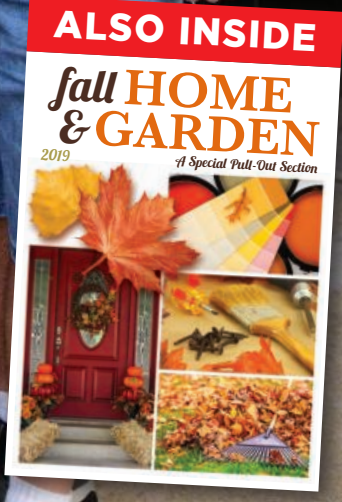


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# St. Mary's Resident Takes Command of State National Guard

By Guy Leonard  
Staff Writer

Maj. General Timothy Gowen, new commander of the Maryland Military Department and Leonardtown resident, wants to make serving in the state's military ranks a sought-after achievement.

"The challenge of the National Guard is recruitment and retention," Gowen, 54, told The County Times. "It's really hard to maintain a sizeable force."

Gowen said he wants to develop leadership within the force, comprised of Maryland Army and Air National Guard troops, and make training exciting and provide growth for soldiers and airmen.

"We want to stimulate growth in people," Gowen said. "We want to make this a shining light of an organization."

A native of Pennsylvania, he's lived in St. Mary's County since 1996 both as a U.S. Army reservist and as an aerospace engineer for Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR).

He graduated from Embry-Riddle University in 1986 as part of the Army ROTC program, he said, and attended flight school.

He served in the Army Reserves for six years in Warminster before that activity was brought down to Patuxent River Naval Air Station; it was exactly where he wanted to be.

"I wanted to end up here," Gowen, said. "I wanted to go to test pilot school."

He graduated, specializing in helicopters.

He joined the Maryland National Guard in 1998. He has seen deployments all over the world, including Kuwait to support the War on Terror as well as Latin America.

He also took part in the First Iraq War, Operation Desert Storm, at the vanguard of an end run that cut off the Iraqi armed forces and resulted in their near obliteration.

He was part of the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division which spearheaded a massive "left hook" around Saddam Hussein's forces, massed in Kuwait, operating as a helicopter scout.

"We led the left hook and we [he and his helicopter scouts] led the 101<sup>st</sup>," Gowen said.

His service in the Maryland Military Department took him to the streets of Baltimore several years ago to help quell riots that had broken out there.

The National Guard's convoying through the city helped stop violence without resorting to force, he said.

"We never did [use force]," Gowen said. "But we were ready to, we were fully armed."

National Guard units, such as those in Maryland and across the nation, make up 39 percent of the U.S. Army, Gowen said.

They may train on the weekends, he said, but their missions are far reaching and critical.

"We deploy constantly," Gowen said. "I have soldiers deploying all over the world."

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Maj. Gen. Timothy Gowen of Leonardtown is Maryland's new military commander



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# Broadband Project Extending to Rural St. Mary's

By Guy Leonard  
Staff Writer

Communities in Ridge and Loveville may soon be able to access the internet after long periods of unavailability now that the Commissioners of St. Mary's County have signed off on state grant money to extend broadband service to them.

Bob Kelly, county information technology director, said the state's Department of Housing and Community Development had offered the county \$92,838 to extend broadband infrastructure to Wynne Road and Curley's Road in Ridge as well as Route 5 in Loveville.

The Wynne Road project will receive \$43,500, with Curley's Road receiving \$24,152.

The Loveville project will get \$25,185 in state funding: the county has matched the state's funding level and Atlantic Broadband, the county's sole broadband and internet provider has offered more than \$200,000 for the project.

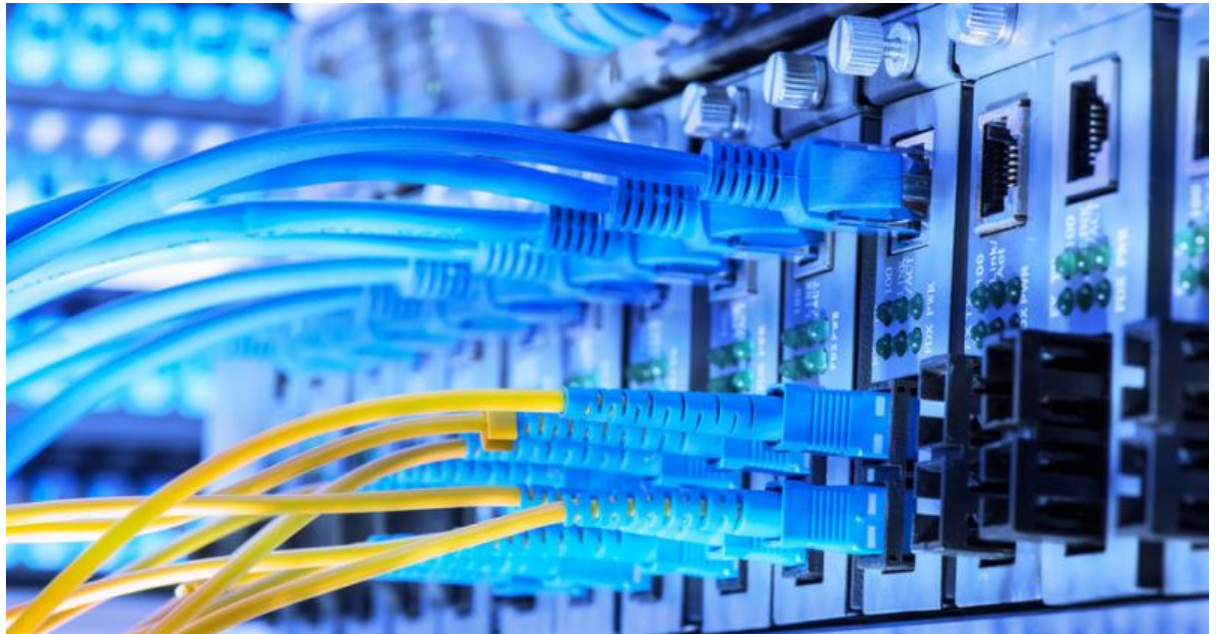
Scott Randall, vice president and general manager for Atlantic Broadband told commissioners it was often not economically feasible for providers to bring internet infrastructure down long, rural routes.

Providers had to partner with local governments or have individual customers pay exorbitant fees to have the service extended to such areas.

"It's crazy expensive," Randall said.

Commissioner Mike Hewitt said interest from other communities in St. Mary's with similar lack of service continues to peak.

"Somebody called me up and said 'How do I [their community] get on the list?'" Hewitt said.



Kelly said his office continues to assess communities for their lack of connectivity and has come up with a list for consideration.

"We've identified 12 areas with problems... getting to some of those remote areas," Kelly said.

Hewitt said that a continual complaint from parents about lack of internet access is that their children are at a competitive and educational disadvantage because of it.

Kelly said state and federal government officials have realized this and that cooperating with industry

seems to be the best way forward.

"It really requires a public/private partnership, especially in St. Mary's County," Kelly said, adding that the agreement minted Tuesday was a positive step.

"It's good money," said Kelly. "It's a very good deal for St. Mary's County."

The commissioners' match for state funding came from emergency reserves.

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# College Dedicates Jamie L. Roberts Stadium



The new Jamie L. Roberts Stadium



Teammates of Jamie Roberts march in her honor at the new stadium at St. Mary's College bearing her name.

By Guy Leonard  
Staff Writer

St. Mary's College of Maryland's newly christened Jamie L. Roberts Stadium was a project long anticipated, not only as a way to boost the school's athletic standing but to honor a graduate, tragically lost five years ago, who embodied the school's ethos.

"This facility has been 12 years in the making," said Scott Devine, the school's athletic director at Saturday's dedication. "It's really an incredible feeling."

The stadium is part of a larger academic building and auditorium project, dictated by the college's long-range mas-

ter plan.

Roberts was a member of the class of 2011 who was killed while bicycling across the country for the Ulman Cancer Fund.

Roberts was a three-sport athlete and an economics major who played basketball, soccer and lacrosse.

She gained high achievements in both her academic and sports careers.

Roberts family donated \$2.2 million to the effort to build the new stadium and to have the right to give it their daughter's name.

College President Tuajuanda Jordan said it was the largest gift in the history of the college; that and a private fundrais-

ing campaign helped secure an additional \$75 million from the state for the larger project plan.

"It's an awesome testament of what it means to be a Seahawk," Jordan said to a full stadium crowd. "And what it means to have people who care about what happens in our community." Jasmine Jones, a friend of Roberts and a member of the Class of 2013 remembered how her friend mentored her in sports.

"Jamie embodied everything a college athlete should be," Jones said. "She was a true competitor who constantly did her best and gave her all."

The state-of-the-art facility consists of a grass athletic field, an artificial turf field

surrounded by a running track, stands for 800 spectators per field, and a two-story stadium building.

The building located between the two fields provides two men's and two women's locker rooms, referee's locker room, training room, restrooms, concessions, VIP boxes, two press boxes, and a hospitality suite.

Bob Roberts, Jamie's father, said his daughter was proud to be a Seahawk.

"She loved all four years she was here," Roberts said. "To Jamie there were no strangers, just friends she hadn't met yet."

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# Chaptico Market Joins Chicken Sandwich Wars



Brooke Hunley prepares a new chicken sandwich at Chaptico Market using their traditional fried chicken recipe.

By Guy Leonard  
Staff Writer

The deli staff at Chaptico Market in Chaptico know chicken. Lucas Black, who co-owns the store along with his wife Jodi Black, said during the summer months the store prepares and sells 6,000 pounds of fried chicken – three tons worth – each week.

Now they are taking their popular fried chicken recipe and putting it in sandwich form; Black said the idea was inspired by the recent heated competition between Chick-fil-a and Popeye's Chicken over who had the best chicken sandwich.

Popeye's upstart sandwich offering made national news and sold out quickly, much to the dismay of some customers.

"That's exactly what it was, people kept asking us if we'd do a chicken sandwich," Black told The County Times. "There's a lot of buzz around chicken

sandwiches right now."

Tuesday was the first day Chaptico Market started selling the deep fried, battered and seasoned four-ounce chicken breasts on a simple sandwich roll.

Any in-store condiments a customer wanted were available.

"We've been dropping them [in the deep fryer] all morning," said deli associate Brooke Hunley.

"It's the first day and we've sold a lot more than we expected," Black said. "We prepped 40 and they were gone by 10:30a.m."

"Everybody wants to try them. It's the same exact recipe."

