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Primary Features Likely Victors, Some Close Calls

Mail-in Ballot Count to Decide

By Dick Myers
Editor

Inherently, elections are about numbers. Candidates with the highest numbers win; the others lose. In Calvert County after the polls closed on July 19, amid all the numbers, one became critical — 2,664. That was the number of mail-in ballots sent out to Republican voters.

With most of the contested local races in the GOP primary, that number became all-important because none of the races for sheriff or county commissioner has a winner with a margin of more than that. Statistically, though, several of them have likely winners with margins that appear to be too difficult to overcome.

For instance, in the Republican At-Large Commissioner race for two seats, incumbent Buddy Hance was ahead by 2,018 votes over Paul Harrison and Todd Ireland was ahead by 1,805.

The counting of the mail-in ballots begins today (Thursday, July 21).

In the hotly contested sheriff's race, Ricky Cox is ahead of Dave McDowell by 840 votes, Craig Kontra by 1,219 votes and Mike Wilson by 1,829 votes.

In a gathering of family and supporters at Bulrushes Café in Prince Frederick, Cox said, "From day one, I said, this is my dream. And it's all come down and it all came to fruition due to the hard work of myself and my team."

Cox added, "On my sign, (it says) 'new energy.' I think that we need new energy at the sheriff's office. And I think people believe in me when I say that and the new commitment part of it as well. And the new perspective that I think I can bring to the sheriff's office moving forward."

In the 3rd Commissioner District GOP primary, Catherine Grasso is

ahead of incumbent Commissioner Kelly McConkey by 724 votes.

At the Republican headquarters in Prince Frederick, she said of her supporters, "I thank them from the bottom of my heart. They saw someone in me who would lead them and would put my constituents, the people of Calvert County, first."

She will be the first woman on the board in quite some time if she wins the general election over Democrat Darrell Roberts, who was unopposed.

She added, "I wouldn't say I got in because I'm a woman. I hope I got in on what I was running on, and I hope people were aware of that and took it to heart, but we haven't had a woman on the board in 12 years and I think it'll be nice to shake it up."

In the 1st Commissioner District race, incumbent Mike Hart is ahead of challengers Steve Jones by 739 votes and Patrick Flaherty by 1,924 votes.

In the 2nd Commissioner District incumbent Chris Gadway trails challenger Mark Cox by 523 votes.

The number 8,558 will be more significant in the school board race, since that's the total number of mail-ins who can vote in that non-partisan race. The top four vote getters move on to the general election for two seats. The four who have prevailed so far are Lisa Grenis, Tracy McGuire, Jana Post and Scott Fowler. Fifth place finisher Camile Khaleesi is close behind by 207 votes.

In the District 27-B House of Delegates race, incumbent Rachel Jones of Calvert trails challenger Jeffrie Long, Jr. of Prince George's by 514 votes. Jones prevailed in Calvert but Long took his home county with more voters, by a wide margin,

Democratic Incumbent District 27 Senator Michael Jackson and



Ricky Cox with family and other supporters at Bulrushes Cafe in Prince Frederick on election night.

Republican District 27-C Delegate Mark Fisher easily won their races.

And in District 29-C, which has both southern Calvert and southern St. Mary's, three-term St. Mary's County Commissioner Todd Morgan is ahead of challenger Timothy Gowan by 1,285 votes. Morgan won both counties.

Fifth District Congressman Steiny Hoyer easily won the Democratic primary and will face Chris Palombi in November.

Incumbent Senator Chris Van

Hollen easily won his Democratic primary and will face Chris Chaffee of Calvert County in November.

In the most closely watched state-wide race, GOP gubernatorial candidate Dan Cox, supported by former president Donald Trump, bested Gov. Hogan supported Kelly Schultz.

In the Democratic side the race is too close to call between Wes Moore, Tom Perez and Peter Franchot.

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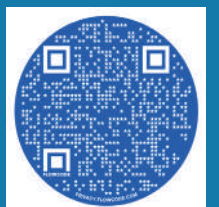
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North Beach Signs on to Bay Ferry Proposal



By Dick Myers
Editor

The Town of North Beach has agreed to have its name thrown into the ring as a potential stop for a proposed Chesapeake Bay passenger ferry. The town signed onto the proposal after a presentation at their July 14 meeting by Calvert County Director of Economic Development Julie Oberg.

According to Oberg's presentation, the project, known as the Bayways Ferry, "is a 40-50-person passenger ferry system (no cars) that would loop around the Chesapeake Bay with 'stops' in several counties that encircle the bay. The goal of the passenger ferry system is to enhance public access for residents and tourists all around the Bay and to further develop and connect existing water trails and attractions including the Greater Chesapeake Loop."

A federal grant request has already been made by Visit Annapolis, which is the lead agency for the counties surrounding the Chesapeake Bay. A state tourism grant request is due next month which identifies potential stops around the Bay for the ferry that the feasibility study would consider. In addition to North Beach, Chesapeake Beach and Solomons are other potential stops in Calvert County.

Oberg said a total of \$1 million would be available for the four sub-regions of the Bay to be included in the study.

Oberg told the North Beach Town Council, "This would further develop and connect existing water trails and attractions, including the greater Chesapeake loop. And the

project will provide an alternative way for people to experience the Bay region, connect travelers by water and support destination, community economics, and workforce development efforts."

"The ferry could be a great way to travel to a new destination and enjoy being out on the water," Oberg added.

The most logical location for a ferry stop in North Beach would be the waterfront pier, however Oberg was told the water depth at the end of the pier is less than three feet and the ferry would have a six-foot draft, so dredging would be required.

The council members also expressed some concern about parking for outgoing passengers. Mayor Mike Benton said, "I don't think there's harm saying, listen, let's start the conversation by committing just to be a part of it, the conversation." He said that would include soliciting comments from town residents.

In the end the council vote was 5-1 for the town to continue to be part of that conversation.

Councilman Gregg Dotson was opposed. He said, "I think it's a great idea, but considering we have Chesapeake Beach right next door that already has everything that's needed, I would prefer that we're not included in this. It's going to cost something, if we have to do this and unnecessarily, I don't want to see any more people coming into town."

Chesapeake Beach will be hearing a similar presentation at their July 21 meeting. The town has been soliciting public comment on the idea on their website.

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New Superintendent Attends First Board Meeting

Teachers Call for Silencing Cell Phones



Calvert County Superintendent of Schools Dr. Andrae Townsel

By Dick Myers
 Editor

Calvert County's new school superintendent, Dr. Andrae Townsel attended his first school board meeting on July 14 and was given a warm welcome by a number of speakers.

Dr. Townsel said his vision for the school system was through "the three A's -- enhancing the student experience through academics, athletics, and the arts, whatever we can do to enhance the student experience."

The new superintendent, who started the job on July 1, also responded to comments made by Calvert Education Association (CEA) President Dona Ostenso during public comment time. Ostenso said, "In the past month, I have reflected on what went well this past year, what needs to improve and how we can bring about change in the upcoming school year. Eleven months ago, we were all excited to be returning to-in person instruction, but we soon realized that our year would still not be normal between masks, limited field trips, maintaining social distance and following health guidelines to keep staff and students as safe as possible. However, even as schools relaxed protocols and things started to feel a little bit more like normal, something was still off -- behavior."

Ostenso added, "This is a concern because we all know behavior, good or bad, impacts instruction. I would like to thank the elected board for unanimously approving the student code of conduct for the 22-23 school year. However, I still believe we must revisit cell phone use during the instructional day. The electronic

world that allows us all to access cyberspace continues to be a growing concern for the school system. CCPS students, in grades three through 12, receive one-to-one devices, allowing all students the same equitable access to instruction. So why do cell phones need to be part of the instructional day? The misuse of cell phones creates a distraction and opportunities for inappropriate behaviors to occur during instruction."

Ostenso said consequences of violation of the code of conduct are not enforced and restorative practices are not used.

To the new superintendent, she said, "Dr. Townsel, it is imperative that during summer leadership, you review the expectation with administrators that they are to follow the code of conduct so that all students are afforded the opportunity to learn in a safe and orderly environment."

Townsel said, "I do believe in our young people following the expectations of our code of conduct. And we talked about that today. So that will be at the forefront."

He said he would revise his presentation to the administrators to include the CEA concerns.

Ostenso noted, "CEA has updated the elementary teacher disciplinary guide and created a secondary disciplinary guide that follows Maryland regulations and the student code of conduct by providing consistency and protocol for how behaviors to be documented, communicated to parents and reported to administration. Teachers will also find it to be a resource for interventions and corrective strategies."

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Reopening Plan Unveiled for Next School Year

By Dick Myers
Editor

The Calvert County Board of Education at their July 14 meeting was presented by staff with a reopening plan for school start next month. The plan is required by the State Board of Education. The plan still has masking and vaccinations optional, with one exception.

According to Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Dr. Susan Johnson, “Our students who are with our health areas that our CTA (Career and Technology Academy) health partners require students who are working in the medical arena to have their COVID vaccination.”

Johnson said, “Throughout the course of the year in December and January, we sought feedback from staff and students and the community. And then once again, from June 1st to June 17th, we continued to survey our community, our staff, and our third grade and above for any information that they wanted to share about our reopening plan. As a result of those surveys, we’ve also made some changes within our current



reopening plan.”

