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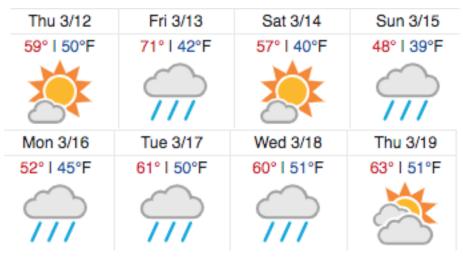


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# **Commissioners Sell Armory Square Property**

### To be Used for Commercial Development



**Calvert County Board of County Commissioners** 

By Dick Myers Editor

The sale of a key piece of Calvert County real estate has been approved. The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners at their March 10 meeting unanimously approved a purchase and sale agreement for the property that formerly held the Calvert Middle School and is now known as Armory Square.

The purchase price is \$3.8 million. The buyers are Westmoreland Partners of Washington, DC and Generation Properties, LLC of Dunkirk. Rick Bailey, former president of Marrick Homes, is a principal in Generation. Westmoreland is reportedly involved in large shopping center developments.

The two companies will be purchasing two tracts of land totaling about 12 acres. The county will in turn use part of the proceeds to purchase a 32,000 square foot parcel on Steeple Chase Drive for a bus transfer station. The developers will pay \$225,671 for that and then be given a credit for it at closing.

The contract requires the developers to close within two years at the agreed-upon price.

According to a memo to the BOCC from Director of Economic Development Kelly Robertson-Slagle, the transaction is being done for the following reasons:

- (1) the project will add approximately 125,500 square feet of new commercial space,
- (2) create 450 new jobs,
- (3) increase commercial tax revenue
- (4) allow for potential retention and complimentary adaptive reuse of the Armory building, and
- (5) allow for acquisition of land strategically located for the planned county bus transfer station.

According to the documents presented, approximately 51,000 square feet of the commercial space would be for medical offices.

After the unanimous decision, Myra Gowans of Calvert Citizens United, four of whose members have filed suit against the county over adoption of the comprehensive plan update, criticized the sale during the meeting's public comment section. She noted that the recent workshop on the Prince Frederick Town Center Master Plan featured citizens calling for Armory Square to be a "statement" property with "sensible development" as a centerpiece for the town, with open spaces and recreation areas.

In making the motion for the sale, Commissioner Buddy Hance noted that the county had purchased the nearby Watson property for a community center and the armory across the street was also available

Gowans said Westmoreland Partners only deals in large shopping centers, renewing her contention that major developers are eyeing the county for massive growth.

She also questioned the price tag the county is paying for the property for the bus transfer station, saying it is a piece of undevelopable land.

During the commissioners meeting, there were no drawings presented of what is planned by the new owners for the Armory Square property.

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# County Becomes 'Second Amendment Sanctuary'

By Dick Myers Editor

The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC), by a 4-1 vote, has established the county as a Second Amendment Sanctuary. Commissioner Tim Hutchins voted against the measure.

The vote was part of a national pushback by local jurisdictions against state legislation that is deemed contrary to the Second Amendment. The legality of such sanctuaries has not yet been tested in the

According to a memo to the BOCC from County Attorney John Norris, "The Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America states, '[a] well-regulated Militia being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the People to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed'."

Norris went on to explain: "The Supreme Court of the United States of America in District of Columbia v. Heller...recognized the individual's right to keep and bear arms, as protected by the Second Amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America. Justice Antonin Scalia's majority opinion stated that the Second Amendment protects an individual's right to possess a firearm unconnected with service in a militia, and the right to use that firearm for traditionally lawful purposes, such as self-defense within the home, that 'to bear arms' is not limited to military use."

Another relevant part of the Constitution, according to Norris, is Section 1 of the Fourteenth Amendment, which says "[n]o State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

The Supreme Court recognized in Mc-



Commissioner Tim Hutchins

Donald v. City of Chicago, that the Second Amendment was incorporated by the Fourteenth Amendment and thus made applicable to the states.

Norris said, "Therefore, the right to keep and bear arms is a fundamental individual right that shall-not be infringed; and all local, state, and federal acts, laws, orders, rules or regulations regarding firearms, firearms accessories, and ammunition are a violation of the Second Amendment. Further, local governments have the legal authority to refuse to cooperate with state and federal firearm laws that violate those rights and to proclaim a Second Amendment sanctuary for lawabiding citizens in their jurisdiction."

Hutchins said of the idea of a Second Amendment Sanctuary, "There is a lot of ambiguity to it." He said the right way for citizens opposed to state legislation is to go to Annapolis and testify against them.

Hutchins said a more productive course of action for the county is to assist in setting up firing ranges for citizens to practice.

Commissioner Mike Hart said the issue was one of rural versus urban in Annapolis. "It is letting the state know we are a county that has always hunted and fished."

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# Fairground Road Work to Begin

The Calvert County Department of Public Works advises citizens to use caution in the area of Fairground Road beginning on or about March 16, 2020, while crews complete a 6-month road widening and infrastructure improvement project. While Fairground Road lane closures are in place, citizens will be rerouted to use Dares Beach and Armory roads.

The work will not restrict access to homes. Signs will be posted alerting citizens of the roadwork and temporary traffic pattern. Work will include extending existing sewer lines, installing of new electric lines, road widening and adding sidewalks. The project is expected to conclude in September, weather permitting.

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Press Release from Calvert County government.





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### **Voter Registration Deadline Nears for Primary**

### April 7 is deadline to register, make changes

Calvert County citizens who are eligible to vote are reminded that important deadlines for the 2020 presidential primary election are approaching. The deadline to register to vote, change party affiliation, update an address and request a polling place reassignment is Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at 5 p.m.

To vote in the upcoming presidential primary election, Maryland residents who are eligible to vote but are not yet registered – including 17-year-olds who will be 18 years old on or before the Nov. 3 presidential general election – must register by the April 7 deadline. This is also the last day for registered voters to change their party affiliation.

Calvert County residents with a Maryland driver's license or a Maryland Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA)-issued identification card may register to vote, change their address or change their party affiliation online at www.voterservices.elections. maryland.gov/OnlineVoterRegistration.

Voters and members of the military, their spouses and dependents who are overseas and who do not have a Maryland driver's license or MVA-issued ID, may also register or change their address or party affiliation online using different identifying information.

The 2020 Presidential Primary Election will be held on Tuesday, April 28, 2020. Voters may vote by absentee ballot, visit their local early voting center during early voting, which takes place Thursday, April 16 through Thursday, April 23, or they can go to their polling place on election day.

Voter registration applications are available throughout Maryland at the following locations:

Local boards of elections

MVA offices

State Department of Health offices

Local Department of Social Services offices

Offices on Aging

Division of Rehabilitation Services

MTA Paratransit Certification Office

U.S. Armed Forces recruitment offices

Public institutions of higher education

Marriage license bureaus

Post offices

Public libraries

State Board of Elections office

Voters may also call 1-800-222-8683 to request an application by mail or download and print a voter registration application at www.elections.maryland.gov/voter\_registration/application. html.

Paper voter registration applications must be hand-delivered by 5 p.m. on April 7 to the Calvert County Board of Elections office at 30 Duke Street in Prince Frederick or mailed to the Board of Elections at P.O. Box 798, Prince Frederick, MD, 20678. Mailed applications must be post-marked by April 7. Voters who want to update their address can do so at their local early voting center during the early voting period from April 16 through April 23.

Individuals who miss the April 7 deadline to register will have the opportunity to register to vote at an early voting center during early voting or at their polling place on election day. To register to vote on election day, individuals need to go to their assigned polling place where they live and bring a document that proves where they live. This can be an MVA-issued license, identification card, change of address card, paycheck, bank statement, utility bill, or other government document that includes the voter's name and address.

Most of Maryland's polling places are accessible to voters with disabilities. An elderly voter or a voter with a disability who is assigned to an inaccessible polling place may ask to be reassigned to an accessible polling place. This request must be submitted in writing by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 7, 2020. The request form is available online at www.elections.maryland.gov/pdf/Request\_for\_Accessible\_Polling\_Place.pdf or call 1-800-222-8683 to request a form by mail.

The Calvert County Board of Elections will review the request and determine whether there is an accessible polling place with the same ballot as the voter's home precinct and notify the voter of the status of his or her request.

To verify voter registration status or to find out if an assigned polling place is accessible, voters may visit www.voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/VoterSearch.

Voters can find their polling place online at www.voterservices.elections.maryland.gov/PollingPlaceSearch.

For more information, voters may contact the Calvert County Board of Elections at 410-535-2214, the State Board of Elections at 1-800-222-VOTE (8683) or visit www.elections.maryland. gov.

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Press Release from Calvert County government.



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## **Detectives Seize Drugs, Guns from Convicted Felon**



Detectives with the Calvert County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Bureau (CIB) in late February 2020, initiated an investigation into a convicted felon that was believed to be in unlawful possession of firearms.

On Feb. 28 a search and seizure warrant was executed on a residence in the 3200 block of Hance Rd, Port Republic, MD. Detectives recovered a pump action shotgun, a prop gun, 15 grams of crack cocaine, mixing agents, and numerous other items of evidence that were indicative of the production, distribution, and use of narcotics.



Arron Lemonte Johnson

Arron Lemonte Johnson, 38 of Port Repub-

lic, MD was arrested and charged with Possession of Cocaine with the Intent to Distribute and Possession of a Shotgun by a Prohibited Person.

Anyone who wishes to provide additional information about these offenses is encouraged to contact Detective Yates at (410) 535-2800 ext. 2151.

Press Release from CCSO.

