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COMMISSIONER TODD MORGAN

WEEKLY FORECAST

<p>Thu 9/23 70° 54°F</p> <p>Rain</p>	<p>Fri 9/24 71° 55°F</p> <p>Sunny</p>	<p>Sat 9/25 73° 57°F</p> <p>Mostly Sunny</p>	<p>Sun 9/26 74° 54°F</p> <p>Sunny</p>
<p>Mon 9/27 74° 57°F</p> <p>Sunny</p>	<p>Tue 9/28 77° 59°F</p> <p>Sunny</p>	<p>Wed 9/29 74° 58°F</p> <p>Partly Cloudy</p>	<p>Thu 9/30 73° 55°F</p> <p>Mostly Sunny</p>

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District Draft Map Carves Out a Portion of St. Mary's

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

A draft legislative district map promulgated by a state-mandated nine-member panel would take a piece of St. Mary's County currently in District 29 and transfer it to District 27, which is shared between Calvert and Anne Arundel counties.

The Maryland Citizens Redistricting Commission's job is to take the most recent census data and redraw state legislative maps and form compact and contiguous districts based on population figures.

Both Del. Matt Morgan (Dist. 29A) and Sen. Jack Bailey (Dist. 29) are crying foul over the latest proposal.

"Unfortunately, the traditional Southern Maryland counties, Charles, St. Mary's and Calvert, did not have representation on this commission, so it would be difficult for the members to understand the region, our business, and our economic drivers," Bailey said to his constituents in an e-mail. "It is not logical to assume that those residents who have now been placed in a district serving Calvert and Anne Arundel counties will be better served by our state elected representatives."

"St. Mary's County has always prided itself on the availability of our elected officials; we can contact them easily and not leave messages on some office answering machine hours away."

Morgan said the proposed map "substantially gerrymanders and weakens St. Mary's County."

County Commissioner Todd Morgan said that the proposal strips away key portions of St. Mary's economic engine, Patuxent River Naval Air Station and the developing Airport Innovation District at the St. Mary's County Airport and puts it under the representation of delegates and senators several counties away.

Under the proposal, Morgan said, the county would also have just one delegate and essentially be broken up among four other counties' influence.

The proposal also takes a portion of southern Charles County and attaches it to St. Mary's; for 40 years, the delegate argued, St. Mary's has always been whole during redistricting, which takes place every 10 years.

"This map grabs a section of Mechanicsville, Oakville, Hollywood, and California and relocates those areas to a predominantly Anne Arundel & Calvert County district," Matt Morgan said in a statement to constituents. "It further attaches a massive section of Charles County to St. Mary's County."

"The proposed district runs up the Charles County eastern border to the Rt. 381 Gallant Green area, then goes south down Rt. 488 towards La Plata, follows Rt. 6 west, captures the Nanjemoy area, and runs nearly to Indian Head."

Both elected leaders testified against the map at a Sept. 20 online hearing of the commission.

Todd Eberly, political science professor at St. Mary's College of Maryland, said in a social media post that he was puzzled by the proposal, as it would actually put some Democrat elected leaders in Republican dominated areas.

He said this would likely mean this map would not be selected by the General Assembly, dominated by Democrats.

"I'm actually a bit shocked by this map," stated Eberly. "Not just as resident of St. Mary's but as an MD Politics teacher."

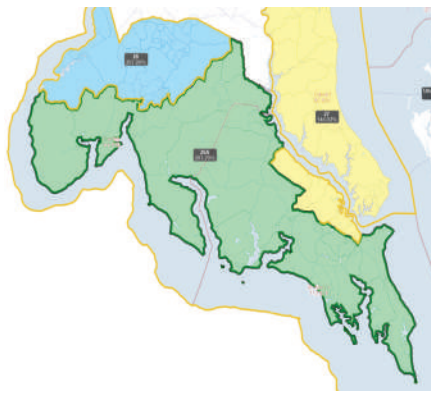
"There's a lot to unpack in this map and the fact that it comes from the Governor's Citizen Commission just adds a whole other layer of... intrigue."

Eberly said the new map would put delegates Mark Fisher and Jerry Clark in the same district, with Clark being the favorite, and Bailey would be shifted to Charles County but still in control of the district and set up for another electoral win.

"But Del. Morgan will suddenly have a lot of Charles County voters in his district," Eberly continued. "It's still a Republican district, but it opens the door to a primary challenge to Morgan."

"I have to add that, in the end, this map likely will be [dead on arrival]. The Democrats in the [General] Assembly will draw the final map and they won't accept this map because it negatively affects the districts of [two incumbent Democrats]... but that this map exists and came from the Governor's commission is... interesting."

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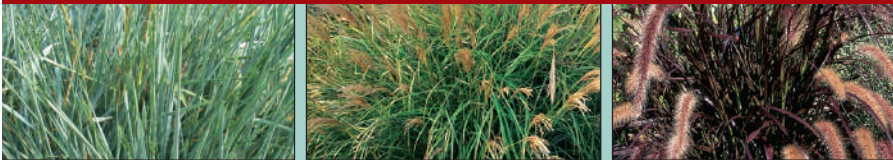
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Commissioners: Predatory Towing A Growing Problem



By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

Parking illegally on private property in St. Mary's County can get you towed away, but the Commissioners of St. Mary's County are getting behind a legislative proposal that takes aim at a practice some call predatory towing.

Commissioner John O'Connor has offered the bill to be considered later this fall by the county delegation to the General Assembly; the aim is not to end towing of illegally parked vehicles in St. Mary's but to regulate it so that exorbitant release and impound fees no longer have to be paid.

O'Connor, who is a law enforcement officer in Prince George's County, said towing companies — often from outside the county — come here and employ "spotters" to wait in areas such as apartment complexes with whom the towing company has a contract — and immediately call in a tow truck when they see even the slightest infraction of a parking rule.

O'Connor recounted one instance in an apartment complex locally where a woman who lived there accidentally double parked in a handicapped space for a few moments to take her groceries inside — she came out to find her car had been hooked up and towed from her own residence.

In another instance, O'Connor said one tow truck was fired upon for apparent predatory towing.

While the practice is essentially legal, those who wish to have their car returned often have to pay extreme amounts to have it returned, often have no idea where their vehicle is being taken and must deal with a business that has no license

to operate or office in St. Mary's.

O'Connor said the state limit on impound fees is capped at \$280 per car; his proposal would give county commissioners the power to cap it where they saw fit at about \$25.

In some cases with predatory towing, O'Connor said, towers will not even release the vehicle to the owner if they can pay a "drop fee" on the spot.

"Even if you try to pay the drop fee, they'll drive off so you have to pay the impound fee," O'Connor told The County Times.

His proposed law, which would have to be approved in the General Assembly, would also direct homeowners associations and apartment complexes to give at least 24 hours notice before towing one of their own residents.

The law would also give the county the ability to make towing companies register with the county and provide oversight of towing companies from the sheriff's office.

"I get a lot of complaints about this in Lexington Park all the time," said Commissioner Todd Morgan. "The spotters are there... and the apartment managers swear there's nothing going on."

"That predatory towing is getting worse in Lexington Park."

The violence the issue has brought was more than enough reason for the commissioners to act.

"If we've got tow truck drivers getting shot at, we've got enough shootings in Lexington Park," Morgan said. "We don't need truck drivers getting shot at."

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Commissioners Approve Emergency Radio Funds

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

The county's Department of Emergency Services was authorized to spend nearly half-a-million dollars in federal American Rescue Act funds to purchase equipment to ensure the county's emergency communication system could operate effectively with other jurisdictions.

"This is part of a long project we've been working on," said Steve Walker, emergency services director. "Part of the reason why it's taken so long is our partners; Calvert County now has their system up.

"We are beginning to communicate with them but there are some encrypted parts that we need, technology, to be able to do that."

The total funding for the project is \$463,888.

The majority of that, \$303,887 is for hardware and software upgrades at the county's 911 center to allow for interoperability with other systems.

The remaining \$160,000 is for 400 new portable radios — costing \$400 each — that will be encrypted for secure communication between first responders.

In 2018 the commissioners authorized the Department of Emergency Services to enter into an agreement and use the services of the Maryland First Emergency Radio System, which is preparing to go live.

According to county documents "the current configuration for MD First law enforcement channels is encrypted. Our system needs a software upgrade to be able to function on the system."

County documents also state that Calvert County emergency communications has completed their build-out of their modern P-25 radio system and part of their current frequency configuration are encrypted channels for narcotics investigations and tactical operations.

St. Mary's portable radios for the sheriff's office need a software upgrade to have proper interoperability on these channels with the Calvert County Sheriff's Office.

"Additionally, our 911 center needs base station radios with multi-key encryption to be able to communicate directly with Calvert County 911 communications," the documents stated.

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Murphy Seeks District 3 Seat

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

Dawn Murphy, an Avenue resident, has filed to take over the District 3 seat for county commissioner in next year's election; the incumbent, Commissioner John O'Connor, has decided to run for Commissioner President.

Running as a Republican, Murphy wants to pursue a policy of limited growth in St. Mary's.

"I want to keep growth slow," Murphy said. "I love this county, I love the farms; I love to see them worked."

She said she wants to help ensure that the county does not incur a "big city" feel such as in Waldorf in Charles County.

She said she hears that particular concern not just from residents in rural parts of the county, but in more urbanized parts as well.

"They're from all over the county," Murphy said. "I have friends everywhere."

Murphy, an operating engineer for the Local 37 Union, also wants to reach beyond her district and work on alleviating the homeless problem, which is predominantly seen in the Lexington Park area in commissioner District 4.

"I'd like to see something done with



Dawn Murphy

the homeless people," Murphy said. "There's no reason for them to be in some homeless camp.

"It's just not right."

Murphy would also use her influence as a county commissioner if elected to try to find a way to change the school system's policy for masking students during school hours.

"These children should not be masked all day long," Murphy said. "I think it's child abuse."

Murphy said she has never served in an elected position before, but she is eager to serve.

"I think maybe I can make a difference," Murphy told The County Times. "You can complain about everything or you can step in and make a difference."

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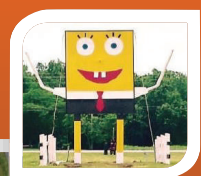


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Amount of New COVID Cases Matches Pandemic High

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

The number of new cases of COVID-19 in St. Mary's County — starting for the week of Sept. 12 — reached 431, the latest data from the county's health department shows.

That level is two cases short of the highest new case rate of the pandemic reached in January.

As the county, and the rest of the state continues to grapple with the Delta variant of the virus, the amount of people who are contracting the virus though they are fully vaccinated continues to grow.

The vast majority, though, of new cases are unvaccinated, the county health department's data shows.

