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Calvert Nets \$20 Million in COVID Relief Grants

By Dick Myers
Editor

Calvert County has received more than \$20 million in grants to combat the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) was given a status report at their July 27 meeting on how that money was used.

According to a briefing from Acting Director of Finance and Budget Sharon Strand, "On March 17, 2020, Calvert County declared a local state of emergency due to the effects of the Coronavirus. The United States Treasury appropriated funds to the State of Maryland in the form of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The State of Maryland appropriated these funds to various state and local agencies in an effort to cover any necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency."

The largest amount received, a little over \$8 million, was in CARES Act funding for things like diverting personnel and services to other uses, to pay for public health and safety employees, to provide assistance to small

businesses, to improve telework capabilities for public employees, for food programs, for personal protective equipment, economic support, housing support, public health support, unemployment benefits, facilitate distance learning, and assistance to the towns of Chesapeake Beach and North Beach.

In addition, the county received other grants for economic assistance, including emergency rental assistance, aid to restaurants and the hospitality industry, other aid to the tourism industry, and on-line sales and telework COVID relief. The economic relief grants totaled more than \$4 million.

Food distribution grants totaled \$279,000 and went to help End Hunger in Calvert County programs and to the Office on Aging.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) awarded \$1.4 million in seven different project grants.

Other awards included \$3.2 million in CARES transportation grants, \$1.7 million for career EMS personnel, and grants from the Department of Housing and Urban Development and Federal Transit Administration.



Commissioner board with new member Chris Gadway at upper left.

There's a little less than \$500,000 unspent but earmarked, including monies for rent and mortgage assistance, medical costs at the detention center and an Emergency Management Program Grant.

The \$20 million in grant mon-

ies received by county government were in addition to the \$11.5 million received by Calvert County Public Schools (The County Times, July 22 edition).

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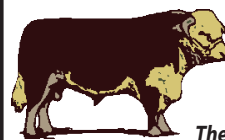
POLICE-COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

DATE: August 3*

TIME: Varies by Community

Bayside Forest 6 pm	Northeast Community Center 6 to 8 pm
Calvert Pines 5:30 pm	Oakland Hall 6 pm
Carroll Western United Methodist Church 4 pm	*Patuxent View Community Assoc. August 7 @ 4 to 7 pm
Foxwood 6 to 8 pm	Prince Frederick Crossing 6 to 8 pm
Huntingtown Citizens' Association 6 to 8 pm	Prince Frederick Village Apts., Senior Apts. & Calvertowne 5 pm
Long Beach Civic Association 6 to 8 pm	Queensberry 6 to 8 pm
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Two New Ethics Commission Members Appointed

Replace Chairman and Former Chair



Commissioner Kelly McConkey

By Dick Myers
 Editor

The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) has appointed two new members to the county's ethics commission.

Sonya Butler has been appointed to replace commission secretary Jennifer Mazur, who was formerly the commission chairperson. According to a document supplied by the BOCC, Mazur chose not to seek reappointment.

Alternate commission member Lisa Alscott has been appointed as a regular member to replace commission chairperson, Wayne Millette, who resigned.

Thomas McClaren has been appointed as an alternate to fill Alscott's position.

The BOCC recently increased the size of the ethics commission from three to five members. The other members are Brian Fairweather, Mel Powell, and Vice Chairman Matthew S. Raymer.

The ethics commission has been embroiled in controversy in recent years since the filing of an ethics complaint against Commissioner Kelly McConkey over his vote to include property he owns into the Huntingtown Town Center, just prior to the August 2019, 3-2 vote

to approve the county's new comprehensive plan.

The ethics commission, then chaired by Mazur, eventually ruled that McConkey had made an ethics violation, stating "your participation in that vote constitutes a textbook conflict of interest." The commission censured McConkey instead of issuing a milder reprimand.

McConkey's vote on the Huntingtown Town Center is also one of the key issues in a suit filed against the county seeking to overturn the comprehensive plan vote. That suit is now before the Maryland Court of Appeals.

McConkey consistently criticized Mazur, alleging a conflict of interest because she spoke to a reporter about the case. The ethics commission upheld her actions.

McConkey sued the commission and Mazur, but a judge ruled against him on all counts.

McConkey also filed a "Petition for Judicial Review" on Dec. 22, 2020, in Calvert County Circuit Court through his attorney Steven Preller seeking to overturn the ethics commission ruling. That has yet to be heard.

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Regional Plan Calls for New Roads, Sidewalks, Bike Paths

By Dick Myers
Editor

The Calvert-St. Mary's Metropolitan Planning Organization (C-SMMPO) is developing a Complete Streets Plan for the Calvert-St. Mary's region and they are seeking public comment on the draft plan.

According to the draft plan, "C-SMMPO became an urbanized area after the 2010 Census, when the population in the Lexington Park / California / Chesapeake Ranch Estates region surpassed 50,000 residents. In keeping with federal requirements, a metropolitan planning organization (MPO) was formed to coordinate transportation planning for projects within urbanized areas that receive federal funding. The C-SMMPO also incorporates the Patuxent River Naval Air Station (NAS PAX)."

The plan goes on to say, "The C-SMMPO is developing this Complete Streets Plan to provide design guidance to government agencies, consultants, private developers, and community groups on the planning, design, and operation of roadways for all users. This plan is meant to supplement existing manuals and standards and should be referenced early in the planning and design process for transportation projects."

Complete Streets is a term used "to designate the need for a street to function not only as a transportation route for vehicles. Rather, streets should serve as a mechanism to connect people to places while accommodating all individuals and modes instead of being simply a transportation route for vehicles. Complete Streets are roadways that are designed to provide safe, accessible, and healthy travel for all users of our roadway system, including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit riders, and motorists."

The plan includes 11 proposed project locations within Calvert County. They are:

- Cove Point Park Trail -- Recommendations will improve the multi-modal network in and around the park and connect the paved trail system to Cove Point Road (MD 497) at both park entrances. Currently, Cove Point Road Has Share-the-Road signs for bicyclists but no existing sidewalks for pedestrians. Installing additional pedestrian and bicycle facilities along the roadway will encourage people from the nearby neighborhoods to safely visit the park using multi-modal transportation opportunities.

- Appeal Lane Sidewalk -- This project proposes to add six-foot-wide sidewalks along Appeal



Typical modern, highly visible crosswalk.

Lane and continental crosswalks to provide pedestrian connections between the community center, senior apartments and the two schools. Alternative A includes new sidewalk along the southwest side of the roadway, while Alternative B includes new sidewalk along both sides of the roadway.

- Lusby Parkway -- The project will be primarily new construction with modifications to some existing roads. Beginning from the north end of the project, this project proposes to widen Gunsmoke Trail for approximately 450 feet from Town Square Drive to Thunderbird Drive to accommodate the proposed typical section. A new section of roadway, approximately 270 feet long, will be built to connect Gunsmoke Trail with the existing Lusby Parkway. The project proposes widening on the existing Lusby Parkway to incorporate the full typical section. The proposed Lusby Parkway will cross Rousby Hall Road and continue south using an existing utility corridor. A new four-way signalized intersection will be installed at the intersection of Rousby Hall Road and Lusby Parkway. At Margaret Taylor Road, the proposed Lusby Parkway alignment will continue straight through to tie perpendicularly into Southern Connector Boulevard at a stop-controlled intersection. The existing Margaret Taylor Road will be realigned from a T-intersection on Southern Connector Boulevard to a tee intersection on Lusby Parkway. The proposed roadway alignment will continue south beyond Southern Connector Boulevard along the existing utility corridor to a stop-controlled tee intersection at Dowell Road. A second modified proposal is also being considered.

- Dowell Road Sidewalk Extension -- The project was split into three phases: Phase 1 and Phase 2 have been completed and constructed, and Phase 3 will extend the sidewalk limits from their current terminus near Oyster Bay

Place and Grandmother's Store antiques shop to the end of public right-of-way at The Harbours at Solomons.

- Patuxent Parkway Crosswalks -- The intersection of Patuxent Parkway with Solomons Island Road (MD 4) is an at-grade crossing that connects the residential neighborhoods on the west side of MD 4 with the commercial shopping center on the east side. Currently there are no pedestrian facilities at this crossing. This project proposes to provide a crossing

for the residents on the west side of MD 4 to access the Solomons Towne Centre. A second alternate is also proposed.

- Solomons Island Sidewalk Phase 2 -- This project will add approximately 400 linear feet of new five-foot wide sidewalk along the eastern side of Solomons Island Road to fill a gap in the pedestrian network between Solomons Island Methodist Church and the Solomons Island Bridge.

Two virtual public meetings on the plan were held recently. Public comments are being solicited through Aug. 3 to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/V2GJSW8>

The implementation phase of the plan is still being developed by the consultants working on it. That should be ready by the end of August and then additional public meetings will be scheduled.

To view the plan and videos from the recent public meetings go to <https://mail.yahoo.com/d/folders/1/messages/190184>

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Gadway Sworn in As Commissioner



The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) held a swearing-in ceremony today, Tuesday, July 27, 2021 for new board member Christopher J. Gadway. Gadway was appointed by Gov. Larry Hogan to replace former Commissioner Thomas “Tim” Hutchins as the District 2 representative for the remainder of his term. The swearing-in ceremony was conducted by Circuit Court Clerk Kathy P. Smith.