# **Richfield Station Information Sought**

Multiple Thefts from Vehicles Reported

During the overnight hours of March 6-7 multiple vehicles were entered and items were possibly stolen in Richfield Station in Chesapeake Beach, primarily in the back along Ivy Lane and Clear Spring. A vehicle was stolen from Clear Spring and is currently under investigation.

The suspect vehicle is a BLACK HYUNDAI possibly a Santa Fe with DC

The Twin Beach Deputies are asking that citizens in Richfield Station check their doorbell cameras or exterior camer-

as for the suspect(s) and the aforementioned suspect vehicle. Please contact the Calvert County Sheriffs office at (410) 535-2800 with any information.

Please remember to lock your vehicles, store their valuables out of sight and please DO NOT leave their keys in the car.

Press Release from Town of Chesapeake Beach.

# **CALVERT SHERIFF OFFICE** CRIME BLOTTER

During the week of February 24 - March 1 deputies of the Calvert County Sheriff's Office responded to 1,331 calls for service throughout the community.

On February 26, 2020, Deputy R. Evans responded to Skyview Drive in Lusby for the report of a theft. The complainant advised that sometime between February 23rd and February 25th, an unknown suspect(s) had syphoned gas from their vehicle. The value of stolen property is \$25.

### Arrests:

On February 29, 2020, Deputy Sampson assisted Maryland State Police Trooper Rutkoski with an investigation on Lottie Fowler Road in Prince Frederick. During the investigation Deputy Sampson remained with the suspect, James Thomas Walker, Jr. (59), inside the residence and observed Walker to remove a glass smoking device from his shirt pocket and discard it into a trashcan beside him. A search was then conducted of Walker resulting in a Zip-lock bag containing several suspected crack cocaine chunks. A search of Walker's vehicle resulted in a plastic bag containing a torn up copper scrubbing pad, a red handled Allen wrench with suspected crack cocaine residue on the end, as well as small white fragments suspected to be crack cocaine. Walker was placed under arrest and transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where he was charged



JAMES THOMANS WALKER JR.

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### Upcoming Classes, Clinics & Talks

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# **Regional Agency Launches New Website**

The Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland (TCCSMD) recently launched a redesign of their website, www.tccsmd.org. The new website is a comprehensive overview of all TCCSMD programs and divisions, providing users with a complete picture of the resources and opportunities available from the council.

The new website includes sections devoted to workforce development, agriculture, transportation, regional planning and heritage. Users can find information about TCCSMD's different divisions, including the Southern Maryland Agricultural Development Commission (SMADC), the Southern Maryland Workforce Development Board and the Southern Maryland Heritage Area Consortium (SMHAC). Users can also view council meeting times and minutes, get updates on TCCSMD news and contact each division.

"The website redesign is an extension of our mission to serve the people and communities of Southern Maryland," says John Hartline, TCCSMD executive director. "The new design is simple and easy to navigate. Viewers can use the new site as a platform to



discover more about our resources and reach out to our team members."

Discover the Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland's programs and explore the redesigned website at www. tccsmd.org.

### About Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland

Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland (TCCSMD) was formed in 1964, as a cooperative planning and development agency to foster the social and economic development of Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's counties. The purpose of the Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland is to serve as a forum for the resolution of region-wide issues and the attainment of regional goals.

Press release from TCCSMD.

## **Physician, Surgeon Joins CalvertHealth Medical** Group

CalvertHealth Medical Group, the employed provider network of Calvert Health System, is pleased to announce the addition of long-time community physician and board-certified plastic surgeon Dr. Wilfred Ehrmantraut, Jr. of Plastic Surgery of Southern Maryland to its multidisciplinary surgical group. With more than 20 years of surgical training and experience, Dr. Ehrmantraut is a well-respected surgeon with an outstanding reputation for providing exemplary results and patient care.

"I believe the move will facilitate more rapid specialized care for our patients," said Dr. Ehrmantraut. "A multidisciplinary surgical group allows the surgeons of different specialties to coordinate our efforts to better serve the patients of our community." He will be relocating to the CalvertHealth campus in June.



Dr. Wilfred Ehrmantraut, Jr

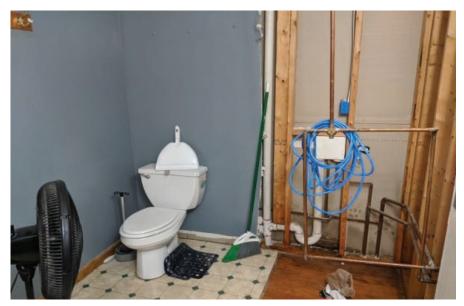
Dr. Ehrmantraut has been a long-time member of the organization. He has chaired the department of surgery at CalvertHealth and served on the operative and invasive committees as well as the leadership team of the Sheldon E. Goldberg Center for Breast Care at CalvertHealth and currently serves as the chief of the medical staff.

In solo practice since 2002, Dr. Ehrmantraut said he believes this new alliance will have a positive impact on patient care and the delivery of services. "It just makes sense with the vision the organization and Dr. Theodore Tsangaris have for cancer care in Calvert County. I'm going to be working hand in hand with him. We're going to be right next door to each other," said Dr. Ehrmantraut. "He'll (Dr. Tsangaris) be treating the various cancers and I'll be doing the reconstruction. We really need the ability to be able to communicate real-time so we can make decisions quickly and treat our patients more effectively. This is a plus for everybody."

Press Release from CalvertHealth

# **Local Veteran Gets a Helping Hand**

Patuxent Habitat, Home Depot Assist



Former Commander Harry Metzler an Army veteran from Vietnam war era has helped hundreds of veterans through his role at the DAV Chapter 26. Recently Mr. Metzler had fallen in his bathroom, when there was no one home to help him get back on his feet.

Patuxent Habitat for Humanity had heard about this and wanted to make sure this wouldn't happen again. They reached out to the Patuxent River SEABEE'S to help them renovate the bathroom and make it handicap accessible for him.

They removed all bathroom fixtures, drywall and floors. They then installed new walk– in shower, commode, new vanity with sink & faucets, new flooring, new lighting fixtures, new drywall and paint.

The dedicated group of volunteers worked 247 hours over a period of five days renovating this bathroom for a very deserving veteran! We were able to assist Metzler through a grant from Home Depot and funds received from the Warrior 5K Fun Run Walk!

Patuxent Habitat for Humanity would not have been able to complete this remodel without the experience and patience of all the volunteers.

Press Release from Patuxent Habitat for Humanity.



# **County Parks Return to Normal Summer Hours**

The Calvert County Department of Parks & Recreation announces that all parks will return to their normal summer hours Saturday, March 14, 2020.

The summer hours of operation for Dunkirk District Park, Hallowing Point Park and Cove Point Park are 8:30 a.m. to 11 p.m., through mid-November. Other park hours vary based on location and amenities. Park hours are posted at the entrance of each county park or available online at www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/Parks.

Recently updated park operating guidelines prevents smoking, vaping and use of tobacco products on site; all are prohibited on park properties except for Chesapeake Hills Golf Course. The use of gas grills, pull-behind grills, smokers and deep fryers are also prohibited in county parks. The use of charcoal grills is allowed.

Visit Calvert County parks and take advantage of the many features offered including playgrounds, basketball and tennis courts, baseball fields and picnic areas.

Press Release from Calvert County government.



# Maryland Day Events in St. Mary's County

Celebrate Maryland Day in St. Mary's County with events that commemorate this historic day at the places where it all began.



### Historic St. Mary's City Saturday, March 21, 20 • 10-4PM

Celebrate Maryland's 386th anniversary with ceremony, pageantry, speeches, & FREE admission to living history & museum exhibits. Official program begins at 1PM at the reconstructed State House of 1676 (47418 Route 584, St. Mary's City) & includes: the presentation of HSMC's highest honor, the Cross Bottony Award; a flag ceremony featuring students from across Maryland representing their home counties; & music from local groups.

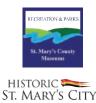
### St. Clement's Island Museum

Wednesday, March 25, 2020 • 2-3PM Ceremony: 2-3PM

Free Admission & Water Taxi Rides: 10–5PM
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Ronald Murphy, S.J., a member of the Jesuit Community at
Georgetown University will be this year's keynote speaker
& will bring the original iron cross that was brought to St.
Clement's Island, back to St. Mary's County for display. The
museum & water taxi will be operating FREE for visitors
prior to & after the ceremony, 10–5PM.

Please visit Facebook.com/SCIMuseum or hsmcdigshistory.org for more info!





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# Schools, Health Department Issue Coronavirus Statement

Calvert County Public Schools (CCPS) and the Health Department understand the concerns many people have over the potential spread of coronavirus to our area. We want you to know that our schools have been limiting risks to students and school staff by monitoring attendance, cleaning high-touch areas, and encouraging students and staff to practice proper hand washing.

Although we may eventually have cases in Calvert, the work of public health agencies to slow introduction of coronavirus to America has provided additional time for hospitals, doctors and nurses, and emergency medical services (EMS) to better prepare to care for people with possible infections. This includes testing to accurately diagnose coronavirus and providing the best care for the sick, while protecting the health of other community members.

The Calvert County Health Department and CCPS work with health officials at the federal and state level, as well as with our counterparts in neighboring counties since viruses don't respect lines on a map. We also routinely work with our Calvert partners at the hospital, individual medical practices, and EMS, as well as non-health agencies, including the Department of Social Services in case people who may need to be isolated in their homes require help obtaining food or temporary assistance with other basic needs.

While no cases of coronavirus have presented in the region, we continue

to prepare for the potential of a change at any time. Your child's school staff and the Health Department encourage everyone to make good, daily choices to decrease the spread of viruses.