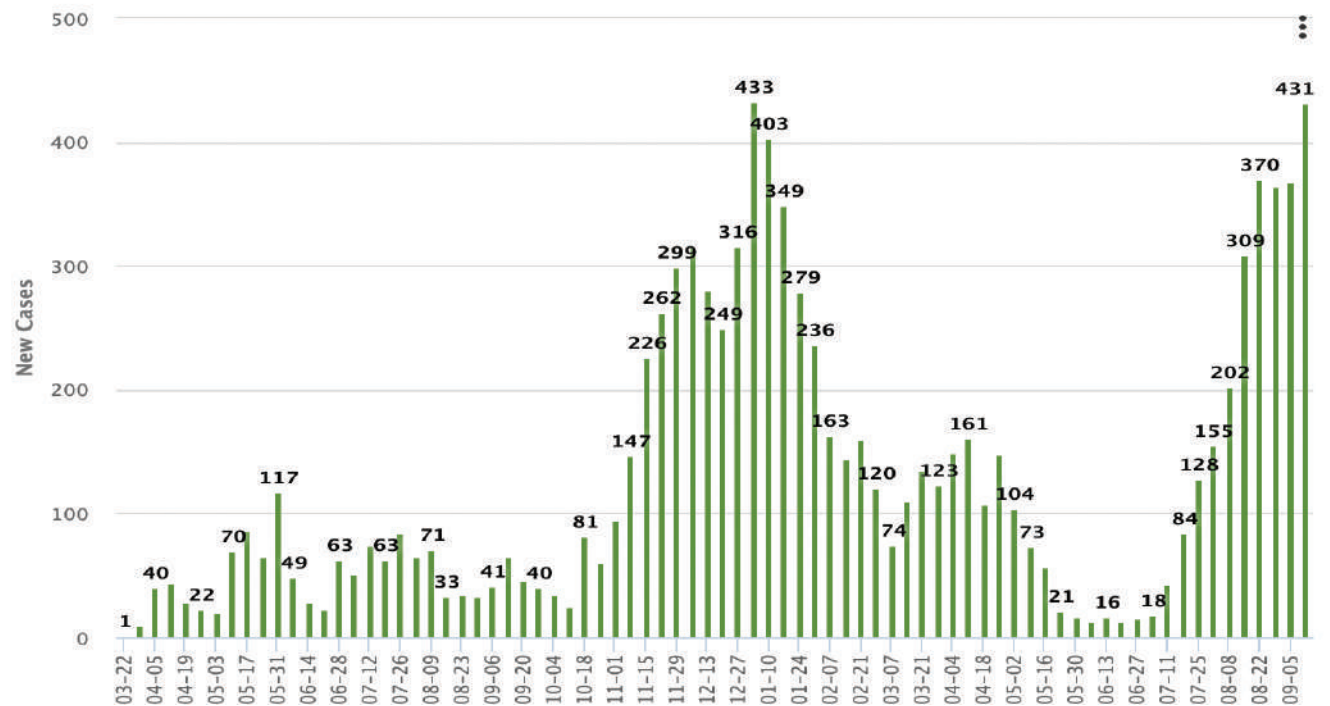
For Sept. 12, the data shows that 71 of the new 431 cases are breakthrough cases of those who are fully vaccinated; 13 were partially vaccinated.

The data shows that there have been 548 breakthrough cases of COVID-19 in St. Mary's to date.

The total number of COVID-19 cases in St. Mary's is 9,919 since the pandemic began in March of 2020, according to the health department; this is approaching roughly 10 percent of the population of the county.

The new case rate of infections per 100,000 people has also sky-

The date listed below each bar represents the first day of data collection for the week.



rocketed in the past week for the youngest range of residents; as of Sept. 19, the new infection rate for those aged zero to 19 is 87.08, up sharply from 58.21 just one week earlier.

Most other age groups in St.

Mary's County show a decline in the new case rate, except the aged 20 to 39 group which has increased a few points from the prior week.

As of Sept. 15, MedStar St. Mary's Hospital had the highest number of patients hospitalized since the

beginning of the pandemic and 39 COVID-19 patients, the county's data showed.

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Ostrow Running for District 4 Commissioner Seat

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

Scott Ostrow, a purchasing manager who works for a local defense contractor, wants to take over the work that current County Commissioner Todd Morgan is doing for District 4.

He has filed to run for Morgan's seat as a Republican in next year's election; Morgan is term limited.

Ostrow is a Town Creek resident. "I love this area we live in," Ostrow said. "I want to preserve it. I want to continue the work the commissioner board."

Ostrow said he is an advocate for safe schools and safe neighborhoods. "I want to make sure that the sheriff's office and our other first responders are well taken care of," Ostrow said.

He also wanted to ensure schools were well funded, but wanted to wait until becoming a commissioner to judge whether they were being adequately funded.

For years commissioners have funded the school system over maintenance of effort but still have drawn criticism for not giving over even more funding.

Ostrow said he wants to closely manage development and growth as well.

"We need to take a good, clear look at how we're growing and where we're growing," said Ostrow, adding he wants to see closer cooperation with the Metropolitan Commission in seeing older water and sewer lines upgraded from



Scott Ostrow

their aging condition.

"I want to repair and replace what needs to be done," Ostrow said. "The city water lines in Town Creek that desperately need to be upgraded and repaired."

He had similar concerns for other aging water and sewer lines in the county, and he wanted to see such services expanded but at reasonable costs to the taxpayers, he said.

Ostrow also wanted to continue to improve broadband access in St. Mary's.

"I want to try to hold some of these companies accountable for their services and fees," said Ostrow. "I want to find a way to improve competition here."

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Director of Department of Public Works & Transportation Retiring

John Deatrck, Director of the Public Works & Transportation Department, has announced his retirement effective Dec. 31, 2021. In his announcement, Deatrck said, "It has been my privilege to serve the Commissioners and citizens of St. Mary's County for the last four years. This county is a delightful place to work and live, and I am thankful for my time leading one of the most vibrant departments in St. Mary's County Government."

Mr. Deatrck came to St. Mary's County in 2017 from the City of Cincinnati, where he served as Project Executive for the Cincinnati Streetcar implementation between 2013 and 2016. From 2008 until 2013, he was Cincinnati's Project Executive for the Central Riverfront Redevelopment Project.



DPW&T Chief John Deatrck

Commissioner President Randy Guy said, "We will miss Mr. Deatrck's expertise and knowledge and have appreciated his hard work these last four years. I wish him the best as he moves forward into the next chapter of his life."

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COVID-19 Testing Now Offered at Mass Vaccination Site

In order to meet increased demand for COVID-19 testing locally, the St. Mary's County Health Department (SMCHD) is moving COVID-19 testing operations to the mass vaccination site at the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department beginning September 22, 2021. COVID-19 testing will no longer be available at the SMCHD main office in Leonardtown, though will continue to be available at the SMCHD Hub in Lexington Park.

SMCHD COVID-19 Testing (effective September 22, 2021)

Locations:

Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department at 24801 MD-235 in Hollywood

Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

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"We are seeing sustained high community spread of COVID-19 in St. Mary's County. This has dramatically increased the demand for testing," said Dr. Meena Brewster, St. Mary's County Health Officer. "The drive-thru site at Hollywood allows us to more efficiently manage heavy traffic flow and reduce wait times for our community members in need of testing or vaccination."

COVID-19 vaccinations are also available in Hollywood and Lexington Park for anyone age 12 and older. Appointments are highly recommended; walk-ups will be accepted as vaccine supply allows. For more information or to make a COVID-19 vaccination appointment, visit smchd.org/covid-19-vaccine or call the SMCHD COVID-19 Community Hotline at (301) 475-4330. Please review the allergy guidance and the FAQs for SMCHD COVID-19 Vaccination prior to registering for a vaccine appointment. Pre-registration is available for those who are waiting to become eligible for their initial or booster dose of COVID-19 vaccine.

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ST. MARY'S COUNTY SHERIFF'S CRIME REPORT

Assault- On September 12, 2021, Dep. Rycyzyn responded to the 46500 block of Valley Court in Lexington Park, for the reported assault. Investigation determined **Keith Xavier Hagens**, age 29 of Lexington Park, assaulted the victim by pushing the victim to the ground and dragging the victim by the neck, through the residence. Hagens was arrested and charged with Assault 1st and 2nd Degree. (No Photograph Available)

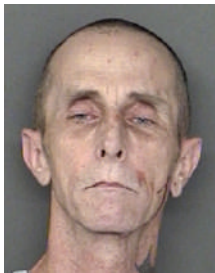
Assault/Property Destruction- On September 13, 2021, Dep. Mattera responded to the 22100 block of Clipper Drive in Great Mills, for the reported property destruction. Investigation determined **Cedric Mellam Long Jr.**, age 28 of Lexington Park, struck the victim in the face, causing visible injury and later retrieved a brick and shattered the windshield to the victim's vehicle. Long was located, arrested and charged with Assault 2nd Degree and Malicious Destruction of Property.



Cedric Mellam Long Jr.

Assault- On September 16, 2021, Dep. Schell responded to the 22100 block of Pt. Lookout Road in Leonardtown, for the reported disturbance. Investigation

determined **Jack Lee Hicks**, age 53 of Leonardtown, assaulted the victim by grabbing the victim's neck. Two additional victims intervened to stop the assault at which time Hicks assaulted them during a struggle. Visible injury was observed and Hicks was arrested and charged with three counts of Assault 2nd Degree.



Jack Lee Hicks

Assault- On September 18, 2021, Cpl. Hartzell responded to the 24600 block of Morgan Road in Hollywood, for the reported dispute. The victim advised **John Edward Miller Jr.**, age 57 of Hollywood, strangled the victim to the point the victim could not breathe, and pushed the victim causing the victim's head to strike the ground. Visible injury was observed and Miller was arrested and charged with Assault 1st and 2nd Degree.



John Edward Miller Jr.

Editor's Note:

The above arrests are not an indication of guilt or innocence as the cases have not been adjudicated.

Juvenile Suspect Arrested in Great Mills Shooting

On Friday, Sept. 17, 2021, a 16-year-old female was arrested in connection with the shooting that occurred on Sept. 15, 2021. Further investigation determined prior to the shooting, the juvenile suspect was arguing with a group of individuals and was observed walking to the vehicle where the victim and passenger were later injured and retrieved a handgun. The suspect was seen getting into the passenger side of the vehicle and shooting towards the crowd. As the vehicle was leaving the area, a victim reported one or more individuals in the crowd shot at the car. The juvenile suspect in the vehicle was positively identified and charged with the following:

- Firearm Use/Felony Violent Crime
- Handgun in Vehicle
- Possession of Firearm/Minor
- Loaded Handgun in Vehicle

- Reckless Endangerment
- Reckless Endangerment from Car
- Assault First Degree
- Assault Second Degree

The juvenile was charged as an adult and transported to the St. Mary's County Detention and Rehabilitation Center in Leonardtown and remains incarcerated. Due to a change in Maryland law, the juvenile will not be identified by the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office and no booking photograph will be released until a waiver hearing is conducted to determine the jurisdiction of this case.

