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Moderna Booster Available in Calvert

Polsky Authorizes Ahead of FDA Approval

By Dick Myers
Editor

Even though it hasn't been approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Calvert County Health Officer Dr. Laurence Polsky has authorized administering a Moderna booster shot in Calvert.

Polsky made the announcement at a contentious Sept. 28 briefing to the Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) during which he was repeatedly pressed on issues related to public confidence in vaccinations.

Polsky vigorously defended adding the Moderna booster in Calvert to the Pfizer booster which received FDA approval last week.

Polsky also approved the administering in Calvert of both the Pfizer and Moderna third shots four months after the second, instead of the FDA recommended six months.

Polsky said the booster shot protocols were "developed during a collaborative discussion with physicians representing all of the practices in Calvert County. We reviewed the data that we have seen locally, which is much more detailed than what is available nationally." He said that half the hospitalizations for breakthrough infections occurred between four and six months after receiving the second shot.

Polsky said there were practical considerations for his decision on Moderna. "These doses have been given out really across the country," he said, adding, "And so, at this point, we have seen both Moderna and Pfizer mirroring each other in terms of both effectiveness and safety."

He added, "So there is absolutely no reason to think that data submitted by Moderna will show anything different than what we see by Pfizer. The practical question is, for the hundred million people

who've received Moderna, do we leave them vulnerable to infections that could kill."

Commissioner Mike Hart pressed Polsky over the confusion among agencies that is leaving the public confused. Polsky responded, "I would say that regardless of whether it's the CDC or the FDA or our local health department, all of us are doing the absolute best job that we can under the circumstances. These are truly unprecedented circumstances that we're dealing with. The FDA has strict protocols that they have to follow."

Polsky asserted, "We had an ethical obligation to make these booster vaccines available to the residents of Calvert County. By not moving forward, we're putting people's health and sometimes their lives in jeopardy unnecessarily."

Polsky noted the majority of shots administered in Calvert were from Moderna. "It was just luck of the draw, what was sent to Calvert County predominantly."

Polsky observed, "There was no compulsion with this, but what we are doing is we're extending protection and the option of individuals. Anyone who wants to wait for the FDA to act on it during this application, and the CDC to come up with recommendations, (they're) perfectly able to do that.

Polsky said the criteria for receiving either the Moderna or Pfizer booster are:

- Everyone 50 and older
- Under 50 with high-risk chronic health conditions certified by a personal healthcare provider
- All healthcare workers
- All first responders
- Work in congregate setting (e.g. nursing home, detention center, ARC)
- Classroom staff who work with students unable to wear face coverings



Calvert County Health Officer Dr. Laurence Polsky at the Sept. 22 Chamber of Commerce State of the County breakfast

Polsky said there was overwhelming evidence for vaccinating, including:

- 83 of the 84 Calvert residents who have died due to COVID were unvaccinated
- Unvaccinated people are 10-12 times more likely to be hospitalized due to COVID infections
- Preventable hospitalizations reduce critical healthcare access for everyone, especially in more rural areas
- 20,300 Calvert residents are eligible, but remain unvaccinated;

4,200 are partially vaccinated. Polsky also gave a briefing to the Calvert County Chamber of Commerce on Sept. 22.

At the annual State of the County breakfast in Solomons, he said, "I know there's a whole lot of discussion about vaccination. I want to say that for George Washington and his troops at Valley Forge, inoculation was mandatory. The idea that is not American, this is not a rights issue."

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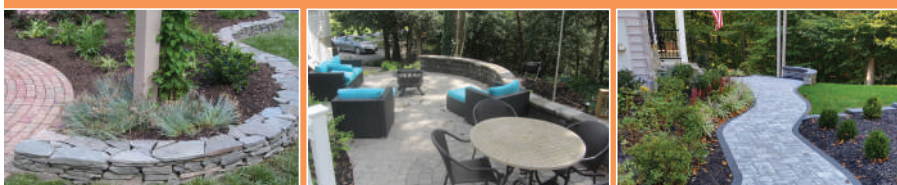
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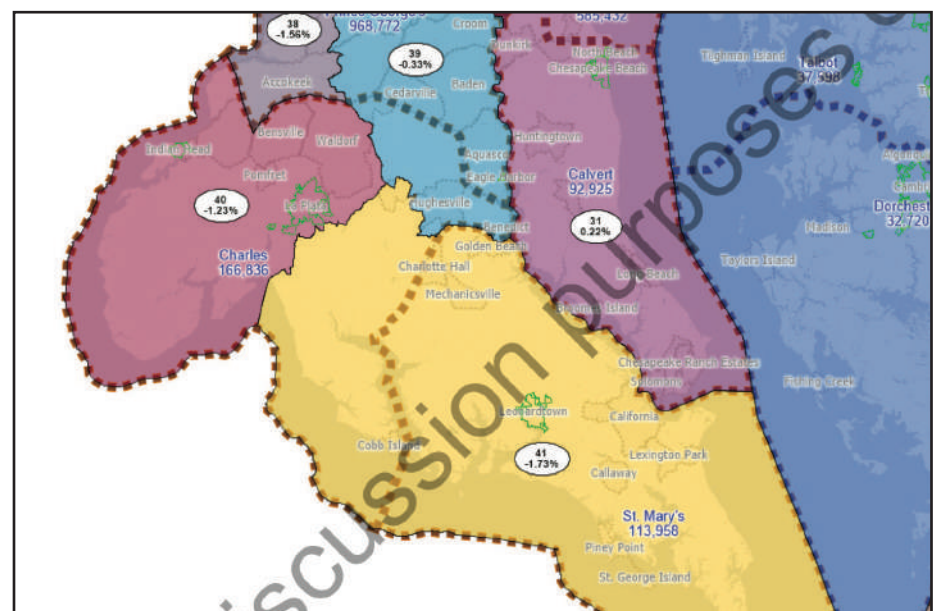
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State Commission Proposes New Calvert Senate District



Draft redistricting map from the Maryland Citizen Redistricting Commission.

By Dick Myers
Editor

A commission tasked with coming up with a state legislative redistricting plan has issued a new draft which creates a new senatorial district for Calvert County.

The plan released last week by the Maryland Citizens Redistricting Commission, creates Senate District 31, which includes all of Calvert County and parts of southern Anne Arundel County. The new district would have 92,925 Calvert residents (the whole county) and 42,546 Anne Arundel residents.

Currently Calvert is split into two senate districts: 27 which also includes parts of Prince George's County and is represented by Senator Michael Jackson, a Democrat; and 29, which also includes all of St. Mary's and is represented by Senator Jack Bailey, a Republican.

Since neither Jackson (Prince George's) nor Bailey (St. Mary's) live in the draft District 31, that district would have no incumbent and would create a wide-open contest.

Calvert is majority Republican. It is not known what the party breakdown is for the Anne Arundel portion.

The proposal is merely a draft and actually differs from one presented at a virtual public hearing two weeks ago. That plan carved out a portion of central St. Mary's County and added it to Calvert. That plan, however, met with significant resistance on the St. Mary's side.

Bailey and St. Mary's Delegate Matt Morgan both spoke against it at the hearing. So, the commission punted and redrew the St. Mary's district to keep that county intact and place a portion of Charles

County with it.

"While this is not a final plan, it shows that your voice mattered in this process and that the Commission heard our concerns," said Sen. Jack Bailey in an e-mail to constituents.

"I am proud to have worked with Delegate [Matt] Morgan and excited to see that so many members of our community were involved to show the redistricting commission the importance of keeping St. Mary's County united."

Jackson told The County Times that he did not believe the draft plan would meet legislative muster. Jackson said he was preyed of the constituent work he has done on Calvert and recently established a district office there.

Whatever final plan the commission comes up with will have to be approved by the Democrat-controlled legislature.

Jackson, then a delegate, was chosen earlier this year to succeed the late Senator Mike Miller of Calvert for the District 27 seat.

Democrat Rachel Jones, a Calvert County native, was selected to succeed Jackson in a district split between Calvert and Prince George's.

Jones said she would prefer for Calvert to continue to be represented by two senators to give the county more of a voice.

The other two delegates representing Calvert, Mark Fisher in District 27 and Jerry Clark in District 29 both live in Calvert. The County Times was unable to reach either of them for comment.

Reporter Guy Leonard contributed to this story.
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Speakers Stand by Their School Board

By Dick Myers
Editor

For months the Calvert County Board of Education and Calvert County Public Schools (CCPS) have been bombarded with criticism. At board meetings and in social media they were berated over issues such as Critical Race Theory (CRT), masking, limiting public comment, quarantining and school bus transportation. Often the tone was strident and sometimes personal.

At the board's Sept. 23 meeting, the tide turned, and support surfaced from staff, parents and others.

Stacy Taman, president of the Calvert Association of Educational Support Staff, said, "It has been painful to witness the treatment you have received at recent meetings. And I could not allow those voices to be the only voices in the room."

"You have a strong community that supports you. We understand the decisions that you make impact tens of thousands of people. We don't carry the weight of those decisions. And sometimes we don't really agree with them. However, we will stand beside you as you continue to have the hard conversations to move the county forward, to make it a more equitable and racially inclusive society."

"I've become disheartened by the behaviors of many in our community. Some say our county is no longer the same and I agree, but not for the reasons stated. I believe we have lost our sense of community and that civility has been lost."

During her statement someone in the audience attempted to heckle her and was told to stop or they would be removed.

Calvert Education Association President Dona Ostenso noted how the plans for reopening were impacted by the Delta variant surge. She said, "I may not always agree with Dr. Curry or the elected board, but what I will say is we are so far ahead of surrounding counties and other states on how we have handled this surge. Some may not like the quarantining requirements CCPS issued, but they were established based on guidance from the CDC, the Maryland Department of Health and the Calvert County Health Department to keep staff and students safe."

"And in school, CCPS has a plan. It is not perfect, and it's regularly being revised, but there is a plan, one that allows students who are required to quarantine access to live instruction via Teams and learning activities through Schoology, unlike in Florida and Texas, where leaders ditched the millions of dollars they spent on classroom technology, leaving students unable to access their classroom remotely, or being limited to entirely asynchronous instruction."

Ostenso added, "Our teachers are working extremely hard and are doing the very best they can to provide instruction to all students. There is no handbook from years past to guide CCPS in their



Mike Spahr, local Uniserv (Maryland State Education Association) director

decision-making. And for the second year in a row, they're trying to build the plane as they fly it. This is hard on teachers, but the community consensus was that schools must reopen, and staff are bending over backwards to keep them open and keep students safe. The people making decisions are human. And the only way we will get through this crisis is together recognizing the shared humanity we have."

Mike Spahr, the Maryland Education Association local representative, said he advocates "on behalf of our educators on school and workplace related matters, especially those that pose an imminent and existential threat to healthy, safe, and supportive communities that everyone in Calvert County deserves. Racism and discrimination are examples of such threats. Public comment at the board of education meetings over the past several months has taken aim at anti-racism and the anti-racism resolution."

Spahr added, "Unfortunately, many of the comments made have provided an unequivocal example of why the board's anti-racism policy is necessary. Speakers at board meetings have twisted the anti-racism resolution into a culture war over misunderstood prejudice. And most recently, even the most basic safety measures put in place to keep students, staff and their families safe. The board of education has shown profound courage during this difficult and divisive time that we find ourselves in."

Teacher and CEA board member Betty Goldstein said, "I am embarrassed by what you have gone through and the way that you have been treated."

She said emphatically, "We are not teaching CRT."

Lisa Spencer, a special educator at Southern Middle School, said, "During all this time, I have felt that everything was being done to keep me and my students safe."

Spencer added, "Recently, two of my students told me that last year was their best and I was quite surprised. And I said, how could it have been? They didn't care about wearing masks or social distancing. They were happy they could be



Stacy Taman, president of the Calvert Association of Educational Support Staff

at school. And they knew that they had grown academically, socially and emotionally, and that our staff cared about them."

Sarah Hall, a new teacher in the school system and graduate of Calvert High, site of the racial graffiti incident two years ago, said, "I want to thank Calvert County Public Schools and the board of education for all their efforts here and in the broader community to combat the disease of racism that plagues our county."

Hall said, "In my recent teacher training, I was never taught CRT. I was

trained to treat all children and my colleagues with dignity and respect regardless of their race or sexuality."

Reverend Ken Phelps, rector of All Saints Episcopal Church in Sunderland, brought greetings from their Bishop and from the diocese of Maryland. "I want you to know tonight, the diocese supports you in your efforts."

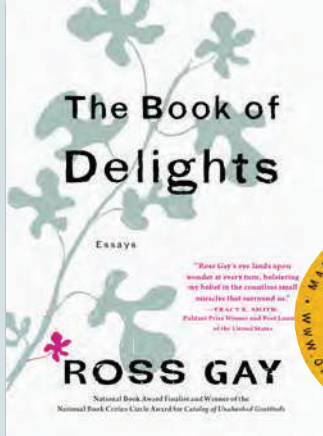
He quoted a former county educator as saying, "We have nothing to fear for knowing our history, but he went on to say that history without truth is folklore at its best. I would add that at its worst it's propaganda." Two of the speakers took opposing views. Robyn Cox of Calvert Parents for Education urged financial support for the suit against the school system over CRT.

