



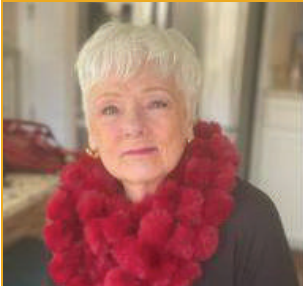
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Adequate Public Facility Rules for Roads Questioned

Expanded Regulations Under Consideration

By Dick Myers
Editor

The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is considering changes to the county's Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance (APF).

The current ordinance says: "Before the Planning Commission can grant final approval of a residential subdivision or residential development of land (which includes subdivisions and site plans for townhouse, single-family attached, multi-family, and mixed residential developments) subject to these regulations either in its entirety or by section, it must find that all identified roads and schools are adequate or that roads are programmed to be adequate within one year. Otherwise, approval shall be denied. In cases where facilities are not adequate, a residential subdivision or residential development shall receive final approval if the applicant provides improvements to render both the roads and schools adequate."

Under consideration is expanding the definition to include other facilities such as public sewer and water, storm drainage, solid waste, public safety, law enforcement, and parks. Those items were discussed June 28 in a work session with county staff.

But it was the application of the APF for roads which drew the most discussion from the commissioners. According to Director of Public Works Kerry Dull, the current regulations say, "The county intersections must maintain a level 'C' service rating except for Town Centers where a level 'D' service

rating will be acceptable. State roads and intersections must maintain a minimum level 'D' service rating."

Dull explained that Level C is "essentially 220 feet or roughly about 11 car lengths," adding, "I'm going to be waiting about 20 to 35 seconds at that signaled intersection before I go. And if I look at the unsigned intersection, I'm going to be waiting roughly 15 to 25 seconds before I would proceed."

Commissioner Mike Hart said the studies don't meet the "eye test" of the bumper-to-bumper traffic of Routes 2/4. "It's a selective time period instead of a full 24 hours."

Commissioner Chris Gadway said, "It's just when we sit there and look at certain key intersections throughout the county, and there are times when with no accidents or anything else, it's 20 to 30 minutes to get through an intersection from say Huntingtown to the hospital, just simply due to traffic, that I can't imagine 20 or 30 minutes and you were talking 20 or 30 seconds earlier."

"I'm just surprised we're going to use D as passing," Hart said.

Commissioner President Buddy Hance said, "In my four years, I don't think I've seen a traffic study yet that said a subdivision contributed any impact, which always shocks the heck out of me. You build an apartment complex on a two-lane road with 250 units and the traffic study comes back and says there's no impact. Who can sign their name to that?"

Hance added, "All that traffic gets dumped on Route 4 and nobody's accounting for that."

Hance noted, "Every study comes back and says no impact. And we see three Saturdays ago, the traffic at Stoakley Road was backed up beyond the Toyota dealer on a Saturday, middle of the day. And there was no accident."

Gadway added, "And ditto that on 231. There are times where people will wait five to 10 minutes to try and make a safe left hand turn onto 231. And that's not been the case 10 years ago."

County Administrator Mark Willis said the county changed Route 231 from its second state road priority to third and moved the completion of Routes 2/4 ahead of it because that was a more realistic accomplishment for the state.

Commissioner Steve Weems said, "I think it's imperative that the current board, and future boards, work with the delegation on the matter of numbered roads, specifically 2 and 4, because at the end of the day, we



Calvert County Director of Public Works Kerry Dull

need assistance with this matter."
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Todd Ireland is a lifelong resident of Calvert County and has spent the past 28 plus years serving the citizens of Calvert County as a Correctional Officer and Deputy Sheriff. Ireland attended numerous leadership schools and worked his way through the ranks ultimately receiving numerous awards, citations and proclamations. He retired as a Captain from the Sheriff's Office in December of 2021. Ireland thoroughly enjoyed serving the citizens of Calvert County. He enjoyed being met with the challenge of helping people solve their problems, no matter how simple or complex they may have been. Ireland said serving the citizens of Calvert County as a Deputy Sheriff has been rewarding and he looks forward to continuing his service to the community as a Calvert County Commissioner.

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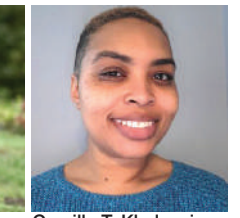
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Christina "Tina" Hall



Camille T. Khaleesi

Forum Held for School Board Candidates

Seven of Nine Candidates Attend

By Dick Myers
Editor

Seven of the nine candidates for the two at-large board of education seats on the July 19 primary participated in a forum June 29 at the College of Southern Maryland put on by the League of Women Voters and the NAACP. Candidates Scott Devine and Lisa Grenis did not participate.

Moderators Malcolm Funn and Len Zuza asked questions in a randomly selected order alternating with four respondents and then three, so candidates did not get the same questions.

There were no opening statements but all seven candidates could encapsulate their campaigns in closing 90-second statements.

Tracy McGuire said, "When we started this evening, I outlined what I think of a world-class school system, what that looks like. So now let me tell you how I think we get there. We get there first by at least three board members and hopefully five all agreeing on the definition of a world-class school system. If you get that, then you do the piece with the educator negotiation units to get agreement on what the elements of a world-class school system are and that each article of negotiation is targeting that world-class school system. And finally, the school board passes policies and budgets focused on a world-class school system, and they evaluate a superintendent and they do oversight looking for a world class school system. So that is the focus. There's going to be a lot of distractions. There's going to be a lot of other things that need to be addressed, but I do believe that if we say every decision is towards that goal, that we can get there."

Camille Khaleesi said, "Make no mistake about it. I support the community of Calvert County. I support the students, its faculty, its parents, its non-parents. The way that children are nurtured and taught by the school system impacts all of us. If we want Calvert County to progress and thrive, we have to understand the significance of how the future adults are educated. I'm not focused on politics. I'm not focused on my personal politics. I am a conduit for all of you and the students and children that you have in our school system. So regardless of what your

opinions are, versus what my opinions are, that's not the matter of being an elected member of the board. I'm here to listen. I'm here to have the conversation. If you've reached out to me, you're aware of that. And I hope that you'll vote for me because of that and not just because I support or say what you want me to say or not want me to say, but because you know that I'll listen. And if there's merit in what you have to say, I will work to figure out what we can do to progress that forward because we all live here, and our children are growing here."

Scott Fowler said, "It means a lot to me that everyone is taking enough time out of their day to try to get to know all of us a little bit better so you can make a more informed decision on who you'd like to vote for. As far as myself, I grew up in Calvert County. I know the area very well. I went to high school here. I just want to try to give the young people and students of the county the type of education and childhood I had growing up. I feel like as a whole, the county's done a great job for me, and I just want to try to pay it forward for them. Please go out and vote on July 19th in the primary, if not for myself, for one of these fine candidates. If somebody has said something that you agree with that you think you want to cast your vote for, please do, and let's make the process work."

Damien Lee Villanova said, "Here we go. Last time we're going to see each other in this type of form. It's been an awesome ride. I appreciate the time that I've been out there on the campaign trail, at the baseball fields, handing out my palm card with my kids in tow. I appreciate the feedback. I appreciate everyone who's reached out to me on Facebook in some form of fashion. I really do appreciate the encouragement. But I'm doing this for my kids and I'm doing it for the kids of Calvert County. I have a lot of things on my plate, but this is a very important thing that I placed on my plate on purpose. We moved here for the schools, and my job as board member is to make sure that standard still stays true for my duration, however long it'll be. I'm definitely going to need each and every one of your support." He added, "You're

going to vote for two BOE members and the four that have the most votes move to the general election."

Christina "Tina" Hall said, "My husband and I have lived in Huntingtown with our five kids. Three of our children go to the elementary school that I went to. I know I'm going to cry. That's because I know what's coming. While I might be the least politically experienced candidate, I have an abundance of hands-on experience and passion. I have been involved heavily in my five children's schools and they've attended more than 16 different schools for various regional programs, summer school and ESY, while raising multiple special needs children. I've also worked closely with the special education department for nearly the last 10 years. Because of this, I have developed a unique perspective. I have a hands-on example. This is the general education classroom (holding up a ball with holes in it) that is called the inclusion program, inclusion, not inclusive. So, these are all the kids that fit in there. Special ed students, they don't fit. Their needs are not met. And what do we do for them if they don't fit, where do they go? I just spent an entire year of my son's first grade year fighting for him not to be in a general education classroom. And three weeks ago, I won. He's going to the Maryland School for the Blind, after being placed in the general education classroom, feeling that is the fit that all of these kids are being put into. And it's not fair. It wasn't fair to the class. It wasn't fair to my kid. Our entire community suffered, and my kid was screaming that it wasn't right. And it took the school and its entire year in 17 IEP meetings to finally make a good decision for him. It shouldn't be this hard. It should be an easy win. Our kids deserve better."

Jana Post said, "I'm so sorry that you're feeling that way and I'm glad that things worked out for your son. I have four children currently enrolled in Calvert County Public Schools and I am also a lifelong county resident and graduate of Calvert County Public Schools. If elected, my priorities will be: to focus on approving a sound fiscal budget; reviewing those current policies to evaluate success and identify gaps

or modifications that need to be addressed; increasing community engagement, including advocating for removing the 10-person speaking limit; ensuring adequate staffing at every school and including those like safety resource officers, behavioral specialists, guidance counselors, teachers, staff, bus drivers; transparency in the lessons in the curriculum with adequate opportunities for parents to review and opt out before those curriculum or those lessons are shared with the students; resources and money obligated to special education are being applied consistently and effectively; advocating also at the state and national levels. I want to ensure that there is success for all students and that all parents, teachers, and staff and the community at large have a voice. All registered voters can vote for the board of election and the primary."

Joseph Marchio said, "It's pretty incredible that we're having a board of education election. We actually have a primary. There's nine people running for two seats. Whether we all agree or not, it's pretty remarkable. Many of us want to put ourselves out there to make it better for our children and for the community. Tina mentioned a second ago, she's not politically experienced. I'm not either. Most of us aren't. This isn't about politics to me, it's about my kids. I've got two little boys and doing what's best for them and trying to improve the school system for everybody. By doing what's best for my kids and taking care of my boys is my primary job as a father. I feel that's what will help everybody else out as well. I don't have all the answers. I don't know all the details. However, nobody's going to outwork me. I'll be there every day. I'll work there long. I don't need the job, but I'll do it for the betterment of my children, everybody else's, but at the same time, I'm not there for a political game. Nobody's going to notice me. I'm also a football official and best football officials, when you walk off the field, nobody knows who was there, who you were, and that'll be my goal. I'll do all the work and just get things done."

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County Moves for Final Rollout of Cable to Serve the Unserved

By Dick Myers
Editor

As the result of outreach to county residents, 400 additional homes will be served by cable.

The third phase of the county's "Serving the Unserved" cable rollout "ensures every household in the county receives a 'passing' by residential and business addresses," according to Deputy County Administrator Linda Vassallo. That goes beyond the county's cable agreement with Comcast that only requires providing service up to 300 feet of the property line.

The county has not yet cut off application requests. Requesting a pass by does not require the residence to actually opt for cable service but does ensure that the access to service will be provided for free. After the cut-off date, the residence will be responsible for the cost.

The county has reimbursed residents to the tune of almost \$30,000 who had invested in cable service last year.

A representative of Comcast told the Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) at their June 28 meeting that the county would be the first in the state to provide such a free service.

The BOCC decided to proceed with underground cabling at a cost of \$6,236,739 to the county, which is \$665,188 more than above ground. Comcast is kicking in \$478,800.

State and federal rescue monies helped pay for the first two phases of the rollout which covered 341 homes.

The county is actively pursuing other funding sources to cover the



Deputy County Administrator Linda Vassallo

county's portion of Phase 3.

Completion of the second phase is expected by the end of the third quarter of this year. Still to be completed are Barstow Road, La-Valle Road, Marshall and Chimney Roads, Potts Point Road, and Simmons Ridge Road.

The need for internet connectivity, with the pandemic driving students and many adults to work from home, prompted the commissioners to forge ahead with the ambitious policy to provide service to everyone who wanted it.

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Hogan Sides with High Court on Concealed Carry

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

Gov. Larry Hogan ordered the Maryland State Police this week to abide by a recent Supreme Court decision that struck down a highly restrictive New York state law for citizens seeking to get a concealed carry permit for self-defense.

Maryland has also has a restrictive law regarding the obtaining of concealed carry permits which Hogan said, in line with the recent High Court ruling, was unconstitutional.

“Over the course of my administration, I have consistently supported the right of law-abiding citizens to own and carry firearms, while enacting responsible and common sense measures to keep guns out of the hands of criminals and the mentally ill,” Hogan said in a statement.