“We welcome Commissioner Gadway to the board and look forward to working alongside him on behalf of Calvert County citizens,” said BOCC President Earl F. “Buddy” Hance. “We look forward to the experience, perspective and insight he brings to the board for the benefit of our entire community.”

“It is an incredible honor to be selected to serve and represent the citizens of Calvert County,”

said Gadway. “I look forward to this opportunity to effect change in Calvert County, while preserving the most important characteristics of our community including education and smart, gradual growth.”

The son of a U.S. Navy Vietnam veteran, Commissioner Gadway served in the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG); he was a member of the Honor Guard from 1989 to 1993, and was honorably discharged from the USCG Reserves in 2001.

Commissioner Gadway is a local business owner who currently owns and operates Property Management of Southern Maryland. He is a longtime volunteer and active supporter of many nonprofit, charitable and community organizations, including nearly a decade as a member of the Huntingtown Volunteer Fire Department.

Press Release from Calvert County government.

Planning Commission Delays In-Person Meetings

By Dick Myers
Editor

The Calvert County Planning Commission has delayed plans to begin hybrid in-person/virtual meetings in August.

After a year and a half of all virtual meetings, the commission decided at their June meeting to assemble once again at the Harriet Elizabeth Brown Recreation Center on Dares Beach Road in Prince Frederick beginning with their August meeting, but to also have a parallel virtual session for those commission members and the general public still not comfortable with doing it in-person.

The commission, however, at their

July 21 meeting was informed by Planning Commission Administrator Paul Conover that the county’s IT department was not able to install the technical equipment in time for the August meeting, which will be Aug. 26. All of the recording equipment was removed with the onset of the pandemic.

Conover suggested initiating the in-person meetings in August, but the commission, after discussion, decided to continue with the virtual meetings and to begin the hybrid in-person meetings no later than October, but perhaps in September if the equipment is ready in time.

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August 3rd is National Night Out in Calvert

August 3rd is National Night Out in Calvert County. Sponsored locally by the Calvert Alliance Against Substance Abuse, Inc. (CAASA) in partnership with the Maryland State Police, Barrack "U" and the Calvert County Sheriff's Office, this is a great opportunity for residents to promote the best of their neighborhoods. Local agencies will attend the events to share information/resources and law enforcement officers and the county's Fire, Rescue and EMS personnel will be on hand at many of the locations.

Fifteen neighborhoods will participate this year. Fourteen neighborhoods will host events on August 3rd and one neighborhood (Patuxent View) on August 7th. The complete list includes:

- Bayside Forest
- Calvert Pines Senior Center
- Carroll Western Church
- Foxwood
- Huntingtown
- Citizen's Association
- Long Beach Civic Association
- Lower Marlboro
- Northeast Community Center

- Oakland Hall
- Patuxent View
- Prince Frederick Crossing
- Prince Frederick Village
- Prince Frederick Senior Apartments
- Calvertowne Town Homes
- Queensberry

"It's time to celebrate the best of Calvert County! Our communities! National Night Out is a great way to bring everyone together. We hope residents will spend the evening enjoying fun, food and friendship during this county-wide event," stated Debbi Myster, president of CAASA Board of Directors.

National Night Out is designed to:

- (1) Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness,
- (2) Generate support for, and participation in, local anti-crime efforts,
- (3) Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police/community partnerships, and
- (4) Send a message to criminals letting them know neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.



CAASA extends its appreciation to SMECO for their financial support of National Night Out.

For more information, contact CAASA at 410-535-3733. A detailed list of participating com-

munities including times and locations is located on our website at <https://www.calvertcountymd.gov/186/Events>.

Press Release from CAASA.

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Funding for Fire and EMS Departments



U.S. Senators Ben Cardin and Chris Van Hollen and Congressman Steny H. Hoyer (all D-Md.) today announced \$1,037,955 in American Rescue Plan funding for fire and emergency rescue departments in Southern Maryland and along the Eastern Shore.

“Our volunteer firefighters and first responders often risk their lives to serve and protect our communities and have worked around the clock during the COVID-19 pandemic,” the lawmakers said. “This new federal funding will provide our fire and rescue teams with the necessary supplies and equipment to keep Marylanders safe.”

The award comes from the Maryland Emergency Management Agency, through the American Rescue Plan passed by Congress, to help departments offset the financial strain of the CO-

VID-19 pandemic. The awardees include:

Huntington VFD
\$17,306.74
North Beach VFD
\$58,219.28
Prince Frederick VFD
\$12,511.66
St. Leonard VFD
\$32,534.57
Total for Calvert County
\$120,572.25

Hollywood VFD
\$39,091.07
Leonardtwn VFD
\$9,553.52
Mechanicsville VFD
\$6,949.68
Ridge VFD
\$33,120.50
Second District VFDRS
\$3,550.00
Total for St. Mary's County
\$92,264.78

National Lighthouse Weekend

at Piney Point Lighthouse

Aug 7 - Aug 8 • 10am-5pm

- Enjoy tours of the museum & Historic Park
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Commissioners Release Mid-Term Report



CALVERT COUNTY Maryland

The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is pleased to announce the release of the 2021 Calvert County Government Midterm Progress Report. It covers local government initiatives and accomplishments from 2019 to 2021. The report provides an overview of county government operations in many areas.

"In the last two years, we have accomplished significant goals and prioritized citizen needs to maintain the quality of life that Calvert County residents expect and deserve," said BOCC President Earl F. "Buddy" Hance. "It is with the guidance of our constituents that we continue to make responsible decisions to keep Calvert County on course for economic vitality and the preservation of our rural heritage for generations to come."

A snapshot of accomplishments include:

Calvert County's financial management approach helped earn top bond ratings from three independent credit ratings agencies. It was Calvert County's fifth consecutive AAA rating from all three agencies.

The BOCC took action to enable a coordinated, comprehensive, countywide response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Calvert County Government applied for, received and distributed more than \$8 million in federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding to support response and provide direct relief, and supported local mass vaccination efforts.

After more than 100 public meetings, workshops, open hous-

es and public hearings, the BOCC adopted the Calvert County 2040 Comprehensive Plan as well as an updated Transportation Plan. Planning & Zoning staff, on behalf of the Planning Commission, began the process of updating each of the seven town center master plans and zoning ordinances, starting with Prince Frederick and Dunkirk.

The BOCC adopted policy changes to the county's hiring practices, including the addition of blind hiring, to support diverse hiring of the best-qualified applicants.

Public Safety spending included the construction of a new, state-of-the-art building for the Prince Frederick Volunteer Fire Department, Company 2.

The BOCC activated Public Safety's new 800-megahertz P25 digital communications system to provide enhanced radio coverage and interoperability for the Calvert County Sheriff's Office and county fire/rescue/EMS volunteers.

The BOCC approved funding to complete the full buildout of Comcast cable infrastructure in Calvert County, to ensure every household has access to cable services by early 2022.

The progress report is available to view or download at www.CalvertCountyMD.gov/Progress. Printed copies will be available for view at county libraries. Additional printed copies are available by request. Requests may be emailed to Progress@CalvertCountyMd.gov or call 410-535-2003.

Press Release from Calvert County government.

Estranged Wife Shot, Husband Charged with Burglary

Calvert County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) Patrol Deputies on July 22 at around 3:30am responded to 7764 Patuxent Dr. St. Leonard for a report of a residential burglary and a shooting. Upon arrival, the investigation revealed that Sean Tayman, 42, from St. Leonard forcefully entered the home of his in-laws and estranged wife of whom he has a Protective Order in place against him. The homeowners confronted Tayman and fired a warning shot with a revolver, accidentally wounding Tayman's estranged wife whom was seeking safe refuge in the home away from Tayman.

Following the shot, Tayman fled on foot and was located and ar-



Sean Tayman

rest in a nearby hotel.

Sean Tayman is currently being held at the Calvert County Detention Center on charges of Burglary in the Third

Degree, Burglary in the Fourth Degree, Violation of an Exparte/Protective Order, and Malicious Destruction of Property over \$1000.00.

Tayman's estranged wife was treated for a non-life-threatening gunshot wound.

Press Release from CCSO.

Citizen Feedback Sought on Economic Strategic Plan

The Calvert County Department of Economic Development, through the Economic Development Advisory Commission, is seeking citizen feedback on a newly drafted three-year strategic plan.

The 2021-2024 Calvert County Economic Development Strategic Plan aims to provide the Department of Economic Development and other economic development stakeholders with practical goals and strategies that build upon the county's strengths while shifting toward more collaboration, innovative practices, economic recovery, resilience and growth.

The plan was developed with a team of economic development researchers and consultants from the International Economic Development Council (IEDC), who worked with county staff and stakeholders beginning in February 2021. The plan encompasses both economic recovery from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and future economic development opportunities.

"The goal of this new plan is to help focus our energy and attention to the most relevant and impactful activities to support our local economy," said Economic Development Director Kelly Robertson-Slagle. "Especially in a year when we need to carefully guide our businesses and workforce out of any lingering impacts of the pandemic, the expertise and advice provided by the certified professionals at IEDC was invaluable."