Chaptico Market and Deli's new chicken sandwich is available for breakfast, lunch and dinner and is hand battered and fried on site.

Chaptico Market and Deli is located at 25466 Maddox Road in Chaptico.

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## Town Sludge Hauling Fee Jumps

By Guy Leonard  
Staff Writer

The contractor which hauls the sludge produced by Leonardtown's wastewater treatment plant is raising their prices for the service by more than 50 percent.

The town council renewed a contract for Old Line Environmental at their monthly meeting Sept. 9 but directed town staff to be watchful for opportunities to find cost savings.

Town Administrator Laschelle McKay said the price for hauling the sludge from the Van Wert Lane facility is increasing from \$80.33 per ton to \$127.25 per ton.

Old Line Environmental, which was recently bought out by another company, has been providing the sludge hauling service since 2015.

Attempts to find another contractor with lower prices have been unsuccessful, McKay said.

"So far we don't have another option," McKay said. "Everyone's prices are going up."

Jay Johnson, the superintendent at the town's wastewater treatment plant, said they are trying to store sludge there for a longer period of time as a way to decrease costs.

If the sludge can be stored longer, it can dry out and the subsequent moisture loss would make it lighter.

This would allow more sludge to be hauled for the same price.

But, Johnson said, the facility only has a 60-foot by 80-foot space to store and dry sludge which is not enough to find cost savings.

Johnson said other private haulers were still charging more than Old Line Environmental, now owned by Synagro, but the current contract is still the most affordable.

The town's budget for sludge removal is now \$52,000 but that could grow to \$67,000 with the price increases.

In other town business Mayor Dan Burris announced that work to reopen the long vacant Park Avenue Executive Inn and Suites in the downtown area is proceeding.

"The hotel is being cleaned out as we speak," Burris said. "They're planning on being open by the tree lighting ceremony."

The new Sweet Bay restaurant on the town square is also looking to open by "the first part" of November, Burris said.

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## Taste of St. Mary's in Leonardtown Saturday

By Guy Leonard  
Staff Writer

This year's Taste of St. Mary's, showing off the best of food and drink the county has to offer in the Leonardtown Town Square, will have more vendors than scheduled for last year and should be easier for visitors to get samples of local cuisine.

Sponsored by the St. Mary's County Chamber of Commerce, this year's event will have local distilleries on hand and, for the first time, visitors will be able to use their credit cards to purchase tickets to obtain samples from vendors.

There will be 23 vendors at the event, said chamber President and CEO Richard Fleming.

"A couple of distilleries will be there," Fleming said. "They're allowed to do these kinds of things now."

Tobacco Barn Distillery, Free State Ciders and Southern Trail Distillery will be three of five alcoholic beverage vendors; the Leonardtown Rotary Club will sell beer and the Port of Leonardtown Winery will have their products as well.

Last year's event was cancelled due to a threatening hurricane but the chamber expects between 3,000 to 5,000 visitors at the event.

Taste of St. Mary's will include a children's venue near the Town Hall and musical entertainment will come from the band Unfinished Business.

"It's going to be a really fun event," Fleming said. "We're going to have a few thousand visitors."

The county's Visit St. Mary's tourism directorate has been advertising the event, Fleming said, and about 4,500 visitors on the chamber's Facebook page have showed interest in attending.

Visitors will pay at the gate set up on the town square to enter and can obtain tickets to get samples of cuisine there as well, Fleming said.

"Most items cost three to four tickets," he said.

The event begins at 1p.m. and runs until 5:30 p.m.

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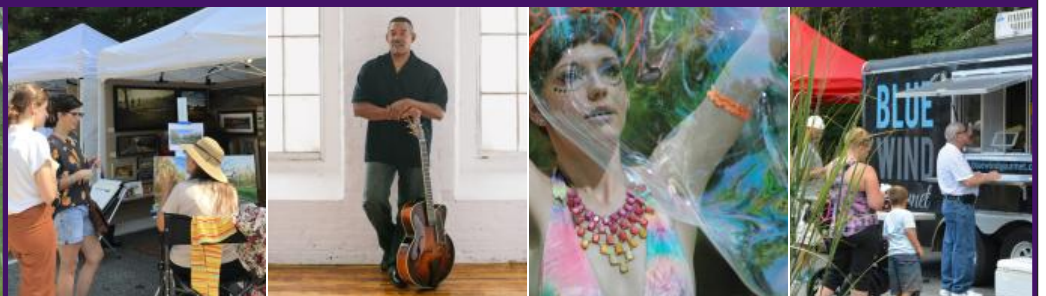
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# St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Crime Report

**Drug Arrest-** On September 5, 2019, detectives from the Vice Narcotics Division executed a search warrant in the 2300 block of Spalding Lane in Leonardtown. Located in a bedroom at the residence was a homemade CDS smoking device which contained suspected cocaine residue. Brian Christopher Hancock, age 40 of Leonardtown, was determined to be the owner of the recovered property. Hancock was arrested and charged with CDS: Possession-Not Marijuana and CDS: Possession-Paraphernalia. CASE# 47670-19

**Assault-** On September 6, 2019, Dep. Henry responded to the 45600 block of Buckshot Way in Great Mills, for the reported disturbance. Investigation determined Christina NMN Bechas, 54 of Great Mills, assaulted the victim during an argument by striking the victim in the head with a glass bottle. Visible injury was observed, and Bechas was arrested and charged with Assault 2nd Degree. CASE# 51069-19

**Assault-** On September 6, 2019, Dep. Burgess responded to the 45000 block of

Lord Baltimore Way in Lexington Park, for the reported assault. Investigation determined Ovidio Torres-Martinez, age 30 of Lexington Park, grabbed the victim by the hair, threw the victim to the ground, and struck the victim in the face. Visible injury was observed to the victim and Torres-Martinez was arrested and charged with Assault 2nd Degree. CASE# 51224-19

**Property Destruction-** On September 8, 2019, Cpl. Seyfried responded to the 21800 block of Three Notch Road in Lexington Park, for the reported distur-

bance. Investigation determined Antoine Keith Mackall, 25 of Lusby, arrived at the establishment looking for another individual. When Mackall wasn't provided with a room number, he began going door to door banging on all doors and causing a disturbance. At one point, Mackall picked up a trashcan and threw the trashcan into a window, breaking the window. When Mackall was located he provided officers a false name; through the investigation Mackall's correct identity was discovered. Mackall was charged with Fraud-Person Identity to Avoid Prosecution. CASE# 51537-19

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-against-

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Defendants.

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**TO THE ABOVE NAMED  
DEFENDANTS:** The foregoing Summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an Order of the Hon. J. Scott Odorisi, a Justice of the Supreme Court, Monroe County, entered August 13, 2019 and filed with the complaint and other papers in the Monroe County Clerk's Office.

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The relief sought in the within action is a final judgment directing the sale of the premises described above to satisfy the debt secured by the Mortgage described above.

**Dated:** June 5, 2019

Frank M. Cassara, Esq.  
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## Man Charged With Attempted Murder In Assault Case

On September 3, 2019, at approximately 9 p.m. deputies from the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office responded to the 46200 block of Mako Way in Lexington Park, for the reported injured subject. A male victim, 31 from Lexington Park, was discovered in a residential parking lot with significant injuries. Detectives from the Criminal Investigations Division are continuing the investigation.

Preliminary investigation determined Derrick Marshall, 40 of no fixed address, assaulted

the victim and stomped on the victim's head, causing serious injury. The victim was transported to an area trauma center and is currently in a medically induced coma and listed in critical condition.

Marshall was arrested on September 7, 2019, and charged with the following:

- Attempted First Degree Murder
- Assault First Degree
- Assault Second Degree

Marshall is currently incarcerated at the St. Clifton Marshall, 40 of no fixed address, assaulted



Derrick Marshall

on a no bond status. Anyone with information on this case is asked to contact Detective James Bare at (301) 475-4200 extension \*8118 or by email at James.Bare@stmarysmd.com.

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### INVITATION TO BID

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A pre-bid conference will be held on September 30, 2019 at 6PM with pre-site visits scheduled on September 17, 2019 and/or September 25, 2019 at 6 p.m. at the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department 24801 Three Notch Road Hollywood, MD 20636. All bidders must attend one pre-bid conference and one site visit.

The Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department reserves the right to reject any and all bids and proposals, and to accept any proposal deemed to be in the best interest of the department.

By Authority:  
William Mattingly, Jr. President  
Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department

# St. Mary's County Player Wins \$50,000 with a Little Help from Mom

Lucky Gold Rush X50 scratch-off picked out at store in Hollywood



A woman from the St. Mary's County community of Lexington Park plans to keep her \$50,000 Maryland Lottery score a secret from everyone but her husband and her mom.

"Because if you don't," she said, when claiming her prize at Lottery headquarters in Baltimore, "you get all these friends that you didn't know about!"

Her \$50,000 second-tier win came on a \$10 Gold Rush X50 scratch-off picked by her mom. The lucky winner is an occasional player while her mother plays frequently. The 31-year-old daughter, relying on her mom's expertise, gave her the money for a scratch-off and asked her to select a lucky instant ticket. Her mom certainly did just that!

"I'll get her a gift!" the grateful daughter said.

Although they knew the instant ticket was a \$50,000 winner, the daughter, her mom and husband had to wait a week to make the trip to Baltimore to claim the prize because of their work schedules. The prize is more than any member of the trio has won previously. The winner plans to pay off some bills with the windfall and make a few bonus purchases on a previously planned vacation. And, on the trip back to St. Mary's County, the group planned to swing by the Live! Casino at Arundel Mills.

Her mom selected the winning ticket at McKay's Food & Drug, 23860 Hollywood Road in the St. Mary's County community of Hollywood.

The Gold Rush×50 scratch-off is part of a family of games that also includes Gold Rush X5, Gold Rush X10, Gold Rush X20 and Gold Rush X100. The Gold Rush×50 scratch-off carries a top prize of \$100,000. Four of the original eight top prizes are still unclaimed. At the \$50,000 level, another six prizes are available along with 14 \$10,000 prizes.

Maryland Lottery Press Release

# County Law Officers Honored



The St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office is proud to announce that two of its members were both recognized for professional excellence by their peers across the state of Maryland on Monday.

Deputy First Class Blaine Gaskill, School Resource Officer, was

awarded the Medal of Honor for calendar year 2018 by the Maryland Chiefs of Police Association at its annual training seminar held in Ocean City with the Maryland Sheriff's Association.

Corrections Officer Brandon Reynolds was named Deputy of the

Year in the Corrections category for calendar year 2018.