This case remains under investigation and anyone with information on this incident is asked to contact Detective Warren Forinash at (301) 475-4200 extension 78072 or by email at Warren.Forinash@stmarysmd.com.



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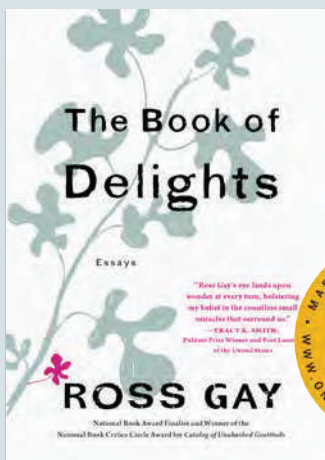
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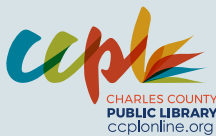


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St. Mary's Academy Class Celebrates 70th Reunion



St. Mary's Academy Class of '51 celebrated their 70th-year Class Reunion at the Front Porch Restaurant, in Leonardtown. This class has been very close and have met together every five to 10 years since graduating.

The classmates were so pleased to have Rick Wood, president of St. Mary's Ryken High, and Jerrylynn Borneman, Director of Development of St. Mary's Ryken High School join them. Wood spoke to the class and praised the group for staying in contact with each other for so long and the care they have for each other and what they have done with their lives.

Bill Thompson mentioned how great it was to finally be able to go into a restaurant now and he felt SO fortunate to be there to enjoy the occasion and congregate with other people, especially his classmates, whom he hadn't seen in a long time. He and his wife, Alice Ann, had not been able to be present at the last three reunions, as the class had been celebrating their reunions at St. Mary's Ryken at their "Golden Gatherings" celebrations. Bill and Alice Ann, because of their commitment to working at their Parish dinner, at the Immaculate Conception Church, in Mechanicsville were not able to make it. This year it was decided that this reunion would take place in the middle of the week, so they could come. The class presented them with the flower arrangement that made up their class colors (blue and white, for the Blessed Mother), the class flower (Daisies) and their motto (Aim High and Believe Yourself

Capable of All Things).

Sue Uhler Kelly was so pleased to hear about the children of their classmates who have gone on in life to achieve what they had done in life, their jobs, ethics, etc.

Paul Wathen said the Grace before the meal and Thanksgiving afterward.

Wood seemed very fascinated by the scrap book that Helen Gibson Hewitt had kept from their graduation up to the present day. He especially liked the letter from Ruth Bell Swann and the one from J. Edgar Hoover, when the class was looking for one of the classmates, who was working for the FBI. Hoover got in touch with him and our classmate got in touch with the class. From then on, all the classmates are still reachable.

Classmates present at the Reunion were Nancy Thompson Mattingly and her daughter, Lisa Mattingly Goddard, Paul And Dottie Wathen and their daughter, Michelle Burchick, Bill Thompson and his wife, Alice Ann, Sue Uhler Kelly and her husband Ron, Jake Mattingly, Kitty Wilkinson Doering, Ginny Greenwell Norris and Helen Gibson Hewitt. Those who were not able to come were Mary Frances Martin Dicus (death in the family), Barbara Cecil Lawrence, Marion Cecil Tennyson, Thomas Sheil, Jackie Roseberry Eggerton and Emily Ho Chiang.

For all being 88 years of age, except for the baby of the group, Thomas Sheil, who won't be 88 until November 30th, that was a pretty good turnout!

Submitted by Helen Gibson Hewitt, Bushwood, Md.

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Leadership Southern Maryland Announces Class of 2022



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The Leadership Southern Maryland (LSM) Board of Directors is pleased to announce the selection of 32 Southern Maryland leaders for its 14th Executive Program cycle - the Class of 2022.

From Calvert County -

- Linda E. Aguirre-Echevarria, Chief Financial Officer, Sumaria Systems, LLC
- David Canning, Deputy Sheriff - First Sergeant, Calvert County Sheriff's Office
- Paul "PJ" Conover, Planning Commission Administrator, Calvert County Government
- John "JR" Cosgrove, Deputy Director, Public Works - Capital Projects, Calvert County Government
- Rachel D. O'Shea, Zoning Planner, Calvert County Government

From Charles County -

- Thomasina Coates, Commissioner, Charles County Government
- Yonelle Moore Lee, Attorney, Lee Law, LLC
- Patricia Jean Stine, Executive Director, Pure Play Every Day, Inc.
- Kenneth Wayne Thompson, Executive Director, Charles County Public Library
- Matthew D. Trollinger, Attorney / Owner, Trollinger Law, LLC
- Rob L. Vest, Director, Federal Services Division, Peerless Tech Solutions, LLC
- Kevin Warring, Director, Analysis and Integration, Naval Surface Warfare Center Indian Head Division
- Christopher Wilhelm, Customer Advocate, Naval Surface Warfare Center Indian Head Division

From St. Mary's County -

- Kenneth "Kee" Abell, Director, Strategic Education Office, Naval Air Warfare Center Aircraft Division
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- Shamia Bowers, Executive Director, Community Mediation of St. Mary's County
- Stephen T. Cassetta, Naval Engineering & Mission Support Director, MAG Aerospace
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- Leslie Fazio, PM Talent Manager, Na-

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- Andrew Fitzgerald, Founder & President, Nine 30 Consulting
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- Marie "Angie" Graves, Fiscal Supervisor III, St. Mary's County Government
- William "BJ" Hall, Founder, Reach Back & Lift 1
- Thomas B. Heck, Program Manager, PMA 202, United States Navy
- Patrick Hickey, Managing Director, Deloitte Consulting
- Kayla Johnson, Office Manager, Bell Flight
- Babar Khawaja, Chief Lending Officer, Cedar Point Federal Credit Union
- Kara Rawlings, Director of Hospice and Palliative Care, Hospice of St. Mary's
- Paul Schendel, Senior Program Manager, KBR
- William T. Shea, Human Resources Director, Naval Surface Warfare Center Indian Head Division
- Kevin P. Smith, Senior Consultant, Guidehouse
- Jonathan D. Swigert, Strategic Operations, Tekla Research

Following a two-day opening retreat in September, these class members will attend eight one- or two-day intense sessions focusing on economic and workforce development, defense, education, healthcare, public safety, housing and human services, multiculturalism, and energy and environment. These sessions will conclude with a closing retreat and graduation in May. More than 50 experts from across the region and state representing business, government, education, and the nonprofit community will serve as panelists and guest speakers.

Founded in 2008, LSM has successfully graduated over 400 regional leaders. LSM is an independent, educational leadership development organization designed to broaden the knowledge base of mid- to senior-level public and private sector executives about the critical issues, challenges, and opportunities facing the region. Leadership Southern Maryland is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.

Press Release from Leadership Southern Maryland.

Ten Quilts of Valor Presented in Lexington Park



Local veterans were honored with Quilts of Valor by PAX Sound of Freedom at Trinity Lutheran Church in Lexington Park on Sept. 18. (l to r): Robert Horner (Navy - 20 years), Emmanuel Merkam (Air Force - 24 years), John Podukicuz (Army - 7 years and Coast Guard - 13 years), Dennis Allen (Navy - 23 years), Kevin Tilly (Navy - 28 years), Brian Shepard (Air Force - 21 years), Amber Shepard (Air Force - 3 years), Ralph Watson (Navy - 9 years), and Richard Egan (Air Force - 26 years).



One veteran was unable to attend due to personnel shortages, so five representatives from Quilts of Valor visited him at his local business establishment. Sylvia Lague, group leader for PAX Sound of Freedom, is shown below presenting Ira Barry (Navy - 4 years) with his quilt.

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-Bill Dana, comedian



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TRI-COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

SMADC Offers Cottage Food Testing Reimbursement

The Southern Maryland Agricultural Development Commission (SMADC), a Division of the Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland, is pleased to announce a new funding initiative to increase opportunity for Southern Maryland farmers to expand their inventory of Cottage Food products.

The Maryland Department of Health (MDH) provides an extensive list of 'allowable' non-potentially hazardous/non-perishable Cottage Food products that can be made and sold by a Cottage Food business. However, some popular recipes that producers would like to offer their customers such as moist quick breads (banana, pumpkin, zucchini, etc.), and some cake frostings, icings and glazes are not on the 'allowable' list as they may be considered potentially hazardous.

"The good news is that Maryland Department of Health Cottage Food Guidelines now provide the opportunity for foods in the moist bread and icing categories to be tested if a cottage food producer believes their recipe should be considered non-potentially hazardous," explained Susan McQuilkin, SMADC Marketing Executive. "Recipes verified as shelf-stable can then be sold directly to consumers at farmers markets,

from a home kitchen, and at public events."

In recognition that recipe testing is an additional cost burden for many small farm enterprises, SMADC is now offering Cottage Food testing reimbursements of up to \$250 for Certified Laboratory tests for one recipe to be evaluated for up to 10 Southern Maryland Cottage Foods farm vendors/producers. Testing evaluation is to assure submitted moist bread and icing recipes are non-potentially hazardous when stored and sold under normal conditions (without refrigeration) and will not support the growth of microorganisms that can cause foodborne illness.

To apply for SMADC Cottage Food recipe test reimbursement funding, please complete the application form on the 'News' page at smadc.com. Funding is limited to 10 Southern Maryland producers on a first come first served basis, upon submission of supporting Certified Laboratory test results and associated invoice/s. For more information on Maryland Cottage Food Business Guidelines including testing requirements, and other Cottage Food resources visit the MDH Office of Food Protection website.

Partnership Distributes Furniture, Appliances to Nonprofits, Charities

The Governor's Office of Community Initiatives, in partnership with the Pax River community and the Maryland Department of General Services, has connected area nonprofits and charities with 4,000 pieces of furniture and appliances.

"Our office is about connecting communities, and we are very grateful to play a part in supporting people most in need," said Governor's Office of Community Initiatives Director Steven McAdams. "Thank you to our many partners. These donated items will make a big difference in people's lives."

Over the course of this summer, more than a dozen nonprofit and charity organizations travelled to St. Mary's County to pick up refrigerators, microwave ovens, desks, chairs, beds, and other items from dormitories no longer in use. Some of the organizations include:

- Humble House Recovery
- A Wider Circle

- Community Forklift
- Piscataway Canoy Tribe
- MCVET (Maryland Center for Veteran Education and Training)
- NorthBay
- His Hope Ministries
- Magnus Community Development
- Ruth M. Kirk Recreation and Learning Center
- About the Governor's Office of Community Initiatives

The Governor's Office of Community Initiatives is Governor Larry Hogan's office to enhance and improve opportunities for Maryland residents. It oversees the Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism, Volunteer Maryland, community affairs and engagement within the executive branch of Maryland government, faith-based outreach, and the governor's eight ethnic and cultural commissions.

Press Release from Governor's Coordinating Offices.