She said, “Fortunately, we were able to resume in person instruction last year and implement a full curriculum. We administered the MAP assessments, and we will continue to do so, so that we can identify any gaps that we see in our students and create a plan for catching students up using both informal and formal interventions, using data applications and using acceleration strategies.”

Director of Student Services James Kurtz said, “We will continue with the manner in which we ended last school year with respect to optional masking contact tracing only in high-risk situations and isolation for five days for exposure and masks for six to 10. Contact tracing will continue for any high risk athletic or after-school activities that involve close contact.”

Supervisor of Transportation and Athletics Kevin Hook said, “This year, as the end of last year, masking is optional. There will be some windows and hatches that will be open, optional to the drivers. The contractors, we are routing for full seating capacity. We’re not skipping seats or just putting one per seat. It’s going to be a full bus load again.”

“We are going to continue with the four-tiered system. All of our high schools will be on the first tier. All of our middle schools are on the second tier. And then the elementary on the third and fourth.”

Hook said, “New for this year, we are going to direct transport students to the CTA. There won’t be any more loss of education for our CTA students who had to transport from Patuxent, Huntingtown or Northern to the CTA, and then back to their schools.”

“We’re literally going to pick them up at their houses and take

them directly to the CTA cutting out that half an hour ride,” Hook proclaimed adding, “That is one of our proud moments this year to do that.”

Hook observed, “We actually were also able to adjust Calvert High School to be on the same time schedule with the other three high schools, because they were on the CTA schedule.”

Johnson noted, “A major revision this year to our reopening plan is the reduction of school meals. Our USDA waivers ended June 30th. So therefore, school breakfast and lunch meals will no longer be free for all students in the coming year. So, parents and guardians are urged to complete the free and reduced meal benefit applications to ensure that their students are able to get approved and eligible for those benefits.”

The plan is available for review on Board Docs for the July 14 meeting. Public comment will be received through Aug. 1 and then the final plan will be posted on the school system website by Aug. 15.

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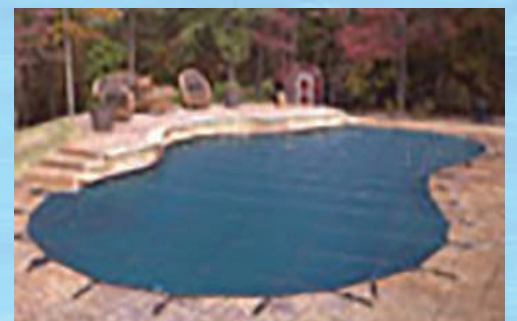


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“With the work on the new Harry W. Nice/Thomas ‘Mac’ Middleton Bridge across the Potomac River proceeding rapidly, we urge the State to reconsider plans to demolish the old bridge, and halt any immediate efforts to do so. These plans should not proceed until a study can be conducted on the feasibility as well as the financial and environmental costs and ben-

efits of converting the old bridge to a non-motorized trail that could be used by pedestrians and bicyclists,” the lawmakers said.

“An independent study, conducted by an entity with experience in similar bridge repurposing projects, is in the taxpayer’s interest to ensure that we are not wasting an opportunity to provide bicycling and pedestrian transportation options at a competitive cost or potentially lower cost than demolition,” they continued. “Premature demolition would squander the opportunity to repurpose the bridge if it is in the taxpayer and community’s best interest. We strongly urge you to undertake this basic due diligence before moving forward on demolition.”

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What's Coming to Calvert

The following list of pending site plans was presented to the Calvert County Planning Commission at their July 205 meeting. That means that the proposals are on the list for consideration by the planning commission at a future meeting. The meeting was in a hybrid form, both virtually and in person at the Harriet E. Brown Community Center (HEBCC), 901 Dares Beach Road, Prince Frederick.

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

2) CSPR-138218, **Barstow Convenience Center**, located at 340 Stafford Road, Prince Frederick on three separate parcels consisting of 83.07 acres, Zoned RCD/EC. The project proposes replacement of the existing recycling center with a new facility that includes improved customer parking, vehicular circulation

and separating public vehicles from County vehicles. Site utilities will be connected to services currently supplying the existing maintenance building. The submittal was accepted June 23, 2021. Agent: WBCM

3) CSPR-138320, **Calvert Gateway**, Lot 11, Retail Building, located at 10375 Town Center Boulevard, Dunkirk on 2.66 acres, Zoned Dunkirk Town Center. Proposed 10,395 square foot building for commercial retail space with parking and site improvements. This project is on private water and sewer. The submittal was accepted July 28, 2021. Agent: Bay Engineering

4) CSPR-142742, **Magnolia Ridge**, located at the corner of Dares Beach Road and Fox Run Boulevard, Prince Frederick on 31.20 acres, Zoned Prince Frederick Town Center, New Town District. Proposed 96 multi-family apartment units and 164 townhouse units with associated site improvements. This project is on public water and sewer. The submittal was accepted October 28, 2021. Agent: Barrett & Associates

5) CSPR-142795, **Calvert Gateway**, Lot 12R, Retail Building 'A,

located at 10380 Town Center Boulevard, Dunkirk, on a 4.04-acre lot, zoned Dunkirk Town Center. Proposed 15,493-square-foot building for commercial retail space with parking and site improvements. This project is on private water and sewer. The submittal was accepted February 23, 2022. Agent: Bay Engineering

6) CSPR-142807, **STR Gymnastics & Dance**, located at 655 Skinners Turn Road, Owings, on multiple lots totaling 1.9 acres, zoned light industrial (I-1), using private water and sewer. Proposed 10,800-square-foot building for holding classes in gymnastics (7,400sf) and dance (3,400sf). The submitted plan indicates a possible address change due to dual road frontage. The submittal was accepted March 23, 2022. Agent: Wilkerson & Associates

7) CSPR-142755, **Armory Towns**, located at 46 Armory Road, Prince Frederick, on two lots totaling 0.85 acres, zoned Prince Frederick Town Center, Old Town Transition District, using public water and sewer. Proposed 9 two-story townhomes totaling approximately 7,560 square feet. The submittal was accepted April 27, 2022. Agent: COA

8) CSPR-142828, **Magnolia Ridge West**, located at Armory Road and Dares Beach Road, Prince Frederick, on multiple parcels totaling 24.497 acres, zoned Prince Frederick Town Center, New Town District. Proposed approximately 91,000 square feet creating 79 townhomes. This project is on public water and sewer. The submittal was accepted April 27, 2022. Agent: Barrett & Associates.

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

1) SD-138200, **Wyatt's Ridge**, Lots 1-24, located on Skinners Turn Road in Owings. 24 lots proposed

on one parcel, consisting of 100.368 acres. Zoned RCD, Tier III. As this project is in Tier III, a public hearing is required prior to preliminary approval. Submittal accepted December 16, 2020. Agent: Collinson, Oliff & Associates

2) CSD-2020-090, **Bowen's Pride Section II**, Lots 1-12, located on N. Solomons Island Road in Huntingtown, within one-mile buffer of Prince Frederick Town Center. 12 lots proposed on one parcel, consisting of 34.32 acres. Zoned RCD/FFD, Tier III. As this project is in Tier III, a public hearing is required prior to preliminary approval. Submittal accepted December 16, 2020. Agent: Barrett & Associates

3) SD-142770, **Lusby Villas**, Lot 1, located on Lusby Parkway in Lusby. One commercial lot proposed on one parcel consisting of 24.87 acres, Zoned Lusby Town Center, Village Residential Office District, Tier I. Submittal accepted February 24, 2021. Agent: Barrett & Associates

4) CSD-2021-201, **Saint Pierre Estates**, located at 80 Toye Lane, Prince Frederick, on a 10.27-acre parcel, zoned Residential District and entirely within one mile of the Prince Frederick Town Center. A Private Right-of-Way is proposed for five lots. This submittal was accepted November 17, 2021. Agent: Wilkerson and Associates, Inc.

5) CSD-2022-109, **Armory Towns**, located at 46 Armory Road, Prince Frederick, on two lots totaling 0.85 acres, zoned Prince Frederick Town Center, Old Town Transition District, using public water and sewer. Proposed 9 two-story townhomes totaling approximately 7,560 square feet. The submittal was accepted April 27, 2022. Agent: Collinson, Oliff & Associates.

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During the week of July 4, 2022 – July 10, 2022, deputies of the Calvert County Sheriff's Office responded to 1,393 calls for service throughout the community.

Damaged Property: 22-38324

On July 5, 2022, Deputy Novick responded to the 12700 block of Rodeo Road in Lusby, MD, for the report of property destruction. The complainant advised sometime between 7 p.m. on July 4th and 4:40 a.m. on July 5th, unknown suspect (s) damaged the victim's vehicle's rear windshield. The estimated value of damaged property is \$500.

Damaged Property: 22-39020

On July 8, 2022, Cpl. Jacobs responded to the 3000 block of Governors Run Road in Port Republic, MD, for the report of property destruction. The complainant advised three window screens to the residence were cut/damaged by unknown suspects. The estimated value of damaged property is \$50.

Theft: 22-38541

On July 6, 2022, Deputy C. Murphy responded to the 1200 block of Golden West Way in Lusby, MD for report of a theft. The complainant advised sometime between June 20th and July 1st, 2022, unknown suspect (s) stole multiple pieces of wood siding from the driveway of the residence. The estimated value of stolen property is \$1,200.