“Last month, the U.S. Supreme Court struck down a provision in New York law pertaining to handgun permitting that is virtually indistinguishable from Maryland law.

“In light of the ruling and to ensure compliance with the Constitution, I am directing the Maryland State Police to immediately suspend utilization of the ‘good and substantial reason’ standard when reviewing applications for Wear and Carry Permits.”

Hogan said that other permitting requirements would still apply for those seeking a concealed carry license but to continue enforcing the Maryland statute as it would run afoul of the Supreme Court ruling and the U.S. Constitution.

The Maryland State Police is-



sued a statement saying they were complying with Hogan’s order, especially by updating their on-line application process.

“The Maryland State Police Licensing Division is in the process of updating the licensing portal to reflect these changes,” the state police statement said. “Until these updates are complete, applicants submitting a wear and carry permit application are directed to select ‘Personal Protection / Category Not Listed Above’ as their ‘Handgun Permit Category.’”

Applicants are not required to attach documents to the “Personal Protection Documentation” section on the “Upload Documents” page of the Wear and Carry Permit application.

The state police statement reiterated that before anyone can legally carry a concealed handgun they must first acquire a state police-issued permit.

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Calvert Marine Museum Sees Recovery from Pandemic

By Dick Myers
Editor

The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) has approved the Calvert Marine Museum Board of Governors (BOG) budget for the fiscal year that began July 1. The approval at the June 28 BOCC meeting came with much praise for the museum and its volunteers.

According to a memo from museum Director Jeffrey Murray, “In 1979, the county assumed control and ownership of the Calvert Marine Museum (CMM) as a division of County Government. Resolution 22-79, the enabling legislation and operating document, defines the purposes and goals of the museum, establishes a Board of Governors, and authorizes an internal budget using funds generated by the museum, among other things. The Calvert Marine Museum’s Board of Governors is comprised of 15 people and is appointed by the Board of County Commissioners.”

Murray said, “The Board of Governors approved this proposed budget at their May 25, 2022, meeting. The BOG budget incorporates earned revenue from admissions, program fees (which includes camps, boat excursions and field trips) and an annual budgeted transfer of funds from the

CMM Society, the museum’s non-profit that supports the institution.”

And then Murray added some good news: “The BOG budget is well on its way to a full recovery from the pandemic period and this budget conservatively reflects post-COVID admission and overall education projections”

The \$630,625 budget includes an anticipated almost doubling of admissions revenue from the previous year.

Several of the commissioners who attended a recent volunteer appreciation event at the museum noted the level of volunteerism there. “These people feel welcomed and needed,” Murray said of the cadre of volunteers that is 500 strong.

Commissioner Mike Hart observed that many of them come in every day, putting in 40 hours of absolutely free service to the community. “You can see they enjoy themselves,” he said.

“They impact the museum in an amazing way,” Murray said.

Hart said the museum was an important part of the life of his family when he was growing up.

Murray said the community generally has a very positive feeling about the museum.

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Calvert Marine Museum Director Jeffrey Murry.

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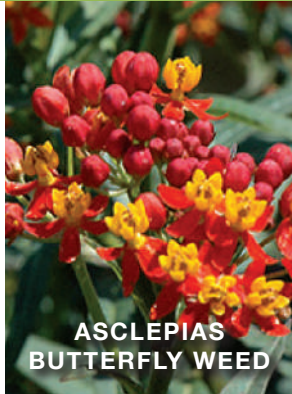


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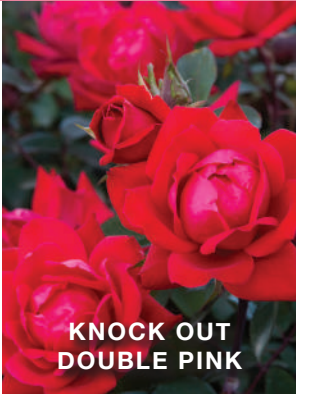
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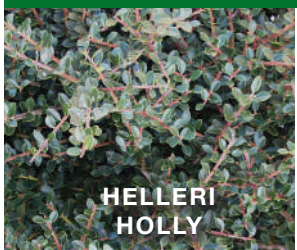
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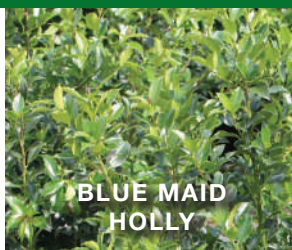
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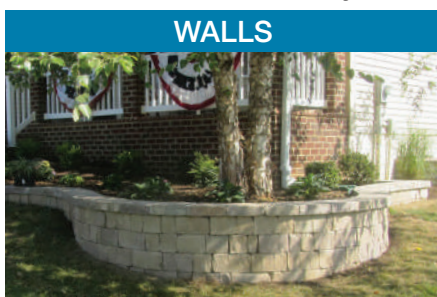
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Members of the Calvert County Sheriff's Office Patrol Bureau and Crash Reconstruction Team responded on July 3 at 9:41 p.m. to northbound MD Route 4 near the intersection with MD Route 765 (south entrance to St. Leonard Road), in St. Leonard for a report of a serious motor vehicle collision involving a motorcycle. Upon arrival, it was determined a motorcycle and a passenger vehicle were involved in the collision, which resulted in the driver of the motorcycle being ejected from the vehicle.



Gibson was pronounced deceased on the scene by the medical personnel. Bates sustained serious injuries and was transported to a regional trauma center for injuries received.

Preliminary investigation revealed a 2011 Harley Davidson Custom motorcycle, operated by Paul Preston Gibson, II, 42 of Dunkirk, was traveling northbound on MD Route 4 when it collided with a 2015 Mitsubishi Outlander operated by Enola Gabrielle Bates, 23 of Roanoke, VA that was also traveling northbound on MD Route 4.

Crash Reconstruction Team collected scene evidence, spoke to witnesses, and is continuing the investigation into the events and contributing factors that led up to the collision. At this time, anyone with additional information regarding this collision or the drivers involved is asked to contact S/DFC J. Hardesty of the Crash Reconstruction Team at (410) 535-2800 or via email: Jeffrey.Hardesty@calvertcountymd.gov

As a result of what appears to be a side-swipe collision, the motorcycle slid off the roadway and Gibson was ejected from the bike.

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Bay Health Score Steady in 2021

Grade Reported as C Plus

The 2021 Chesapeake Bay and Watershed Report Card issued June 6 by the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science (UMCES) gives the overall Chesapeake watershed a grade of C+ for 2021. The Chesapeake Bay health score improved slightly from 45 to 50, a grade of C. Building on social indicators that were added in 2021, new economic indicators were used to evaluate the health of local economies in the region. These include Median Household Income, Jobs Growth, Income Inequality, and Housing Affordability.

“The health of the Chesapeake Bay is a reflection of what is happening across its watershed, which includes six states and the District of Columbia and more than 18 million people,” said Dr. Peter Goodwin, University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science. “This year’s report card is the first to include a range of economic, ecological, and societal factors to help assess progress in improving this vast human and natural system that is a major component of the quality of life for people in the region.”

Individual indicators of Bay health had mixed results in 2021, but the overall Bay-wide trend is improving over time, as are

many regional trends. Seven reporting regions had improved grades due to better water quality—both nitrogen and phosphorus concentrations continue to improve—and the aquatic grass coverage is improving, but water clarity and chlorophyll continue to degrade. The highest-scoring region was once again the Lower Bay (65 percent). The lowest-scoring regions were the Patapsco and Back Rivers and the Patuxent River (both 23 percent).

Long-term trends still show significant improvements in the James River, Elizabeth River, Patapsco and Back Rivers, and Upper Western Shore. The Upper Eastern Shore score has begun a slightly declining trend, the first time a declining trend has been observed in any reporting region since 2014.

Dr. William C. Dennison, vice president of science applications at UMCES, stated in revealing this year’s report: “One of the most important messages today is that including economic indicators into our Bay report card metrics is that we must stop pitting the economy versus the environment. Rather, we need to recognize that a healthy economy and a healthy society make for a healthy environment.”

The Median Household Income indica-

tor, which is a traditional measure of economic health had a good score: 66 percent.

The Jobs Growth indicator that measures the net percentage of jobs gained or lost over the past 4 years had a moderate score: 48 percent.

The Income Inequality indicator that measures the inequality in income distribution had a moderate score: 50 percent.

The Housing Affordability indicator that measures the percent of families that spend more than 30 percent of their income on housing had a moderate score, 40 percent.

These new categories and new indicators will allow UMCES to evaluate relationships between socioeconomic factors and environmental conditions, and linkages between different indicators. This is critical to supporting and informing policy and other decisions related to diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice issues, especially around environmental justice. UMCES will begin to evaluate these relationships over the next several years, beginning with the 2022 Chesapeake Bay Watershed Report Card. This work will build on previous additions to the report card indicators, Heat Vulnerability and Walkability, that were added in 2020.

“I want to thank the scientists at the Uni-

versity of Maryland Center for Environmental Science for their hard work in producing a report that is more comprehensive than ever, accounting for the Chesapeake’s economic, ecological and societal factors for the first time,” said Congressman Dutch Ruppersberger. “The Bay’s overall health has been moving in the right direction since UMCES issued its first report card in 2006 and a little progress each day adds up to big results.”

The 2021 Chesapeake Bay and Watershed Report Card has also been setting the standard for guidance globally on collecting and assessing watershed indicators. UMCES plays a key role in international efforts to advance our understanding of how economic, ecological, and societal health impact our environment. In addition to previous report cards implemented in other locations, four international sustainability and research efforts are currently engaged with UMCES, collaborations that will provide additional insights and better inform the way we think about and measure the sustainability of our communities and environment.

Press Release from UMCES.

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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 June 15 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 4, 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-138210, **First Lutheran Church Addition**, located at 6300 Southern Maryland Boulevard, Huntingtown, currently on one parcel consisting of 5.6 acres, zoned RCD. An approved Replat with a second parcel owned by the Church, will bring the total acreage to 8.1 for the proposed project. The submittal proposes construction of a one story 2,900 square foot addition with basement to the existing church. Existing classroom trailer will be removed upon completion of this project. The submittal was accepted March 24, 2021. Agent: Wilkerson & Associates

3) 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

4) CSPR-138320, **Dunkirk Gateway Business Center**, Lot 11, 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.

5) SPR-142728, **Lusby Villas**, located at 11770, Lusby Parkway, Lusby on 26.23 acres, Zoned Lusby Town Center, Village Residential Office District. Proposed 276 Multi-Family Apartment Units, community center, associated parking lots, utilities and related infrastructure. This project is on public water and sewer. The submittal was accepted September 22, 2021. Agent: Barrett & Associates

6) 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, Village 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

7) CSPR-142795, **Calvert Gateway Business Center**, 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

8) CSPR-142807, **655 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

9) 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 nine two-story townhomes totaling approximately 7,560 square feet. The submittal was accepted April 27, 2022. Agent: Collinson, Oliff & Associates

10) 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

11) SPR-142830, **Dominion Energy Regional Park**, located on South Solomons Island Road, Lusby, on multiple parcels making up nearly 180 acres, zoned Rural Community District (RCD), using public water and sewer. Phase 1 of the recreational park will consist of four athletic fields, two 860 square foot bathroom facilities, four 900 square foot large pavilions, five 225 square foot small pavilions, one 4,025 square foot maintenance building and one 4,025 equipment shed (all measurements are approximate). The initial detail site design plan (DSDP) was accepted April 27, 2022. Agent: Collinson, Oliff & Associates

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

1) SD-138121, **Rebecca's Field**, Lots 1-14, located on Cox Road, in Huntingtown, within one-mile buffer of Huntingtown Town Center. 14 lots, on one parcel, consisting of 51.058 acres. Zoned RCD, Tier III. As this project is in Tier III, a public hearing is required prior to preliminary approval. Submittal accepted August 26, 2020. Agent: Collinson, Oliff & Associates

2) CSD-2020-089 **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

3) 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

4) CSD-2021-097 **Lusby Villas, Commercial Subdivision**, 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

5) 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.

6) 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 nine two-story townhomes totaling approximately 7,560 square feet. The submittal was accepted April 27, 2022. Agent: Collinson, Oliff & Associate

Information provided by Calvert County Department of Planning and Zoning.

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CALVERT COUNTY SHERIFF'S CRIME BLOTTER

During the week of June 20, 2022 – June 26, 2022, deputies of the Calvert County Sheriff's Office responded to 1,399 calls for service throughout the community.