- Stay home if you are sick.
- Keep children home from school or daycare until their fevers and symptoms have resolved for at least a full 24 hours.
  - Wash your hands frequently with soap and water or use a hand sanitizer.
- Try to find ways to greet people other than shaking hands, particularly during flu season.
- When vaccines are available for an infection, protect yourselves and your children.

The less likely you are to get sick, the less likely you are to unintentionally pass a virus on to someone else with a weak immune system who may become very ill. As good neighbors, we have an obligation to look out for others.

Calvert County Public Schools and the Calvert County Health Department wish you and your family a healthy and safe remainder of the academic year. Beware of misleading claims on the internet about miracle cures and products that give people false reassurance. To keep up on the latest and most accurate coronavirus information, please check the Calvert County Health Department's website https://www.calverthealth.org, Facebook page, or Twitter account.



# **Three Full-Day Pre-Kindergarten Programs Added**

Calvert County Public Schools is expanding some pre-kindergarten classrooms to a full-day experience for the upcoming school year. The current half-day programs at Windy Hill Elementary and St. Leonard Elementary will expand to a full-day placement. Sunderland Elementary will also have a full-day placement in addition to the current half-day program.

Dr. Daniel D. Curry, superintendent, said, "We know that full day preschool will give our neediest children a boost up to kindergarten readiness. It must be a high priority."

The overall goal of pre-kindergarten is to provide learning experiences to help children develop and maintain the basic skills necessary to be successful in school. The program was developed in 1979 by the Maryland State Department of Education to meet the needs of four-year-old children whose families are economically disadvantaged and who may not have the necessary readiness skills to be successful in school.

All families, regardless of income, are welcome to apply for pre-kindergarten through the online application at http://bit.ly/prek2020CCPS.

Students are selected for pre-kindergarten based on the criteria and guidelines set by the Maryland State Department of Education and Calvert County Public Schools and prioritized in the order below.

#### **CATEGORY I**

Child's family is eligible for free or reduced meals. Child's family is deemed homeless.

Child participated in state or federal early childhood programs (examples: Head Start, Judy Center, HIPPY/Healthy Families).

Child and/or family speaks a language other than English at home or the child's first language is not English.

### **CATEGORY III**

Other Academic (Educational) Needs:

Child has an IFSP/IEP (receives special education services).

Child has a Child Find referral.

Child identified with demonstrated academic delay (as measured by a developmental assessment used by CCPS).

Child's family income is up to ten percent over the free and reduced-price meals guidelines.

### **OPEN ENROLLMENT**

Child does not meet any of the eligibility criteria. Consideration is based on available slots. Applicants do not need to complete Category I, II, or III sections. These students will be placed in programs after October if any available slots remain.

Four-year old students granted a half-day (AM/PM) session in the prekindergarten program may also be eligible for participation in the Head Start program. The CCPS Head Start program runs in half-day sessions. Concurrent enrollment in both programs will provide students with a full day early learning experience. If interested, you must also complete and submit the Head Start application. Head Start programs are located at Barstow Elementary, Patuxent Appeal Campus, and Sunderland Elementary. For more Head Start program information, contact (443) 550-8062.

### School sites with pre-kindergarten programs are:

Barstow Elementary (AM/PM Sessions and Head Start Location)

Beach Elementary (AM/PM Sessions)

Calvert Elementary (AM/PM Sessions)

Dowell Elementary (AM/PM Sessions)

Huntingtown Elementary (AM/PM Sessions)

Patuxent-Appeal Campus (AM/PM Sessions and Head Start Location)

Saint Leonard Elementary (Full Day Session)

Sunderland Elementary (Full Day & AM/PM Sessions, and Head Start

Windy Hill Elementary (Full Day Session)

### The following documents are needed to complete the registration process:

Original birth certificate with official raised seal;

Child's immunization records:

Proof of residency.

Only the following documentation will be accepted for proof of residency:

Incorporated Lease (Real Estate Lease);

Non-incorporated Agreement (Landlord provides proof of residency by producing a signed, notarized affidavit verifying that parents reside at that address); or

Mortgage Statement.

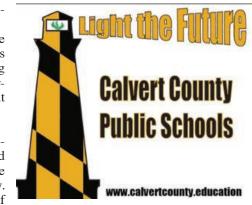
An approved multi-family disclosure application is required when child and parent reside in the home of another family. Please call the Department of Student Services at (443) 550-

8460 to obtain further information regarding this process.

Details and information regarding early entry requirements can be found in Calvert County Public Schools Policy/Procedures #2915. Candidates for early entry to kindergarten must be five years old on or before October 15 of the school year for which they apply for entrance. As stated in the policy, the intent of the assessment for early admission, as specified by the State of Maryland, is to identify exceptional students, not simply students who may be capable of completing kindergarten work. Written requests for candidates to participate in the early entry to kindergarten assessment process must be received by Joyce Farrell King, Supervisor State and Federal Grant Programs, by May 1, 2020.

For more information, contact Kristin Plachno, Early Childhood Teacher Specialist, at (443) 550-8396 or plachnok@calvertnet.k12.md.us or Joyce Farrell King, Supervisor of State and Federal Grant Programs, at (443) 550-8025 or kingj@calvertnet.k12.md.us.

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## Rai Sharma: Hard Work in His Chosen Home

Public Works Director Thrives in America



By Dick Myers Editor

He may well be one of the most visible department heads in Calvert County government. Hardly a week goes by that he isn't making one presentation or another to the Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) and thus a fixture on the streaming of those Tuesday meetings.

Calvert County Director of Public Works P. Rai Sharma heads a department that oversees water and sewer and solid waste, areas that have a daily impact country residents. He is responsible for the 474 miles of county roads that we all drive on. And, his 161 employees are also in regular contact with citizens.

Yet, there are not many people who know about the engaging personal story that could easily make Sharma the poster child for those immigrants who dream of bettering themselves by coming to America and about how many of those immigrants in turn helped build America and make the American dream a reality for all of us, including most who may infrequently give it a second thought.

It was, however, on Rai Sharma's mind in his hometown of Punjab, India in 1973. He was 29 years old and determined to make his dream a reality. He explained, "When I did my degree in engineering in India, I always had an aspiration to go to a foreign country. So, when I looked around, I found that we used to hear a lot about the USA and all the opportunities. It's a good place to be. You can excel yourself. So, I decided to come to this country. I applied for the visa, which was in New Delhi, the consulate's office."

The interviewer was "so tall and had blue eyes and he was American, of course, and I was kind of really impressed." He asked Sharma why he wanted to come to America. "Tell me a good reason; you are a graduate engineer. Why can't you work in this country?" the man asked.

Sharma responded, "That's not the issue. The issue is I just have an aspiration to come to USA."

So, the interviewer told Sharma he didn't want any immigrant to become a public charge in America with a handout. "So, I said, how can I convince you that I won't be? He said, well, first of all, I would like you to deposit \$1,000, a lot of money back in 73." That money was to be deposited in a bank in India in case he needed it in America.

So, he returned to Punjab, about 20 miles away to his family. His father had passed away. He told his story to his mother, and she arranged for his uncle to provide the money and he was approved back in New Delhi.

He arrived in Washington, DC with little money and a green card waiting for him, and no job. "I wasn't nervous, to be honest with you, because I didn't know what I will be doing once I got here." A friend who was already here consented for him to stay there until he could get settled.

The next step – how to get a job. His friend pointed him to the Yellow Pages and listings for engineering companies and the advice to start making calls.

Everyone asked, 'Do you have any local experience? Of course, how am I going to have a local experience unless somebody hires me?' Finally using that line, he got someone to agree to an interview.

The interview was at 7 a.m. and it was quite a distance away and he didn't have a car, so he got the bus schedule. But first he had to get the lady giving out the schedule to understand his British pronunciation of the word "schedule.":

He woke up at 4 a.m. and made his way there on time. He explained to the engineering company owner his qualifications "designing roads and bridges, buildings and then taking care of them too."

The man asked if he was familiar with the codes "I said, sir, in engineering, no matter where you study, your learning is engineering. The code, anybody can read and follow that. But the basic principle of engineering is engineering. And he liked that."

He said all he had was a job on the survey crew. "I said, no job is too small or too big, I'll take it."

Sharma explained, "I didn't care because I wanted to work. I wanted to prove it to them, that I'm a very hard worker and I know my stuff."

One day in the field a crew chief was having a problem and Sharma offered assistance. At first, he was rebuffed but eventually relented. Sharma advised, "I think you are missing this over here and that's why you're not getting the results we are looking for. And he was so impressed."

"Then I started learning the American system," he said, which included finding another job with better pay. He noted, "In Washington, DC, the cost of living and all that are pretty high. So, in order to make extra money, I said, what can I do after hours, like you work from seven to three, what can I do from three to 11?"

So, he applied for a job as an inserter at the Washington Post. There was a long line and when he finally got to the interviewer, he looked at Sharma and with his lean physique he said he looked pretty weak. Sharma replied, "I just need to put the paper together. I'm not lifting anything." He got the job.

After he finished his night job at 2 a.m. his face was covered in ink. "So, then I used to take the bus from Washington, DC to go to my place where I usually washed myself, take a nap for a few hours, three to seven roughly, and then go to this other job. So that's how I started my life in the USA."

A short time later a job opened in Wicomico County on the Eastern Shor for a project engineer for the county. By then he had a car, a Chevy Vega, and drove over for the interview and didn't hear anything for six months.

Then he got the call. By the end of his first year in America, in December 1973, he got the job in Wicomico County, where he would stay until 2008, first as project engineer and then for 21 years as their director of public works.

When the then director was leaving, and suggested Sharma apply for the job he was at first reluctant. He was a merit employee and would be serving at the pleasure of the commissioners. "I'm kind of fearful, scared because what if you get rid of me

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after a year or two?"