"We should all shake hands and agree that K through 12 classrooms are not the appropriate place to groom for future Democrats or Republicans, but to ensure our children are college and career ready," Cox said.

She added, "Dr. Martin Luther King famously said, 'Judge not a man by the color of his skin, but the content of his character.' Your anti-racism policy and curriculum does the exact opposite of what Dr. King fought for so hard."

Connie Webber also spoke against vaccinating children. "This new COVID vaccine is very problematic," she said.

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An Air Force veteran from Calvert County scored the top prize on the \$100,000 Lucky scratch-off, picking the new \$30 game that has luck written all over it!

Like his dad before him, the Lusby resident enjoys playing Maryland Lottery games as a distraction about once a week. The scratch-off fan found more than a distraction, however, the day he stopped at a Dash In store in Prince Frederick on his way to play softball with friends. He purchased the scratch-off and played the instant ticket while sitting in the convenience store parking lot. Our winner matched the 16 under Winning Numbers with a 16 under Your Numbers and then revealed the \$100,000 top prize.

The loyal player said the \$100,000 windfall is his biggest Maryland Lottery score ever, although he

has won \$500 in the past. With the winnings, he plans to pay off a camper he and his family recently acquired. In addition, the 30-year-old and his wife may take their two sons on a vacation to Disney's Magic Kingdom.

Sharing in the magic of the big win is Dash In #10881 at 875 North Solomons Island Road in Prince Frederick. The lucky Lottery retailer earns a bonus of \$1,000 from the Lottery for selling a top-prize winning scratch-off of \$100,000.

The \$100,000 Lucky instant ticket is one of three scratch-offs that went on sale Sept. 20 and have lucky in the name. All are packed with top prizes. Find out more [HERE](#) and pick out your lucky charm! The top prize won by the Calvert County man is the first of 65 at the \$100,000 level in the \$100,000 Lucky game.

State of the County Video Available Online



The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) announces the release of the Calvert County 2021 State of the County video.

The video was prepared for the annual State of the County town hall event, hosted by the Calvert County Chamber of Commerce. The full State of the County video can be viewed online at www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/StateOfTheCounty.

"In 2021, Calvert County has proven itself as a prosperous community with a bright future," said BOCC President Earl F. "Buddy" Hance. "We draw our strength from many factors, but it is the strength and resilience of Calvert County residents that makes our county special. It is a privilege to live and serve in this community and we continue our commitment to its people above all else."

The State of the County video highlights achievements such as:

Receiving its fifth consecutive AAA credit ratings from three independent credit rating agencies.

Allocation of more than \$3 million in relief funds directly to small businesses and nonprofits, including local restaurants, hotels and other

hospitality businesses financially impacted by the pandemic.

Completion of a \$21-million, 800-megahertz public safety communications system.

Increased public safety support through the hiring of 31 new positions to support Calvert County's fire/rescue/EMS, emergency communications, Sheriff's Office and detention center, and the State's Attorney's Office.

Continued public schools funding above the state maintenance of effort requirement.

Expanding the cybersecurity program with two new positions fully dedicated to protecting county government technology infrastructure and data.

Continued development of the Patuxent Business Park and the launch of several new locally owned businesses throughout the county.

Engaging the public in the update process for the Prince Frederick and Dunkirk town center master plans.

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School Bus Drivers Aren't the Only Shortage

There's a Teacher Shortage Too

By Dick Myers
Editor

The much-publicized school bus driver shortage isn't the only shortage impacting Calvert County Public Schools as students returned to the classroom for full in-person learning. There's also a teacher and substitute teacher shortage.

Director of Human Resources Zachary Seawell just concluded his first summer in the position. He told the school board at its Sept. 23 meeting that he has "a very good staff that works really, really hard to try to fully staff our schools. For the beginning of the year, I was disappointed that we did start the year with about 10 vacancies of teachers, certainly not for lack of trying. However, after talking with some colleagues in the state, certainly we were in a lot better shape than a lot of other school systems."

He added, "We currently still have some vacancies of teachers, however we have hired a lot of teachers even since the school year started; however, we have lost some teachers, to retirement and to resignations and even just some promotions as the school year has started."

Seawell reported they are "sitting at six elementary teacher vacancies, and two high school vacancies and a couple of vacancies also in elementary schools and in special ed teachers."

He noted, "We still have some vacancies in support staff, which is not unusual at this time of the year, and especially with some of the support staff positions that were not filled last year. We are still playing catch up to get some of those filled again for the start of the year."

He said the substitute teacher shortage is not a new problem. "It seems like we've been short subs for several years. I just read an article today about a nationwide shortage, similar to bus drivers, with substitute teachers." He said that morning they had hired 12 new substitutes.

"We did lose quite a few subs last year due to the pandemic and really not having work for them for the first half of the year or three quarters of the year. Those substitutes found other positions," Seawell said.

Seawell's report came during a briefing on the return to school



Assistant Superintendent Dr. Susan Johnson

from Assistant Superintendent Dr. Susan Johnson and several other administrators, including the ongoing bus driver shortage.

Johnson said, "We are so excited to have all of our students and staff back in the school building. That certainly was something that we heard throughout the school year last year, and to be able to spend some time throughout the summer preparing our schools to be fully opened, it really has made a difference in the start of the school year."

She said the good news: "We really do see a full student engage-

ment. It seems like the students are excited to be back. They're talking with each other. They're talking with us about how exciting it is to be back with their friends and learning in person."

Johnson added, "We also have recognized the professionalism and commitment and enthusiasm that our staff has shown. And I think that's really important because we also have to recognize their patience because as we get to the challenges, our staff has really been patient in adjusting to some of the things that we're working through as we're addressing some of those challenges."

One of those challenges was masking. Johnson said, "Masking has always been a concern, but as we're walking into buildings and as we're talking with our administrators and teachers in the buildings, our students, our staff and our teachers are masked. Very rarely do we have issues. That's not to say we don't have an issue every now and then with masking, but for the most part, our students are adhering to the masking guidelines as is our staff."

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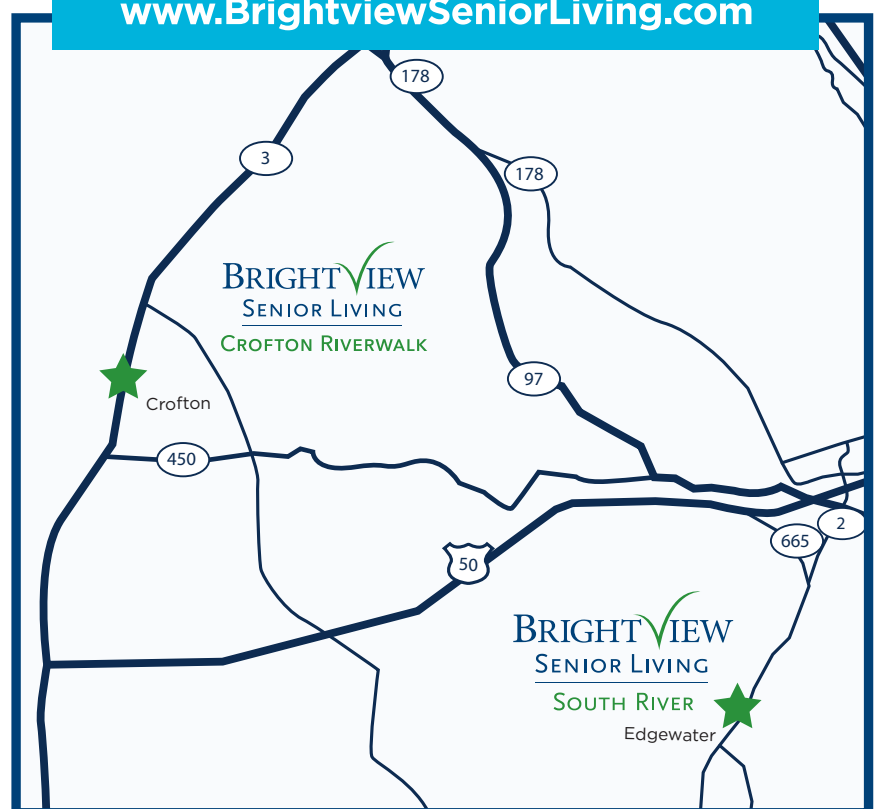
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Partnership to Counter Increase in Overdose Deaths

Lt. Governor Boyd K. Rutherford Sept. 27 announced a new partnership between the Maryland State Police (MSP), Maryland Department of Health (MDH), and National Institute of Standards and Technology to identify dangerous illicit drugs and better understand the overdose risk to individuals living with substance use disorders.

“Collaborations at the nexus of public health and public safety are critical to preventing drug overdoses and deaths,” said Lt. Governor Rutherford. “This is important work—especially given the increased intentional and unintentional use of fentanyl, which accounted for nearly 93% of all opioid-related deaths and 83% of all fatal overdoses in the first six months of the year.”

The groundbreaking Rapid Analysis of Drugs pilot initiative will test prescription opioids, heroin, fentanyl, and drug paraphernalia collected by law enforcement and harm reduction programs to identify the composition and potency of those drug samples. The partnership will improve law enforcement agencies’ understanding of the drug market and ability to work with harm reduction programs to educate individuals who use drugs on ways to stay safe.

“The Rapid Analysis of Drugs program provides Maryland with an opportunity to substantially increase its ability to monitor the drug supply in the

state,” said Secretary Dennis Schrader of MDH. “The information provided by the program will help us to communicate the dangers of these drugs even more effectively and ultimately save more lives.”

The pilot program will test drugs and paraphernalia using a Direct Analysis in Real Time (DART) Mass Spectrometer, which details the contents of drugs within minutes. Analysts are expected to test up to 100 samples each week through December 2021.

“For police, there is no other drug detection test available in the field to provide almost instantaneous results with such high accuracy rates. The immediate feedback to the criminal investigators is invaluable,” said Colonel Woodrow W. “Jerry” Jones III, superintendent of the MSP. “The innovative instrument also allows for enhanced collaboration with public health organizations.”

Also, the Opioid Operational Command Center (OCCC) and MDH released a second quarter report featuring data related to deadly overdoses from alcohol and drugs, including opioids and fentanyl, from January through June of this year. During the first six months of 2021, health officials reported 1,358 confirmed unintentional overdose deaths involving drugs and alcohol compared to 1,351 overdose deaths during the same time period in 2020. Opioids accounted for 1,217, or nearly 90%, of overdose



Lt. Governor Boyd K. Rutherford

deaths reported through June 2021 compared to 1,204 deadly overdoses in 2020.

“Although the current environment remains difficult for people struggling with the disease of addiction, the data in our report appear to represent an encouraging development,” said OCCC Executive Director Robin Rickard. “Many people are still hurting, but we may be witnessing a slowing of the overdose fatality rate in Maryland.”

Earlier this year, the OCCC and MDH released data through March 2021 that showed an increase of 5.7 percent in fatal overdoses involving all substances

as compared to the first three months of 2020. This followed a 17.7% annual increase in 2020. The OCCC has developed a new public dashboard to report fatal and non-fatal opioid overdoses in Maryland, which includes data provided by the Vital Statistics Administration and the MDH Office of Preparedness and Response and the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems.

In July, the Hogan-Rutherford administration launched the Maryland Stop Overdose Strategy, or “Maryland SOS,” in response to the increase in overdose rates observed during the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic. The campaign utilizes \$10 million for grant funding, regional town hall meetings, as well as state, local, and community partnerships to address the consequences of and factors contributing to the opioid crisis in ways that align with Maryland’s Inter-Agency Opioid Coordination Plan.

Input from Maryland SOS regional town halls will help inform decisions on how to utilize money available through the Opioid Restitution Fund. The Opioid Restitution Fund was established in 2019 to help guide the allocation of funds that Maryland receives through legal action against opioid manufacturers and distributors.

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Hundreds Gather for Hoyer Bull Roast

Sen. Mike Miller Remembered

By Dick Myers
Editor

“We miss Mike Miller,” said Congressman Steny Hoyer. Although the occasion was Hoyer’s annual bull roast which coincides with his birthday (this year the 82nd), the late long-time Maryland Senate president and Calvert County resident was on the minds of many of the attendees from around the sprawling 5th Congressional District.

Miller for years was master of ceremonies for the Hoyer event. Hoyer noted that both politicians served parallel public careers throughout their political life, which for Hoyer has been 53 years, including 41 as congressman. He intends to run again next year.

He had some hard edges,” Hoyer said of Miller. “But he had a heart of gold.”