Sheriff Tim Cameron and the men and women of the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office congratulate these two fine officers for their outstanding achievements.

# Residents Urged to Sign Up for Weather Warnings

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# 2nd District Volunteers Protect on Land and Sea



Members of Co. 6 comprise the only combined volunteer fire department and rescue squad in St. Mary's County.

By Guy Leonard  
Staff Writer

For a relatively small volunteer company, the 2<sup>nd</sup> District Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, commonly known as the Valley Lee fire house, they have garnered much attention in the past few years.

Twice they proposed building a new station for Company 6; once the backlash was so great from the local community at the potential costs that company leadership backed off from the idea for a time.

Last year company leadership renewed their efforts for a new building – the current one is aging and cannot accommodate larger, more modern apparatus – and persuaded the Commissioners of St. Mary's County to grant an increase in the fire and rescue tax to help pay

for the new facility.

The second time around there was still much opposition in the local community.

Co. 6 Chief Gary Joy said the volunteers have worked hard this year to repair rifts caused by the controversy over the tax increase.

"There's always going to be some issue there," Joy told The County Times. "We're trying to build relationships with the community, not tear it down."

The volunteers paid for the push for the tax increase, which was also given to help pay for increasing operational costs the volunteers incurred, by seeing a drop off in their monthly donations from the community.

"Our mail in donations were down during the tax increase debate," Joy said, adding that the donations were down by about \$5,000 from normal. "This year it's seemed to come back up.

"We took a public relations hit." But the company's latest recruitment efforts have yielded some success, he said, showing that the public is still supporting the Valley Lee volunteers.

"Our membership has increased in the past couple of months," Joy said. "It's about 10 new people in the past four months.

"It certainly can help."

And help they need, as the most active members who get on either fire or rescue apparatus – Co. 6 is

the county's only combined fire department and rescue squad – are past what is usually considered middle age.

"Most of the people on the apparatus will be in the 50-plus range," Joy said. "But the older folks on the apparatus have to do what a firefighter has to do."

One of their top ambulance drivers is in their 80s, Joy said.

"We really need EMS [emergency medical] people," Joy said. "Our EMS calls are four-to-one.

"Many of our fire calls are EMS related."

Fire calls often mean dealing with a wrecked vehicle, Joy said.

A small corps of volunteers are specially trained to operate a rescue boat owned and operated by the company to answer calls for service on local waters.

Those calls tend to last much longer than a standard shore call.

"They might be out there for four or five hours," Joy said. "It's a big responsibility.

"The weather around here can change in a heartbeat."

Such weather can cause maritime emergencies, Joy said, and make rescue operations more precarious.

The boat can also be used to bring water from just off-shore, via a pump and hose to a nearby waiting tanker truck, to help fight fires should water supplies run out.

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feet off-shore,” Joy said. “That’s not a lot of water but when you have nothing...”

The membership at the Valley Lee firehouse is relatively small with about 80 members but of those members perhaps just 30 can be considered active, Joy said. “It’s barely enough,” Joy said.

When an apparatus leaves the station, there are perhaps four volunteers on board. That counts for the number of volunteers that usually staff the station at a time.

Joy sees recruitment and retention as a challenge for having an adequate crew to keep Co. 6 running.

Joy said the company’s successful call response rate is about 80 percent, meaning 20 percent of the calls that come in for their first due – the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> county election districts – are “scratched.”

“It’s still a lot of calls during the day that we have difficulty getting people out on,” Joy said.

John “J.D.” Caulder, president of Co. 6, said recruitment efforts run the gamut from walk-ins to going out into the community.

“A lot of it is by word of mouth,” Caulder said. “Recruiting is a hard position.

“We’ve gone out quite a few times, we reach out to the community.”

Caulder said volunteers have taken an ambulance out to the shopping center in Callaway to solicit volunteers by handing out applications for membership.

The culture of the firehouse has also changed un-

der current leadership, Caulder said, with volunteers not allowed to join and be left to their own devices to matriculate.

“We’ve assigned mentors to new members,” said Caulder. “They’re not left in the blind.”

New volunteers who get training as firefighters and find that fire calls are not nearly as common as emergency medical ones, get encouragement to take extra medical training.

“If they go to the fire side and don’t get enough calls we ask them to try the rescue side so they can get out on calls more,” Caulder said. “Even the older generations want action.”

Much of the action within the company can take the form of fundraisers, including events for Valentine’s Day and an upcoming Fall Dance, Caulder said.

And Co. 6 needs money since the tax increase is split in a 60/40 apportionment with the majority used to de-

fray rising costs of operating the company, the rest is to be used to help pay for the new fire station which will be built just behind the current station and facing Route 249.

The original cost estimate for a new station was about \$8 million but those projections have now risen by more than 25 percent, to about \$10.5 million, Caulder said.

“We’re very close to moving forward with bids,” he added.

Amenities at the new station might have to be cut if the budget goes over the new projected figure, Caulder said.

“We’re always trying to do something to make money,” Caulder said. “We’re not sitting still.

“We can always use help somewhere.”

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Co. 6 Chief Gary Joy, left, and President John “J.D.” Caulder

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# Local Red Cross Elects New Board Chair, Members

The Southern Maryland Chapter of the American Red Cross is pleased to announce that Richard Tait, of Arnold, will serve as Chairman of the chapter's board of directors for a one-year term that began earlier this month. Tait and other board members were elected in proceedings at Anne Arundel Community College recently.

Tait is COO of Kaizen Approach, Inc., a cybersecurity consulting firm, a University of Maryland University College graduate and a U.S. Navy veteran.

"I am truly honored to be elected the American Red Cross Board Chair of Southern Maryland," Tait said. "I look forward to leading a dedicated team of volunteers in writing a new chapter for the Red Cross of Southern Maryland. Our long-term goal is to become a top performing chapter and be recognized as a diverse and inclusive board of choice for volunteers, donors, and employees, while offering the highest level of compassionate service to our clients."

The highly visible role works cooperatively with the Southern Maryland Chapter's executive director to ensure the American Red Cross' goals and mission are achieved. The population served by the chapter ranges between 500,000 and one million that reside in Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's counties.

The following were also elected as new members of the board of directors to serve a three-year term:

- Mary-Ann Burkhart, Chief, Anne Arundel County State's Attorney's Office
- Joshua Burnett, business owner
- Ignacio Goya, Pastor and Director of Chesapeake Conference of the Seventh Day Adventist Church
- Whitney Harmel, Director of Strategic Partnerships at the Maryland Chamber of Commerce



(l to r) Vice Chair Whitney Harmel, So. Md. Red Cross. Exec. Dir. Misty Bruce, Chairman Richard Tait, Secretary Jennifer Hunt and Vice Chair Marshall Reed.

- Jeremy Tucker, emergency room physician.

The board of directors is composed of representatives from many different community sectors. The group develops the vision for the chapter and determines the policies that guide decisions. The board also ensures that the local Red Cross unit is an effective steward of our donors' contributions. Board members are selected based on their individual expertise as well as their commitment to the American Red Cross humanitarian mission.

On average, the American Red Cross of the Greater Chesapeake Region provides help to Maryland, Delaware and Virginia families four times each day. After disasters, the Red Cross provides services including: emergency shelter, food, clothing and counseling, thanks to the generosity of financial donors and the

commitment of volunteers.

The Red Cross responds to nearly 64,000 disasters every year, most of which are home fires. Each day the Red Cross also provides lifesaving blood to area hospitals, teaches lifesaving skills, and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a charitable organization — not a government agency — and depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its humanitarian mission. For more information or to donate, please visit [RedCross.org/gcr](http://RedCross.org/gcr) or follow us on Twitter @RedCrossGCR or on Facebook @RCChesapeake.

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Photo spreads in home design magazines can be awe-inspiring. Quite often homeowners wish they could lift the looks right off the pages of magazines and transform their own homes into picture-perfect retreats.

It takes an eye for design to pull a room together — even with inspiration — and make it both functional and attractive. While hiring an interior designer is one way to go, homeowners can use some of the tricks and techniques the designers employ to do a



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remarkably good job of improving the interiors of their homes without such help.

#### EMBRACE TEXTURE

The colors used in a home can add impact, but designers often utilize various textures to create aesthetic appeal. A single color scheme can be enhanced by various fabrics. Consider a leather sofa made more cozy with chenille pillows next to a rustic side table. Figure out ways to incorporate a few different textures to add depth to the room.

#### BE CAREFUL WITH COLOR

Many high-end homes showcase neutral shades that are enhanced by pops of color. If you like a rich, royal purple, leave room for other colors as well. Add touches of purple in vases, throw pillows and other accessories.

Also, many designers work in shades of three for room colors. There may be one main color for walls, another color for larger accents, such as couches and chairs, and then a third color that pops in accessories such as flowers, pillows and collectibles. These can be any colors, but the most muted tends to be the more abundant shade.

#### ADD A BIT OF BLING

Glittery items and metallics can add a touch of luxury feel to any space. A shiny table lamp, mirrors, a sparkling chandelier, and the like are easy ways to produce a high-end feel. Reflective surfaces also will cast light around the room, giving the illusion of a larger space.

#### CHOOSE A BIG STATEMENT PIECE

Many homeowners make the mistake of filling a room with several small pieces of furniture that only contribute to clutter. Instead, look for a statement piece, which can be a cabinet, armoire or chaise. Mix and match large and small elements for a sense of balance.

#### ACCESSORIZE

Finish the room with accessories and flowers. When placing and hanging knickknacks and wall art, odd-numbered groupings often look the most cohesive and interesting. Experiment with different scales and heights for even more dimension.

When inspiration hits, take some cues from interior design pros to make spaces look like they belong on the pages of your favorite magazines.

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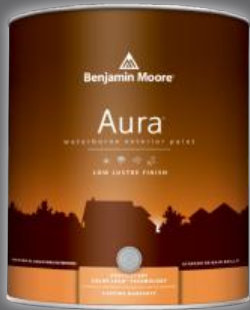
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# Protect your plants from winter weather

For the majority of gardening enthusiasts, gardening is a warm weather activity. While some people live in climates that make it possible to enjoy gardening year-round, those who don't often lament the end of the gardening season.

Winter might not be conducive to gardening, but the arrival of cold weather does not necessarily mean a gardener's work is done until the following spring. Taking steps to protect plants from winter weather is an important part of maintaining a healthy garden that thrives from year to year.