By this time another major event had happened in his life. He got married.

His mother had called and said, "You're getting older and you need to get married. The Indian system is that we don't date. And I had never dated any girl in my life, and she said, well, the way you're doing the work, I will try to find a girl for you."

So, the advertisements went out and there were 20 candidates and Sharma said that was too many; he could never interview them all back in India in the short time he had for vacation. So, his mother pared the list down to three and Sharma asked her to pick her favorite, which she did.

"When we go to see the girl and I take my mom, my maternal uncle, my brother, myself, my sister, five of us," and of course her family is with her and they have the interview in a small room. "They start questioning, interviewing what I do and blah, blah, and what have you."

He told them he didn't smoke or drink, which they found hard to believe. "My father had died with lung cancer. Finally, I found out, my mother told me that. I said, my mother has told the whole family that nobody in this family will ever smoke, period."

After the meeting his mother asked if he liked the girl, "and I said, 'yes I do.' And I go to bed that night and I woke up, kind of puzzled, you know, and I said, 'My gosh, I'm going to marry this girl.' I didn't even talk to her whether she even cared to go to USA or not; is she being pushed?"

So, he arranged another meeting. They agreed that they liked each other. He then asked her if she was prepared to leave her family, "Are you ready to go to USA? Because I probably will not come back to India. And she thought for a few minutes, ands she said, 'The husband is there, so then the wife is supposed to be.' I was impressed with that answer and I said, I will be away from the families. She says, 'you are family, you are away. I will be there, but we will be together." That actually matters."

"I didn't look at any other girl," he said. Rai and Kusum have two children. Their son is a doctor, an internist and their daughter is a pediatric dentist.

"The one thing I think I want to say very, very passionately, there are a lot of opportunities in this country. It's how you make of yourself of those opportunities. Anybody, in my opinion, can succeed. You have to be a dedicated, honest, working hard person."

Harkening back to his decision to come here, he said, "Don't ever put your hand out. You know, that was the lesson my father gave me. He said, 'the day you put your hand out, your hand should be cut off'."

His father always encouraged his son to get into public service. Sharma said, "He always said, 'Never, ever forget that every citizen is your boss.' I have never forgetten that. He said you may have immediate bosses, but there may be 90,000 people, not 1 million people. You should consider everyone to be your boss. I said, why do you say that? He said, 'Because they're paying your salary'."

So back to Sharma's qualms about taking that Wicomico County directorship. His wife told him, "We have gone 10,000 miles away. We have come so far. What's it going to lose? They won't pick you, so fine. You still have a job."

So, he's been in public service since that decision to move to Wicomico County, except for a short stint between the two county jobs. He came to Calvert in 2010, first as director of engineering and since 2015 as department director.

What his father told him has stuck. "That's how the customer service comes to my mind all the time. I'm very passionate about customer service. And, I tell my team the same thing because we are here, probably some people would say public works. No, we work for the public. That's how I look at it."

Everything wasn't functioning properly when he first came to Calvert County, he said, and he used that 35 years of experience he accumulated in Wicomico County to affect change. First, he helped rewrite the road ordinance, including a mailbox policy.

He also created "a neighborhood traffic management plan .... if there are issues with the traffic within the neighborhood, how do you calm down the traffic."

He also developed a sidewalk policy intended to connect areas with sidewalks with those without them.

He credits the commissioner boards with the successes. "I would say that anytime, anywhere in any day, the previous board and this board had been very, very supportive. Anytime I gave them some suggestions on ideas, they've worked with me."

Sharma is also very proud of finishing Dowell Road after the project had been stalled for years.

Road paving is a benefit that citizens in that neighborhood receive a direct benefit from. He said, "They (previous boards) were spending only two, two and a half million dollars. And I said that we were in a 40-year paving cycle. Paving doesn't last 40 years." His goal is to reduce the cycle to 15 to 20 years. They are now at about a 20-year cycle

He is also deep into a study of the county's failing septic systems.

At 76 years of age, retirement may be on his radar, but he is unclear how far out that may be. In the meantime, the man who came to America without a job, and began working in a crew at 7 a.m. every morning, still comes into work at 7 a.m., first stopping at the landfills or inspecting road projects.

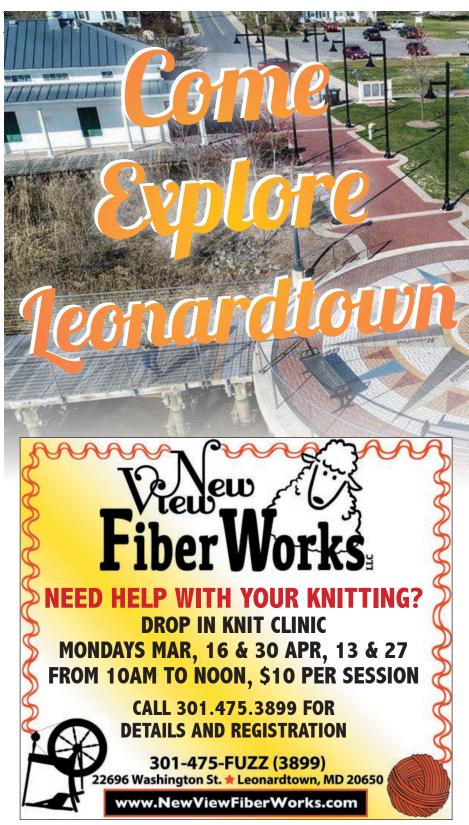
He said, "This department is going to be there. It was there before I came here. It will be there after I leave. But I think it's a matter of how somebody does their job. I believe I have done well. I have the respect of my leaders, my citizens and my coworkers. I always believe in teamwork. Without my team under me, I won't be here. My team who makes me shine. Yes. I guide them. I have been guiding them and I will continue to guide them."

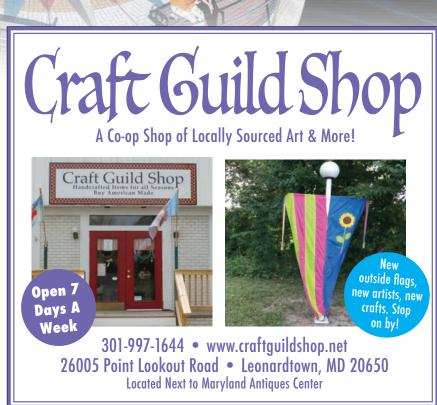
He added, "I don't know of a leader who is successful unless the team behind him is successful too. I support my staff. I stand for them and I've always got their back. I tell them, you know, as long as you work within the ordinances and the rules and regulations, I will have your back. Do not worry about it. But if you do something wrong, out of those rules, regulations or ordinances, don't expect my help at all. I won't be there. The chips may fall wherever they may fall, but if you follow the rules, regulations, policies, I will be right there."

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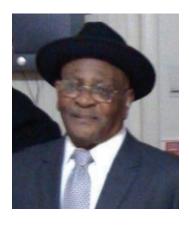




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### Alvin Leopold "Big Mac" **McLean**



Alvin Leopold "Big Mac" McLean, 90, of Lexington Park, MD and formerly of Jamaica and England, passed away on February 26, 2020 at MedStar St. Mary's Hospital.

Born October 21, 1929 in Sunbury Clarendon, Jamaica, he was the son of the late Joseph Fuller and Norissa McLean.

Alvin graduated from Smithville High School in 1945. He married Daisy Theresa Blearie in St. Andrew, Jamaica on December 24, 1957. He was an Auto Technician for Chrysler Passport of Alexandria for thirty one years, retiring in 2003. Alvin moved to St. Mary's County from Alexandria, VA in 2007. He enjoyed Domino's, watching wrestling and the Washington Redskins.

Alvin is survived by his former spouse Daisy T. Blearie of England; his children, Lincoln McLean of Kent, England, Lolita Robinson (Tyrone) of Lexington Park, MD, Lenox McLean (Veslyn) of Barking, England, Carol Morris (Albert) of London, England, Lancelot McLean of London, England, Paul McLean (Zelijka) of Kent, England, Zacky Forbes (Lourian) of Lexington Park, MD, and Bonny Christie; sixteen grandchildren; eight greatgrandchildren; and siblings, Stitson, Lollis, and Pearl. He was preceded in death by his siblings, Sam and William.

Family will receive friends on Friday, March 13, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. with a Funeral Service conducted by Pastor James L. Bell following at 11:00 a.m. in the Rausch Funeral Home, 20 American Lane, Lusby, MD. Interment will follow in Holy Face Catholic Cemetery, Great Mills,

Serving as pallbearers will be Paul McLean, Lancelot McLean, Tyrone Robinson and Justin Harrell.

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

### Elizabeth Jeanette Windsor



Elizabeth Jeanette Windsor, 89, of Clinton passed away March 8, 2020 in St. Leonard, MD. She was born July 1, 1930 in Clinton, MD to James Ralph and Clara Jenkins Tayman. Jeanette was employed as a bookkeeper with First National Bank in Upper Marlboro. She was a longtime, faithful member of St. Mary's Catholic Church of Piscataway. Jeanette loved spending time with and caring for her family, often thinking of them and others before herself. She was an excellent cook who loved having Christmas and holiday dinners at her house, and was known for her homemade spaghetti and Easter eggs. Jeanette also enjoyed shopping, gardening, canning tomatoes, camping, fishing, ice cream, Snickers, and spending time with her Yorkie Poo Noah. Jeanette will be remembered as a kind, loving person with a heart of gold, and those who knew her will remember her saying "Always wear your sunhat, sunglasses, and sunscreen."