IEDC conducted background reporting and economic analysis to inform

the plan using data from a range of sources, including the U.S. Census Bureau, Chmura JobsEQ and economic and community information provided by the Calvert County Department of Economic Development. The team met regularly with staff to discuss the economic development environment and goals of Calvert County and conducted focus group meetings with a variety of stakeholders representing the interests of Calvert's businesses, community life, health and core industries. The resulting documentation included a review of Calvert County's economic development goals and initiatives, best practices and implementation strategies, as well as economic recovery planning in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Citizens are encouraged to review the document online at www.eCalvert.com/157/Strategic-Plan and provide feedback and comments by July 30, 2021. Comments may be submitted by emailing info@ecalvert.com.

The Calvert County Department of Economic Development works to help all businesses succeed, from small, local businesses to large, national enterprises.

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

Press Release from Calvert County government.

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Citizens Asked to Report Local Flooding

Urged to Use MyCoast App



If April showers bring flooding issues, the Department of Planning & Zoning encourages residents to report it using the MyCoast Maryland app to show how flood waters are impacting communities throughout Calvert County.

“Flooding is the most prevalent natural hazard in Maryland and we are experiencing more of it each year in Calvert County,” said Planning & Zoning Director Mary Beth Cook. “MyCoast is a tool that makes it easy for residents to submit photos and data that will provide us with greater awareness of when, where and why flooding is occurring. With that information, we can better plan and take action to protect people, property and our county’s natural resources from flood hazards.”

MyCoast is a portal managed by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources to collect and analyze pictures and data related to flooding caused by precipitation or coastal events. The tool allows any community member to document flooding or storm damage they see anywhere in the state.

Users take photos of the flooding and upload through either the mobile app or website at www.MyCoast.org/Md to report nuisance tidal flooding, precipitation-caused flooding and coastal storm

damage. The app uses data from the photo to determine location, date and time when the photo was taken; the tool then pulls the corresponding tidal and weather information. Information collected through the mobile app or website is used to visualize the impacts of flood events so that steps can be taken to reduce flood risks.

MyCoast is available in the Apple app store and Google Play.

When making flood reports, citizens are reminded to always follow safety precautions: do not walk, swim or drive through flood waters and stay off bridges over fast-moving water, which can wash bridges away without warning.

Current floodplain management efforts in Calvert County include flood mitigation planning and participation in the Federal Emergency Management Community Rating System program, which allows county residents who own property with structures within the 100-year floodplain to receive a discount on flood insurance premiums when renewing their policies. For more information about floodplain management in Calvert County, visit www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/554/Floodplain-Management.

Press Release from Calvert County government.

CalvertHealth Names Human Resources VP

Calvert Health System (CHS) has named Peter Gloggner, SHRM-SCP as vice president for human resources. He comes to CHS – the county’s largest private employer, after an impressive 26-year career in health care.

Most recently, he served as vice president and chief human resources officer at Jupiter Medical Center in Florida. While there, Gloggner played a key role in creating a positive workplace culture, which in turn translated into high employee engagement, high patient satisfaction and high quality scores.

Upon joining CalvertHealth, Gloggner said he felt a good connection with the executive team. “It’s a great organization with a family feel among the employees and a tremendous asset to the community. I am happy to be joining the family.”

He went on to add, “The fact that Calvert is independent is very appealing to me. “I believe decisions made locally are the best for the organization and the community. The leadership at CalvertHealth has tremendous longevity, which demonstrates stability for the community and the organization.”

“Their commitment to providing great patient care and the care and kindness shown to the staff are admirable and attracted me to the organization,” said Gloggner.

He will be responsible for the day-to-day HR operations, HR strategic direction, organizational development and training and employee relations for the health system, which includes CalvertHealth Medical Center and its subsidiaries. He has a master’s degree in business administration. Additionally, he is a Senior Certified Professional by the Society for Human Resources Management, which recognizes the ex-



Peter Gloggner

tensive knowledge he has attained during his career.

“Peter has a keen understanding of the critical importance of all our employees to our mission of providing top quality health care,” said Dean Teague, president and CEO of the health system. “Our strongest asset is our nearly 1,200 employees who help us deliver the best care possible for our patients.”

Gloggner, who lives in Dunkirk, comes from a large family and enjoys cooking and traveling but his favorite thing to do is spending time with his dogs – Whitney George, a Portuguese Water Dog, and Kingsley Violet, a Labradoodle.

Press Release from CalvertHealth

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Women to Women Regional Summit Coming Aug. 1

Women 2 Women (W2W), the Calvert County Chamber of Commerce women's networking group will host its 7th Annual W2W Regional Summit for Business on August 11, 2021. The summit will be held at The Hall at Huntingtown, 4030 Old Town Road, Huntingtown from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The summit is open to women from across Southern Maryland who want to share knowledge and ideas with other seasoned and budding professional women while also learning the importance of leveraging digital platforms strategically and how organizations have recreated themselves in order to take their brands to new and unimaginable heights.

Conference organizers have lined up dynamic speakers who will share their successes, while also providing time for questions.

Trovon C. Williams, Senior Vice President of Marketing and Communications of the NAACP, will discuss how businesses were faced with the necessity of transformation in order to survive, and how businesses evolve to meet the communications, technology, and authenticity demands of today. Mr. Williams brings over 14 years of experience leading award-winning marketing, communication, and brand development strategies both domestically and internationally across the technology, higher education, and government industries.

Also joining us will be Sheebah Smith, Co-Manager of Bekôz Marketing, to help you discover why Twitter matters and how you can leverage the platform as a tool for success by furthering your reach, promoting your business, and increasing overall engagement. Lisa Nicholls, of Tira! Strategies will present an easy-to-understand crash course on using Instagram to get more business. You'll learn how to create Instagram content that gets more comments and likes, attracts your ideal audience, and turns them into customers! Karen Carloni, Executive Director of Southern Maryland Community Network, Inc. will address the aspects of dealing with Burnout!

Registration and a continental breakfast will begin at 8:00 am. Both the breakfast and lunch are included in the \$65.00 registration fee. Attendees must register in advance, no walk-ins can be accommodated. Space is limited.

If you would like to highlight your business, sponsorship opportunities are available by contacting Kathy Maney at kathy@calvertchamber.org or c: 410.610.3618 by AUGUST 1, 2021.

For more information and to reserve your spot at the summit, please visit the Calvert County Chamber of Commerce website at www.calvertchamber.org or call 410-535-2577.

Press Release from Calvert County Chamber of Commerce.

Leadership Class Experiences Healthcare

Leadership Southern Maryland (LSM) Class of 2021 on June 3 participated in the eighth of nine educational sessions for the 2020-21 LSM Executive Program - Healthcare.

Sponsored by The Chesapeake-Potomac Healthcare Alliance, this one-day event began with a panel discussion on healthcare issues and challenges in Southern Maryland, particularly during the COVID-19 crisis. The panel included representatives from CalvertHealth System, University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center, and MedStar St. Mary's Hospital.

Following the panel, the class participated in a mental health first aid exercise then met with the health officers from the tri-county area to learn more about public health challenges and programs in the region. Sagepoint Senior Living Services was also on-hand to elaborate on the memory care services they offer to seniors. They provided the class with the unique opportunity to participate in a dementia exercise that demonstrated the challenges faced by those coping with memory loss and sensory issues.

The afternoon portion of the day spot-

lighted the COVID-19 response in Southern Maryland and how leaders across multiple industries including public safety, healthcare, and education have worked together to navigate obstacles presented by the pandemic. The healthcare session also included presentations on chronic disease prevention and the Charles County Mobile Integrated Health initiative as well as an overview of services offered through Maryland Coalition of Families by family peer support specialist Amy Young.

Leadership Southern Maryland is a nine-month tuition-based program that educates and inspires a diverse group of current and emerging leaders creating opportunities for collaborations and partnerships impacting the community needs of Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's counties ensuring a cross-section of the region including diversity of geographic location, profession, ethnicity, and gender.

For more information, please contact Denise Foster, executive director, Leadership Southern Maryland, 301-862-7663, via email denise@leadershipsomd.org or visit www.leadershipsomd.org.

Press Release from LSM

CalvertHealth Board Welcomes New Community Members



Malcolm Funn



Gail Donovan Hawkins

The CalvertHealth System Board of Directors is pleased to announce the appointment of retired attorney Malcolm Funn of Solomons and Chesapeake Beach resident Gail Donovan Harkins, who has more than 24 years of experience in healthcare public relations and marketing. Composed of volunteers from the community and the medical staff, the board is responsible for ensuring the health system meets the needs of the community.

"Malcolm and Gail both bring substantial experience in their respective fields as well as extensive community service," said Calvert Health System President and CEO Dean Teague. "I am confident they will make important contributions as we expand to provide new advanced services and technological capabilities to enhance health care for our residents."

Harkins, who retired from CalvertHealth Medical Center in 2016, currently chairs the 250-member auxiliary. Her roots at CalvertHealth run deep. Her father, Frederick J. Donovan, served two terms on the hospital board and was instrumental in securing the funds to build the new hospital in 1978.

