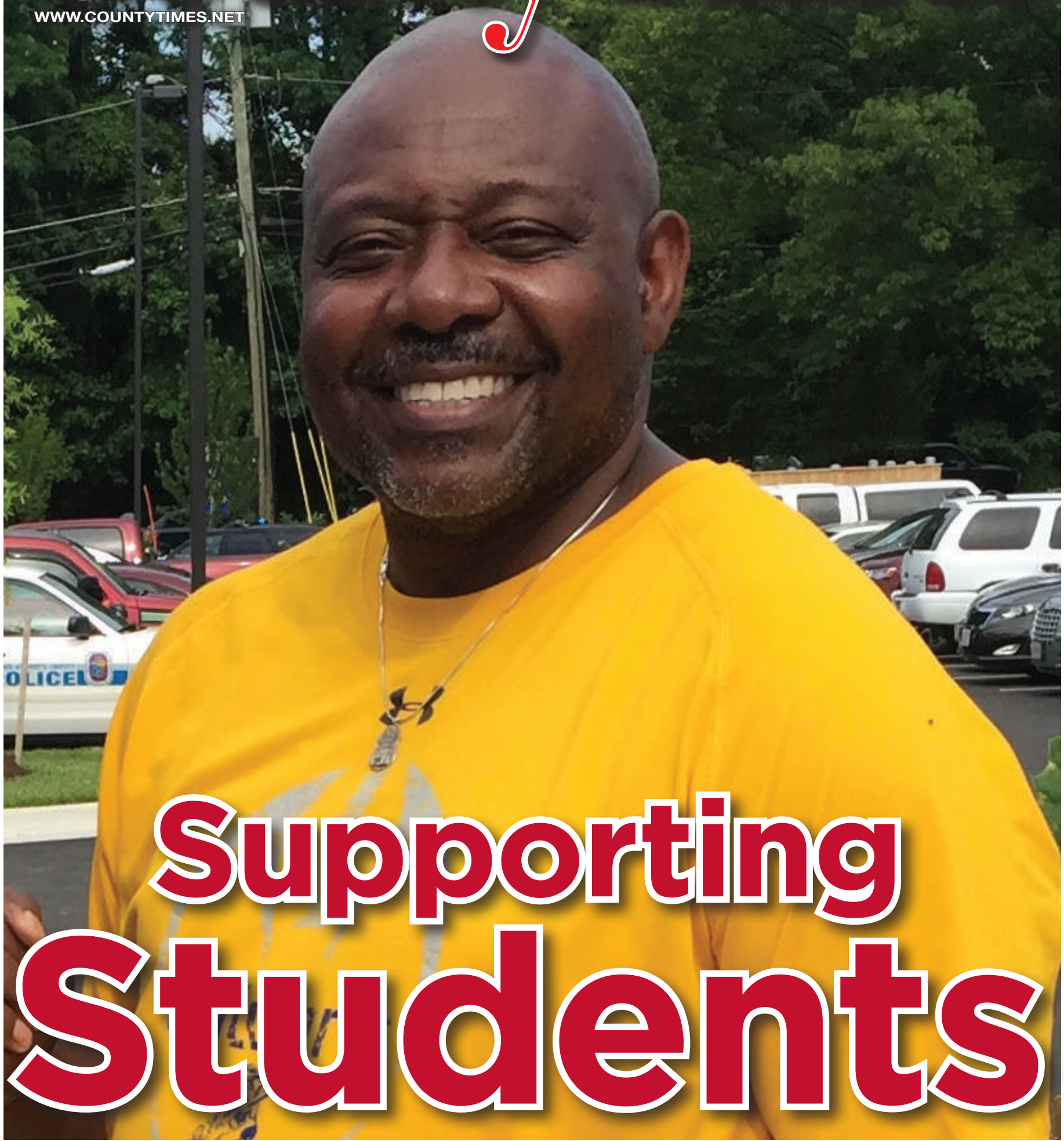


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Anti-Racism Policy Called 'Political' and 'Communist'

School Board Majority Defends It

By Dick Myers
Editor

The national controversy over Critical Race Theory (CRT) has spilled over to Calvert County Public Schools. At the school board's June 10 meeting, the Anti-Racism Policy adopted last year was included in the system's Code of Conduct by a 4-1 vote. Before the vote, three parents at the public forum and school board member Pat Nutter criticized the policy and its inclusion into the code of conduct.

According to Wikipedia, CRT "is an academic movement of civil-rights scholars and activists in the United States who seek to critically examine the law as it intersects with issues of race and to challenge mainstream liberal approaches to racial justice. Critical race theory examines social, cultural and legal issues as they relate to race and racism."

"Several U.S. states have passed laws banning the teaching of critical race theory while others, such as California and Connecticut have mandated its teaching in public schools."

The local Anti-Racism Policy says, "The Calvert County Board of Education acknowledges racism exists in our school community, and we expressly denounce racism, bullying, discrimination, white supremacy, hate, and racial inequity in any form within our school community."

The word "white supremacy" replaced "white privilege" in an earlier draft version of the policy."

At the public forum, Robin Cox, who described herself as a grandparent, said, "I am appalled at what I read. And though you don't come out and call it what it truly is, this document is nothing more than the latest Critical Race Theory or CRT, pitting one student against the other, creating hatefulness amongst our students and further dividing our country, and is just the beginning slope of where this school district is headed, which is beyond frightening."

Cox added, "Remember Dr. King's famous quote, 'Judge not a man by the color of his skin, but the content of his character.' Your policy is doing the exact opposite of what Dr. King called for so many years ago."

"This country is not inherently racist and white people are not racist based simply by their skin tone. It is absolutely, categorically not the responsibility of this school system to shove radical hateful, communist socialist teachings down the throats and into the minds of our students at

any grade level," she said.

Luke McCauley said, "I hope that when the implications of the policies are made clear that we can agree that this is not the best way to foster a healthy, caring and connected community."

Leah McCabe said she was Latina American with both African and native American roots and a mother of two biracial, special needs children in CCPs."

She said, "The document (Anti-Racism Policy) starts with a political slant that sets the stage of bias for the remainder of the resolution stating 'countless other African-Americans who have lost their lives as a result of racism and police brutality.' This sentiment is a political opinion, not a fact. And it's intellectually dishonest."

She added, "To state that you and white society must speak up for us, the minority, is in itself racist -- to speak up for us as, to assume we cannot speak for ourselves."

Board member Pat Nutter attempted to get the code of conduct tabled, but his motion failed 4-1.

He said, "I wake up every day thinking that I'm going to be judged for my good deeds in the community. He added, "I want my biracial great-granddaughter to look at me and say, that's my pop pop. What? Wait a minute. Little girl. I mean that white guy who was a cop and white male is a good guy. Not according to this," holding up the proposed code of conduct.

"To me it's a political piece. It doesn't belong in the code of conduct." He insisted.

Nutter also criticized the mention of Boy Scouts in the code in a line that says, "Calvert County Public Schools does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, ancestry or national origin, familial status, marital status, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, or genetic information or age in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups."

Nutter as a public official has regularly attended Eagle Scout ceremonies.

"You should be ashamed yourself, whoever put that Boy Scouts thing in here," he said.

Board member Pamela Cousins defended the policy. She said, "I feel like I have the responsibility as a board member, to the countless students, staff, family, and community members who have reached out to



Pamela Cousins



Pat Nutter

me to share the reality of their lived experiences in school, on the school buses and on social media."

Earlier she said the policy is intended to remove "barriers that are in place, that have been in place for hundreds of years, that have never been dismantled based on white supremacy."

The school board is now majority African American, but white member Dawn Balinski also defended the policy. "I also do not agree that it's a

political statement. Our equity work has been so important over the last five years and the way the school system has been really reexamining all of its operations and has done a grand job and talking about how to identify kids that are struggling because there's been structural barriers put in front of them. You know, after all of the good work that we did, we did find that there were still hate messages in our school system."

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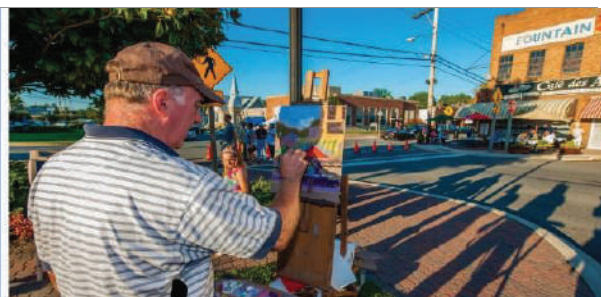
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Kickoff Held for Dunkirk Master Plan

Surveys Available Online

By Dick Myers
Editor

A kickoff public meeting was held virtually on June 2 as the process begins to update the Dunkirk Town Center Master Plan. According to Long-Range Planner Jenny Plummer-Welker, the Dunkirk plan was adopted in 1987, the county's second after Solomons. It has not been updated since then.

The county's town centers were intended to be places to channel growth in order to preserve the rural character elsewhere in the county. But Plummer-Welker noted that Dunkirk is unique in that it is strictly office and commercial; its only residence is a parsonage.

The town center growth has been limited by lack of public water and sewer and during the course of the evening attendees both supported and opposed that.

A series of questions were asked throughout the meeting. As to the question "What do you feel is the most important infrastructure need in the Town Center?" water was chosen by 28 percent

and sewer by 34 percent. The favorite answer to that question was "sidewalks/bike paths/trails" at 62 percent.

In response to another question, 53 percent want more restaurants in town.