Timing is of the essence when winterizing a garden. The online gardening resource Get Busy Gardening!™ advises gardeners that the best time to winterize is after the first hard freeze in the fall. A hard freeze occurs when temperatures dip below freezing overnight. When that occurs, annual plants and vegetables are killed off and perennial plants, which grow back year after year, begin going dormant.

Better Homes and Gardens notes that perennials are the easiest plants to prepare for winter, as they require just a little cutting back and mulching to be safe from cold weather. But no two perennials are alike, so homeowners should consult their local gardening center for advice on how to prepare their particular perennials for the coming months.

The steps necessary to winterize annuals depends on which type of annuals, cool- or warm-climate, you have. Cool-climate annuals should be covered with polyspun garden fabric when light frost is in the forecast. In addition, Better Homes and Gardens recommends pulling dead annuals and adding them to a compost pile after a killing frost.



Any annuals that developed fungal disease should be discarded. Mulch annual beds with a three-to four-inch layer of chopped leaves or similar materials, spreading the mulch only two inches thick over self-sown seeds you want to germinate in the spring.

Warm-climate annuals also should be covered with polyspun garden fabric when light frost is expected. Seeds of cold-hardy annuals can be planted for extended winter bloom, while gardeners also can collect seeds of warm-weather plants that will breed true to type. Even though you're winterizing, Better Homes and Gardens recommends that gardeners continue to weed and water their plant beds and plants while also keeping an eye out for pests. If organic mulch has

decomposed or thinned out, replace it with a new layer.

Get Busy Gardening!™ notes that the bulbs of tender plants like dahlias and tuberous begonias can be dug up and overwintered in their dormant state. All dead foliage should be removed after the bulbs have been dug up, and the bulbs should be allowed to dry out a little before being stored. Container gardeners can overwinter their tender bulbs in their pots inside, but be sure to remove their foliage and store them in a dark, cool place that maintains temperatures above freezing.

Winterizing may mark the end of gardening season, but it's an important task that can ensure a healthy, beautiful garden next spring, summer and fall.



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# Must-haves for an amazing kitchen remodel

**K**itchen remodels are among the most popular home renovation projects, whether they consist of swapping out cabinet hardware or doing major demolition.

Due to the sheer amount of time families spend in the kitchen, not to mention the number of tasks performed in this space, it is easy to see why Remodeling magazine consistently ranks kitchen renovations as projects that will enable homeowners to recoup a high percentage of their investments. In the magazine's 2018 "Cost vs. Value" report, midrange major kitchen remodels costing an average of \$63,829 recouped 59 percent of that investment.

When investing in a kitchen project, it is important to incorporate items that are coveted.

## DEEP, DOUBLE SINKS

Having a double sink enables you to soak dishes in one side and then wash on the other. It also makes it easy to wash and prep produce for meals.

## KITCHEN ISLAND AND BAR STOOLS

Even though many meals are enjoyed around the table, there's something to be said for the convenience of a kitchen island and some well-placed bar stools for quick breakfasts or snacks.

## SMART KITCHEN STORAGE

Work with a contractor to include storage solutions built into cabinetry and the pantry. Slide-out shelving, nooks for a paper towel roll and custom-designed areas to store stand mixers and other necessities can make kitchens more functional.

## OUTDOOR ACCESS

If possible, design a kitchen so it is easy to access the backyard via sliding doors. This can make outdoor entertaining or even coffee on the deck much easier.

## UNDER-CABINET LIGHTING

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## BEVERAGE STATION

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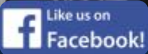
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Autumn is marked by colorful foliage and plummeting temperatures. Once those leaves reach peak color, they fall from the branches and collect on lawns, necessitating cleanup projects. For homeowners with big yards, such a project can be tiring and time-consuming. However, there are ways to make leaf cleanup easier.

One of the easiest ways to clean up leaves is to reach for a lawn mower rather than a rake. The mower will cut leaves down to smaller sizes, creating an effective mulch that can add nutrients back into the lawn. Davey, a lawn and landscape solutions service, says that mowed leaves also can be collected in a mower bag and added to garden beds or compost piles.

For those who prefer manual raking, select a rake with tines that will not skewer the leaves in the process. Big rakes also can make faster work of gathering leaves into piles.

The home improvement resource The Family Handyman advocates for the use of a lawn sweeper. This is a manual device that has a rotating sweeping brush that gathers up lawn debris and leaves into an attached hopper bag. Like mowed leaves, the bag can be emptied into a compost pile or distributed where needed.

Raking leaves onto a large tarp is another option. Once it's full, the tarp can be taken to the curb where many towns will collect the leaves seasonally. Otherwise, the tarp can be used as a funnel to put leaves into a gardening bag or another appropriate receptacle.

Leaf blowers remain a fast option for cleaning up yards, but they require electricity or gas and can be noisy. Still, they are a popular choice for large landscapes or when quick work needs to be made of leaf clean-up.

Leaves will fall in autumn, but luckily homeowners have various methods at their disposal to tame the mess.

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# How to create a winter-friendly outdoor living space



For many homeowners, the arrival of fall and winter marks an end to time spent lounging and dining al fresco on the patio. But cold air does not necessarily mean patio furniture must be packed up until flowers bloom anew in spring.

In its 2017 Home Design Trends Survey, the American Institute of Architects found that consumers continue to emphasize practical features that expand the functionality of their homes via heavy investment in outdoor living spaces. The survey found that the popularity of outdoor living spaces increased by 72 percent between 2012 and 2017, highlighting just how much homeowners enjoy spending time outdoors. By taking measures to make their outdoor living spaces winterproof, homeowners can enjoy these areas of their homes even more.

## COVER YOUR DECK

A covered deck may appear to make the space less enjoyable during spring and summer. However, covered decks can protect residents from the sun on especially hot days while also making the space more functional in winter. An overhead shelter on a deck can be outfitted with heaters (and fans to provide a cooling effect in summer) and allow residents to sit outside and watch snow fall without getting wet.

## PLANT THE RIGHT TREES

Coniferous trees prevent wind, which can be especially harsh in winter. Homeowners who are unsure about which direction wind typically comes from can consult a landscape architect to determine where to plant the trees to ensure they're most effective.

## FIRE UP THE PATIO

A firepit or fireplace can warm up an outdoor living area, making such a space warm and cozy even on a cold winter night. A patio with a built-in firepit can cost a pretty penny, but such an addition can withstand winter weather better than a standalone firepit, which might be vulnerable to being tipped over by winter winds.

## INSTALL LIGHTING

The sun sets early in winter, so homeowners won't be able to rely on natural light to illuminate their outdoor living spaces well into the evening like they do in summer. Heat lamps can be used to both warm and illuminate a space, serving dual, budget-friendly functions.

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# When it can be smart to hire a painting pro

Few things can revitalize a home more readily than a fresh coat of paint.

Thanks in part to the affordability of paint and its ease of application, painting is something that even novice DIYers can typically handle. According to the marketing advice guru Brandon Gaille, it is estimated that residential interior paint only lasts around three years before it needs to be updated.

Exterior paint can fade, chip and peel due to various environmental factors. As a result, many homes can likely use a fresh coat of paint in at least one room.

As DIY-friendly as painting can be, when attempting to paint the interior or exterior of their homes, homeowners may learn that some painting projects are best left to the professionals. Painting requires skill, patience and a knowledge of how various

paints — including finishes for particular applications — will hold up. Novice painters may do more harm than good by dripping paint on expensive carpeting or floors or fail to recognize the nuances that indicate a spot-on painting job.

Professional painters have spent hours upon hours learning the ropes of what works — and what does not. Painters often understand that painstaking preparatory



work is crucial to getting pristine finished results. Walls and ceilings must be properly repaired and prepared even before a base coat is applied.

Professional painters also have an eye for details. And because professional painters make a business out of doing interior and exterior surfaces, they understand which techniques can improve efficiency. That means a professional job can typically be completed much more quickly than a DIY project.

Even though some people think they'll save money by painting their own homes, that's not necessarily true. Professionals already have all the equipment necessary, unlike novices who may

need to make repeated and potentially costly trips to the hardware store for supplies. Plus, if mistakes happen, DIYers have to spend additional time and money fixing them.

Safety can be a large motivator for turning painting over to a pro. Navigating exterior areas or tall interior ceilings can be challenging and may require scaffolding or tall ladders DIYers do not have. Risk of falls or other injuries increase with lack of experience.

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# Will you “Marry me Again”

Vow Renewals have been popular in Italy for decades and have existed in the US since the 1950's and they became more popular in the 70's. Now, it is an everyday trend for couples to “Retie the Knot”. More and more married couples are reaffirming their marriage vows and commitment to each other.

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Other couples may celebrate overcoming a challenge. It is estimated that 50% of marriages end in divorce. Marriage isn't easy and for some couples, there will be a time in their relationship that they feel like an uphill battle that last for weeks, months or even years. Plus, over time the stress of raising children, work, and other obligations, makes it easy to forget how much you were head-over-heels in love with your spouse.

A vow renewal is the perfect way to get dressed up special and using love-affirming words to commit to being together forever, again. It makes your love feel magical again, which is a feeling you could have been missing from your life. And let's not forget the “planned” wedding night! Renewing your vows is a perfect way of restoring romance back

into your relationship making your marriage happier and healthier.

I recently read a heartwarming story about a married couple and the husband had been living with dementia for 9 years. He was unaware of their marriage and no longer knew the name of his wife. He told her that he really liked her and that he wanted to be with her forever. The wife gladly accepted his marriage proposal and with the help of her family and friends, they planned a wedding (vow renewal). The wife thought the wedding would not happen because he would forget. Much to her surprise, he remembered that they were getting married and she described their “vow renewal” as the most wonderful day. The biggest surprise is that after the wedding her husband was able to remember that he just married his girlfriend 2 weeks before. Love is the one thing that can truly last forever.

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Many attendees “walked the walk” and voted for their favorite pieces as part of the Art Walk contest. The works of 35 different local artists are displayed at participating businesses through the month of September and the winners of the art contest will be announced at [www.stmarysartscouncil.com](http://www.stmarysartscouncil.com). The audience participation Drum Circle with the SoMar Drummers was moved indoors but a lucky break in the weather let them seize the moment to be present at The Square, which was fortunate as there was a HUGE turnout of percussionists and people just passing by who joined in.