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St. Mary's County Fair Comeback

a Pull-Out Section



Fair Schedule Inside

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St. Mary's 2021 County Fair

THURSDAY • SEPTEMBER 23 OPENING DAY

3:00 PM Gates open to public
4:00 PM Exhibit Buildings open to public
4:00 PM 4_H Photo Challenge starts
4:30 PM 4-H Livestock Judging Contest (SR)
4:30 PM Kountry K-9 Show (FM)
5:00 PM Carnival opens (ride all evening wristband for \$30.)
5:30 PM 4-H Horse Drill Team Performances (GS)
6:00 PM 4-H Market Goat Show (SR)
6:00 PM Pig & Hot Dog Races
6:00 PM Kountry K-9 Show (FM)
7:00 PM Chain Saw Artist Rick Pratt and Family
7:00 PM Official Opening (Tolerance Hall)
 Color Guard by Cub Scout Pack 1203
 "The Star Spangled Banner," Margaret Brent Middle School Chorus Sophie Dagher Director

Introduction of the Queen of Tolerance Court
 Welcome, John Richards, President, St. Mary's County Fair Association
 Crowning of the Queen of Tolerance
7:00 PM Miniature Horse Pull (GS)
7:30 PM Pig & Hot Dog Races
9:00 PM Exhibit buildings close
10:00 PM Carnival closes

- Lion's Mobile Screening Trailer (Vision & Hearing)(4:00pm - 7:00pm)
- Suttler Post Farm Clydesdales on display
- Glass Blowing Demonstrations (FM)
- Southern Maryland Wood Carvers (ARTS)
- Maryland Ag Education Showcase Trailer on display
- Visit the County Government exhibits in the Fair/Stage Auditorium

FRIDAY • SEPTEMBER 24 SCHOOL DAY

8:00 AM 4-H Livestock Show starts (SR)
8:00 AM 4-H Horse and Pony Show starts (GS)
9:00 AM Exhibit Buildings open to public
9:00 AM SoMD Robotics Demonstration (PAV)
10:00 AM Horticulture ID Contest (4-H)
10:00 AM Carnival opens (student pricing & tickets per ride: (10:00 AM – 5:00 PM))
10:00 AM Decorated Wagon Contest (ARTS)
1:00 PM Leonardtown Middle Middle School Band, Megan Czechanski, Director (PAV)
2:00 PM Speech Contest Joie Samuelson Chairperson (Tolerance Hall)
 "The Star Spangled Banner" Great Mills High School, Sara Nelson, Director
2:00 PM Reggie Rice's Magic of Laughter (Tent)
3:00 PM Registration for Kiddy Tractor Pull (PAV)
4:00 PM Kiddy Tractor Pull (PAV) 7th District Optimists
4:00 PM St. Mary's County Sheriff's Department K-9 Demonstration (GS)
4:30 PM Reggie Rice's Magic of Laughter (Tent)
5:00 PM School Day Activities End, normal entry & regular carnival ticket prices resume
6:00 - 8:00 PM WMDM live remote broadcast

6:00 PM 4-H Cake Auction (GS)
6:00 PM Bicycle Drawing (OF)
6:30 PM Suttler Post Farm Clydesdales Demonstration (GS)
7:00 PM St. Marys Community Fellowship (Tolerance Hall)
7:00 PM Light Weight Horse Pull (GS)
7:30 PM Boot Scooters (PAV)
9:00 PM Exhibit buildings close
10:00 PM Carnival closes

- Pig & hot dog Races: 11:30 AM • 1:30 PM • 3:30PM • 5:00PM (times may vary)
- Chain Saw Artist Rick Pratt (FM): 12:00 PM, 2:00 PM, 4:30 PM, 6:00 PM
- Kountry K-9 Show (FM): 1:00 PM, 3:30 PM, 7:00 PM
- Lion's Mobile Screening Trailer (Vision & Hearing) (11:00 - 7:00)
- Glass Blowing Studio Demonstrations (FM)
- Suttler Post Farm Clydesdales on display
- Southern Maryland Wood Carvers (ARTS)
- Maryland Ag Education Showcase Trailer on display
- Visit the County Government exhibits in the Fair/ Stage Auditorium

SATURDAY • SEPTEMBER 25 PARADE DAY

8:00 AM Open Class livestock show (SR)
9:00 AM Exhibit buildings open
9:00 AM Fair Parade Registration begins (Tech Center)
10:00 AM Carnival opens
10:30 AM Fair Parade begins (Tech Center) "the Star Spangled Banner" Leonardtown High School: Potomac Voices, Kylie Teston Director
12:30 PM Leonardtown High School Orchestra (PAV) John Oplinger Director
12:30 PM Stuffed Ham Demonstration – David Dent (FSA)
1:00 PM Jousting Tournament start (GS)
1:00 PM Reggie Rice's Fool of Illusions (Tolerance Hall)
3:00 PM Reggie Rice's Fool of Illusions (Tolerance Hall)
5:00 PM Reggie Rice's Fool of Illusions (Tolerance Hall)
6:00 PM Gracie's Guys and Gals (FSA)
6:00 PM 4-H Livestock Auction (SR)
6:00 PM Bicycle Drawing (OF)
6:30 PM Suttler Post Clydesdales

Demonstration (GS)
7:00 PM Heavy Weight Horse Pull (GS)
9:00 PM Exhibit buildings close
10:00 PM Carnival closes

- Pig & Hot Dog Races: 12:00 PM, 2:30 PM, 4:00 PM, 6:00 PM (times may vary)
- Chain Saw Artist Rick Pratt (FM): 12:00 PM, 2:00 PM, 4:00 PM, 6:00 PM
- Kountry K-9 Shows (FM): 1:00 PM, 3:00 PM, 5:00 PM, 7:00 PM
- Lion's Mobile Screening Trailer (Vision & Hearing)(11:00 AM- 7:00 PM)
- Suttler Post Farm Clydesdales on display
- Glass Blowing Demonstrations (FM)
- Blacksmithing Demonstrations Jamie Abell (FM)
- Southern Maryland Wood Carvers (ARTS)
- Maryland Ag Education Showcase Trailer on display
- Visit the County Government exhibits in the Fair/Stage Auditorium

SUNDAY • SEPTEMBER 26 FAMILY DAY (TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

8:30 AM Open Class Horse Show starts (GS)
9:00 AM 4-H and Open Dairy Goat Show (SR)
9:00 AM Exhibit buildings open
10:00 AM Baby Show starts (FSA)
10:00 AM Antique Tractor Pull starts (Tractor Track)
11:00 AM Carnival opens (ride all day wristband \$30 avail.)
12:30 PM Kountry K-9 Show (FM)
1:00 PM Chesapeake Country Cruzers (PAV)
1:15 PM Gospel Music (TENT)
2:00 PM Mystic Caravan Dance (PAV)
2:00 PM Gospel Music (TENT)
3:15 PM Gospel Music (TENT)
3:30 PM Kountry K-9 (FM)
4:00 PM Glass Sculpture Auction
4:00 PM Gospel Music(TENT)
4:30 PM Glass Blower Art Auction
4:45 PM Gospel Music (TENT)
5:00 PM 4-H Contest Results announced (SR)
6:00 PM Bicycle Drawing (OF)
6:00 PM Exhibit buildings close

6:00 PM Carnival ticket sales stop
7:00 PM Carnival closes

- Chain Saw Artist Rick Pratt & Family: 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM, 2:30 PM
- Pig & Hot Dog Races 11:30 • 12:45 • 2:45
- Lion's Mobile Screening Trailer (Vision & Hearing) (11am - 5pm)
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74th County Fair Makes A Comeback

By Guy Leonard
Staff Writer

After a one-year hiatus due to COVID-19 the St. Mary's County Fair is back at the Leonardtown fairgrounds with all of its exhibits and events, said the lead organizer for the iconic county event.

John Richards, chair of the St. Mary's County Fair Board, was busy this past week with volunteers making last minute preparations to the buildings and exhibits at the fairgrounds.

Richard said masks will not be required at the fair this year despite the ongoing pandemic as much of the event will be outside.

Only those who enter the fair's business office will be required to wear one, he said.

Also, he said, visitors can expect a nearly 100 percent return to normal operations of the fair, much the same way it was before COVID-19.

"Everything's going on," said Richards. "There are so many people who say they missed the fair and hoped it would come back."

Tens of thousands of county residents attend the fair each year over four days.

The main purpose of the fair is to showcase the county's strong commitment to — and heritage — of agricultural life from nearly a century ago to the modern day.

The fair is packed with livestock exhibits from rabbits to poultry and from pigs to goats and cattle.

Many of them are raised throughout the year by young 4-H members who take on the project to learn about agribusiness.

They auction their animals off at the fair as the completion of their project.

Aside from livestock barns, other fair buildings will be packed with antique farm equipment, vendors and scholastic projects from county public school students.

Entertainment abounds at the

fair.

Aside from a carnival with rides and games other activities have kept audiences riveted for decades including horse pulls, which take place all four days of the fair, with horses showing their great strength in different size classes.

Pig races are also a favorite event as are K-9 demonstrations put on by the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office.

Sept. 25, the big event of the day is the fair parade, but other events include an open class livestock show, the 4-H livestock auction, more pig races and chainsaw sculpture.

Visitors will also be treated to the official state sport of Maryland with a jousting tournament, a traditional sport that dates back centuries.

On the last day of the fair, Sept. 26, a day set aside especially for families, children can ride on carnival attractions all day with a "ride all day ticket" and parents can listen to a gospel music concert and the whole family can watch the antique tractor pull event, which is making a return to the fair this year.

The chainsaw sculptures created by artisans at the fair while visitors watched will also be auctioned off at the end of the last day.

Richards said he expects the effects of the pandemic will still be felt at the fair in some cases, as it would be difficult for livestock farmers to engage in their projects.

"The way the fair looks this year, you won't be able to tell [it had been cancelled last year]," Richards said. "We may be down in some entries but it won't be noticeable."

Christine Allred, 4-H educator working with the University of Maryland, said some of the craft entries from young people are down this year but they are of high



quality.

"You can tell they put in a lot of effort," Allred said. "They had the time to do it."

Livestock entries were still fairly brisk, though.

"Livestock is one of the fullest entries we have this year," she said.

Shutting down the fair last year was a big disappointment but it was still a significant amount of effort to cancel such an immense affair.

But the nature of the fair, staffed and maintained by a loyal cadre of volunteers determined to bring it back from its only known cancellation, for the 74th time, proved to be its strength.

"We didn't have expenses or entertainment," Richards said of dealing with the cancellation. "We had no salaries to pay unlike some fairs."

This left the volunteers ready to pick up where they left off, with a significant amount of schedule juggling to ensure the fair kicked off at the same time this year as it normally would, starting Sept. 23.

The fairgrounds is used by many other events throughout the year, Richards explained.

"We had to move a lot of events around," Richards said. "Juggling the calendar kept us busy."

