- Carter's Webb Learning Center
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410-414-5084
- Chesapeake Marketing Solutions, LLC
1550 Woods Road, St. Leonard
443-975-3036
- District Sports Consulting
Dunkirk
941-735-5289
- Dunkin' Donuts
30 Old Field Lane, Prince Frederick
240-298-4182

Relocations

- The Connection, Inc.
440 Solomons Island Road,
Suite 214, Prince Frederick
410-834-5395

Expansions

- Mrs. Moo's Corner
3915 Hallowing Point Road, Prince Frederick
410-610-0094

Calvert County is committed to fostering a dynamic and competitive business climate to ensure economic growth and sustainability. These new businesses help stimulate the economy and provide employment opportunities for local residents. For a full listing of all Calvert County businesses, please visit www.eocalvert.com/businesses.

For information on the Calvert County Department of Economic Development and the many services the county offers the business community, contact the department at 410-535-4583 or 301-855-1880; or by email at info@eocalvert.com.

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New Solid Waste Fees Announced

The Calvert County Department of Public Works, Solid Waste Division, announces fee changes for certain services and materials at Appeal Landfill effective July 1, 2019.

Solid Waste Tipping Fees:

- Residential - \$74.16 per ton
- Commercial and out-of-county - \$82.39 per ton

Solid Waste Annual Fee:

- \$142 for all improved residential and commercial property tax bills

Recycling Material Fees:

- Tires (all types) - \$228 per ton
- Brush
 - Residential - \$74.16 per ton
 - Commercial and out-of-county - \$82.39 per ton
- Calvert County Residents and Commercial Only
 - Propane tanks - \$5 per tank (propane tanks one pound or less are free)
 - Other gas cylinders (CO2, O2, fire extinguishers) - \$8 per cylinder
 - Refrigerant appliances (refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, dehumidifiers) - \$10 per appliance. Refrigerant appliances are available for bulk item pick up for Calvert County residents after registration and fee is paid.
- Calvert County Commercial Only
 - Lightbulbs (all types) - 75 cents per pound
 - Oil filters - \$45 per 55-gallon drum



ment and disposal; customer convenience centers cannot accept these items. Appeal Landfill is located at 401 Sweetwater Road in Lusby.

As an enterprise fund operation, which is funded with revenue generated by services provided, the Solid Waste Division recommended an increase to residential and commercial solid waste fees to keep up with market costs and reduce use of prior year funds in the fiscal year 2020 Solid Waste Enterprise Fund budget.

For information about solid waste and recycling fees, call the Calvert County Department of Public Works, Solid Waste Division, at 410-326-0210 or visit www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/Recycle.

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Fees are payable by cash or check only. All chargeable materials must be brought to the Appeal Landfill for pay-

Calvert County Sheriff's Office Crime Blotter

During the week of June 24 – 30 deputies of the Calvert County Sheriff's Office responded to 1,586 calls for service throughout the community.

Damaged Property: 19-37132

On June 29, 2019 Deputy Wilder responded to Hance Road, Port Republic for the report of damaged property. The complainant advised on June 27th at 6:30 PM he heard what he thought was gun shots or fireworks. On June 28th he noticed damage to a wall inside the residence and a hole in the siding outside of the residence. A bullet was found lying on the carpet inside. The estimated value of damage is \$15.

Damaged Property: 19-37281

On June 30, 2019 Deputy Savick responded to Leesburg Court, Huntingtown for the report of damaged property. The complainant advised around 2:00 AM an unknown suspect set a mailbox on fire then left the scene. The value of damaged property is \$100.

Theft: 19-36173

On June 25, 2019 Cpl. Kreps responded to Harris Teeter in Dunkirk for the report of a theft. The complainant advised on June 17th at 2:30 AM and on June 24th at 12:42 AM an unknown female came to the gas pumps and stole 6 traffic cones and 2 squeegees. The estimated value of stolen property is \$188.

Theft: 19-36632

On June 27, 2019 Cpl. Harms responded to Viola Court, Lusby for the report of a theft. The complainant advised an unknown suspect(s) stole the water heater from the residence. The value of the water heater is approximately \$2,000.

ARRESTS:

On June 24, 2019 Deputy Mason conducted a traffic stop in the area of Old Town Road and Hunting Creek Road in Huntingtown. The driver, **Robert Samuel Berry (61)**, advised he did not



have a driver's license. Calvert Emergency Communications advised Berry's license was revoked through Maryland. Berry was placed under arrest and transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where he was issued a traffic citation for Driving on Revoked License and Privilege.

On June 24, 2019 Calvert Emergency Communications advised deputies to look out for a Ford truck with a male inside waving a firearm around. Deputy Sturdivant observed the vehicle pull into the Red Roof Liquor Store in Dunkirk and conducted a felony traffic stop. Three occupants were removed from

the vehicle and detained. A search of the vehicle revealed a black BB gun that looked very similar to an actual firearm. The driver, **Sean Luke Braziel (28)**, was



the male seen waving the gun around at cars passing by. Braziel was placed under arrest and transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where he was charged with Disorderly Conduct and Reckless Endangerment.

On June 26, 2019 Deputy Bowlan conducted a traffic stop on S. Solomons Island Road in the area of Southern Connector Blvd in Lusby. Upon making contact with the driver, **Dennis Blaine Bettis (58)**, Deputy Bowlan detected



the odor of marijuana emanating from the vehicle and saw marijuana flakes on his lap. A search of the vehicle revealed 34 suspected Oxycodone Hydrochloride pills, a cut red straw with white powdery residue, a pill crusher, a prescription bottle with marijuana and a grinder with marijuana residue. Bettis was placed under arrest and transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where he was charged with CDS: Possession-Not Marijuana and CDS: Possession of Paraphernalia.

On June 27, 2019 Deputy Sampson conducted a traffic stop in the area of N. Solomons Island Road and Dares Beach Road in Prince Frederick. A search of the vehicle revealed two marijuana cigarettes. The driver, **Tina Louise Jackson (40)**, began flailing her arms in the air



and yelling while Deputy Murphy attempted to search her person. Jackson continued to yell and curse which caused a scene, therefore, Deputy Sampson discontinued the search and placed Jackson under arrest. Jackson was transported

to the Calvert County Detention Center where she was charged with Disorderly Conduct and Failure to Obey Lawful Order.

On June 27, 2019 Deputy Pounsberry conducted a traffic stop on N. Solomons Island Road at Honey Suckle Lane in Owings. A search of the vehicle revealed a loaded Revolver with five rounds of ammunition, a digital scale with white powder residue on it, a plastic bag with white powder residue in it, plastic sandwich bags and two plastic bags with suspected cocaine. A search of the driver, **Michael Wayne Jenkins (40)**, revealed over \$800



cash in his pockets. Jenkins was placed under arrest and transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where he was charged with CDS: Possession with Intent to Distribute, CDS: Common Nuisance: Distribute Narcotics, Firearm/Drug Trafficking Crime, CDS: Distribution with Firearm, Firearm Use/Fel-

ony-Violent Crime, Illegal Possession of Regulated Firearm, Loaded Handgun in Vehicle, Handgun in Vehicle, Handgun on Person, Loaded Handgun on Person, Illegal Possession of Ammunition, CDS: Possession-Not Marijuana and CDS: Possession of Paraphernalia.

On June 30, 2019 Deputy R. Evans responded to Thunderbird Trail in Lusby for the report of a fight. Upon arrival Deputy Evans was speaking with a female about what happened when **Christopher Jajuan Commodore (20)**



began yelling at him, interfering with the investigation. Commodore's friends attempted to calm him down but were unsuccessful. Commodore was placed under arrest and transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where he was charged with Disorderly Conduct.



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Solomons boat ramp

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The boat ramp and pier will remain open during most of this period. However the ramp and pier will be temporarily closed during line painting in front of the boat ramp. Delays may occur when entering or exiting the ramp. The schedule is subject to change based on weather conditions.

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Cedar Point Wins National Award for Social Responsibility



On June 3, 2019, Cedar Point was honored to be presented with the prestigious Dora Maxwell Social Responsibility Community Service Award from the Credit Union National Association (CUNA) and the MDDC Credit Union Association. Winning first place in the state of Maryland, the local credit union will now move into consideration at the national level.

"All credit unions focus on their communities," says CEO Charles Roach. "And all credit unions face the challenge of how to do that best and how to really own it. At Cedar Point, we believe in building meaningful partnerships in our communities." Whether that is through making a financial commitment or making a commitment to simply being present, Cedar Point has made a monumental effort to get out and support the community in the past two years.

Since 2017, Cedar Point has helped rebuild homes with Christmas in April,

helped with Earth Day revitalization, gathered and delivered supplies to hurricane victims, delivered nearly 1000 winter coats to local missions and spent time with members of the special needs community through their partnership with SMCR. "And those are just the things we've done together as a team," says Marketing Manager Kristin Kauffman. "In just the first five months of 2019, our employees have dedicated over 586 hours of their personal time to community projects. I think that CUNA really sees our efforts as representing the values of the credit union movement."