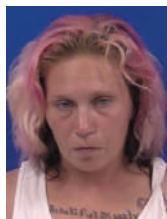
Theft: 22-39448

On July 10, 2022, Deputy DeSantis responded to 765 N Solomons Island Road in Prince Frederick, MD, for

the report of a theft from a vehicle. The complainant advised sometime between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m., unknown suspect (s) stole the victim's front passenger wheel and tire off the vehicle. The estimated value of stolen property is \$500.

ARRESTS

On July 8, 2022, at 9:51 a.m., Deputy Shoemaker conducted a traffic stop along NB Rt. 4 in the area of MF Bowen Road in Huntingtown, MD, following a traffic complaint for a vehicle all over the roadway. During the course of the stop, it was determined **Tiffany Rose Griffith**, 32 of Severn, MD, was not able to safely operate a motor vehicle.



Tiffany Rose Griffith

Griffith advised she was under the influence of cocaine. A search incident to arrest revealed a clear glass container containing suspected cocaine, a clear bag containing 41 pink pills, and a cut pink straw located in a \$20 bill. Griffith was transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where she was charged with CDS: Possession-Not Marijuana, CDS: Possession of Paraphernalia, and other traffic related charges.

On July 7, 2022, Deputy R. Jones and Cpl. Robshaw initiated a traffic stop on Southbound Rt. 4 in the area of Radio Drive in Prince Frederick, MD, on a vehicle driving with

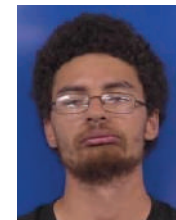
no lights stopped in the middle of the roadway. Upon making contact with the driver, **Shericka Desiree Brooks**, 40 of Chesapeake Beach, MD, the odor of Phencyclidine (PCP) was detected. Brooks immediately became hostile and failed to comply with deputy's commands. Brooks continuously refused to comply and began to resist arrest. Brooks was placed into custody and transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where she was charged with Negligent Driving and other traffic related charges.



Shericka Brooks

On July 7, 2022, Deputy Hendrickson conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle in the area of NB Rt. 4 in the area of Fishers Station Road in Lothian, MD, for an equipment violation. During the course of the investigation, a K-9 sniff

of the vehicle indicated a positive alert on the vehicle for the presence of narcotics. A vehicle search yielded two glass smoking devices containing a white substance (suspected crack), a plastic tie-off baggie, a push rod, and a large "wad" of copper wire. The passenger **Shaquana Quence Jones**, 24 of Huntingtown, MD was arrested and transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where he was charged with CDS: Possession-Not Marijuana and CDS: Possession of Paraphernalia.



Shaquana Jones

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

Prince Frederick Man Convicted of Sex Abuse of Minor

Calvert County State's Attorney Robert Harvey announces that a jury has convicted Joshua Ryan Gantt, 27, of Prince Frederick, of Sexual Abuse of a Minor, Second Degree Rape, and three related charges. The jury returned its verdict on July 14 after a three-day trial. Sentencing is scheduled for November 4, 2022.



Joshua Gantt

inside and outside of Calvert County.

Harvey wishes to commend Assistant State's Attorney Rebecca N. Cordero and the entire investigative team for their outstanding work in this case. Gantt has been incarcerated since his arrest on September 14, 2021. He faces a significant period of incarceration at sentencing in November.

Press Release from Calvert County State's Attorney

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IN THE MATTER OF GREYSON MIDDLETON Case No. C-04-FM-19-000066
SHOW CAUSE ORDER

Upon consideration of the Petitioners, Alexis Gray and Michael M cNeil Jr.'s Second Petition for Termination of Guardianship of the Person and Property of Greyson Middleton, a minor, and this Court's Order for Alternative Service entered June 7, 2022, it is this 7th day of June, 2022, by the Circuit Court for Calvert County, Maryland, hereby,

ORDERED, that the Guardian of the Person and Property and Grandmother of the Minor Child, Victoria Middleton, show cause by answering or filing a response in writing on or before the 25th day of July, 2022, why the relief prayed in the Second Petition for Termination of Guardianship of the Person and Property of Greyson Middleton should not be granted, provided that a copy of this Order and a "Notice to Interested Persons" be posted by the Sheriff at the courthouse door or on a bulletin board within its immediate vicinity in accordance with this Court's Order for Alternative Service entered June 7, 2022 on or before the 13th day of JULY, 2022; and, it is further,

ORDERED, that the Guardian of the Person and Property and Grandmother of the Minor Child, Victoria Middleton, show cause by answering or filing a response in writing on or before the 25th day of July, 2022, why the relief prayed in the Second Petition for Termination of Guardianship of the Person and Property of Greyson Middleton should not be granted, provided that a copy of this Order, said Petition, the exhibits, and a "Notice to Interested Persons" be served by certified mail on any Interested Persons listed in the Petition in accordance with this Court's Order for Alternative Service entered June 7, 2022 on or before the day of July, 2022; and, it is further,

ORDERED, that the Guardian of the Person and Property and Grandmother of the Minor Child, Victoria Middleton, show cause by answering or filing a response in writing on or before the 25th day of July, 2022, why the relief prayed in the Second Petition for Termination of Guardianship of the Person and Property of Greyson Middleton should not be granted, provided that a copy of this Order and a "Notice to Interested Persons" be published at least once a week in each of three successive weeks in one or more newspapers of general circulation published in this county and proof of publication be submitted to the Court through submission of a Certificate of Publication in accordance with this Court's Order for Alternative Service entered June 7, 2022 on or before the day of JULY 13th, 2022; and, it is further,

ORDERED, that this matter be set for a hearing on the 12th day of August, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.; and, it is further,

ORDERED, that the personal appearance of the parties is required at the hearing.

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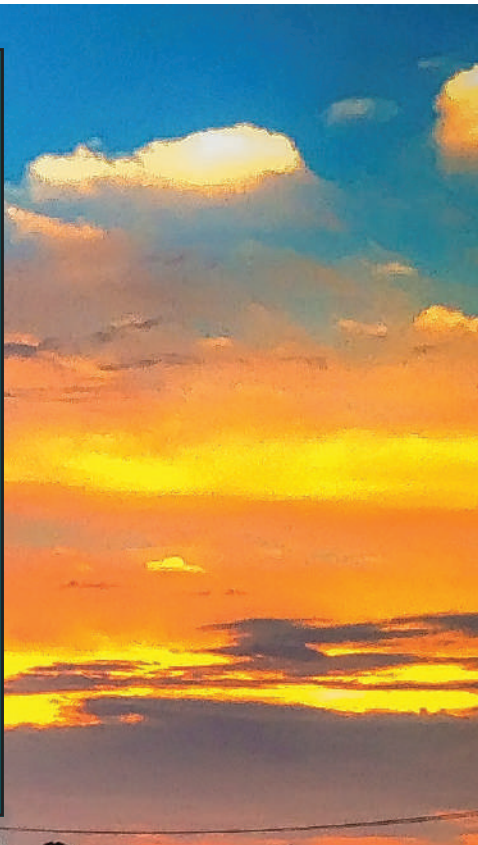
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Lusby Native Serves Aboard USS Bainbridge



Electrician's Mate 1st Class Gabriel Gumbs (right), from Lusby, Maryland, rigs casualty power during a general quarters drill aboard USS Bainbridge (DDG 96) in the Tunisian Sea, June 24, 2022. GQ drills prepare Sailors to be at the highest state of readiness in the event of an emergency. Bainbridge is on a scheduled deployment in the U.S. Naval Forces Europe area of operations, employed by U.S. Sixth Fleet to defend U.S., allied and partner interests. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Elexia Morelos)

Enslaved Peoples Commemorative Earns National Awards

The Commemorative to Enslaved Peoples of Southern Maryland has earned two national awards in 2022.

The immersive art experience, constructed on St. Mary's College of Maryland's campus, honors the story of resilience, persistence, and creative problem-solving that defined the lives of the enslaved individuals that lived in St. Mary's City between 1750 and 1815.

This summer, the commemorative was named to the Top 100 public art projects by CODAworx, a global online community that celebrates design projects that integrate commissioned art into an interior, architectural, or public space.

Secondly, the Society for Experiential Graphic Design (SEGD) named the commemorative an honor award winner in its annual competition to recognize and promote excellence in contemporary experiential graphic design. One of the judges remarked, "This project is stunning in the most delicate and refined of ways. It is refreshing to see a memorial of names reflected in the shape of a home. The shape and scale allow visitors of all ages a more intimate connec-

tion to the lives of enslaved peoples. The house is a beacon of light during the day and the night, with its reflective surface catching sunlight and light shining within the night. A beautiful commemorative creation!"

Additionally, for its work on the single-day special event that observed the first anniversary of the dedication of the commemorative, St. Mary's College of Maryland's Office of Institutional Advancement won a 2022 Circle of Excellence gold award from the international Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE).

Constructed on the College's campus, the commemorative provides visitors with the space to acknowledge and learn from the lives of those who once toiled there, while providing a place for reflection and introspection about the nature of slavery and its connections to modern society. Learn more about how St. Mary's College honors the enslaved by visiting <https://www.smcm.edu/honoring-enslaved/>.

Press Release from St. Mary's College of Maryland.