The question: "What factor do you think will better support economic development in the Town Center?" elicited the following responses:

- 42 percent restaurants
- 19 percent walkability
- 5 percent more retail
- 16 percent sewer
- 2 percent water
- 8 percent more jobs
- 8 percent no changes

According to information provided at the meeting the following master plan public improvements have been completed since 1987

- MD 4 landscaped
- Fence installed at Dunkirk District Park
- Standard streetlight design selected and installed as properties developed
- Old wooden utility poles replaced with metal poles by

- BGE
- Park and Ride constructed
- Helicopter Pad for medical/emergency use has designated space near the Park & Ride.

The following have not been completed:

- Place overhead utility lines underground along the Route 4 corridor within the boundaries of the Town Center wherever possible.
- Erect business directional signs at the entrances of the Town Center and in appropriate locations throughout the Town Center.
- A water system may be needed in the town center for public safety purposes and to promote the efficient and proper use of the County's aquifer.
- Connect Dunkirk District Park to Ferry Landing Road, with a road and bicycle path, to improve the access for residents on Ferry Landing Road.
- Construction of an overpass

in Dunkirk.

Citizens are invited to provide input by taking a quick online survey addressing concerns, challenges and elements for enhancement in the Dunkirk Town Center.

Citizens can also participate in a photo survey by submitting photos of elements that are visually appealing or of concern in the Dunkirk Town Center.

Deadline to submit photos is Monday, June 21 at midnight. Photos can be submitted online or to the Planning & Zoning office.

Visit www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/DunkirkTownCenter for details on both surveys.

Questions may also be submitted by emailing TownCenterUpdate@calvertcountymd.gov.

Based on information gathered in the surveys, planning staff will identify several focus areas and have workshops on them later this summer.

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Patuxent Wade-In Filled with 'Good News' and Caution



Bernie Fowler's grandson Steve Forrester, Jr. of Life Church in Huntingtown led the invocation as his grandfather looked on.

By Dick Myers
Editor

A year after a scaled-down event because of the pandemic, the 34th Annual Senator Bernie Fowler Wade-in on June 13 had a full complement of supporters of the environment under a tent on the bluff overlooking the Patuxent River at Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum in St. Leonard.

It is calling attention to the river's health that is the former state senator and Calvert County commissioner's main purpose for gathering every year, walking into the river and finding out how far he can go and still see his sneakers. He walks out every year arm in arm with like-minded waders.

Before descending the bank for the wade-in, Fowler said, "For those things that are right, we will not stop fighting." A deeply religious man, Fowler, 97, said the place to find out what's right and wrong is in the Bible.

Fowler noted that his friend and regular wade-in attendee, Rep. Steny Hoyer, was unable to be there this year because of knee surgery.

Speakers gave some cause for optimism tempered with a dose of reality.

Master of Ceremonies, American Chestnut Land Trust (ACLT) Executive Director Greg Bowen noted he was a member of a task force working on the county's landmark land preservation program when Fowler helped him get a job in the planning department which he would later head.

"I have some good news to report to you," Bowen said. "Things are happening because people do care about the Bay. I think even more so after last year." Bowen noted the creation of the Chesapeake Wild grant program within the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Program, which "provides for \$1.5 billion per year."

Bowen also said state land preservation programs were fully funded this year and the county's land preservation program may be starting back up soon.

"Preserving our working landscapes, our farms and forest meadows, and wildlands, soak up the water, they attenuate all that nutrification of our waterways. They provide food for humans and wildlife, and habitat; our working landscapes are part of our heritage. They are a key economic en-



Heading back in after the walk out into the Patuxent River.

gine, and as we found out during COVID, they were key to our emotional and physical health last year. Our own land trust had 68,000 visitors through our 22 miles of trails and that was just amazing."

Bowen reported that Senator Chris Van Hollen had pressed Environmental Protection Agency head Michael Regan on whether the plans were still in place to clean up the Bay by 2025. "And on June 9th, Mr. Regan said 'Yes.'"

Bowen said locally ACLT had helped establish a group working on protecting Hunting Creek and a similar group for St. Leonard Creek. And ACLT, he said, will take the lead in establishing an alliance of local and regional environmental groups.

He observed, "Such groups will be a key, I believe, in the long-term protection of our watersheds. You can do a lot at the federal, state, and local level, but it takes people at the local grassroots level in order to make things happen."

Chesapeake Biological Lab Executive Director Dr. Tom Miller quoted a Bay Journal article saying some of those 2025 goals will be missed. "We will probably achieve blue crab targets of sustained abundance, will probably achieve the targets of restoring for oysters, but we may miss many of the other targets related to marshes and related to birds and wildfowl, and related to fish."

Miller asked two questions. The first was, "If not now, when?" He responded, "If we have missed after this tremendous investment, these targets, why, and if not now, when will we do so. This is a time when we face existential threats as climate change or rising sea see levels or the increasing rarity of fresh fruit."

The second question – "If not us who?" He said, "There is no answer to that; it is us. This cannot be a problem we bequeath to the next generation. It is ours to solve, and I believe that we will solve it and can solve it. It will require changes from us all. It will require commitments by us all, and it requires courage by us."

Del. Rachel Jones told the attendees, "I'll do all that I can in my capacity as a delegate in the state to make sure that we continue to put funding and resources into cleaning and preserving our Chesapeake Bay and our land here."

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Town Gets Parking Lot Back

Two-Year Agreement Signed

By Dick Myers
Editor

A 72-space parking lot in North Beach will be available for the next two years as the result of an agreement reached between the lot owner and the town.

The lot is on Chesapeake Avenue at 5th Street. It is owned by RAR Associates Development Corporation and had been leased by the town for many years for parking. The lease expired in 2019 as the company headed by Ron Russo prepared redevelopment plans that included commercial and office space and a hotel. An existing adjacent motel would have been removed.

The lot remained closed last year but the waterfront was also closed due to COVID.

North Beach Zoning Administrator Richard Crump, Sr. reported to the town council at their June 10 meeting that Russo had agreed to operate the property as a paid parking lot for the next two years, in exchange for some zoning concessions involving landscaping and lighting. Crump, for the town, and Russo signed the agreement on June 8. It was approved by the town planning commission on May 27.

The Interim Use Agreement notes that the loss of the parking spaces created “an immediate need to address parking in the downtown district.” It was exacerbated by the fact the parts of 5th Street will be closed during construction of the new Twin Beaches Library across the street from the lot.

“The continued use of the property as a parking lot will benefit both



the town and RAR,” the agreement concludes.

The town waterfront reopened on Memorial Day weekend with increased fees for non-town residents and an online registration system, which the council was told by Mayor Mike Benito and staff is working smoothly after some early glitches.

Town Council Vacancy

Six persons have filed their candidacy for the town council seat left vacant with the resignation of Gwen Schiada. They are:

Gene Mead of 5th Street
Virginia Geisler of Dayton Avenue
Lauren Kabler of Atlantic Avenue
Mary Mayhew of 7th Street
Susan Shaw of 2nd Street
Cheryl Greene of Chesapeake Avenue

All of the candidates except Geisler appeared virtually at the June 10 meeting. Each of the five council members asked their same question to each of the candidates. The questions ranged from infrastructure concerns, the candidates’ vision for the town and why they were seeking the position.

After the interviews, the council went into executive session to discuss the candidates. They told the candidates they would notify them as soon as a decision was reached.

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Gov. Hogan: COVID-19 State of Emergency To End

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

With more than 70 percent of Marylanders vaccinated against COVID-19 and health metrics showing that the virus’ spread is quickly diminishing, Gov. Larry Hogan announced June 15 that at the end of the month the state of emergency he enacted more than a year ago would be over.

“We’ve faced immense and unprecedented challenges... we’ve been through so much in the past 15 months,” Hogan said at a press conference in Annapolis. “We have reached the light at the end of the tunnel.”

By July 1 the state government’s mandates dealing with social distancing and face coverings would end, Hogan said.

“Masks or face coverings of any kind will not be required in any settings, anywhere including schools, camps and childcare facilities,” said Hogan.

However, businesses and workplaces are still able to make their own policies regarding such mandates, Hogan said.

Starting July 1, there begins a 45-day grace period, which will allow certain COVID-19 related restrictions and mandates to be relaxed including allowances for residents to get their drivers’ licenses renewed.

The moratorium on evictions will also be extended, Hogan said, through Aug. 15.

Hogan said the state had arrived at a hopeful point but the virus still posed a potentially lethal threat to those left unprotected.



“It does not mean the virus and its variants no longer pose a threat,” Hogan said. “Those who have not gotten vaccinated will continue to be at risk.”

The vaccines were safe and readily available, the governor said, and he claimed there were no plausible reasons for refusing to be inoculated.

The vaccination campaign was the main reason Maryland had reached this point he said.

“Infections continue to fall,” Hogan said. “We are seeing amazing declines in our health metrics across the board.”

The state’s positivity rate, which stood at 6 percent in January, was now less than 1 percent, or just 0.82 percent, Hogan said.

Hogan said the state owed much gratitude to the front-line health workers who fought the pandemic but they should also remember that their actions of social distancing and wearing masks were also instrumental in quashing the virus.

“Each and every one of you, your actions, have made this day possible,” Hogan said. “It is truly a day for celebration.”

But, Hogan said, Marylanders should take time to remember the 9,472 residents lost to the pandemic so far.

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More Electric Vehicle Charging Stations Coming

SMECO Plans Up to 20 in Calvert

By Dick Myers
Editor

Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative (SMECO), in a pilot program, is proposing to construct 60 electric vehicle (EV) charging stations in its service area, including up to 20 in Calvert County.

After a briefing on the program, the Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) approved using several county properties for the first of those charging stations.