Allred said this was a chance for the county to come out and see that its youth who were involved with the fair were still active and learning valuable skills.

"I hope people realize the kids are not sitting still," Allred said. "They're out there doing things and they are learning."

"It's a great opportunity to talk to the future of our food sources."

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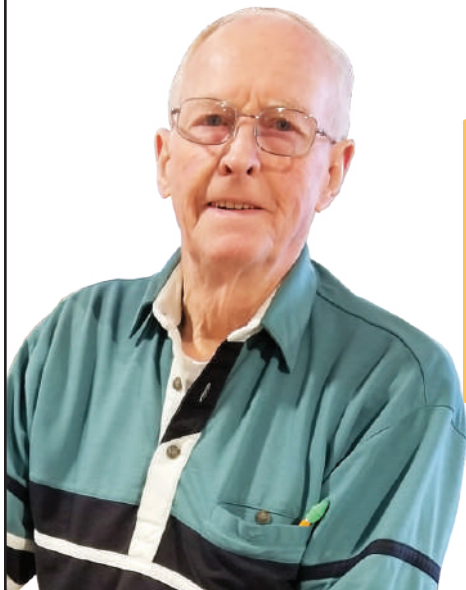


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Nursing Students Inducted into Honor Society



Eight CSM students display their Alpha Omega Honor Society pins and ropes just prior to their induction ceremony Sept. 8. The inductees in the back row from left are Audrey Dawn Gross, Jade' C. Wilson, Elizabeth D. Scott, Nanci Sien, and Journey Lyones Gushen. In the front row from left are Brooke G. Gatton, Lezly G. Garcia, and Kristi Jo Kelly.

The College of Southern Maryland (CSM) inducted eight nursing students into Alpha Omega, CSM's chapter of the Organization for Associate Degree Nursing (OADN) Alpha Delta Nu Honor Society Sept. 8. The nursing students selected for this honor earned Bs or better in all of their nursing courses without repeating the courses and they completed a scholarly project related to the advancement of nursing as a profession.

"This milestone represents the inductees' commitment to the profession of nursing, hard work, perseverance despite our current limitations, and excellence."

Acting Chair of CSM's Nursing Program Dr. Sara Cano told the students before a virtual audience of their families, professors and CSM leadership. "For most of our students, trying to balance family, responsibilities, work, and school has been a monumental challenge. We can all agree that nursing school is challenging at its best, overwhelming at its worst. Nonetheless, these inductees have risen to the challenge and have completed their requirements, culminating on this ceremony tonight."

Alpha Omega Chapter Treasurer Audrey Gross served as the honor society's student speaker and shared the details of the inductee's scholarly capstone project which focused on coping when providing palliative care for the dying.

"During the first half of the 2021 school year, the inductees worked diligently to collectively research and present a scholarly capstone project to further the profession of nursing," said Gross. "This was done simultaneously with the members also keeping up on their third semester nursing studies which included: med-surg level II, psychiatric nursing, and community nursing."

She shared that the group decided to present to the current third semester psychiatric nursing students about the importance of self-care, therapeutic communication, and cultural and spiritual awareness in the clinical setting.

"We presented cost-effective and evidence-based coping strategies such as de-briefing and expressive journaling and how these strategies can help nurses cope as well as increase overall job satisfaction," Gross shared. "The process took a lot of teamwork and time management skills, but the end result was content we were proud to present to our fellow nurs-

ing students."

Gross also acknowledged the challenges that nursing students face were compounded by a world-wide pandemic.

"The last year and a half have presented its fair share of struggles and the ongoing need to be resilient," she said. "The members being inducted today were either in the first or second semester during the onset of the pandemic that prompted the switch to an online learning platform. Several of the members had young children at home during this time, others juggled working in healthcare alongside this program. To say that we are proud of meeting the criteria of being inducted into the honors society under these circumstances is an understatement."

"In completing your scholarly project, you have demonstrated the scholarship, collaboration, and leadership skills of a professional nurse," said Nursing Professor Robin Madera, MSN, RN, CCRN when she presented the ceremony's closing remarks. "Scholarship is not about earning A's but about making use of knowledge and a commitment to discovering new knowledge. You are finally in the fourth semester and can see the light at the end of the tunnel, and here I am talking about lifelong learning. But you are the future nurse leaders and change agents."

"To quote Nelson Mandela, 'Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world,'" Madera continued. "Each of you had someone who inspired you to start this journey. As you reflect on this milestone, know that you are now that person who inspires others. You are a role model for your peers and all CSM students. We, the CSM faculty, are so proud of you, and you inspire us."

The September 2021 Alpha Omega Chapter inductees are:

- Lezly G. Garcia, of Waldorf
- Brooke G. Gatton, of Hollywood *Alpha Omega Chapter Vice President
- Audrey Dawn Gross, of Lexington Park *Alpha Omega Chapter Treasurer.
- Journey Lyones Gushen, of California
- Kristi Jo Kelly, of St. Leonard
- Elizabeth D. Scott, of California; Alpha Omega Chapter President
- Nanci Sien, Mechanicsville, Alpha Omega Chapter Secretary
- Jade' C. Wilson, of Waldorf

Press Release from CSM.

CSM Inks Transfer Agreement with Georgetown

College of Southern Maryland (CSM) students who complete an associate's degree can now set their sights on Georgetown University's School of Continuing Studies thanks to a new transfer agreement that guarantees admission to the Washington, D.C. university.

Graduates of CSM with an associate's degree and a 3.0 GPA will be eligible to continue their education through Georgetown's Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies (BALS) program, a part time bachelor's completion program at Georgetown. Students do not have to earn a specific associate's degree to qualify. Once at Georgetown, they can pursue one of many concentrations, such as business and entrepreneurship; humanities; professional media and communication; individualized study; and international relations.

"We are incredibly excited to offer our students the opportunity to complete their bachelor's degree at one of our region's premier institutions," said CSM Coordinator of Transfer and Articulation Jacqui Rogers. "We are looking forward to working with Georgetown to identify pathways that will help students effectively apply their CSM degrees to the concentrations offered through the BALS program."

To earn a Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies from Georgetown, students must complete 120 credits, including core courses (all of which are available online), concentration courses, and elective courses. Graduates of CSM can



transfer up to 64 credits, including those earned through military training, towards this total. Transfer credits will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis by the BALS program.

"Georgetown University is committed to fostering an inclusive and vibrant community, and I am thrilled to welcome these dedicated, hardworking individuals to our campus," said Georgetown University's Dean of the School of Continuing Studies Kelly Otter. "Not only will these students be able to explore a variety of pathways and expand their opportunities, but Georgetown's School of Continuing Studies will also benefit from adding unique, diverse perspectives to our community."

Once admitted to the BALS program, transfer students may be eligible for financial aid and are subject to the same tuition charges as other BALS students. Tuition is posted on the School of Continuing Studies tuition page.

CSM students who meet certain criteria are given priority enrollment or guaranteed admission into colleges and universities worldwide. CSM offers more than 150 transfer agreements with more than 50 partnering universities and that number grows weekly. Learn more by visiting CSM's transfer agreements webpage.

Press Release from CSM.

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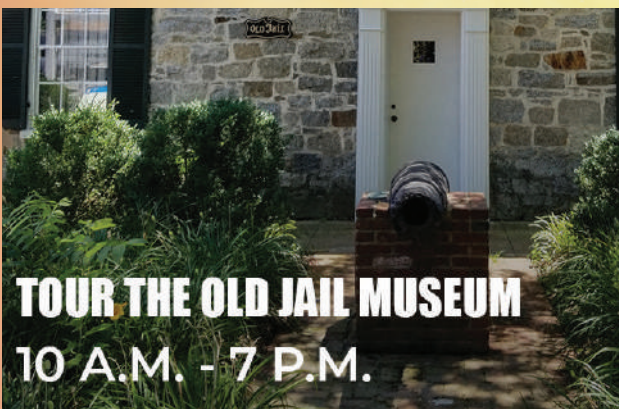


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PATUXENT RIVER NAVAL AIR STATION

News

NAVAIR Accepts 100th On-time Delivery of the AH-1 Viper

The Naval Air Systems Command recognized an impressive production streak this week with the 100th on-time delivery of the AH-1Z Viper, the Marine's attack helicopter.

"Of all of the domestic AH-1Zs delivered to date, 91 percent of them have been on time," said Col Vasilios Pappas, PMA-276 program manager. "This is a feat only possible through the determination of our production team and the program's strong relationship with our industry partners and suppliers."

The AH-1Zs delivered to date are a mix of US and FMS sales, with an additional 34 aircraft scheduled for delivery through 2023.

For the Marines, the AH-1Z pro-

vides close air support, armed escort/reconnaissance, anti-armor operations and anti-air warfare. Beginning in 2011, the AH-1Z began replacing the two-bladed AH-1W Super Cobra. The helicopter features a four-bladed composite rotor system, performance-matched transmission, four-bladed tail rotor, upgraded landing gear and a fully integrated glass cockpit compared to its predecessor. The AH-1Z is also equipped with an integrated advanced fire control system and the capacity to support multiple weapons configurations.

The Marine Corps operates the AH-1Z alongside the UH-1Y Venom, the utility version of the H-1. The two variants capitalize on a 85% commonality; the mix allows

a squadron to accomplish diverse missions, from humanitarian assistance and disaster relief to close air support and air-to-air warfare.

"And we are continuously integrating new technologies and researching innovative options to keep the platform ready and relative well into the future," said Pappas.

Earlier this summer, a Marine Corps' AH-1Z Viper established a two way connection between a ground station and the aircraft's Link 16 and Advanced Networking Wideband Waveform (ANW2) systems. This was a major step in the test and integration of the digital interoperability (DI) suite, a gateway to share information across various networks. Additionally, the suite includes a new

digital moving map, enabling the Marine Corps' H-1 platform to display information from these data links on a common display. The DI suite also modernizes how data is loaded to and from the H-1 platform.

Flight test on the AH-1Z will continue through the fall, with initial Marine Corps integration expected in 2022. In addition, the program is working with industry and the test squadron to flight test the same DI suite on the UH-1Y.

PMA-276 manages the cradle to grave procurement, development, support, fielding, and disposal of the Marine Corps rotary wing close air support, anti-armor, armed escort, armed/visual reconnaissance, and fire support program systems.



Tackle Box Fishing Report SMSA Plays Host to National Dinghy Regatta



By Ken Lamb
Contributing Writer

Our rockfish have responded to the beautiful September weather by turning out in good numbers and size for both trollers and lure casters.

There are plenty of undersized stripers mixed with bluefish in the Potomac breaking on the surface. The blues are in the two to three pound range and the rockfish are mostly about 17 inches with an occasional Potomac keeper of 20 inches showing up. The fish tearing through schools of tiny bunker will hit most any jig, bucktail, spoon, or Gotcha lure. Look for the gulls diving and hovering.