Her sister, Joan Kilmon, followed in his footsteps and helped create the KeepWell Center. Donations after the death of her grandfather, Wesley Stinnett, provided the foundation of the hospital's scholarship fund.

Harkins said she is proud to continue this legacy. "When you support the hospital, you're helping everyone in our community," she said. "Calvert Memorial was my work home for 13 years. I know how hard they work every day, 365 days a year. This was never more evidenced than during the COVID crisis."

Harkins is the voice of the vol-

unteers on the board. "I have spent most of my career working in a hospital," she added, "and it has given me a unique perspective of the contributions that volunteers make. Their work has true impact." In the decade leading up to the pandemic, the CalvertHealth auxiliary had volunteered 228,000 hours representing a huge savings to the organization.

Funn's commitment to community service is underscored by his favorite quote by Winston Churchill: "You make a living by what you get. You make a life by what you give." He has served in many leadership roles from the Calvert County Historical Society to Strong Schools Maryland to the Calvert County NAACP and the Calvert County Citizens Advisory Committee.

Funn said he joined the CalvertHealth Board of Directors to be a personal bridge and to develop bridges between the hospital and the community. "Both have to understand each other, both have to be better informed about each other and their respectful needs."

Funn added, "I believe the connections, alliances and contacts I have established and nurtured over the years equips me to construct these bridges and to urge and encourage others to build bridges, as well."

Funn said he believes it is essential for CalvertHealth and the community to function not just as partners but as one united community together. He and his late wife, Annette, frequently attended the hospital galas. After her passing, he and his son, Kelby, participated with Funn giving his personal testimonial about the importance of private patient rooms during his late wife's treatment.

Press Release from CalvertHealth.

Dunkirk Town Center Master Plan Update

By Dick Myers
Editor

Dunkirk Town Center is an odd duck. Writing that, there's not much chance of offending the residents of the Dunkirk Town Center. There's only one residence – a parsonage. Hopefully its occupants are charitable towards our penned trespass.

The fact that there is only one residence is actually one of the reasons the Dunkirk Town Center is unusual. Town centers in Calvert County are supposed to be places that absorb growth so that the rest of the county can retain its rural character.

To its credit, the Dunkirk Town Center has absorbed the commercial growth for northern Calvert County. It has four shopping centers and assorted other stand-alone stores, including three grocery stores.

But the controversy persists around whether the Dunkirk Town Center should expand to include some multi-family housing. And questions persist about vacant storefronts. And the 600-pound gorilla in the room has always been the lack of central water and sewer.

There are reportedly septic system failures in the Apple Green subdivision just south of the town center. And the Dunkirk Marketplace shopping center septic system reportedly is stressed.

All of those issues are front and center as the update of the Dunkirk Town Center Master Plan gets underway. A virtual kickoff meeting was held June 2 and then a July 15 meeting was held in person at Dunkirk firehouse with also virtual attendance. At the second meeting results of the first citizen survey were released.

That survey shows 33 percent want the town center to “stay small, keep growth to minimum and retain rural character” and only two percent want “better infrastructure, specifically water and sewer.”

The residents in the survey and at the July 15 meeting consistently want, however, at least one more quality restaurant.

The survey also shows that traffic is the town center's biggest challenge and land use is the most important topic to be addressed in the master plan update.

The growth opponents have drawn a line in the sand. Dunkirk Area Concerned Citizens Association (DACCA) President J.P. Sherkus was asked by The County Times what would be wrong with a modest amount of multi-family residential development, say behind the Safeway and Giant?



He responded, “We don’t want townhouses. We don’t want multi-family apartment buildings. That’s the bottom line. There’s no infrastructure for it right now. We can’t have it. We can’t handle the traffic in Dunkirk as it is. We do not want that accelerated growth of multi-family residents in the area behind Giant and Safeway.”

Sherkus said, “I think all the talk about Dunkirk being the gateway to Calvert County and all, it’s an idea, but what they want is to look like Waldorf, or worse, you look like Prince Frederick.”

But the update process is bringing out opposing ideas. For instance, one of the virtual breakout sessions at the July 15 meeting, as reported by Marianne Roberts, said, “We agreed that sewer is probably going to be needed or is needed. But one thing we also said was that we think that having residents mixed in or near the businesses would add synergy to the whole place and provide the density needed for some of the stores to stay open, multi-family housing, possibly limited apartments or limited townhouses.”

Planning Commission Chairman Steve Jones, observing one of the in-person break-out sessions, noted it appeared citizens would be okay with central water and sewer as long as it was for what was already there and not new development.

Sherkus disagreed. “That’s not true. We don’t want water and sewer, at least to me and the overwhelming majority of people I’ve spoken to. There’s a lot of reasons for that. Where is a sewage plant

going to be built ... and who’s going to pay for it? Right now, Dunkirk is built out. There is personally, as far as the town center goes, I don’t see any areas that can’t be built out.”

Former Commissioner Tim Hutchins campaigned on the idea of creating a technology park in Dunkirk. In June before his resignation for health reasons became effective, he told The County Times he continued to advocate for “getting a study done of the Dunkirk Town Center area as to the potential of locating a ‘Technology Campus’ there. Dunkirk is the best geographical location in the county for such an economic driver due to its ease of access to the Baltimore-Washington corridors, thus making it an attractive location both competitively and comparatively. Patriot has accomplished it on a smaller scale leveraging that location.

“Anchoring a Tech Campus with supporting businesses engaged in technology development, services or research and anchored by an academic institution, I believe would identify the area as a up and coming driver in its field.

“Coupled with the high level of education in Calvert and government related work force it presents an ideal location for both of the key considerations -- Competition and Comparative advantage of location and work force.”

Director of Economic Development Kelly Robertson-Slagle said her office is watching the master plan update process to see if there would be any interest in pursuing a study of a technology campus.

Hutchins added, “All that said, it takes water and sewer in place to make it work and therein lies the problem, not so much logistically, as a package plant could be the start up until long line pumping stations are in place, but rather political willingness is the most crucial factor which is absent in both local support and consequently BOCC (board of county commissioners) support.”

Sherkus minimizes Hutchins’ idea. “There’s no place to put it, plus it’s more build out that we don’t want, more traffic, more congestion.”

The County Times reached out to Patriot, a full services facilities and infrastructure solutions provider that chose Dunkirk as its headquarters, to see what went into that decision, but they did not respond as of press deadline.

At the July 15 meeting, Charlene Kriemelmeyer reported from one of the breakout sessions, “we agreed that Dunkirk should stay a small, rural shopping center, and that it should be sustainable. And we don’t want any big box shops coming in. We want to keep the rural ambience. We want it to be walkable. We’d like for it to be drivable, have connection roads. It would be nice if we could have managed the growth. No big chains, no more fast-food places. We’ve got more than enough. And basically, small businesses and small, smart growth.”

She added, “Although a lot of people are sad to say this, the time has come to get septic. You look at what’s happened in Apple Green and it’s time to get a large septic

ate Renews Growth/No Growth Debate



system going and hopefully bring in the residences around Apple Green neighborhood.”

A Zoom group noted the number of empty store fronts and reported, “We’d like to see more, small business presence, I think, especially considering the COVID impact on businesses.”

“We’d like to see them stay

around. We’d like to see an environment that promotes them and unique places that appeal to people,” the group reported.

There was also a lot of interest in the breakout groups for a more pedestrian-friendly town center, with connectivity between the shopping centers with sidewalks, crosswalks and bike paths.

There was interest, as well, in other amenities. One group’s spokesperson reported, “We thought it would be really great to perhaps diversify our restaurant options and perhaps have a space where some of our students could come and grab a bite to eat, but also could study. And then perhaps maybe have some physical fitness options as well as, like that community center kind of feel where there might be classes,” adding, “the focus really should be on the walkability and accessibility for everyone in that community center space.”

Roberts reported for her group, “Walkability came up as an answer to almost every question, the need to be able to walk and how there are so many different sections to Dunkirk, and you can’t walk. And we know that a bridge across Route 4 might be a pie in the sky, but we mentioned that. We also agree that there needs to be some kind of place for people to gather, some kind of community center, and we prefer not to have a big building.”

So, planning staff are getting a lot of suggestions from the community. Sherkus said of the process, “Well, the two meetings we had were theoretically what they’re supposed to do according to the law, I guess.” But he added, “I can’t get out of my mind the situation that it might be lip service, they’re going through the motions and then they’re going to do what they want.”

He says they have reasons to be skeptical. “I believe they’re going to push very hard to put in public water and sewer. They can over-develop Dunkirk.”

Sherkus said, “Many people are calling me up saying, why aren’t you doing something? And I have to say, are you a member of DAC-CA? If so, you know we’re trying, but we’re a volunteer organization. We’re just trying to watch out for all of us.”

They are planning a community meeting in September to discuss the master plan process. “They should come to the meetings, and they shouldn’t just sit back and hope somebody else is going to do something about it. They have to speak up. There are 90,000 residents in Calvert County right now; the overall majority of them are not builders and developers, but it seemed like many of the commissioners, that’s all they were catering to, in my opinion, the builders and developers, not the residents. We went to every meeting on the Calvert County Comprehensive Plan. There were literally hundreds of suggestions and speeches. And at the end, the commissioners just went ahead and did what they wanted anyway, which is not what people wanted.”