According to Deputy Director of Public Works Thomas Jones, “As electric vehicles are growing in popularity in Southern Maryland, so is the need for electric vehicle charging stations.”

Jones said the SMECO EV Recharge program was approved by the Maryland Public Service Commission.

SMECO representative Michael Hyland told the BOCC that there are currently 32,000 electric vehicles registered in Maryland of which about 385 are in Calvert. He said Maryland has a goal of 300,000 electric vehicles on the road.

Hyland said SMECO is limited to locat-

ing the charging stations on land owned by government entities, although private entrepreneurs are also likely to go into that business. He said the goal is to find locations where people can do other things nearby, such as go to a restaurant or library, for 45 minutes to an hour, the recharge time for some of the stations. He said 90 percent of the time, EV owners will recharge at their home.

Jones said, “SMECO is proposing to provide Broadband TelCom (BTC) Power Level 2 Dual Port Electric Vehicle Service Equipment (EVSE) and Level 3 DC Fast Charge stations. The Level 2 electric vehicle chargers will be located between two parking spaces to allow two electric vehicles to charge at once. Two small concrete pads will be installed (one for Meter/disconnect cabinet and one for the charger), along with bollards for protection with painted spaces and EV Charging Only signs.

“The Level 3 DC Fast chargers are more robust and have a larger meter cabinet. These chargers can only accommodate one car at a time. It has been suggested that two parking spaces be used if possible.



“Staff has worked to identify locations that meet the criteria set forth by SMECO. The following proposed locations have been identified: Group A: (L2 chargers), County Annex Building, Fairview Library, Southern Community Center and Calvert Marine Museum. Group B: Solomons Boardwalk near gazebo (L3), Chesapeake Hills Golf Course (L2), New County Services Plaza (L3), New Harriet Brown Center (L2 and possibly L3). There are future sites also being considered such as Prince Frederick Park and Ride (L2), additional sites along

Solomons Boardwalk on the street and other sites still to be determined.”

The charging stations would have a fee and users would typically access them through a phone app, Hyland said.

“SMECO proposed development of charging stations on public property aims to spur increased community commitment to charging station development and EV deployment,” Hyland said.

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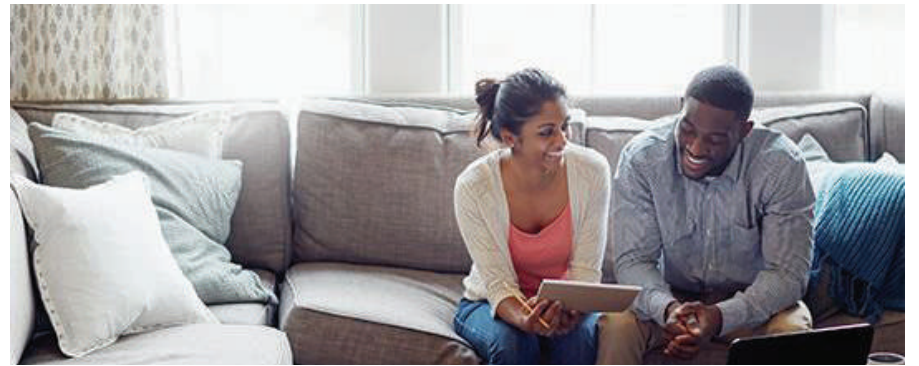
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Calvert County renters who have been financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic may be eligible to receive 12 or more months of rent or utility assistance through the Emergency Rental Assistance Program. Funds are available for past-due and future rent payments.

Renters who have been affected directly by the virus or indirectly as a result of financial problems related to the pandemic may apply at www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/RentHelp or call 410-535-1600, ext. 2460.

Each application will be assigned to a local housing agency within three business days of submission. Renters will need to provide the following documentation to determine eligibility:

- A copy of the lease agreement, if applicable

- Proof of late rent or utility bill
- Financial information
- Proof of COVID-19 impact (unemployment letter, proof of reduction in hours or pay from employer, proof of increased expenses, etc.)

Those struggling to make their rent and utility payments each month may also be eligible for monthly assistance for current and future rent. Residents may still apply for the program even if they have previously applied for assistance.

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Land Trust Permanently Protects Another 78 Acres



American Chestnut Land Trust on May 10 purchased the 78-acre Governors Run Development Corp. (GRDC) tract, another parcel in the Governors Run watershed. Concurrently, they recorded a Maryland Rural Legacy easement to permanently protect the property, with the goal of establishing and maintaining an old growth forest ecosystem onsite. The secondary goal is to provide public trails and for education, scientific, and cultural purposes.

The mission of the Maryland Rural Legacy Program is to provide funding to preserve large, contiguous tracts of land and to enhance natural resource, agricultural, forestry and environmental protection while supporting a sustainable land base for natural resource-based industries in designated Rural Legacy Areas.

The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners applied for the grant to fund the easement purchase. The American Chestnut Land Trust says it is “grateful to the Board, its staff, and Maryland Department of Natural Resources for facilitating this purchase. We are also grateful for the owners who maintained land in pristine condition for decades and for GRDC President John Bailey and Treasurer Kitty Bailey who so capably negotiated the sale of the property.”

According to Executive Director Greg Bowen, “It is wonderful to be preserving another property, particularly one which is adjacent to ACLT’s first purchase, the 436-acre Gravatt property, almost 35 years ago.” This purchase furthers the Trust’s long-standing mission to protect the Parkers Creek and Governors Run watersheds. It also provides a nearly five-mile belt of preserved properties running from Kenwood Beach to Dares Beach Road. Ecologically speaking, the GRDC parcel is significant.

“According to an Ecosystem Service

Assessment by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, the property provides almost \$200,000 per year in services such as stormwater attenuation, carbon sequestration, nutrient uptake, ozone removal, groundwater recharge, wildlife habitat and biodiversity potential. In 2008, the Maryland Dept. of Natural Resources Natural Heritage Program described the West Governors Run Watershed (which includes the GRDC property) this way: “West Governors Run Watershed contains a mature hardwood forest, many portions of which have not been logged for 70 years or more. Large tracts of older forest such as this are uncommon in the region, due to the clearing of forests for timber management, agriculture, and residential and commercial development. Old maps show that this site was one of the largest forested sites in the area in the mid-1800s.”

Three large tracts make up the West Governors Run Watershed. East Gravatt is the most northerly tract and was part of ACLT’s first land purchase. The Kenwood Tract was ACLT’s third land purchase (1990) and is mostly on the south side of Governors Run Road. That left the GRDC property as the largest remaining unprotected forested property in the West Governor Run Watershed.

Over the next year, ACLT will develop a management plan for the property, including a forest stewardship plan and a plan for public access trails. When the trails are completed, they will be open to the public.

Meanwhile, they will need to replenish the land preservation funds for their next big acquisition and stewardship of our properties.

To learn more, go to: <http://ACLT-web.org> | info@acltweb.org or call 410-414-3400.

Press release from ACLT.

CALVERT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CRIME REPORT

During the week of May 31 – June 6, deputies of the Calvert County Sheriff's Office responded to 1,494 calls for service throughout the community.

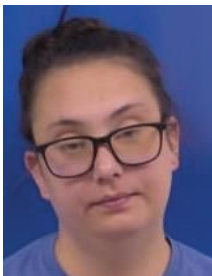
ARRESTS

On June 5, 2021, Deputy Anderson conducted a traffic stop in the area SB Rt. 4 and HG Trueman Road in Lusby, MD for a vehicle travelling 88 MPH in a 55 MPH zone. While making contact with the driver, **David Hassan Peyton**, 33 of Washington D.C., Deputy Anderson noticed a strong odor of marijuana emitting from the vehicle and observed a bag of marijuana in plain view. A search of the vehicle revealed numerous small packages of marijuana and a large package of Molly (MDMA). A search of Peyton's person revealed several Suboxone strips for which Peyton did not have a prescription for. Peyton was placed under arrest and transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where he was charged with two counts of CDS: Possession-Not Marijuana and CDS: Possession of Marijuana 10GM+.



David Hassan Peyton

On June 6, 2021, Deputy T. Buckler was dispatched to a traffic complaint for a possible intoxicated driver. Deputy Buckler located the mentioned vehicle and conducted a traffic stop along Rt. 4 in the area of Cove Point Road in Lusby, MD. Upon making contact with the driver, **Kelley Ann Bowles**, 31 of Lexington Park, MD, empty 'airplane' bottles of liquor were observed in the passenger seat. A search of the vehicle revealed a Ziploc bag with 4 green/white capsules of Chlordiazepoxide Hydrochloride (a schedule IV controlled substance). Bowles was placed under arrest and transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where she was charged with CDS: Possession-Not Marijuana, Driving/Attempting to Drive Vehicle While Under the Influence of Alcohol, Negligent Driving and other traffic related offenses.



Kelley Ann Bowles

On June 3, 2021, Cpl. Norton was traveling on Prince Frederick Boulevard at Market Square Drive in Prince Frederick, MD and observed a subject was urinating by the roadway. The subject, **John Bartholomew Noone**, 58 of no fixed address, was in plain view of the public passing by on Prince Frederick Blvd. Noone was detained for indecent exposure. A search of Noone was conducted and a grinder with suspected marijuana was located. Cpl. Norton advised Noone he had a criminal summons issued against him for failure to comply with a peace order and Noone attempted to flee. Noone was transported to the Calvert County Detention Center and charged with Indecent Exposure, Disorderly Conduct, and Public Intoxication.