The Dora Maxwell award was given to recognize the volunteer service that the credit union's employees have worked so hard to make happen. "This award would not have been possible without our tireless employees," says Roach. "Their creativity and dedication inspires our management team and we have the deepest respect for each of them."

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Army Veteran Receives a 244th Birthday Present



Pictures show work being done on the Smith home by volunteers from Patuxent Habitat for Humanity, Christmas in April, Calvert County, Exelon Militaries Actively Connected (EMAC) and several other organizations.

Friday June 14th, the birthday of the United States Army and Flag Day seemed to be fitting for Patuxent Habitat for Humanity Veteran Critical Repair program in partnership with Christmas in April, Calvert County, Exelon Militaries Actively Connected (EMAC) and several other volunteers to build a ramp for the Army veteran John Smith and his wife in Great Mills..

Mr. & Mrs. Smiths' need was brought to the attention of Patuxent Habitat for Humanity by the local chapter of the Disabled American Veterans Organization (D.A.V.).

The Habitat is always in need of volunteers from professional (plumbers, roofers, carpenters etc.) to those who just want to help someone. Patuxent Habitat for Humanity believes: Everyone especially our veterans deserve a decent place to live, with the dignity they have earned by serving us!

The Patuxent Habitat for Humanity Veteran Critical Repair Program is designed to repair homes for military veterans and their families. The program will assist with repairs identified in Habitat's Critical Home Repair guidelines that may vary from roof repair

and structural wall repairs to installing wheel chair ramps and remodeling bathrooms to be easily used by veterans with disabilities. If you would like to donate or volunteer for veteran programs please call Laurie at 301-863-6227x16 or email laurie@patuxenthabitat.org for more information.

Patuxent Habitat for Humanity is an affiliate of Habitat for Humanity International and works to create decent, affordable housing in partnership with those in need in St. Mary's and Calvert counties. We are building strength, stability and independence by building on

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Dunkirk Volunteers: Doing Double Duty

By Dick Myers
Editor

Company 5, Dunkirk Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Department formed their charter on March 31, 1981 and officially opened as the Dunkirk Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department on July 1, 1981.

Their first building was where the Wawa now sits at the corner of Route 4 and W. Ward Road. They moved into their new facility farther down W. Ward Road in 2006.

The company had its roots as a substation of the North Beach Volunteer Fire Department from 1975 until becoming its own company in 1981.

The company is organized with Fire Chief Toby Seeley being the head operational officer. He said, "I have an assistant chief and two deputy chiefs. I have a deputy chief of fire and a deputy chief of EMS. His name is John Riffe, and he directly manages the EMS operations here."

President Richard "Scott" Peterson is the head administrative officer. In Dunkirk, he oversees the budget, fundraising, grounds and building, and the various

committees, which he said can always use help, even from people not interested in or suited for making fire or rescue calls.

"We can always find something for people to do," he said.

The company with 141 members is for Calvert County not uniquely both a fire and rescue organization. Some members serve in both capacities and are urged to cross train; others serve in one or the other service. But what is unique is that both of the company's leaders are also career, paid firemen, in the Washington, DC Fire Department. What positions Dunkirk as a Washington, DC bedroom community also makes that commute for a job in emergency services possible for the two men and others in the department.

What motivates someone to spend countless hours doing something as a full-time job (some are also police officers) and then come home and do the same thing on their free time as a volunteer?

Seeley said, "I just have something inside of me. Some guys get their satisfaction out of golfing a good game, playing softball or going fishing every day. I get mine off of being able to make a difference in some-

one's life.

"And the main thing that gives me satisfaction is seeing how much I can improve the delivery of service from Dunkirk Fire Department to our citizens. I gauge that off of opportunities that are available for my members for training, advances in equipment that we have. The more that I can improve the department and what we have to offer to our community, the better I feel about myself."

Both Seeley and Peterson got the bug early. Seeley has been with the department for 24 years. "I've been hanging out here since I was a kid. I joined when I turned 16 and came up through all the ranks and now, I'm the boss."

Seeley recalls the "ah ha" moment when he was 10 or 11. "I remember going out there with my dad. I remember watching, hearing him put a house fire out in Anne Arundel County and watching everybody scramble. I actually didn't know what was going on at the time, but I just kind of digested everything and watched everybody get on the fire trucks and take off up Route 4 and it's kind of like something bit me. I was like, I want to do that. So, every Friday night until I was able to join, my dad would take me to the firehouse. I'd work Bingos on Friday nights, take trash out, clean the firehouse, or the fire trucks. Every once in a while, I'd get lucky and be able to ride with the fire chief."

"I've been full throttle since then," he said.

When there weren't any jobs available as a firefighter, he became a DC police officer until a position opened and he could take that dream full-time job.

He had that extensive family history. His father, a retired state trooper who is now the company's safety officer, has logged 40 years of service between Solomons, North Beach and now Dunkirk. His grandfather, who recently passed away, was the last living charter member of Solomons fire department.

With that tradition, he said, "My family just wanted me to be happy. My younger brother is also a paid fireman and also a volunteer here."

Peterson didn't have that family tradition. He grew up in North Beach and wanted to join their department when he was 16 but his mother wouldn't sign off for him until he finished his Eagle Scout requirements. "The very moment I finished my Eagle stuff, I went down to the firehouse, got an application, filled it out and got voted in," he said. That was almost exactly 18 years ago. He joined Dunkirk in 2005.

What was the attraction? He said, "I was looking for something fulfilling, maybe as cliché as that sounds. As a scout I got to learn community involvement and helping others, being like a pillar within the community."

Peterson admitted, "I like action. I like to do things that actually mean something. My dad worked on computers. That was not for me."

While volunteering in North Beach he at first thought he would like to be a teacher. But he said, "I decided being a teacher wasn't for me and riding firetrucks was way, way more appropriate for my attitude, my behavior. I need a dynamic environment."

Unlike Seeley, Peterson said he got lucky and was hired in DC right after taking the test and scoring well. He is now going for his master's degree from University of Maryland, University College.

At the age of 35, Peterson is young to be a president of a volunteer fire and rescue company. He said, "You need somebody who actually understands what's going on in the operation side. A lot of the presidents in this county are old. They're not necessarily doing the day-to-day work. But being president, you should have some idea of what's going on and you should be somewhat progressive and into the most recent trains of thought and not ending up getting stuck in a mindset that keeps you from making things fresh." He added his opinions were "not a dig at the old guys."



Dunkirk VFD Technical Rescue 5 along with units from St. Leonard, Prince Frederick and Huntingtown were dispatched July 1 to Scientists Cliffs to rescue a man who had fallen into an old well shaft. Photo courtesy Dunkirk Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department.



About those fresh ideas, he said. "It's not necessarily the tactics that are changing the operations, but how you interact with the community, how you interact with the politicians, how you interact with those who can help you. Because every volunteer firehouse needs help of some sort. And social media is the biggest thing right now."

With its still relatively new facility, Dunkirk is not on the county's list for expansion, although Peterson said they could use more room and are eyeing additional land for that.

He said, "I don't think this firehouse was designed very well. I definitely think there's a lot of room for improvement. But firefighters and the EMT's in general are pretty good at improvisation and we make it work."

Seeley said, "When my dad was growing up when my grandfather was a chief, they had what's called the red phone, and it was in my grandfather's house. So, when somebody would call 911, the communications center called my grandfather and they'd have to round up a crew and hit the road. So, a lot has changed since then."

And the biggest change of all is about to descend on the county later this year with the introduction of paid, career paramedics. He explained the problem that has led to the decision. "Recruiting them is fine. It's a hundred miles an hour out the gate and as time goes on and all the changes are made, retaining them is a little difficult because they just don't have the time to work 40 or 50 hours a week and they have families and then they're supposed to be able to set a couple of weekends aside for recertifications or weeknights with kids, with sports and everything, where, if it was their job, they could do it during the day while they were at work."

So, he is totally behind the move to career EMS to supplement the volunteers, recognizing the fact that Dunkirk and North Beach have "the worst response time for ALS (Advanced Life Support) in the county."

He said in recognition of the problem one of the Calvert Advanced Life Support units was moved to Dunkirk from Prince Frederick, "until this career ALS kicks in."

North Beach is due to get a paid unit for the northern part of the county. He thinks the assimilation will go okay. "This is a business. So, whether we're career or volunteer, when somebody calls 911, in Dunkirk, they don't want 50 percent of a fireman or 50 percent of an EMT. They want the answer to every problem that they have right then and there. And they don't care if you're career or volunteer. The citizens are our customers. So, they demand 100 percent in return. I demand 100 percent from my members as well."

Seeley feels the fire service will be in good shape for some time under the volunteer model. But of course, that depends on recruitment. And, when the recruits come in, they do like he did 24 years ago, clean the floors and the fire trucks and hope for a chance at a ride along.

He explained, "We use that probationary time to kind of assess what kind of person you are. Are you the type of person that comes in the firehouse and just wants to jump on the computer and play on Facebook? Or are you the type of person that comes in and checks the apparatus off? Because that same apparatus that you need to check off, you could very easily go out the door and something be wrong with your Scott pack or your face

piece and that's nobody's fault but your own."