Whatever draft plan is developed will have to go to the planning commission for public hearing and a recommendation to the county commissioners, who have the final say.

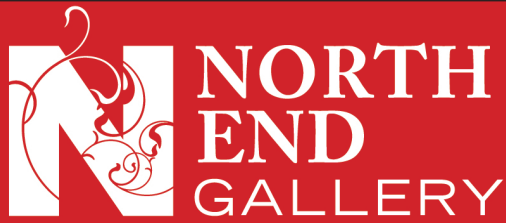
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Leadership Class Experiences Local Education



LSM's Class of 2021 Executive Program session on education included a panel discussion with all three superintendents from the tri-county area as well as the presidents from College of Southern Maryland and St. Mary's College of Maryland.

Leadership Southern Maryland (LSM) Class of 2021 participated in the seventh of nine educational sessions for the LSM Executive Program. This session's topic was education in the region.

The session was held at the College of Southern Maryland (CSM) Velocity Center in Indian Head. Local leaders including Mayor Brandon Paulin as well as representatives from CSM and the Naval Surface Warfare Center Indian Head Division were on hand to welcome the class.

LSM Class of 2020 graduate Thomas Brewer proceeded to set the tone for the day with a presentation on the history and evolution of education. This was followed by a panel discussion with regional educators who shed light on the challenges and successes of educating students during the pandemic. The class also had an opportunity to further explore pandemic learning during a question and answer session with students from St. Mary's County Public Schools.

The latter part of the program session featured Southern Maryland leaders in education. Executive Pro-

gram participants met with all three superintendents from the tri-county area as well as the presidents of both College of Southern Maryland and St. Mary's College of Maryland. This allowed for discussion of critical topics including school funding, teacher retention, and how community members can better support education. That concept was fine-tuned during the day's final presentation on internship opportunities and partnerships in the region.

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Press Release from LSM.

CSM Bestows Faculty Excellence Award

The College of Southern Maryland (CSM) honored Associate English Professor John Kulikowski with the college's Faculty Excellence Award. The annual award honors faculty for outstanding achievement in classroom teaching, contributions both to their department and the college, professional development and community commitment. Kulikowski has distinguished himself among his students and his colleagues in the English and Communications division of CSM's School of Liberal Arts as being liked and respected by all.

"In my fifteen years teaching, John Kulikowski stands out for his institutional commitment and positive, purposeful impact on today's community college student," said CSM Associate English Professor Christopher Ankney. "I am privileged to work closely with John as an English colleague and a member of many shared committees. In my first five years at CSM, I have witnessed John grow into one of its pillars, one who has held the college up, and the department together during the pandemic.

"John is one of the most effective teachers in our department because he empathizes with our students while holding them accountable," Ankney wrote in his nomination of Kulikowski, further explaining that Kulikowski has been nicknamed 'Mr. 5s' because of the consistent high ratings he receives from his students.

"Humbly, John laughs it off, and he never lauds it over anyone," Ankney added. "In his trademark baseball cap and flannel button-down, John reverts to discussion of his students and their performances. Firsthand, I've watched him interact with his students at awards ceremonies, treating them like family."

"Every decision that I make in the research, preparation, execution, and evaluation for the classes I teach is centered on one central theme: how will this be communicated and understood by all of my students?" Kulikowski explained. "Because our students are so diverse, and represent such a diverse set of backgrounds and experiences, the key to my teaching success resides in having my students know that I value each of their unique perspectives as we



John Kulikowski

build our knowledge and understanding as one cohesive learning community. In part, I accomplish this by being very honest and real with them; they know that I will always tell them the truth and that I will be there for them - both inside and outside the classroom - and help them to meet their goals and push them past the limits that others may have previously instilled in them."

Kulikowski said he works hard to be cognizant of where his students come from and then he tailors his lectures and readings to meet the students 'where they are', so the students will relate the literature and concepts to their own lives.

"Because we have built trust as individuals, it fosters the discussion of these ideas and perspectives as a whole group," Kulikowski added. "You don't have much if you don't have trust, but once you do, the students buy in and are willing to open up and get invested in the experience and process of critical thinking and learning. They trust me, and one another, so together we build, share and grow."

Kulikowski also shared that while his students have consistently given him high marks as their instructor, he learns from them, too. "What I hope they realize is they are the ones who actually shaped [the class content], and me."

Press Release from CSM

CSM Joins COVID-19 College Vaccine Challenge



The College of Southern Maryland (CSM) has joined colleges and universities across the country to participate in the White House and U.S. Department of Education's efforts to end the pandemic by signing up for the COVID-19 College Vaccine Challenge. The goal is to have as many CSM students vaccinated by Sept. 1 as possible.

CSM announced last week that it will return to normal campus operations Aug. 23, 2021, after 17 months of restricted or remote operations in response to the COVID-19 crisis. This operational shift includes an increase in the number of in-person class instruction options and the reopening of conference, meeting and event spaces and common areas. By taking part in the COVID-19 College Vaccine Challenge, CSM has agreed to take actions to help its campus communities get vaccinated by engaging student, faculty and staff members and delivering vaccine access for all.

Students who register for the #VaxUpHawks COVID-19 Vaccine Challenge to take the #VaxUpHawks pledge – with proof of vaccination – have a chance to win a \$100 CSM College Store gift certificate each week and/or a one-class scholarship each month during July and August.

Each registered student also receives a White House COVID-19 College Vaccine Challenge t-shirt for participating.

To aid in the effort, CSM will

also be hosting walk-in clinics at three of its campuses before the semester starts for students and any member of the public. Those details include:

Leonardtown Campus:

Building C, Library, Rooms 102/103
Aug. 4, 2-6 p.m. and Aug. 25, 2-6 p.m.

Prince Frederick Campus:

John E. Harms Academic Center (Building A), Rooms 122/123
Aug. 12, 2-6 p.m. Sept. 2, 2-6 p.m.

CSM will not require vaccinations to return to campus; however, students in certain CSM nursing and health programs are being required to show proof of vaccination by the college's clinical partners. Those students have been notified they will need to provide vaccination verification along with their other health screening, immunization, background check and drug screening program requirements.

Learn more about the #VaxUpHawks COVID-19 Vaccine Challenge at #VaxUpHawks COVID-19 Vaccine Challenge (csmd.edu). Information about the additional COVID-19 vaccination clinics in Maryland can be found at <https://coronavirus.maryland.gov/pages/vaccine>.

Stay up-to-date with the status of CSM's campus operations by visiting CSM Ready at <https://www.csmd.edu/ready/>.

Press Release from CSM

MedStar St. Mary's Awards Scholarships

For 20 years, MedStar St. Mary's Hospital has supported students in the Southern Maryland region by providing scholarships to individuals pursuing degrees in health care. Since 2001, 169 students have received support through this program. For 2021, six area students were awarded \$132,000 in scholarships to help them continue their journey to become the next generation of healthcare professionals.

The generous support of community members and local businesses enables the Philanthropy Committee of the hospital's Board of Directors. to provide these annual scholarships.

Receiving scholarships this year, are five students pursuing degrees in nursing:

- Hannah Callander** of California
- Cameron Guy** of Hollywood
- Olivia Jones** of La Plata
- Brittany Messina** of St. Leonard

Kaitlin Zelonis of Leonardtown
The sixth scholarship recipient, **Allyson Raley** of Clements will be enrolling in a medical lab technician program.

"These students are truly amazing in what they have accomplished," said Lea Weaver, chair of the scholarship committee.



Brittany Messina of St. Leonard

"Listening to them discuss their passion and desire to join our incredible community of healthcare professionals was an amazing experience. We can't wait to follow and support them on their journey."

In addition to the community scholarship program, MedStar St. Mary's Hospital also offers scholarships to staff in clinical and nonclinical departments who wish to continue their education and advance their careers. In FY2021, 20 scholarships were awarded totaling \$94,000.

MedStarStMarys.org/Scholarships has more information about scholarships or go to MedStarStMarys.org/Careers for a listing of current job opportunities.

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School System Announces New Administrators

The Board of Education of Calvert County Public Schools (CCPS) approved the appointment of eight central office and school administrators at the meeting held on July 15.

Superintendent Dr. Daniel D. Curry said, "We are extremely excited to promote and employ this talented group of leaders. There are no great schools without great leaders, and this group will have a major impact on student success."

The administrative appointments are:

Jacquelyn Jacobs from Supervisor of Digital Learning, Professional Development, and New Teachers to **Director of System and Instructional Performance**

Jacobs has served in her current supervisory position since 2014. She began her career as a math teacher at Southern Middle School in 1994 and later served as a learning specialist, dean, and vice principal prior to joining the Department of Instruction, where she has been the Coordinator and then Supervisor of Mathematics. Ms. Jacobs received her Bachelor of Science in Mathematics from Frostburg State University in 1994 and her Master of Science in Curriculum and Instruction from McDaniel College in 2004.

Matt Poteet from Supervisor of Information Technology to **Director of Information Technology**

Poteet received his Bachelor of Arts in History and Social Science in 1996 and his Master of Science in Human Re-



Towson University. He began his teaching career at Southern Middle School and then moved to Patuxent High School. In 2005, he transferred to the Department of Information Technology as a teacher specialist and currently serves as a supervisor in that department.