John Noone

On June 2, 2021, Deputy Huy responded to the area of Hallowing Point Rd and Prince Frederick Blvd. in Prince Frederick, MD for a report of a stolen vehicle. Wentworth Nursery in St. Mary's County advised one of their company trucks with GPS on it was being driven in Calvert County. The vehicle lookout was for a white Ford-F450 with the Wentworth Nursery written on both doors, towing a trailer. The vehicle was valued at \$40,000 and the trailer was valued at \$6,000.00. Deputy Huy located the vehicle in the Prince Frederick area and a traffic stop was conducted. The driver, **Donald Earl Walker**, 33 of Prince Frederick, MD was transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where he was charged with Theft: \$25,000 to Under \$100,000.00 and Motor Vehicle Theft.



Donald Earl Walker

Editor's Note: The above arrests are not an indication of guilt or innocence as the cases have not been adjudicated.

Defendant Pleads Guilty in Park and Ride Assault

Calvert County State's Attorney Robert Harvey has announced that Anthony Wayne Crusoe, II, 26, of Prince Frederick, has pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit first degree assault. The charge carries a maximum punishment of 25 years imprisonment.



Anthony Wayne Crusoe, II

The incident occurred on November 1, 2020, at the Park and Ride located on Fairgrounds Road in Prince Frederick. On that date, the victim arranged to meet with two females for purposes of engaging in sexual activity. As the victim was sitting in his vehicle with the females, Crusoe approached with a knife and announced a robbery. A struggle ensued and both the victim and Crusoe were cut. Crusoe fled the scene with the two females and was taken to Calvert

Health Medical Center where he was treated for his injuries. The victim was also treated at the same hospital.

It was later determined that Crusoe conspired with the females to set-up the victim and rob him of his property, including his cell phone. The females admitted to their role in the conspiracy.

Sentencing for Crusoe is set for July 30, 2021. The case was prosecuted by Deputy State's Attorney James Zafiropulos.

Press Release from Calvert County State's Attorney's Office

Information Sought on Lusby Drive-by Shooting

Deputies from the Calvert County Sheriff's Patrol Bureau on June 14 at approximately 9:49 p.m., responded to a report of a drive-by shooting in the 1000 block of Golden West Way in Lusby.



Preliminary investigation revealed, unknown suspect(s) fired several rounds into a residence as well as into a vehicle outside the home. No injuries were reported. Detectives from the Criminal Investigations Bureau (CIB) responded to the scene and have assumed the investigation.

The investigation into this shooting is ongoing. Anyone with information regarding this incident or may have camera footage in the area, please contact Detective Wayne Wells at (410) 535-2800 ext. 2595 or wayne.wells@calvertcount-

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Press Release from CCSO.

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In the Circuit Court for Calvert County, Maryland

Case No.: C-04-FM-21-000313
Notice (Adult)

The above Petitioner has filed a Petition for Change of Name from DAVID RYAN WHISTLER to ERIK IRMIN WULF. The petitioner is seeking a name change because: of religious reasons.

Any person may file an objection to the Petition on or before the 07/23/2021. The objection must be supported by an affidavit (written statement confirmed by oath or affirmation) and served upon all parties (Md Rule 1-321). If no timely objection is filed, the court may enter a default judgement or grant the name change.

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James Johnson: Calvert's Educational Support Professional of the Year

Lending an Ear When Students Need It

By Dick Myers
Editor

When Calvert County Superintendent of Schools Dr. Daniel Curry arrived at Calvert High School on May 6, it was for a singular purpose. It was to seek out Safety Advocate James Johnson to inform him that he had been selected at the school system's Educational Support Professional of the Year. Right before, Johnson was one of 49 teachers and educational support personnel in the running for the two top spots during a live virtual ceremony.

He was surprised. "I was not expecting it. So many people are deserving of being the Educational Support Person of the Year. I am thankful for it, and I'm honored. To just be recognized was enough for me, but the fact that I was chosen, I was definitely surprised."

This is a second career for Johnson, but his first was definitely perfect preparation.

"I started out in Washington, D.C. as a police officer and worked there for a few years, and then I switched over to Prince George's County. I was born and raised in Washington, D.C., and had spent a lot of time in Prince George's County," he said. He retired after 25 years.

Johnson explained, "I've always wanted to fit, like most kids who play sports. My dream was the NFL or law enforcement and I got into law enforcement."

Education was second nature. "I have always worked with kids. I was one of the first COPS (community policing) police officers in Prince George's County. And we did a lot of work in the schools and working with youth, but I never thought that I would someday be a working in school."

But he said, "As I got close to my retirement, opportunity came, and it was one of those things where I was doing it anyway. So, I said, I might as well give it a shot and actually fell in love with it. I can honestly say, I love what I do."

By then he had moved to Calvert County (in 2001). "The job kind of found me because I worked in Prince George's County as the safety advocate, pretty much the same, different title, with doing the same thing." He was recommended for the Calvert position by the man in charge of the safety program in PG. He started at Calvert High School in 2015.

In Calvert County there are School Resources Officers (SROs) and School Safety Advocates. The SROs are sworn sheriff's officers and have full police powers, including arrest.

Johnson's position of safety advocate, on the other hand, is employed by the school system.

"We're more like counselors in the building. We deal with anything safety-related when it comes to the school



Superintendent Dr. Daniel Curry presents award to James Johnson

and the staff and students, but we don't do anything arrest related. We don't have any arrest powers, but we do everything that's involved with building rapport and building relationships with students," he explained.

Those relationships have been especially important during the last year when for much of the time the students were separated from their classmates except online.

"It's been real stressful on staff and students, but definitely would be for kids not being in the building, developing those relationships with friends and developing rapport with the teachers and staff," he said.

Johnson added, "It's been real difficult. It's one of those things where no one asked for this. We just had to change how we did things and adapt to make things work for both staff and students."

The safety advocates pivoted early on to assist in providing meals to the students that they normally would have gotten in school.

And they became a delivery service. "Any type of resources they need, whether it's books, materials, picking up materials, taking laptops."

And they provided that counseling that they were doing in school in a different mode. "Just being a voice, being an ear for some. If kids were struggling with something, having that extra support, because they have the guidance counselors, they have the teachers. Me being someone that they can talk to outside of that about life-in-general issues, things that they need someone to listen to. I'm there for that."

The safety advocates in the county's middle and high schools share ideas. Retired state trooper Larry Titus is their supervisor. "We meet with Larry once a week and with the four high schools and the middle schools, because each middle school shares one safety advocate."

The safety advocates deal with all



The Educational Support Professional of the Year gets free use of a car for two years from Bayside Chevy/Toyota.



Gathering colleagues outside CHS

students in the school, but Johnson, as an African American male can become a role model for African American male students. "That's not something that I shied away from," he said. "We run a program here at Calvert High called the Mac Scholars, and it's mostly designed for my minority students to help try to close that achievement gap, but also help kids deal with whatever behavior issues outside of school that find their way into the building. And it's just helping them try to put themselves in a better position. That way they can be helped on the academic side."

He said, "It comes from broken homes, kids not being exposed to certain things when it comes to education. And we're just trying to get them where they can be on a somewhat even playing field or expose them to have knowledge that otherwise they wouldn't be exposed to."

"Taking that male role model task, I love it," he said. "I look forward to it. It's something that growing up in Washington, DC and Prince George's

County, my mom was pretty much like a single mom, and I had people in my life at that time who took an interest in me, like law enforcement officers and some people in school and football coaches. It helped me become the person that I am. And I'm just trying to give that back."

He also is in a position to build that rapport through football -- he's an assistant coach.

The Educational Support Professional of the Year title helps shine a spotlight on some school system employees not often in the limelight. "I believe we're very important because students deal with more than just educational issues. We have issues outside the building and find their way into the building, and they need someone to help them manage those issues, because if we don't take care of those issues, then you'll see them suffer on the educational side. So, the support staff, the resources that we have, and the resources that we provide to students, I think is very important."

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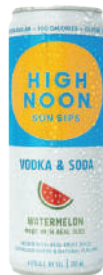
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CCPS Announces New Administrators

Johnson Appointed Assistant Superintendent

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Superintendent Dr. Daniel D. Curry said, "We appreciate so much those who are ready and willing to step up to another level of leadership and responsibility. The work is both challenging and rewarding, and we are confident all of the appointees will enhance student success in Calvert County."

Dr. Susan Johnson: From Director of Secondary School Improvement to Assistant Superintendent of Instruction

Dr. Johnson is currently the Director of Secondary School Improvement and has served in that position since July 2016. Prior to joining the Department of Instruction, Dr. Johnson served as principal of Calvert High School, principal and assistant principal of Northern Middle School, and a special education teacher at Calvert Middle and Patuxent High Schools. Dr. Johnson received her Bachelor of Science in Special Education from Virginia Commonwealth University in 1991, her Master of Science in Curriculum and Instruction from Western Maryland College in 1999 and her Doctor of Philosophy in Leadership for Changing Populations from the Notre Dame of Maryland University in 2012.

James Kurtz: From Principal of Windy Hill Middle School to Director of Student Services

Kurtz is currently the Principal of Windy Hill Middle School and has been in that position since 2013. Kurtz began his teaching career as a science teacher at Benjamin Stoddert Middle School in Charles County. After teaching there for two years, he moved to La Plata High School before being hired to teach at Calvert High School in 2000. He has been a dean of students and assistant principal at two CCPS middle schools before his tenure began as principal of Windy Hill Middle School. Kurtz has been part of the negotiations team representing the Calvert Association of Administrators and Supervisors since 2007 and currently serves as the organization's Vice President. He received his Bachelor of Science in General Science with a Concentration in Biology from Frostburg State University and his Master of Education in Administration and Supervision from Bowie State University.