Are they taught that it is a potentially dangerous job? He said, "Nowhere on the application to the fire department does it say that this is a safe job. And you know, it also doesn't say that you're going to come home at the end of the day."

He said he may have been called during the interview and not return. "That's a chance that I'm willing to take. If I can make a difference in somebody else's life, then I'm okay with giving mine."

Even though he comes from a tradition of emergency

service, his focus is on the kids that don't have that tradition, "My goal is to bring kids into this profession that have never been involved and never known anybody that was involved because it's kind of a given, if I go to Northern High School, when I talk to 100 kids and for 20 of those kids, their mother or father is in the fire department, chances are I've already got them."

"I want to be able to be appealing to the ones that have no idea what the fire department is about."

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Attendees are encouraged to come dressed in attire from their favorite era from the 1920's to the 1950's, but not required. There will be a complimentary accessories table with costume pieces, a costume contest with gift cards and a \$500 cash prize for those who want to go a la mode in the 40's and 50's. There will also be a 50/50 Raffle. Attendees may wish to bring portable food. Order a picnic bag from participating restaurants in Town and enjoy a kid-free evening. The event will be entertained with kid-friendly art activities at participating businesses (by reservation).

The celebration continues after the concert with jazz-themed after parties at the following venues: The Rex, Social Coffeehouse, and Olde Town Pub.

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A FREE boat ride around the island, as well as FREE admission to St. Clement's Island Museum, are included in your ticket. Don't forget to check out a special exhibit in the museum that commemorates the 20th anniversary of the Potomac Jazz & Seafood Festival. There will be photos, memorabilia and more information on how the event started and how it grew over the years.

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Sunday July 14

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CSM Announces Spring Dean's List



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Press Release from CSM

CalvertHealth Foundation Awards 2019 Scholarships



President and CEO Dean Teague and Foundation Board of Trustees Chair Lynette Entzian pose with this year's scholarship recipients.



CalvertHealth Foundation

The CalvertHealth Foundation recently awarded scholarships to 32 students pursuing higher education in an allied health or medical field. The students were honored in a ceremony held on June 10, 2019. Since the scholarship program began in 1991, it has awarded more than 450 scholarships totaling \$589,000 in student assistance.

Theresa Johnson, Executive Director for the Foundation, said, "We are honored to give such a great group of individuals tuition assistant to pursue an education in health care." Although the majority of students are pursuing careers in nursing, others are working toward their educational goals in areas such as physical therapy and optometry.

Among the recipients was Samantha Simms who was selected to share a student's perspective at the reception. Simms, at the age of 15, experienced the loss of someone close in her family. Following the incident, Simms decided she wanted to make a difference in patient care. She said, "Nursing is a lot of assessing and administering medications but a big part of nursing is being the patient's advocate. There is something inherently noble about helping people when they need help the most." Her experience inspired her to pursue nursing education at the College of Southern Maryland. She said, "Simply, what it means to be a nurse in one word; passion - passion to serve, to give and to care. A textbook can teach you disease processes and how to treat them but a textbook can't teach you how to be a compassionate nurse or to truly love what you do."

Foundation Board Chair Lynette Entzian said, "The Foundation is proud to award \$49,000 in scholarships this year to local students who are working hard to earn degrees to give back to the community."

The 2019 scholarship recipients are Carleigh Bartholomew , Stevenson University, Nursing; Katie Berkley, Univer-

sity of Lynchburg, Physician Assistant Medicine Program; Taylor Bowen, York College of PA, Nursing; MaryBrooke Burval, University of Maryland, Baltimore, Medical Degree; Natalie Cloak, Widener University, Nursing; Amanda Curran, Stevenson University, Nursing; Adam Davis, Salus University, Pennsylvania College of Optometry, Doctor of Optometry; Erin Farley, Chamberlain College of Nursing, Masters in Nursing Leadership; Ashley Farrell, York College of PA, Nursing; Hannah Gates, Stevenson, Nursing; Leianna Haines, College of Southern MD, Nursing; Meagan Hance, Salisbury University, Nursing; Kaitlyn Hilgenberg, College of Southern MD, Nursing; Kathleen Hyde, University of South Alabama, Family Nurse Practitioner; Kristi Kelly, College of Southern MD, Nursing; Tiffany Lyon, College of Southern MD, Nursing; Shannon Madison, West Virginia University, Nursing; Zoey Masters, Stevenson, Nursing; Kathleen McClellan, University of MD, Hearing and Speech Sciences; Meagan McCurry, St. George's University, Doctor of Medicine; Emily McGuigan, Keuka College, Occupational Therapy; Sarah Miller, College of Southern MD, Nursing; Ashleigh Nicholas, York College of PA, Nursing; Brianna Palumbo, College of Southern MD, Nursing; Savannah Robbins, University of Alabama Huntsville, Nursing; Amy Shearer, University of MD Eastern Shore, Doctor of Physical Therapy; Samantha Simms, College of Southern MD, Nursing; Chad Smialek, Stevenson, Nursing; Cara Smithburger, College of Southern MD, Physical Therapy Assitant; Kristina Sproul, Grand Canyon University, Nursing; Kelsey Wilke, Johns Hopkins, Nursing; and Victoria Wolf, UMB School of Pharmacy, Pharm.D.

For more information, contact the Foundation office at 410.414.4570.

Press Release from CalvertHealth

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.

Earl David Berkley



Earl David Berkley, 82, of North Beach passed away July 6, 2019. He was born September 26, 1936 in Powderly, KY to James Austin and Lillian Pearlina (Ball) Berkley. Earl was one of 13 children and was raised in Owensboro, KY. He married Pauline Davis October 31, 1956 and they primarily lived in North Beach. He joined the United States Air Force and served in Saudi Arabia and Thailand during the Vietnam War. Earl retired from the Air Force on June 30, 1978 after 23 years of service. Following his retirement, Earl went to work as a carpenter and would gladly help anyone with projects. In his spare time, he enjoyed fishing, carpentry projects, spending time with his family and teasing his grandchildren. Earl will be remembered for his wise cracks, Santa belly and willingness to help anyone.

Earl is survived by his wife of 62 years Pauline Marie Berkley of North Beach, daughter Patricia King and husband Robert of Prince Frederick, sons Wayne Berkley of Centreville and Bruce Berkley and wife Mary of Owings, grandchildren Sharlene Jones, Heather and Bruce Lyons, and David, Josh, Wayne, Alexis, Gabi, Grant and Katie Berkley and 9 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son David Berkley.

Visitation will be Friday, July 12, 2019, 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. at Rausch Funeral Home-Owings, 8325 Mt. Harmony Lane, Owings, MD 20736.

Funeral Service will be Saturday, July 13, 2019 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Southern Memorial Gardens, 10155 Ward Road, Dunkirk, MD 20754.

Michael Lee Simms



Michael Lee Simms, 59 of Lusby, MD passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by family on July 6, 2019. He was born on January 8, 1960, in Washington, DC to James Earle Simms, Sr. and the late June Marie Simms. He is the beloved husband of Tina M. Simms of Lusby, MD.

Visitation will be Saturday, July 20, 2019, 12-1 p.m. at Rausch Funeral Home-Lusby, 20 American Lane, Lusby, MD 20657. A Celebration of Life will follow at 1 p.m. at the funeral home. Interment will be private.

Sylvester Jackson "Jack" Estridge, Jr.



Sylvester Jackson "Jack" Estridge, Jr., 95, of Solomons, MD and formerly of Chaptico, MD, passed away on July 5, 2019 at Asbury

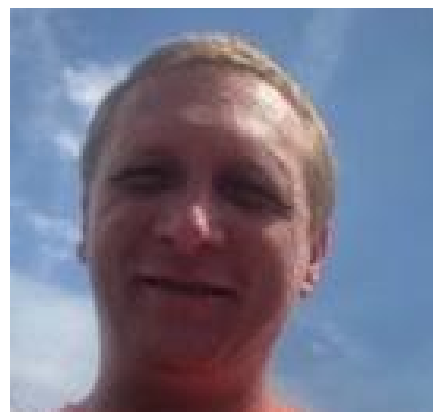
Solomons Health Care Center. Born February 27, 1924 in Charlotte, NC he was the son of the late Sylvester Jackson Estridge, Sr. and Florence (Parks) Estridge.

Jack graduated from Forest Park High School. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1941 and served over thirty years, retiring in 1972. He served in WWII, Korea and Vietnam. Jack was part of the VPB-52 Bear Cat Squadron and Attack Squadron 153, and served aboard the Kitty Hawk (CV-65) and the Coral Sea (CVA-43). During his service Jack received the following honors: American Campaign Ribbon, Philippine Liberation Medal, Presidential Unit Citation w/star, Navy Commendation Medal, Navy Achievement Medal, Nation Defense Service Medal (2), Vietnam Gallantry Cross, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal w/Device, Navy Unit Commendation Medal, Good Conduct Medal (9), American Campaign Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal w/Stars WWII Victory Medal, UN Service Medal, Korean Service Medal and Air Medal. Jack was a member of the Solomons Yacht Club and enjoyed boating, fishing and hunting.