Brittini Sammons from Inclusive Program Specialist to **Supervisor of Instructional Performance**.

Sammons began her career as a special educator for Calvert County Public Schools in 2002. She served as an assistant principal at Calvert High School until 2016, when she became the Inclusive Programming Specialist in the Department of Special Education. Sammons received her Bachelor of Science from the University of Maine of Farmington in 2002 and her Master of Arts in Administration and Supervision in 2011 from Notre Dame University of Maryland.

pal at Mt. Harmony Elementary School to **Supervisor of Special Education**.

Gross has served Calvert County Public Schools as a classroom teacher, dean of students, and most recently assistant principal at Mt. Harmony Elementary School. Ms. Gross received her Master of Arts in Elementary Education from Trinity College in 2003 and her Bachelor of Science in 1998 from the University of Maryland, Eastern Shore.

Elizabeth Megonigal from Dean of Students at Northern Middle School to **Assistant Principal at Mt. Harmony Elementary School**.

Megonigal received her Bachelor of Science in chemistry from Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia in 1986 and her Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction in 2001 from George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia. She began in Calvert County as a chemistry teacher at Huntingtown High School before moving to Northern Middle School as the dean of students.

Eric Ruffo from Assistant Principal at Calvert Elementary School to **Principal at Huntingtown Elementary School**.

Ruffo has served in the position of assistant principal at Calvert Elementary and Sunderland Elementary Schools since 2012. Prior to that, he served as a pupil personnel worker and a school counselor after teaching fifth grade at Windy Hill Elementary School. He received his

education and his Master of Education from Loyola College in Maryland.

Michele Schmidt from Mathematics Core Lead at Huntingtown High School to **Assistant Principal at Huntingtown High School**.

Schmidt is currently the mathematics core lead at Huntingtown High School after teaching at both Plum Point Middle School and Plum Point Elementary School. She received her Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education with a concentration in mathematics in 1997 from the University of Maryland, College Park and her Master of Science in Administration, Supervision, Curriculum, and Instruction in 1999 from Western Maryland, now McDaniel, College.

Krysten Sneade from a Coordinator in Prince George's County to **Assistant Principal at Calvert Elementary School**.

Sneade began her career with Calvert County Public Schools as a substitute teacher in 2008. She became an adaptive physical educator for Prince George's County Public Schools and most recently oversaw regional program staff. She received her Bachelor of Science in Physical Education from the University of Maryland, College Park in 2011 and her Master of Arts in Leadership in Special Education in 2017 from Notre Dame University of Maryland.

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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 29

CSM Transfer Thursday *Virtual; 11 a.m.*

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

Little Minnows

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

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

Friday, July 30

Food Truck Fridays

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

Enjoy dinner and evening hours in the garden! Grab dinner from one of the food trucks, take a walk, tour a gallery show, and frolic in the Fairy Lolly. Guests are encouraged to bring chairs and picnic blankets. Some evenings will include additional activities and a cash bar. This is a "pay what you can" event with a suggested donation of \$5/person (amount of suggested donation may vary). Well-behaved pets on a short leash are welcome; rain or shine event; no smoking or vaping; masks and social distancing required. Complete food truck schedule, visit www.annmariegarden.org

Surplus Yard Sale

County Services Plaza; 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

The Calvert County Government Procurement Office will

host a surplus yard sale. Items for sale include desks, file cabinets, chairs and more. Items will be priced from \$1 to \$5 and may be purchased with cash or check. All items purchased must be picked up by 4 p.m. on July 30. The event will be held rain or shine at the County Services Plaza located at 150 Main St. in Prince Frederick. For more information, contact the Procurement Office at 410-535-1600, ext. 2289 or by email at Procurement@calvertcountymd.gov.

Saturday, July 31

Dee of St. Mary's Public Sail

Calvert Marine Museum; 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Sail on the Dee of St. Mary's, leaving from the museum dock. Fee is \$25 for ages 13 and up, \$15 for children 5 - 12. No children under 5, please. Pre-register by noon on the Friday before each cruise at <https://www.calvertmarinemuseum.com/238/Dee-of-St-Marys-Cruises>.

Tuesday, August 3

Women's Outreach Group

River Church of Southern Maryland; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Our outreach group is an 11-week book study, teaching how to become an "Overcomer". Registration required, please register by July 30 by leaving your name and phone number at 301-274-0770 and someone will contact you. The church is located at 7627 Leonardtown Road, Hughesville, Maryland 20637.

Things that Bloom and Buzz by the Bay

Calvert Marine Museum; 10 a.m. - noon

Join CMM educators for a morning of exploration, crafts, stories, and fun related to plants and pollinators. For ages 5-7. Capacity is limited and there is a \$10 program fee. Registration will begin Monday, June 28. See our website for

details. www.calvertmarinemuseum.com

Wednesday, August 4

Fossil Adventure Day

Calvert Marine Museum; 10 a.m. - noon

Join a CMM educator for this fossil field program. Participants will learn about local Miocene fossils and explore the beach to search for fossilized shells, bones, and shark teeth. For ages 8-12. Capacity is limited and there is a \$10 program fee. Registration will begin Monday, June 28. See our website for details.

Thursday, August 5

CSM Transfer Thursday

Virtual; 11 a.m.

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

Sea Squirts

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

Children 18 months to 3 years, with an adult, are invited to discover the museum together through music, stories, and special activities. Join us for story time and a carryout craft, available while supplies last. Sessions are 25-40 minutes. Capacity is limited. No pre-registration; sign up at the Admissions Desk when you arrive.

Ongoing

PFVFD Fireman's Carnival

Back by popular demand! Join the fun beginning August 3, 2021 at the old Calvert Middle School grounds, just off route 4. Discount tickets will be available at local

businesses beginning in mid-July. Thank you for your support!

Calvert Library Openings

All library locations extended their walk-in building hours to Monday through Thursday, 10am to 7pm, Friday 1-5pm and Saturday 10am to 2pm. Curbside services continue to be offered during those times as well. All study/tutoring rooms, quiet study room, and some meeting rooms are open as well. Call any Calvert Library location for assistance or appointments. Customers can also follow and interact with library staff on Facebook and Twitter. More information about coronavirus is available in the Research & Learn section of the library website. Call 410-535-0291 or email getanswers@calvertlibrary.info with any reference questions you may have.

Enchanted Summer at the Garden

Annmarie Sculpture Garden; until September 6

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

In Remembrance

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

Fausto Anthony Marino



Fausto Anthony Marino, 83, of Port Republic, MD passed away on July 25, 2021 in Port Republic, MD.

Visitation will be Monday, August 2, 2021, 10-11 a.m. at St. John Vianney Catholic Church, 105 Vianney Lane, Prince Frederick, MD 20678. Funeral services will follow at 11 a.m. at the church.

Interment will be Monday, August 2, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. at Ft. Lincoln Cemetery, 3401 Bladensburg Road, Brentwood, MD 20722

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

<https://calverthospice.org/> or

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place

Memphis, TN 38105; Link:

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

Edgar Russell "Eddie" Wood, Jr.



Edgar Russell "Eddie" Wood, Jr. passed away July 25, 2021 at his home in Deale. Eddie was born April 24, 1961 in Prince Frederick to Lor-

raine Mae (Fowler) and Edgar Russell Wood, Sr. He was raised in Owings and graduated from Northern High School. He was

employed as a truck driver with Reliable Contracting Company in Gambrills, MD. He enjoyed fishing and hunting, playing baseball, auto mechanics, watching his favorite T.V. shows, and spending time with his family.

Eddie was preceded in death by his parents, and is survived by his son Joshua R. Wood and wife Courtney of Lusby, a grandson Mason Russell Wood, sisters Donna Crandell and husband Joseph of Churchton and Robin Phipps and husband Tilghman of Deale. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

Eddie's family will have a private graveside service at a later date.

Shirley King Wood



Shirley King Wood, 88, of Friendship passed away July 22, 2021. She was born August 31, 1932 in Arbutus to Alvin Hamilton and Mary

(Leitch) King. Shirley was raised in Arbutus and graduated from Catonsville High School and later from Strayer Business College. She married John "Billy" Wood on July 28, 1951 and they lived in Friendship. She was employed with Prince George's County Soil Conservation and the U.S. Census Bureau before going to work for Anne Arundel County Public Schools where she worked as a secretary at Lothian Elementary School for many years. Shirley was a longtime member of Friendship United Methodist Church where she taught Sunday School. Shirley enjoyed traveling, crossword puzzles, vegetable gardening and canning, and watching

Wheel of Fortune, Jeopardy, and The Price is Right.

Shirley was preceded in death by her husband John W. "Billy" Wood and brother William "Billy" King. She is survived by her daughter Bonnie G. Baden of North Beach, son Ronald K. "Ronnie" Wood (Denise) of Owings, grandchildren Christopher (Virginia) and Emily (Tommy) Baden, great-grandchildren Kayla and Michael, and brother Alvin Hamilton King, Jr. of Columbia, SC.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Friendship United Methodist Church, 22 West Friendship Road, Friendship, MD 20758.

Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Home.