Mark Whidden: From Assistant Principal at Calvert High School to Principal at Windy Hill Middle School

Whidden has served as an assistant principal at Northern High, Northern Middle School and most recently at Calvert High School. After receiving his Bachelor of Science degree in Secondary Education from West Virginia University, Mr. Whidden started teaching social studies to middle school students in 1997. He received his Master of Science in Curriculum and Instruction from McDaniel College. Whid-



den has also coached cross country and indoor and outdoor track and field.

Racheal Lindauer: From Dean at Calvert Country School to Principal at Calvert Country School

Lindauer began her career as an elementary functional skills teacher in Charles County. She then served as a districtwide autism resource teacher before becoming the special education coordinator, a role in which she coordinated, managed and supported regional programs at all three levels. She then transferred to Calvert County and has served in the position of dean of students at Calvert Country School since August 2017. Lindauer received her Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Saint Vincent College and Seminary in Pennsylvania in 2001 and her Master of Arts in Special Education – Severe Disabilities from the University of Maryland, College Park in 2014.

Hollie Ims: From Dean at Windy Hill Middle School to Assistant Principal at Windy Hill Middle School

Hollie Ims received her Bachelor of Science in Integrated Elementary and Special Education from Towson University in 2011 and her Master of Arts in Leadership in Special Education in 2016 from the Notre Dame of Maryland University. She began teaching in Calvert County in 2011 as a special education teacher at Calvert Middle School. Ims taught special education classes at Plum Point Elementary School and Calvert High School before accepting the position of dean of students at Windy Hill Middle.

Benjamin Goldsmith: Assistant Principal at Calvert High School

Goldsmith comes to CCPS from St. Mary's County Public Schools. He did his student teaching internship at Leonardtown High School before being hired as a social studies teacher at Leonardtown Middle School and later Leonardtown High School. Goldsmith received his Bachelor of Arts in History and his Master of Arts in Teaching, Secondary Education – Social Studies, both from St. Mary's College of Maryland.

Dr. Johnson replaces Diane Workman, who is leaving CCPS to take a position as superintendent of a school district in Pennsylvania.

At the June 10 school board meeting, the salaries of Johnson and Executive Director Tony Navarro were approved for two percent increases to \$172,400.

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CTE Launches New Logo



Corey Bronson

The Career and Technical Education (CTE) branch of Calvert County Public Schools (CCPS) has a new logo, the first introduction into the programs of study. These CTE programs of study specialize in the skilled trades, applied sciences, modern technologies, and career preparation. Calvert County Public Schools has CTE programs in every high school, as well as the Career and Technology Academy (CTA).

The logo is the first step in branding CTE, bringing recognition and credibility to the programs throughout the county. Carrie Akins, the director of Career and Technical Education and the principal at the Career and Technology Academy, knew branding CTE would create excitement and gain interest. "The new logo will help ensure all stakeholders—students, parents, school, and community—are interested and invested in a high-quality CTE system that serves each learner," she said.

Corey Bronson, a first-year student in the Graphic Communications program, designed the logo through a lesson on branding in teacher Kimberly Clements' class. Bronson created the logo using lighthouse imagery and two of the colors from the Maryland flag, reflecting the district logo but paying homage to CTE with the industrial gear. "It will produce well in print, digitally, and on promotional items, such as wearables. The experience the students gained by creating a design brief,



developing thumbnails, and creating their logos in industry-standard Adobe software is priceless," said Ms. Clements.

The logo design is only a part of the CTE identity, but it serves as the foundation for the entire narrative on which the brand is built. The logo is modern, reflecting the technical nature of CTE programs, which are nationally certified and taught by professionals from the industry. Many programs offer dual enrollment, which means the student may earn college credit while also earning credit for high school graduation.

CTE students graduate with marketable skills, whether they go directly into the workforce or have a part-time job while attending college.

For more information, please visit the Department of Instruction Program Information page on the CCPS website, www.calvert-net.k12.md.us.

Press Release from CCPS.

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CSM Honors Three with Professor Emeritus Title



From left, Dr. Patrick Allen, Dr. Richard Siciliano and John Wilson have earned professor emeritus.

The College of Southern Maryland (CSM) Board of Trustees voted in May to confer professor emeritus status on three of the college's retired professors – Dr. Patrick Allen, Dr. Richard Siciliano and John Wilson. The honor acknowledges these professors' particularly distinguished and long service to the CSM community and its students.

Since 2011, only 11 CSM faculty members have been honored with professor emeritus status.

"Only the most exemplary professors are selected for emeritus status," said CSM President Dr. Maureen Murphy. "These three individuals demonstrate the depth and breadth of excellence at the College of Southern Maryland."

"The College of Southern Maryland has been so fortunate to have professors of this caliber, who have demonstrated such a high level of excellence at their craft and extraordinary commitment to CSM students," said CSM Board of Trustees Chair Jay Webster. "These three professors richly deserve this honor."

Siciliano, a professor of English, retired from CSM in 2019 after 50 years of service, the longest period of service of any CSM professor to this date. Wilson, a professional and technical studies professor, retired last year after 20 years of service to the college. And Allen, former chair of the CSM Social Sciences, Human Services and Teacher Education Division, retired in 2018 after 30 years at CSM.

"Richard Siciliano was a mentor and a role model for his colleagues within his division and across the college," said CSM Dean of the School of Liberal Arts David Robinson. "His dedication to student learning, to ac-

ademic quality and to the institution of the College of Southern Maryland is without peer. He remains engaged with the college through his support of the CSM foundation, the Writing Center and other community outreach efforts. Professor Siciliano truly represents the positive ideals of the College of Southern Maryland."

Siciliano developed and taught numerous courses in English composition and literature, business and technical writing, drama and film, teaching approximately 750,000 students at CSM over the course of his lengthy career. Awarded a CSM Faculty Excellence Award in 1996, Siciliano was also a Fulbright-Hayes Scholar who traveled to China to study that country's higher education system and traveled to South Africa to work on an Africare Information Technology Workforce Development Partnership, a USAID grant project. Robinson noted that Siciliano served as the college's coordinator of instructional technology and also served in a variety of positions, ranging from academia to admissions and personnel, community relations and publications and on dozens of panels, boards and committees, among a long list of other contributions to the CSM community.

Wilson was recommended for professor emeritus status, reflecting the recommendation of the CSM Faculty Senate, by CSM Dean of the School of Professional and Technical Studies Bernice Brezina.

"At the heart of John's service to CSM, he was driven by a desire to enhance the student learning experience," Brezina said. "He went the extra mile each week to engage students and provide them with frequent and targeted feedback to help them im-

prove their learning. He also thoughtfully reflected each year on student survey feedback to help improve his teaching and to provide students with flexibility in their learning. He continually strived to better meet the diverse needs of all of his students."

Wilson contributed to CSM in the areas of instruction, leadership and service, Brezina said. He served as an active member of the Faculty Development Committee and the Online Rigor and Academic Presence workgroup and as co-chair of both the Mentoring Committee and the Information Technology Committee. Wilson was a course coordinator for various Information Technology courses and served as his division's representative for Microsoft Azure Developer Tools. He presented at numerous CSM professional development days and regional teaching conferences and volunteered for STEM outreach activities such as robotics competition, among many other contributions.

"Wilson stayed on the forefront of teaching technology, as he innovated methods to utilize tools to engage students, improve instruction, and promote learning. He was one of the first faculty members to embrace online teaching at CSM. He led the way as CSM adopted various learning management systems, including WebCT, Blackboard, and myLearning. He also pioneered the design of computer technology courses with embedded industry certifications," Brezina said.

Allen, the third honoree, contributed much to CSM and the community at large, said CSM Professor of Humanities, Social Sciences, and Teacher Education Dr. Richard Bilsker in his professor emeritus recommendation.

Allen developed and taught numerous courses in psychology and also the course in African-American literature, and he chaired CSM's Social Sciences department/division for more than 25 years, growing the department from two faculty members to 12. He created the Men of Excellence mentoring program for African-American male students at CSM and supported the Connections readings series and publications, and contributed many poems, which he read at the publication events. In addition, Allen organized and presented at dozens of faculty-development events and collegewide programs on topics such as diversity, respect and civility. He also developed numerous articulation agreements with other institutions.

"During his many years of service to the college, Patrick Allen served as a mentor and a role model for many of us," Bilsker said. "His dedication to this institution is readily apparent to all who know him. As a both faculty member and a department chair, Patrick worked tirelessly for both students and employees at CSM, all the while demonstrating a commitment to fairness, honesty, personal integrity, and to the power of learning to change lives. His door was always open to students, colleagues, and the community. We can think of no one who more fully represents the positive ideals of the faculty of the College of Southern Maryland."

For more information about how professors like these and other professionals at CSM are working to transform lives in Southern Maryland through lifelong learning and service, visit <https://www.csmd.edu/about/index.html>.

Press Release from CSM

The Tackle Box Fishing Report

By Ken Lamb
Contributing Writer

Cobia season opened June 15th and lasts until September 15. The minimum size is 40 inches and the limit is one per person per day, with a boat maximum of two fish. The favorite locations to find these big bruisers is in the lower bay from the Target Ship to the Virginia line. The fish also foray in the shallow waters in the Mud Leads all the way to Richland (Richland Point).

Trollers use big surgical eels with success. Chummers grind alewife and drift chunks of cut bait or live eels into the chum line. Another technique is to visit a likely location and chunk pieces of cut bait and see if the fish show, if not, it is off to another location. There is a lot of water out there and the schools of fish seem to be always on the move; the trick is to find them and present the bait and hope for the best.

The big bull reds (channel bass, red drum) tend to move around with the cobia.