Jack is survived by his nephews, James Legg (Bonnie) and their three children, Jamie Legg (Livia) and their four children, Michael Legg (Kim) and their two children and niece, Tiffany Legg Hicks (Jordan) and their child. He was preceded in death by his sister, Dorothy Legg.

Family will receive friends on Thursday, July 25, 2019 from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. with a Memorial Service conducted by Rev. Charles Harrell following at 11 a.m. at Rausch Funeral Home, 20 American Lane, Lusby, MD. Interment will be in Arlington National Cemetery at a date to be determined.

Wesley James Messick



Wesley James Messick, "Wes", 44 of Prince Frederick, Maryland passed away on July 5, 2019 in his home. Wes was born on July 14, 1974 in Baltimore, Maryland to the late Daniel James Messick and Janice C. Linkins Messick-Hobbs. Wes is survived by his wife, Angela Gail Toffry, his mother Janice Messick-Hobbs and her husband Thomas, sister Tammy Stuckey, and step sisters, Christine Haug, Bonnie Havenner, Amber Hobbs, an Loretta Hall, and step brother Daniel Messick, Jr. He is also survived by a host of other relatives. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that donations be made to either Wes Messick Fund for Treatment Assistance c/o St. Johns Vinney Catholic Church (make checks payable to St. John Vianney) or Hudson Health Services, P.O. Box 1096 Salisbury, MD 21801, (410-219-9000).

Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Home.

Reimund Franz Schuster



Reimund Franz Schuster, 82, of Prince Frederick passed away July 1, 2019. He was born July 8, 1936 in Berbisdorf, Germany to Franz Joseph and Helene (Tkotz) Schuster. Reimund was raised in Germany and moved to the United States in 1952, settling in Calvert County. He served in the United States Army and was stationed in Korea. He married Norma Jean Thompson on May 8, 1965 and they lived in Clinton before moving to Prince Frederick in 1973. Reimund was employed as an electrical foreman at The Pentagon for many years, retiring in 1997. He was a member of Jesus the Divine Word Catholic Church. He was an avid Washington Redskins fan and was a season ticket holder for 40 years, purchasing his tickets in 1964. In his spare time Reimund enjoyed crabbing, spending time at the family beach cottage in Plum Point and taking care of his family.

Reimund was preceded in death by his wife Norma Jean Schuster on July 5, 2018, son John Schuster and siblings Klemens Schuster, Irene Foard and Siegfried Schuster. He is survived by his daughter Christina Eichenmuller and husband Karl of Edgewater, son Craig Schuster and wife Lisa of White Plains, grandchildren Alex Eichenmuller and Justin and Jessica Schuster and siblings Helga Franklin, Gerhard Schuster and Doris Marshall.

Mass of Christian Burial will be Thursday, July 11 at 10 a.m. at Jesus the Divine Word Catholic Church, 885 Cox Road, Huntingtown, MD 20639.

Burial will be at Resurrection Cemetery, 8000 Woodyard Road Clinton, MD 20735.

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.

Daniel Ralph Dixon

Daniel "Danny" Dixon, 73, passed at his home in Port Tobacco, MD on Wednesday, June 26, 2019. Danny was born in Washington, D.C. on September 2, 1945, the son of Albert Alexander and America Irene Dixon. He is survived by his brothers and sisters: Alice, Albert, Nancy, Tommy, Charlotte and David.

He proudly served in the Army and was stationed in Germany. He married Sharon in 1969 and had one daughter Gerri Lynn. He worked as a General Contractor and owned several business throughout his lifetime. He believed in hard work and loved construction.

He enjoyed fishing, hunting, classic cars, going to auctions and spending time with friends. He was known for his generosity and helping friends and neighbors.

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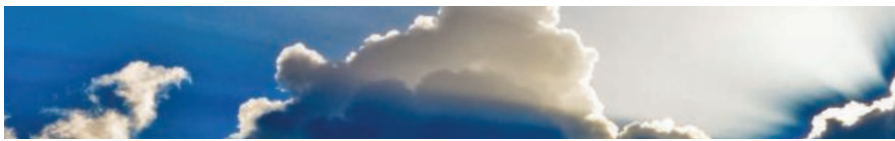
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He is survived by his daughter Gerri, son-in-law Donnie and granddaughter Graci Danielle.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, 2451 Crystal Drive, Suite 900, Arlington, VA 22202.

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

Dorothy (Dottie) Regina Baker DeHaven



Dorothy (Dottie) Regina Baker DeHaven, 95, of Asbury in Solomons, MD entered into life eternal on June, 25, 2019, with love, peace, and comfort surrounding her.

She was born to parents, George and Ella Baker, in Baltimore, Maryland on April 19, 1924. She married in 1943, the love of her

life, John E. DeHaven, Jr. who died in 1991. She resided in Baltimore, Hagerstown, Towson, and Lutherville, Maryland before transferring to Bethel, Connecticut. After that, they transferred to other locations, during her husband's employment at Shell Oil Company, twice to Pennsylvania and once to Texas. When they retired, they lived in Long Beach, Maryland and Annapolis, Maryland. There, together, they had an accounting and tax business. Dottie ultimately moved to Asbury, Solomons in 2006 where she became active in that community by volunteering and joining various groups to include quilting, knitting, and water aerobics.

She leaves behind to mourn her loss, her daughters and sons-in-law, Lynn Hayden and Gene and, Donna Farrell and Kevin. Her son John E. DeHaven, III predeceased her in 1968. She has three loving grandchildren and their spouses, Brian Hayden and Jodi, Heather Down and John, and Ashley Smith and Fred. She has six adoring great grandchildren, Amanda Hayden, Brian Hayden, Jr, Bella Down, Kaitlynn (KK) Down, Freddie Smith and Paxton Smith. Though she was the oldest of a family of six, her sister, Margaret Baker Jameson, is her sole surviving sibling, along with many nieces, nephews and friends.

She loved her Lord and family with her heart, mind, and soul. Dottie had a wonderful dry wit and was tenacious in everything that she did. One might call her a perfectionist. She loved nothing more than to spend time with family and friends.

She was extremely talented. Playing the organ, sewing all of her clothes and those of her kids, painting, quilting, embroidering, sewing, cooking, baking, were a few of those talents. For most of her life, she was a stay at home mom, that her kids could count on whenever and wherever they needed her.

If so inclined, please feel free to wear her favorite color, blue, in her honor at the service.

The family will hold a celebration of Life in the auditorium of Asbury, Solomons, at 2:30 on July 20, 2019. Interment is private.

Memorial contributions may be made to Asbury-Solomons Benevolent Care Fund, 11100 Asbury Circle, Attn: Heather Mattingly, Solomons, MD 20688, Trinity United Methodist Church, 90 Church Street, P.O. Box 2142, Prince Frederick, MD 20678 or Calvert Hospice, P.O. Box 838, Prince Frederick, MD 20678 (410-535-0892).

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

THE RULE OF 72



Financial planning involves strategy. Basically, you need to plan how to get to where you want to go and how long it will take you to get there. If this involves retirement, planning should encompass both your current and your anticipated lifestyle. If this involves financing a child's college education, planning involves setting aside sufficient funds in savings to pay tuition, books and living expenses when your child needs the money.

But, how do you calculate how long it will take to get to your goals? The easiest way is to use the "Rule of 72". The Rule of 72 is a handy rule used in finance to estimate quickly the number of years it takes to double a sum of capital given an annual interest rate, or to estimate the annual interest rate it takes to double a sum of money over a given number of years.

Simply, dividing 72 by the rate of return on your investments equals the approximate number of years it will take for your money to double. Or, dividing 72 by the number of years you have until you need to use the money you have set aside equals the rate of return you need to have on your investments.

For example, David and Susan have saved \$10,000 towards their six year old child's college education. They want to know how long it will take them to double that amount. Their daughter is 6 years old. Assume she will need the money to go to college when she is 18. That's 12 years of saving. 72 divided by 12 equals a 6% rate of return on their investments. In other words, David and Susan need to obtain a six percent rate of return on their investments for 12 years to double their savings to \$20,000. That means no spending from the

college account and re-investment of all dividends and interest for the period of 12 years.

The Rule of 72 can also be used to calculate the effect of inflation. If college tuition increases at 5% per year, tuition costs will double in 72 divided by 5 or about 14.4 years. Think about it. That means David and Susan need to save much more money for college than they might at first have anticipated.

The Rule of 72 is a simple math shortcut to estimate the effect of any growth rate. The formula is "years to double equals 72 divided by interest rate." The results you achieve, a doubling of growth shows you the tremendous effect of compounding interest.

What is compound interest? For example, start with \$1 at 10% interest. At the end of one year you have \$1.10 and at the end of year 2 you have \$1.21. The dime earned in the first year starts earning money on its own (a penny). Next year add another dime that starts making pennies, along with the small amount the first penny contributes. Ben Franklin, said by some to be the inventor of the Rule of 72, apparently said: "The money that money earns, earns money."

Compound interest is deceptively small, cumulative growth that is very powerful. No wonder that Einstein is reputed to have called it one of the most powerful forces in the universe.

Don't let the rule of 72 work against you, as

it does when you take on high interest debt. At an average interest rate of 18%, the credit card debt doubles in just 4 years (18 X 4 equals 72), quadruples in only 8 years, and keeps escalating with time. The first rule of your financial plan should be to pay off all high interest credit card debt and avoid it like the plague.