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LEAP Forward Hosts Virtual Scholarship Awards

LEAP Forward, Inc., will hold its Virtual Annual Scholarship Awards Celebration on Tuesday, July 26 at 7 p.m. on their YouTube Channel (LEAP Forward inc) or at <https://youtube.com/channel/UCbm-GOe3or3kiF4ctujqkklg>. Debbie Sledge, a founding member of the Grammy award-winning Sister Sledge musical group, will deliver remarks.

Forty-eight students will receive a minimum of \$1,000 scholarships totaling \$65,000. This is a record setting year for the organization.

Additional memorial scholarships have been added for Russell Costley (a former Calvert County administrator and educator) and Gail Patterson (a devoted supporter). Mary Ann Bell also honors the memory of her children, Glenda Lee Bell Boyd and Bertram Bell with scholarships to be awarded in 2023.

Rhonda Thomas, the founder and president, said, "It is an honor to partner with families, organizations, and others to provide students – the next generation of workers and leaders – throughout Southern Maryland and the Washington Metropolitan Area with additional exposure, experiences, tools, and information that will help them succeed in college and beyond."

LEAP Forward, Inc., is dedicated to helping underrepresented students prepare for their future. Established as a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization on July 26, 2001, LEAP Forward Inc.'s programs

and activities have grown considerably. The organization manages 30 memorial scholarships funded by families and 1 community-based scholarship. In 1998 when the opportunity occurred to revive the struggling Wallace Lorenzo Leeper Memorial Scholarship, Thomas stepped up, took charge, and embarked on a new journey with confident expectation. With God's blessings and the support of her Tennessee State University friends and Mrs. Peggy Leeper, Mr. Leeper's wife, Thomas founded LEAP Forward, Inc., in Mr. Leeper's memory. He was her guidance counselor at Calvert High School. Mr. Leeper guided her and more than 20 African Americans into the engineering and technology profession.

In addition to scholarships, LEAP Forward, Inc., manages Destined 4 Success, a mentoring program for high school girls at Calvert High; a National Society of Black Engineers Jr. Creative and Striving Hard to Succeed (CASH) Chapter for K-12 students; STEM activities and career options; participation in STEM competitions; and a Black History and Art Exhibit.

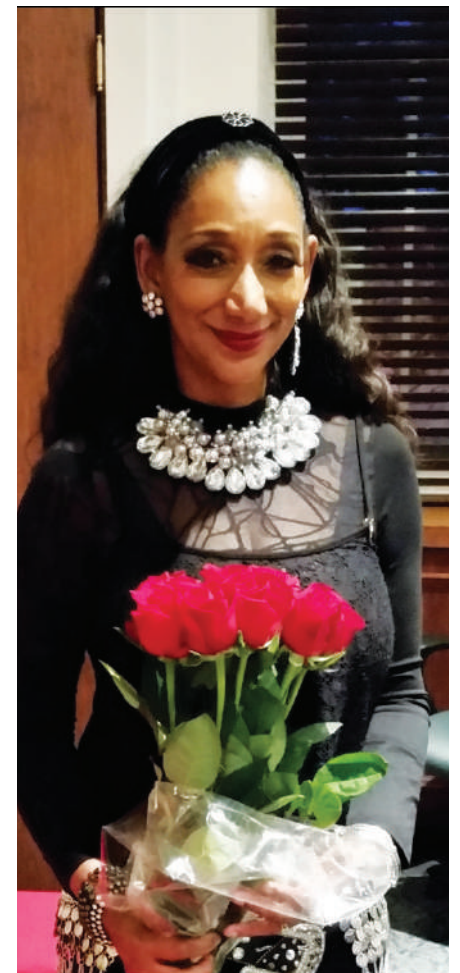
Donations are extremely important to the work LEAP Forward, Inc. does in the community. LEAP Forward recognizes all who partnered with us during this fundraising season to raise funds for scholarships. Double Platinum sponsors donated over \$1,000. Sponsors are the Alfred Street Baptist Church, Berkshire Hathaway En-

ergy Company, ParkerSimms Management Solutions LLC and Space Metrics LLC. Platinum Sponsors are Community Bank of the Chesapeake, Gerry Dupree, Darlene Harrod, Conrad & Cheryl White and PNC Bank. Diamond sponsors are Gwen Adams, Robert Hoosier, JMA Solutions LLC, Jeffery & Ann McFadden, the Patuxent Partnership, SMECO and Ronald Martin. Gold sponsors are Still Creek Insurance (Dave Wexler), Pastor Roland & Sheila Barnes, Calvert County State's Attorney Robert Harvey, Carroll Western United Methodist Church, Cedar Point Federal Credit Union, Exit 1 STOP Realty (Andrea Chris Banks), Malcolm Funn, Trayonna Hutchins, Pat Hofmann, Lebowitz & Mzhen LLC, Lord & Tucker Management Consultants LLC, Riddicia Mackall, Rausch Funeral Home, RS Graphx Inc., Sewell Funeral Home, and State Farm Insurance (Mike & Jennifer Paxson).

Additional scholarship donations were also received from the community and are greatly appreciated.

LEAP Forward, Inc., wishes to express sincere thanks to ALL for their generosity and their investment in our youth. For additional information on our fundraising efforts, follow us on Facebook [leapforwardinc2016](https://facebook.com/leapforwardinc2016) or visit the website at www.leapforwardinc.org.

Press Release from LEAP Forward



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A View From The BLEACHERS MOSTLY GOOD



By Ronald N. Guy Jr.
Contributing Writer

A Washington D.C. media luminary fired off a tweet. That alone isn't news; it is a routine act occurring hundreds of times daily in this time of supercharged communications. This one was short, even by tweet standards, but it efficiently cut through the random nonsense, political insanity, self-aggrandizing and mindless star-worship that typically dominates a Twitter scroll by posing this simple question to D.C. sports fans: "When did you know for sure that Snyder was the problem and your favorite team was in deep trouble?"

Kevin Sheehan, veteran voice of D.C. sports radio, was the tweet's source. The "Snyder" it referenced is, of course, Washington Commanders owner Dan Snyder. The power of Sheehan's query was its casual lack of qualification. There was no "if you believe Snyder is a fatal franchise flaw"; Sheehan asked matter-of-factly "when" fans realized Snyder was an overwhelming force under-cutting any hope of success. The unspoken (or untweeted) – that there simply is no reasonable doubt about Snyder's organizational malignancy – speaks loudly about Snyder's dysfunction and ruinous 23 years of ownership.

The comments to Sheehan's tweet were validating. It was a scroll of dubious (and depressing) football decisions and embarrassing headlines across two decades. Most telling: No one challenged Sheehan's question or defended Snyder.

Like all long-time burgundy and gold fans, I have my own answer to Sheehan's question. Admittedly, I was late to the party. Fellow fans as far back as the early 2000s had concluded the impossible coexistence of Snyder and a winning football team. But I kept nibbling at the cheese, hoping "Dan the fan" and his willingness to spend (frivolously) would yield results. Things started to break down for me after Mike Shanahan was fired and a talented staff, one that included three future NFL coaches (Kyle Shanahan, Sean McVay and Matt LaFleur), was disassembled. Full stop came more recently with the embarrassing off-field controversies and the arrogant defiance and vindictiveness of the owner himself.

Now it is all too much. The rose-colored glasses have been removed, tossed to the ground and stomped

under foot. My stubborn mind has been convinced: Snyder is Washington football's fait accompli, hope's great kryptonite. There is nothing profound in that conclusion. In some ways, Snyder is just another name on a long and ever-growing list crossing all aspects of life. It's a dubious and unfortunate scroll, and we all have our own.

Live long enough, cobble together numerous diverse experiences, and fellow humans will inevitably deliver a recurring emotion: disappointment. The church won't practice the basic morality it preaches. Politicians will be exposed as more ego-centric, special interest operatives than public servants. Most social media friends will prove to be otherwise. Spouses will fall short of vows. Many fellow Americans will value political identity over shared national origin. Companies who claim to care about their people will confirm a greater concern for their financial health. Left to reconcile such irreconcilable hypocrisy and character deficiencies – like a self-proclaimed fan-owner hoodwinking everyone (for various lengths of time) and turning his asset into the embarrassment of professional sports – well, that's why we grind our teeth at night.

It's enough to drive the most ardent optimist to exclaim, as Buddy Guy crooned, "Damn right I got the blues!" Enter This American Life podcast episode 775: The Possum Experiment, to save the day. The episode starts with a story about a woman who posted a few "Lost Cat" flyers around her home. The catch: The flyers included downloaded pictures of a possum. She did it as a joke, something of a social experiment. She bucketed the return calls into three categories: the mean ones that took pleasure in her idiocy, those who knew it was a joke and offered a humorous reply, and kind-hearted people who expressed genuine concern for her and the "cat's" well-being.

What surprised her was the distribution of calls. Just 10 percent were mean. Another 20 percent were the fellow pranksters. And 70 percent were folks simply trying to help. Is the world soured by swindlers, dark hearts and Dan Snyders? Sure - but a "lost" marsupial offered a timely reminder that people are still mostly good.