I heard rumors of trollers and casters out of St. Jerome's Creek caught some spanish mackerel and bluefish late last week. The spanish are a favorite food fish for the cobia and reds.

Rockfish are in the Potomac for trollers and lure casters in the shallows and in the deep, but the major schools seem to be heading up the river all the way to Port Tobacco. The Patuxent has plenty of rockfish around the shorelines, getting one 19 inches can be a challenge.

There are tons of small spot in the Patuxent from the Line marker at Hog Point to Benedict. These fish will need another couple of weeks



Cobia like this beauty are coming soon

to grow big enough to eat. Plenty of perch now mixed with the spot. Bigger perch are available for spinner bait throwers along the shore lines of the Patuxent and Potomac and in the creeks.

There are catfish in the upper reaches of the rivers and one can fill the boat with these tasty fish using fresh cut alewife.

Intrepid anglers are loading up on large mouth bass at St. Mary's lake. One kayak fisherman reported landing 31 bass in an outing along with crappie, sunfish, and pickerel.

A View From The BLEACHERS



THE VILLAIN AND THE HERO

By Ronald N. Guy Jr.
Contributing Writer

A weary traveler sauntered into an inviting pub, occupied the nearest available barstool and anticipated liquid rejuvenation. "What'll it be, sir?" asked the barkeep. Seeking assistance, the traveler murmured, "Recommendations?" The barkeep grinned and offered, "The two favorite poisons are the Irresistible Stout and the Unavoidable IPA." The traveler contemplated the descriptions - "irresistible" and "unavoidable" - and returned the only acceptable answer: "Suppose I'll have both."

In beer there is truth. And so, when two stories beg to be written, two go to print - one with villainous undertones and other with transcendent heroism.

In 1985, I remember debating the merits of the Johnny Dawkins/Tommy Amaker/Mark Alarie-led Duke basketball team with an eighth grade classmate. In high school, I followed the Duke career of Danny Ferry, son of long-time Bullets/Wizards executive Bob Ferry. My college years were dominated by the Christian Laettner and Grant Hill Blue Devils. Early in my professional career, I attended Shane Battier-vintage Duke NCAA tournament games with colleagues. J.J. Reddick was leading Duke when my first child was born; Jon Scheyer was on the Durham campus when my second child arrived. Kyle Singler, the Plumlee brothers, Jabari Parker, Grayson Allen, R.J. Barrett and Zion Williamson followed.

I hated them all.

The constant through all this disgusting greatness has been head coach Mike Krzyzewski. I'm 48-years-old and he is the only Duke men's basketball coach I've ever known. Mercifully, Krzyzewski announced last week that next season would be his last on the Duke bench. I can only hope this leads to 40 years of losing and inescapable suffering for Duke fans.

Seems fair, right?

Funny thing though: When contemplating Krzyzewski's retirement, my joy was accompanied by a dash of unexpected sorrow. Masked by my deep disdain for all things Duke is a gratefulness for the existence of Krzyzewski's irrefutable standard. Duke has dutifully played the role of villain for decades. While Coach K's teams have frequently shattered my heart, there was no joy like a Maryland victory over Duke; similarly, Maryland's 2002 National Championship was

made all the more special because it signified equivalency - with Duke - where there had been only inferiority. Stated more broadly, any sense of accomplishment, athletic or otherwise, is heightened by the challenge overcome. To that, I grit my teeth and admit: The world needs its Dukes.

Speaking of beating "The Standard," in the 2018 U.S. Open final, a 20-year-old Naomi Osaka defeated crowd favorite Serena Williams in match marred by dubious calls and heated exchanges between Williams and the chair umpire. The post-match player interviews were a painful human moment - Osaka, who had just defeated her idol and won the biggest tournament of her life, was emotionally overwhelmed by the crowd's agitation with the chair umpire and outcome. Lost on the classless mob - until Williams attempted to redirect - was the brilliance of Osaka and the appreciation she deserved.

Three years and three more major championships later, Osaka occupies the pinnacle of women's tennis - and she is still courageously reminding us of the bigger picture. After being fined for not doing pre-tournament interviews, Osaka withdrew from the upcoming French Open last week. Osaka's decision, she revealed, was based on ongoing mental health challenges and how she was feeling at present. The reaction was, predictably, mixed. Her critics - various personalities and virtual muscle-flexing social media trolls - cited interviews as Osaka's duty and her withdrawal as a sign of weakness.

My species rarely fails to disappoint me, especially of late.

Fortunately, support for Osaka has swelled and now dominates the narrative (as it should). Osaka doesn't owe the French Open, tennis or the media anything. Profit, entertainment and click bait mining should never be prioritized over an athlete's wellness. On the court, Osaka's heroism is proven; by withholding her labor - and star power - to focus on her health and, indirectly, destigmatize a common, serious, but sadly still misunderstood ailment (mental health), she became a hero off of it.

That's a wrap. A wise fellow once told me, "You know what's better than a cold beer? Two." The gamble is the same logic applies to stories within a sports column.

Send comments to RonaldGuyJr@gmail.com

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Calvert 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, June 17

CSM Transfer Thursday

Virtual; 11 a.m.

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

CCHS Outdoor Concert

Front Porch of Linden; 7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.

The Calvert County Historical Society welcomes you to come with your lawn chairs, blankets and coolers to enjoy a concert on the lawn. The first "Front Porch Concert" will be the Big Band Sounds of The Calvert Dance Band. Linden is located at 70 Church Street in Prince Frederick. The concerts are free and open to the public. Snacks including Calvert Kettle Corn and Calvert Kona Ice will be for sale. Overflow parking at Trinity United Methodist Church. Concert will be cancelled in case of rain. www.calverthistory.org

Little Minnows

Calvert Marine Museum; 10:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

For preschoolers ages 3 - 5, with an adult, this program focuses on one of the museum's three themes. Join us for story time and a carry-out craft, available while supplies last. Sessions are 25-40 minutes. Capacity is limited. No pre-registration; sign up at the Admissions Desk when you arrive. www.calvertmarinemuseum.com

Friday, June 18

Food Truck Fridays

Annmarie Garden; 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Enjoy dinner and evening hours in the garden! Grab dinner from one of the food trucks, take a walk, tour a gallery show, and frolic in the Fairy Lolly. Guests are encouraged to bring chairs and picnic blankets. Some evenings will include additional activities and a cash bar. This is a "pay what you

can" event with a suggested donation of \$5/person (amount of suggested donation may vary). Well-behaved pets on a short leash are welcome; rain or shine event; no smoking or vaping; masks and social distancing required. Complete food truck schedule, visit www.annmariegarden.org

Evolution of a Black Girl: From the Slave House to the White House

Virtual; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

"Evolution of a Black Girl: From the Slave House to the White House" is a powerful one woman show where writer/performer Morgan McCoy portrays 12 different characters. Her unforgettable performance of these women takes the audience on a journey from Africa during the 1600's to present day in America. Register at <https://ccplonline.libnet.info/event/5213659>.

Saturday, June 19

Free Paper Shredding Event

Appeal Landfill; 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Residents are required to wear face masks and practice safe social distancing to prevent the spread of COVID-19. There is no limit per resident and proof of residency is required. All paper must be removed from plastic bags and cardboard boxes prior to shredding. Paper clips and staples are acceptable. Binders and binder clips are not acceptable. Certificates of destruction will be provided if requested. Businesses are prohibited from residential shredding events. Shredding events are held monthly throughout the year. For more information about recycling events, call the Calvert County Department of Public Works, Solid Waste Division, at 410-326-0210, visit www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/Recycle or download the Recycle Coach app.

Footprints and Roots

Virtual; 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

This virtual community event is sponsored jointly by the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc.-Prince George's County, Maryland Chapter, the Prince George's County Historical Society and the Chair-

man of the Prince George's County Planning Board, Elizabeth M. Hewlett. The event features a keynote address given by Professor Dale Green and workshops on Quilt Codes and the Underground Railroad: History or Mystery by Dr. Blanche Brownley, Georgetown Memory Project: The Genealogical Pursuit of Truth, Reconciliation & Reunion by Malissa Ruffner, and Moses Grandy Opens Doors to Our African Homeland by Eric Anthony Sheppard. More information at <https://ccplonline.libnet.info/event/5207585>.

Step Afrika!

Virtual; 8:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Step Afrika! returns to the virtual theater to commemorate Juneteenth as the day that federal troops arrived in Galveston, Texas to ensure that all enslaved people were freed. Step Afrika! honors the determination, resilience, and reclamation of freedom with newly filmed choreographic masterpieces inspired by the African American experience. Register at <https://ccplonline.libnet.info/event/5207603>.

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Ongoing

Calvert Library Openings

Thanks to declining COVID-19 positivity numbers, Calvert Library is welcoming customers back in for short visits. Customers are still asked to keep visits as short as possible and no longer than an hour, wear an appropriate mask over your nose and mouth, maintain a social distance of 6' from others and help your children do the same. At all four library locations, in-person library hours will be Monday-Thursday, noon to 5pm, Friday, 1-5pm and Saturday, 10am to 2pm. Curbside pickup appointments will continue Monday-Thursday, 10am to 7pm; Friday, 1-5pm and Saturday, 10am to 2pm. Call any Calvert Library location for assistance or appointments. Customers can also follow and interact with library staff on Facebook and Twitter. More information about coronavirus is available in the Research & Learn section of the library website. Call 410-535-0291 or email getanswers@calvertlibrary.info with any reference questions you may have.