Using the Rule of 72 will help you figure out what you need and for how long. Compound interest will be the way you get there. These simple concepts provide the basics of financial planning. Let the Rule of 72 work for you by starting saving now. At a growth rate of 8% per annum, you would double your money in 9 years (8 X 9 equals 72), quadruple your money in 18 years and have 16 times your money in 36 years. No wonder financial planners advise 20-year olds to start a savings plan. Over time, with compound interest, even a small amount of savings consistently set aside when you are in your twenties could make you a millionaire by the time you are retired. But, even if you are older, compound interest works for you and you are never too young or too old to save.

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Axtell Scores Potomac First in Flag to Flag Drive

Coveted RUSH Crate Win to Austin Bussler

Steven Axtell Jr. drove to his first Late Model feature win of the season in last Wednesday's 35-lap «Budds Creek Battle» at Potomac Speedway. The win for Axtell, worth \$2500, was the second of his Potomac career and it came steering his Emerald Homes sponsored, Rocket no.81.

Axtell shot from his outside front row starting spot to take the lead on the first lap and would eventually control all 35-circuits. Dale Hollidge, Jamie Lathroum and Daryl Hills all chased Axtell during the race at one point, but all fell victim to flat tires, with Jason Covert saving enough tire for a runner up finish. "It's great to get a win here tonight and I'd like to thank all the fans that came out tonight," Axtell stated post race. "I saw that tires were becoming an issue and with about seven to go ours were starting to give up, but I guess we had enough to get the win." Tyler Emory was solid in third with Dale Hollidge and Daryl Hills, who both rebounded from mid race pit stops, to complete the top-five. Heats went to Hollidge and Lathroum.

Austin Bussler became the 6th different winner of the season with his first career Potomac victory in the 25-lap RUSH Crate Late Model main. Defending track champion Chuck Bowie lead the first 22-laps of the event until Bussler took control on a lap 23 re-start to claim the \$1000 win aboard his Swartz Chassis no.2 "We've been getting better and better with this car and tonight was our night." A jubilant Bussler stated in victory lane. "I have to thank my mom and dad and everyone who helps us, this is a great feeling." Bowie held tough for second with Jamie Sutphin, Jeremy Pilkerton and Logan Roberson rounding out the top-five. Heats went to Roberson and Bussler.

In his first ever start at Potomac Speedway Hagerstown Md's Michael Warrenfeltz scored a big win in the 25-lap Street Stock feature. Warrenfeltz snared the lead from Dylan Rutherford on the 10th lap and would lead the distance taking his career first Potomac feature win and the hefty \$2000 winners prize."This is the first time I've ever seen this place." Warrenfeltz stated. "Our car worked really good here tonight and I'm glad we decided to come down tonight." Rutherford would hold on the second with Mike Grady Jr., Ed Pope Jr. and Tyler Gray trailing at the finish. Heats went to Pope and Warrenfeltz.

In other action, defending track champion Mikey Latham drove to his 2nd win of the season in the 15-lap Hobby Stock feature, John Hardesty claimed his 4th of the year in the 15-lap Strictly Stock main with Allen Griffith Jr. scoring his 2nd of 2019 in the nightcap 15-lap U-Car main.



Late Model feature finish

1. Steven Axtell Jr. 2. Jason Covert 3. Tyler Emory 4. Dale Hollidge 5. Daryl Hills 6. Jamie Lathroum 7. James Snead 8. Andy Anderson 9. Brent Bordeaux 10. Jonny Oliver 11. Brandon Long 12. Billy Tucker 13. Scott Wilson

RUSH Crate Late Model feature finish

1. Austin Bussler 2. Chuck Bowie 3. Jamie Sutphin 4. Jeremy Pilkerton 5. Logan Roberson 6. Megan Mann 7. Darren Alvey 8. Ben Bowie 9. Jennae Piper 10. Jakob Piper 11. Jonathan Raley 12. Mike Raleigh 13. Kyle Lear 14. Timmy Booth 15. Ronnie Martin Jr.

Street Stock feature finish

1. Michael Warrenfeltz 2. Dylan Rutherford 3. Mike Grady Jr. 4. Ed Pope Jr. 5. Tyler Gray 6. Jeff Pilkerton 7. Ben Hamilton 8. Ricky Feltner 9. Deuce Wright 10. Jonathan Raley 11. Ben Pirner 12. Branson Woodward 13. Mike Latham 14. Craig Parrill 15. PJ Hatcher 16. Marty Hanbury 17. Kyle Nelson

Hobby Stock feature finish

1. Mikey Latham 2. Greg Morgan 3. Buddy Dunagan 4. Kyle Nelson 5. Collin Long 6. Stevie Gingery 7. Hilton Pickeral 8. Jacob Bule 9. Jason Wilkins 10. Billy Crouse 11. Seth Jones 12. Ray Bucci (DNS)

Strictly Stock feature finish

1. John Hardesty 2. Josh Martinson 3. Johnny Hardesty 4. Jeff Bloch 5. JJ Silvious 6. Danny Kitts 7. Daniel Knodle 8. Bryan Allen 9. Nabil Guffey 10. Greg Mattingly 11. Wesley Givens

U-Car feature finish

1. Allen Griffith Jr. 2. Cody Stamp 3. Justin Knight 4. Tim Steele 5. Joey Suite 6. Brad Saylor 7. Mackenzie Smith 8. Owen Lacey 9. Tyler Grinder 10. Ashley Stansell 11. Steph Homberg 12. Stephen Suite 13. Ryan Quade 14. Dominic King (DQ) 15. Derick Quade Jr. (DNS)

By Doug Watson for Potomac Speedway

A View From The BLEACHERS

Adapting to Summer Reboots

By Ronald N. Guy Jr.
Contributing Writer

For parents, plans can change quickly. At any moment, a fall could require a trip to the dentist, a sick call could come from school or daycare or a LEGO piece could "mysteriously" lodge in your kid's nose.

I've lived them all. The latter is worth sharing.

We were about to leave Ocean City. I was hoofing it up to the condo to schlep more luggage to the car. As I crested the last flight of stairs, my normally calm wife greeted me with an exasperated, "You're not going to believe this."

Confronted with a parental fork in the road, I suddenly felt vulnerable, dizzy and cold. So cold. Her words came slowly. After several seconds of mental buffering, I faced reality - our son had jammed a tiny LEGO piece waaay into his nostril.

Long story short, after several hours at the emergency clinic, a magic, needle-nose plier looking device and a doctor's steady hand, the foreign object was extracted and we were on our way.

This will relate to sports in less than 500 words. Promise.

Like most sports, the NBA's narrative had, in descending order of importance, these four chapters: the playoffs, the regular season, the draft and the offseason. That ranking has changed. The regular season, with the contender-restricting concentration of talent, is excessively long and largely irrelevant. The draft, in this one-and-done era, is hopelessly speculative. And the once-almighty postseason - again, too few legitimate contenders - is anticlimactic until the conference finals.

That leaves what now dominates the NBA's storyline - the offseason and, more specifically, free agency. Speculating about player movement and the next super-team now rules, not actual basketball. My supporting evidence of brazen team-hopping was to include LeBron James' Miami/Cleveland/Los Angeles tour and Kevin Durant's Oklahoma City/Golden State/Brooklyn odyssey. But then the ultimate, drop-the-mic data point happened mid-article - Kawhi Leonard not only left Toronto for the Los Angeles Clippers, but he compelled the Clippers and Oklahoma City to work a trade to score him an All-Star running mate in Paul George.

One dude - who's on his third team in three years - held three teams and the NBA's balance of power in his hands.

I'm torn. I fondly remember an age when, either through loyalty or structure, the NBA's best remained in place for the majority, if not all, of their careers (Magic Johnson, Larry Bird and Michael Jordan, etc.). The order was comfortable and consistent. Players earned championships in their cities often after years of adversity and conquering vicious rivals. Storybook stuff.

That is all gone. For players and teams, the new NBA is about glitzy locations, a foundation of compelling talent and financial flexibility. Those ingredients cater to NBA's real rulers - star players - and yield brief championship windows; then midnight strikes, the players scatter and teams regroup and hope to repeat (Cleveland, Miami, Golden State).

Today's NBA is...just different. Some of the change is good - more excitement (basketball articles in July!) and greater player freedom. But the league's summer reboots have cheapened championships. James's Miami rings and Durant's Golden State rings just aren't equivalent to those Isaiah Thomas and Jordan won with the Pistons and Bulls, respectively. There was no process for James or Durant, no grind, no mountain climbed. They were airlifted to the NBA's summit.

That is unfortunate, but fault is unassignable. Today's stars are playing by today's rules - on and off the court. It's similar to the increase in jobs a young worker today will have over the course of their careers. The days of working 40 uninterrupted years for Company, Inc. are over. That was another generation's version of the workplace just as the NBA of my youth is another generation's version of professional basketball.