Prince George’s Congressman and former Maryland lieutenant governor Anthony Brown took over the MC role and gently poked Hoyer. He observed that Hoyer had lost two gubernatorial bids

and Brown only one. There were a number of gubernatorial candidates in the crowd who hope to wrest the seat from the GOP as Governor Larry Hogan is term limited.

The Sept. 24 event was held at the Newton-White mansion in Mitchellville, in a Prince George’s County park. Hoyer’s roots are in Prince George’s, although he currently lives in St. Mary’s.

Among the attendees were U.S. Senator Chris Van Hollen, former Governor Parris Glendening and many local officials from the counties in the district, including Calvert and St. Mary’s.

Hoyer harkened back to the storming on the U.S. Capitol earlier this year, which he blamed on former president Donald Trump. He said what happened should have been “a wakeup call that we can’t take this great democracy for granted.”

Observing that the country is severely divided, he said, “We really need to come together.”

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Joining Rep. Hoyer at his bull roast were representatives of National Active and Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) St. Mary’s Chapter 969 VP Geneva Leon and State Federation President Dr. Sudha Haley of Calvert County.



Congressman Steny Hoyer speaking Sept. 24 at his annual bull roast



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CALVERT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CRIME REPORT

During the week of September 13 – September 19, deputies of the Calvert County Sheriff's Office responded to 1,504 calls for service throughout the community.

Destruction of Property: 21-52001

On September 14, 2021, Deputy Durnbaugh responded to 100 block of Winslow Place in Prince Frederick, MD for the reported destruction of property. The complainant advised sometime between 4:45 a.m. and 12:58 p.m., unknown suspect(s) spilled soup and powdered biscuit mix on the front door mat destroying it. The total value of damaged property is \$45.

Destruction of Property: 21-51943

On September 14, 2021, Deputy Durnbaugh responded to 4000 block of Buena Vista Road in Prince Frederick, MD for the report of destruction of property. The complainant advised sometime between 10 a.m. on Sept. 12 and 9:30 a.m. on September 14, unknown suspect(s) had done donuts in a field on the property destroying the soybean crops.

The value of damaged property is \$1000.00.

Damaged Property: 21-52683

On September 17, 2021, Deputy Durnbaugh responded to Avenue E in St. Leonard, MD for the report of damaged property. The complainant advised sometime between 2 a.m. and 9 a.m., unknown suspect(s) damaged the front passenger window of a vehicle parked at the residence. The value of damaged property is \$600.00.

Theft: 21-51793

On September 13, 2021, Deputy Huy responded to the 2000 block of Marble Lane in Owings, MD for report of a theft from vehicle. The complainant advised a black backpack with a 13 inch MacBook Air laptop was stolen from inside the vehicle. The value of stolen property is unknown at this time.

Theft: 21-52446

On September 16, 2021, Deputy Aley responded to the 1500 block

of Solomons Island Road S. in Prince Frederick, MD for the report of damaged property. The complainant advised a vehicle parked at the aforementioned address appeared to have the catalytic converter cut off. The value of stolen/damaged property is unknown at this time.

Theft: 21-52245

On September 15, 2021, Deputy Mason responded to the Tractor Supply located at 3150 N. Solomons Island Road in Huntingtown, MD for report of a theft. The complainant advised three unknown suspects were observed loading several items to include 8000 Watt Dual Fuel Generator; a 2000 Watt Inverter Generator; a 3600 PSI – 2.5 GPM Gas Pressure Washer; and a HD 2000A Lithium Jump Starter into a shopping cart. The same individuals bypassed the checkout line and exited the store without making payment. The estimated value of stolen property is \$2,570.00

Theft: 21-52573

On September 16, 2021, Deputy Anderson received report of a theft. The complainant advised sometime between 5:45 p.m. and 6:15 p.m., unknown suspect(s) stole the front registration plate off of a vehicle that was parked in the 200 block of Village Center Drive in Lusby, MD. The value of stolen property is unknown at this time.

Theft: 21-53010

On September 19, 2021, Deputy Shoemaker responded to report of a theft call at the 7-Eleven located at 15 Solomons Island Road N. in Prince Frederick, MD. The complainant advised an unidentified black male approximately 5'8"-5'10" tall wearing a gray hoodie, gray mask and jeans stole 2 packs of Vuse Original Alto Pods and 2 packs of Vuse Alto Vapor devices then fled the store without making payment. The total value of stolen property is \$46.35.

Theft: 21-52890

On September 18, 2021, Cpl. Robshaw responded to a residence in the 3500 block of Yellow Bank Road in Dunkirk, MD for a re-

ported theft. The complainant advised sometime between 4:30 p.m. on September 17 and 11 a.m. on September 18, unknown suspects stole a black plastic mailbox in the cluster of mailboxes located in the 3600 block of Yellow Bank Road. The value of stolen property is \$90.00.

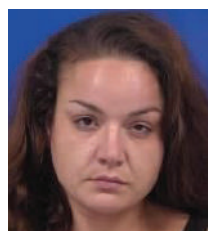
ARRESTS

On September 19, 2021, Deputy Lee met Deputies from the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office to take possession of a wanted individual, **Davayus Alex Young**, 24 of Lexington Park, MD. Young was transported to the Calvert County Detention Center (CCDC) and served an active warrant for his arrest. Upon arrival at the CCDC, a search of Young's person was conducted and marijuana was located in Young's jacket pocket. Young was charged with Possession of Contraband in a Place of Confinement.



Davayus Alex Young

On September 15, 2021, DFC T. Buckler conducted a traffic stop in the area of southbound Rt. 4 just south of Ball Road in St. Leonard, MD. The driver, **Jennifer Lynn Brady**, 31 of Prince Frederick, MD was in possession of stolen registration plates and was wanted on multiple warrants through the Calvert County Sheriff's Office, the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office, Maryland State Police and two additional warrants through the state of Virginia. Brady was transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where she was charged with Theft Less than \$100.00.



Jennifer Lynn Brady

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

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Start Time: 8:15 a.m.
Check-in: 7:45 a.m.

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No dogs or pets. Parents are allowed on the course with their children. Participants are encouraged to dress in their favorite super hero costume (be sure they are safe to run in). Super Hero Dash participants do not receive a T-shirt.

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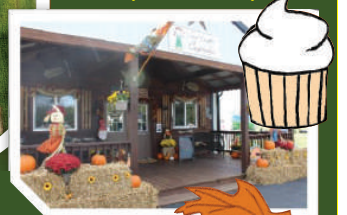
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Fall: The Perfect Time Outdoors in Calvert

By Dick Myers
Editor

Many consider fall to be the ideal time to enjoy Calvert County, particularly outside, although the weather at times can be somewhat unpredictable.

With October starting with the fair (see separate story), the following is a listing of some of the events this fall:

Monster Market

October 2, 2021
9:00 AM-2:00 PM

Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center

Do you relish all things weird, wild, and wonderful? Do you like quirky, funky, bizarre, and off-beat stuff? Do you love fall and all things Halloween-related? If you answered "yes" to any of those questions, then this market is for you! Let's indulge our love of autumn and the utterly monstrous with this over-the-top Monster Market featuring lots of treats inspired by the season!

The Barns of Calvert County - Art Show!

October 3, 2021
2:00 PM-5:00 PM
Calvert County Historical Society at Linden

Join us and ring in the fall with up to twenty local artists displaying their art works featuring the disappearing barns of Calvert County. There will be several booths, displays and organizations on the front lawn of Linden celebrating the farm/tobacco heritage of Calvert County. Approximately fifty new and local works of art will be available to be purchased at this event. Come and purchase a piece of Calvert County.

Mighty Marshes - Harvest!

October 9, 2021
9:30 AM-12:30 PM
Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum (JPPM)

Phragmites harvest will take place along the Patuxent river waterfront. Families/teams will receive a brief

53rd annual
Blessing of the Fleet
Free Boat Rides
Fireworks Saturday 9PM

This Saturday & Sunday
OCTOBER 2 & 3 • St. Clement's Island Museum



Saturday, October 2

Gates open at Noon

- **Noon:** 1st boat to the Island-Blackstone Lighthouse Opens
- **1:00** Blessing of the Fleet and the Waterman of the Year
- **2:00** The Mid-Eastern Dance Troupe
- **3:00** Aerial Acrobatics by the Vertical Dance Company
- **3:30** Last boat to the Island
- **4:00** Children's Tractor Pull
- **4:30** Last boat to the mainland
- **5:30** Robbie Booth
- **7:00** Museum Closes
- **7:30** Amish Outlaws
- **9:00** Fireworks
- **9:15** Food Vendors Close

Sunday, October 3

Gates open at 11

- **11:00** 1st boat to the Island
- **Noon** Blackstone Lighthouse Opens
- **1:00** Parade
- **3:00** Mass on the Island (weather permitting) Grace's Dance Studio
- **3:30** Last boat to the Island
- **4:00** Raffle Drawing
- **4:30** Last boat to the mainland
- **5:00** Gates Close

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overview of the problem using info boards, and learn about their role in the solution. Teams will then split up and harvest their own patch. Bundles will be gathered nearby where they can be picked up by staff vehicles. Wear boots, long pants and long sleeves for field days. Bring a water bottle and sun protection. Not recommended for children under 6 years of age. Light refreshments will be provided.

13th Annual Calvert Arts Festival
October 9, 2021

10:00 AM-5:00 PM

All Saints' Episcopal Church

The Calvert Arts Festival began in 2007 to bring together southern Maryland artisans, wineries, food purveyors and entertainers to this quality juried event. Local brewers are now added to the mix, held annually on the second Saturday of May. Stroll All Saints' lovely campus and inside its Parish Hall for quality artisan offerings. Live entertainment, silent auction and children's crafts. Walk the labyrinth. Tour our historic church. Relax and enjoy the music.

Patuxent River Appreciation Day (PRAD)
October 9, 2021

10:00 AM-7:30 PM

Calvert Marine Museum

Patuxent River Appreciation Day (PRAD), an annual celebration of the Patuxent River, will take place at the Calvert Marine Museum. A festival that brings together organizations from around Maryland to educate the public about the Patuxent River and how to keep it alive for future generations. We will have environmental exhibitors, non profits, free family fun, boat rides, music, food children's activities, homespun arts and crafts and food.

Music on the Porch at Linden House
The River South Band

October 10, 2021,

3:00 PM-5:00 PM

Calvert County Historical Society at Linden

Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, coolers and enjoy an outdoor fall afternoon of Bluegrass/Country music on the lawn at Linden. Overflow parking at Trinity Church. In case of inclement weather, concert will be canceled with no rain date.

Sunset Hikes at Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum

October 14, 2021

6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum (JPPM)

Hike one of the park's trails and catch a glimpse of the fall leaves and sunset over the Patuxent River; you'll learn a thing or two about life in early Maryland along the way. This is a one hour, 1 mile hike on a mostly paved path. Sunglasses or a hat recommended.

ACLT's Guided Canoe Trip
October 15, 2021

10:30 AM-1:30 PM

American Chestnut Land Trust

We invite you to join us as we paddle up the beautiful Parkers Creek, one of the most cared for and protected creeks on the western shore of the Chesapeake Bay. The creek is surrounded by the Parkers Creek Preserve, over 3,200 acres of wildlands and natural forests. ACLT provides friendly, expert guides to make your trip fun, informative and safe! We also offer you the option to use our canoes (2 person) or you are welcome to bring your own canoe/kayak. Just let us know.

ACLT's Parkers Creek Challenge Triathlon

October 16, 2021

10:00 AM-2:00 PM

American Chestnut Land Trust

Are you ready to take the CHALLENGE? ACLT's triathlon with a twist will be held Saturday, October 16th at 10 a.m. The race starts with a round trip 9-mile bike ride beginning at ACLT's South Side trailhead in Port Republic, MD; then continues with a 2-mile run to the Chesapeake Bay and a 3-mile round trip paddle up pristine Parkers Creek. The triathlon ends after another 2-mile run back to the South Side trailhead. New this year! 3-Member Relay Teams! Find two friends to help you complete the challenge!

Village Days

October 16, 2021

10:00 AM-3:00 PM

Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum (JPPM)

Drop by the Woodland Village and get a glimpse of what life was like along the Patuxent 500 years ago. Watch staff ply the skills used by the Eastern Woodland Indians in their everyday life and give these activities a try yourself. This free event inside our Woodland Indian Village provides hands-on instruction on various topics including pottery, mini poplar baskets, stone tools, fire and hunting. Visitor will be subject to temperature checks and must maintain social distancing.

Lower Marlboro Freedom Day

October 16, 2021

11:00 AM-4:00 PM

Lower Marlboro Hall

A daylong celebration commemorating the freedom of those who, with the help of the British, fled slavery during the War of 1812. Many activities throughout the day including a walking tour, woodworking demonstrations, food vendors, exhibit at the historic Lower Marlboro United Methodist Church and Lower Marlboro Hall and tentative Naturalist-led kayak tours. Kayaks, paddles and life vests provided. Please wear clothes and shoes that can get wet; no Crocs or flip flops.