Save the date for our next event on October 4th from 5-8 PM for “Leonardtown Fall Fest” which will feature a free concert by “Cowboy Crossing”, check the Leonardtown First Fridays page on Facebook and [www.firstfridaysleonardtown.com](http://www.firstfridaysleonardtown.com) for details. A special thank you to St. Mary's County Arts Council, the Town of Leonardtown, LBA business members, Sheila Klotz of the SoMar Drummers, the First Friday volunteers, and Leonardtown Business Association Platinum Sponsors (Leonardtown Chevy Buick GMC, Marrick Homes, Visit St. Mary's & Quality Built Homes) who all helped to make Art Walk a wonderful community event! (photo credit Jenn Dorsey, location: Wine & Design Leonardtown)

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# CSM Safe App Features Real-Time Notifications Puts Campus Security in Palm of Students' Hands

The College of Southern Maryland (CSM) Public Safety and Preparedness Department launched a new CSM Safe App over the summer – putting critical, real-time information at users' fingertips and minimizing response times during both emergency and routine security/safety situations.

"CSM students and their families can download the app for free and access everything from campus maps, to our CSM Headlines news feed," explained CSM Public Safety and Preparedness Department Executive Director Bill Bessette. "More importantly, users can receive and submit information in the event of an emergency at any of our campuses. This app helps us all stay better connected to each other."

The interactive CSM Safe App features include:

- Campus alerts provide persistent in-app notifications and push notifications for location-specific emergencies to keep students and parents informed. An additional bulletin board feature is available in the event of an ongoing crisis.
- Offline emergency plans are one click away delivering action plans for weather emergencies and evacuations.
- Emergency contact phone numbers contain all pertinent phone numbers for on- and off-campus assistance with emergencies.
- 'Report a tip' is available more quickly via a phone call or text—and video or photos can be included. App users can choose to identify themselves or remain anonymous.

- 'Support resources' provides quick reference guides offering students everything from academic advising and mental health assistance, to sexual assault counseling and veteran and military support services.
  - An "I'm OK!" button allows users to share their exact location with campus security and other CSM Safe App users.
- "At CSM, our public safety department cannot keep the campuses safe on

our own," said Bessette. "It's the responsibility of everyone who comes to CSM to work, learn or socialize to be aware of our surroundings and to report any unusual threats, sightings or events. We encourage students and their families to download the CSM Safe App because it is a great tool for our students to better prepare themselves, share information and stay informed."

Students and their families are encouraged to download the free "CSM Safe App" for iOS (Apple) and Android devices. Those without internet access or smart phones can contact the CSM Public Safety and Preparedness Department at any CSM campus locations.

To contact campus security at the La Plata Campus, call 301-934-7888 or from a campus phone on ext. 7909. Contact campus security at the Leonardtown Campus at 240-725-5333 or from a campus phone on ext. 5333. To contact campus security at the Prince Frederick Campus, call 443-550-6033 or from a campus phone at ext. 6033. At the Regional Hughesville Campus, security questions or concerns can be directed to 301-539-4898.

For all emergencies, dial 9-1-1.

For more information, visit online at <http://ready.csmd.edu/PublicSafety/>.

Press Release from CSM

## College Fair Coming September 17

The Southern Maryland College Fair will take place on Tuesday, September 17, 2019, at the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department with two sessions. The first session begins at 10:00 a.m. and runs through 1:00 p.m. The second session begins at 5:00 p.m. and is open until 7:00 p.m. Approximately 120 colleges and universities throughout Maryland and the east coast, from Maine to Florida, as well as the United States military academies will be represented with exhibits and admission officers.

College and university officials will be available to answer any and all questions from students and parents/guardians concerning their schools. Financial aid workshops will be presented on site throughout the evening. All college-bound students, as well as those who might be considering college, are encouraged to attend this event and to

bring their parents/guardians. Students and their parents/guardians will have a unique opportunity to talk personally with the visiting college officials to learn what each institution offers, requirements for admission, cost, special programs, and location. Admission is free and information is available from all high school counselors.

The twenty-eighth annual Southern Maryland College Fair is sponsored by St. Mary's County Public Schools, in collaboration with Calvert County Public Schools, St. Mary's Ryken High School, the College of Southern Maryland, and the St. Mary's County Libraries.

For more information, please contact Cheryl A. Long, Director of Student Services, at 301-475-5511, ext. 32198.

Press Release from SMCPSS

## Pet OF THE WEEK

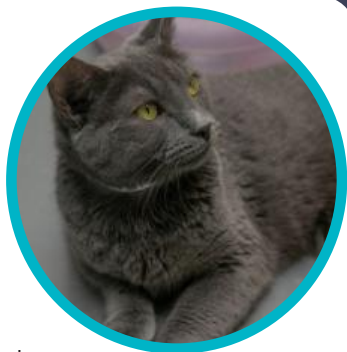
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SEP 15	DALLAS COWBOYS	1:00 PM	_____
SEP 23	CHICAGO BEARS	8:15 PM	_____
SEPT 29	@ NEW YORK GIANTS	1:00 PM	_____
OCT 06	NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS	TBD	_____
OCT 13	@ MIAMI DOLPHINS	1:00 PM	_____
OCT 20	SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS	1:00 PM	_____
OCT 25	@ MINNESOTA VIKINGS	8:20 PM	_____
NOV 03	@ BUFFALO BILLS	1:00 PM	_____
NOV 17	NEW YORK JETS	1:00 PM	_____
NOV 24	DETROIT LIONS	1:00 PM	_____
DEC 01	@ CAROLINA PANTHERS	1:00 PM	_____
DEC 08	@ GREEN BAY PACKERS	1:00 PM	_____
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# Annual Harvest Taste of Solomons Scheduled

## Restaurants Offer Fine Food and Beverages



New tastes abound in the historic Solomons Town Center as restaurants showcase selected food and beverages during the one-day food festival, The Harvest Taste of Solomons 2019 from 11 a.m. to 3p.m., Saturday, October 12.

The event is one of the yearly signature events designed and sponsored by the Solomons Business Association, with proceeds to benefit the association's annual July 4th fireworks display.

The Harvest Taste of Solomons provides the community a way to sample and enjoy a waterfront town during the fall season, according to Harvest Taste of Solomons Co Chair Charles Donaldson.

Tickets are \$5 each and may be purchased at any of the participating businesses. Each ticket can be exchanged for a sample of selected food or beverages. Substitutions may be made by the participating restaurants for food items on the day of the event. There are no ticket refunds.

Past Participating businesses have been: The Island Hideaway, The Ruddy Duck, Boomerangs Original Ribs, Captain Smith's Seafood Market, Angler's Seafood Bar and Grill, The Dry Dock at Zahniser's, Island Sushi, The CD Café, Kingfishers Seafood Bar and Grill, carmen's Gallery, The Lighthouse Restaurant and Dock Bar, The Lotus Kitchen and Kim's Key Lime Pies, The Charles Street Brasserie, Solomons Island Winery, The Pier, and the Calvert Marine Museum.



Tickets will also be available at the Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices McNelis Group Properties office starting Wednesday, October 9th and during the event on October 12th.

There will be an updated Participating businesses list released to the community in a few weeks.

For more information on the Harvest Taste of Solomons, call 240.577.1002 or 443.722.5966. For a map of participating restaurants and their offerings, or for information on activities, shopping, dining, and lodging in Solomons, visit [www.solomonsmaryland.com](http://www.solomonsmaryland.com)

*Press Release from Solomons Business Association*

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# Wanderings of an Aimless Mind

by Shelby Oppermann  
Contributing Writer



## “A bit about this, a bit about that”

I am trying to stay ahead of the game this year. Normally it is the night before fall is supposed to be begin that I go in the closet under the stairs and drag out all the Easter boxes first so I can get to the fall and Halloween boxes, which also means that I have to pull out all the Christmas boxes, so they are the next ups. Whew! Did you get all that? But a few days ago, I thought, let's just do this. I want fall decorations up now. And of course, the day of this writing it is going to be 94 degrees and feel like 100, which made it very hard to take down my outdoor mini flag with drawings of cocktails and “Weekend forecast; a chance of relaxing and drinking”.

The tree trunk fairy house out front by the road may need some fall decorations too. I wonder if I can find a miniature fall leaves garland. A.C. Moore has a really large doll house area, they might have it. Then, I suppose I will have to decorate the old fire-pit fairy garden in the paths. Is this getting to be too much? I'm in a small 8 person Rheumatoid Arthritis group on Facebook and we were chatting about fall and decorations, when our member from England wrote back, “I don't decorate for anything, only Xmas. We don't do that over here like you lot do.” It made me laugh and think that she must think that we add so much unnecessary stress (and expense) to our lives in the United States. Well, no matter, I still love fall, and all other holiday, decorations. I wrote back that I did it mainly for the grandkids (yeah right, its for me), and she said, “More work for you then, bugger that!”

Lately, I have been trying to have a little fun again with dinner preparation by getting back to fresh herbs and spices, and cooking methods out of my comfort zone. I usually still cook the tried and true meals that my mother cooked

and in the way that she cooked them. These were the meals my sons grew up on. All of the results for dinners recently have been really good. I think the month we tried Home Chef really helped with this. They had lots of neat tricks I picked up. I had to step it up since my husband is known for making great dinners and has never been afraid to try new methods as evidenced by the fact that only he knows how to operate the convection part of our oven.



Just a note on the Clement's Cuties event. Wow, what an event! The Clements Cuties game was perfect, the day was perfect; so many big hearts and souls raised funds for Max Long and Peyton Greer to continue to fight their cancers. We don't have complete figures yet, because there are still more donations coming in, and money from Facebook and PayPal yet to be disbursed, but right now the estimate looks like approximately \$60,000 was raised. Amazing. Thank you to all who came out and joined in the fun.

Good stuff happens when a group of dedicated individuals come together and focus on helping others. I am sure everyone reading this has a cause that is close to their heart for a variety of reasons, whether it is yourself, a family member, or a friend touched by an illness or tragic life event. It feels good to help, and it is good for the world as well.

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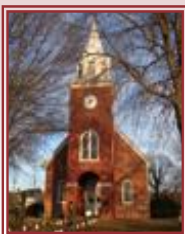
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## In Remembrance

### Pauline Abernethy Jenkins House



Pauline Abernethy Jenkins House, 82, of Leonardtown, MD passed away suddenly on Friday, August 31, 2019 at her home with her husband Donald E. House by her side.

Pauline moved to St Mary's County in 1960 to teach school.

This is where she met her husband. They were married in Belmont, NC on February 18, 1962, after which they returned to the county and lived here since. She was not only a wife and mother she was also a teacher for the Archdiocese of Washington, DC. Teaching was something Pauline really enjoyed doing along with being an avid quilter in her spare time. She loved to entertain at her home with family and friends. She was a selfless, loving and devoted mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She loved spending time with them.