Send comments to RonaldGuyJr@gmail.com

30th Annual Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge Held



The crew of the sailing yacht Whirlaway poses with the Calvert County Trophy after last weekend's Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge Regatta. The trophy is awarded to the boat that wins the most competitive class of the three-day racing event which is hosted by Southern Maryland Sailing Association, and is based out of Safe Harbor Zanhiser's Marina in Solomons. Whirlaway is a Hobie 33 owned by Jackson Montague of Alexandria, Va., and sailed out of Fishing Bay Yacht Club in Deltaville, Va. This year marked the 30th annual Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge and was sailed July 15 – 17 in Chesapeake Bay off Solomons Island.



L.G. Raley of Hollywood was honored at Sunday's Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge Regatta awards ceremony for his 27-years of service as a co-founder and volunteer for the Solomons-based sailing event. Raley spent 25 of those years as Chairman of Screwpile and is credited with turning it into a major regional sporting event. Above, Raley (center) acknowledges the applause of the crowd at the awards event, held at Safe Harbor Zanhiser's Marina, where he received a trophy and several gifts. Pictured with Raley are his wife, Merry Ruth, and current Screwpile Chairman Jim Keen of Solomons. L.G. Raley and Keen are both past commodores of Southern Maryland Sailing Association, the sponsor of the Screwpile Lighthouse Challenge. This year's Screwpile was raced July 15 – 17 in the Chesapeake Bay off Solomons Island.

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Captain Bruno Vasta

The Maryland Sport Fisheries Advisory Commission and Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) are proud to announce Captain Bruno M. Vasta and the late James W. “Jim” Gracie each as recipients of Maryland Sport Fisheries Achievement Awards for 2022.

The Maryland Sport Fisheries Achievement Award was established by the commission to honor individuals who have provided sustained efforts in habitat management, conservation, education, research, or other meaningful contributions that benefit recreational fishing in Maryland.

Vasta, an accomplished federal civil servant, has served in various capacities with the Maryland Saltwater Sportfishing Association, including as its statewide president and Southern Maryland Chapter president. He also represented Maryland as a governor-appointed member of the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission.

Throughout Vasta’s diverse professional and volunteer positions, he has advocated for tougher laws to protect native fish species and bolster Chesapeake Bay restoration. Vasta led the charge for creating an artificial reef off Solomons Island and developed lasting partnerships with local governments to establish fishing and aquatic education curriculum.

“After decades of working for the fish and recreational fishermen, Captain Bruno is known and respected for all that he has done for fishing in the Chesapeake Bay,”

said Dr. Jerry Gaff, past president of Southern Maryland of the Maryland Saltwater Sportfishing Association. “Like star entertainers who need only to use their first name – Cher, Madonna, and Prince – ‘Captain Bruno’ is a superstar name known all around the Chesapeake Bay.”

The commission also recognized Baltimore native Jim Gracie for his lifelong support of trout fishing and championing water quality and restoration. Gracie, a chemist by trade, used his expertise with both federal and state agencies to advocate for stream restoration and he was considered an expert on the Clean Water Act.

Jim was a founding member of Maryland’s chapter of Trout Unlimited and also served two terms as president of the national organization’s board. Aside from Gracie’s environmental policy work, he also pioneered Baltimore’s City Catch program teaching Baltimore youth about fishing and aquatic education. Lastly, Jim was one of the longest serving members of the governor-appointed commission and had served as its chair. Gracie passed away in 2020.

“Jim never rested on his accomplishments,” Commission member Jason “JP” Andrick said. “‘Grit’ is a good word to describe him.”

Gracie and Vasta will be honored in a presentation later in the year.

The commission will begin accepting nominations Dec. 1, 2022 for the 2023 award, with a deadline of Jan. 31, 2023.

Press Release from MD DNR

Waterfowl Blind Site Licensing Process Available

Online Lottery, Virtual Appointments

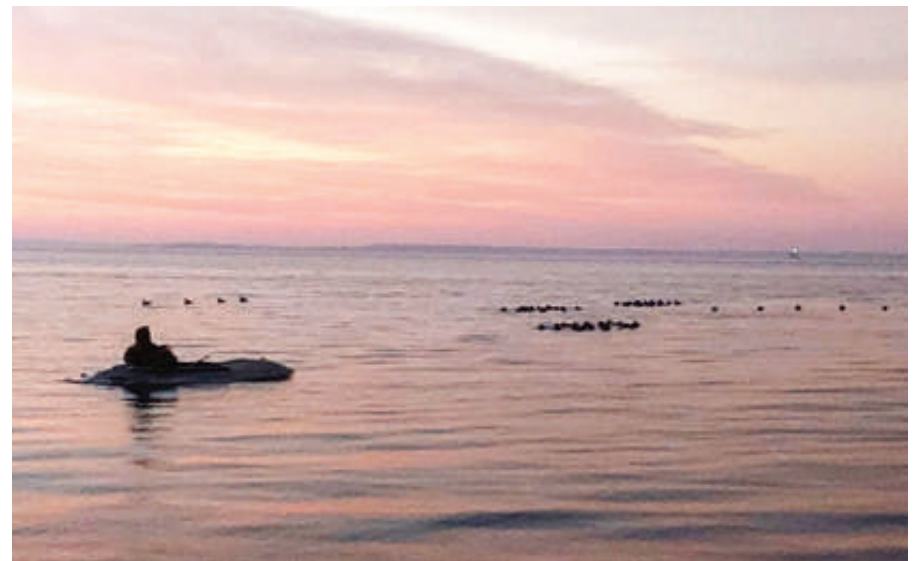


Photo by Jake McPherson, Ducks Unlimited

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is again offering an online-only process for Maryland hunters to apply for a 2022-2023 waterfowl blind site license. From now through July 26 at 11:59 p.m., hunters may enter the annual lottery for the opening days of blind site licensing through the department’s Compass licensing portal.

Hunters can register to be entered into a random lottery for a county of their choice. Landowners who would like to license their own property may also enter the same lottery.

Lottery entrants will be asked to provide a current email address and phone number where they can be reached in the event of any connection problems.

There is no charge to enter the lottery. Hunters must be Maryland residents and must have purchased either a 2021-2022 or 2022-2023 Maryland

hunting license prior to their appointment to license sites.

Additional information and important instructions are available on the department’s website. Winners of the lottery will be posted on the department’s website and will be notified by email with the time and date for a virtual online meeting. These virtual meetings will begin August 2, and continue during normal business hours. In some counties, appointments will take place on multiple business days.

After the opening days, licensing for all counties will occur by appointment only. Customers may begin making appointments online on August 10 for virtual meetings that will begin August 17. Customers who schedule an appointment will receive an email that includes a link to communicate with DNR staff at the appropriate date and time.

Press Release from MD DNR



Letters to the Editor

Moral Standards

To the Editor:

R-rated school dances discussed in the paper (7/14/22, P. 27) are a result of the 1962 Supreme Court decision to remove prayer and Bible reading from public schools. Each generation gets a little further from the moral standards they set.

*Chuck Harris
Solomons*



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Thursday, July 21 2022

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MakePlayLearn (TB)

2:00pm-3:00pm.

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Summer STEAM (FV)

2:30pm-3:30pm.

Take a dip into discovery with an ocean of STEAM fun! Every week we'll dive into a new topic with books, activities and a snack. For submariners in K-5th grade. Calvert Library Fairview Branch, Rt. 4 and Chaneyville Road, Owings, 410-257-2101. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

Tween Summer Book Fest (SO): The Last Cuentista by Donna Barba Higuera

6:00pm-7:00pm.

Join other book lovers during this fun summer book club! Each month we will read a new book and come together to discuss, play games and do activities. Did we mention there will be snacks?! First ten registrants get a copy of the book to keep! *Había una vez.. There lived a girl named Petra Peña, who wanted nothing more than to be a storyteller, like her abuelita. But Petra's world is ending. Earth has been destroyed by a comet, and only a few hundred scientists and their children have been chosen to journey to a new planet.* Calvert Library Southern Branch, 13920 H. G. Trueman Road, Solomons, 410-326-5289. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

Literary Bites Book Discussion

6:00pm-8:00pm.

Join us, along with our friends from Calvert Library, as each month we read, discuss and digest one of our favorite culinary novels. This month we're reading Stanley Tucci's memoir "Taste: My Life Through Food". Register to sign up for a free ticket to attend virtually. (In-person discussion includes meal with a paid ticket) Registration for the virtual participation is a multi-step process. Choose Register on this listing, then choose Buy Ticket. Choose Virtual Login, select # of participants, then Checkout. Complete the questionnaire and click on Purchase. You'll receive an email with the link from No Thyme to Cook, Solomons, MD <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

Friday, July 22 2022

On Pins & Needles (PF)

1:00pm-4:00pm.

Bring your quilting, needlework, knitting, crocheting or other project for an afternoon of conversation and shared creativity. For library resources on this topic, click here! Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

Saturday, July 23 2022

Storytime Inside

10:00am-10:45am.

Join us for Storytime Inside! We'll share stories, sing songs and have some socially distanced fun! Please register as a group of no more than 6 people. Per Health Department guidance for an enclosed space with unvaccinated participants, masks are recommended for those attendees over 2 years of age. Registration required to. Suggested for children birth - 5. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

Asian American Pacific Islander Cultural Festival

10:00am-2:00pm.