Enchanted Summer at the Garden

Annmarie Sculpture Garden; until September 6

Enjoy a safe, outdoor, engaging experience where you will find a variety of low-touch, no-touch fun along the trails and paths of the sculpture garden. During the Enchanted Summer, daily visitors can explore the galleries; search for over 100 fairy houses; play in the Fairy Lolly Nature Play Space; build your own fairy house in the forest; search for gems and fossils at the Fairy Grove Mining sluice (additional fees apply); try the Wild Rumpus Run; enjoy unique photo opps along the trail; find the hidden Dragons Nest; search for the hidden tree pop paintings; and more! Grab your bug spray, pack a picnic blanket or chairs, and spend a fun, creative and active day at Annmarie. Well-behaved pets on a short leash are welcome; no smoking or vaping; masks and social distancing required. Details: www.annmariegarden.org

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 dickmyers@countytimes.net after noon on Mondays may run in the following week's edition.

Russell "Jerry" Walton Sr.



Russell "Jerry" Walton Sr., 75 of Dunkirk, MD passed away on June 5, 2021 surrounded by his loving children at Medstar Washington Hospital Center. He was born on September 15, 1945 in Dunkirk Maryland at home to the late Russell A. Walton and Lilian M. Walton. Jerry worked as a carpenter for various companies throughout the Maryland and Virginia area. In his later years, he frequented the Dunkirk area and enjoyed watching slow pitch softball at the park, especially when his family was playing.

He is survived by his children Robin Phipps of Glen Burnie, Tara Walton of Clinton, Russell Walton Jr. and his wife Dana of Huntingtown, and Joseph Walton and his wife Amanda of Hollywood. Jerry is also survived by 9 grandchildren and a loving sister Gail Schwallenburg of Huntingtown. There will be no services at this time. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

E. Thomas Thompson

E. Thomas Thompson, 84, of Huntingtown passed away June 4, 2021 at Calvert County Nursing Home, Calvert Hospice Unit. He was born June



4, 1937 in Grove City, Pennsylvania to Thomas Archie and Bertha Viola (Stewart) Thompson. He graduated from Grove City High School in 1955. He entered the Army Reserves when he was 16 and went into the regular Army in 1956. He graduated from Slippery Rock State College in 1964 with a Bachelor of Arts in Education and a Masters of Education in 1967. While teaching in Babcock School System, he met Joan Brusik and they were married in 1969. Together they taught in Prince Georges County, moving to Calvert County to both teach and have a small farm, Pine View Ltd. in Huntingtown. Tom's love of animals, farming and showing Morgan horses completed a full circle in his life.

Funeral arrangements by Rausch Funeral Home.

Leslie Calvert Wells, Jr.

Leslie Calvert Wells, Jr., 61, of Edgewater passed away June 7, 2021. He was born September 14, 1959 in Annapolis to Leslie Calvert, Sr. and Thelma Anne (Farrell) Wells. Leslie was raised in Annapolis and enjoyed hunting and fishing from a young age. He worked for his family business, Wells Home Improvements and he married Jane Redwood on March 24, 1990. Leslie enjoyed riding his motorcycle, woodworking, searching



for and collecting Civil War relics, watching old westerns and listening to country music. He was a charter member of Iron Riders Motorcycle Club of Annapolis, where his nickname was Lizard. Thirty-two years and five months ago he endured a heart and lung transplant but never lost his zest for life. He was a brave and valiant man and everyone who met him loved him.

Leslie is survived by his loving wife, Jane Redwood, mother Anne Wells of Annapolis and siblings Debra Kilian and husband Jay of Arnold and Glenn Wells and wife Stacey of Edgewater. Also surviving are sister-in-law Kimberly Wells of Annapolis and brother-in-law Colin Redwood of New Zealand, 11 nieces and nephews and 6 great nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father Leslie "Sam" Wells, Sr., sister Margaret Dyke and brother Michael Wells.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Gettysburg National Military Park, Office of the Superintendent, Gettysburg National Military Park, 1195 Baltimore Pike, Suite 100 Gettysburg, PA 17325; Link:

<https://www.nps.gov/gett/getinvolved/donate.htm>

to Evelyn and Mack Shoop. Virginia was raised in Westernport and graduated from Keyser High School. She worked part time at Brinson's Department Store in Clinton when her children were growing up and later she worked full-time at Clinton Nursing Home. Most of all Virginia loved being a homemaker.

Virginia used to talk about her happy childhood and how special Christmas was growing up. As a child, her parents would secretly decorate their living room in the most magical way on Christmas morning to surprise her and her sisters. She carried on her loved Christmas traditions with her handmade ornaments, themed Christmas trees, and baking her favorite cookies and fudge. Everything was made to the finest detail and her talent and creativity was surpassed by none. This tradition will continue for generations to come.

Virginia was passionate about everything she did. Most of all, Virginia loved her family and strived to make a beautiful home for them. Not only did she make the best homemade vegetable beef soup, spaghetti sauce and cinnamon buns, she loved to bake. She loved a good cake. She took cake-decorating classes and for special events, holidays or birthdays, she would make her special, professionally decorated cakes.

Virginia also loved flowers, and gardening and she could make anything flourish. She loved sitting outside in nature near her flowers and her pond (a gift from her children) and later she loved sitting in the Gazebo with her morning coffee. She always started her day with coffee and Little Debbie Cakes and could not wait to watch her afternoon "stories", especially the Guiding Light. She loved Patsy Cline and The Jersey Boys and loved singing their songs. Virginia was also an amazing crafter. She loved making doll clothes, crocheting, making baskets and wall decorations. Making scrapbooks of her family was her favorite pastime. She was wildly talented and creative with them. She always said to her daughter Sherry, "I love being in my bedroom and working on my scrapbooks!" It brought her so much joy.

Virginia was preceded in death by her parents Evelyn and Mack Shoop, husband Richard Smith, her beloved son Darrin Smith, and sisters Betty Bane and Janet Thrasher. She is survived by her children, Rhonda Wayland (David), Sherry DiLustro (Ron), Gary Smith (Jeanette) and Darryl Smith (Jennifer). She is also survived by her grandchildren Shannon, David, Casey, Matthew, Lindsay, Amanda, Gary; great grandchildren Brooke, Kelsi, Ryder, Hudson, Ella, Remy, Kiera, and autumn; and her great, great grandchild, Noah. Virginia's family was her life and she enjoyed being with them—always!

Virginia Lee Smith

Virginia Lee Smith passed away on June 4, 2021. She was born in Westernport Maryland on January 25, 1933

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Expressions of sympathy in her memory can be made to the Calvert Animal Welfare League, 1040 Prince Frederick Boulevard, PO Box 1660, Prince Frederick, MD 20678; 410-535-9300; Link:

<https://www.cawlrescue.org/>

Interment will be private at Southern Memorial Gardens.

Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Home.

Terrence George "Terry" Parks



Parks, 73, of California, MD passed away on June 4, 2021 at Calvert Health Medical Center. Born November 28, 1947 in San Diego, CA, he was the son of the late Clarence George Parks and Peggy Marie (White) Parks. Terry graduated from Fremont High School, Sunnyvale, CA in 1966 and from San Jose State University, San Jose, CA in 1974. Terry is a member of the Lenape Tribe, also known as the Delaware Tribe of Indians in Bartlesville, OK. His Lenape name is Nishakexen, Two Paths.

In 1966 Terry was recruited and signed with the Mets as a left-handed pitcher. He was a "Bonus Baby". In 1967 he received a gold watch for being the MVP. In 1968 he was traded to the Oakland A's where he played until he started having difficulty with his pitching arm due to a previous injury. 1969 was the last year Terry played professional baseball, but he continued with sports. He was a bull dogger in the Rodeo with his horse Shad. Terry owned a boarding stable until 1973 and then became a Finance Manager in the Auto Industry. He returned to Oklahoma in 1983 to help his parents. Terry met Andrea in 1987 and they were wed on March 29, 1988 in Las Vegas, NV. In 1993 Terry had a career change. He began working as the Director of Education for the Osage Nation. In 1997 Terry's only son, Terrence George Dakota Parks, his pride and joy, was born. In 1998 Terry went to work for the Federal Government as the Division Chief of Self Determination for the Bureau of Indian Affairs. He retired from his position on December 31, 2020. For

twenty two years Terry fought for the rights of the American Indian. He and his family moved to Calvert County from Albuquerque, NM in July 2005. Terry was a very devoted and loving father and husband. He loved playing baseball with his son and was his son's little league coach from 2004-2014. The family loved going to pro baseball games and watching them on TV. He also enjoyed golfing.

Terry is survived by his wife, Andrea Lea Parks; his son, Terrence George Parks of California, MD; and his sister, Valerie Kay Parkspearson-Thiel of Redding, CA. He was preceded in death by his siblings, Vernon S. Oughton, Deborah Clare Hilwauhker and Jonathan Lance Parks. Terry was deeply loved and will be greatly missed.

Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Home.

John "Allen" King



John "Allen" King, 67, passed away June 13, 2021. He was born June 30, 1953, in Washington, DC to Percy Ellwood and Vivian Hazel King. Allen was raised in Hillcrest Heights and attended Potomac High School where he played football and wrestled. He retired in 2016 after 30-years of Federal Service with the Architect of the Capitol. Allen loved being on the water, boating and fishing and was an avid Washington Redskins and Nationals fan.

Allen, while small in stature was known for his giant heart. His good nature, sense of humor, and generosity were immeasurable. Whether it was laughing at a short-guy joke or answering to one of his many nicknames, he took life in stride. Allen was always up for a free drink but was also the first guy to buy a round for all his friends, which was many. Although Allen did not have children of his own, his love and pride for his nephews and nieces was unmistakable. And, if you ever needed anything done, just ask Allen because he always, "had a guy."