Pauline is survived by her husband, Donald E House, her children: Donald James House (Donna) of Maryland and Robbie-Lea H. McKillip (Alan) of Georgia; and her sisters Shelia Blocker, Jean-

iene Dibble, and Caroline Fortner all of North Carolina. She has four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents James and Robbie Abernethy.

Memorial donations may be made to the St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church Maintenance Fund, at 21370 Newtowne Neck Road, Leonardtown, MD 20650.

Condolences to the family may be made at [www.brinsfieldfuneral.com](http://www.brinsfieldfuneral.com).

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

### Connie Sell



Connie Sell 50 of Lexington Park passed away on August 27, 2019. She was born on November 22, 1968 in Leonardtown Md. She was the daughter of Mary Lucille Carpenter and step father

James Carpenter.

Connie enjoyed spending time with her three sons Eric Carroll, BJ Kemp, Aaron Kemp, and her grandson Zack Bellaire and her friend Jim Illenberger. Connie

enjoyed painting, coloring, collecting crystal and spending time with her family. Connie especially enjoyed Christmas. She loved to decorate, watch Christmas movies and just do crafts for the festive holiday. She always made a special dinner for her "boys".

Connie is survived by her sister Brenda Koncen (Dale) of Chaptico, Brother Wayne Graves (Pam) of Avenue. Also her step-brothers Stan Carpenter (Lynn) of Brandywine, James Carpenter Jr. of North Beach, and Steven Carpenter (Katerina) of North Beach. She leaves behind many nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends who will miss her very much and all believe she is with the Lord and in a better place where she can rest in peace. She was predeceased by her father Francis Graves and niece Natasha Graves.

A Memorial was held on September 8, 2019 at the place she spent most of her time growing up. A tree was planted in her name. Connie's family and friends can sit under the tree and know she is beside them always.

### Ruby Hewitt Cheseldine



Ruby Hewitt Cheseldine, 97, of Bushwood, MD died September 7, 2009 at St. Mary's

Nursing Center in Leonardtown, MD.

She was born on March 4, 1922 in Leonardtown, MD to the late Hiram Hewitt and Madeline Long Hewitt.

Ruby was a lifelong resident of St. Mary's County. On November 6, 1962 she married her beloved husband, James George Cheseldine. For many years she and her husband owned and operated Towne Florist from 1965 to 1987. She was dedicated to serving the public and made many beautiful arrangements. Together they celebrated over 46 wonderful years of marriage before his passing in September 2009. Ruby loved to croquet, making many Afghans for newborn babies. She also made sweaters and hats for her newborn great grandchildren. She was a delicious cook and baker. At Christmas she made many delicious fruit cakes for her friends and family and everyone was excited to receive them. After retirement she and her husband loved to travel throughout the U.S. and Nova Scotia. She particularly like to visit her brother and friends in Florida. Her pride and joy was her grandchildren and great grandchildren, who she loved spending her time with.

Ruby is survived by her daughter, Betty Ann Gray (Pat) of Waldorf, MD; her grandchildren: Al Gray, Tim Gray, Donna Wise and Vincent Ridgell; 9 great grandchildren, 11 great-great grandchildren; and many extended family and friends. In addition to her parents and husband,

she is also preceded in death by her son, Joseph A. Ridgell, and her siblings: Joseph H. Hewitt, Frances H. Ruark, James R. Hewitt, Francis I. Hewitt, William B. Hewitt, John S. Hewitt, Mary H. Richardson, Helen C. Ruark, and her twin sister, Pearl H. Long.

Family will receive friends on Friday, September 13, 2019 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m., with a Mass of Christian Burial celebrated by Reverend Sam Plummer at 11:00 a.m., at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 23080 Maddox Road, Bushwood, MD. Interment will follow in Charles Memorial Gardens, Leonardtown, MD.

Serving as pallbearers will be Al Gray, Tim Gray, Vincent Ridgell, Eddie Long, Brian Pickerall and Keith Hewitt.

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

Condolences to the family may be made at [www.brinsfieldfuneral.com](http://www.brinsfieldfuneral.com).

### Linda Ann Bean



Linda Ann Bean "Mom Mom", 67, of Hollywood, MD formerly from Leonardtown, MD passed away on September 6, 2019 in Leonardtown, MD.

She was born on November 17, 1951 in Leonardtown, MD and was the loving daughter of the late Teresa Evangeline Heard and Joseph Peter Heard. Linda was the loving wife of Charles Henry Bean, whom she married on January 8, 1972 in St. Aloysius Catholic Church Leonardtown, MD. Linda is survived by her children Charles Brian Bean of Leonardtown, MD, Sean Bean (Kelley) of Hollywood, MD, Jamie Lee Bean of Hollywood, MD, Stacy Hull (Jason) of Hollywood, MD, 8 grandchildren; Morgen, Connor, Kristen, Josh, Maddie, Caden, Maci Ann, and Harper. Siblings; Brother Heard, Debbie Wallace and Darlene Davis. She was a lifelong St. Mary's County, MD resident and graduated from Chopticon High School in 1969. Linda was a housewife, loving mother and grandmother.

Contributions may be made to the Hollywood Vol. Rescue Squad P.O. Box 79 Hollywood, MD 20636.

### Patricia Diane Parker



Patricia "Patsy" Diane Parker, 63, of Leonardtown, MD passed away on September 3, 2019 in Randallstown, MD. She was born on September 5, 1956 in

Leonardtown, MD and was the daughter of the late Alice Cecelia Parker and Louis Henry Parker. Patsy is survived by her friend James Spears. She is survived by

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her son Robert Scriber of Lexington Park, MD. As well as her brother; James Parker, Neronica Miles, 2 grandchildren, Niece Tyneshia Parker, God Daughter Shonita Somerville, and other half brothers and sisters. She was preceded in death by her son Louis Parker.

Patsy was a home health care provider for 7 years and she loved to dance.

The family will receive friends on Friday, September 13, 2019 from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM in the Mattingley-Gardiner Funeral Home Leonardtown, MD where a Funeral Service will be held at 10:00 AM in the Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will be private.

**Rita Jarboe**



Rita "Alyce" Jarboe, 101, of California, MD passed away September 7, 2019 at Hospice House of St. Mary's in Calaway, MD.

She was born on September 17, 1917 in Scotland, MD to the late

James Parran Tennyson and Susan Maria Ridgell Tennyson.

Alyce is a lifelong resident of St. Mary's County. She was born and raised in Scotland, MD. She is graduate of St. Michael's High School in Ridge, MD. On April 13, 1936 she married her beloved husband, Parran Benedict Jarboe at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Ridge, MD. Together they celebrated over 66 wonderful years of marriage before his passing in March 2003. They built a home and raised their family in Great Mills, MD. After retirement they built a home in 1997 near their daughter in Leonardtown, MD. In January 2017 she moved to Discovery Commons in California, MD.

She and her husband enjoyed dancing and gardening. She loved her flower beds and raised beautiful flowers. She was an excellent cook and made many delicious meals. She also enjoyed canning her husband's harvest from his garden. Together they travelled throughout the United States, including Hawaii and Alaska. Playing Pitch was one of her favorite past times.

She was a long time member of NARFE, AARP, KC Belles, Catholic Daughters, Holy Face Ladies of Charity, and Holy Face Catholic Church.

Alyce is survived by her children: Benedict Paul Jarboe of Piney Point, MD, Brenda Jean Guy of Leonardtown, MD, John Parran Jarboe (Maryann) of Wildewood, FL, and Robert Neal Jarboe (Nancy) of Myrtle Beach, SC; her grandchildren: Michael Patrick Cullison, Christine Marie Cullison, Joseph Earl Cullison, William Paul Jarboe, Sr., Wayne Patrick Jarboe, and Stephanie Ann Jarboe; six great grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild. In addition to her parents and husband, she is also preceded in death by her infant children, Lawrence Wayne and Mary Shirkeley Jarboe, her twin sister, Ag-

nes Ferguson; her brothers, Ekas and Joseph Tennyson; and her infant great granddaughter, Rebecca Lorraine Cullison.

Family will receive friends on Thursday, September 12, 2019 from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., with prayers recited at 6:00 p.m. at Holy Face Catholic Church, 20408 Point Lookout Road, Great Mills, MD 20634. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by Reverend Jaroslaw Gamrot on Friday, September 13, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at Holy Face Catholic Church. Interment will follow in the church cemetery.

Serving as pallbearers will be Christopher Jarboe, Tom Jarboe, Ernie Fenhagen, Charlie Tennyson, Stephen Tennyson, and Matthew Tennyson.

Memorial contributions may be made to Holy Face Catholic Church, 20408 Point Lookout Road, Great Mills, MD 20634 and Hospice of St. Mary's, P.O. Box 625, Leonardtown, MD 20650.

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

Condolences to the family may be made at [www.brinsfieldfuneral.com](http://www.brinsfieldfuneral.com).

**Connie Lynn Shepherd**



Connie Lynn Shepherd, 70, of Lexington Park, MD died September 7, 2019 at her home with her loving family at her side.

She was born on July 9, 1949 in Muskogee, OK to the late Louis Moore and Clarice Neff Moore.

Connie worked in the retail industry for over 50 dedicated years. She spent the last 20 at Nordstrom's where she retired. On February 7, 1969 she married her beloved husband, Richard Brent Shepherd in Kent, WA. They celebrated over 40 wonderful years of marriage before his passing in November 2009. When she was 60 years old she went back to school and earned her Bachelor's degree with honors (Cum Laude) in Literature from the University of Maryland. She enjoyed school and was an avid reader and writer. She and her husband also enjoyed travelling.

Connie is survived by her sons: Scott Shepherd (Jessica) of Lexington Park, MD, Jason Shepherd of Linthicum, MD and Aaron Shepherd of Hollywood, MD; her siblings: Donna Fraser of Hutchinson, KA, Jane Fraser of Bremerton, WA, Chris Moore of Renton, WA, and Craig Moore of Kona, HI; her granddaughters, Brianna Shepherd of Prince Frederick, MD and Madelynn Shepherd of New Market, MD; and many extended family and friends. In addition to her parents, she is also preceded in death by her husband, Richard Brent Shepherd.

A Funeral Service will be celebrated by Pastor Lori Hayes on Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at Lexington Park United Methodist Church, 21760 Great Mills Road, Lexington Park, MD 20653. A Graveside service will be held on Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at 1:45 p.m. at Maryland Veterans Cemetery, 11301 Crain Highway, Cheltenham, MD

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**Barbara Dianne Russello**



Barbara "Bobbi" Dianne Russello passed into the arms of our Lord on September 1, 2019. She was born on February 7, 1935 in Brook-

lyn, New York. She was the only child of Joseph P. and Jane Forrest Barber Russell, who preceded her in death.