Join us to learn about and celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander culture. There will be dancing, food, art projects, games and more. Co-sponsored by AARP Maryland, Calvert County Parks & Recreation, Calvert Library, Charles County Public Library, St. Mary's County Library Enjoy performances and exhibits representing multiple cultures such as Ko-

rean, Hawaiian, Filipino, Chinese, Indian and Thai. Hints: Buy lunch from one of our Asian food vendors or bring a picnic! Bring chairs or blankets to watch the performances. Hallowing Point Park, Prince Frederick. 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

Storytime Inside

10:30am-11:15am.

Join us as we share stories, sing songs and have some socially distanced fun! Per Health Department guidance for an enclosed space with unvaccinated participants, masks are recommended for those attendees over 2 years of age. Registration required. Suggested for children birth - 5. Calvert Library Southern Branch, 13920 H. G. Trueman Road, Solomons, 410-326-5289. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

Monday, July 25 2022

Storytime Outside @ Wetlands Overlook Park

10:00am-10:45am.

Join Calvert Library as we take Storytime on the road! We'll share some stories, sing songs and have some socially distanced fun at Wetlands Overlook Park! Registration is required & attendees will be limited to ensure social distancing. Please register as a GROUP of no more than 6 people. BRING BLANKETS TO SIT ON. Storytime will be completely outside, BRING A BLANKET and dress for the weather. Bug spray is also recommended. In the event of inclement weather, event may be canceled. Please check the library's website for more information. Wetlands Overlook Park Calvert Library Twin Beaches Branch, 3819 Harbor Road, Chesapeake Beach, 410-257-2411. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

Tween Summer Book Fest (PF): The Last Cuentista by Donna Barba Higuera

6:30pm-7:30pm.

Join other book lovers during this fun summer book club! Each month we will read a new book and come together to discuss, play games and do activities. Did we mention there will be snacks?! First ten registrants get a copy of the book to keep! *Había una vez.. There lived a girl named Petra Peña, who wanted nothing more than to be a storyteller, like her abuelita. But Petra's world is ending. Earth has been destroyed by a comet, and only a few hundred scientists and their chil-*

dren have been chosen to journey to a new planet. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

Tuesday, July 26 2022

Storytime Inside: Babies (FV)

9:30am-9:50am.

Join us for Storytime Inside! We'll share stories, sing songs and have fun! Per Health Department guidance for an enclosed space with unvaccinated participants, masks are recommended for those attendees over 2 years of age. Registration required. Suggested for children under 2. Calvert Library Fairview Branch, Rt. 4 and Chaneyville Road, Owings, 410-257-2101. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

Storytime Inside: Babies (SO)

9:45am-10:05am.

Join us for Storytime Inside! We'll share stories, sing songs and have fun! Per Health Department guidance for an enclosed space with unvaccinated participants, masks are recommended for those attendees over 2 years of age. Registration required. Suggested for children under 2. Calvert Library Southern Branch, 13920 H. G. Trueman Road, Solomons, 410-326-5289. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

Storytime Inside: Middles (FV)

10:00am-10:30am.

Join us for Storytime Inside! We'll share stories, sing songs and have fun! Per Health Department guidance for an enclosed space with unvaccinated participants, masks are recommended for those attendees over 2 years of age. Registration required. Suggested for children 2-3. Calvert Library Fairview Branch, Rt. 4 and Chaneyville Road, Owings, 410-257-2101. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

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Calvert Community Calendar

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

Thursday, July 21

Little Minnows

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

Preschoolers ages 3 – 5, with an adult, are invited to join us for story time and a craft you can do on-site or take home, available while supplies last. Sessions are 25-40 minutes. Sign up at the Admissions Desk when you arrive. This month's theme is Sharks!

Friday, July 22

Free Paper Shredding Events

The Calvert County Department of Public Works, Solid Waste Division, will host free paper shredding events for county residents and businesses to help prevent identity theft by destroying confidential or sensitive documents. The following shred events will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., rain or shine:

- Saturday, July 23 at Northern Middle School located at 2954 Chaneyville Road in Owings
- Saturday, Aug. 20 at Huntingtown High School located at 4125 Solomons Island Road in Huntingtown
- Saturday, Sept. 24 at Appeal Landfill located at 401 Sweetwater Road in Lusby

Proof of residency or business location is required. All paper must be removed from plastic bags and cardboard boxes prior to shredding. Paper clips and staples are acceptable. Binders and binder clips are not acceptable.

Businesses are allowed up to five banker boxes of paper per business (or the equivalent volume of five banker boxes in alternate containers). There is no limit for residents.

Certificates of destruction will be provided if requested.

Shredding events are held monthly throughout the year. For more information about recycling events, call the Calvert County Department of Public Works, Solid Waste Division, at 410-326-0210 or visit www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/Recycle.

Summertime Blues

Calvert Marine Museum.
Friday, 10 a.m. - noon

Join a CMM educator on the historic William B. Tennison for a hands-on blue crab educational

experience. This youth field program uses live blue crabs to illustrate their life cycle and how to identify male and female crabs. Discover the history of the blue crab fishery on the Patuxent River, and learn the ins and outs of our annual blue crab harvest. Participants are required to have an adult accompany them for the trip. Cost is \$20 – Includes 1 child participant and 1 adult chaperone. Boat capacity limit is 40 people. For ages 8 - 12. Capacity is limited. To register visit: Mornings at the Museum | Calvert Marine Museum, MD - Official Website

Saturday, July 23

Spaghetti Dinner & Huge Silent Auction

St. Paul United
Methodist Church,
11000 HG Trueman Road,
Lusby, MD 5-7:30 p.m.

Spaghetti, Sauces, Garlic Bread, Salads, Desserts and Drinks
Cost: Freewill Donation

HUGE Silent Auction runs concurrent with dinner / Bids close at 7p.m. (Distribution immediate... high bidder need not be present at sale's end.)

All Proceeds to St. Paul Youth Ministries
Information: (410) 326-2150

Thursday, July 28

Little Minnows

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

Preschoolers ages 3 – 5, with an adult, are invited to join us for story time and a craft you can do on-site or take home, available while supplies last. Sessions are 25-40 minutes. Sign up at the Admissions Desk when you arrive. This month's theme is Sharks!

ONGOING

Wm. B. Tennison Public Cruises

Calvert Marine Museum,
Wednesday through Friday,
the month of July – 2 p.m.

Saturdays* and Sundays, the month of July – Wm. B. Tennison Public Cruises 2 and 3:10 p.m.

Relax and enjoy a leisurely one-hour sightseeing cruise on the river aboard the Wm. B. Tennison, a log-built bugeye. Capacity allows for 40 guests. If there is inclement weather, you will be notified by

the crew prior to the cruise. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$4 for children 5-12 years. Children under 5 ride for free when accompanied by a paying adult. *There will be no cruises on Saturday, July 16 in preparation for the concert. For more information and to register visit: Wm. B. Tennison Cruises | Calvert Marine Museum, MD - Official Website

UPCOMING

Dee of St. Mary's Public Sail

Calvert Marine Museum
Saturday
July 23 – 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Join us on a 2-hour public sail aboard the historic vessel Dee of St. Mary's and experience the Patuxent River aboard an iconic Chesapeake Bay Skipjack. Guests will have an opportunity to help raise and lower the sail. Capacity allows for 30 guests. If there is inclement weather, you will be notified by the crew prior to the cruise. Cost is \$35 for ages 13 and up; \$15 for children ages 5-12. Children under 5 are not permitted. To register, visit: Dee of St. Mary's Cruises | Calvert Marine Museum, MD - Official Website

Dee of St. Mary's Sunset Sail

Calvert Marine Museum
Friday July 29 – (adults only)
6 – 8 p.m.

Join us on a 2-hour evening sail aboard the historic vessel Dee of St. Mary's and experience the Patuxent River aboard an iconic Chesapeake Bay Skipjack. Guests will have an opportunity to help raise and lower the sail. These Friday evening cruises are for adults-only, and you are welcome to BYOB. Capacity allows

for 30 guests. If there is inclement weather, you will be notified by the crew prior to the cruise. Cost is \$45 per person. To register visit: Dee of St. Mary's Cruises | Calvert Marine Museum, MD - Official Website

Free Tire Recycling Event

Appeal Landfill
401 Sweetwater Road
Lusby, MD 20657
July 30, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

All tires must be less than 5 feet in diameter and clear of water and dirt. Only 10 tires per vehicle will be permitted at a time, and residents are limited to one trip. No commercial vehicles will be accepted at this event. Proof of residency is required.

For more information about recycling events, call the Calvert County Department of Public Works, Solid Waste Division, at 410-326-0210 or visit www.calvertcountymd.gov/recycle.

Baltimore Symphony Orchestra Music for Maryland Tour

Calvert Marine Museum
Saturday July 30 – 7 p.m.

The Baltimore Symphony Orchestra (BSO) will perform at the PNC Waterside Pavilion as part of their Music for Maryland Tour. Led by conductor Jonathan Rush, the Orchestra will perform Jonathan Leshnoff's Dancing Blue Crabs! to commemorate the significance of the Maryland blue crab in Calvert County. This family-friendly concert will be one of the highlights of your summer! Find your tickets here: Music For Maryland: Calvert County | Baltimore Symphony Orchestra (bsomusic.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.