Jeannie Wilkinson Hinman



Jeannie Wilkinson Hinman, 75, of Waldorf, MD, passed away on July 22, 2021 after a battle with colon cancer. Jeannie was born

on May 3, 1946 to William Owen Wilkinson and Agnes Olivia Fowler Wilkinson, in Prince Frederick, MD. After graduating from Calvert High School in 1964, she went on to study at Strayer Business School. In 1966, she met Patrick Hinman, and they wed in 1968, going on to have 2 children, Kristen Whittington and Scott Hinman.

Jeannie was preceded in death by her parents, William O. Wilkinson Sr. and Agnes Fowler Wilkinson. She is survived by her husband of 53 years, Patrick Hinman, children Kristen Whittington (Rob) and Scott Hinman, grandchildren, Olivia, Sophia, Amelia, Owen Whittington, brother, William O. Wilkinson, Jr. and many other family and friends.

Visitation will be Thursday, July 29, 2021, 10-11 a.m. at Rausch Funeral Home-Owings, 8325 Mt. Harmony Lane, Owings, MD 20736. Services will follow at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

-Owings

Interment will be in Mt. Harmony United Methodist Church Cemetery, 155 East Mt. Harmony Road, Owings, MD 20736

Jeannie's family requests that in lieu of flowers donations be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105; Link: <https://www.stjude.org/> or Hos-

pice of the Chesapeake, 90 Ritchie Highway, Pasadena, MD 21122; 410-987-2003; Link:

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

Robert Kolich

Robert Kolich, better known as Butch, passed away July 20th, 2021 in St. Leonard, MD.

Butch was born in 1942 of Joseph and Sarah Kolich in McKeesport, PA. He was involved in music early on, including with the McKeesport Junior Tambuitzans. He was an Eagle Scout and President of the McKeesport High School Band.

After enlisting in the United States Marine Corps in 1960, he was an instructor at the Field Music School at Parris Island, SC with the USMC Drum & Bugle Corps (The Commandant's Own) Marine Barracks Washington, DC. His career in the Marine Corps spanned band music, machine guns, and computers. He retired as a M/Sgt. in 1980 after a tour in Vietnam and serving in all three divisions of the Marine Corps.

Butch and his wife enjoyed sailing all over the Chesapeake Bay for 35 years. He was well known for being active in community affairs and with the Marine Corps League Detachment in Patuxent, Maryland.

M/Sgt. Kolich is survived by his loving wife of 41 years Mary Lee, sons Robert Kolich Jr. and Lt/Col. Matthew Kolich USMC (Ret), grandchildren Brittney, Abby, and Nicolas, brother Cpl. Timothy Kolich USMC (Ret) and Sgt. Zane Donaldson USMC. This is a Marine family with multiple tours in Vietnam, Iraq and Afghanistan.

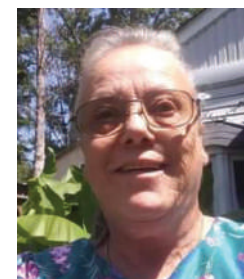
Memorial Contributions may be made to Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation, 2361 Hylan Boulevard, Staten Island, NY 10306; Link:

<https://tunnel2towers.org/> or

Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka KS 66675; Link:

<http://woundedwarriorproject.org>

Cheryl Darlene Blaney



Cheryl Darlene Blaney, 64, of North Beach passed away at home on July 18, 2021. She was born February 18, 1957 in Baltimore to John and Betty (Martin) Blaney. Cheryl

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was raised in Chesapeake Beach and graduated from Northern High School. She was employed as a security guard at the beach in The Willows, a 911 operator, and worked in the maintenance department at North Beach Senior Apartments before going to work as a school bus driver with Calvert County Public Schools for 15 years. Cheryl was a hard worker and often worked multiple jobs at a time. She loved dogs and enjoyed collecting things, helping others, playing the guitar, fishing, fixing things, and working with her hands. Cheryl was a very independent person and was always willing to try new things. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Cheryl was preceded in death by her parents. She is survived by her cousins Lanny Hale of Chesapeake Beach and Faye Hale of Cocoa, FL and second cousin Linda Penifill of Woodbridge, VA, as well as many friends.

Visitation will be Saturday, July 31, 2021, 1-3 p.m. at Rausch Funeral Home-Owings, 8325 Mt. Harmony Lane, Owings, MD 20736. Memorial service will follow at 3 p.m. at the funeral home.

Contributions may be made to The Humane Society of Calvert County, PO Box 3505, Prince Frederick, MD 20678; Link:

<https://humanesocietyofcalvertcounty.org/>

Gerald Lee Leftwich



Gerald Lee Leftwich, 64, of Lothian, MD passed away July 18, 2021 surrounded by family. He was born December 8, 1956 in Ta-

koma Park, MD to William Frank and Esther Irene (Pilkerton) Leftwich. Gerry was a roofing salesman prior to retirement.

Gerry loved life to the fullest, his happiest moments were when he was with family and friends. He loved music and entertaining, steaming crabs (the best ever!), golfing and playing darts. Gerry was the front man for many bands, in his time "Pure Luck" and "The Wanted Band" most notably. He was a lover of anything Elvis, and he performed his songs often and amazingly in his line-ups.

It is hard to express the empti-

ness that is felt by all that loved Gerry, but we know that he is now at peace and rejoicing with some very special people that were lost before him. Gerry is predeceased by this father and half-brother James Leftwich.

Surviving are his mother Esther Leftwich; sister Sandy Huggins both of Lothian; brother Eugene Leftwich and his wife Pamella of Churchton; half-sisters Peggy Kaplan of Silver Spring; and Patricia Leftwich of North Carolina; daughter Heather Coleman and her husband Wayne of Fairfax, VA and son Gere L. Beason of Nashville, TN. grandchildren Ryan, Corey and Mackenzie Coleman and also survived by Hillary Wines, Emily Tippet and "Little" Michael Tippet. Also surviving are several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation will be Thursday, July 29, 2021, 6-7:30 p.m. at Rausch Funeral Home-Owings, 8325 Mt. Harmony Lane Owings, MD 20736. Services will follow at 7:30 p.m. at the funeral home.

Contributions may be made to Hospice of the Chesapeake, 90 Ritchie Highway, Pasadena, MD 21122; 410-987-2003; Link:

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

Delia Mavis Ullberg



Delia Mavis Ullberg (May 14, 1963- July 18, 2021). Delia was born in San Francisco, California but grew up in Cal-

vert County, moving to Calvert County soon after her third birthday. Growing up she enjoyed the freedom of living on our small farm; she and her brother made the pastures and fields their backyard from the beginning, enjoying the freedom that smaller spaces can't provide. She loved her pets, her cat and kittens and puppies; she also liked caring for the farm animals and understood how to give them gentle, loving care. She even made a pet of the family's milk cow, an animal from a large herd that had previously had only a number.

As a teen, she volunteered at the Smithsonian Institution's Natural History Museum, cataloguing in the collections of small mammal

skins. The curatorial staff nicknamed her "the flat rat kid." Still in her teens, she had a part-time job at the children's museum on Capitol Hill. This was a new museum venture, and she was able to work in many capacities: finally becoming the weekend cashier. The museum director wanted to hire her fulltime, but college beckoned. She earned a biology degree from Earlham College in Indiana, but later decided her life's work should be a library career; and she went nights to Catholic University in Washington, DC., to earn a Masters of Library Science.

She worked for 15 years in many branches of the Fairfax County Public Libraries, most recently as a child and youth services librarian. She became expert on matching books to children's interests. One of her special goals was to get kids interested in reading, and she researched different sources of new materials that could help make literature come alive to young readers. She designed library programs for children from 18 months to teenage. During the COVID quarantine, she made videos which taught children how to utilize common household materials to create crafts at home.

Delia is survived by her mother and father, Alan and Patricia Ullberg, and her brother, Rohin Ullberg, sister-in-law Diane Wallander, and her nephews, Steven and Wyatt Ullberg.

Contributions may be made to Maryland SPCA, 3300 Falls Road, Baltimore, MD 21211; Link:

<https://www.mdspca.org/> or The World Wildlife Fund, 1250 24th Street N.W., P.O. Box 97180, Washington, DC 20090; Link:

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Funeral arrangements were made by Rausch Funeral Home.

Raymond "Ray-Ray" William Jackson III



Raymond "Ray-Ray" William Jackson III, resident of Shady Side MD, passed away Thursday, July 15, 2021. Ray-Ray grew

up in Riverdale and Lonaconing MD. He graduated from Westmar High School in 1993.

Ray-Ray enjoyed spending time with his family, most of all with his daughter Amber. He loved music, dogs and bonfires.

Ray-Ray is survived by his daughter Amber Rae Jackson, mother Terry Getty, grandparents Raymond & June Jackson, uncle Dave Jackson & aunt Melissa, and cousins, David Jackson (Morgan), Richard Jackson, Sarah Jackson and Liam Jackson, and sister Annie Getty.

He was preceded in death by his father Raymond W Jackson II and brother Brian "Boo-Boo" Anthony Jackson.