Damaged Property: 22-35400

On June 20, 2022, DFC R. Evans responded to the 12600 block of Rustlers Ridge Road in Lusby, MD for the report of damaged property. The complainant advised sometime between 9 a.m. and 11 p.m. on June 19, an unknown suspect (s) damaged the victim's bedroom window screen. The estimated value of damaged property is \$20.00.

Damaged Property: 22-35322

On June 20, 2022, Deputy Novick responded to the 600 block of Main Street in Prince Frederick, MD for the report of damaged property. The complainant advised unknown suspect (s) damaged the privacy fence around the parking lot of the property. The estimated value of damaged property is \$300.00.

Damaged Property: 22-36218

On June 24, 2022, Deputy Ashley responded to Park & Ride located 250 Silver-

wood Lane in Prince Frederick, MD for the report of damaged property. The complainant advised sometime between 3 a.m. on June 21 and 3 p.m. on June 24, an unknown suspect (s) smashed out the victim's car window. No items were missing or stolen. The estimated value of damaged property is \$500.00.

Theft: 22-36135

On June 24, 2022, Deputy Ashley responded to the 3700 block of N. Solomons Island Road in Huntingtown, MD, for the report of a theft. The complainant advised several pieces of equipment were stolen (multiple chainsaws, leaf blowers, and climbing rope) from a storage container in the parking lot of the business. The estimated value of stolen property is unknown at this time.

Theft: 22-35511

On June 21, 2022, Deputy Novick responded to the 5000 block of Ketch Road

in Prince Frederick, MD for the report of a theft. The complainant advised a tire and lug nuts were removed from one of the company's delivery box trucks. The estimated value of stolen property is \$1,000.00.

Theft: 22-36036

On June 23, 2022, Deputy Daily responded to the 600 block of Ray Road in Sunderland, MD for the report of a theft. The complainant advised sometime between June 5 and June 23, an unknown suspect (s) entered the victim's locked shed and stole one Stihl 350 Chainsaw (gas-powered), one Stihl leaf blower (backpack gas-powered), one Stihl hedge trimmer (gas-powered), and three wooden folding chairs. The estimated value of stolen property is \$1,600.00.

Theft: 22-36471

On June 25, 2022, Deputy Wilder responded to the 1000 block of Golden West Way in Lusby, MD for the report of a theft. The complainant advised sometime between 7:30 a.m. and 7:45 p.m., an unknown suspect (s) stole her Craftsman electric lawn mower from the back of the residence. The estimated value of stolen property is \$200.00.

Theft: 22-36671

On June 26, 2022, Detective McDowell received report of a theft. The complainant advised his red iPhone 11 was stolen while at the beach at the Breezy Point Campground located at 5300 Breezy Point Road in Chesapeake Beach, MD. The estimated value of stolen property is \$500.00.

ARRESTS

On June 21, 2022, deputies responded to the 500 block of Fox Run Blvd. in Prince Frederick, MD for a welfare check. DFC Ostazeski made contact with a subject identifying himself as Jeremy Lee Rawd- ing. A warrant check revealed the subject had an aka of **David Tyrone Patterson**,

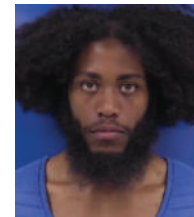
42 of Greensboro, MD, and was wanted in Caroline County, MD. Patterson was placed into custody. A search of Patterson's person revealed a crack pipe and several small plastic bags containing suspected heroin. Patterson was transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where he was charged with CDS: Possession- Not Marijuana, CDS: Possession Paraphernalia, and providing a false name to prevent prosecution.

On June 21, 2022, Deputy Shoemaker responded to Prince Frederick Dodge, Jeep and Chrysler located at 265 S. Solomons Island Road in Prince Frederick, MD for the report of a disorderly subject. Upon arrival, contact was made with **Joshua Terrell Trippett**, 26 of Lusby, MD, who was attempting to test drive a vehicle. Investigation revealed Trippett was involved in an earlier traffic complaint for Negligent Driving and Reckless Driving and was in possession of a stolen vehicle. Trippett was transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where he was charged with Unlawful Taking of a Motor Vehicle and Theft: \$1500 to under \$25,000 for being in possession of and operating the stolen vehicle.

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



David Patterson



Joshua Trippett

Owings Woman Convicted of Elder Abuse

A Calvert County jury on June 30 convicted **Ilene B. Claggett-Hurley** of Owings of two counts of Abuse of a Vulnerable Adult, Second Degree Assault, and Reckless Endangerment. The jury deliberated a mere 44 minutes before returning its verdict.

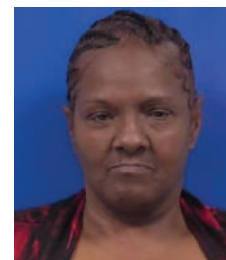
The defendant was the primary caregiver for the bedridden, elderly victim. On December 21, 2021, the defendant was recorded on nanny-cam video cursing and berating the victim, pulling her forcibly from the bed, and physically abusing her. Because of her condition, the victim was unable to defend herself or call for help.

After the verdict, Claggett-Hurley's bond was revoked and she was remanded to the Calvert County Detention Center. Sen-

tencing is scheduled in October before Judge Andrew S. Rappaport. The defendant is facing a total of 25 years incarceration.

Calvert County State's Attorney Robert Harvey wishes to commend the family of the victim for reporting this matter to the police and for assisting in the prosecution of this case. He also wishes to commend Assistant State's Attorney Benjamin G. Lerner for his outstanding work on the case.

Press Release from Calvert County State's Attorney.



Ilene B. Claggett-Hurley

Legal Ad

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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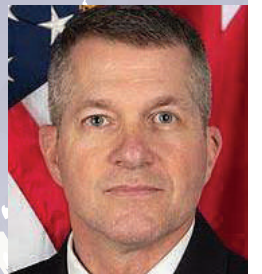
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DISTRICT 29C RACE TODD MORGAN VS. TIMOTHY GOWEN



Todd Morgan



Timothy Gowen

IF ELECTED, WHAT WOULD YOU DO TO ASSURE YOUR CONSTITUENTS HAVE A RELEVANT VOICE IN ANNAPOLIS?

MORGAN

Making the voice of the people relevant is the most important job of a Delegate. This is why am running for this office. For 3 consecutive terms the citizens of St. Mary's County have elected me to be their voice at the commissioners table because I listen, am responsive and trustworthy. My intention is to work within the committee structures of Annapolis, to ensure the voices of Calvert and St. Mary's are relevant and impact every discussion .

GOWEN

If elected, I will provide the constituents of 29C my full attention to their needs and concerns. I will personally meet regularly with any constituent to hear their concerns and endeavor to put Maryland government to work to resolve their problems. I will set up weekly office times (or meet for a cup of coffee) in both Calvert and St. Mary's County. I'll make sure I completely understand their issues, gather the information pertaining to the problem, create courses of action, work with the constituent to find the best solution, then, go to work to get them the help they need.

IF ELECTED, WHAT WOULD BE YOUR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION/INFRASTRUCTURE PRIORITIES?

MORGAN

My major priorities would be the new Thomas Johnson bridge and the Great Mills Rd (Rt. 246) and Rt. 5 intersection. I will support highway safety initiatives including Rt. 235 and Rt. 231. I would advocate for funding for our regional parks including Dominion Park and greater waterfront access for our citizens.

GOWEN

The number one transportation priority in District 29C is addressing the bottlenecks that occur in both directions due to the unnecessarily high and narrow, 2-lane, Thomas Johnson Bridge. As Delegate, securing a new bridge would be my number one priority! As I have done many times throughout my career, I will lead the effort for a team of stakeholders to include members of Congress, the Governor's office, the Maryland Department of Transportation, County Commissioners (both counties), local business leaders, and interested constituents to secure the funding, develop a plan, and ensure execution of that plan.

IF ELECTED, HOW WOULD YOU BEST SERVED YOUR CONSTITUENTS OUTSIDE OF THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION?

MORGAN

I will open a local district office and hire a legislative assistant where constituent services is our

highest priority. I would have regular office hours and be accessible to them as I have been for 12 years.

GOWEN

If elected, my job as Delegate doesn't end when the session ends. In the period of April through January, I will meet regularly with constituents through in-person and virtual town halls to hear the concerns and to educate the voters on the issues at hand. Out of session, my goal is to gather input from key stakeholders regarding the important issues to Southern Maryland. If solving those problems call for new legislation, I will use that time to gather the data to make informed decisions and to present a strong case to the General Assembly to garner their support.

IF ELECTED, WHAT WOULD YOUR POLICY BE TOWARDS WORKING WITH LOCAL COUNTY COMMISSIONER AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS?

MORGAN

My experience as a county commissioner has taught me the importance of a strong relationship between the Delegation and County Commissioners. Therefore my policy will be to promote these relationships to ensure the best outcomes for the citizens of Calvert and St. Mary's County.

GOWEN

County Commissioners, members of municipal governments, and members of the Maryland Gen-

eral Assembly cannot successfully represent their constituents unless they all work together to govern effectively and efficiently. My policy is to be open minded, helpful, and a servant to their needs in Annapolis.

WHAT OTHER POLICY ISSUES ARE THERE THAT YOU FEEL NEED TO BE ADDRESSED?

MORGAN

I am especially interested in policies as they effect the Patuxent River Naval Air Station. I will continue to be the liaison between the leadership of the base, the contractors and our community. I will work diligently focusing on job creation (high tech and trades) , lowering taxes, promoting small businesses and supporting our law enforcement officers and first responders.

GOWEN

According to feedback I have received from the constituents of District 29C, the issues that need to be addressed are 1.) cost of living 2.) traffic problems associated with Pax River, Thomas Johnson Bridge, and specific bottle necks (e.g., Route 5 & Great Mills Road) 3.) Rising crime rates due to gangs and drugs and the counterproductive police accountability act 4.) Poor leadership in government.



DISTRICT 27 RACES



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Mark N. Fisher



Michael A. Jackson



Rachel Jones



Al Larsen



Kenneth B. Lee



Kevin D. Merillat

1. WHAT DO YOU THINK WILL BE THE MOST PRESSING ISSUE SPECIFICALLY FOR CALVERT COUNTY THAT WILL HAVE TO BE ADDRESSED IN THE 2023 LEGISLATIVE SESSION?

SENATE DIST. 27 DEMOCRAT

ROU ETIENNE

“BE THE CHANGE” and honest government, but Taxes is most pressing issue, “Putting more money back into the peoples pocket”. I have the utmost passion for the citizens of Calvert County and understand their needs for a government that works and benefits them. While reasonable regulations are sometimes necessary, the government must not use this as a pretext for monopoly, censorship and special interest favoritism that represses the good, normal work and expression of ordinary human activity in society. Another important need is to lower taxes and cut wasteful government spending.

Solution: I would work to make government more lean and efficient, to reduce this unhealthy burden of high taxation and spending on our citizens.

MICHAEL A. JACKSON

The most pressing issues currently facing both Calvert County and Maryland as a whole are combating rising inflation and continuing the recovery from the COVID pandemic. Calvert County is dealing with these unprecedented challenges due primarily to international factors outside of the control of local or state officials. As a legislature, the General Assembly must do everything within its power to mitigate rising costs for goods and services brought about largely because of the conflict in Ukraine and the COVID pandemic.

SENATE DIST. 27 REPUBLICAN

AL LARSEN

Education. The public schools have neglected the core curriculum of reading, writing, math, and science and have embarked on a “woke” agenda of CRT and gender awareness. As a result, one-fourth of our students are testing below the BASIC level for reading, and they have been for the past 20 years. The Thornton Commission has dictated increased funding for 20 years with no results. Now we have the Blueprint for Maryland’s Future which dictates even

higher funding levels. We must return to the original purpose of our schools: to teach reading, writing, math, sciences, history, and civics.

KENNETH B. LEE

As a citizen of Calvert County, I feel the most pressing issue for the 2023 session will be the safety of our children while in school and the implementation of the Kirwan Commission. With all the violence today, I feel steps need to be taken before an issue occurs to ensure the safety of our children while in school. As for the Kirwan commission we need to balance the budget to remove the costs and burdens to the taxpayers.

DELEGATE DIST. 27B DEMOCRAT

RACHEL JONES

The regulation and implementation of legalized recreational cannabis. The question will be on the ballot for all of MD in November and is expected to pass. Our employers, law enforcement, landlords etc. will all be affected by it and we need to pass effective policy to mitigate challenges.