LTCOL William F. Santiff, USAF RET



William Santiff (November 26, 1945 – July 15, 2022) passed away quietly at his home, after a brief battle with Leukemia. Born and raised in Syracuse, New York, son of Joseph Francis Santiff and Eunice Olbeter Santiff, both deceased. Bill, as he liked to be called, graduated Syracuse University in 1968, receiving a BS in Electronics Engineering and a Commission in the United States Air Force as Second Lieutenant. His first tour of duty was at Patrick Air Force Base, where he worked on the Apollo Space Program. His second tour was at Hanscom Air Force Base, outside of Boston, Massachusetts, where he continued his work in Electronic Warfare Systems. On his third tour of duty at Andrews Air Force Base, he met the woman who would become his wife—Linda Mae Keese, a native Southern Maryland woman. They married in May of 1977 and made Calvert County their permanent home in 1979.

In addition to meeting and marrying Linda, Bill completed coursework and was awarded a master's in management graduate degree from Central Michigan

University. Soon thereafter, Bill was transferred to Arlington, Virginia, to work on the Tomahawk Cruise missile Program. In 1981, Linda gave birth to their first daughter, Katharine Adele Santiff, at Andrews Air Force Base. Then, in 1982, Bill received a dream assignment that took him and his young family to serve at Hickam Air Force Base, on Oahu, HI. Shortly thereafter, their family size grew again after the birth of their second daughter, Kristen Marie Santiff. In 1985, they returned to the continental US and Bill served an additional 5 years at the Pentagon. In 1991, he retired from active military service, after having achieved the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Bill continued to serve his country by working an additional 19 years in the DoD Industry.

He was an active member of his home church, St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Prince Frederick, MD. While there, he founded WMJS-LP, in the basement of St. Paul's Parish Hall, and WMJS to this date remains the only FM radio station in Calvert County.

He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Linda Santiff. He is also survived by two adult daughters, Katharine Santiff and Kristen Santiff.

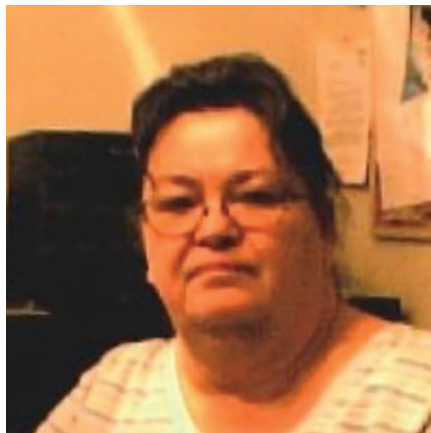
Rausch Funeral Home, in Port Republic, Maryland is hosting family, friends, and community members of Bill Santiff for a Viewing and Visitation, on Friday July 22nd, at two different times: 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m.

Bill's funeral service will be held on Saturday, July 23, at 11 a.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Prince Frederick, Maryland (25 Church Street, Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678). Interment will be in the church cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul's Episcopal

Church, 25 Church Street, Prince Frederick, MD 20678 or Calvert Animal Welfare League, 1040 Prince Frederick Boulevard, PO Box 1660, Prince Frederick, MD 20678; 410-535-9300; Link: <https://www.cawlrescue.org/>

Thelma (Smith) Evans



Thelma (Smith) Evans, 71, passed away at Washington Hospital Center on July 14, 2022. Thelma was the youngest child of Henry Smith and Thelma (Lanham) Smith of Dares Beach, Prince Frederick, MD. She was born June 29, 1951, in Washington, DC. Thelma married her first love Robert Henry Evans, and they were married for 29 years until his passing on December 3, 1997. Thelma worked at Calvert Memorial Hospital for 20 years and St. Mary's County Public Schools at Green Holly Elementary School for 11 years.

Thelma was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents Richard and Harriet Lanham, paternal grandparents Samuel and Mary Elizabeth Smith, her parents Henry and Thelma Smith, and brothers Richard and David Smith. She is survived by her son Robert Evans, granddaugh-

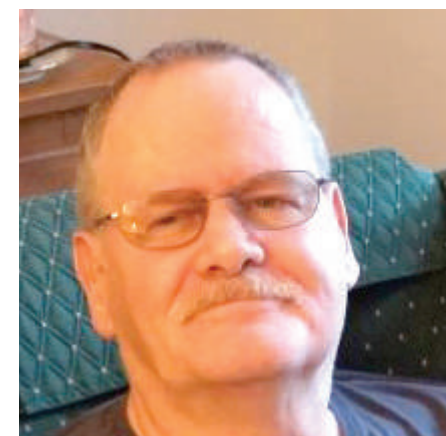
ter Ashley Marie Evans, "adopted children" Crystalin Brady Riley and her husband Sean Riley, who she considered her children, brother Henry Smith, sister-in-law Maggie Smith, and numerous cousins, nieces, nephews, in laws, and friends.

In lieu of flowers, Thelma's family requests that donations be made in her memory to Prince Frederick Volunteer Rescue Squad Company 4, 755 Solomons Island Road, S., Prince Frederick, MD 20678; Link: <http://www.pfvrs.org/>.

A Memorial Service to be held at a later date.

Funeral arrangements by Rausch Funeral Home.

Donald Gordon McIntyre



Donald Gordon McIntyre, 75, of Port Republic passed away peacefully at home on Thursday July 14th with his loving wife of 34 years, Virginia McIntyre (Ginger) by his side.

He was born in Michigan.

He loved spending time with family and friends and enjoyed sci-fi movies and shows.

He was survived by his daughter Connie McIntyre Jones, son Jason McIntyre, daughter Kim-

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The years may pass, but wherever we go & whatever we do, you are always with us & a part of us.

Our love forever,

Mom, Dad, & Your Brother Phillip





berly McIntyre Dillard, and the late Charles Raymond Schneider III (Charlie).

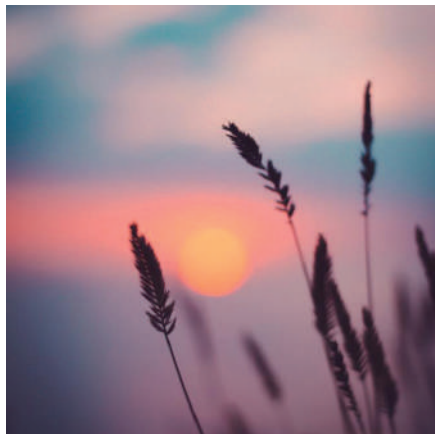
In addition, he was survived by grandchildren Michael (Mikie), Matthew (Matt), Cassidy, Princeton, Julieanne, Karianne, and Marianne.

Visitation will be Tuesday, August 2, 2022, 1-2 p.m. at Rausch Funeral Home-Port Republic, 4405 Broomes Island Road, Port Republic, MD 20676. Funeral service will follow at 2 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Leonard Fire Department, P.O. Box 101, 200 Calvert Beach Road, St. Leonard, MD 20685.

Sarah Jane Lowry-Walsh

Sarah Jane Lowry-Walsh, 72, of Huntingtown passed away July 12, 2022, at her home. She was born August 14, 1949, in Lower Vin-dex, MD to Frederick Orville and Emma Pearl (Stewart) Armstrong.



Sarah was preceded in death by her husbands Clayton Lowry and Thomas Walsh, Jr., daughter Teresa Niforas, and grandson Justin Belanger. She is survived by her children Casondra "Sandi" Walsh Belanger and her husband Robert, Evelyn Juliano, Clayton Mark Lowry, George Brian Lowry, and Robert John Lowry, as well as many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, siblings, and extended family.

A Celebration of Life to be held at a later date.

Funeral arrangements by Rausch Funeral Home.

**To Place A Memorial
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aldailey@countytimes.net**

SMALL BUSINESS TIPS

Contributing Writer:
Lynda J. Striegel

Small businesses are the backbone of our economy. They provide jobs, pay taxes and contribute to our society. For any of you contemplating setting up your own small business, I applaud your courage and offer some basic tips for you:

1. Start with the professionals.

When you set up a business or enter into a lease or create a contract or agreement between your business and landlords, vendors, suppliers, bankers, etc. you need to obtain professional advice from attorneys and accountants. Yes, this will cost your business money up front, but it will be worth it to avoid mistakes.

2. Structure.

Incorporating your business is important to avoid personal liability. If you incorporate, either as an LLC (limited liability company) or a corporation, and you are sued, the corporation is liable, not you personally. The contrary is also true—without incorporating, any business you run can be sued and you can be held personally liable. Exposing your personal assets, or your family's assets, to liability for a business you run is simply taking too much risk.

3. Documentation is Critical.

Before you run to Legal Zoom or some similar forms service to create your articles of organization or incorporation, think about your business structure. This is not the time to choose a "one size fits all" form. If you have partners or shareholders, you cannot use the types of basic documents provided by a forms service. You need professional guidance.

4. Small Business Pitfalls.

There are three areas of potential difficulty every small business person must figure out: employees, leases and other agreements and ownership.

a. Employees. Be very careful about classifying your employees either as employees or independent contractors. The Internal Revenue Service now uses an 11 factor test to determine whether an independent contractor is truly independent. As a business owner, you are responsible for withholding taxes on employee salaries. Independent contractors pay their own taxes. Don't get into difficulty by misclassifying. If the IRS determines you should have classified someone as an employee rather than an independent contractor, your business could be liable for paying back all the withholding taxes you should have taken out since the employee was first hired. Multiply that by several misclassified employees and you see the problem. Understand the rules.

b. Leases and Other Agreements. The type of lease you sign for commercial space can be very confus-

ing, especially when it is 30 pages long and full of legalisms. There are gross leases, net leases and percentage leases. You may receive a low rent in a triple net lease but you will be responsible for paying taxes, insurance and repairs on the space. If the space needs a new roof, that could be a major expense. Every business has different needs and will use different types of contracts and agreements, but all businesses use contracts and agreements with customers, vendors, bankers, etc. Make sure you get professional advice on handling your contracts and agreements.

c. Ownership. One important tip—never enter into a 50-50 partnership. This simply doesn't work in the event of a dispute. Make your structure 51-49 or something else, but put one person in charge. Don't make your spouses or children the owners of the business if they are not involved in the business. Divorce can wreak havoc on a business with married couple owners.