Bobbi is survived by three children, Thomas J. Longobardi, Cathy Jo Williams (Pat), and Janis Dee Russello; seven grandchildren and nine great grandchildren; her 30 year companion, John (Buddy) Howe, cousins and friends too numerous to count.

She graduated from Fontbonne Hall in Brooklyn, New York in 1953 where she built friendships that endure thru to this day.

Bobbi came to St. Mary's County Maryland in 1957 where she made a home of Eldon Grove Estate. She raised her family and made everyone feel welcome in her "one of a kind" beautiful home. Her family and her home were her pride and joy.

Over the years in St. Mary's, she was the President of the first Federated Republic Women's Club, head of the St. Mary's Salvation Army, a member of the St. Clement's Island Friends, and acted in plays with the St. Mary's Community Theater group. Bobbi was a charter member of the Trump Make America Great Again Committee as well as a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. When the DAR celebrated their 100 year anniversary, Bobbi received her 50 year member pin. She was also active in all of her children's and grandchildren's school activities, PTA, plays, recitals and sports. She also attended many of the school activities of her great grandchildren.

Bobbi loved to play bridge and was an excellent player. She was in many regular meeting groups; The Friday Group, the "O" Wives, and the First Thursday group. She was well known for her "I'll double that" bid! She loved to hostess parties at her home where everyone was entertained and feasted on her homemade pasta, meatballs, and bread - that, at 84 years of age, she still made by hand.

Bobbi owned and managed a small apartment complex for the last 40 years. She was compassionate, smart businesswoman. It was not unusual for her to be approached by past tenants who were so happy to see her; "Do you remember me?" they would ask. "I used to rent from you years ago!" She had an amazing memory and a keen business sense. She will be missed by so many.

Condolences may be made to the family at [www.brinsfieldfuneral.com](http://www.brinsfieldfuneral.com)

All arrangements are being handled by Brinsfield Funeral Home & Crematory, P.A., Charlotte Hall, MD.

**Latroya Denise Cortez**



Latroya Denise Cortez, 28, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, passed away on Sunday, August 25, 2019.

She was born on August 26, 1990 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the daughter of Charles and Barbara Baynard.

'Denise,' as she was called, was a loving and compassionate person who loved to be silly, fellowship with friends, and care for her son. She had the most beautiful smile that could light up a room. She was a beloved daughter, granddaughter, sister, mother and friend.

She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Viewing will be from 12 pm - 12:30 pm on Saturday, September 14th at Healing Place Church and funeral services will begin afterwards.

Interment will immediately following at Heritage Cemetery in Waldorf, MD.

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# Community Calendar

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## Thursday, Sept. 12

### 2nd District Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad Fundraiser

Texas Roadhouse Restaurant  
California  
5p.m. to 9p.m.

10% of bill goes to 2nd District Volunteer Fire & Rescue Squad; Homemade Bake Goods for Sale; (Physical or Digital copy of flyer must be presented to your server at event – attached pdf and jpeg of flyer to present); Call Robin for more info - at 301-737-4366(H) or 240-577-0270(C)

## Friday, September 13

### Yard Sale

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church  
California

Look for the large tent. Many treasures looking for new homes. Open from 8 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Hot Dogs and Sauages available from 10:30 until 2.

## Saturday, September 14

### Sandwich Sale

American Legion Post 221  
21690 Colton's Point Road, Avenue  
11a.m. to 4p.m.

American Legion Post 221 is sponsoring a pork loin and beef sandwich sale. Pork loin, sliced roast beef, and BBQ beef sandwiches will be sold on both Saturday and Sunday, September 14th and 15th at American Legion Post 221 @ 21690 Colton's Point Rd (Rt. 242), in Avenue, MD. The event will be from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and sandwiches will cost \$7.00 each. Check <http://alpost221.webs.com/apps/calendar/> for other Post events. Call (301) 884-4071 for further information.

### SMTMD Contra Dance

Christ Church Parish Hall, Chaptico  
7:30 pm

Come out to swing, promenade, and do-si-do to lively jigs, reels and waltzes at the SMTMD contra dance, on Saturday, September 14 at Christ Church Parish Hall in Chaptico. The Southern MD Open Band will be playing live acoustic

string music and caller Kim Forry will teach and call the dances. The beginners dance workshop (no partner required) starts at 7pm, and the dance begins at 7:30pm. Admission is \$10 for non-SMTMD members; \$6 for SMTMD members (band members and children under 17 are free). There will be an ice cream social during the intermission. Go to [www.smtmd.org](http://www.smtmd.org) for directions and more information. Watch the website for weather related cancellation notices.

### Spaghetti Dinner

Mt. Zion United Methodist Church  
27108 Mt. Zion Church Rd.  
Mechanicsville  
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

All You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner  
Adults: \$10, Children 7 and under: FREE. Gather around with the whole family and friends for a Spaghetti Dinner. Menu: Spaghetti and Meat Balls, Tossed Salad, Toasted Garlic Bread, Coffee and Iced Tea. Desserts available for purchase. Gluten Free Noodles Available Upon Request. [www.mtzion-mech.org](http://www.mtzion-mech.org). 301-884-4132

## Sunday, September 15

### SeptemberFest

FW Post 2632 Pavilion  
23282 ThreeNotch Rd. California  
2:00 PM to 5:00 PM

SeptemberFest with the Alex Meixner Band. Bringing Polka to the 21st Century. Grammy-Nominated. Sponsored By Mechanicsville, 7th District, and Lexington Park Optimist Clubs. Adults \$20.00/Children 6-12 \$5.00. Under 6 Free. Food and Beverages available. Contact Dale 240-298 7704/Colleen 240-298-7706 for tickets. Preview at [AlexMeixner.com](http://AlexMeixner.com) or Youtube Alex Meixner.

### Roller Skating

Leonard Hall Recreation Center  
Leonardtown  
2:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Join us each Sunday afternoon for roller skating at Leonard Hall Recreation Center! We will play mu-

sic for the whole family and have skates for renting. We have both 4 wheeled and inline skates for most sizes.

### Hollywood Volunteer Rescue Squad Drive-Thru Chicken Dinner

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### SMYOC Auditions

Calvert Middle School  
Prince Frederick  
5:30 PM to 9:00 PM

The Southern Maryland Youth Orchestra & Choir will hold auditions for all ensembles in September. SMYOC is a non-profit working to expand opportunities for talented young musicians in Maryland's Tri-County. Students must register for an individual audition time. Monday nights are CHOIR auditions only. There is no fee to audition. If accepted, there is tuition for participation. Financial aid is available. Go to [www.smyoc.org/](http://www.smyoc.org/) AUDITIONS for more information.

## Tuesday, September 17

### NASA Historians to Speak at St. Mary's College

Join NASA Chief Historian William Barry and NASA Preservation Officer Rebecca Klein on Tuesday, September 17, 2019, as they describe some of this nationally significant history. In a panel discussion, Barry will share "Some Things You Probably Don't Know about NASA History," and Klein will describe managing this amazing history in "Then and Now; Then in Now: A Tale of Two Preservation Approaches." The presentations will be held in Cole Cinema, Campus Center beginning at 4:10 pm.

## Wednesday, September 18

### Little Explorers: Exploring Color

Historic St. Mary's City  
18751 Hogaboom Lane  
St. Mary's City  
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Meet at the Visitor Center. Designed for pre-school age children 3-5 years old and an accompanying adult. \$4 per child (\$3 Friends members); one accompanying adult free. Full-day admission included (240) 895-4990, [info@HSMCdighistory.org](mailto:info@HSMCdighistory.org), [www.HSMCdighistory.org](http://www.HSMCdighistory.org)

## Thursday, September 19

### Fall Fashion Presentation

Northern Senior Activity Center  
29655 Charlotte Hall Road  
Charlotte Hall  
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM

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### "A Curious Tale of Jesuit Priests and an Unlikely Mission"

Historic St. Mary's City  
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7:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Meet at the Visitor Center Auditorium. Join us for a presentation by Dr. Laura Masur of Catholic University. This lecture is free and open to the public. (240) 895-4990, [info@HSMCdighistory.org](mailto:info@HSMCdighistory.org), [www.HSMCdighistory.org](http://www.HSMCdighistory.org)

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### Free Enhance Fitness classes during the month of September

September is National Senior Center month, and to celebrate, the Department of Aging & Human Services is offering Enhance Fitness for free at the county's three senior activity centers. Come join us for an invigorating workout that gives you the three components of a well-balanced exercise program all in a one-hour class. You'll work on balance, strengthening and aerobics with a trained instructor. Normally on the Fitness Card at \$35 for 10 classes, take part during the month of September at no charge. For more information or for class locations and times, call Alice at 301-475-4200, ext. 71063 or look for the schedule on the Department's webpage.

### Identity Protection Day

The Department of Aging & Human Services, in conjunction with the Department of Public Works & Transportation and the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office, will host an Identity Protection Day on Saturday, Sept. 28, from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Garvey Senior Activity Center, located at 41780 Baldrige Street in Leonardtown, MD.

Learn about scams, frauds, and how to protect yourself against them! Informational workshops will be held with Jeanine Robinson-Hurley from the Office of the Attorney General at 9:30 a.m. and Cpl. Kristi Nelson with the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office at 11:30 a.m.

Two shred trucks will be available to

safely dispose of confidential documents. Please refrain from bringing materials that are not confidential in nature, such as newspapers and magazines (acceptable at the six Convenience Centers in St. Mary's County) as they will cause the truck to fill up more quickly. The shredder can handle simple staples, paper clips, spiral note books, and thin metal prongs. Three ring binders will not be accepted.

The St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office and the St. Mary's County Health Department will be on-site to collect unwanted and outdated medications. The Health Department WILL be able to collect sharps, such as diabetic needle supplies and lancets.

This event is free and open to the community. For more information, contact Sarah Miller, Department of Aging & Human Services Community Programs & Outreach Manager, at 301-475-4200, ext. 71073, or [Sarah.Miller@stmarysmd.com](mailto:Sarah.Miller@stmarysmd.com).