Jeanette was preceded in death by her husband William Bernard Windsor, siblings Vincent Tayman and Mildred Windsor, and son-in-law Roy Lindauer. She is survived by her children Mary Jane "Janie" Boswell and her husband Dale of St. Leonard, Virginia Kathy Lindauer of Ridgley, MD, and William Barry Windsor and his wife Bokie of Dunkirk, grandchildren Karen Windsor,

Ricky Lindauer, Misty Gibson, Jackie Fowler, Ryan Boswell, and Jeff Windsor, great-grandchildren Trevor, Alyssa, Brianna, Nicholas, Sophia, Kenny, and Noah, and seven greatgreat grandchildren.

Visitation will be Thursday, March 12, 2020, 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. at Rausch Funeral Home-Owings, 8325 Mt. Harmony Lane, Owings, MD 20736.

Mass of Christian Burial will be Friday, March 13, 2020, 11 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church of Piscataway, 13401 Piscataway Road, Clinton, MD 20735.

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

Memorial contributions may be made to Calvert Hospice,m P.O. Box 838, Prince Frederick, MD 20678; 410-535-0892; Link: https://calverthospice.org/

### Margaret J. "Margie" Barton



Margaret J. "Margie" Barton, 91, of Lusby, Maryland, died on March 7, 2020. Margie was born on September 5, 1928, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to the late Paul Csinicsek and Anna (Frombach) Csinicsek.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Charles R. Barton. She is survived by her children Diana Newman (Glenn), Paul Barton, and Beverly Fitzgerald and five grandchildren Jonathan Barton (Aloysha), Shannon Barton, Bucky Jr. Fitzgerald, Kyle Newman, and Jeremy Barton.

A celebration of her life will take place at Our Lady Star of the Sea Historic Church, 90 Alexander Lane, Solomons, MD 20688 on April 17, 2020 at 10:00 am followed by burial at Our Lady Star of the Sea Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her name to Our Lady Star of the Sea New Church Fund, 90 Alexander Lane, Solomons, MD 20688.

Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Home.

Mary Estelle "Mazie" Tucker Mary Estelle "Mazie" Tucker, 97, of Lo-

thian passed away March 7, 2020. Born September 7, 1922 in South County to Robert Lee and Margaret V. (Catterton) Griffith. Mazie was raised in the Lothian area and attended Owensville Elementary School and Southern High School, graduating in 1939. She married Earl Tucker on August 5, 1939 and they lived, worked, and raised their family on the Tucker Family Farm in Lothian. Mazie was employed with First National Bank of Southern Maryland in Upper Marlboro, retiring in 1984 as bank vice president after 30 years of



service. She was a member of Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church, where she enjoyed singing in the choir. Mazie also enjoyed dining out and spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren.

Mazie was preceded in death by her husband Everett Earl Tucker and siblings Doris Lee, Vidie Lee Bowen, and Robert L. Griffith. She is survived by her children William E. "Billy" Tucker and wife Janet of Lothian, Robert L. "Bobby" Tucker and wife Carol of Annapolis, Earleen T. Bowen and husband Lee and Sue T. Manifold and husband Donald, all of Lothian, 7 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-greatgranddaughter. She is also survived by sisters Alice Dindino of Annapolis, Hazel Reeves of Bowie, and Edythe Smith of Annapolis.

Funeral service will be Thursday, March 12, 2020m 11 a.m. at Rausch Funeral Home-Owingsm 8325 Mt. Harmony Lane, Owings, MD 20736.

Burial will be at Mt. Calvary Anglican Church Cemetery, 812 Mt. Zion-Marlboro Road, Lothian, MD 20711.

Memorial contributions may be made to Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church, 1010 Wrighton Road, Lothian, MD 20711.

### Mildred Monnett Bowen



Mildred Monnett Bowen, 99, of Prince Frederick, Maryland passed away at the Calvert Hospice House on Friday, March 6th,

Mildred was born on April 29th, 1920 at home on the family farm in Prince Frederick, MD to the late Clarence E. Monnett, Sr. & Carrie E. Hodges Monnett. She was preceded in death by her husband & love of her life James (Jim) N. Bowen, siblings J. Hodges Monnett, Clifford Monnettt & Clarence E. Monnett, Jr. & son-in-law Kenneth Hutchins,

Mildred grew up in Calvert County and was married to Jim for 44 years before his

She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, family member & friend to all who



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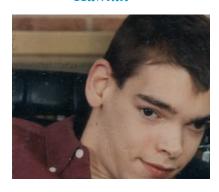
had the privilege of knowing her. She was a homemaker, farmer & long time member at Trinity UMC. She was an excellent cook, enjoyed quilting, being on the farm, attending church & most of all – being with her family.

Mildred is survived by her 2 daughters, Carole Jean Bowen Hutchins & Kathy D. Bowen (Bob Atkins), 4 grandchildren Kendra Hutchins Johnson (Erik), James K. Hutchins (Jordan), Jamie Shifflett (Angel) & D.J. Shifflett (April). She had 11 great grandchildren Tim & David Johnson; Serenity, Clark, Nate & Oliver Hutchins; Alayna & Jace Shifflett; Trent & Carter Bates, & Trinity Peters. She is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews & friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Calvert Hospice, P.O. Box 838 Prince Frederick, MD 206781 410-535-08921 Link: https://calverthospice.org/

Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Hone.

### Keith Edward "Keefy" Hawkin



Keith Edward "Keefy" Hawkins, 48, of St. Leonard passed away March 9, 2020. He was born December 1, 1971 in Washington, D.C. Keith had a beautiful smile that would light up a room. He was often referred to as an "Angel here on Earth" and had tremendous impact on all of those who knew and loved him.

Keith is survived by his parents Barbara and Charles "Chick" Michael of Huntingtown, brother Mark Hawkins and his wife Megan of Ellicott City, stepbrother Marck Michael and his wife Jenn of Charleston, SC, stepsister Melaney Michael Sanchez and her husband Daniel of Chesapeake Beach, a niece and several nephews, godmother Nancy Accipiter, loving caregiver Evelyn Brooks, and numerous other caregivers with The ARC of Southern Maryland.

Visitation will be Saturday, March 14, 2020m 10-11 a.m. at First Lutheran Church of Calvert County, 6300 Southern Maryland Boulevard, Huntingtown, MD 20639. A Life Celebration Service will follow at 11 a.m. at the church. Interment will be private.

Memorial contributions may be made to The ARC of Southern Maryland, 355 W Dares Beach Road, Prince Frederick, MD 20678 or Calvert Hospice, P.O. Box 838, Prince Frederick, MD 20678; 410-535-0892; Link: https://calverthospice

Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Home.

### Danny Brent Buckmaster

Danny Brent Buckmaster, 73, of Prince Frederick, Maryland passed away March 4, 2020 at his home. He was born on August 1, 1946 in Prince Frederick, Maryland to

the late Samuel H. and Thelma Buck Buckmaster. Danny was preceded in death by his



siblings, Betty Holland, Ellen Wood, Sylvia Gilbert, Keith Buckmaster and Mark Buckmaster. Danny cherished his family and his antique cars.

He is survived by his wife Rita R. Buckmaster, father of Angela MacWilliams (Rick). and Samantha Tallant (Kerry). Grandfather of Richard and Andrew MacWilliams, Alexandra Ebeling (Michael) and Mackenzie Tallant, he is also survived by his siblings Samuel Buckmaster, Jr. (Sydna), Donna Canter (Paul), and Kevin Buckmaster (Naomi).

Memorial contributions may be made to ALS Association, 30 W Gude Drive, Suite 150, Rockville, MD 20850; 301-978-9885 or Calvert Hospice, P.O. Box 838, Prince Frederick, MD 20678; 410-535-0892; Link: https:// calverthospice.org/

Funeral arrangements were made bty Rausch Funeral Home.

### Dennis Marvin Erich, Sr., "Pee-Wee"



Dennis Marvin Erich, Sr., "Pee-Wee" 71, of Prince Frederick, Maryland passed away on March 3, 2020 in Prince Frederick, Maryland. He was born on October 31, 1948 in Baltimore, Maryland to the late Carlyle Richard and Edna Wood Erich. Pee Wee is also proceeded in death by his brother, Carlyle Richard Erich, Jr. and his sister Madelyn Saunders. Pee-Wee worked as the Barber at Town and Country Liquor Store in Port Republic for many years. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and spending time with his family, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. He is survived by his Daughter, Penny Erich, Son Dennis M. Erich, Jr, four Grandchildren; Kevin Alvey, Samantha Er-

ich, Jason Erich, and Jayme Erich. He is also survived by three Great Grandchildren Kyla Larson, Riley Larson, Mackenzie Erich, and a Brother Robert Erich. Memorial contributions may be made to Burnett Calvert Hospice House, 4559 Sixes Road, Prince Frederick, MD 20678.

Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Hone.

### **Deborah Ann Catterton**



Deborah Ann Catterton, 68, of Owings passed away March 2, 2020. She was born January 11, 1952 in Annapolis to Edward Talbot and Beverly Jane (Whittington) Grierson. She was raised in Deale until her family moved to Calvert County, where she attended Calvert High School. She married Joseph Samuel Catterton, Jr. on October 6, 1968 and they lived in Owings. She was a self-employed beautician and owned Debbie's Blades. She enjoyed cutting her grass and keeping her home in tip top shape. Most of all she enjoyed spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren, and watching them race motocross.

Debbie is survived by her husband, Joseph S. Catterton Jr.., daughter Candi Lorraine Rogers and husband Darrin and son James Samuel Catterton, all of Owings. Also surviving are grandchildren Kristen Sneade, Stacie Bennett and Austin and Alexa Catterton, great-grandchildren Drake H. Bennett and Summer Rain and Joseph M. Sneade, brothers Edward, Ralph and Gary Grierson and lifelong friends Cindy Garner and Donna Sapp. She was preceded in death by a greatgrandson Landon C. Sneade.