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Entertainment performing at various times throughout the day: TBD

- 12:00 Noon Lunch for Seniors and Special Needs Persons
- 1:30 pm Bingo (Main Hall)
- 5:00 pm Carnival Opens for Everyone (Wristband Night)
- 6:00 pm 4-H and Open Goat Show (Show Ring)
- 7:00 pm Calvert County Idol (Pavilion)
- 10:00 pm Exhibit Buildings Close

FRIDAY • OCTOBER 1 YOUTH DAY

CALVERT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS CLOSED

YOUTH UNDER 18 FREE UNTIL 4:00 P.M.

"Canned Food to Feed the Hungry" Accepted at Gate
Entertainment performing at various times throughout the day: TBD
See: School Bulletin, Local Newspaper, and Calvert County Fair Trifold

- 9:00 - 4:00 pm Youth Day Activities See Brochure for detailed schedule
- 9:00 am 4-H and Open Swine Show (Show Ring)
- 11:00 am 4-H and Open Sheep Show (Show Ring)
- Youth Day 2018 officially over @ 4 pm
- Regular Gate Admission and Carnival Prices Begin @ 4 pm
- 6:00 pm Southern Maryland Mini Pullers (Tractor Pull)
- 6:00 pm Southern Maryland Boot Scooters (Pavilion)
- 7:00 pm Calvert County Idol (Pavilion)
- 10:00 pm Exhibit Buildings Close

SATURDAY • OCTOBER 2

Entertainment performing at various times throughout the day: TBD

- 9:00 am 4-H and Open Cattle Show
- 10:00 am Carnival Opens
- 1:00 pm Corn Hole Tournament (Pavilion Area)
Horse Shoe Tournament (Pavilion Area)
- 5:00 pm 4-H Livestock Auction Registration
- 6:00 pm 4-H Livestock Auction (Show Ring)
- 7:00 pm Horse Pull (Track)
- 7:00 pm Calvert County Idol (Pavilion)
- 10:00 pm Exhibit Buildings Close



SUNDAY • OCTOBER 3RD

Entertainment performing at various times throughout the day: TBD

- 10:00 am Fair Main Gates Open
- 10:00 am Antique Tractor Pull
- 10:30 am Calvert County Fair Children's Contest (main Hall)
- 1:00 pm Horseshoe Pitching Contest (Pavilion)
- 1:00 pm Chesapeake Country Cruizers (Pavilion)
- 3:00 pm 4-H and Livestock Awards Program
- 3:00 pm Music Fest Country Gentlemen Tribute Band (Pavilion)
- 5:00 pm Exhibit Buildings Close
- 6:00 pm Fair Officially Closes
- 6:00 pm Livestock Removal



It's Back: The Calvert County Fair is Up and Running

By Dick Myers
Editor

This year would have been the 135th in the timeline that is the history of the Calvert County Fair if not for that major historical malfunction known as the COVID-19 pandemic. Instead, we'll have to gladly settle for a return of the fair this year pretty much as everyone remembers it, albeit a 134th one.

It's a labor of love for a group of volunteers known as The Calvert County Fair Board, Inc., an all-volunteer, non-profit 501(c)(3) entity that was established in 1940 "for the purpose of providing agricultural education and promoting the local farming community." The Fair Board is operated by an 18-member Board of Directors, 18 associate directors, and several honorary members.

"Strange," is how Fair Board President Carol Lee described last year without the fair that her board works so hard to put on.

Reflecting on all of those years that are believed to have been unbroken until last year, Lee said, "It's amazing how it was all those years."

Even with the hiatus, Lee said the fair board has gained some new volunteers and is always looking for younger recruits to carry on the work.

"I think we're all set," she said during an interview last week before the fair's first official event, the Miss Tranquility pageant and Lord Calvert contest to pick the queen and king to reign over the fair.

In the Sunday, Sept. 26 contest, Gabrielle Fox of Huntingtown High School was crowned Miss Tranquility and Koby Valentin of Calvert High School chosen as Lord Calvert.

Miss Tranquility 1st Runner Up was Hailey Pierce of Patuxent High School. Second Runner Up was Amber Gieshe of College of Southern Maryland, a Huntingtown High School graduate. Also in the queen's court will be Megan Humm of Northern High School.

Also taking place last week were auditions for the Calvert County Fair Idol contest. The semi-finals are Thursday and Friday at 7 p.m. and the finals Saturday at 7 p.m.

Lee said to expect pretty much the same, which is what people come to expect when they visit the fair. The only slight change, Lee said, "We've got a couple of sideshows, but not knowing what was going on when everything's going to be the same, we just don't have to have the sideshows that we normally have."

One of those popular sideshows, the chainsaw woodcarver, will be back this year, Lee said.

And, Lee added, "We've got the



Calvert County Fair Board of Directors: (Front Row), Dean Holland, Connie Summers, Curtis Commodore, Dotty Greene, Carol Lee, Larry Titus, Jeanette Seidenstricker, Barbara Stinnett (Honorary), Kay Hoile. (Back Row), Mary Connor, David Bowen, Art Wittig, Gene Wilkerson, Mike Wells, Debbie Horsmon, Robin Brady, Ashley Wilkerson. Not Pictured: Vicki Valentin, Cathy Eyley-Moir.

corn hole and horseshoe pitching contests, all the animals and everything else will be the same."

And of course, the carnival rides, which prompted Lee to remember something else new this year. "We'll have hand sanitizers everywhere throughout the fair."

Lee wants everyone to know about an error in the fair book this year. In a statement, she said, "Please accept our apologies for the mistake that appeared in the 2021 Calvert County Fair Book. There is a misprint in the price of admission to the fair for Thursday, September 30th.

"The following statement with printed in error, "ENTER THE FAIR FOR \$1.00 OR A 14 OZ. OR LARGER CAN OF FOOD".

"We didn't realize the mistake until multiple copies of the book had been distributed. We are sorry for the inadvertent mistake that occurred. Corrections to the misprint are as follows:

"On Thursday, September 30th the Calvert County Fair will continue its tradition as in years past to honor seniors and special needs fairgoers between the times of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. The Calvert County Fair will offering free admission to all those that meet that criterion. After 4 p.m. the cost of admission will be \$5 for all fairgoers 12 years and older.

"A correction to this mistake will also appear at the admission gate to the fair."

Several of the fair days have a special theme. Wednesday was Feed the Needy Night at the fair which officially opened at 4 p.m.

Thursday is Senior Citizens and Special Needs Day.

Kids are off from school on Friday, which means Youth Day. It is often one of the busiest days at the fair.

See a complete schedule for the fair elsewhere in this special section.



The fairgrounds are filled with several rows of commercial vendors and non-profit organizations telling their stories. The rows represent the intersection of many of the things that make life in Calvert County so unique.

Although it is early in the political season, this is the last fair before next year's primary, so some of the candidates will surely be out and about, also telling their story and asking you to take home their literature to read.

For some, fair food is reason enough to attend. Everyone has their own favorite that they seek out every year.

Traffic can be a little tricky on Route 231. For safety purposes, a special traffic plan will be in effect 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday (Youth Day), Saturday and Sunday. No vehicles will be allowed to turn left off of Rt. 231 into the fairgrounds during those hours. An alternate route would be to use Rt. 506 (Sixes Rd.) to Rt. 508 (Adelina Rd) to Rt. 231, which would allow a right turn into the fairgrounds. Once the fairground

parking lots are full, satellite parking with free shuttle bus service will be available at Hallowing Point Park on October 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. During rush hour traffic, no access to the lots on the fairgrounds will be granted for a period of time in order to ease the flow of traffic on Rt. 231.

The fair bills itself as "The Area's Prime Agricultural Showcase," harkening back to the county's rural roots. When asked why the volunteers commit to so much work, Lee said, "Most of our people (one the board) have been raised on farms. I was born and raised in Baltimore city, but when I got hooked into it 30 some years ago, I loved it. I just love he fair, the people. We have good fair board."

It was missed last year. "A lot of people, it's really surprising, everybody's asking, 'Are you having a fair this year?' All the calls all the time and messages. It's just unbelievable that everybody seems to be ready."

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8 • Fall Festivals in Southern Maryland

Pride of SOMD

October 16, 2021

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Calvert Marine Museum

Pride is BACK in Southern Maryland! This year's theme is Surviving & Thriving! Come celebrate pride at the Corbin Pavilion at Calvert Marine Museum on October 16th, 2021 from 11:00 to 3:00!

PAXCON Field Explorations:

Fall Foliage

October 22, 2021

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Biscoe Gray Heritage Farm

Forests are important for protecting the Patuxent River watershed. Learn to identify trees using leaves, seeds, bark and twigs. Bring a lunch to eat in the field. Participant maximum: 15, Age limit: Adults and older children.

Community Fun Day and Car Show

October 23, 2021

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Calvert County Fairgrounds

Join the Calvert community for a day of fun. There will be live music and/or DJ, cornhole boards, creeper race, and other activities for the kids. Just a great day of fun for the whole family.

Halloween in the Garden

October 23, 2021

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Annamarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center

Family fall fun & games! Please reserve your timed-entry tickets in advance - it will make admission safe, fast and easy! To control crowd size and ensure social-distancing, each 30 minute entry window has a guest limit. By reserving your ticket(s) in advance, you ensure your preferred entry time. Tickets can be reserved anytime online, including the day of the event, subject to availability. Any extra tickets will be for sale at the gate, but we strongly recommend that you plan ahead and reserve your timed-entry tickets in advance!

Bad Art Night: The Great Pumpkin Challenge!

October 29, 2021

4:30 PM - 6:30 PM

Annamarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center

Join us outside for a hilarious adults-only, pumpkin decorating contest! Tables will be distanced 8 feet apart, set with individual toolkits and a bucket full of as-

sorted accessories. Can you create a pumpkin masterpiece in just one hour? We'll judge the results at 6pm and award prizes for the best and worst pumpkins and homemade costumes!

Hound of the Town

Sunday, October 31

1 to 3 p.m.

North Beach.

The dog costume parade will take place on the boardwalk. Owners will walk their furry friends along the parade route where they will be introduced and judged. Prizes for several categories.

12th Annual Halloween Boo Bash

Sunday, October 31

4 p.m.

North Beach.

Annual children's costume contest on the boardwalk.

14th Annual Ornament Show & Sale

November 6, 2021

10:00AM - January 1, 2022,
5:00 PM

Annamarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center

Presented by the Annmarie Gift Shop, the Ornament Show & Sale is a juried show that features hand-

crafted ornaments by more than 25 regional artists. This is the perfect place to find unique and affordable gifts for friends and family. The ornaments are beautifully hung on trees displayed in the Main Gallery of the Arts Building. Visitors shop off the trees and take their purchases to the Gift Shop. The show kicks off before Thanksgiving and runs through early January. During Garden In Lights, the show is open late!

American Indian Heritage Day

November 6, 2021

11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum (JPPM)

American Indian Heritage Day celebrates the historical, cultural, and social contributions of American Indian communities. The event teaches the public about pre-colonial American Indian culture in the Eastern region through archaeological interpretations, hands-on demonstrations, and exhibits. The Piscataway Nation Dancers and Singers are featured at this year's event.



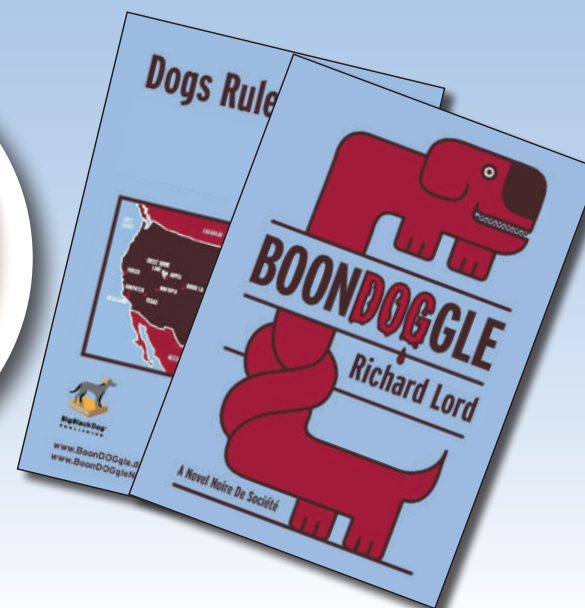
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**Local Author
Richard Lord**



Blessing of the Fleet Turns 53

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

The Blessing of the Fleet has dealt with several struggles in recent years, declining attendance resulted in the 7th District Optimists Club reducing the scope of the fair to one day in 2018 with a brief resurgence to two days in 2019 before completely cancelling their largest fundraising event in 2020 due to COVID-19.

Now the club is just days away from reopening the Blessing of the Fleet for the 53rd time, if not in consecutive years.

The Optimists are banking on good weather and the community's desire to push more and more towards normal after a punishing two years of mask mandates, viral surges and social distancing.