The bigger rockfish in the 20 to 28 inch range are around structure. Casting swimming plugs (Bomber, Yourzi, Diawa, etc.) will make them want to eat. They love surface poppers too.

Trollers using light tackle and no weight can find stripers around the shoreline in both the Potomac and Patuxent. In the deeper water there are plenty for trollers using 8 to 16 ounces on drop rigs. They love the small umbrella lures by Doug's Lures or Irwin Tackle.

There are plenty of spot and perch for bottom fishermen. There are not plenty of bloodworms for bait as the labor shortages in Maine, where they are dug, continue to hamper supply.

Perch fishing by lure casters in the creeks can be tricky this time of year as they are betwixt their regular haunts and their movement to the deep holes in the rivers where they will spend the winter. The river venues for lure casters in the shallows is excellent.

Spanish mackerel are still in the shipping channel and though not as numerous in the cooling weather, the size is increasing with some 30 inchers being reported.

There are scattered schools of breaking bluefish in the bay with some in the five pound range. Small stripers are mixed in with some making the 18 inch cut. Rockfish of significant size will be schooled and breaking by the time you read this.

The big bull redfish are swimming around and will take most any lure trolled in the bay proper. There is no way of predicting when they will hit. We have not seen them schooled and breaking in big pods for they last week.

The cobia season ended with plenty still around and lots of 35 inch throwbacks. Cobia fishermen mostly trolled the last 10 days of the season. Fortunately there were enough of the big surgical eel lures available this year. Trollers must stock up on the lures when they see them as they have been in critically short supply.



Boats round an upwind mark during Monday's racing in the BNAC regatta last Sunday near Solomons. Photo by Steven Birchfield.

By Tim Flaherty
Staff Writer

Thirty-Two skippers and their crew from around the country converged on Solomons Island and the Southern Maryland Sailing Association (SMSA) last weekend for the Buccaneer 18 North American Championship (BNAC). The racing event began Friday morning and wrapped up Monday afternoon.

Ed Montano and his crew Trevor Bach of Kenosha, Wisconsin, were declared 2021 Buccaneer 18 North American Champions after winning seven of the eight races in the advanced "A" fleet. The races were held on courses set in the Patuxent River between Solomons and the Patuxent River Naval Air Station.

Jimmy and Kristie Yurko of Lusby sailed their boat to a second-place finish in the "A" Fleet.

The Buccaneer 18 is a fiberglass-built planning dingy with a swing centerboard. It is 18' long and displaces 500 pounds. More



Carrie Quinn and skipper Mike Major of Lusby receive their awards for their second-place finish in the "B" division in last weekend's BNAC regatta. Photo by Tim Flaherty

than 5,000 of the vessels have been built since the design was introduced in 1966.

SMSA is the home of Buccaneer Fleet 69, part of the Buccaneer 18 Class Association that sanctions the annual BNAC. Over 30 SMSA members volunteered to cook food, move boats, serve as race officials, and host visiting sailors for the regatta.

This year marked the 50th Annual BNAC. The event was not held last year due to the pandemic. SMSA also played host in 2010 and 2015.



Ed Montano (left) & Trevor Bac (right) of Kenosha, Wisc., hold some of the trophies they won as winners of the top division in last weekend's BNAC regatta held out of Southern Maryland Sailing Association. In the background are event committee members Nichole Doub of Solomons and Jennifer Marbourg-Miller of Lexington Park. Doub and Marbourg-Miller also sailed in the Regatta. Photo by Tim Flaherty

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FINANCIAL FOCUS

Are Your Loved Ones Prepared to Be Caregivers?

Once you're retired and your children are grown, they are likely "off the books," as far as your financial responsibility for them is concerned. Yet, you're probably still prepared to do anything to help them – but are they ready to take care of you if the need arises?

Consider this: Almost half of retirees say that the ideal role in retirement is providing support to family and other loved ones, according to the Edward Jones/Age Wave study titled Four Pillars of the New Retirement: What a Difference a Year Makes – and a slightly earlier version of the same study found that 72% of retirees say one of their biggest fears is becoming a burden on their family members.

So, if you are recently retired or plan to retire in the next few years, you may need to reconcile your desire to help your adult children or other close relatives with your concern that you could become dependent on them. You'll need to consider whether your loved ones can handle caregiving responsibilities, which frequently include financial assistance. If they did have to provide some caregiving services for you, could they afford it? About 80% of caregivers now pay for some caregiving costs out of their own pockets – and one in five caregivers experience significant financial strain because of caregiving, according to a recent AARP report.

One way to help your family members is to protect yourself from the enormous expense of long-term care. The average cost for a private room in a nursing home is now over \$100,000 a year, according to the insurance company Genworth. Medicare won't pay

much, if any, of these costs, so you may want to consult with a financial advisor, who can suggest possible ways of addressing long-term care expenses.

Even if you don't require a long stay in a nursing home, you still might need some assistance in the future, especially if your health or mental capacities decline. So, start talking to your loved ones about their possible roles if you should ever need caregiving. You may want to create a caregiving arrangement that specifies payment for caregiving services and outlines the expenses to be reimbursed if paid out of pocket by a caregiver. Also, you may want to create the appropriate legal documents, such as a durable power of attorney for health care, which enables someone to make medical decisions on your behalf should you become incapacitated, and a durable power of attorney for finances, which allows you to name someone to make your financial decisions if you become unable to do so yourself. A legal professional can help you make these arrangements and incorporate them into your overall estate plan. A financial advisor can suggest ways of preparing for the costs involved with caregiving and can direct you to relevant resources, such as social services provided by your city or county.

Clearly, there's much you can do to help shield your family from the financial strain of caregiving. But you are not alone: By drawing on other resources and outside help, you can ease the burden on your loved ones. And everyone will feel more secure when you have your arrangements in place.

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Wanderings

of an Aimless Mind

by Shelby Oppermann



WANDERING THOUGHTS

Ah, the wonderful sounds of hammers and drills getting our bedroom ceiling back up. I think we will be back in our bedroom soon thanks to the great work of the crews from Duraclean owned by George & Kelly Gibson. Mindy keeps going to the bedroom door and sniffing to try and find out what the guys are doing in there. I am thrilled to think we may have our bed to sleep on again. The couch is okay, but you kind of have to tuck yourself in tight or you might wake up on the floor.

It has definitely been a crazy few months between the ceiling falling and its replacement, having a squealing barely drying dryer whose new replacement came last week, and my sunroof in the Santa Fe suddenly starting to leak a few weeks back. It happens in threes right? My stepson fixed the sunroof over the weekend and now it's just a matter of keep shampooing and spraying with mold remediation spray and the New Car shampoo my husband found. The smell is getting better slowly, it was really hard to drive anywhere in it and I actually was physically ill and dizzy after driving it a couple days. What's sad is that my vehicle was the only one that didn't leak.

The rain is falling today, so I hope the car will be fine. Hopefully the rain doesn't affect tonight's opening day at the 74th annual St. Mary's County Fair. So happy to see that John Richards is still at the helm, which of course means his lovely wife Ann is right up there with him as always. I was looking at the schedule just for tonight (and have included here) which has some really neat demonstrations and fun stuff including the 4_H Photo Challenge, 4-H Livestock Judging Contest (SR), Kountry K-9 Show (FM), Carnival opens (ride all evening wristband for \$30.), 4-H Horse Drill Team Performances (GS), 4-H Market Goat Show (SR), Pig & Hot Dog Races, Kountry K-9 Show (FM), Chain Saw Artist Rick Pratt and Family, Official Opening (Tolerance Hall), Presentation of the Colors by Cub Scout Pack 1203, "The Star Spangled Banner," Margaret Brent Middle School Chorus Sophie Daghir Director, Introduction of the Queen of Tolerance Court, Welcome, John Richards, President, St. Mary's County Fair Association, Crowning of the Queen of Tolerance, Miniature Horse Pull (GS), Lion's Mobile Screening Trailer (Vision & Hearing)(4:00pm - 7:00pm), Suttler Post Farm Clydesdales on display, Glass Blowing Demonstrations (FM), and the Southern Maryland Wood Carvers (ARTS). And all that is just today!!!

I know we all have such good memories of County Fair time. I entered both my sons in the baby contests and was thrilled to be up there with grandson, Liam sev-

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eral years ago when he was on the same stage and getting a first place ribbon as his dad was a long time before. When I visualize the fair, one memory that often comes up is seeing all the kids crowded around the old bank of pay telephones calling parents to come pick them up. I know mine had to call me to pick them up a time or two when they were teenagers. And I used to enter quite a few of the entry categories all through the 80s and 90s with everything from pies and biscuits to needlework and art. Both my sons had art in the school arts building. I thought about entering an apple pie this year since I did get my local apples, but I have my ribbons and memories.

The best memories, that came with a lot of long hours and hard work, were the years my sons and I spent along with the Hollywood Elementary teacher Betty Brady and other parents and students, recycling at The County Fair. We were the ones there before the fair started in the morning, and the ones sorting cans and cleaning up at the end of the fair. It was a magical time. And we were the ones you saw with heads and arms down in the trash cans pulling out cans for recycling. My younger son Ryan was named Chairman of County Fair Recycling when he was a pre-teen. I had to add the advertising photo we sent to the local TV stations of he and our dog Buttons who was known as Recycle Dog. "Every day is Earth Day". Please do not show this column to Ryan!!!!

I hope all of you can get to the fair this year to enjoy one of the best treasures of our county, besides the people, and make new memories with those you love.

To each new day's adventure, Shelby
Please send your comments or ideas to: shelbys.wanderings@yahoo.com or find me on Facebook

St. Mary's Community Calendar

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

Thursday Sept. 23

Purse Basket

Northern Senior Activity Center
29655 Charlotte Hall Road
Charlotte Hall
10a.m. to 2p.m.
Cost: \$30

Create a Purse Basket with fabric handles (about 8" X 5" X 6") in size. This handy little basket starts with a wooden base. Insert the spokes and weave with several widths of reed to give more texture. Some choice of colors can also be added. Top it off with pretty mix-and-match tie-on handles. Reservation required. Call 301-475-4200, ext. 3115, to make a reservation

Friday Sept. 24

SMTMD Open Mic

Christ Church Parish Hall,
37497 Zach Fowler Rd
Chaptico

Acoustic musicians of all skill levels are warmly welcomed to the SMTMD Open Mic. Come out for some great music and friendship, to hone your performance skills, to meet new friends and possibly learn a few new licks.

The doors open at 7:00 PM, and the music starts at 7:30 PM. The admission is \$7, and performers are admitted free. To sign up to perform, please contact Mike at smtmdmike@gmail.com. Please bring a face mask. Attendees will practice social-distancing and mask-wearing as recommended by the St. Mary's County Health Department for indoor gatherings. These procedures are aimed at protecting community members and preventing the spread of COVID-19. Visit www.smtmd.org for updates and more information.