Memorial contributions may be made to Calvert Hospice, P.O. Box 838, Prince Frederick, MD 20678; 410-535-0892; Link: https:// calverthospice.org/

Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Home.

### Eric Scott Woomer



Eric Scott Woomer, age 35, passed away unexpectedly at home in Chesapeake Beach, MD, on February 28, 2020.

Eric grew up in Shady Side, MD. Eric is predeceased by his parents, Kent and Sharon Woomer. He is survived by his daughter, Leilani; his sisters, Deanna and Jenny; brother, Demian; nieces and nephews Natalie, Nathan, Kylee, Jordan, Deegan, Skye, Emory, Remi, and Ellis; many aunts, uncles, and cousins; and numerous friends.

He loved working out, being out on the bay, and listening to music.

Eric's greatest joy in life was raising his beautiful, sweet and sassy daughter. When he wasn't working as a welder, he and Leilani could be found roller skating, playing games, skate boarding, buying ice cream at the Farmer's Market in North Beach, or walking their dog, Odin. Eric always went all out for the holidays to make everyone happy. The year he dressed as Captain Hook for Halloween, Leilani as Tinker Bell, Deanna as Wendy, Nate as Peter, Emory as Tiger Lily and Ellis as the Crocodile showed his love for never growing up, his love of family, and his love for celebrations.

Eric never met a friend who didn't become family to him. He had the biggest and best heart. He will be missed greatly.

Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Home.

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# Seahawks Sail at Navy Women's Interconference

Also Compete in St. Mary's Team Race Regattas



The St. Mary's College of Maryland sailing team hosted the St. Mary's Team Race Regatta and sent sailors to the United States Naval Academy to compete (March 7-8). The Seahawks placed sixth at home and placed tenth at the Navy Spring Women's Regatta.

### **How it Happened**

The St. Mary's River was busy this weekend with ten teams competing in the St. Mary's Team Race on Saturday and Sunday. Leo Boucher, Josh Paper, Oscar Mac-Gillivary were skippers for the Seahawks, alongside Sophia Taczak, Ashley Wagner, Lucas Masiello, Sam Muir, and Thomas Walker as the crew. St. Mary's College placed sixth with 4/10 record.

A handful of female sailors traveled to Annapolis this weekend to compete in the Navy Spring Women's Regatta. Jessica Bennett and Genna Viggiano sailed in Division A and tallied 123 points. Bennett and Viggiano came to a head-to-head tiebreaker with University of Miami and placed 12th overall in the Division.

Katherine Bennett sailed alongside Julia Faranetta for the first ten races and Allison Gingerich for the final four races in Division B. The Seahawks came to another head-to-head tiebreaker with Cornell University and ended up taking tenth place. With both Divisions combined, St. Mary's College took tenth place overall with a total of 235 points.

Up Next for the Seahawks

March 14-15 | Graham Hall Race | United States Naval Academy

March 14-15 | St. Mary's College Women's Interconference | St. Mary's College of Maryland

Press Release from SMCM.

# Seahawk Baseball Blows Past Bronx Community College

The St. Mary's College of Maryland base-ball team (5-3) hosted the Bronx Community College Broncos (0-5) on Sunday (Mar. 8) afternoon at the Hawk's Nest. The Seahawks blew past the Broncos by a final score of 14-2 in seven innings, due the junior college run rule.

St. Mary's College - 14, Bronx CC - 2 How It Happened

The Seahawks jumped on the Broncos early, pushing five runs across home plate to take a 5-0 lead. Jay Hammett started the scoring frenzy with a RBI double to center field. Next, Dillon Waters put the ball in play and plated Joey Bryner off a sacrifice fly. Bowen Plagge extended the Seahawk lead to 3-0 when he roped a single to left field. Andy Collins recorded a RBI to give the Seahawks a 4-0 lead and moments later, Plagge stole home to cap off the first inning.

In the top of the second inning, the Broncos answered by scoring two runs, trimming the Seahawk lead to 5-2. However, the Seahawks responded with two runs of their own to capture a five run lead once again. Wood stole home for the Seahawks' sixth run and Hammett grounded out for the seventh score.



Dillon Waters '20 | Photo Credit: Bill Wood

St. Mary's College kept the pressure on in the third inning by tallying four more runs. Hammett continued his hot streak at the plate with a RBI double. Moments later, D. Waters blasted a three-run home run to left field for a comfortable 11-2 advantage.

Both squads held each other scoreless until the seventh inning when D. Waters crushed his second home run of the game to conclude the contest.

Inside the Box Score

D. Waters led the Seahawks from the plate with three hits and seven RBI. Hammett followed with two hits and three RBI, respectively. St. Mary's College showed their speed on the base paths this afternoon stealing nine bases. Wood led the Seahawks with a total of four stolen bases.

Kelli Jenkins started the game for the Seahawks on the mound and threw one scoreless inning, striking one batter out. The Seahawks continued to change pitchers each inning. In all, the pitching staff allowed zero earned runs. Noah Meyers, Jonathan Everidge, Bryan Brooks, and Will Spanoghe notched one strikeout each.

Press Release from SMCM.

# **Men's Lacrosse Improves to 5-1**



Jude Brown '22 | Photo Credit: Bill Wood

The St. Mary's College of Maryland men's lacrosse team (5-1) hosted the visiting Eastern University Eagles (2-4) on Saturday (Mar. 7) afternoon in non-conference play. The Seahawks defeated the Eagles 15-8 to improve to 5-1 on the season.

St. Mary's College - 15, Eastern - 8

### How It Happened

The Seahawks and Eagles played a competitive first quarter and answered each other's scores to play to a 4-4 tie. Jack Brocato and Jude Brown put the Seahawks up 2-0 just three minutes into the game. Eastern answered with a goal of their own, but SMCM's Abe Hubbard responded two minutes later to extend the Seahawk lead to 3-1. Next, the Eagles grabbed their first lead of the contest with three-straight goals to pull ahead 4-3 at the 3:30 mark. St. Mary's College finished the opening stanza strong when Brocato found the back of the cage to even the game at four.

Eastern kept their momentum to begin the second quarter by outscoring the Seahawks 2-1 to retake the lead 6-5 at the 7:37 mark. However, the Seahawks

took control of the game with three unanswered goals to end the half. Brown began the run with a goal, and Ben Claffee and Brocato capped off the scoring streak with scores on extra-man-opportunities. The Seahawks headed into halftime leading the Eagles 8-6.

The Eagles trimmed the Seahawk lead to 9-8 with 2:23 remaining in the third quarter. From there, the Seahawks dominated the game by netting six unanswered goals for the victory. The Seahawk defense clamped down on the Eagle offense to hold Eastern scoreless for the remainder of the game. Claffee, Jeremiah Clemmer (2), Dominic Venanzi, Hubbard, and Brocato notched goals for the impressive run to seal the Seahawk victory.

How It Happened

Brown (2g, 3a) and Brocato (4g, 1a) led the Seahawks offensively with five points each. Brown extended his season total in points to 32, which leads the Seahawks. In addition, Clemmer made his mark on the offensive end with four goals.

Anthony Sparacino led the Seahawk defense with two caused turnovers, while Luke McWright collected a teambest eight ground balls. In goal, Kyrle Preis collected seven saves and earned his fifth victory.

Nicholas Fanelli led the Eagles with four goals.

Press Release from SMCM.

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# **Bluegrass Coming to American Legion Post**



Celebrating the 15th year of the Bluegrass concerts at the American Legion Post 238 in Hughesville, MD, promoter Jay Armsworthy has brought another award winning group to Southern Maryland. "Sideline" Bluegrass band will be appearing on Sunday March 22. Partnering with the Sons of the American Legion, the Legion Post 238 is located on the corner of MD Rt. 381 & 231 in Hughesville, MD. Doors open at Noon and the show starts at 2:00 pm. Tickets are \$20.00 per person and children under 12 are admitted free with a paying adult.

Sideline is a six-piece powerhouse band whose style has set the pace in Bluegrass for over two decades. Founders Steve Dilling (banjo), Skip Cherryholmes (guitar) and Jason Moore (bass) can all claim their own historical significance to Bluegrass as members of highly awarded groups, multiple Grand Ole Opry appearances and years of national and international touring.

What started as a side project, an off-season fun experiment for these guys, soon moved them front and center and they became a full-time band of dream team players and singers, including their latest additions, Zack Arnold (mandolin), Jamie Harper (fiddle) and Jacob Greer (guitar). They began recording and in 2019, Sideline won the IBMA Song of the Year Award for their hit single, "Thunder Dan". Sideline has released 5 national projects and records for the highly awarded Mountain Home Music Company based near Asheville, NC.

Whether live or in the studio, the sextet will provide you with hard-hitting, neo-traditional covers of classic songs to new material, all by a band with a perfect sense of who they are and what they have to say. To listen to Sideline reminds the fan of why so many people fall in love with Bluegrass in the first place; pulse-pounding drive, songs sung from the heart, perfected timing and dynamics as well as a deep feeling of emotion. Combine all this with their on-stage energy and finesse as well as their powerful and affecting harmonies, and you have the feeling of the North Carolina Bluegrass sound.

This show starts at 2:00 pm and the doors open at Noon. There will be food and beverages available for a separate price. To order tickets in advance, send check or money order to Jay Armsworthy, P.O. Box 741, California, MD 20619. Tickets will be held at the door. Although not required, non-perishable food donations are accepted for the Helping Hands Food Pantry. For more information, go to www.americanlegionbluegass.com or call 301-737-3004.