DELEGATE DIST. 27C REPUBLICAN

MARK N. FISHER

I believe that Government spending is out-of-control. Out-of-control Government spending in Annapolis has resulted in absurdly high gas taxes, unsustainable income tax rates & soul-crushing regulation. All must be addressed by Annapolis. Calvert voters are facing massive inflation and economic uncertainty, yet Annapolis continues to make things worse. Additionally, I support suspending & rewriting the Kirwan Blueprint because Kirwan imposes massive spending mandates on Calvert County and will force a significant tax increase. Kirwan is not affordable for the citizens of Calvert County.

KEVIN D. MERILLAT

Our children’s education. Parents must be involved and aware of the information that is being taught in our classrooms. In 2022, the “Parental Bill of Rights Act” was introduced and died in committee which sought to establish policies encouraging parental involvement, and maintains a parents fundamental right to direct the upbringing of their children. In the past our school

system in Calvert County was revered as one of the best in the nation, but the realities of COVID and other social agendas are distracting from its primary purpose. It will be faced with growing pains while implementing the “Education Blue Print” and legislators must be prepared to support the local and state educational systems.

2A. WHAT TYPE OF OUTREACH DO YOU INTEND TO DO TO MAKE SURE THAT THE WISHES OF YOUR CALVERT COUNTY CONSTITUENTS ARE RECEIVED AND HEARD?

SENATE DIST. 27 DEMOCRAT

ROU ETIENNE

With the use of Technologies our 3E’s team plans on developing an outreach that include surveys and announcements so that our office can stay directly in touch and engaged with residents of Calvert County and District 27.

Solution: Just a follow up. (Example Sam Williams II citizen of District 27 reach out to his current Senator’s office, to this day he has yet to get a follow up or email call for his current Senator, but reach out to me and I addressed his common sense simple issue by just following up.)

MICHAEL A. JACKSON

Hearing directly from constituents in Calvert County is the best way to ensure that their wishes are carried out. Since becoming Senator, I have opened up a district office in Prince Frederick and I consistently make myself available for meetings in that office and throughout all of Calvert County. Additionally, I have hosted both telephone and Zoom town halls to hear the concerns of constituents. I plan to continue making myself available for constituent meetings and for any and all methods that allow my constituents to reach me as easily as possible.

SENATE DIST. 27 REPUBLICAN

AL LARSEN

People are welcome to contact me now by email or phone with questions, comments and concerns and that will continue if I’m elected. At the end of each session, I plan to send a letter to each constituent outlining the results of the session, both good and bad. I would also be happy to attend school

and community meetings.

KENNETH B. LEE

I intend to hold several town hall meetings a year as well as having an open-door policy. I will also encourage people to contact me through social media, email or phone calls. My 20 years of service in the Baltimore City Fire Department has demonstrated my commitment and ability to put the lives of others before my own. I will be just as responsive to the requests and wishes of all my constituents, if elected.

DELEGATE DIST. 27B DEMOCRAT

RACHEL JONES

I have done listening sessions and town halls and will continue to do so in order to engage residents

2B. WHAT IS THE MOST PRESSING STATE-WIDE ISSUE FOR THE 2023 LEGISLATIVE SESSION?

DELEGATE DIST. 27C REPUBLICAN

MARK N. FISHER

The more a Government spends the more it taxes. This is why the most pressing issue is out-of-control taxation combined with out-of-control Government spending in both Annapolis & Washington. Put simply, Government is not supposed to be so big, so intrusive and so punitive. I am a Fiscal Conservative, with the highest CPAC rating in Maryland. I am proud to be endorsed by the NRA, Maryland Farm Bureau, Maryland Business for Responsive Government and Maryland Right to Life.

KEVIN D. MERILLAT

The economy, 2nd Amendment Rights, education, and abortion laws. The economy is facing unprecedented challenges as a result of record high inflation and it is the duty of the State to respond in a manner that fosters economic growth and attracts new businesses to the State. This can be accomplished via tax reductions, employee training programs, and reducing red-tape that many businesses face. Currently Maryland has implemented laws that severely hinder a homeowners’ ability to improve their property and long permit times present an opportunity cost that will cause many business to fold or be unprofitable due to rising material costs.

PRIMARY EARLY VOTING DAYS: THURSDAY JULY 7 TO THURSDAY JULY 14, 2022

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Owings, MD 20736

COMMUNITY RESOURCES BUILDING
30 Duke Street, Lower Level
Prince Frederick, MD 20678

SOUTHERN COMMUNITY CENTER
20 Appeal Ln
Lusby, MD 20657

ELECTION DAY TUESDAY, JULY 19TH

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Electronic Mail in/ABS deadline Friday, July 15, 2022, by 5:00 p.m. In office or 11:59 online

3. WHAT SHOULD BE DONE WITH THE STATE'S SURPLUS?

SENATE DIST. 27 DEMOCRAT

ROU ETIENNE

We should "BE THE CHANGE". I've noticed both sides of the Legislators and policymakers they been using states budget surpluses to call for costly and permanent tax cuts targeted more to wealthy people and profit corporations than to those who need help.

Solution : I would use states surplus for education and funding high-quality schools, roads, access to affordable health and mental care, and other public services, state should also use the surpluses for needed one-time supports for people and businesses or to seed longer-term investments, especially those targeted to the communities most hared by the Covid 19 (pandemic) pandemic.

MICHAEL A. JACKSON

It's unusual for the state to carry a budget surplus but, largely thanks to COVID recovery funding from the federal government, we find ourselves in that place. We have to do everything within our power to return as much of the budget surplus to taxpayers as possible while also ensuring that we provide the necessary recovery funds to both workers and employers who have been negatively impacted by the COVID pandemic.

SENATE DIST. 27 REPUBLICAN

AL LARSEN

The estimated surplus of \$7.5 billion is 12.3% of the \$61 billion FY23 budget. Since this money came from taxpayers, a significant portion should go back to taxpayers. A 3-month gas tax holiday is estimated to cost \$300 million. We could easily afford to take a 6-month gas tax holiday. In addition, we should refund \$500 to \$1000 to each individual taxpayer. Assuming we have 4.2 million individual taxpayers, a \$1000 refund to each taxpayer would return about \$4.2 billion, leaving \$2.7 billion for infrastructure and the Rainy Day fund.

KENNETH B. LEE

There should not be a surplus of money so find out why. If there is, it should be returned to the tax payers.

DELEGATE DIST. 27B DEMOCRAT

RACHEL JONES

This year the legislature provided record funding to improve parks and playgrounds, transportation and infrastructure and other community resources. We will continue to use the surplus wisely, while conserving for future needs as well.

DELEGATE DIST. 27C REPUBLICAN

MARK N. FISHER

Maryland's budget surplus is a result of massive over-taxation and overspending I support an emergency Special Session in Annapolis to suspend the gas tax, suspend electricity taxes, permanently eliminate all retirement income taxes, abolish the business personal property tax & lower the income tax rate for all Marylanders. It's time to reign-in government and return the surplus and power to the people.

KEVIN D. MERRILLAT

The Maryland budget surplus is a result of both federal funds for COVID response and the conservative spending parameters set forth by the Hogan Administration. I feel the surplus should be utilized to help relieve the pain everyone is facing at the gas pumps via a "state gas tax holiday", and I also feel much of the surplus should be utilized to help counties implement the new 'Maryland Educational Blueprint'. Most importantly we need to keep vigilant in future years to maintain fiscal viability.

4. IF THE SUPREME COURT OVERTURNS ROE V. WADE, SHOULD THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY DO ANYTHING? (NOTE THE QUESTIONS WAS SENT OUT BEFORE THE DECISION WAS MADE)

SENATE DIST. 27 DEMOCRAT

ROU ETIENNE

NO. Nothing you can do in this situation it's already been over turned by Federal Government.

"What happen to IN GOD WE TRUST? WHEN DID WE STOP TRUSTING GOD? WE ARE NOT GOING TO BEAT THE GOVERNMENT WITHOUT GOD.

I've not heard of anything of this ex-

tent since the 1960's US vs Governor of Alabama George Wallace.

If we ALL followed the Federal guideline WE the PEOPLE would not have an issue. State is not going to win against the Union. Did not happen in Civil War and didn't happen in 60's, and it didn't happen now.

Solution: WE WILL NEVER GET OUT THIS ECONOMIC SITUATION UNLESS ITS ONE NATION UNDER GOD.

MICHAEL A. JACKSON

Access to maternal healthcare is becoming an increasingly fraught issue as states across the country have increased restrictions and cases are pending before the Supreme Court of the United States that have the potential to overturn or severely limit Roe v. Wade. The Maryland General Assembly passed legislation in 1991 to codify the legal right to abortion, a decision that was later ratified by Maryland voters with 62% of the vote. While good people disagree on this issue, reproductive healthcare should be treated like any other kind of healthcare in Maryland and legislation should be enacted to that end.

SENATE DIST. 27 REPUBLICAN

AL LARSEN

The overturn of Roe v. Wade simply returns the issue back to each state and since Maryland has some of the most unrestricted abortion laws, there will be no immediate change. However, what the General Assembly SHOULD do is stop using tax-payer dollars to train abortion providers and begin eliminating abortion-on-demand from our State. Instead, the 2022 General Assembly attempted to pass one of the most egregious abortion laws in the nation allowing the killing of a baby up to 4 weeks AFTER birth.

KENNETH B. LEE

The Maryland General Assembly is involved and overrode Gov. Hogan's veto of the Abortion Care Access Act. Maryland has some of the strongest abortion rights laws in the country and will set precedent. The Maryland General Assembly should proceed cautiously, with an emphasis on safety to ensure the well-being of women, while also considering the long-term impact.

DELEGATE DIST. 27B DEMOCRAT

RACHEL JONES

Marylanders voted in 1992 to codify Roe v. Wade into MD law, it was ballot question #6. By majority vote the MGA already voted this session to protect women's reproductive rights in MD. There will be some who'll want MD to follow suit with the Supreme Court decision, but short of another ballot question, abortion access will continue in MD.

DELEGATE DIST. 27C REPUBLICAN

MARK N. FISHER

I am proudly endorsed by Maryland Right to Life. This is because I believe that All life matters. The greatest achievement of my life are my three beautiful children and my wonderful wife. There is nothing more beautiful and fulfilling than raising children. A civilized society should not worship death, but instead celebrate the beauty and wonders of life.

KEVIN D. MERRILLAT

Now that the Supreme Court has reversed the Roe v. Wade decision the Maryland General Assembly MUST react accordingly. The decision from the Supreme Court moves the subject of abortion law to the States. The 15-week time period set forth in the Mississippi law is in sharp contrast to the law passed in the 2022 legislative session that allows for late term abortion under any circumstance, and it is yet to be determined if the 15-week timeframe will have federal preemption to state law. I look forward to developing fair and just laws that take into consideration the rights of both an unborn child and the mother.

District 27B Democratic candidates June Jones and Jeffrie E. Long, Jr. did not respond to the request for answers to the questions.

Editor's Note: Candidates were asked to confine their answers to each question to 100 words. Answers that did not were edited.

PRIMARY ELECTION COULD DETERMINE SEVERAL KEY LOCAL RACES

EARLY VOTING NOW UNDERWAY

By Dick Myers
Editor

As polls open today (Thursday, July 7) for early voting for the July 19 primary, the outcome of several key local races could be determined by one party's voters.

With Calvert now firmly in the red column, the results of the Republican primaries for the hotly contested sheriff's and county commissioner races could be the ultimate outcome.

The Calvert County Board of Elections says there are 27,784 registered Republicans as compared to 24,007 Democrats and 15,535 unaffiliated, 422 Libertarians and a handful of other party affiliations.

The trend in the county continued in June as 338 registered vot-

ers switched affiliation to Republican compared to 134 who switched to Democrat. Some of the switches may have been to participate in a particular primary.

There are four Republican candidates for the open sheriff's race, with Mike Evans retiring. Ricky Cox, Craig Kontra, Dave McDowell and Mike Wilson are on the Republican ballot. Cox and McDowell are two of the leading fundraisers in the primary election.

Each of the commissioner races is contested, with the one generating the most heat, the 1st District race between incumbent Mike Hart and challengers Steve Jones and Patrick Flaherty. Jones is another top fundraiser this year.

Commissioner Kelly McConkey is also facing a strong challenge from former Republican Central Committee chairperson Catherine Grasso and political newcomer Evan Turzanski.

Democrats in Legislative District 27-B do have a contested race to go to the polls for, with incumbent Rachel Jones and challengers Jeffrie Long, Jr. and June Jones. There are no Republicans running.

And voters in both parties can cast ballots for the pivotal at-large school board races in which two new members will be elected. The race is non-partisan, and the top four vote getters will be on the ballot in November to vie for the two open seats. There are nine candidates on the primary ballot.

There are three early voting places this year: Southern Community Center in Lusby, the Community Services Building (home of the elections office) in Prince Frederick and a temporary polling place behind the Fairview Library in Owings.