Each of the more than 50 Blessings of the Fleet that have come before have included a parade, entertainment for families, rides and games for children, booths exhibiting local crafters, food and drink vendors, stage shows and a fireworks display at the end of the first day of the festival.

The Blessing of the Fleet started more than 50 years ago as a proj-

ect by the 7th District Optimist Club to bring the community together and also as an opportunity for local Catholic clergy to bless the many fishing boats that once trod local waters.

This year's event, which helps fund the club's scholarships and activities for county youth, will be a replica of the 2019 Blessing of the Fleet, running from Oct. 2 to Oct. 3.

The Blessing offers much entertainment for children and adults and is firmly a family affair; the two main acts are local singer and country recording artist Robbie Boothe and from Pennsylvania, The Amish Outlaws.

Leadership at the Optimists Club had the out-of-town musical entertainment committed back in the spring.

The Amish Outlaws, billed as being, "straight outta Lancaster," is comprised of six members, four of whom once belonged to the Amish community but decided not to be baptized into the Amish church.

"In the years since Rumspringa, the members of the Amish Outlaws have become very well accli-

mated to the pleasures and vices of the modern world... music, most of all," their Web site reads. "Thus, with a bold lust for life and a fire for music and performance that can only come from 16 years of repression, The Amish Outlaws were unleashed upon the world."

The Amish Outlaws are a cover band, able to play most anything from Ludacris to Black Sabbath.

The Amish Outlaws are set to perform Saturday, Oct. 2 on the grounds of St. Clements Island Museum, at 7:30p.m.

The gates to the event open at noon on Saturday, with the first boat from the shore shuttling visitors to St. Clements Island where they can visit the first landing of English colonists in 1634.

The Blackstone Lighthouse will also be open after much renovation by volunteers with the St. Clements Hundred group.

At 1p.m. the Blessing of the Fleet, the boats used to harvest the local waters, as well as the bestowing of the award for Waterman of the Year.

From 2p.m. to 3p.m. dance and acrobatics troupes will perform; the last boat to St. Clements Is-

land will launch at 3:30p.m. with the lighthouse closing at 4p.m.

On shore the children's tractor pull will begin at shortly after, with the last boat to the mainland returning at 4:30p.m.

Starting at 5:30 p.m. the evening's musical entertainment begins with Robbie Boothe followed by The Amish Outlaws.

Food and drink vendors will be open through the day but will close concessions at 9:15p.m.

The annual fireworks show will start at 9p.m.

Throughout both days of the event arts and crafts vendors will also be on hand as well as fun activities on museum grounds.

Gates open again on Sunday at 11a.m. with lighthouse tours resuming on St. Clements Island at noon; the parade begins at 1p.m. with a mass on the island at 3p.m. with weather permitting.

The last boat to the island runs at 3:30p.m., the last boat to the mainland runs at 4:30p.m. gates close at 5p.m.

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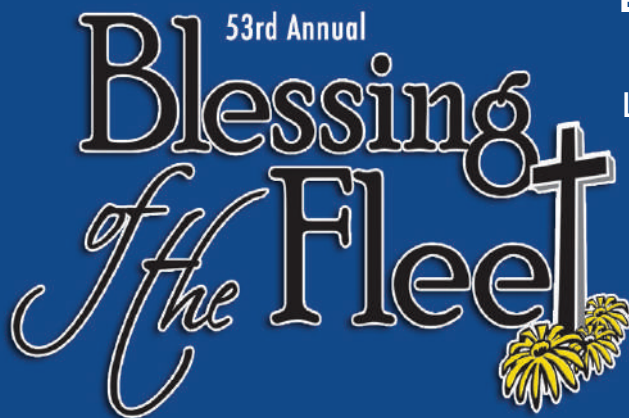
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Stay safe around power lines

As we slide into fall, many people are finishing projects around the house and yard in preparation for the coming winter months. It's important to stay safe and be aware of overhead power lines. Look up.

- Never climb power poles or trees near power lines.
- Keep equipment away from overhead lines when carrying ladders, pool skimmers, and pruning tools.
- If you are doing work close to power lines—such as trimming trees, working on your roof, or doing exterior renovations—keep yourself, your ladder and anything you are handling a safe distance from the power line.

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- Contact SMECO to disconnect power if you are doing work that requires close contact with overhead lines attached to your home.

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- Plant trees away from overhead and underground power lines.



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Local Dentist Named State Association President

Dr. Stephen Dargan, a general dentist in Calvert County, was named president of the Maryland State Dental Association during its annual Chesapeake Dental Conference.

"This is such an honor. I am humbled by the trust my colleagues have placed in me to lead our organization in such a tumultuous time. Every president has the challenge to leave the association a little better than when we took the gavel. I hope to carry on this rich tradition," Dargan said.

Dargan takes the gavel from Dr. Chris Liang who led the association throughout much of the pandemic. He was roundly praised for keeping the association responsive and nimble during the global health crisis.

"We are excited to have Dr. Dargan take over the presidency of our organization. He leads by example with his willingness to jump in and lead, his desire to better the profession, and his unending concern for the patients our members treat," said Greg Buckler, Executive Director of the Maryland State Dental Association. "At the same time, we are enormously grateful for the leadership of Dr. Chris Liang over the past year. He was always available for our association, members and patients as we were dealing with unprecedented times."

As president, Dargan takes over as the volunteer leader of the association. While ensuring patients, staff and dentists remain safe from the virus is of constant importance, the association, under Dargan's leadership, is also making the development of the next generation of dental and community leaders a priority. Last year, the association created a standing committee to address diversity and inclusion in both the profession and equal access to care for patients.



Dr. Stephen Dargan.

Dargan has been practicing for more than 40 years in Calvert County. He currently practices at Calvert Dentistry in Prince Frederick. Along with his work for the Maryland State Dental Association, he has helped lead the Southern Maryland Mission of Mercy. He is a fellow of the International College of Dentists. He received his undergraduate degree from West Virginia University and his DDS from the University of Maryland. Dargan, and his wife, Carol, live in Port Republic. They have three grown children and three grandchildren.

The Maryland State Dental Association represents the dental profession's efforts to provide high quality and ethical oral health care to the public. It is the professional association for dentists in the state of Maryland, and a constituent of the American Dental Association. The Maryland State Dental Association has been serving the dental community since 1883 in providing advocacy to protect oral healthcare and the profession, charitable outreach, continuing education, and patient advocacy programs.

Press Release from Maryland State Dental Association.

SELECTING THE BEST INVESTMENT VEHICLES FOR YOUR RETIREMENT

*Contributing Writer:
Lynda J. Striegel*

We've discussed the importance of asset allocation to your success as an investor. Harry Markowitz won a Nobel prize for inventing modern portfolio theory in 1954 based on the concept that if you allocate your assets across a broad enough spectrum of equity, fixed-income and other types of investments, and one of your investments declines in value, the others are likely to take up the slack and keep your investment returns on an even keel.

Pundits refer to asset allocation as the "Rule of 92" meaning 92% of your success as an investor is directly attributable to whether you allocate your assets or not.

Ok, now we know that allocation is the way to go. But, one big problem with asset allocation is, how does an ordinary investor select the proper allocation of stocks versus bonds? The big mutual fund companies like T. Rowe Price, Vanguard, BlackRock and others think they have it all figured out. They do the allocation for you.

TARGET DATE FUNDS:

Target date funds contain a mixture of stocks, bonds and cash. They have a future date in the title you can select to correspond to your retirement date. As you get older, the asset allocation within the fund changes and gets more conservative over time. The fund manager will put fewer assets into stocks which are inherently risky as you get closer to retirement. You do not have to take any action. The fund manager does that for you. You simply pick the date when you think you will retire. For example, suppose you will turn sixty-five in 2020. You pick the 2020 Retirement Fund. You can buy the fund at any age and with a minimum investment, but the target date is what matters.

The big boost for target date funds came in 2006 when pension laws changed so that employers could choose investments for employees who had not designated investments for their 401(k) plans. Target date mutual funds became the most popular investments for employers to offer and to use as a default if employees failed to designate anything else. Fidelity launched its target date funds in 1996; Vanguard in 2003 and T. Rowe Price in 2002—together, those three fund companies control about 75% of the market. Fees for the allocation are included the cost of the funds themselves.

LIFECYCLE MUTUAL FUNDS
Lifecycle funds include cash, stock

and bonds and may include both U.S. and foreign securities. The percentage of funds in each asset class is determined by the fund manager who attempts to earn the highest return possible by switching portfolio weightings in each type of asset class by market conditions. Lifecycle funds generally include three or four "portfolios" with varying percentages of funds in each asset class. The portfolios are designed by fit investors of various ages or risk tolerance levels. For example, Vanguard has a LifeStrategy fund with four asset choices: income (lowest percentage of stock in the portfolio), conservative growth, moderate growth and growth (highest percent of stock in the portfolio). As with target date funds, fees for allocation are included in the cost of the funds.

ACTIVE MANAGEMENT

Active management involves the use of a portfolio manager who works directly with you on your investments. This clearly is the most custom tailored to your wishes. Your portfolio may include everything from securities to real estate. The manager in this case reviews all of your assets and your personal goals with you and selects those types of investments that will give you the most return for a risk that meets your expectations. The upside of professional management is that your strategy is tailored for you. No one except the portfolio manager is going to ask about the strategy you have to exit your small business, for example. That question, along with many others, should be asked by the portfolio manager in order to provide the best retirement approach for you. The fees involved will be a percentage of the assets and, as your assets grow, the fees will grow. This means at the very least that the portfolio manager has a vested interest in seeing your portfolios grow.

Whether you choose target date, lifecycle or active management, the principal is the same. Your success as an investor and an investor preparing for retirement will be directly attributable to whether you allocate your assets or not. As usual, I advise you to investigate before you invest. Take a look at all of the options available to you first, then decide. No one will protect you like yourself.

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River Otters: More Than Just a Pretty Face



When you think of local critters, North American river otters pretty much take the cake in terms of cuteness. Their playful nature and sweet faces make them a favorite here in Chesapeake country. Otters' elusiveness makes a sighting all that more special.

While we love to see them, otter encounters can be rare depending on your location in the watershed. But when you do spot them, here are five interesting facts you should know about the North American river otter.

1. *They're one in a million—well, one in thirteen*

There are thirteen different types of otters in the world, and two of those species can be found in the U.S.: sea otters and North American river otters. Only the latter is found in the Chesapeake Bay watershed, primarily occupying freshwater tributaries. We've heard of sightings across Bay country from the Corsica River on Maryland's Eastern Shore to Sherwood Lakes in Virginia Beach to the Tidal Basin in D.C. If you keep an eye out—especially around dawn or dusk—you may just be lucky enough to spot one.

2. *They're semi-aquatic mammals*

Most of us have heard the term "marine mammals" and understandably assume that all mammals who spend a fair amount of time in the water fall into that category. The difference is that marine mammals, like dolphins, live their whole lives in the water. A semi-aquatic mammal, like the river otter, goes back and forth between land and water. In fact, despite being incredible swimmers, river otters spend about two-thirds of their lives on land.

3. *They're not picky eaters*

River otters are mainly carnivorous. Still, they won't pass up a tasty aquatic plant when the opportunity presents itself. Otters will typically eat anything from fish to frogs to birds' eggs. This willingness to mix things up comes in handy because otters need to eat a LOT. A high metabolism means they burn about 50 percent more calories in a day than a land animal of similar size.

4. *They're perfect little predators*

North American river otters are apex predators, meaning they're at the top of the food chain. Just like sharks, the presence of otters can often be an indicator of good water quality and ecosystem stability. The role of apex predators is to help control populations of smaller animals that could otherwise take over an area and throw the whole ecosystem out of balance. In fact, one of the biggest threats to river otters is humans in the form of pollution and habitat degradation.

5. *They'll steal your heart*

If you haven't ever watched an otter play, add it to your bucket list. Otters are intelligent, playful creatures by nature. Twirling through the water, rolling around in the snow, and dancing while they poop (yes, that's true) are all part of what makes watching otters almost mesmerizing. These fascinating critters really are unique watershed residents. In the wild, they live alone or in pairs, but do get together in small social groups for play. While it may appear to be all fun and games, this playtime actually serves a purpose and helps young otters develop survival skills.

Press Release from Chesapeake Bay Foundation.

Optimist Club Presents Respect for Law Awards



Pictured (L-R) are Public Safety Dispatcher I Becca Haupt, Senior Corrections Officer Robert Scott, Officer 1st Class Benjamin Dorsey, Assistant State's Attorney Tammy Lafferty, Sergeant Gary Shrawder, and Trooper Brendan White.