If there's any hero or villain, it's time. Time passes and the world changes. Or, as Pearl Jam once more directly wailed, "It's evolution, baby". If Darwin was a fellow basketball fan, he would scold my resistance and encourage adaptation. Ah yes, adaptation - a good skill for aging basketball fans, a better skill for life and the perfect skill for parents confronted with a rogue LEGO.

Send comments to
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Spin Doctors to Open for Gavin DeGraw

Iconic blues-rock band the Spin Doctors will be joining Gavin DeGraw at the Calvert Marine Museum's PNC Waterside Pavilion on Friday, August 2 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are on sale now for \$35 - \$69 (additional fees apply). Visit www.calvertmarinemuseum.com or call the 24-hour hotline at 1-800-787-9454.

Led by singer Chris Barron, the Spin Doctors helped define the early 90s rock scene. The band is best known for hits "Two Princes", "Little Miss Can't Be Wrong", and "Jimmy Olsen's Blues" from their Pocket Full of Kryptonite album. Thirty years later, the Spin Doctors are still making music and delighting legions of fans while on tour across North America.

Proceeds from the Waterside Music Series support the education and preservation efforts of the Calvert Marine Museum. This event would not be possible without the generous support of the community and many local businesses. Sponsors include: Prince Frederick Ford/Jeep/Dodge, PNC Bank, O'Brien Realty, Bozick Distributors, Inc., Tidewater Dental, Sunshines Catering, Roy Rogers, Equity Resources, Inc., Directmail.com,



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Gates open at 5 p.m. with food and beverages for sale on-site. Chairs and coolers are not permitted. For additional information, please visit the website at www.calvertmarinemuseum.com. To reach a staff member, please call 410-326-2042, ext. 16, 17 or 18.

Press Release from CMM

Calvert County Musician Debuts New EP

Award-winning singer, songwriter, and bassist Eric Scott will release his newest CD album, "The Charm City Sessions" (Itzall Goode Music) on June 25th with two performances (8 pm & 10 pm) at Washington, DC's renowned music venue Blues Alley on 1073 Wisconsin Ave., NW. (\$22 plus \$6 service fee). A six-song EP, The Charm City Sessions is Scott's fifth album.

An absolute A-list of DMV Area musicians will join Scott for his first headline show at Blues Alley, including guitarist Dan Leonard (Cheikh N'Doye), drummer Deren Blessman (Paul Reed Smith), keyboardist Benjie Porecki (Pieces of a Dream), percussionist Eddie Montalvo (Marcus Johnson), and special guest and DC sax legend Ron Holloway (Dizzy Gillespie, Gov't Mule).

The Charm City Sessions gives a nod to 1970's soul, R&B, and pop music. Recorded live in Baltimore with minimal production, Scott goes old school, leaving the samples and programming of today's modern music at the studio door. Instead, he colors the arrangements with 'Stax Records' - era horns, 'Love American Style' - era strings, and warm organs and Wurlitzers. While the sound leans toward a throwback record, it's Scott's 'new school' sound that emerges, honoring this golden era of music with a genre the artist calls 'modern soul.' If a vinyl LP could fit into a CD jewel case, it's warmth would sound like this.

Scott's songs tell deeply personal stories with upbeat and playful soul/pop tunes that get listeners thinking, clapping, smiling, and grooving. Scott's skillful arrangements and powerful vocals exude passion and soothes at the same time. As a front man, his mission and motto is simple: "It ain't nothing but a party, and I ain't leaving until everybody has one."



Grammy Award winning musician Jon Carroll (Mary Chapin Carpenter, Starland Vocal Band) calls Charm City Sessions "a splendid EP...really well done" with "top-drawer musicianship." The new six-song EP "will reassure you that - like rock & roll never dying - R&B and 'easy soul' will always have a secure place in the soundscape of our lives."

Scott is a DC-area native, born and raised in Prince George's County. Now living in North Beach, he regularly performs to sold out crowds throughout the DMV area. As an artist and sideman, he has toured internationally, sharing the stage with artists as diverse as Deanna Bogart, Bernie Marsden, Aaron Neville, Mavis Staples, Ray Charles, Roger Waters, Tom Morello, REO Speedwagon, and Little Feat. His songs have received worldwide airplay and appeared on ABC-TV, Showtime, Starz Network, Cinemax, the WB, as well as several major and indie motion pictures. He has also lent his singing voice to ad campaigns for HGTV, Nat Geo, DC Lottery, Ford, Chevy, Jeep, Chrysler, Dodge, and many more. He is a 15-time Wammie winner as awarded by the Washington Area Music Association (WAMA).

Submitted Press Release

The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas The Newtowne Players' Latest Production



Jewel (Kristina Faison) belts out "No Lies" alongside Miss Mona and the ladies of the Chicken Ranch. (Photo by Rachael Leissner)

By Jeni Coster
Graphic Designer

Saddle up and come on down to Three Notch Theatre for their latest production of "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas," directed by Dawn Weber and musical direction from Diane Trautman. You'll want to leave the kids at home, as this comical musical has promiscuous and mature content. The large cast of 27 actors and actresses puts on a hysterical performance, with lots of provocative little numbers tucked into each scene. This show is sure to leave you laughing and blushing in your seat.

The musical revolves around the drama a locally run brothel, better known as the Chicken Ranch, brings to a small town in Texas. Currently run by Miss Mona Stangley (Megan Rankin Herring), she takes excellent care of her girls (Emily Funderburk, Rebecca Masters, Lindsay Goldworm, Emily Quade, Kristy Sakano, Erin Fischer, Emily Johnson, Sara Espinosa), and Jewel (Kristina Faison), the housekeeper, as the town starts to catch on to the happenings down at the Chicken Ranch. Miss Mona keeps a close relationship with local Sheriff Ed Earl Dodd (Greg Rumpf), who helps defend her when television personality, do-gooder Melvin P. Thorpe (Paul Rose) becomes determined to expose the truth to the public.



Kevin Bongiovanni, center, and the men of the local college football team are gearing up to visit Miss Mona and the ladies at the Chicken Ranch. (Photo by Rachael Leissner)

The Chicken Ranch gets a variety of visitors, from the Governor (Steve Fogle), Senator Wingwoah (Robet Rausch), and even the college football team (Patrick Schoenbuerger, Steve Pugh, Kenny Faison, Rick Brown, Rachel Fusco, Kev-



Miss Mona (Megan Rankin Herring) lays down the laws of the Chicken Ranch, teaching the new girls a thing or two about how to keep their profession classy. (Photo by Rachael Leissner)

in Bongiovanni, Kyle Medlock). Several performers had multiple roles through the show and seamlessly switched back and forth between characters. Sarah Pollard played a cameo role as Doatsy Mae and one of Melvin P. Thorpe's backup singers. Also among the cast is Michael Sokoloff, Lewis Beckley, Joanne Fuesel, Robert Barrett, and Leni Weisl, contributing in various roles from reporters to the ensemble. Every member of the cast worked together to help pull this exciting production together. A true definition of organized chaos, keeping the audience glued to the stage and wanting more.

"The Aggie Song," performed by the victorious football team was one of my favorite numbers, along with "Rules," performed by Miss Mona and her girls. Both numbers were engaging and very entertaining. The chemistry between Miss Mona and Jewel was outstanding in their number "No Lies."

The performance can be seen at the Three Notch Theatre in Lexington Park now until July 21 on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., with Sunday matinees at 3:30 p.m. Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$15 for seniors, students and military. There are no child tickets available for this musical; be advised that throughout the evening there will be gunshot sounds, strong language and mature content. All tickets may be purchased online at www.newtowneplayers.org or by calling 301-737-5447.

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Community Calendar

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

UPCOMING

New York Trip

New York City on your own! Shopping, sightseeing, Broadway show or fine dining. \$56.50. July 27. Charter bus departs Prince Frederick at 7:00 AM. Departs NYC at 6:00 PM. Calvert County Parks & Recreation. 410-535-1600.

ONGOING

Honeysuckle Express Train Exhibit

The Chesapeake Beach Railway Museum presents a new visitor-operated model railroad exhibit. It depicts the former rail line from Seat Pleasant to Chesapeake Beach and the beach resort as it was during the 1920s. The full line traveling from Washington, D.C. was known as the Honeysuckle Route. Open daily through August 31 from 11:00 AM-5:00 PM. www.ChesapeakeBeachRailwayMuseum.com

Art Show

"Natural Beauty" featuring paintings by Pamela Callen and Iris Hall Willey, silver and stone creations by Candy Carr and ceramic works by Scott Hill. Continues until July 28. ArtWorks@7th, 8905 Chesapeake Ave., North Beach. Thurs, Fri, Sat, Sun - 11:00 AM -6:00 PM.

Friday, July 12

Groovy Garden Gala

Annamarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center, Dowell
7:00 - 10:00 PM

Grab your love beads, dust off your 45s, and dig out your bell bottoms for a night of peace, love, art, flowers, and music. A night of retro adult fun to support the mission of Annmarie Garden. \$60 Annmarie and Calvert Garden Club members. \$70 non-members. Must be 21 years to attend. Tickets online at annmariegarden.org. 410-326-4640.