5. Free Advice.

One of the best tips I have for small business is to structure an Advisory Board. Unlike Boards of Directors, members of an Advisory Board have no liability for the advice they give your business. There is no need to pay Advisory Board members if you cannot afford it. Call on friends and advisors who understand your type of business and can give you practical advice. Those Advisory Board members may very well become your future investors.

6. Buying a Business.

One word—investigate. You must have as complete an understanding of what you are buying as possible.

7. Selling a Business.

Sellers of a business want to sell stock. That allows them to charge the buyer for goodwill that has been built-up in a business. Buyers of a business want to buy assets—they want to stay away from the liabilities that come with stock ownership. Whether it is a sale of stock or assets, valuation is an issue and there are many ways to approach a sales price for your business.

Running a small business is not for the faint of heart. But, there are resources to help you. Take advantage of them—attorneys, accountants, cyber security specialists, financial advisors, the internet, business books, classes at the College of Southern Maryland, the Calvert County Dept. of Economic Development and many other resources. And, best of luck to you!

Join Andrea Baddour and Robert Riffe of Edward Jones for "PREPARING YOUR ESTATE PLAN" on Thursday October 25, 2018 from 6-7:30pm at Mamma Lucia's restaurant in Prince Frederick. Dinner will be served. RSVP at 301-855-2246.

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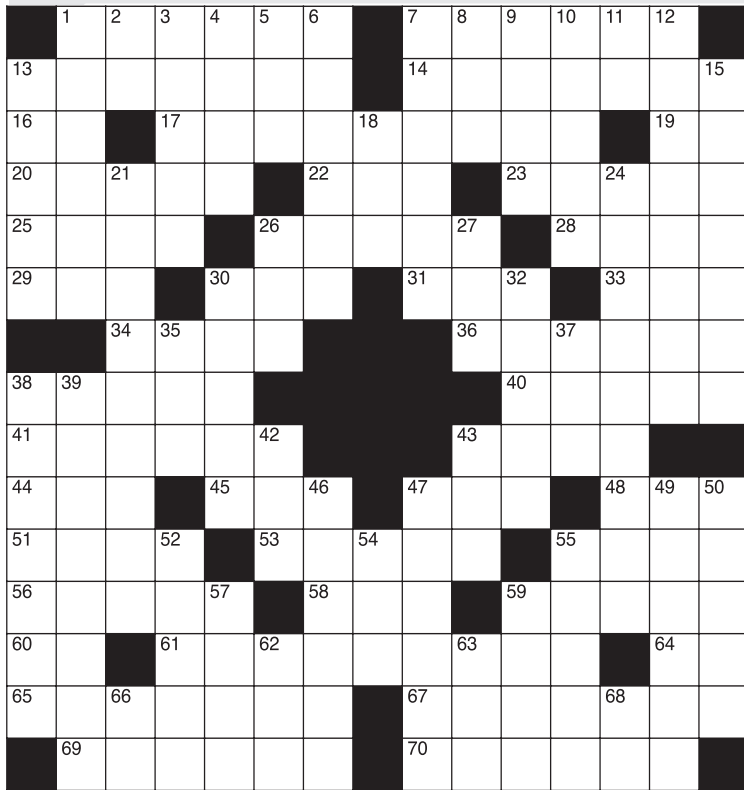
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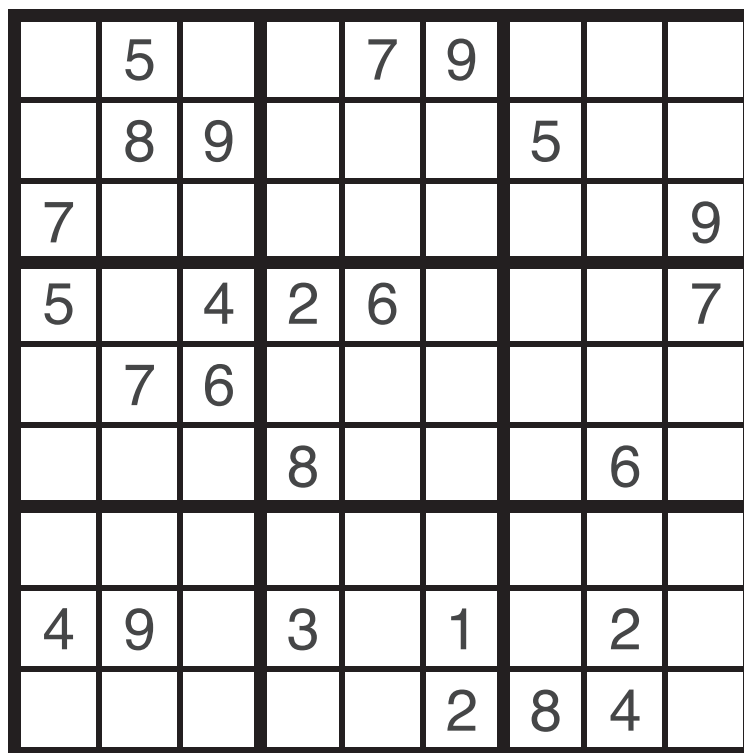
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- 17. Philadelphia university
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- 20. Functions as a laser
- 22. Basketball phenomenon Jeremy
- 23. Famed island
- 25. Parent-teacher groups
- 26. Distributes
- 28. Self-immolation by fire ritual
- 29. Ad __
- 30. Circulation problem (abbr.)
- 31. Brother or sister
- 33. A famous "Squad"
- 34. Stage actor Anthony
- 36. Violent seizure of property
- 38. Saclike cavities
- 40. Sound units
- 41. Counts on
- 43. Dad
- 44. Woman (French)
- 45. A digital tape recording of sound

- 47. Polish Baltic peninsula
- 48. Recipe measurement
- 51. Requests out of dire need
- 53. Precious stone weight unit
- 55. The immaterial part of a person
- 56. Anoint
- 58. Golf score
- 59. Supernatural
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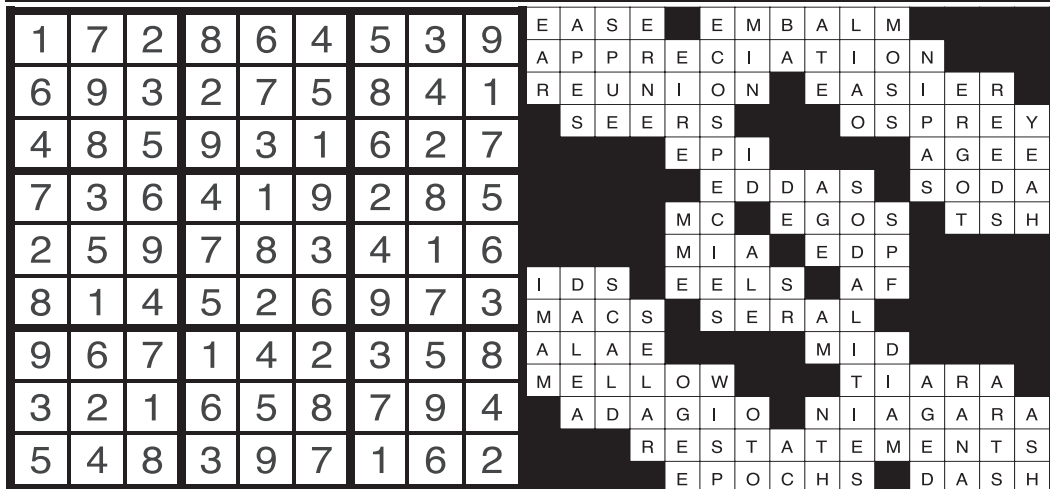
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- 27. Title of respect
- 30. Investigated discreetly
- 32. Belonging to the bottom layer
- 35. Black tropical American cuckoo
- 37. Music genre
- 38. Indicates one is in mourning
- 39. Secured forever
- 42. Bodily cavity
- 43. A dog is one
- 46. Chose to do something
- 47. Annoy persistently
- 49. Large hotel rooms
- 50. Beg
- 52. Docket
- 54. Subway dwelling rodent
- 55. Sources
- 57. Mild Dutch cheese
- 59. Spanish city
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CLUES DOWN

- 1. Flowing
- 2. Computer department
- 3. Lasts
- 4. DiFranco and Samsongan are two
- 5. __ de sac
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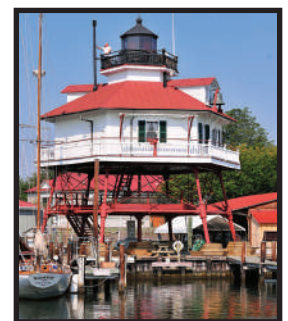
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