The next show in the series will be: April  $5,2020 \sim$  closing out the season with a fairly new group, Seth Mulder & Midnight Run.

# **Annual Taste of Solomons Scheduled**

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Restaurants Offer Fine Food, Beverages

New tastes abound in the historic Solomons Town Center as restaurants showcase selected food and beverages during the one-day food festival, The Taste of Solomons 2020 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, March 21.

The event is one of the yearly signature events designed and sponsored by the Solomons Business Association, with proceeds to benefit association's annual July 4th fireworks display.

The Taste of Solomons (TOS) provides the community a way to sample and enjoy a waterfront town during the Spring season, according to Taste of Solomons Co Chair Charles Chappell.

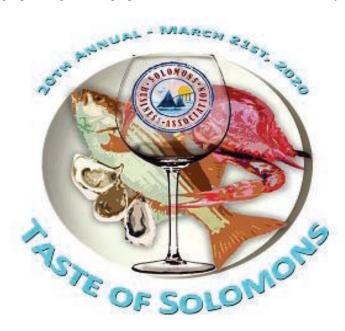
Tickets are \$5 each and may be purchased at any of the participating businesses. Each ticket can be exchanged for a sample of selected food or beverages.

Participating businesses: Ruddy Duck Brewery & Grill, Boomerangs Original Ribs, Island Sushi & Grill, Capt. Smith's Seafood, Angler's Seafood Bar & Grill, Calvert Marine Museum, Dry Dock Restaurant, CD Café, Kingfisher's Seafood House, Bugeye Grill, Island Hideaway, Solomons Island Winery, The Pier, Lotus Kitchen/Kim's Key Lime Pies, No Thyme to Cook, Lighthouse Restaurant & Dock Bar, and Charles Street Brasserie.

Tickets will also be available at the Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices McNelis Group Properties office starting Wednesday, March 18 and during the event on March 21.

An updated TOS participating businesses menu flyer will be released to the community this week.

For more information on the Taste of Solomons, call 410.610.6603 or 240.577.1002. For a map of participating restaurants and their offerings, or for information on activities, shopping, dining, and lodging in Solomons, visit www.solomonsmaryland.com.



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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.

### **Thursday, March 12**

### Sea Squirts

Calvert Marine Museum; 10:15 a.m. - 10:45 p.m.

Free drop-in program for children 18 months to 3 years old and their caregivers. This month's theme is "Ship Shape". Space is limited.

### Friday, March 13

### **Hot Shot Basketball**

Southern Community Center; 10:30 am-11:15am

March Madness! Children will have fun learning how to dribble, shoot and pass like a pro! A free throw contest will highlight the event.

### Fried Shrimp Dinner at the Legion

American Legion Stallings-Williams Post 206; 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Join us for an informal dinner hosted by the Sons of the American Legion Stallings Williams Post 206 in the lowerlevel dining room. The dinner includes all the trimmings, salad and beverage for \$12. Public invited. Cal 1410-257-9878 or visit www.MD-post206.org for more information.

### Saturday, March 14

### **Country Dance at the Legion**

American Legion Stallings-Williams Post 206; 7 p.m. - 11:30 p.m..

For a fun time, come to the American Legion Country Dance in the upper-level ballroom at Post 206. If you can't dance, teachers will be available to give instruction. One-hour lessons commence at 7 p.m. followed by dancing at 8 p.m. The price of \$15.00 per person includes soft drinks or draft beer and light munchies. For information call 410-257-9878 or visit www.MD-post206.org. Reservations available at LBloyer@verizon.net..

### **Bumble Bees of Maryland**

Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum; 10 a.m. - noon

Learn about the 10+ species of bumble bees that live in Maryland, how to identify them, and how you can provide year-round habitat in your own garden for these important pollinators. Dress in layers; we will spend time outside to look for queens waking from hibernation.

### Our Lady Star of the Sea Morning Retreat

Our Lady Star of the Sea Church; 9 a.m. - noon

The Women of Worship Committee is happy to present a morning retreat for women. All women are welcome to come and celebrate 12 years of women teaching, supporting, and praying together

### **CalvArt Gallery Show Reception**

CalvArt Gallery; 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.

CalvArt Gallery artists joins Maryland's celebration of "The Year of the Woman" with this themed show recognizing and celebrating the expanding roles, contributions, and rights of American women that started with the passage, in 1920, of the 19th Amendment granting women the right to vote.

### **Pepper's Pet Pantry Adoption Event** Pepper's Pet Pantry; 11:30 a.m. - 2:30

o.m.

Pepper's Pet Pantry in Solomons will host a dog and cat adoption event with local Saint Mary's and Calvert County animal rescue groups. Pepper's Pet Pantry is located in the Solomons Towne Center behind CVS. For more information, please call 410-326-4006.

### **Zumba Gold-Toning with Bonnie**

Northeast Community Center; 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Join us on Saturday mornings for one hour of Zumba Gold-Toning with Bonnie. This is a low-impact, easy to modify, Latin-inspired, dance/fitness program—all in a party atmosphere. No previous experience is necessary. I guarantee you will love it. This class is offered through the Calvert County Parks & Rec. Register online or call 410-535-1600 x8200.

### **Bowl-A-Thon**

Lord Calvert Bowl; 1 p.m. - 11 p.m.

Team reservations are now being accepted to participate in CTA's 32nd Annual SkillsUSA Bowl-A-Thon. Corporate sponsors are also needed. Contact Robin Wells at CTA at 443-550-9942 for details. Cash prizes and door prizes will be awarded throughout the event!

### **Tuesday, March 17**

### American Legion Auxiliary Meeting

American Legion Stallings-Williams Post 206; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Want your voice heard? All members of the American Legion Auxiliary Stallings Williams Post 206 are encouraged to attend the general meeting upperlevel meeting hall. Inquiries should go to President Van Dyke at 301-873-2323. www.MD-post206.org

### Steak Night at the Legion

American Legion Stallings-Williams Post 206; 5:30 p.m. - 7p.m.

Particular about your Steak? At the American Legion Stallings-Williams Post 206, you order it directly from the Grill-Master and you get what you order. The \$17.00 price tag includes sides, salad, beverage, and roll. Public welcome. For information, call 410-257-9878 or visit www.MD-post206.org.

### **Old Dominion Member Ticket Sale**

Ticket sales start at 10 a.m.

Tickets for museum members go on sale for Old Dominion with Dustin Lynch and Carly Pearce. This concert will be held on August 21 and the PNC Waterside Pavilion, located at the Calvert Marine Museum. To purchase tickets, visit calvertmarinemuseum.com or call 1-800-787-9454. Museum members have the opportunity to purchase tickets ahead of the general public. To become a member, visit calvertmarinemuseum. com/membership.

### **Luck of the Irish Party**

Southern Community Center; 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Little leprechauns dress in your best green outfit and join us for crafts, treats, and party games. For more information, call 410-586-1101. Parents may bring a green treat to share with others. Cost is \$3.

### **Wednesday, March 18**

### Join Us for Dinner!

Peace Lutheran Church; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Join us for dinner! Peace Lutheran Church invites all to come and participate as it once again offers dinner church on Wednesdays during Lent (March 4—April 1, 2020). This family-friendly event provides child care and themed foods, which vary weekly: Meatloaf & mac and cheese; enchiladas; chili; soup & sandwiches/salad; pizza.

Gather with old friends, make new friends, come and see, we look forward to having you.

### **Tot Fit**

Southern Community Center; 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

It's never too early to start exercising! Join us for a variety of movement activities and games geared toward your little one. C-Music Games Pre-registration required. Don't forget to bring a water bottle! Tell your friends to sign up too!!

### Beat the Record

Southern Community Center; 6 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

Can you beat the record? How many balloons can you burst in 30 seconds? How many bottle caps can you stack in one minute? Plus many other records to try and beat! Great exercise and fun for all ages.

### **Thursday, March 19**

### The National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association Meeting

Calvert County Public Library Southern Branch; 1 p.m.

Chapter members will join for lunch

at 11:30 a.m. at Boomerangs, Solomons. There will be a presentation by Golden Travel on opportunities available to seniors. The speaker will be followed by a regular chapter business meeting at 1 p.m. Active and Retired Federal employees, spouses, other chapter members, non-members and guests are welcome. For NARFE membership information and application, go to www.mdnarfe.org.

### Maryland in the Age of Sail: Battle of Hampton Roads

Calvert Marine Museum; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

This talk will chronicle the transition from the sailing navy to one made of iron. The battle at Hampton Roads marked a paradigm shift in way naval battles would be fought in the future. See why the Bay was so important during the Civil War and ways Confederate raiders tried to out-smart the Union blockade of the eastern seaboard. Lectures are free and open to the public.

### Little Minnows

Calvert Marine Museum; 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

A program for children ages 3 to 5 years and their caregivers. This month's theme is "Let's Sprout". Fee is \$5, CMM members are free.

### **Ongoing**

### Calvert County Restaurant Week March 12

Savor the flavors of Calvert County during Restaurant Week. From seafood and pasta to steaks and burgers, culinary delights await! Shake off the winter doldrums with a visit to a new—or favorite—Calvert County restaurant, with special prices to match any budget. Visit www.ChooseCalvert.com/RestaurantWeek for a list of participating restaurants.

### **Artists in Action**

Annmarie Garden; March 12 - April 26
Each week, a different line-up of art-

ists will set up temporary studios in the Main Gallery at Annmarie, where they will be working and selling their art. This is a wonderful opportunity to observe the creative process, ask questions, and engage with working artists. Many artists will offer hands-on activities in their space to share their creative process with visitors. Guests can expect to see artists working in all media, including jewelry, mixed media, painting, ceramics, and more. All ages are invited to visit during this program. For a complete schedule, please visit www.annmariegarden.org or call 410-326-4640. This program is made possible in part by the Maryland State Arts Council. Hours are Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.- 5 p.m.; Sunday Noon - 5 p.m.