State law required Calvert to have at least two polling places based on population, but the county commissioners decided to have three so that each section of the county would be covered, hence the trailer at Fairview Library.

Early voting runs from July 7 to 14 (including Saturday and Sunday), 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. each day. Polls will also be open 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at regular polling places throughout Calvert on election day, July 19.

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CalvertHealth Names Employee of the Year

Leadership Award Recipients Announced



Chief Nursing Officer and VP Clinical Affairs Diane Couchman (right) presents the Excellence in Leadership Award to Amy Laur. Laur has been with CalvertHealth for more than 25 years and was recently promoted to the Director of Telemetry/Observation Units.



CalvertHealth Employee of the Year Liz Chandlee

After a two-year hiatus due to COVID, CalvertHealth was able to hold this year's 45th Annual Awards Banquet in person on June 11 at the Rod 'N' Reel Resort.

President and CEO Dean Teague, who recently announced his intent to retire in 2023, was emotional when he shared, "I can't even begin to express how proud I am of our workforce and all we have accomplished over the last several years. I am a people person, and what I will miss the most about CalvertHealth is you. Your determination, your grit and the way you care for our patients each and every day."

Liz Chandlee was named Employee of the Year. Chandlee has been with CalvertHealth since 2011. As a patient advocate, Chandlee and her team of volunteers touch the lives of every patient and visitor that walk through our doors. She works hard to do whatever needs to be done to ensure patients have the best possible experience, and she is respected by everyone that works with her because of her 'get it done' attitude. Chandlee makes our patients feel safe, she cares about them and she will do everything in her power to make sure they receive the best care possible while they are with us.

In addition to Chandlee, the other nominees for Employee of the Year were Kathryn Bendle, Aimee Haynes, Kiley King, Barbara LaPorte, Nancy Lord, Mary Shields, Caryn Wells, Sara Western, Karen Williams, Terri Queen-Berryman and Donna Sisson. The 2021 Employee of the Year was selected by the 2020 Employee of the Year nominees.

Amy Laur, director of Level 2 and the

Observation Unit received the medical center's Excellence in Leadership Award, which is presented to a department head who exemplifies outstanding leadership skills and inspires others. Laur promotes a respectful and supportive work environment by leading by example. An excerpt from Laur's nomination form read: "The excellence in leadership award was made for managers like Amy Laur. Amy has so much pride and passion for the observation unit and Level 2. You will find Amy on the floor anytime the staff is struggling performing ANY task that is needed to provide patient care. I do not know of anyone who has had the pleasure of working alongside of Amy, who does not idolize her. On multiple occasions, from multiple people, I have heard the comment 'I want to be like Amy when I grow up.' She is truly the epitome of what a leader should exude."

Laur, who joined CalvertHealth more than 25 years ago, was nominated alongside nine other organizational leaders: Jill Alexander, Stephanie Cleveland, Gail Conigliaro, Mandi Falin, Amy Lutz, Richard Pellegrino, Kay Sprayberry, Nancy Trawick and Jolene Wagner.

The Excellence in Caring Awards were presented to Dane Rose and Linda Tierney for their contributions to the mission of the CalvertHealth Foundation.

Among the evening's most notable moments was the celebration of Tomorra Rawlings 50 years of service to CalvertHealth. Rawlings, who was escorted to the stage by Teague to accept her service plaque, began working at CalvertHealth when she was just 15 years old.

Press Release from CalvertHealth



If you suspect Medicare health care fraud, errors or abuse, the Calvert County Office on Aging can help.

Fraud is when someone intentionally falsifies information to receive payment for services not provided. An error is an unintentional mistake that may be corrected after a call to your medical provider or supplier. Abuse is when your health care provider or supplier recommends services or equipment that are not medically necessary.



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Huntingtown Veteran Receives POW Medal

U.S. Senators Chris Van Hollen and Ben Cardin (both D-Md.) on June 23 presented Army Specialist Ronald Dolecki, a veteran residing in Huntingtown, with a Prisoner of War (POW) Medal honoring his military service in Ethiopia.

Senator Van Hollen authored a legislative provision to secure Dolecki's medal following the Army's misapplication of the law to his unique case.

"Ron Dolecki's story is the story of American heroism. After making a daring escape from captivity in Ethiopia, he helped save his two mission partners who were also taken prisoner. He displayed true courage in action, and after a years-long effort to award him the Prisoner of War Medal, we were finally able to secure the recognition he so clearly deserves," said Senator Van Hollen. "It is my honor to congratulate Ron and thank his family and friends who helped get this across the finish line."

"We cannot overstate our gratitude for all the sacrifices made by Specialist Dolecki while serving this country. He is a hero who endured excruciating conditions while held captive," said Senator Cardin. "It is a privilege to join in honoring Mr. Dolecki for his incredible spirit, patriotism, grit and bravery."

While on a mapping mission in Ethiopia in 1965, Dolecki was captured by armed, uniformed members of the Eritrean Liberation Front (ELF). He suffered under brutal conditions while in



Senators Van Hollen and Cardin with the Dolecki family after presenting Dolecki with his POW Medal.

captivity but eventually escaped and saved the lives of two other individuals. However, Dolecki had been denied the POW Medal for more than a decade even after Congress passed a law in 2013 to clarify the criteria for the honor. Upon learning of this issue, Senator Van Hollen took legislative action – including writing twice to the Secretary of the Army and passing report language accompanying the 2022 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) to help ensure the accurate application of the law in order to secure Dolecki's medal. Dolecki's POW medal award was approved in March 2022, as was a medal for the late Jack Kalmbach, who served as Dolecki's pilot on the mission. The awards follow many years of advocacy from Dolecki, Dr. Dwight Mears, and the Senator to secure the honor.

Joint Release from Senators Van-Hollen and Cardin

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Regional Women to Women Business Summit Scheduled

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The Calvert County Chamber of Commerce and the St. Mary's County Chamber of Commerce will host the 8th Annual W2W Regional Summit on August 3, 2022. The summit will be held at the Solomons Inn Resort & Marina in Solomons.

The summit is open to women who want to share knowledge and ideas with other professional women while learning new techniques to nurture growth on a personal and professional level.

Whatever, your aspirations, our extraordinary panel of speakers will deliver an impactful experience with inspirations, intuitions, and influences.

Our 2022 keynote speaker, Melissa Dawn Simkins, affectionately known as "The First Lady of Personal Branding," is a pioneer in personal brand leadership with a proven track record of advising Fortune 100 companies, CEOs, C-suite executives and influencers. She is a sought-after strategist on how to lead change in the face of adversity. She is CEO of Velvet Suite® an award-

winning leadership innovation firm unleashing purpose-driven leadership as the uncontested catalyst to growth. She is also the Founder of The She-Suite®, the female focused leadership and lifestyle platform of Velvet Suite on a mission to reset the standard for working women to boldly lead with purpose in work, well-being and beyond. The She-Suite Brand Leadership Institute (BLI), is the only online personal brand leadership readiness platform built to scale for the enterprise to ready, retain and advance all women & women of color. Simkins is a sought-after keynote speaker on leadership innovation, the future of work and well-being for women.

Simkins is a former contributor to Inc.com and has been a frequent guest on media outlets such as CNN, CNBC and more. She is the author of Brand Me. Make Your Mark: The Ultimate Playbook for Personal Branding. As an innovator, Simkins was the first African American female advisory board member for the World Brand Congress. Velvet Suite

created the National Football

League (NFL) Player Brand University in partnership with the NFL, the first personal brand development academy of its kind in all professional sports. Other Velvet Suite clients have included: Boston Scientific Corporation, Google, Allstate, Home Depot, UBS, the National Basketball Association, CEOs, C-Suite executives, celebrities, pro-athletes.

Registration and a continental breakfast will begin at 8:00 am. Breakfast and lunch are included in the \$75 (Early-Bird) | \$85 (after 6/30) registration fee. Attendees must register in advance, no walk-ins can be accommodated.

If you would like to highlight your business, sponsorship opportunities are available by contacting Kathy Maney at kathy@calvertchamber.org or 410.535.2577 by July 22, 2022.

For more information and to reserve your spot at the Summit, please visit the Calvert County Chamber of Commerce website at www.calvertchamber.org.

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Calvert LIBRARY Events

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Thursday, July 07

Storytime Inside: Babies (PF) 9:30am-9:50am.

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. Suggested for children under 2. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

Storytime Inside: Middles (PF) 10:15am-10:45am.

Join us as we bring Storytime back 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. Suggested for children age 2 - 3. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

Storytime Inside: Preschoolers (PF) 11:00am-11:45am.

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. Suggested for children age 3 - 5. Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

MakePlayLearn (TB) 2:00pm-3:00pm.

Take building and creativity to a whole new level at the library. We provide the space, building bricks and other building materials. You provide the imagination. Calvert Library Twin Beaches Branch, 3819 Harbor Road, Chesapeake Beach, 410-257-2411. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

Teen Gaming Thursday (DISCORD) 4:00pm-5:00pm.

Teens! Join us Thursday afternoon for gaming! We'll have a variety of games on offer like Among Us, Jackbox, and Codenames, starting at 4 pm the first Thursday of the

month. If you haven't already signed up for our discord server, you can register to receive the invite link. Join our Discord server! Calvert Library Prince Frederick, 850 Costley Way, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

Pints and Private Eyes Book Discussion (Mully's Brewery): The Kind Worth Killing by Peter Swanson

7:00pm-8:00pm.

Have you always longed to drink beer and talk detective books with a librarian? Calvert Library is loaning one (librarian) to Mully's for just that thing! Pints and Private Eyes, a book group for fans of noir, detective and crime fiction. We meet at Mully's Brewery on the first Thursday of the month from 7-8:30 pm. From Goodreads: "A devious tale of psychological suspense involving sex, deception, and an accidental encounter that leads to murder. Fans of Paula Hawkins' The Girl on the Train will love this. Mully's Brewery, 141 Schooner Ln, Prince Frederick, 410-535-0291 or 301-855-1862. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

Friday, July 08 2022

Family Night: Battle Creek Cypress Swamp: Families learn about a fun Calvert location!

7:00pm-8:00pm.

Family activities and conversation! Calvert Library Fairview Branch, Rt. 4 and Chaneyville Road, Owings, 410-257-2101. <https://CalvertLibrary.info>.

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 09 2022

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10:00am-11:00am.

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CSM Announces Public Safety and Preparedness Director

The College of Southern Maryland (CSM) has named Eric Sweeney as the college's new executive director of Public Safety and Preparedness. In this position, Sweeney is responsible for the overall protection of life and property at all CSM locations.

Sweeney comes to CSM after a decorated 31-year career with the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office from which he retired at the rank of captain and commander of the vice narcotics division. He has also taught criminal justice courses at both CSM and the Southern Maryland Criminal Justice Academy.

"We are thrilled to have someone of Eric's caliber join the CSM team," said CSM Vice President of Operations and Planning Dr. Bill Comey. "Eric comes to us with extensive experience in public safety, emergency management, incident command, and COOP management. In addition, Eric has trained police officers from around the country as a consultant/trainer for the Police Executive Research Forum. He has strong relationships established in our region


and we are excited to see how he will lead CSM in bolstering our community engagement."

"I am very excited to join the CSM family," Sweeney shared. "My primary goal is to not just ensure a safe environment for everyone as we return to our campuses, but to also maintain an open-door policy and be responsive to, and actively interact with, our students and communities."

Sweeney holds a bachelor's degree in Communication Arts from Salisbury University and holds several certifications in executive leadership, command leadership, D.A.R.E. and emergency management. He replaces Interim Executive Director of Public Safety and Preparedness Denise Mohun-Hintze, who stepped in to fill the position after former Executive Director Bill Bessette relocated to New York last fall.

Sweeney and his wife live in Hollywood and are the proud parents of triplets, all of whom are currently seniors in college.

Press Release from CSM



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The Tackle Box Fishing Report

By Ken Lamb
Contributing Writer

Plenty of cobia activity this week. There were lots of sightings of hundreds of cobia on top between Point Lookout and Smith Point Friday a week ago. Scattered catches are all around. Hopefully the lighting strikes in your chum line.

Spot and perch continue to please bottom fishermen in the Potomac, Patuxent and Bay.

There are pockets of big speckled trout scattered in the mouth of the Patuxent.

Rockfish and blue cats are mixed for chunkers and live liners in the upper regions of the bay.

Lure casters for perch in the creeks had a great beginning of the week, but a front passed through draining the water out and leaving muddy ditches where clean thoroughfares had been. A few days of slack winds and tide changes will get us back to normal.