The Optimist Club of Calvert conferred its annual Respect for Law awards during a ceremony Sept. 13 at St. Jogn Vianney community center in prince Frederick. This year's honorees were:

Maryland Natural Resources Police -- Officer First Class Benjamin Dorsey
Calvert Emergency Communications -- Public Safety Dispatcher I Becca Haupt

Maryland State Police -- Trooper Brendan White

Calvert County Sheriff's Office -- Sergeant Gary Shrawder

Calvert County State's Attorney's Office -- Assistant State's Attorney Tammy L. Lafferty

Calvert County Detention Center -- Senior Corrections Deputy Robert Scott

First Responders Donated Pet Oxygen Masks

Prince Frederick Volunteer Fire Department on Friday, Sept. 24 hosted the Invisible Fence team members for pet oxygen mask distribution.

"Project Breathe" is a pet donation program designed to help local first responders save animals' lives. Every kit donated includes a small, medium and large mask in a pull string red bag.

Invisible Fence of the Bay Area said in a press release, "Each year, it's estimated more than 40,000 pets die in fires, most succumbing to smoke inhalation. The reality in most cases is that first responders lack the equipment to resuscitate and save these animals. Programs like Project Breathe are addressing this issue."

Tom Maloney, General Manager for Invisible Fence was on site at the event and said, "We are in the pet life saving industry, even though we like to save pets by keeping them home safe this is another outlet to keep pets safe inside their homes too. Our hope is to make sure no matter where they are, they have the oxygen masks available to them so when danger comes... our goal is to make sure we are there to save these pets in any way we can."

The masks have reportedly helped to save more than 250 animals over the years (since 2006), even a snake once as well.

Grace the dog was brought down with the Invisible Fence team to demonstrate how the mask would be put on. Through his decades of rescuing people and animals, PFVFD Deputy Fire Chief Mike Sharpe added, "When a dog has been exposed to smoke inhalation like that they tend to be much more compliant." Maloney said, the masks can also be



Demonstrating putting the oxygen mask on Grace is Tom Maloney as Janessa Bradley holds her and Nicole McCarver looks on.

used during resuscitation efforts.

"This is an opportunity to partner with a professional service that cares for animals as much as our business does. As we know, animals are an extension of the family... and it's an opportunity for us to provide another level of care given any nature of call that we may come across," Prince Frederick Volunteer Fire Department President Patrick Hassler said.

Sharpe concluded, "Every member of this organization... and the other fire departments and EMS companies of Calvert County are honored this community allows us to serve them. We take life and property very seriously."

The Prince Frederick Volunteer Fire Department acquired all of the masks on behalf of all stations and will be distributing them to every department in Calvert County.

Press Release from PFVFD.

St. Mary's College Initiates Land Acknowledgment and Pledge

and Pledge

St. Mary's College of Maryland recently launched an initiative to acknowledge the land on which the College sits and its historic links to Indigenous Peoples and their territories.

According to Argelia González Hurtado, assistant professor of Spanish, there was a shared desire from several members of the St. Mary's College community to honor historical links between Indigenous Peoples and the College. This materialized with the 2020 Margaret Brent Award and Lecture – an imprimatur of the College that is officially bestowed by the College president and organized by the Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies program – which featured Sarah Deer who is a professor at the University of Kansas and an activist for Indigenous women.

Another factor was the unique educational mission of the College as The National Public Honors College which centers on, among other things, being accessible and diverse. Thus, the College community will endeavor to continue to unearth and understand historic realities so that they inform the work of everyone on campus. This, in turn, enhances the College's ability to become more accessible, inclusive and equitable, especially for those populations most affected by societal inequities.

As a result, members of the Women, Gender & Sexuality Studies program, in consultation with José Ballesteros, professor of Spanish and director of equity programming for The Division of Inclusive Diversity, Equity, Access and Accountability (IDEAA); Julia King, professor of anthropology; and members of the Piscataway



Conoy Tribe, collaborated on the land acknowledgment pledge.

The pledge, which will be featured in permanent plaque installations across campus, included in faculty syllabi, and read at the beginning of events on campus, states the following:

"We acknowledge that the land on which we are learning, working and gathering today is the ancestral home of the Yacocomico and Piscataway Peoples. We also acknowledge that St. Mary's City was partly built and sustained by enslaved people of African descent. Through this acknowledgment, we recognize these communities and all those who have been displaced and enslaved through colonization."

"We also adopted the Piscataways' preferred spelling of Yacocomico," said King.

The goal of the land acknowledgment pledge is not only to respect and honor the contributions of Indigenous Peoples and enslaved people of African descent, but to support and learn from all diverse communities in order to build a more sustainable future.

Press Release from SMCM.

Twin Beach Players Name Cast of 'Frankenstein'

Twin Beach Players has announced the cast for its upcoming production of "Frankenstein," adapted by Mark Scharf from the classic novel by Mary Shelley and directed by Sid Curl. Performances are set for October 15-31 at the North Beach Boys and Girls Club, 9021 Dayton Avenue, North Beach, MD. Show times are Friday-Saturday at 8 PM (except for Saturday, Oct. 30, which is a late show at 9 PM), with Sunday matinees at 3 PM. Tickets are available at www.twinbeachplayers.org.

Victor Frankenstein is being played by Cameron Davis, with his creation "The Creature" being played by Harvey Williams. Others in the cast include Justin McCright as Capt. Walton; Robert Sebo as Alphonse Frankenstein; Angela Denny as Elizabeth; Braeden Tarullia as William Frankenstein; Stephenie Starkey as The Mother; Frank Clever as The Father; Alexys Adams as The Grandmother; Lacey Shreiner as The Daughter; and Aidan Davis in multiple roles

as The Landlord, Prof. Kempe, and The Minister.

Frankenstein begins as Captain Robert Walton is on an Arctic expedition and rescues Victor Frankenstein from the cold. Frankenstein had been pursuing "The Creature" he created and brought to life. Having learned of Frankenstein's travails, Walton retells the tale and resulting mayhem as the story, like "The Creature," comes alive onstage. "The Creature" sets out on his own to seek his education and identity, but remains full of anger at Frankenstein for creating him. Frankenstein, filled with remorse, seeks peace and solitude, while trying to keep his bride-to-be Elizabeth and other loved ones safe. When "The Creature" confronts Frankenstein about creating a female companion for him, the doctor refuses and "The Creature" vows the most hurtful revenge: he will find and kill Elizabeth.

Press Release from Twin Beach Players.

Terrific Conditions Greet the Screwpile Regatta



WILD HORSES: Stephanie Caldwell of Solomons and Scott Patterson of Lexington Park, foredeck crew aboard Wild Horses, look across the course at their competition during Monday's racing in the Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge Regatta. Wild Horses was the top finishing local boat in the competitive ORC class. Photos by Time Flaherty

By Tim Flaherty
Contributing Writer

Near optimum sailing conditions greeted the skippers and crew of the 39 racing sailboats that registered in the 29th annual Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge sailing regatta earlier this week.

The overall regatta prize of the Calvert County Trophy was awarded to Rod Jabin and his crew aboard Ramrod, an Annapolis based J-111 that sailed in the competitive Offshore Racing Congress (ORC) class. Jabin and crew walked away with the prize after winning all five ORC races over the two-day event raced Sunday and Monday. The Calvert County trophy is awarded to the winner of the most competitive class at each Screwpile regatta.

The J-111's dominated ORC, as their well-tuned crews put all four J-111's in the event in the top four places by the regatta's end. Two local Solomons-based boats, Wild Horses, owned and skippered by Leonardtown's Clarke McKinney, and One Trick Pony, owned and campaigned by Jackie and David Meiser of Solomons, provided some competitive entertainment in the highly charged ORC. Although neither boat finished in the top three, the two Melges-32's duked it out in nearly all five rac-

es, often approaching marks at nearly the same time and crossing tacks on upwind legs. Wild Horses finished Screwpile leading One Trick Pony by seven points, earning local bragging rights.

Other top local boats were Wicked Good, a Tartan P-270 skippered by Mark Gyorgy of Port Republic. Gyorgy and his crew won the second-place trophy in PHRF-C. Third place in that class was awarded to USA-4201, a J-24 owned and skippered by Terry Reece of Leonardtown.

The Cruising Division Non-Spinnaker class was won by Huntingtown's Chris Eggert and his Beneteau 473 Destiny. Eggert and crew narrowly beat second-place Stingray, a Dufour 40 owned and campaigned by Elliott and Alexa Peterson of Solomons.

Screwpile is hosted and conducted by the Southern Maryland Sailing Association. Safe Harbor Zahnizer's Yachting Center was the headquarters and hosted after-race parties and awards ceremonies. This year marked a homecoming of sorts for Screwpile, as Zahnizer's served as regatta headquarters from 2003 through 2005, when the event outgrew the marina, and forced a move to the Solomons Holiday Inn and Marina grounds.



A View From The BLEACHERS



By Ronald N. Guy Jr.
Contributing Writer

Robbie grew up surrounded by excellence. A child of the 1980s, his home was tucked between San Francisco and the Silicon Valley. To his north, the 49ers, with a roster full of future Hall of Famers, were winning multiple Super Bowls and running an innovative, pass-heavy offense that would revolutionize football. In the famed Valley to the south, some of the country's greatest minds were developing technologies that would change the course of human history.

Despite the notable intellectual and athletic incubator, Robbie could best be described as unassuming. True to that characterization, as adulthood and college beckoned, Robbie shunned flashy Valley feeder schools and California-based athletic powers for a somewhat unglamorous, cold-weather, mid-western institution. It was here, thousands of miles from home, where Robbie showed some promise; still, his arc indicated "solid contributor" more than star.

Post-college employment moved Robbie even farther from home, all the way to a firm located outside of Boston,

Massachusetts. After a brief internships of sorts, Robbie capitalized on some breaks, tapped into the exceptional geographic roots of his childhood, and began a meteoric rise within the company that saw both employee and employer become industry leaders.

A decade later, and years after his surprise ascension, Robbie received a mid-career boost with the arrival of a unique colleague.

Tommy was Robbie's opposite, in personality and journey. Where Robbie was measured, poised, calculating, disciplined and maybe even a bit boring, Tommy was impulsive, fun-loving and goofy. Tommy's plan was to crush life that day; the future – even tomorrow – was of little apparent concern. Unlike Robbie's personal journey from west to east, Tommy had traveled from his childhood home in upstate New York, to the desert southwest for college and back to the Boston area for employment and the fortuitous career intersection with Robbie.

On paper, this relationship was as unlikely to work as it was to happen at all. But life often crafts stories beyond any writer's imagination. Robbie and Tom-

my were a fantastic pair and spent nine decorated years together at their Boston corporate home.

Tommy, always the eccentric, was the first to leave, taking a year-long sabbatical of sorts to indulge other interests (i.e. to have fun). After one additional year in Boston, Robbie left the firm too, but true to his work-obsession, he took an immediate lateral position with a new company in Florida. A fresh start and the sunshine were enough to coax Tommy off the fun train and he joined Robbie in Florida to reconstitute the dynamic duo. Their impact was significant. Despite a choppy start, Robbie and Tommy rallied the new organization and, just as they had done numerous times in Boston, quickly transformed it into the envy of the industry.

The trained eye identified "Robbie" as Tom Brady and "Tommy" as his long-time, lovable teammate Rob Gronkowski. Sports often create amazing connections, as measured by both accomplishment and improbability, between players that re-write record books and bring years of joyous moments and a lifetime of memories to fans. Brady and Gronk, with their decade of excellence

and four shared Super Bowl championships, certainly qualify.

In contemplating all the fortunate factors that aligned for Brady and Gronk to meet and be delivered to the world, the tendency is to scan one's own life and career for similar gems on our personal rosters. A group of teenagers from different towns, maybe even different states, choose the same college, are placed at random in a quad together, and become life-long friends. A resume is submitted in response to a job announcement, an interview follows, a job is started and an invaluable mentor is found. On a whim, a person decides to accompany a group of friends for a few drinks, meets an interesting stranger later that night, numbers...and eventually nuptials...are exchanged.

What are the odds? Can it be attributed to sheer luck or was something more powerful and mysterious in play? Whatever the cause, count me grateful for the favorable intersections in my life – the Brady to my Gronk or the Gronk to my Brady, if you will - and hopeful for more; I trust I'm not alone.

Send comments to RonaldGuyJr@gmail.com

INTERSECTIONS

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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.

September 30-October 3

Calvert County Fair

Fairgrounds, Route 231, Barstow.
Thursday, September 30

Transfer Thursdays

College of Southern Maryland
1 a.m., Zoom.

CSM hosts transfer institutions virtually each Thursday from 11 a.m. – 1 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. <https://www.csmd.edu/student-services/transfer-services/transfer-fairs/index.html>.

Friday, October 1

NDCT ‘Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds’

Long Beach Community Center, 5845 Calvert Blvd., St. Leonard, 7 p.m.

Shy Matilda Hunsdorfer, nicknamed Tillie, prepares an experiment involving marigolds raised from seeds exposed to radioactivity for her science fair project. Plagued by her alcoholic mother, Beatrice, and unstable sister Ruth, Tillie retains hope and manages to blossom in her toxic and unconventional family. For tickets, visit www.ndctheater.org.