Home School Fire Prevention Event

Mechanicsville Vol. Fire Department
28165 Hills Club Road
10a.m. to 12:30p.m.

Free event to the Home School Community and their families.

We will be providing a Fire Prevention program to include such topics as Stop Drop, Cover your face and Roll and other Fire Prevention topics. Plenty of audience participation. Guests will be able to tour the station, try on Fire personal gear and tour our Fire engines. Light snacks will be provided. Fire Prevention goodie bags will be distributed. Please RSVP by email at seniorpalm-tree@aol.com.

Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament

Hollywood Volunteer Rescue Squad

43256 Rescue Lane
Hollywood, MD
6p.m. to 10p.m.

Doors Open at 6pm and the tournament starts at 7pm

\$65.00 Buy-in for \$10,000.00 in chips with a chance for 50/50 included.

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BYOB with food and dessert available for purchase

Sunday Sept. 26

East Coast Drifters Fall Classic Car Show

Mechanicsville Moose Lodge
27636 Mechanicsville Road
Mechanicsville
8a.m. to 2p.m.

Classic Cars (1995 & Older), Trucks & Motorcycles are welcome. Top 70 and several other awards. First 100 receive dash plaques. Pre-registration \$15 by Sept. 17, \$20 at gate. Registration cut-off Noon. For more info call: Chuck 301-751-5602 (rain date Oct. 10) www.facebook.com/east-coast.drifters

Designer Purse Bingo

Mechanicsville Volunteer Fire Department
28165 Hills Club Road
Mechanicsville
1p.m.- 5p.m.

Designer Purse Bingo to benefit the Southern Maryland Boot Scooters Walk to End Alzheimer's

and the Southern Maryland Senators 14U Baseball team. Come spend the afternoon playing bingo and have a chance to win one of many Coach, Michael Kors, Kate Spade ... or a Louis Vuitton handbag. Food/drink available for purchase. Doors open at 11:00 AM, Early birds start at 12:30 regular games at 1:00 PM. Tickets \$35 includes 20 games.

For ticket information call Leslie at 240-577-2579 or email: SoMdBBootScooters@gmail.com

Thursday Sept. 30

Blood Drive at MedStar St.

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MedStar St. Mary's Hospital
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10 a.m. to 4p.m.

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In Remembrance

James W. Thompson



James W. Thompson, 86, of California, MD passed away on September 9, 2021 at the Charlotte Hall Veteran's Home in Charlotte Hall, MD. Born on May 27, 1935, he was the loving son of the late Mary Agnes Thompson Barnes and the late George Webster Beander, Sr. James was the loving husband of the late Betty Thompson, whom he married in Taiwan in April 1966, and who preceded him in death in 1995. He is survived by his siblings George Webster Beander, Jr. of Lexington Park, MD, William R. Barnes, Jr. of Lexington Park, MD, Mary Frances Goldring of Bushwood, MD, and Florence Lurinsky of Montclair, NJ. James was preceded in death by his siblings Mary Agnes Swan, Alice Barnes, and Joseph C. Barnes.

Born and raised in St. Mary's County, James graduated from Banneker High School in 1953. After graduation he served in the Air Force from 1954-1977. During this time,

he served in the Viet Nam War, received several commendations for meritorious service and retired with the rank of Master Sergeant. After retirement he obtained an Associate Degree from Prince George's Community College in 1980. Later he was employed as an accounting clerk in the Finance Division of the City of Alexandria, Virginia for fourteen years.

James enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. He was a big sports fan, especially for the Washington teams- The Washington Football Team, The Wizards and the Nationals. He enjoyed TV game shows especially Wheel of Fortune, Jeopardy and America Says. For the last decade of his life James was an active member of the Loeffler Activity Center, where he developed many friendships. He participated in many activities, parties, card games and holiday celebrations. He especially enjoyed the Christmas Celebration and the Veteran Day activities.

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Condolences may be made to the family at www.mgfh.com. Arrangements provided by the Mattingley-Gardiner Funeral Home, P.A. and Crematory, Leonardtown, MD.

Mary Barbara Cecil Lawrence

Mary Barbara Cecil Lawrence, 88 of Leonardtown, MD passed away on September 7, 2021 at The Hermitage Assisted Living Center in Solomons, MD. Born on March 9, 1933 in Leonardtown, MD, she was the daughter of the late Francis Geroe Cecil and Alma Marie Raley.

Barbara was a lifelong resident of Leonardtown. On October 2, 1954 she married the love of her life, Edward Clyde Lawrence. Together, they celebrated 59 wonderful years of marriage before his passing in November 2013. Barbara loved being a wife, mother, grandmother, and homemaker. She was a happy person who loved living in Leonardtown. Barbara loved to dance and she danced until her last days.

Barbara is survived by her children, Susan Dyer (Joseph) and Sharon Cox of Leonardtown, MD; Gregory Lawrence (Zawmi) of Harpers Ferry, WV; Nancy Smith (Leon) of Spotsylvania, VA; and John Lawrence (Erin) of Owings, MD; her grandchildren, Matthew Keen, Kathleen Schwarzwald (Benjamin), Rebecca Cox, Samantha Lawrence (Devon), Ashley Lawrence, Monica Lawrence, Jessica Smith (Benjamin), Kristen Scimeca (Jonathan), Kelly Smith, Grady Lawrence, Benjamin Lawrence and Jonathan Lawrence; her great grandchild Lawrence Oster-Smith, and extended family and friends. In addition to her parents and beloved husband, she is also preceded in death by her sister, Peggy Cecil Hall and brothers, Francis Cecil and Walter Cecil; her son Glenn Lawrence and her granddaughter Kimberly Cox. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Aloysius Catholic Church, P. O. Box 310, Leonardtown, MD 20650.

Condolences may be made to the family at www.mgfh.com. Arrangements by the Mattingley-Gardiner Funeral Home, P.A. & Crematory, Leonardtown, MD.

Earl James Dexter, Jr.

Earl James Dexter, Jr., better known as Jim, was born on March 11, 1941 in

East Jordan, Michigan to the late Earl James Dexter, Sr. and the late Dolores Helen Schumaker. The youngest of two children, he had one sister, the late Judy Haney. He completed his high school and college education in Michigan to eventually obtain a degree in Nuclear Engineering.

Jim worked as a Nuclear Engineer with Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Plant for many years until he retired in 2000. Jim also served his community as a Planning & Zoning Commissioner for St. Mary's County, Maryland from 1995-1998. In his retirement he did not rest, taking on various construction projects to eventually build the family home combined with a bed and breakfast, the Victorian Candle in Hollywood, MD in 2003.

Jim met his wife, Susan, in 1995 while "trying to save a penny," as he would always say. They wed in Tennessee in 1996 and celebrated their union surrounded by family and friends in 1997 in Indian Head, Maryland and resided in Hollywood, Maryland. Jim and Susan had children from previous marriages and one child together to build a family unit of ten beautiful sons and daughters. Jim had a large family and was a devout family man who always put his family first in everything he did. He served the Catholic church proudly and was a member of the Fourth Degree of the Knights of Columbus.

Doing what he loves to do most, spending time with his family, Jim was called to rest peacefully at his home in Hollywood, Maryland at the age of 80 on Saturday, September 4, 2021, in the hands of his lovely wife, Susan. Jim touched the lives of many as a devoted and loving husband, father, step-father, father-in law, grandfather, great-grandfather, son, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend to many. He leaves to cherish his memory his wife Susan; children Laura Guetschoff, Paul Dexter, Karina Phillips, David Dexter (Val), and Annie (Patrick); step-children Fatmata Koroma-Bangura (Ben), James Koroma (Ebony), Lamrana Koroma, Emile Koroma (Gabby), and Leon Koroma; grandchildren Ashley, Kaneesha, Sarah, Eric, Kyle, Rylee, Lauren, Zachary, Cameron, Claire, Willow, Naomi, Hazel, King, and Ayona; great grandchildren Olivia and Eli; nieces/nephews, Joe Haney, Alice Haney, Betty Murphy, Sue Collins, Patty Sapak, and Paul Haney; his dear friend Mr. Ralph Moran, and a host of other relatives and friends that will miss him dearly.

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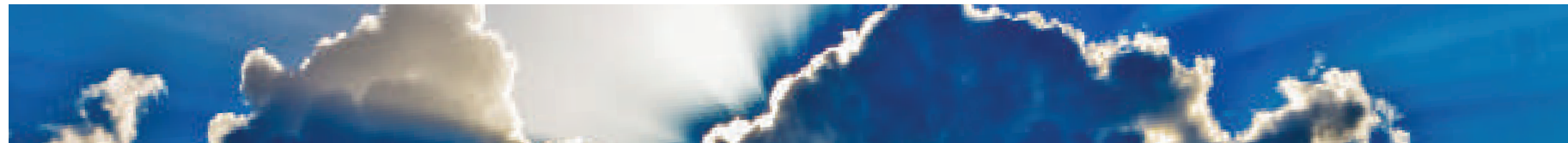
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CDR Joseph Scott Eversole, USN, (Ret.)

CDR Joseph Scott Eversole, USN, (Ret.), 56, passed away on September 10, 2021 in Hollywood, MD with his loving family by his side.



Scott, as he was known to his family, was born on July 10, 1965 in Clarksville, TN, to Joseph Eversole and the late Elizabeth Irene Booth Eversole.

He grew up on Army bases around the world before his family settled in Woodville, AL.

Joe was a 1987 graduate of the United States Naval Academy where he earned a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics and received his commission as a Naval Officer. Joe earned his wings of gold and became an accomplished Naval Aviator in the Maritime Patrol and Reconnaissance Community. He proudly served his country earning three Meritorious Service Medals, four Navy Commendation Medals, in addition to numerous campaign and service medals. He received his Masters of Science in Global Leadership from University of San Diego in May 2003. Commander Eversole retired after 23 years of honorable service in October 2010.

While stationed in Pensacola he met his wife, Treva Olivia Noles. They married on June 24, 1989 at Pensacola Naval Air Station. They were lucky to spend over 32 wonderful years together; their biggest blessing being a beautiful daughter, Rachel. Together they enjoyed golf outings, rooting for Duke basketball and watching Alabama football around the country.

Joe is survived by his father, Joseph, his "best girl," Treva, daughter, Rachel Dishman (Ryan), grandson, Heath; his two brothers, Donald Ray Eversole and Steven Douglas Eversole (Lindsey), two nephews, Jack and Hank, niece, Harlan, mother-in-law, Olivia Noles, two sister-in-laws, Pamela Montgomery (Wayne), Melissa Johnson (John) and extended family and friends. He is preceded in death by his mother, Elizabeth Irene Booth Eversole and father-in-law George Jennings Noles.

Family will receive friends on Saturday, September 25, 2021 from 10:30 to 11:00 a.m., with a Memorial Service at 11:00 a.m., commemorated

by Reverend Keith White at Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A., 22955 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown, MD 20650. Interment will be held at a later date at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, VA.