Summertime, let's fish!!



A View From The BLEACHERS WEALTH



By Ronald N. Guy Jr.
Contributing Writer

This is going to be a busy "View." Grab a chair. Here it goes.

Last week, Bradley Beal resigned with the Wizards for five years and a cool \$251M, Terry McLaurin signed a three-year, \$71M extension with the Commanders, Kevin Durant asked the Nets for a trade, and UCLA and USC further fractured college sports' landscape by jettisoning the PAC-12 for the BIG conference. Oh, and pro golfers continue to exit the PGA Tour for the Saudi Arabia-backed LIV Golf.

Breathe. The defectors are up first.

Remember August 21, 2021? Just a 11 months ago, per the calendar. Forever ago, in NBA terms. Durant signed a four-year, \$194M contract extension on that date, a contract that kicks in next season. And he just asked the Nets for a trade, because, well, this is the move for NBA stars now. Durant's tenure with the Nets has been choppy. His running mate, Kyrie Irving, is a bit of an eccentric and a steadfast anti-vaxxer (a choice that rendered him unavailable for home games in the vaccination-required state of New York). A trade for former MVP James Harden didn't work (he was dealt to Philadelphia late last season) and the Nets' season ended with an embarrassing first round playoff exit. Then Durant's former team, the Golden State Warriors, won the championship. So, Durant's torqued, and instead of grinding through the challenge, he wants to jump and parachute into a situation offering an easier path to the championship.

Kinda nuts, eh? Yeah, until you check behind door numbers two (college football) and three (golf).

USC and UCLA just determined the future of college sports by shunning the PAC-12, a conference the schools had been members of since 1922 and 1928, respectively, for the BIG. With the entire Los Angeles market now in the BIG's coffers, and the Southeastern Conference (SEC) poised to add Texas and Oklahoma in 2025, there will be two super-conferences in college sports. Never mind long-standing rivalries. Forget competitive balance. "Follow the money," as Deep Throat said. Listen to the cash register ring. Same goes for those shameless pro golfers – Phil Mickelson, Bryson DeChambeau and Dustin Johnson to name a few – who signed up for dirty checks from

Saudi Arabia.

Cringey flashback: It's 1982 and I'm in the back of my mom's station wagon while Michael Martin Murphy's "What's Forever For?" blares through the speakers. "Why doesn't anybody ever stay together anymore?" he sings. I don't know, M-cubed. I don't know.

With all semblance of continuity and commitment fading, McLaurin and Beal arrived like two stabilizing Avengers. Beal's choice to remain with the Wizards is curious; he was due stupid money nearly everywhere, to choose Washington is to choose mediocrity, at best. Beal is now poised to end his career as one of the greatest Wizards of all time, and certainly the best in generations...for what it's worth.

McLaurin's decision to stay with the Commanders is pleasing but unsettling. For Commanders fans, McLaurin's extension was Christmas in June. For McLaurin, it was lottery day – \$71M in total and a \$28M signing bonus. But McLaurin deserves better. Not more money, necessarily, but better. Good luck finding another NFL player with McLaurin's level of professionalism and character. He is everything a Dan Snyder organization is not.

With the paydays inevitable, Beal's and McLaurin's decisions to stay with middling (Wizards) or embarrassing (Commanders) franchises remind that wealth is more than money. Sahil Bloom (@SahilBloom), a self-described entrepreneur, creator and investor, dropped an epic Twitter thread last Saturday – "22 Powerful Ideas from the first half of 2022." One of the 22 ideas defined five types of wealth – financial (money), social (relationships), physical (health), mental (knowledge, faith) and time (freedom).

Whatever their calculus, Beal and McLaurin determined that remaining in Washington generated the most personal wealth. And on second thought, Durant's decision may be less cowardice and more a grasp for non-monetary aspects of wealth. However, the LIV golfers, and USC and UCLA's abandonment of the PAC-12, leave only one conclusion – this was a money-grab, holistic wealth be damned. Perhaps Bloom's powerful, multi-faceted wealth equation excludes institutions and pro golfers. It's their loss – and ours.

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Letters to the Editor

Town Center Votes

To the Editor

On Tuesday, June 28th, 2022 Commissioners Buddy Hance, Mike Hart, Chris Gadway and Steve Weems took a very important step toward keeping our County the pleasant, rural community that it is today.

By consensus, they reversed the pro-development agenda of an earlier Board of County Commissioners and directed staff to take all of the proposed Phase II expansion of Prince Frederick Town Center off the map, including two parcels totaling 136 acres located south of Stoakley Road. Subject to a future public hearing and final adoption, this eliminates the potential for up to 10,000 additional residences, mostly apartments, from being built west of the current Town Center boundary. It eliminates the potential for up to 20,000 more cars on our highways. It will go a long way toward keeping soil erosion from polluting our waterways. It will help protect our aquifers and save all of us from having to see our taxes go up for the sole purpose of building the roads, schools and wastewater treatment facilities needed to serve so much new residences.

At the same meeting, the potential for a new "Slusby" (combining Solomons and Lusby) was avoided and at an earlier meeting, the potential for yet another traffic bottleneck along MD 2/4 at Huntingtown was avoided.

It was a good day – a good couple of weeks - for the many Calvert Countians who treasure the rural character of our county. It's not over until it's official but, for now, thanks, Commissioners!

*Randi Vogt, AICP
Port Republic*

An Unexpected Gust of Wind

To the editor

Calvert County and especially Prince Frederick residents – on Tuesday June 28 about 1 p.m. did you feel it: like an unexpected gust of wind or a small trembling of the earth?

Well, I may be exaggerating but on said Tuesday four of the members of the Calvert County Board of Commissioners (Chris Gadway, Buddy Hance, Mike Hart, and Steve Weems) advised the county staff that the Phase 2 expansion of Prince Frederick should be eliminated from consideration in its long-term plans. Only Kelly McConkey did not join to make it unanimous. In multiple forums and Master Plan reviews the citizens were very clear that they did not want expansion of the Prince Frederick population, did not want the problems that would come with such expansion and did not want the further destruction of Calvert's already fragile rural character.

A number of dedicated and knowledgeable citizens bombarded the commissioners with well researched facts on the impacts to county budgets, traffic congestion, schools, the environmental and sewerage facilities. There are impacts on a number of other County provided services as well.

I am very grateful that the commissioners took the time to listen to citizen concerns about how fragile our way of life in our Pleasant Peninsula is and how the citizens are willing to fight to protect it. All of the four commissioners who voted down Phase 2 clearly read and understood the information provided to them but I would like to call out Commissioner Gadway, the least experienced of the group, for his time consuming and thorough research into the issues surrounding the proposed Prince Frederick Town Center expansion. Thank you again Commissioners for setting the stage for a future Calvert the citizens want.

*Bob Estes
Prince Frederick, MD*

Protecting Quality of Life

To the Editor:

Four Calvert Commissioners have acted to protect our quality of life and our environment.

The Calvert County Commissioners have initiated a series of meetings to inform the staff and Planning Commission about their views on expansions of the town centers. On several occasions, individual members have expressed concerns that the expansions included in the 2019 Comprehensive Plan were initiated without properly considering the impact on roads, water and sewer, the environment, etc.

On Tuesday, June 28th these four Commissioners were present to consider changes to the Comprehensive Plan: **Buddy Hance, President, Steve Weems, Vice-President, Chris Gadway, and Mike Hart.** County staff was asked to come forward to review the expansions to Prince Frederick, Lusby, and Solomons. At the end of the discussion, all four Commissioners made it clear that there was consensus that the phase 2 expansion of Prince Frederick should be eliminated. Previously individual Commissioners have cited concerns about existing traffic delays and that there is no long-term plan to address the burdens on infrastructure that would be caused by increased residential development. They have expressed concerns about a previous effort to run sewer pipes all the way to Solomons to address all of the new residential growth that would happen with the expansion. Residents have also raised concerns about development on the steep slopes, wetlands, and poorly drained soils on the lands proposed for development.

In the Solomons and Lusby area, the Commissioners have heard concerns from citizens about merging the towns together and the infrastructure needs and environmental degradation that would be generated from new residential development. The Commissioners stated that they opposed those expansions as well.

Earlier this month, these same Commissioners took action to eliminate expansion of the Huntingtown Town Center across Route 4.

WE AGREE. ACLT is not opposed to growth if it does not have a significantly adverse impact on the environment and the needed infrastructure is in place. With the proposed expansions in Prince Frederick, Huntingtown, Solomons, and Lusby, these concerns were never previously addressed and such development would not be in the public interest.

We thank the four Commissioners for acting before it was too late.

*David Farr, President
American Chestnut Land Trust*

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New Directions Sets Auditions for Supernatural Comedy



New Direction Community Theater will hold auditions for their production of John Van Druten's hit supernatural comedy "Bell, Book and Candle" on July 12, 14 and 16.

They will be held on Tuesday, July 12, 6:30-8 p.m. at the Southern Community Center, 20 Appeal Lane, Lusby, MD 20657; Thursday, July 14, 6:30-8 p.m. at the Prince Frederick Library, 850 Costley Way, Prince Frederick, MD 20678; and Saturday, July 16, 10-11:30 a.m., again at the Southern Community Center in Lusby.

The cast includes three men and two women, and production dates are Friday-Sunday, Oct. 28-30, and Friday-Saturday, Nov. 4-5.

For more information, contact director Rick Thompson via email at thompsonrinmd@gmail.com.

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people who can actually cast spells and perform feats of supernaturalism. She casts a spell over an unattached publisher, Shepard Henderson, partly to keep him away from a rival and partly because she is attracted to him. He falls head over heels in love with Gillian at once and wants to marry her. Problem: A witch cannot fall in love. If she does, she loses her powers. This small imperfection leads to a number of comic difficulties, and Gillian almost loses Shepard.

"Bell, Book and Candle" ran 233 performances on Broadway in 1950 and was called a "wonderfully suave and impish fantasy" by New York Times critic Brooks Atkinson. It was then a film starring James Stewart and Kim Novak as Shepard and Gillian, and later inspired the long-running television series "I Dream of Jeannie."

Press Release from New Direction Community Theater

SHARKFEST Returns to Calvert Marine Museum



SHARKFEST returns to the Calvert Marine Museum on Saturday, July 9 from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Celebrate the ultimate apex predator of the marine world at one of the museum's most popular events. Regular museum admission applies; CMM members are FREE. Space is limited, advance ticket purchase is recommended. Complimentary museum passes will not be honored, and strollers or wagons are not allowed in the museum for SHARKFEST.

Sharks are one of the world's most riveting creatures and SHARKFEST is a chance to learn more about them. Guests will be able to view sharks up close while outside at the Corbin Nature Pavilion. While the Discovery Room will be closed to allow focus to be on the sharks for the day, our younger visitors will still have the opportunity to search for a fossil outside.

The museum and grounds will offer opportunities to explore the diversity of sharks and their remarkable history on planet

Earth. Learn fascinating 'sharktoids,' examine evidence of prehistoric sharks, and make a shark themed craft.

Marine conservation biologist Dr. David Shiffman will discuss his new book 'Why Sharks Matter' in the Harms Gallery at 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. and copies will be available for purchase and signing. He will also answer any questions guests have about sharks, marine biology, or ocean conservation.

Shop early, while supplies last, in the Museum Store for shark shirts for children. The store will be stocked with shark-themed mementos including toys and books. Museum members save 10 percent off in the store every day.

Dan D's Concessions and Rita's Ice will be on site with food and drink for sale.

For more information, visit www.calvertmarinemuseum.com.

Press Release from Calvert Marine Museum

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Gallery Showcases Made in the USA



Tracey Vernon's Fish print "Rockin' in the USA"

This month the ArtWorks@7th Gallery will celebrate the Fourth of July with the theme, "Made in the U.S.A."

The United States of America is often characterized as a melting pot. Extend this imagery to a pot bordered by the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans, encompassing 3.8 million square miles. Add peoples from every corner of the globe with varying traditions and cultures. Pour in a healthy ladle of ideas, creativity, blood, sweat, and tears, regional flora and fauna, science, and the arts. Stir and then let simmer, ferment, steep, and cook for over two centuries. The result has been a continuous outpouring of what one would describe as, "Made in the USA."

Come see Tracey Vernon's Fish print "Rockin' in the USA" - a gyoymtaku on rice paper with Sumi ink. It is a collage with genuine donated tattered flags from friends and family that want to do something meaningful with them.

Check out Joe Foley's "Swirly Iridescent"



Joe Foley's "Swirly Iridescent"

cent" laser cut wood, and many more items from our artists.