Saturday, October 2

5th Annual Saint Nicholas Oktoberfest

12 pm to 5 pm.

Saint Nicholas Lutheran Church, 1450 Plum Point Road, Huntingtown, MD 20639

Seasonal beer & wine, German cuisine, live music, games for all ages, craft vendors, silent auction, 50/50 raffle, and

family fun. FREE admission.

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Sunday, October 3

Superhero Sunday

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.,

Dunkirk District Park, 10750

Southern Maryland Blvd., Dunkirk

Fall is here and the Calvert County Department of Parks & Recreation invites citizens to celebrate the season by participating in this exciting event for the whole family. Preregistration is encouraged.

Dress up in your superhero best and enjoy games, activities and a touch-a-truck spectacular. Use activity #110100 to register.

Calvert County Historical Society “Barns of Calvert County Art Show and Sale”

2 to 5 p.m.

“Linden” Home of the Calvert County Historical Society, 70 Church St., Prince Frederick, MD 20678

WEBSITE: www.calverthistory.org

As the county landscape is ever-changing with the disappearance of our barns, the Calvert County Historical Society will be celebrating our agricultural heritage with the “Barns of Calvert County Art Show and Sale” on Sunday,

October 3, 2021 from 2:00pm to 5:00pm at Linden. The event is free and open to the public.

With this event, we will be highlighting our heritage and farming culture as seen through the eyes of local artists.

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Upcoming

Freedom Hill Horse Rescue’s Annual Spirit and Steeds Fall Festival

7940 N. Flint Hill Rd, Owings, MD

Event Date: October 9, 2021, 2-7

Tickets: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/spirits-steeds-2021-tickets-162984756795>

Spirits & Steeds is Freedom Hill Horse Rescue’s annual fall festival! Located in our arena, over thirty local breweries, distilleries, wineries, artisans, and vendors come together to create a large, open-air market for visitors to enjoy. Come to the farm and enjoy supporting FHHR and some of our favorite local businesses! We will also be joined by award winning author, Valerie Ormond!

Visitors 21 and over can purchase a Drink Ticket for \$25 and includes a free FHHR tasting glass. Drink Tickets also include 2 free tastings at each brewery, winery, or distillery. If you’d rather not drink, we have a discounted Designated

Driver/Non-Drink Ticket for \$20. Children 15 and younger can visit for free! This year our Family Fun Area will be better than ever and it is again FREE!

13th Annual Calvert Arts Festival

Sample the best wines, craft beers and mead from Southern Maryland makers at 13th Annual Calvert Arts Festival Saturday, October 9, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. at All Saints’ Episcopal Church. A \$15 fee to taste wines/beers/mead gives you a souvenir tasting glass and wristband. No fee to shop from outstanding local juried artisans. Enjoy delicious food and beverages, live entertainment, children’s crafts, raffles & more. Tour our 1692 church & labyrinth. Event is rain or shine. Save money: reserve your wine/beer/mead glass at <https://CalvertArtsFestival.yapsody.com/>. Age verified for alcohol tasting by picture ID at festival. Proceeds benefit 5 local charities that aid County children. Free parking at All Saints’ Church, Rts 2 & 4, Sunderland, MD, and nearby Sunderland Park & Ride. In 2022, our festival will return to its usual May date: May 14.

Historical Society Summer Concert Series

Sunday, October 10, 3 to 5 p.m.

The Calvert County Historical Society is hosting the last in the 2021 Season of their Outdoor Summer Concert Series on the Front Porch of Linden, the home of CCHS. The CCHS welcomes you to come with your lawn chairs and coolers to enjoy a concert on the lawn with the local bluegrass/country band “Riverside South.” Linden is located at 70 Church Street in Prince Frederick. The concerts are free and open to the public. Snacks will be for sale. Overflow parking at Trinity United Methodist Church. Concert will be cancelled in case of rain. www.calverthistory.org



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In Remembrance

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

Marie Louise Andrews



Long time Calvert County resident Marie Louise Andrews died at her home at Asbury-Solomons Retirement Community on Thursday, September 16. Her daughter Kathy Andrews was by her side. Marie was 97.

Born in Lismore, Australia on July 7, 1924 Marie will be badly missed by her family, and long remembered locally by the many people whose lives she touched across four decades of civic activism in Calvert.

In November 1934 a green-eyed 10-year-old girl stood on a bluff high above coastal Townsville, Australia. As she leaned into the fresh trade winds that swirled through her thick brown hair, young Marie looked outward over the dark blue Pacific, and wondered, 'How big is this world? And where in it might a young girl go?'

Her father a manager for the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Marie's family lived in Lismore, Townsville, Hobart, Sydney and Brisbane during a peripatetic girlhood. Marie was the eldest of three children.

In 1943, deep into World War II - and a mere nine years after that trade winds afternoon - Marie became engaged to a Yank, Army Air Corps Second Lieutenant John Stewart (Jack) Andrews. Marie and Jack would be inseparable for 75 years, until his death in 2018.

Marie and Jack were married in Brisbane on 22 March 1944. A first child

arrived in July 1945. The young family sailed from Australia in 1946 on a transport ship laden with other Aussie war brides, headed for Jack's home in Dayton, Ohio.

Over the ensuing 25 years, as Jack ascended the corporate ladder in the department store business, Marie applied her energies to raising their five children, and to volunteer service with College Hill Presbyterian Church in Dayton.

Tragedy came to the family home in May 1967, in the form of two uniformed Army officers who appeared at the front door, informing Marie her Australian-born son, John Michael, had been killed in Vietnam. Mike had enlisted as a combat helicopter pilot.

Searing though it was, Mike's death served as a sort of catalyst for Marie's growth and development. Over the course of the next 8 years, as Marie and Jack moved from Dayton to Cincinnati, and then to Vermont, where Jack served as President of Goddard College, Marie earned her Bachelor's degree, and a Master's degree in Clinical Psychology.

When Jack accepted a senior position with the Peace Corps in 1975, the couple moved to Washington, D.C., where Marie applied her energies and education to political activism, volunteering on Jimmy Carter's 1976 presidential campaign.

After Carter's 1977 inauguration, Marie became a Senior Administrative Aide in the Executive Office of the President. Her last paid position had been as a Brisbane bank teller, in 1945. Three decades later she found herself working in the White House - quite the progression!

Marie and Jack purchased their Long Beach home in 1976, fulfilling Jack's promise to Marie when they left Brisbane that, someday, they would once again live on the water. The move laid the groundwork for four decades of tireless civic work in Calvert County - the period in which Marie truly came into her own.

The League of Women Voters of Calvert County; Calvert Hospice; Compassionate Friends of Calvert County; Calvert Collaborative for Children and Youth; the St. Leonard Garden of Remembrance; Edward T. Hall Aquatic

Center. These are among the many entities and community initiatives to which Marie applied her vision, her motivational and organizational abilities, and yes, the occasional arm twisting at County Commission meetings, to effect positive social change in Calvert.

An ordained Elder in the Presbyterian Church USA, Marie was, along with Jack, a longtime congregant of Westminster Presbyterian Church in SW Washington. Marie's civic activism was driven by a strong belief in Christian compassion, as recorded in the New Testament teachings of Jesus Christ, and a visceral commitment to social justice and racial equality.

Marie's final project was the publication in 2020 of *Seasons: Poems of Heartbreak, Hope and Healing*, her collected poems dealing with death, grief and recovery. *Seasons* is available on amazon.com.

Not long before her death Marie said, 'I'm fortunate to have lived a very fulfilling life. I was married to a loving and truly kind man for 75 years. Together we raised five good children. I've travelled around the world three times, been to Alaska and seen the Canadian Rockies. And hopefully, I've made a positive impact on families and children in Calvert County. What more can one want from a life?'

Marie is survived by son Jeffrey of Hawaii; daughter Kathy of Vermont; son Dick of Colorado and Florida. Marie and Jack's second child, William Douglas Andrews, died in 2018 shortly after Jack's passing. Her younger siblings Margaret and Robert are still living in Australia. Marie is additionally survived by six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Marie's wish was that her cremated remains be scattered: on the waters of the Chesapeake off Long Beach; on son Mike's gravesite in Dayton, Ohio; and into her much beloved Pacific Ocean, where, as a young girl in 1934 she leaned strong into the Springtime trades, and wondered where a young girl might go in this world. A very long and well-lived way, it turns out.

Pandemic conditions permitting, Marie's family may organize a Spring 2022 community event in Calvert to memorialize Marie's life and legacy.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to the League of Women Voters of Calvert County.

Gregory Alan "Greg" "Big Papa" McDonald

Gregory Alan "Greg" "Big Papa" McDonald, 64, of Lusby, MD and formerly of Camp Springs, MD, passed away on September 9, 2021 at Mercy Hospital, Baltimore, MD.

Born December 24, 1956 in Mechanicsburg, PA, he was the son of Clinton McDonald and Ruth (Marrow) McDonald.

Greg attended Crossland Senior High



School. He served in the U.S. Army and was stationed in Sandhofen, Germany. Greg was a Certified Diesel Mechanic at Big Papa's Automotive in Lusby for over ten years. He enjoyed riding his Harley, working on cars, cheering on his beloved Washington Redskins and spending time at the beach with family.

Greg is survived by his parents, Ruth McDonald of Harwood, MD and Clinton McDonald (Dorothy) of Millsboro, VA; his wife, Sally (Clark) McDonald whom he married on February 6, 1998 in Prince Frederick, MD; his children, Jeremy McDonald (Tifiny) of Edgewater, MD, Carey McDonald of Harwood, MD, Jamie Castle of PA, Robbie Clark (Debbie) of Drum Point, MD, Ashley McDonald of Lusby, MD and Amber McDonald of Lusby, MD; grandchildren, Jamison McDonald, Emily McDonald, Dominic Basiliko, Isabella Asuncion, Austin Labille, Kaylyn Clark, Cheyenne Lee and Noah "Lil Man" McDonald; siblings, Debbie McDonald of Mechanicsville, MD, Bobby McDonald (Sandy) of Camp Springs, MD, Sandy Whitt of Laurel, MD and Lynda McDonald of Laurel, DE; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and extended family and friends. He was preceded in death by his son, Shawn Clark.

Serving as pallbearers at tge Sept. 27 funeral were Jeremy McDonald, Michael Clark, Troy Clark, Ronnie Brashears, Derick "Dog" Brown and Mark Garner. Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Noah "Lil Man" McDonald, Daniel McDonald and Dominic Basiliko.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675-8516 or you may call 1-855-448-3997.

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

JoAnn Butler

JoAnn Butler, 72, of Lusby, MD and formerly of White Marsh, MD, passed away on September 20, 2021 at MedStar St. Mary's Hospital.

Born October 10, 1948 in Baltimore, MD, she was the daughter of the late Arthur Dorsey LaPole, Sr. and Esther Mae (Conner) LaPole.

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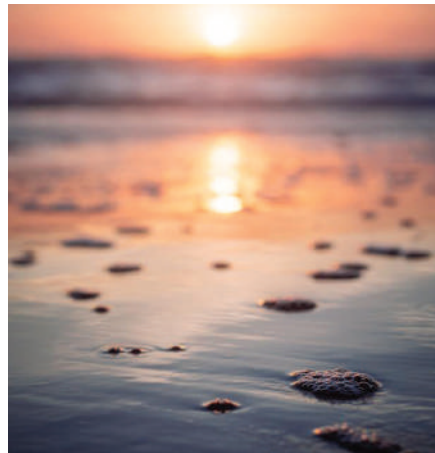


of Severn, MD, Michael Tippett (Emily) of Harwood, MD, Jason Harley (Ann) of Colonial Beach, VA, Larry Grover (Stephanie) of Ridgely, MD and Sharon Grover (Jacob Biggs) of Lusby, MD; ten grandchildren; and siblings, Joseph C. Tippett, Leonard Tippett, Betty Perrie, Priscilla Nelson and Joseph L. Tippett.

Family will receive friends for Laura's Celebration of Life on October 23, 2021 from 1:00 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. at Claggett Hall, 15837 Prince Frederick Road, Hughesville, MD 20637. The service will begin at 2:30 p.m.

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

Donna Lorraine Sprague



JoAnn graduated from Western High School in Baltimore, MD in 1966 and Baltimore Business College in 1967. She was an Accountant at Towson University for sixteen years, retiring in 2004. JoAnn was a lifelong seamstress as well as a quilter and a crafter.

JoAnn is survived by her husband, Herbert Leonard Butler whom she married on May 6, 1967 in Baltimore, MD; her children, Bradley Butler (Joy) of Lusby, MD, Todd Butler (Britton) of Manhattan Beach, CA, and Amanda Hensler (Bunky) of Lusby, MD; seven grandchildren; and brother, Mark LaPole of Lyons, CO. She was preceded in death by her brother, Arthur D. LaPole, Jr.