Contributions may be made to GoFundMe for Raymond William Jackson; Link:

https://www.gofundme.com/f/viewing-and-cremation-for-raymond-william-jackson?utm_source=facebook&fbclid=IwAR2pbuopwZk1aV2xV5-Jx0OsaWOfgsd-BacMf_HhgyurHgPf_WBdMzM-H1ITM

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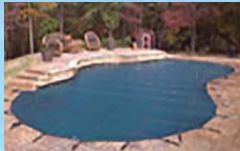
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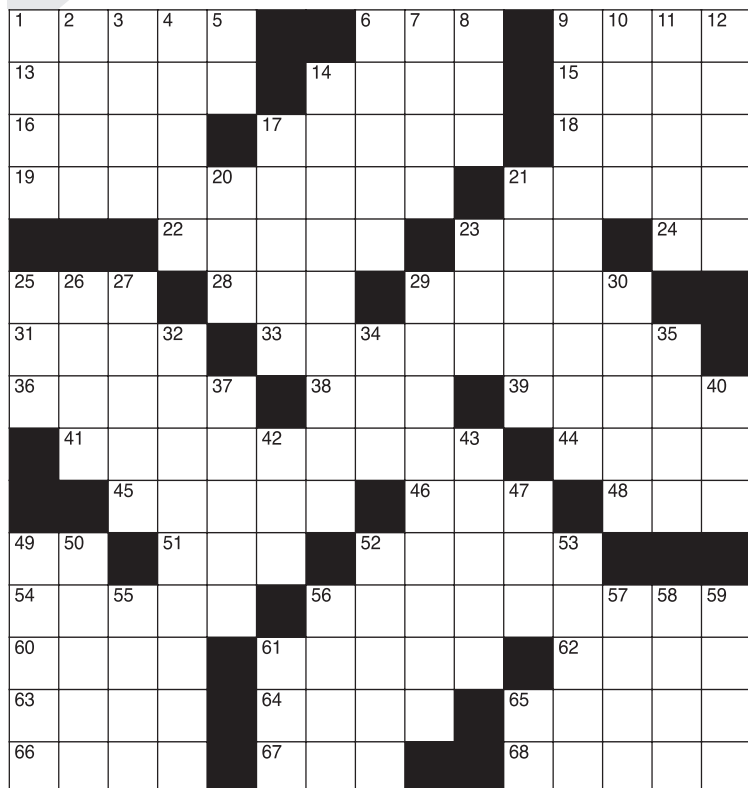
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- 1. Ponds
- 6. "Unbelievable" musicians
- 9. Invests in little enterprises
- 13. Longtime Utah Jazz coach
- 14. Small sailboat
- 15. "Luther" actor
- 16. Round Dutch cheese
- 17. Detects underwater objects
- 18. Harsh, grating noise
- 19. Steward
- 21. Fencing sword
- 22. Painful places on the body
- 23. "Sleepless in Seattle" actress Ryan
- 24. Sodium
- 25. Engineering degree (abbr.)
- 28. Small lump
- 29. African antelope
- 31. Electronic point of sale
- 33. Carefully chooses
- 36. Ringworm
- 38. Unrefined
- 39. Drenches
- 41. Type of pants
- 44. Son of Noah
- 45. Spiritual being
- 46. Upton Sinclair

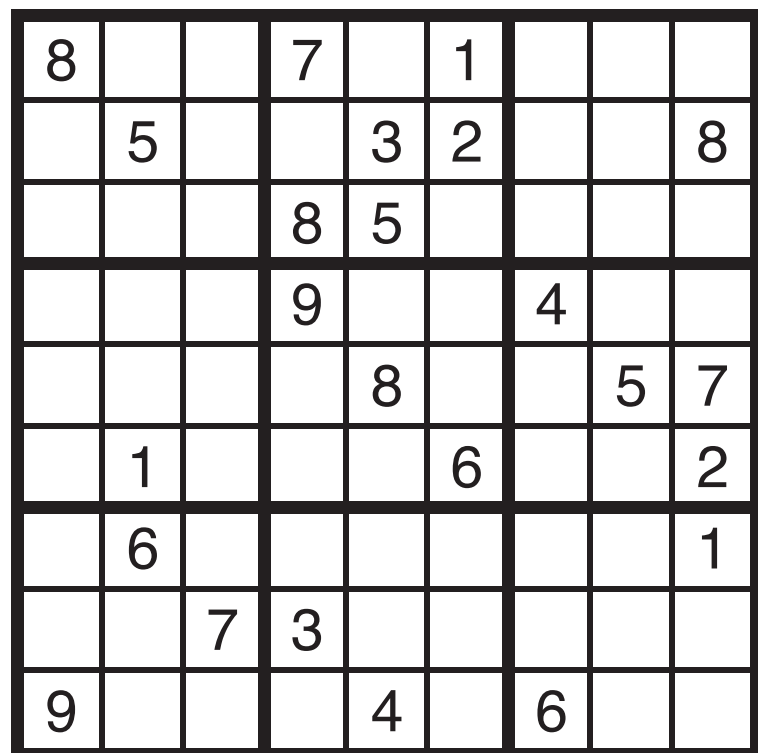
novel

- 48. Journalist Tarbell
- 49. Atomic #21 (abbr.)
- 51. Born of
- 52. Rich tapestry
- 54. S. China seaport
- 56. Being without clothes
- 60. Surrounded by
- 61. Remains
- 62. Away from wind
- 63. Dried-up
- 64. One who can see the future
- 65. A very large body of water
- 66. Digs up earth
- 67. Type of screen
- 68. Old Norse poet

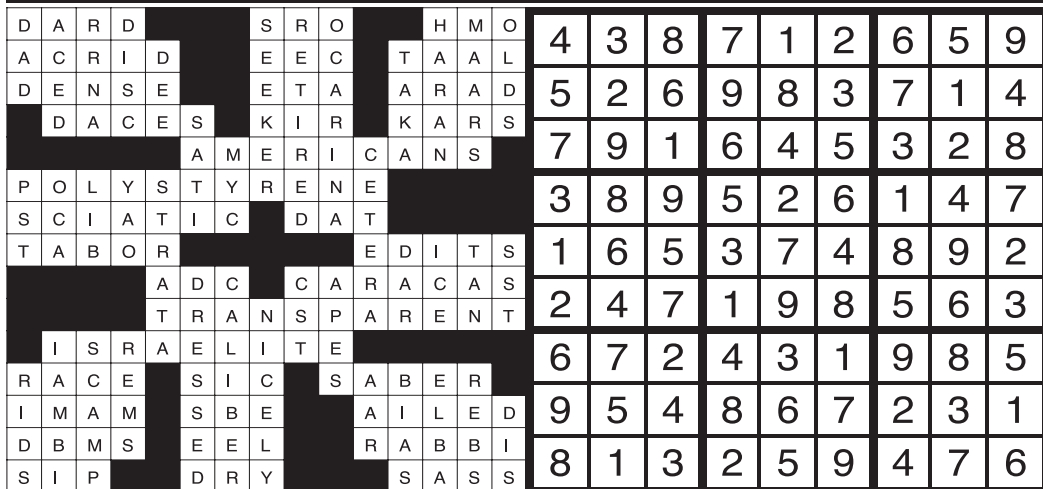
CLUES DOWN

- 1. Millisecond
- 2. Spanish city
- 3. Sudden, very loud sound
- 4. Type of chair
- 5. Tin
- 6. Sea eagles
- 7. Broad volcanic crater
- 8. Some animals have it
- 9. Ottoman palaces
- 10. Divulge a secret
- 11. "A Doll's House" playwright
- 12. "It's a Wonderful Life" director
- 14. Poisonous perennial

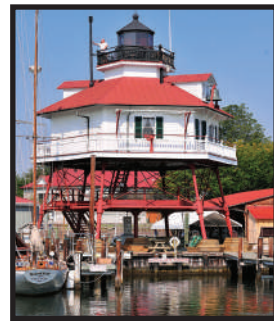
- 17. Gulf in the Aegean
- 20. Clothes
- 21. Chairs
- 23. Family of regulator genes
- 25. NY ballplayer
- 26. Impressive in size or scope
- 27. Jacques ___, Fr. biologist
- 29. Manhattanite
- 30. Genus of lemurs
- 32. Sings to
- 34. River in southern Italy
- 35. Supplemented with difficulty
- 37. Farewell
- 40. Senior officer
- 42. Utah resident
- 43. Begets
- 47. Boy
- 49. Violently break
- 50. Brief appearance
- 52. Expressed pleasure
- 53. A light informal meal
- 55. Fabric with smooth finish
- 56. One billionth of a second (abbr.)
- 57. Ancient Greek City
- 58. Close tightly
- 59. Commit
- 61. A way to communicate (abbr.)
- 65. Heavy metal



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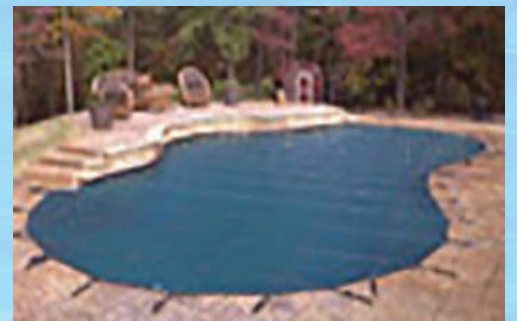
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