Our featured artist this month is Drake Ford, a DC native. He's been drawing since he can remember, with art always being very special to throughout his life. He was inspired by his grandmother and mother, both of whom instilled and cultivated his love for art. "The cocktail photos you see are a collaboration with an amazing mixologist: Brooke Brown. She created these beautiful works of art. I just froze them in time."

Please join us for our opening reception on July 2 from 1 until 4; light refreshments will be served. If you can't make the reception, visit the gallery any time during the month to see art from local artists.

ArtWorks@7th is located at 8905 Chesapeake Avenue (near 2nd street) in North Beach, Maryland. Summer hours are Thursday through Sunday, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Press Release from ArtWorks@7th

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 7

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. Sign up at the Admissions Desk when you arrive. This month's theme is Sharks!

Friday, July 8

Summertime Blues

Calvert Marine Museum
10 a.m. - noon

Join a CMM educator on the historic William B. Tension 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

FREE Rooftop Car Show by the Bay Rod 'N' Reel, 4165 Mears Ave., Chesapeake Beach; 4-9 p.m.

Cool cars, neat paint, much chrome, loud pipes!

Four stories up on the roof of the Rod 'N' Reel parking garage.
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Saturday, July 9

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Freedom Hill Horse Rescue Open House

7940 N. Flint Hill Rd., Owings; 3-4

p.m.

Come visit our horses during our 2022 Open House series! Our Open Houses are free to the public and include barn tours, meeting our horses, and \$5 horse-back rides. All proceeds go directly to the care and keeping of the horses at FHHR!

Freedom Hill Horse Rescue is a 501(c)(3) non-profit.

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Tuesday, July 12

"Bell, Book and Candle"

Auditions

Southern Community Center,
20 Appeal Lane, Lusby
6:30 p.m.

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ONGOING

Wm. B. Tension

Public Cruises

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

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

Relax and enjoy a leisurely one-hour sightseeing cruise on the river aboard the Wm. B. Tension, a log-built bug-eye. 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. Tension Cruises | Calvert Marine Museum, MD - Official Website

UPCOMING

Calvert County Bluegrass/

Country Music Festival

Waters Memorial UMC -
5400 Mackall Rd. St Leonard
July 16, 3-8pm

Music from: Gregory Floberg; Recycled Bluegrass; Riverside South featuring Chris Tenney & Pat Nutter; King Street & The Unclouded Day

Free Admission -Donations will be accepted (cash or check) for Ukraine Relief through UMCOR.

Family Friendly outdoor event. Lawn chairs /Blankets are welcome. Smoke-free/Alcohol-free zone.

Food is available for purchase from various Food Trucks, Door prized and craft table for children!

Calvert County Historical Society Front Porch Summer Concert Series

Sunday, July 17, 2022, 7 p.m.; On the lawn at Linden, 70 Church Street, Prince Frederick,

Deanna Dove, Island Girl, Songs of the Chesapeake and Patuxent

Bring your lawn chairs and coolers. The concerts are free and open to the public. Snacks will be for sale. Overflow parking next door at Trinity United Methodist Church. Concert will be cancelled in case of rain www.calverthistory.org

Dee of St. Mary's Sunset Sail

Calvert Marine Museum

Friday 15 & 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

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

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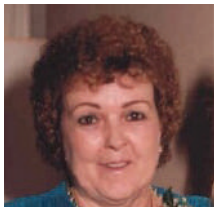
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In Remembrance

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.

Gertrude Ethel Hawkins



Gertrude Ethel Hawkins, 82, of Prince Frederick, MD, formerly of Crofton, MD, peacefully passed away on May 16, 2022, at

Calvert Memorial Hospital in Prince Frederick, MD. She was born on October 14, 1939, to the late Melvin and Gertrude Leizear.

She worked for several years at the Hecht Company in Washington DC and at the Giant in West Lanham Hills, MD.

She enjoyed camping at the Goose Bay Marina with her family many years ago. She loved dogs and liked bowling, bingo, ceramics, and softball. She also liked watching football, baseball, and horse races, but her most favorite was when she drove to many of the Nascar Races. She spent her time in her later years making beautiful crocheted blankets for her family and friends. She liked a good work finder book and her solitaire game on her tablet.

On February 5, 1958, she married Robert "Bobby" Hawkins and celebrated 54 years of marriage before his passing in 2013.

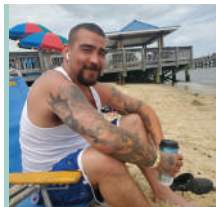
Gertrude was predeceased by her parents Melvin and Gertrude Leizear; her brother Melvin Leizear, and her sisters Peggy Miller and Lola Ellinger. Gertrude is survived by her children; Sharon Booker (Robert) of Tampa, FL, Barbara Livingston (Chuck) of Mechanicsville, MD, and Deborah Hawkins-Baker of Inwood, WV; her grandchildren Bobby (Maria) Trahan, Shelley, Stacey, Cody (Jackie) Trahan, Samantha Livingston, Michelle (Jeremy) Short, Theresa and Nicholas Baker and her eight (8) great-grandchildren and many beloved grand dogs.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Tri-County Animal Shelter.

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

All arrangements have been made at Brinsfield Funeral Home & Crematory, P.A., Charlotte Hall, MD.

Steven Michael Gray



Steven Michael Gray, 39 of Chesapeake Beach, MD passed away suddenly on June 30, 2022. He was born on February 22,

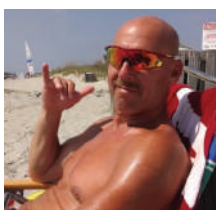
1983 in Montgomery Co., MD to Linda and Michael Gray.

Steven is survived by his parents Linda and Michael Gray of Bowie, MD; children, Hailey and Hayden Gray both of Lusby, MD and Steven Gray, Jr. of Chesapeake Beach, MD; sister, Melissa Lutz of Lusby, MD; love of his life, Victoria Hull of Chesapeake Beach, MD and her children Skye Torney and Allie Rogalski.

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

Funeral arrangements by Rausch Funeral Home.

Terry Brandt Dorr



Terry Brandt Dorr passed away peacefully on June 29, 2022. Terry was born to Alicia Cunningham Dorr and Gerald Donald Dorr

Sr. on August 5, 1965 in Washington, DC. Terry was a loving father, grandfather, son, brother and more. Terry loved being outdoors. Whether it was detailing his truck, working in the yard, or cleaning the pool, he

loved to be in the sun. He often said he would find a way to live at the beach full time. Terry loved football, whether it was playing or watching. He rarely was seen without Washington Redskins or Alabama Roll Tide gear on. You could find Terry rocking away in any chair that could rock, if it didn't rock, he would make it rock. Terry loved his children with his whole heart. He loved to wake up early in the morning to be at the ball field hours earlier than necessary just to cheer them on with every ounce of his body. He was always their biggest cheerleader and supporter. Terry will be dearly missed by everyone who was part of his life. Terry was preceded in death by his father, Gerald (Jerry) Dorr Sr, and his sister Mischa Rebecca Dorr-Ames. He is survived by his children Ashley Michele Howard (Eddie), Dalton Brandt Dorr, Allison Noel Dorr, and Aryn Alicia Dorr, his two grandchildren Kendall and Edwin Howard, his mother, Alicia Cunningham Dorr, his siblings, Gerald (Donnie) Dorr Jr (Lora Lee), Eric Dorr (Kat), Megan Ashworth (Lawrence), and his girlfriend Michele Cooke Walker.

Visitation will be Monday, July 18, 2022, 11 a.m. to 12 noon at Rausch Funeral Home-Owings, 8325 Mt. Harmony Lane, Owings, MD 20736. A Memorial Service will follow at noon at the funeral home.

Janie Lee Hanco



Janie Lee Hanco, 65, of Chesapeake Beach passed away June 28, 2022. She was born November 29, 1956,

in Kingwood, WV to Casimir and Hilda (Sanders) Czyryca. Janie graduated from Arundel High School in 1974. She married Charles Hanco on November 6, 1982 and lived in Breezy Point where they raised their family. Janie was an active volunteer, volunteering in many organizations throughout her life, such as: the PTA, Girl Scouts, American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Unit, Meals on Wheels, Shop with a Cop, and Project Echo. Janie was also an active member of North Beach Union Church. In her spare time, she enjoyed baking, crocheting, camping, traveling, and spending time with her family and friends, especially her grandchildren and great-grandson.

She is survived by her husband Charles Andrew Hanco; children Katie Allen and husband Shawn of Chester, MD, Heather McGaffin and husband Ryan of Lusby, and Christina Payne and husband David of

Broomes Island. She is also survived by her grandchildren Addison, Aubrey, Alyssa and Tyler and his wife Brittany, great-grandson Brooks, her twin brother Jack Czyryca, sister Phyllis Sanders Reed and brothers Phil and Tony Czyryca.

In lieu of flowers, the family is asking a donation be made to St. Jude, one of Janie's most loved organizations to 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105; Link:

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

Funeral arrangements were by Rausch Funeral Home.

George Lloyd Ferguson, Sr.



George Lloyd Ferguson, Sr., of Churchton, passed away June 28, 2022 at his home. He was born January 8, 1939 in Washington,

D.C. to Harvey Leon, Sr. and Alma Teresa (Lloyd) Ferguson. George was raised in Upper Marlboro and attended Frederick Sasscer High School. He married Linda Lou Ridgley on September 21, 1957 and they lived in Lothian and Churchton. George loved taking trips to Florida, fishing, playing cards and spending time with his partner Jacquelyn Hoerner and his family.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Linda, a son George L. Ferguson, Jr. and siblings Winfred Lagana, Gloria Huss, and Harvey, Robert and Melvin Ferguson and a great-grandson Jonathan Sturgell. George is survived by children Susan Sturgell and husband Billy of Friendship, Tina Simmons of Myrtle Beach, SC, Lisa Gribble of Friendship, Janet Busick and husband John of Churchton, Daniel Ferguson, Sr. and wife Cee of Stafford, VA, Sandra Leech and husband Hank of Dunkirk and Kenneth Ferguson, Sr. and wife Heidi of Deale. Also surviving are fourteen grandchildren, William Sturgell III, Amanda Sturgell, Carlie Simmons, George Ferguson, III, David Leonard, Missy Smith, Rachel Busick, Daniel Ferguson, Jr., Tyler Ferguson, Jessica Atkisson, Lindsay Sweet, Aaron Olesky, Kenneth Ferguson, Jr. and Kevin Ferguson, seventeen great grandchildren, Liam, Joseph, George IV, Christopher, Kiara, Jaidyn, Tristan, Jordan, Lily, Klaire, Lanah, Lilith, Lucie, Quinn, Hunter, Ophelia and Penelope, sisters Sylvia Ferguson of PA, and Robin (Terry) Myers of Mechanicsville, and a daughter-in-law Theresa Ferguson.

Mr. Ferguson's services and interment are private. Expressions of sym-

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pathy in his name may be made to the American Lung Association. 55 W. Wacker Drive, Suite 1150., Chicago, IL 60601; 1-800-LUNGUSA; Link: <https://www.lung.org>

Jayme Lucille Dinsmore



We are heartbroken to announce the passing of Jayme Lucille Dinsmore, 37, from Calvert County, Maryland. She sadly left us on June

28, 2022. Jayme was a graduate of Northern High School, Catholic University, and Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine. She graduated with advanced honors at all levels and was the president of her Pharmacy class. She was also a student athlete, playing softball and field hockey. At Catholic University, she won several awards including, Female Athlete of the Year and All American. She had a successful career as a clinical pharmacist, helping patients understand their medications and coordinate access to complex specialty medications. Her hobbies outside of work included painting, jewelry making, singing karaoke, dancing, going to the beach and snowboarding.

Jayme was a kind person, not only to her family, but also her friends and strangers alike. She had authentic energy, her smile and laughter could light up any day. She will be so sorely missed by all. Jayme was preceded in death by her father, David Dinsmore, and grandfathers Robert Dinsmore and Gilbert Poudrier. She is survived by her mother Patricia Dinsmore, grandmothers Elizabeth Dinsmore and Lucy Poudrier, sister Danielle Hudson and her husband, Andrew, niece Hanna Hudson and nephew Dean Hudson.

In lieu of flowers donations in Jayme's name may be made to the following charities: Our Daily Bread of Catholic Charities, Baltimore Tree Keepers, Catholic Charities,

320 Cathedral Street, Baltimore, MD 21201; Link:

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or the Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts.

Christine "Tina" GaNun



Christine "Tina" GaNun, 57 of Dunkirk, MD passed away on June 26, 2022 at Baptist Health in Jacksonville, FL with her husband Stephen by

her side.