Allen is survived by his nephews Tim Hagan and his wife Laurie of Lusby, David Hagan and his wife

Christine of Wilmington, NC, and Jeff Hagan and his wife Michelle of Chesapeake Beach, stepbrother Dennis Zimmerman of Rose Haven, brother-in-law Richard Hagan of Lusby, and numerous nephews and nieces as well as his long-time girlfriend Melany Allen. He also leaves behind countless cousins and dear friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, stepfather Bill Zimmerman, his sister Joyce Ann Raffo, and brother Joseph King.

Evonne Ellen Thompson



Evonne Ellen Thompson, 63, of Port Republic, MD, passed away peacefully at her home on Thursday, June 10, 2021 with her husband by her side. She was born in Lebanon, Virginia on August 29, 1957 to the late Kyle Emory Thompson and Eura Vaughn (Fuller) Thompson.

She grew up on a farm in Honaker, Virginia and graduated from Honaker High School. Evonne earned a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from Clinch Valley College of the University of Virginia, Wise, Virginia. She went on to earn a master's degree in Curriculum & Instruction from Western Maryland College, Westminster, Maryland.

Evonne enjoyed a 35-year career in

education. She taught for five years in Virginia, first at Powell Valley Primary School in Big Stone Gap, Virginia and then at Orcutt Baptist School in Newport News, Virginia. Evonne then taught for 30 years in Calvert County Public Schools, first at Appeal Elementary and then Southern Middle in Lusby, Maryland. She retired at the end of the 2014 - 2015 school year.

She was an avid reader in her retirement years along with traveling extensively throughout the world and enjoying time with friends, family, and her five wonderful grandchildren. Evonne was kind, loving and respected by all who knew her.

Evonne is survived by her husband Ronald C. Flom of Port Republic, MD; sisters Freda Katherine (Kitty) Lusby (Maurice) of Prince Frederick, MD, and Nancy (Thompson) Bensing of North Beach, MD; brothers Joe Willie Thompson (Shirley) and Rice Luther (RL) Thompson (Kaye) of Honaker, VA; step-daughters Kebbie Crout of Selbyville, DE; Christine Durose (Matt) of Manassas, VA; and Jennifer St. John-Foster (Dylan) of Harrison, NY; and grandchildren Madelyn, Preston, Conrad, Amelia, and Thatcher. She was preceded in death by her brother Roby Keith Thompson and sister Susan Kay (Thompson) McClain.

An outdoor Celebration of Life will be held at Evonne's home at 4215 Tupelo Court in Port Republic, MD on Saturday, June 26, 2021. Visitation will be from 3:00 to 4:00 pm and a Celebration of Life service will follow at 4:00 pm. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in her memory to the Arthritis Foundation at www.arthritis.org/donate and/or Friends of Felines, Inc., Port Republic, MD at www.friends-of-felines.com/help.php.

On July 10, 2021, Evonne will return home to Big A Mountain and her final resting place in the Thompson Family Cemetery in Honaker, Virginia.



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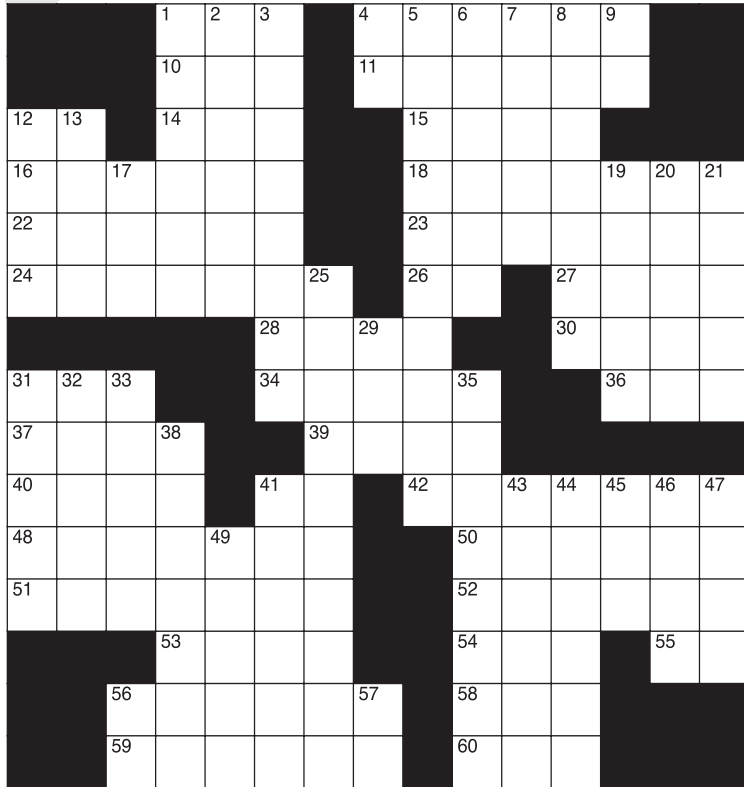
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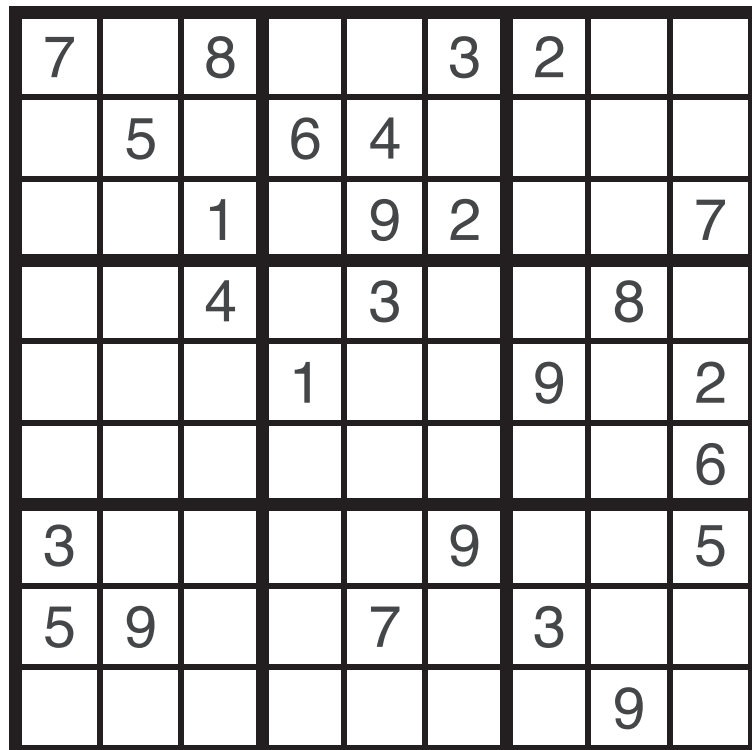
- 1. "Sleepless In Seattle" actress Ryan
- 4. One of Santa's reindeer
- 10. Before the present
- 11. Type of butter
- 12. Location of White House
- 14. Motion
- 15. Tree part
- 16. Regions around the North Pole
- 18. Fits on a boat's gunwale
- 22. Discuss after it's happened
- 23. Milk substitute for coffee
- 24. Describes one who believes in supreme being
- 26. Equally
- 27. Famed director Forman
- 28. Popular apartment style
- 30. British School
- 31. Advanced degree
- 34. Order of architecture
- 36. Investment account (abbr.)
- 37. Snakelike

- fishes
- 39. Children's tale bear
- 40. Norse personification of old age
- 41. Atomic #58
- 42. Moving your head
- 48. 1878 Kentucky Derby winner
- 50. Frankfurter
- 51. Small, seedless raisin
- 52. Device in papermaking machine
- 53. Go
- 54. Open payment initiative (abbr.)
- 55. "Westworld" actor Harris
- 56. Saturated with salt
- 58. Marry
- 59. Report on
- 60. Midway between north and northeast

- 8. To make angry
- 9. Rural delivery
- 12. Group of languages
- 13. Large First Nations group
- 17. Circulating life force in Chinese philosophy
- 19. Excludes
- 20. Body cavity of a metazoan
- 21. Swedish monetary unit
- 25. Works with
- 29. Partner to "to"
- 31. Rewards (archaic)
- 32. One of Caroline Islands
- 33. Type of alcohol
- 35. Eat a lot
- 38. Nuns
- 41. Dog
- 43. Become more serious
- 44. Choose
- 45. Newspapers use it
- 46. World's longest river
- 47. Commanded to go faster
- 49. Cabs
- 56. Mr. T's "A-Team" character
- 57. Document signed (abbr.)

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Rays
- 2. Self-centered person
- 3. One you look after
- 4. Prosecutor
- 5. Portion
- 6. Speaks ill of
- 7. Formal system for computer programs



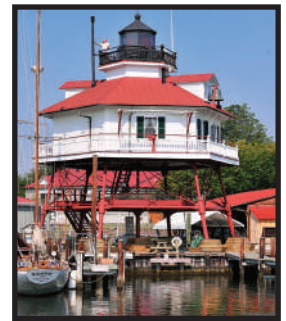
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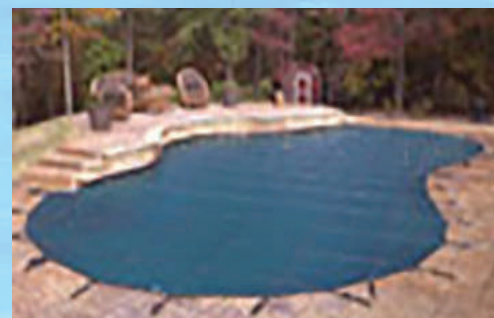
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