### LIFE (Learning is ForEver) trip to the Newseum

Join us for a visit to the Newseum in Washington, D.C., on Wednesday, Sept. 18. Develop a better understanding of the importance of a free press and First Amendment rights. Discover how the core freedoms—religion, speech, press, assembly, and petition—apply to your life. The Newseum has seven levels with 15 galleries and 15 theaters. Exhibits include concrete sections from the Berlin Wall, a 9/11 Gallery with the broadcast

antenna from the top of the World Trade Center, the Pulitzer Prize Photographs Gallery with photographs from every Pulitzer Prize winning entry since 1942, the FBI's battle against terrorism, and much more including interactive exhibits. Browse the gift shop. Lunch is on your own in the cafeteria at the Newseum. Wear comfortable walking shoes. Tour is led by LIFE Committee volunteers Apple Bazil & Bev Hubenschmidt. Bus departs from the Northern Senior Activity Center promptly at 8 a.m. Please arrive at the Center by 7:40 a.m. to check-in. For more information and to register call 301-475-4200, ext. 71063.

### Diabetes Self-Management 6-Week Program

The Diabetes Self-Management class is coming to the Garvey Senior Activity Center, Tuesdays, Sep. 17-Oct. 22, 1:30-4 p.m. This 6-week course gives attendees tools needed to take control of their disease. Topics covered include nutrition, stress management, medication management and many more! Space in the class is limited. There is no fee to attend; however, attendance at all six sessions is highly recommended. Register by calling 301-475-4200, ext. 71050.

### Sea Glass Art Class

Come join us at the Garvey Senior Activity Center for a sea glass art class on Wednesday, Sept. 18, at 1:30 p.m. This class is free, and you will get to take home a 4 inch square picture and an easel

to display it on. We will provide instruction and the materials for the class. Add your own personal touch to this piece of art. For more information or to sign up please call 301-475-4200, ext.71050.

### Fall Prevention Presentation

Though the first day of Fall has been selected by the CDC as National Falls Prevention Day, Loffler Senior Activity Center will get a jump on the tradition by highlighting this crucial topic on Thursday, Sept. 19, at 10 a.m. when our Health Watch Coordinator, Linda Weintraub discusses strategies to stay steady. Handouts will include safety checklists, risk factor quizzes and other 'goodies' to help you stay on your feet and off the floor. Sign up by calling 301-475-4200, ext. 71658, or stop by the reception desk to secure your place at this fun and informative session.

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## ST. MARY'S COUNTY Library

### Beat Saber Dance Party

Leonardtown Library will hold a Beat Saber Dance Party on Monday, September 23 from 5 - 6:30 p.m. Think you've got rhythm? Experience the thrill of virtual reality by playing the music rhythm game Beat Saber on our Oculus Rift headsets. It'll be part 3D gaming experience, part dance party, but guaranteed to be all fun. Designed for ages 9-15 year olds.

### National Issues Forum: A House Divided

Leonardtown Library will hold a National Issues Forum on Wednesday, September 19 from 6 - 7:30 p.m. National Issues Forums (NIF) is a nonpartisan, nationwide network of locally sponsored public forums for the consideration of public policy issues. It is rooted in the simple notion that people need to come together to reason and talk — to deliberate about common problems. Indeed, democracy requires an ongoing deliberative public dialogue. Every American is affected by the divisions and outrage that prevent us from making progress on urgent

problems. This National Issues Forum is designed to help people deliberate together about how we should approach the issue. Participants will discuss: What should we do to get the political system we want? What should we do to revive our ability to work together on the most urgent problems? What are we willing to give up in order to do so?

### Budgeting Basics

Charlotte Hall Library will hold Budgeting Basics from 6 - 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 24. Students will be able to build and adjust a personalized budget by tracking expenses, gathering records, organizing the plan and entering data. One must distinguish between needs and wants and learn how to create and maintain a successful budget. Questions are welcome! Brian E. Koenig will present a class from Consumer Education Services, Inc. (CESI) which is a non-profit service provider of comprehensive personal financial education and solutions for all life stages and for all of life's milestones. Their goal is enhanced economic security for everyone they serve. <https://www.cesissolutions.org/> Registration required. Ages 16 and up.

### De-Stress @ the Lex for Teens and Tweens

Lexington Park Library will hold a De-Stress @ the Lex on Thursday, September 26. The first hour 5-6 p.m. is for teens ages 13-18, the second hour 6 - 7 p.m. is for tweens ages 8-12. We all have stress

but there are lots of great ways to deal with it to end up happier and more relaxed. Come in to try out some of the habits of happiness like yoga, service to others, thankfulness, and making stress relieving objects. All materials provided and no experience is needed. No registration required, drops in welcome!

### Knit One, Give Too

Lexington Park Library will hold Knit One, Give Too on Saturday, September 28 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Calling all knitters and crocheters! Help us create handmade scarves to give warmth and encouragement to foster care students. The scarves will be donated to the nonprofit organization Foster Care to Success, which includes the scarves in care packages sent to college students who are former foster care youth. Use our yarn and patterns, or bring your own. Scarves must be, or include, at least one shade of red. See the organization's website at [fc2success.org](http://fc2success.org) or email [jcavanaugh@stmalib.org](mailto:jcavanaugh@stmalib.org) for more guidance. Anyone not able to attend this event may pick up yarn and patterns at a Common Thread meeting (Tuesdays, October 8 or 22, from 6-7:30 p.m.), while supplies last. Scarves not fully completed at this event may be finished at home and dropped off at the library by Friday, November 15. Registration required.



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Saturday or Sunday (anytime)

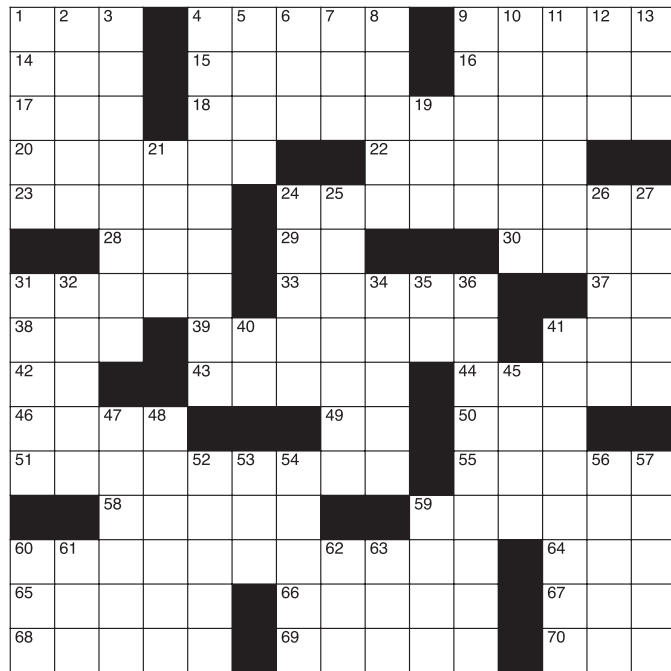
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4th Friday of the Month  
January 24, 2020  
February 28, 2020  
March 27, 2020

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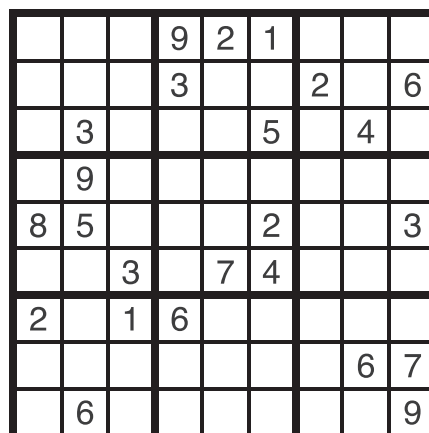
- 1. Google certification
- 4. Cloths spread over coffins
- 9. Disorderly
- 14. "Star Wars" hero Solo
- 15. Toward the rear
- 16. The order of frogs
- 17. Alternative pain treatment (abbr.)
- 18. "Wolf of Wall Street" star
- 20. Evoke
- 22. Units of metrical time
- 23. Helps to predict eclipses
- 24. Some say they attract
- 28. Pitching statistic
- 29. Baseball box score (abbr.)
- 30. Force unit
- 31. Repaired shoe
- 33. English theologian
- 37. Commercial
- 38. Exchange money for goods or services
- 39. Give off
- 41. One from Utah
- 42. Computer

- department
- 43. Begets
- 44. English navigator
- 46. C C C
- 49. Of I
- 50. Pouch
- 51. Add notes to
- 55. A way to fall into ruin
- 58. Cunning intelligence
- 59. Blood disorder
- 60. Disgraced CBS newsmen
- 64. Tax collector
- 65. Type of grass common to the Orient
- 66. Cosmic intelligence
- 67. No (Scottish)
- 68. People who rely on things
- 69. Stairs have them
- 70. Mathematical term (abbr.)

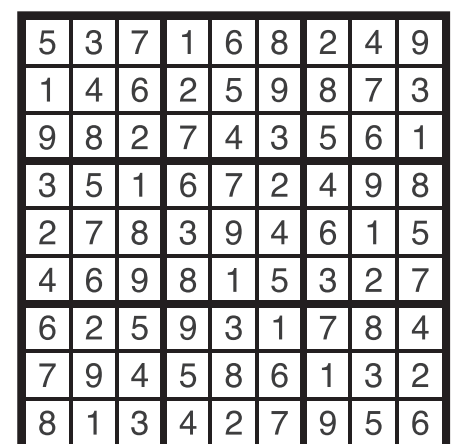
### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Clarified butters
- 2. Primitive Himalayan people
- 3. Completely
- 4. Steep cliffs along the Hudson River

- 5. Assist
- 6. Language spoken in Laos
- 7. Type of screen
- 8. An attempt to economize
- 9. Volcanic craters
- 10. Still outstanding
- 11. Takes responsibility for another
- 12. California think tank
- 13. Former Rocket Ming
- 19. A pigeon noise
- 21. Central part of
- 24. Academy Award statue
- 25. Distinct unit of sound
- 26. Relative on the female side of the family
- 27. Passover feast and ceremony
- 31. The brightest star in Virgo
- 32. Made with oats
- 34. Subjects to laser light
- 35. Beloved Hollywood alien
- 36. Neatly brief
- 40. The Great Lakes State (abbr.)
- 41. Soon to be released
- 45. Swiss river
- 47. Become involved in
- 48. More dour
- 52. They're on floors
- 53. Boxing's GOAT
- 54. Swarms with
- 56. Quantum mechanics pioneer
- 57. Facilitated
- 59. As fast as can be done (abbr.)
- 60. Regional French wine Grand \_\_\_
- 61. Owns
- 62. Tell on
- 63. Precedes two



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