She was born to the late William and Mary Russ, Aug. 26, 1964, in Washington, DC. Tina dedicated her life to her family. After having her children, while raising them, she obtained her GED in PG County. She thought that education was important to a person's upbringing, and she wanted to set the right example for her children.

Tina married Stephen GaNun on Jan. 16, 1993 and together they raised their children in their home in Dunkirk, MD. Tina is survived by her husband of 29 years, Stephen GaNun, children Patrick Aikin (Jessica), Aaron Aikin (Sarah), Andrew Aikin (Elyse), Amanda Moore (Brandon), Travis GaNun (Justine) along with 14 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. She is preceded in death by her brother Bobby Russ and survived by her brothers Rick Russ and Kevin Russ along with her sisters Karen Bailey and Roseanna Anderson. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, family, and friends. Tina lived her life for her family. She was always happiest being around her children and grandchildren. She was also an avid cruiser; enjoying any ship that would lead her to pretty beaches and the dolphins. Her favorite pastime was collecting sand from all the beaches she had visited and showing them to her family when she returned. She was happiest when on the ship with family and friends and when swimming with the dolphins. Her love for dolphins went beyond swimming with them. If you ever needed to think of a quick gift idea, anything with a dolphin on it was sure to win her over.

Visitation will be Monday, July 11, 2022, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Rausch Funeral Home-Owings, 8325 Mt. Harmony Lane, Owings, MD 20736. A Funeral Service will follow at 1 p.m. at the funeral home.

Interment will be private at MD Veterans Cemetery-Cheltenham, 11301 Crain Highway, Cheltenham, MD 20623.

THE PARADE OF IMAGINARY HORRIBLES

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I have always followed the principle of figuring out the "parade of imaginary horrors" and planning for every possible contingency to ensure protection. The approach is as valid for financial planning as for estate planning.

In financial planning, you should always assume the horrible of losing your job and being without an income for at least a year. This means that, after you pay off your high cost consumer debt, the next step is to save enough money to allow you peace of mind even if you lose your job and don't find another for a year.

In estate planning, the horrors hit close to home and become much more personal. For example, no one with children wants to face the possibility that they will outlive their children and children do not want to think they will not outlive their parents. All too often, I am reminded that such horrors aren't so imaginary.

A married couple recently came to discuss their daughter's sudden recent illness and impending death at a young age. They are named as co-executors of their daughter's will. What I learned was that the daughter, who is unmarried and has no children, had named her siblings as beneficiaries on life insurance, pension funds, etc. She had not named her parents, assuming incorrectly that she would outlive them. The effect of this was that the parents, who co-signed on the daughter's student loan, were left without resources to pay off the student loan when the daughter died. Given the daughter's medical state, we could not remedy the situation by changing the beneficiary designations on her insurance or retirement accounts. Fortunately, however, the family is a loving one and the siblings will help the parents to pay off the student loan.

The lesson is that you can never assume you will outlive your parents. And, if you owe your parents money for student loans, mortgage assistance or whatever, make sure you have provided for the repayment of those loans when you die. A simple way to do this is to allocate a percentage of your life insurance, retirement funds, etc. to your parents to pay them back for the loans you have made when you die. If you are paying off those loans during your lifetime, you can always change your beneficiary designations when the loans are repaid.

Another not so imaginary horrible occurs when an inheritance is left to

a person on disability. Thought must be given to the status of your beneficiary. If that person is disabled, an inheritance from you may cause the person to lose his or her disability payments. This is a far more common problem than we think. In this case, there is something that can be done to help. A "special needs trust" can be created for the disabled person. This is a trust created for the specific purpose of allowing a person receiving disability to continue to receive those benefits and also receive an inheritance. This type of trust must follow specific guidelines, one of which will return any assets left after the death of the disabled person to the State of Maryland to reimburse the state for making the disability payments. A special needs trust must be approved by the Maryland Attorney General's office.

What about the potential horrible of unforeseen consequences of a second marriage? I was thrilled for another client when he recently married after being a widower for several years. The issue was that the new wife had her own children from a prior marriage and didn't have a good relationship with the man's children. That meant that upon the man's death, he needed to take care of his children as well as his new wife and not leave everything to her. She also faced the same issue. Both husband and wife eventually decided to split each of their estates so that both sets of children would inherit a percentage upon the deaths of their parent, with the remainder going to each other.

Have you thought about the fact that your children may not get along after you die? If you have named all of them as executors, personal representatives or trustees, they are going to have to agree. If they don't get along, don't put them in such a position. Instead, name one of them to serve and appoint the others in sequence.

Of course, there are many other horrors that can arise. So long as you consider them and plan to take actions to protect yourself and your family in the event they actually happen, horrors can be used to help you figure things out and not to hurt you or your loved ones.

To learn more about estate planning, join me at a free seminar on the third Wednesday of every month at 11am in our offices at 8906 Bay Avenue, North Beach. Call 301-855-2246 to reserve your space. See you then.

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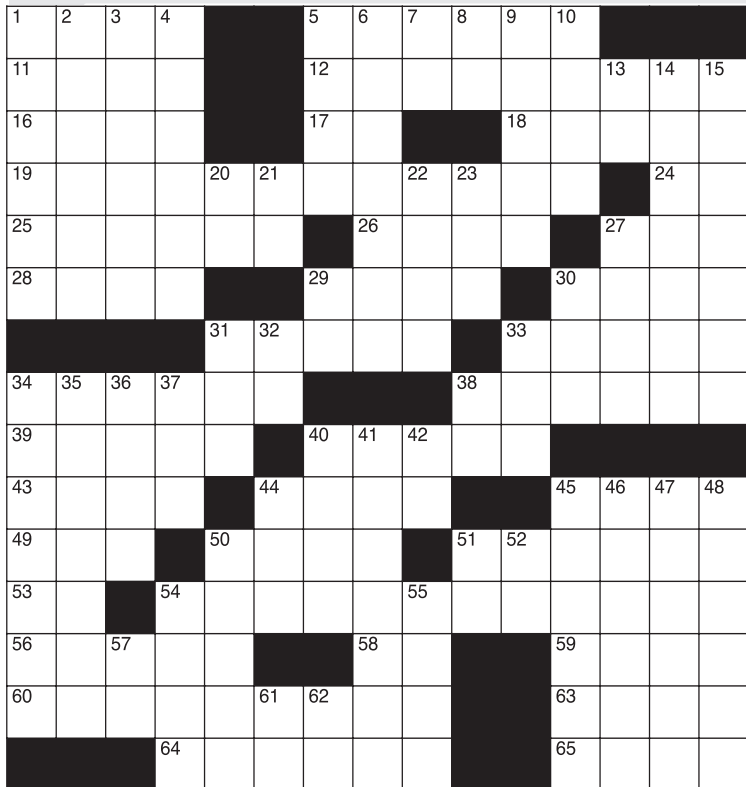
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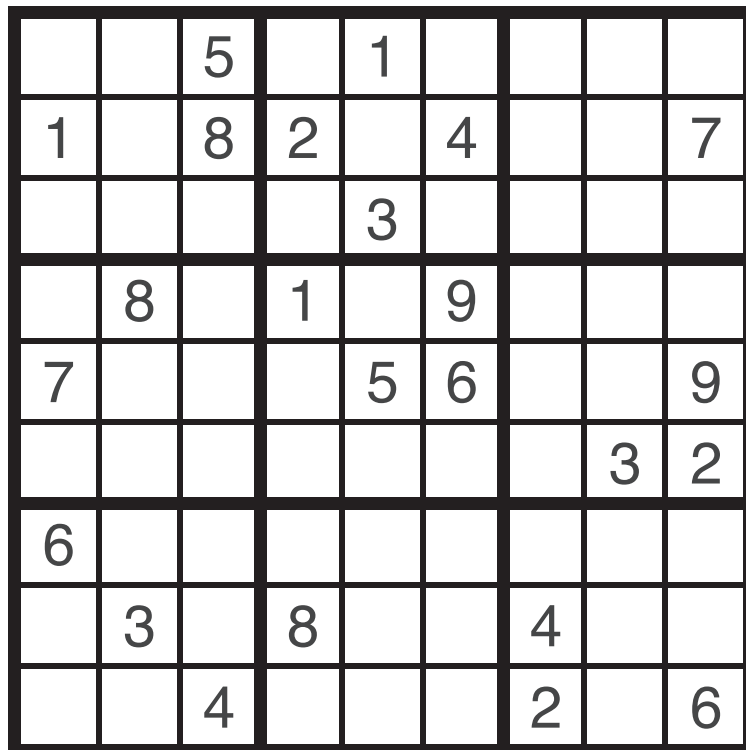
- 1. Ancient Greek sophist
- 5. Genus of insects
- 11. Culinary herb
- 12. Neutralizing antibody
- 16. Plan
- 17. Pa's partner
- 18. A city in S Louisiana
- 19. TNT sportscaster
- 24. Atomic #25 (abbr.)
- 25. Well-known bug
- 26. Body parts
- 27. Monetary unit of Albania
- 28. Kids' play things
- 29. Coastal city in Malaysia
- 30. Famed French physician
- 31. Flourishing
- 33. Excessively overweight
- 34. Pampered
- 38. Emerged
- 39. Order of tailless amphibians
- 40. Indian term of respect
- 43. Shift sails (Brit.)
- 44. Beloved Mexican dish
- 45. Scottish tax

- 49. Health insurance
- 50. Monetary unit of Samoa
- 51. Move about
- 53. Execute or perform
- 54. Taste property
- 56. Unit of dry measure
- 58. Blood group
- 59. Something you can up
- 60. In great need
- 63. Breezes through
- 64. Spoke
- 65. Become acquainted with

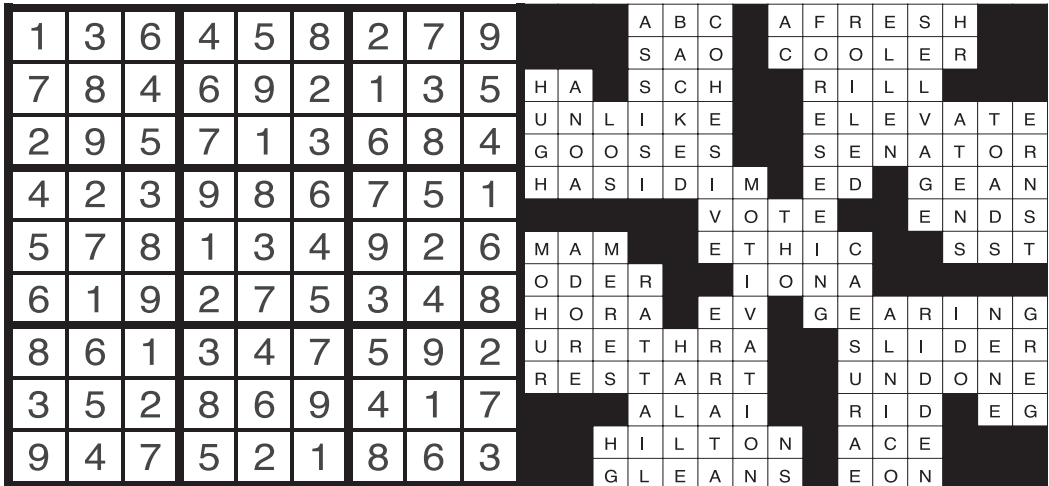
CLUES DOWN

- 1. A particular part
- 2. Spanish neighborhood
- 3. Business
- 4. Reddish browns
- 5. Extinct Hawaiian bird
- 6. Disney town
- 7. Part of the Bible (abbr.)
- 8. Atomic #22 (abbr.)
- 9. The distinctive spirit of a people or an era
- 10. In a moment
- 13. Monetary unit of Vietnam
- 14. Submerge in a liquid
- 15. Yellowish cotton cloth
- 20. -___, denotes past
- 21. Hoopster Morant
- 22. Not
- 23. Indian title of respect

- 27. Horsley and Marvin are two
- 29. One thousandth of a liter (abbr.)
- 30. Hoover's organization
- 31. Round globular seed
- 32. University official
- 33. Spherical body
- 34. Iraq's capital
- 35. To any further extent
- 36. Swollen lymph node
- 37. Anger
- 38. Technological marvel
- 40. Peruvian district
- 41. Salt of acetic acid
- 42. What Santa says
- 44. Israeli city ___ Aviv
- 45. Late Heisman winner
- 46. Reveal the presence of
- 47. Long upholstered seat
- 48. Most wily
- 50. Sword
- 51. Respiratory disease
- 52. The Ocean State
- 54. Fleshy watery fruit
- 55. Lying down
- 57. Superheavy metal
- 61. The ancient Egyptian sun god
- 62. Indicates position



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