Saturday & Sunday, July 13 & 14

Calvert Artists' Guild July Art Show

Southern Maryland Sailing Association, 14990 Solomons Island Road, Solomons
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Enjoy and purchase artworks of talented artists of Southern Maryland in mediums of watercolor, acrylic, clay, textile, and jewelry. Jan Barr 443-404-5746, fujibarr@comcast.net or Kate Dinnel 410-586-3375. katesilas@comcast.net

Floral Design Exhibit

Annamarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center, Dowell
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Art Blooms is a weekend exhibit featuring the work of more than 35 floral designers from across the region. Co-hosted by the Calvert Garden Club and Ann's Circle of Annmarie Garden. Free!

Saturday, July 13

Yard Sale

North Beach VFD, Rt. 260, Chesapeake Beach
8:00 AM - Noon

Hosted by the North Beach VFD Auxiliary 2nd Saturday each month thru October. Reserve table in ad-

vance. \$15, two/\$25. Diana, 410-231-1775, after 5:00.

Shoppes at Asbury Sale

Asbury Solomons Retirement Community, 11100 Asbury Circle, Solomons
9:00 AM - 2:30 PM

"Betty's Closet" - a resale of gently used clothing and accessories. The "Library Committee" - books at fabulous prices. "Granny's Treasures" - furniture, housewares and miscellaneous items. Proceeds benefit the Benevolent Care Fund. 410-394-3466

Chesapeake Clean-Up Week

Patuxent River Chapter, Solomons Public Boat Ramp, 14195 Solomons Island Rd S, Solomons
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Coastal Conservation Association (CCA) Maryland inaugural statewide trash clean-up. Participate remotely with iAngler Tournament. Know a spot that needs cleaning up? Register and log trash to win prizes. Register: www.ianglertournament.com/ccm-arylands-chesapeake-clean-week

SoMD Nature Fest

American Chestnut Land Trust, 676 Double Oak Rd, Prince Frederick
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Exhibits from nature organizations across the region. Hayrides, live animal exhibits, kids crafts & games, food truck, a small farmers market. Information about the beautiful places to experience nature in Southern Maryland! 410-414-3400. ACLTweb.org

Sharkfest!

Calvert Marine Museum, Solomons
10:00 - 5:00 PM

Live sharks featured in the Corbin Pavilion. Learn why preserving these ancient animals is critical to the health of our oceans. 410-326-2042.

www.calvertmarinemuseum.com

Car & Bike Show

Calvert County Fairgrounds
11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

80s Band KIX live 2nd annual show. For all ages. Live bands, many vendors. A day of fun and music. Pre order tickets \$25. \$30 at the entrance. 410-610-4590.

Dog And Cat Adoption

Pepper's Pet Pantry, Solomons
11:30 AM - 2:30 PM

Hosted with local Saint Mary's and Calvert County animal rescue groups. Located in the Solomons Towne Center behind CVS. 410-326-4006

Horsemanhip Badge Days

Freedom Hill Horse Rescue 7940 Flint Hill Road Owings
12:00 - 2:00 PM

Designed for Scouts, but all groups and individuals age 5-18 are welcome! Experience the wonderful world of horses and their gentle nature while discovering patience, kindness and a love for animals! Meets the requirements of certain Girl Scout and Boy Scout badges. \$15 RSVP required. Capacity 12 per session. freedom.hill.org@gmail.com. Horsemanhipbadge.eventbrite.com

First Annual Mix & Mingle

American Legion Gray Ray Post 220, Prince Frederick
2:00 - 7:00 PM or 9:00 PM - 1:00 AM

Celebrate Stepping Out Entertainment in Calvert County. A full day of FREE live R&B Band Entertainers. Wobble and Dance to popular hits. Cash bar, food and 50/50 cash raffle. Must be 30 and over. Free. Register on EventBrite under the event name. Meleka @ 202-528-0181

Open Farm Series

Freedom Hill Horse Rescue, 7940 Flint Hill Road, Owings 3:00 - 4:00 PM

Meet and greet the horses, learn about programs and volunteering, have a pony ride, enjoy a game or activity, have a tour of the farm. Entrance is free, pony rides \$5.

Country Dance

American Legion Stallings-Williams Post 206, Chesapeake Beach
8:00 - 11:30 PM

For a fun time, come to the upper level Ballroom. If you can't dance, teachers give free instruction at 7:00 followed by dancing to the tunes of the Southern Winds Band. \$15 person includes fountain soft drinks or draft beer, pretzels, and chips. Public Welcome. Reservations: Lbloyer@verizon.net. 410-257-9878. www.MD-post206.org

Monday, July 15

Vacation Bible School

Christ Church, 3100 Broomes Island Road, Port Republic
9:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Children, teen volunteers, and adult volunteers explore God's goodness and celebrate faith that powers them though this wild life, in "Roar! Life is wild—God is good." VBS is open to the community. Register: www.christchurchcalvert.org/vacation-bible-school/.

Tuesday, July 16

Bingo

North Beach VFD, Rt. 261, Chesapeake Beach
6:00 PM

Join friends and neighbors and support your local first responders. Games at 7:30. Food and drinks for purchase. Jackpot - possible prize \$1,000.

Wednesday, July 17

Splash Free Celebration

Chesapeake Beach Water Park
6:30 - 9:30 PM

Adult only celebration of our 25th Season! Live music by John Luskey. Light Fare Food, Wine, & Beer available for sale. Scenic views at sunset. \$10. 410-257-1414. www.chesapeakebeachwaterpark.com

Thursday, July 18

St. Mary's County Camera Club

University System of Maryland at Southern Maryland, 44219 Airport Road, California
7:00 - 9:00 PM

A photo competition with the theme, "Numbers." Must be a paid member to participate; visitors welcome to observe for free. Email at smccc1998@gmail.com or see the July Calendar at www.smccc.org.

Calvert LIBRARY Events

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

Thursday, July 11

Summer STEAM. 2:30-3:30pm. Shoot for the stars this summer as we explore space through tech toys, stories, and hands-on STEM activities. Snack provided. Grades K-5. We now have text reminders. If you would like to get reminders about certain special events for this class, text @sumSTEAMpf to the number 81010. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862.

Tween Trivia Night. 6:30-8:00pm. Test your trivia knowledge and match wits with your peers for prizes and bragging rights! Please register. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862.

Alzheimer's Caregivers Support. 7:00-8:30pm. Get tips and support from other caregivers. Facilitated by Jeannette Findley & JC Hooker. Please register. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862.

Friday, July 12

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, July 13

Poets' Circle. 9:00-11:00am. Beginner or big-time, confident or compulsive, stuck or star-lit! All are welcome. Expect a friendly session of discussion, editing and support. Bring 5 copies of what you want to work on or just yourself. Please register. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862.

Learn Mahjongg. 1:00-3:00pm. Want to learn Mahjongg? Games are a great way to keep your brain sharp while having fun! Join us! No registration. Calvert Library Southern Branch, 13920 H. G. Trueman Road, Solomons, 410-326-5289.

Monday, July 15

Calvert Eats Local. 7:00-8:30pm. Calvert Eats Local members! Gear up for the Buy Local Challenge Week by joining us for a potluck. Bragging rights to those who bring the dishes with the lowest # of "food miles." Bring your plate, utensils, cup and napkin for a truly green experience! Encourage local agriculture, discover ways to eat locally, and share resources, energy, good ideas and great food! Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862.

Tuesday, July 16

Summer Fun--Reptile Wonders. 10:00-11:00am. Join us as we present a hands-on, interactive show with 10 different exotic species of reptiles. Everything from baby

turtles to giant tortoises, monitor lizards to large pythons. There will be a discussion about where these animals can be found, what they eat, and what eats them. All ages. Hosted by Calvert Library Twin Beaches Branch at Northeast Community Center, 4075 Gordon Stinnett Avenue, Chesapeake Beach, 410-257-2411.

Summer Fun--Reptile Wonders. 2:00-3:00pm. Join us as we present a hands-on, interactive show with 10 different exotic species of reptiles. Everything from baby turtles to giant tortoises, monitor lizards to large pythons. There will be a discussion about where these animals can be found, what they eat, and what eats them. All ages. Hosted by Calvert Library Fairview Branch at Dukirk volunteer Fire Department, 3170 west Ward Road, Dunkirk 410-257-2101.

Grow With Google: Online Job Applications. 6:30-8:30pm. We're delighted to invite you to join us for our Grow with Google workshop for successfully navigating online job applications. Many businesses require applicants to fill out online applications in addition to submitting a résumé and cover letter. This workshop will assist anyone, no matter their computer skill level, in completing online applications with ease. You are encouraged to bring your own laptop or tablet. Spots are limited, so register now! Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862.

Wednesday, July 17

Summer Fun - Reptile Wonders (Patuxent-Appeal Campus Appeal Building). 10:00-11:00am. Join us as we present a hands-on, interactive show with 10 different exotic species of reptiles. Everything from baby turtles to giant tortoises, monitor lizards to large pythons. There will be a discussion about where these animals can be found, what they eat, and what eats them. All ages. We now have text reminders. If you would like to get reminders about certain special events for children this summer, text @summerso19 to the number 81010. Hosted by Calvert Library Southern Branch at Patuxent-Appeal Campus Appeal building, 35 Appeal Lane, Lusby, 410-326-5289.