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

Laura Ann Tippett



Laura Ann Tippett, 57, of Chaptico, MD passed away on September 19, 2021 in Lusby, MD.

Born November 19, 1963 in Prince George's County, MD, she was the daughter of Helen Mary Pirner and the late Joseph Leroy Tippett.

Laura attended Southern High School in Harwood, MD and was a painter for twenty three years. She loved horseback riding, attending Native American pow wows, and finding antiques to collect. Laura was a very hard worker and would do anything for anyone. She had the biggest heart and thought the world of her grandchildren.

Laura is survived by her mother, Helen M. Pirner of Tracys Landing, MD; her children, Monica Bradshaw of Hope, AR, Woodrow Williams (Maria)

Donna Lorraine Sprague, 76, of Huntingtown passed away September 21, 2021. She was born March 31, 1945 in Frederick, MD to William Wilson and Minnie Gertrude (Watkins) Duvall. Donna was raised in Woodfield and graduated from Damascus High School. She married William Sprague on March 20, 1964 and the lived in Damascus until moving to Huntingtown in 1978. She was employed as a medical transcriber and worked as the secretary to the pathologist at Calvert Memorial Hospital for over 30 years. Donna was a member of Emmanuel Baptist Church and in her spare time she enjoyed baking, camping, her dog Daisy, and spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren.

Donna is survived by her husband William M. Sprague of Huntingtown, children Matthew Lewis Sprague (Anissa) of Clayton, DE and Rebecca Elizabeth Wood (James) of Prince Frederick, grandchildren Timothy and Emily Wood, sister Myrtle Elaine Hicks (Nathaniel) of Bath, ME, and brother-in-law Robert Sprague (Nancy) of Mt. Airy.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Emmanuel Church Continuing the Vision Family Life Center, PO Box 99, Huntingtown, MD 20639.

Funeral arrangements were by Rausch Funeral Home.

Norman Eldridge Catterton, Sr.

Norman Eldridge Catterton, Sr., 78,

of Lothian passed away September 20, 2021 at his home with family by his side. He was born August 18, 1943 in Tracy's



Landing to William Webster and Ella Mae (Marquess) Catterton. Norman was a lifelong resident of Anne Arundel County and grew up on the farm raising tobacco. He was employed as a sheet metal worker for the National Park Service for many years, retiring in 2000. During his career he worked in The White House many times and met Presidents Lyndon B. Johnson, Richard Nixon, Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan, and George H. W. Bush. He often spoke of playing with Carter's dogs. Norman was a member of the Moose and Elks Lodge. In his spare time, he enjoyed Ford cars and trucks, 7-11 coffee, crabbing with his brother, gardening, football, NASCAR, traveling to races with his friends, wood-working, country and bluegrass music, NHRA, hunting, fishing, baseball, playing softball and flag football, coaching softball, and playing cards, checkers, darts, horseshoes, and cornhole. He also loved animals, especially dogs, cats, and horses. Norman loved his family and was liked by everyone who knew him.

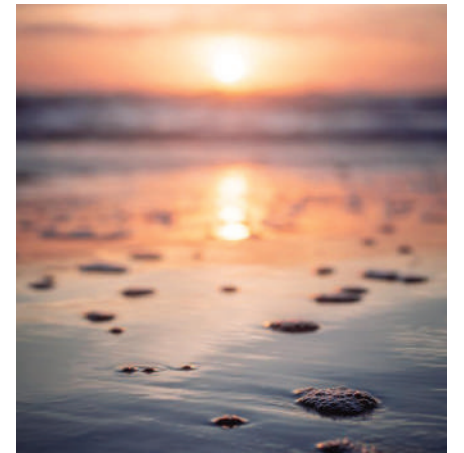
Norman is survived by his daughter Melissa Lawson and her husband Greg of Barboursville, VA, son Norman E. Catterton, Jr. of Culpeper, VA, three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his sister Shirley Norfolk and brothers Morris Catterton, Robert "Sunny Boy", Charles, Linwood, and John Wayne Catterton.

Funeral arrangements were by Rausch Funeral Home-Owings.

L. Faye Sarver

L. Faye Sarver, born July 25, 1933 in Somerset County. She was preceded in death by her parents Walter and Anna (Walters) Gardner. Husbands Jack Barron, Edward Beener, and Daniel Sarver. Sister and brother-in-law Marlene and Donald Barron. Aunt Ruth (Ruie) Baker and son-in-law James Groff.

She is survived by her children Bruce Barron, married to Terrie (Groff) and Robin Barron, married to James Groff. Also surviving is her brother J.C. Gardner, married to Jeanette (Culler), grandchildren Edward, married to LuAnn (Rozinsky), Hope married to Robert

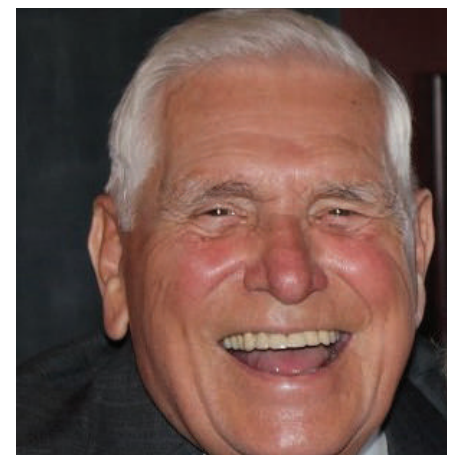


Short, and Tyler and Nathan Groff, great-grandchildren Zia and Ariel Short and Megan and Malorie Barron.

Loretta was a member of Mt. Zion Lutheran Church of Bakersville. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, 190 Mt. Zion Road, Somerset, PA 15501 or a hospice organization of one's choice.

Funeral arrangements were by Rausch Funeral Home.

Howard David Kurt



Howard David Kurt, 94, of Lusby, MD and formerly of DE, passed away on September 20, 2021 at his residence. Born April 28, 1927 in Turner Station, Baltimore, MD, he was the son of the late John Kurt and Julia (Jendrick) Kurt.

Howard is survived by his wife, Nancy J. Kurt whom he married on April 6, 2013; his children, Evelyn and Marc Jones of Belmont, MA, Mary and Lindsey Mason of Pagosa Spring, CO, Patricia and John Perkins of Fairbanks, AK, Laura Kurt of Juneau, AK and Cece and Jeff Winkies of Aberdeen, MD; his five loving step-children and their families; ten grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held on Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at 11:15 a.m. at Maryland Veterans Cemetery, Cheltenham, MD.

Funeral arrangements by Rausch Funeral Home.

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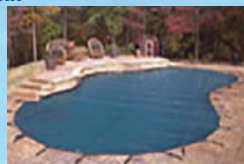
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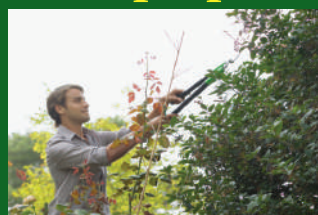
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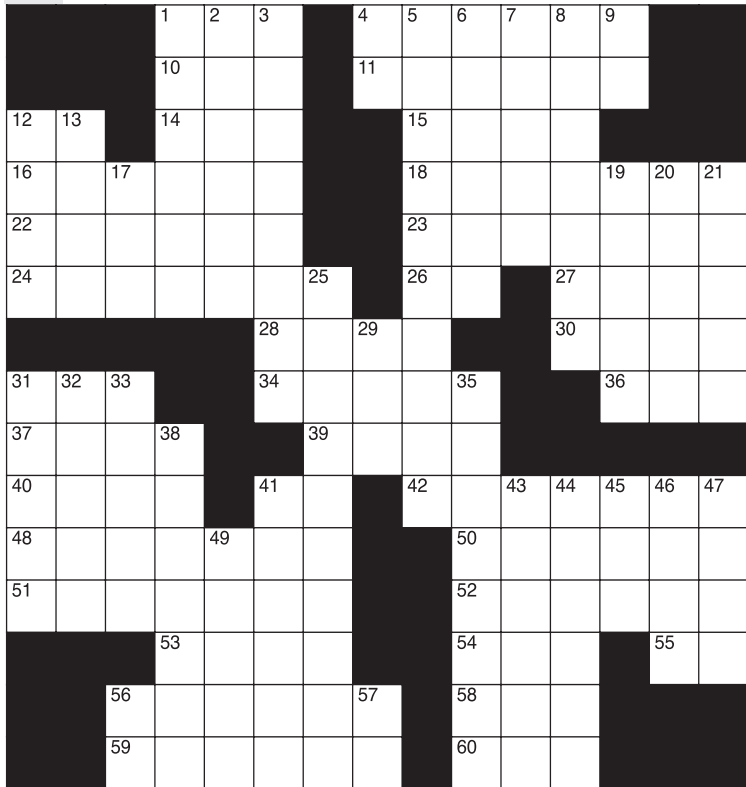
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GAMES & PUZZLES



CLUES ACROSS

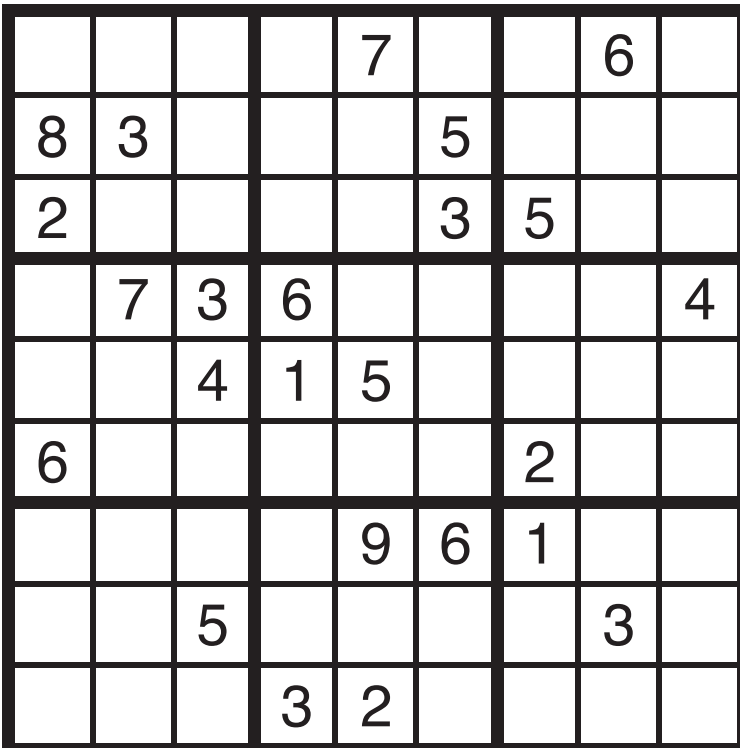
- 1. Numbers cruncher
- 4. Creator
- 10. A type of center
- 11. About spring
- 12. Equal to 64 U.S. pints (abbr.)
- 14. Precursor to the EU
- 15. Something that can be cast
- 16. Gold-colored alloy
- 18. A salt or ester of acetic acid
- 22. A hard coating on a porous surface
- 23. A type of detachment
- 24. Filmmakers need them
- 26. Promotional material
- 27. ___ Blyton, children's author
- 28. Short, sharp sound
- 30. Feeling of intense anger
- 31. Popular TV network
- 34. Island entry

- point
- 36. Disfigure
- 37. College army
- 39. One who's revered
- 40. Long, winding ridge
- 41. Football stat
- 42. Stealing
- 48. Hawaiian island
- 50. More raw
- 51. In one's normal state of mind
- 52. Daniel LaRusso's sport
- 53. Tropical American monkey
- 54. Measures heart currents
- 55. Midway between south and east
- 56. Knotted again
- 58. Born of
- 59. Value
- 60. Soviet Socialist Republic

- investigation
- 7. Small arm of the sea
- 8. More seasoned
- 9. Atomic #81
- 12. Type of pear
- 13. Chemical compound
- 17. One's mother
- 19. Vietnam's former name
- 20. Snow forest
- 21. Church officer
- 25. Hardens
- 29. Ancient
- 31. Advertising gimmick
- 32. Subatomic particle
- 33. Not fresh
- 35. Loosens
- 38. Religious symbols
- 41. Film
- 43. Orthodontic devices
- 44. Grilled beef sandwich
- 45. Journalist Tarbell
- 46. Brooklyn hoopsters
- 47. Japanese social networking service
- 49. Romantic poet
- 56. Dorm worker
- 57. Poor grades

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Mother tongue
- 2. Removes potato skins
- 3. True
- 4. Early multimedia
- 5. The making of amends
- 6. Discovered by



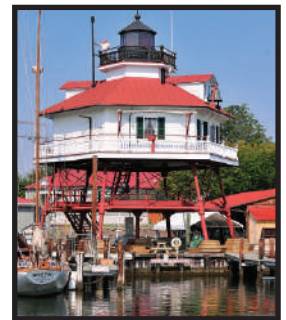
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