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

### **Thursday, March 12:**

### **Calvert Adult Education ESL.**

9:15am-11:45am. Free Beginning and Intermediate classes are offered for adults who want to learn to speak English or improve their English skills. The classes focus on speaking, reading and writing English. Skills assessment will occur before entry into class. Individual learning plans are developed based on strengths and weaknesses. All classes have open enrollment so students may enroll at any time. Opportunities are available for group conversation as well as individualized instruction. Call the Adult Education Office to enroll in classes. Contact Edie McGreevy at (443) 550-6149. More information at Calvert County Adult Education Program (CSM). Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862. http://CalvertLibrary. info.

### Shake It Out.

9:45am-10:15am. Shake It Out Music and Movement will create a rich environment that promotes social, emotional and physical skills. Come join us for some shake'n fun. An adult must accompany child. Calvert Library Southern Branch, 13920 H. G. Trueman Road, Solomons, 410-326-5289. http://CalvertLibrary.info.

### Calvert Conversations.

10:00am-11:00am. Some of the who, what, where, why, and when of local history! We sometimes "meet up" at local places. Call 410-257-2411 for up-to-date information. Calvert Library Twin Beaches Branch, 3819 Harbor Road, Chesapeake Beach, 410-257-2411. http://CalvertLibrary.info.

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### Teen Zine Club.

3:30pm-5:00pm. Learn how to make your own zine! Supplies, copier access and snacks will be provided. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862. http://CalvertLibrary.info.

### Tech Lab.

6:30pm-7:30pm. Join us as we use tech toys to explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math concepts (STEAM). Ages 5-8. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862. http://CalvertLibrary.info.

### S.T.E.A.M. PUNKS: Take Apart Workshop!

6:30pm-7:30pm. Question Discover, and Explore! With a little bit of elbowgrease and a lot of ingenuity we'll be

taking apart old technology to see how it works! Tools and safety gear will be provided! For technicians in grades 3-7. Calvert Library Southern Branch, 13920 H. G. Trueman Road, Solomons, 410-326-5289. http://CalvertLibrary.info.

### MakePlayLearn.

6:30pm-7:30pm. Take building and creativity to a whole new level at the library. We provide the space, Legos® and other building materials. You provide the imagination. Calvert Library Twin Beaches Branch, 3819 Harbor Road, Chesapeake Beach, 410-257-2411. http://CalvertLibrary.info.

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

### Friday, March 13:

### Pub Quiz.

6:30pm-9:30pm. For one night only the library won't help you find the answers. But that won't stop us from asking plenty of tough questions. Pre-register for \$78 per team of up to 6 adults. Cash prize to the top 3 teams! Limited space-register early at any Calvert Library location! Must pay to be considered registered. \$5 per spectator by separate registration. Only 5 spaces for spectators! Friends of Calvert Library fundraiser. Wine and beer are \$5. Snacks are free. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862. http://CalvertLibrary.info.

### **Saturday, March 14:**

### Poets' Circle.

9:00am-11:00am. Beginner or bigtime, 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. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862. http://CalvertLibrary.info.

### Irish Dancers.

12:30pm-1:30pm. Celebrate St. Patrick's Day with Calvert Library while enjoying performances by the O'Grady-Quinlan Academy of Irish Dance. Audience members may even have an opportunity to participate at the end if they choose! Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862. http://CalvertLibrary.info.

### Learn Mahjongg.

1:00pm-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. http://CalvertLibrary.info.



### **Nutrition Talk**

Donna Taggert, licensed dietician, will offer the presentation What About Sugar?

Monday, March 16, at 1 p.m. at the Loffler Senior Activity Center. This will be a good opportunity to get some questions answered about sugar and the different forms of it. Additionally, Donna will offer private nutrition counseling at no cost on the same date. To sign up for the presentation, call 301-475-4200, ext. 71658 or stop by the reception desk at Loffler. To make an appointment for nutrition counseling, text or call Donna at 240-538-6539.

### Tai Chi for Arthritis and Fall Prevention Level 2 Classes

If you have learned the Core Movements of Tai Chi for Arthritis and Fall Prevention (TCA&FP I) and would like to continue learning the next set of movements, Level II classes will begin On Monday, March 16. Classes will be on Mondays and Thursdays at 11 a.m. through April 13. Pre-registration is not required, though you must have attended the Level I classes that included Commencement through Waving Hands in The Clouds to the Left. If you have questions, call Shellie at 301-475-4200, ext. 71655.

### Ceramics with Marti

If you enjoy painting and creating personalized gifts or decorations for the home this is the class for you! Marti Cotterell will be teaching the class and offering instruction on painting techniques. This class will be at the Garvey Senior Activity Center on Wednesday, March 18, at 10 a.m. The cost of the class is \$10 for each item painted and includes the firing of the item. For more information please call, 301-475-4200, ext.71050.

### Maryland Day Basket Raffle

Celebrate your love of all things Maryland by winning a bountiful Maryland Day Basket. It includes Maryland state designed flags, hats, scarves, polo shirt, magnets, cutting board, mousepad, gloves, tie, shoelaces, lanyards, coloring book and more... valuing over \$188! It's on display now, in a harvest bushel basket with MD state postcards embellishments. These are great gifts to keep and show off your Maryland spirit, or divide up and share with others. The cost is \$1 for one chance or \$5 for 8 tickets; tickets are purchased at the Northern Senior Activity Center's front desk. The winner will be pulled on Maryland Day, Wednesday, March 25 at noon. For more information call 301-475-4200, ext. 73101.

### Buffet at Kevin's Corner Café

The Garvey Senior Activity Center Council, Inc., will be hosting a fundraiser to support programs and activities at the Garvey Senior Activity Center at Kevin's Corner Café on Wednesday, March 25, from 3-9 p.m.! The buffet menu will consist of fried fish, fried and steamed shrimp, top round, fried chicken, macaroni & cheese, parsley potatoes, corn and green beans. The cost of the buffet is \$30 per person. Call 301-997-1260 to make reservations.

### Escape Rooms Southern Maryland

Are you ready for some Fundraising FUN? Escape Rooms Southern Maryland at 22715 Washington St. #204, Leonardtown, MD, will be hosting a fundraiser on Friday, March 27, with proceeds being donated to the Garvey Senior Activity Center Council, Inc. The cost is \$27 per person or \$150 per private room. What is an escape room? An escape room is a fun, safe, hour long adventure game in which players solve a mystery to escape a themed room. The rooms provide hands on opportunities to crack codes, discover clues, and solve puzzles – all in 60 minutes or less!

How to register:

- 1) Go to www.escaperoomsomd.com
- 2) Book to play any room on Friday, March 27, and a portion of booking proceeds will

go to the Garvey Senior Activity Center Council, Inc.

3) Show up at your designated time and be prepared to have fun. It's that easy!

### R&B Line Dancing

R&B Line Dancing will be offered at the Northern Senior Activity Center starting on Friday, March 27, from 1-2 p.m. Learn step-by-step some of today's trendiest line dances; including dances such as the Git Up Dance, Cupid Shuffle and the Wobble. Payment of \$12 for 6 classes/\$2 per class is made directly to instructors the day of class. To sign up for this 6-session class in advance, please visit the signup table or call 301-475-4200, ext. 73103.

### Spring Party in April

The second annual Spring-Diggity party will take place at the Loffler Senior Activity Center on Thursday, April 23. This party will celebrate the joys of Spring! DJ Mean Gene will provide the music and dancing. The menu will feature: Cranberry Juice, BBQ Chicken, Baked Beans, Dilled Carrots w/Snow Peas, Whole Wheat Dinner Rolls, Fruited Jello and Lemon Meringue Pie. Ticket sales will be limited to 100, and the suggested donation is \$8 per person. Tickets will only be sold at Loffler. For questions call 301-475-4200, ext. 71658.



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### **GAMES & PUZZLES**

- 1. A team's best pitcher
- 4. Designer Jacobs
- 8. Hip joint
- 10. A dialect of English
- 11. Portrays
- 12. Panic
- 13. The head of a team
- 15. High priest 16. League of Legends
- locale 17. Protective folds
- 18. Treats allergies
- 21. Voodoo spirits
- 22. Single unit
- 23. Unit of
- measurement
- 24. Brew
- 25. Burundian franc 26. Self
- 27. Bengals great
- 34. Making letters overlap
- 35. Piece of pizza
- 36. Illegal drug
- 37. Card game
- 38. The highest point in the development
- 39. Oh, God!
- 40. Wives (law)

**CLUES DOWN** 1. Warm climate tree

or shrub

larvae

- 41. Monetary unit of Samoa
- 42. Supplements with difficulty
- 43. Valentine's Day color

2. Silky case spun by

9. American Standard

Code for Information Interchange

12. Repeated tones

14. Expresses surprise 15. Monetary unit of

17. When you hope to

20. Fifth note of a major

23. Dark brown timbers of tropical trees 24. We all do it

3. Still in existence 4. Light, two-stranded

rope 5. Wear away 6. Beginnings

7. Essence

10. Path

Burma

scale

get there

19. Brighten

- - 25. Scrounges
  - 26. Unit of energy
  - 27. Begin to be
  - 28. Midway between northeast and east
  - 29. Distinctive practice
  - 30. Succulent plants
  - 31. Performer
  - 32. Gas station term
  - 33. Required
  - 34. Soviet monetary unit
  - 36. Eating house

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Level: Intermediate

### LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

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