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Vacations Make you Healthier and Happier

Vacations are good for your physical health. The stress of working takes a serious toll on your heart that could increase the risk of coronary heart disease or heart attacks. Vacations also improve your mental health and make you happier.

Overwork can lead to other health problems. Everyone needs time off from work and breaking our regular day-to-day routine will help relieve stress. Vacations allow us the time to leave the worries behind because it calms our minds and allows the body and mind to heal.

Studies have been conducted that looked at the holiday habits of employed adults in North America, South America, Europe and Asia. Brazil, Finland, France, Germany and Spain received 30 days paid holidays that were fully taken. According to the U.S. Travel Association, U.S. workers took an average of 17.2 vacation days in 2017. That is nearly half of the vacation days that workers in other countries enjoy.

Perhaps, Americans are frightened of taking time off from work for vacations? The U.S. Travel Association believes that four out of ten workers aren't going to take all-of their vacation days because they dread the work they will find on the desk when they return. Perhaps, others suffer from a 'martyr' complex, believing that they're the only ones who can do their jobs.

Companies are now encouraging employees to use their earned vacation days because it increases productivity. Studies have proven when you step away from work and enjoy the summer sun you will have a new outlook on your job and your life. Vacations reset your mind and increase your mental power giving you a new perspective when returning to work. If you spend more time away from your desk it will also motivate you to get more done while you are there.

It is estimated that up to 42% percent of Americans plan to take a summer vacation in 2019. That is a much higher percentage that just 10 years ago. It is estimated that 11 percent of Americans have never traveled outside of the state where they were born and 54% say they have only visited 10 states or less. 13% say they have never flown in an airplane and a high percentage, 40-65%, do not own any travel luggage and have never had a passport.

Vacations are more affordable than ever. Travel Agents are professional and know where to find the best vacation deals. They also have options for you to booking with a small deposit and you can make payments. Planning your vacation one or even, two years in advance gives you the opportunity to save more. Plus, your travel professional is your personal planner and their services are FREE to you.

In addition to being healthier and happier, there are other benefits. Closer relationships with your family and your spouse have been reported due to due to rest, relaxation and stress reduction. Couples who took more vacations reported greater satisfaction in their marriages and 80 percent of people who vacation every year claim that romance is alive in their relationship. That number drops to about 56 percent for people who never take time off.

Hopefully, you'll have sunny days in the sand if you take a trip to the beach and quickly get your daily dose of vitamin D. This vitamin is an essential one. And amazingly, our body creates it from exposure to direct sunlight (UVB rays). There are other health benefits of a little bit of sunshine. We know the sounds and sites of the beach work together to relieve stress. When you go to the beach, you get a release of serotonin, which is a hormone that makes you feel happy.

Being in the sun opens your pores. When you follow that with a plunge in the salt-water, it can clear out acne-causing bacteria. Beware of too much sun that will cause a burn. The beach has positive sleep effects on your sleep. It is hard work walking on the beach because of the stability it takes to walk on sand so your body is tired and you sleep better.

Vacations reduce the risk of depression in everyone. Booking that trip isn't being indulgent; it's looking out for your own mental well-being. You don't need studies, research and statistics to tell you that laying on the beach, sipping a margarita, and having no phones, computers or spreadsheets in front of you will make you a much happier person. Everyone can benefit from a digital detox by unplugging and shutting everything down.

There's more and more evidence that people who vacation feel healthier and happier. It makes us feel alive again, which is exactly what they're meant to do.

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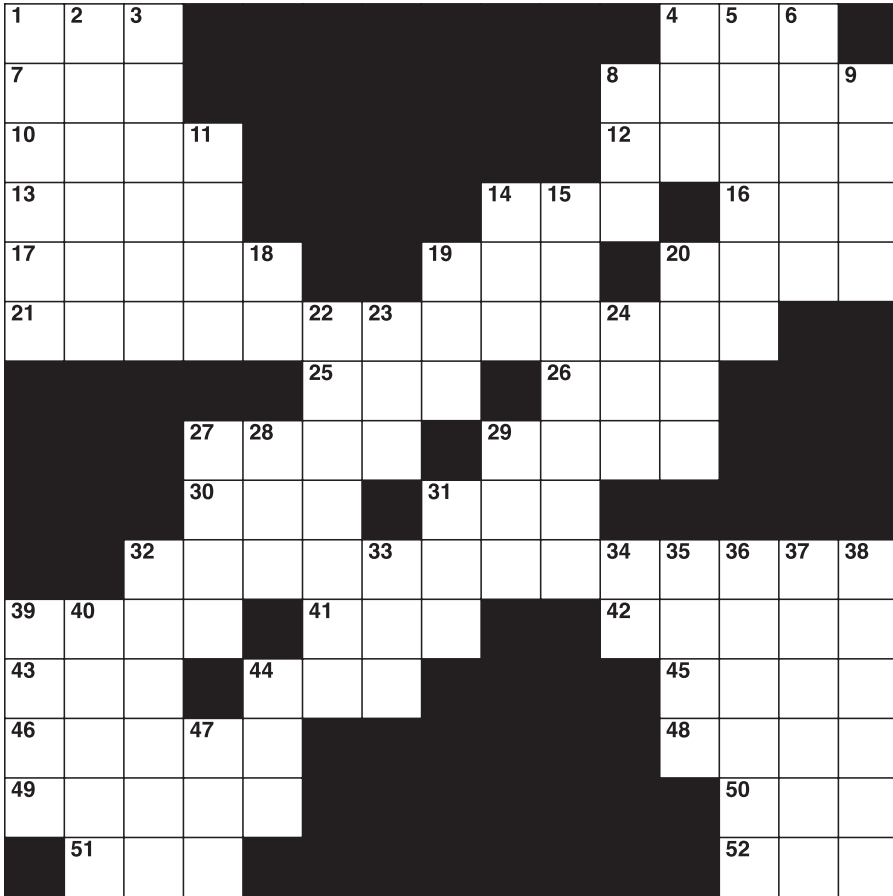
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- 1. Doctors' group
- 4. One millionth of a gram
- 7. Contrary to
- 8. Oohed and ___
- 10. Popular sandwiches
- 12. Construction site machine
- 13. Variety act
- 14. Fall back
- 16. An electrically charged atom
- 17. Mountain lakes
- 19. Japanese classical theater
- 20. Pesky insect
- 21. Natural wonders
- 25. Design file extension
- 26. Genus of grasses
- 27. Container for shipping
- 29. Theron film "___ Flux"

CLUES DOWN

- 30. Get older
- 31. Chinese surname
- 32. Edith Bunker actress
- 39. Natives to Myanmar
- 41. Soda comes in it
- 42. Counting frames
- 43. Where some get their mail (abbr.)
- 44. Having ten
- 45. Assn. of oil-producing countries
- 46. A type of cigar
- 48. World's longest river
- 49. Single-celled animal
- 50. Decay
- 51. General's assistant (abbr.)
- 52. Pigpen

CLUES DOWN

- 1. ___ and Costello
- 2. Islamic teacher
- 3. Clothing
- 4. Disfigure
- 5. Irons
- 6. NW Italian seaport
- 8. Play a role
- 9. A reduction
- 11. Short poem set to music
- 14. Pain unit
- 15. Get in form
- 18. Junior's father
- 19. To the ___ degree
- 20. Wild or sweet cherry
- 22. Content
- 23. Earn a perfect score
- 24. Korean surname
- 27. Herb ___, San Francisco columnist

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- 28. Ottoman military commander
- 29. Satisfaction
- 31. Kids' TV channel (abbr.)
- 32. Poke quickly
- 33. Pouch
- 34. City of Angels
- 35. Dark olive black
- 36. Nocturnal hoofed mammals
- 37. Wild cat
- 38. Fine detail
- 39. Prevents harm to creatures
- 40. A city in Louisiana
- 44. Everyone has their own
- 47. Basics

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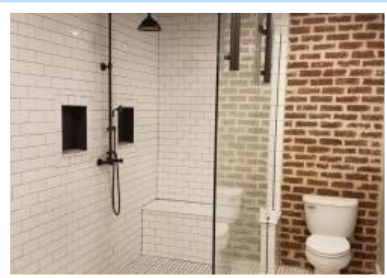
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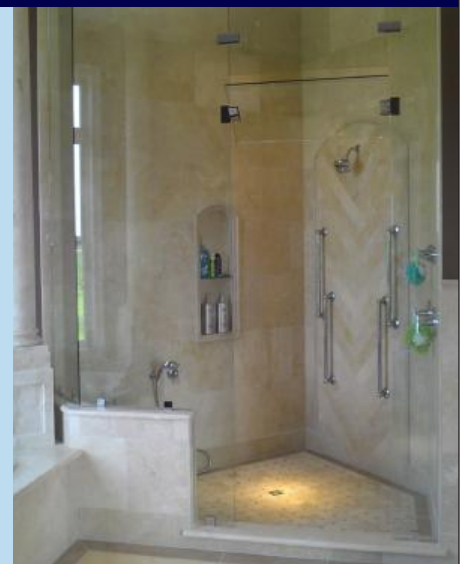
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