In lieu of flowers please send memorial contributions to the Fisher House Foundation, Website: fisherhouse.org, (888) 294-8560, 12300 Twinbrook Pkwy, Suite 410, Rockville, MD 20852.

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

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George Frederick Wagner

George Frederick Wagner, 72, of Lexington Park, MD passed away on September 15, 2021 in his home.

He was born on December 3, 1948 in Scranton, PA to the late Arthur George Wagner and Lydia Schmeig.



George was employed for many dedicated years as a newspaper carrier for the Washington Post until his retirement in 2019. He has spent the last

17 years with his loving companion, Jacqueline Moore. He was an avid Washington Capitals fan. He especially enjoyed Christmas and had an elaborate and festive outdoor display. He was a skilled handyman and could fix or build anything including cars. He liked Snoopy and the Peanuts gang. He was a skilled Jeopardy player and looked forward to watching the show every evening. He enjoyed camping with his family, and went to various state parks.

In addition to his loving companion, Jackie, he is also survived by his sons, Gregory Wagner (Krista) of California, MD, Andrew Wagner (Jen) of Leonardtown, MD; his step-sons: Randall Scott Mayle III of Lexington Park, MD, Jason Houston Mayle of Hollywood, MD and Kyle Zachary Cox of Lexington Park, MD; his sister, Tina Saylor; 3 grandchildren, and his extended family and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that memorial contributions be made to help defray funeral costs at Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.O. Box 279, Leonardtown, MD 20650.

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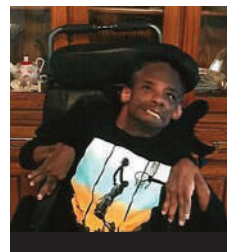
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Joseph Hatcher, Jr.

Joseph Hatcher, Jr., 70 of Hollywood, MD passed away on

September 15, 2021 at home.

He was born on February 2, 1951 in Washington, D.C. to the late Joseph Hatcher and Rosa Lee Polk, of Fort Washington, MD. Joe was the oldest of six children.



Joe joined the ARC on January 7, 1998. He lived only at the Holly Gaf Group Home. He resided with his three housemates, Dino, Jimmie and David.

Joe's relationship with his family was very important to him. He loved it when his sister, JoAnn and his two nieces, Trina and Michelle came to visit.

Joe responds with smiles. He likes people who speak softly and have a gentle touch and he liked to be talked to. When he was happy he would smile and make vocal sounds. He was retired from The Center for Life Enrichment. What he enjoyed most was being at home, where he was the most comfortable. He loved eating ice cream and cake, listening to music—especially R&B, relaxing in bed, going for van rides, and taking strolls outside with the sunshine hitting his face. He loved when people sang and danced with him. He will be remembered as a happy person with a pure soul.

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Gary Michael Taylor

Gary Michael Taylor, 66 of Lexington Park, Maryland passed away on Sunday, September 12, 2021 and is now in the bosom of Jesus Christ, which was his heart's desire. Gary was born on January 22, 1955 in Leonardtown, Maryland. He was the 3rd child of the late Charles and

Helena Taylor.



As a St. Mary's County native who also lived there his entire life, you could call him a "Good Old County Boy". He attended St. Mary's County

Catholic and Public schools. He was employed with several companies before stricken with a stroke in 1990. He worked for Pax River Hospital, St. Mary's Courthouse, St. Mary's College and Park Hall Elementary.

The Catholic faith was Gary's childhood spiritual background. Later in his adulthood, when he was able to understand the word of God for himself, he accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior and gave his heart to Him. He attended many of the local churches but really enjoyed fellowshiping at Restoration Free Gospel, Dominion Apostolic, Greater Morning Star & First Baptist Missionary Church. Wherever he attended, you better believe he was faithful in doing so and "NOTHING" could stop him from getting there. He enjoyed being in the house of the Lord.

In Gary's younger years, when he was able to drive, he was nicknamed the "Six Million Dollar Man" and you can trust & believe he had the force and the strength to back it up. He didn't let anything hold him down. The stroke never stopped him from driving, he simply went from a regular car to a motorized car and would drive anywhere in Lexington Park he wanted to go. You could possibly look up and see him north or south on route 235 headed to Hollywood or Park Hall, Md. He was "UNSTOPPABLE".

Also, in his younger days, he and his younger brother Jimmy loved to tease their siblings and upset them and thought it was sooo funny. Now,



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In Remembrance

he could upset his siblings, but no one else better had, because you would have had to "ANSWER" to him. He was the family's protector. Gary could talk some trash to you and in the "SAME BREATH" offer you the "last dime" in his pocket or the shirt off his back AND would get VERY UPSET if you didn't take what he offered. You had to take it so he wouldn't tell you about yourself. This was his way to show his love and appreciation to you. Gary was a "BIG" man with a tender heart and had a great love for his family and people.

Later in life Gary just loved the simple things in life. It didn't take much to make him happy; just a friendly visit, a new pair of shoes and a good old conversation to make him laugh. You would ask him how he's doing, and he would "ALWAYS" respond "I'm great", he later adopted another response from his favorite Uncle Oliver "I'm kicking, but not very high".

He is predeceased by his parents and brother Joel A. Taylor, Sr. "aka" Sweet T.

Gary is survived by his five siblings; Charles Eugene Taylor (Becky), Seattle, WA; Beverly Taylor-Mack, Jacksonville, FL; Jacqueline Miller (Willie); Samuel Taylor (Charles), Seattle, WA and Caroline Kenely (Henry), Fort Washington, MD; Special Uncle; Oliver Taylor; Special cousin DeAngelo "Buzz" Hatton; nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Gary will be sorely missed by his family.

At this time services are private.

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

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Stewart Lionel Moreland

Stewart Lionel Moreland, 87, of Mechanicsville, Maryland, passed away at the St. Mary's Hospital, September 12, 2021. He was born May

20, 1934 in Annapolis, Maryland to Lionel Stewart Moreland and Sylvia Moreland "Zeman". He was one (1) of two (2) children. He graduated from Annapolis High School in 1950



before serving his country proud and serving in the United States Army as a paratrooper in the 11th Airborne for 2 years during the Korean War before being

h o n o r a b l y discharged in 1959.

To know Stewart is to know a hardworking and fiercely loyal man. He was kind hearted and a dedicated husband and father to his wife and three (3) children, Tony, Barry and Sylvia. He met the love of his life Ann Moreland "Hayden" in 1959. They dated for 1 year before marrying in 1960. Their love was inspirational and has no bounds. They shared 60 exuberant years of marriage together. He was well respected by all those who he worked with and made many lifelong friends along the way. And those that he worked with swear he could operate heavy equipment like no other.

Stewart enjoyed fishing on a warm summer's day, whether at a local pond or on the Gulf in Florida where he enjoyed the warm sunshine in his retirement year's. He also liked to garden whenever he got the chance, tending to his beloved tomatoes! No one could grow them like him. He enjoyed playing baseball as a young man and boy did he have a wicked curve ball! His catchers complained about their hands hurting after a game. He enjoyed watching the Oriole's play ball and following NASCAR.

A great man was lost, but his memory will remain in the heart of his loved ones. If you know his family, you know they had a strong and steady hand to guide them through life. He was loved by many friends and family

and will be greatly missed.

He is survived by his wife Ann Moreland; his son Tony Moreland (Shirley) of Sorrento, FL; his daughter Sylvia Welch (Johnny) of Mechanicsville, MD and his brother Jimmy Moreland. He has two Grandchildren, Tony Moreland Jr (Rebecca) and Krystal Aud (Darren) along with four Great Grandchildren He is preceded in death by both of his parent's Lionel Stewart Moreland and Sylvia Moreland "Zeman" and his son, Barry Moreland.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Mechanicsville Volunteer Rescue Squad.

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Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home & Crematory, P.A., Charlotte Hall, MD.

Joseph Wesley Morgan

Joseph Wesley Morgan, 69, of Charlotte Hall, MD passed away peacefully at St. Agnes Hospital, Baltimore, MD on Saturday, September 11, 2021. He was born on May 2, 1952 in New Orleans, LA to the late Junior Wesley Morgan and Emma Louise (Paddy) Morgan.

After graduating from Calvert High School, Joe served his country in the United States Marine Corps where he



served for six (6) years before being honorably discharged. Joe returned home to begin his career as an Engineer for Amtrak.

Joe married the love of his life, Cecilia Ann Chappelle on November 7, 1981, changing her name to Morgan and making her his forever love. Their relationship has grown closer as the years have passed and their love surrounded all who knew them together.

He was a strong-minded, dedicated father and husband who would do anything for his family. Joe worked for over thirty-eight (38) years before his retirement. He loved spending his days working on the line and getting to "play" with his trains. Never one to sit idly by, he would continue working part-time for Thompson's Seafood.

After his retirement, he enjoyed early mornings out on his screened-in porch listening while watching the birds with a cup of coffee. He never missed a tee time, shooting pool, pitching horseshoes, working in his garage while watching Westerns. He loved being able to have everyone around, with burgers grilling and laughter in the air.

Whether you knew him as Joseph, Joe, Dad or Granddaddy you knew a truly kind and generous man. His

joyful laugh, jokester ways and bright smile will be remembered and cherished. A man's legacy is the family he leaves behind and with his four grandchildren carrying on his spirit, Joe is now rejoicing in his heavenly home carefree.

A thoughtful remembrance, it's better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all.

Joe is survived by his wife, Cecilia A. Morgan of Charlotte Hall, MD; children, Laura Michelle King (Mark) of St. Leonard, MD and Douglas Stephen Short (Kelli) of Prince Frederick, MD; four (4) grandchildren, Ashley Stinnett, Matthew Short, Jacob King and Collin Short; and siblings, Celia Bodmer (George) of Easton, MD, Randy Morgan (Wanda) of Prince Frederick, MD and Johnny Morgan of Chesapeake Beach, MD; and many nieces, nephews and extended family members. He was preceded in death by his parents, Junior and Emma Morgan.

The family would request donations be made to your favorite charity in Joe's name.

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

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Robert Walter 'Bob'

Woodburn

Robert Walter 'Bob' Woodburn, 90, of Ridge, MD passed away peacefully on September 11, 2021 at MedStar St. Mary's Hospital.

He was born on June 7, 1931 in Leonardtown, MD to the late Henry Tester and Mary Grace (Heard) Woodburn.

Bob is survived by his wife, Catherine Elizabeth Woodburn, who he married on May 4, 1964 in St. Michaels Church, Ridge, MD. He is survived by his two sons Robert Joseph

Woodburn (Mary) and Richard Christopher Woodburn (Cheryl), his grandchildren, Wyatt Christopher Woodburn, Sarah Helene

Woodburn, and Joseph Clarke Woodburn. He is also survived by his siblings; Mary Rose Bailey of Avenue, MD, Doris Ann Dorsey (Vernon) of Mechanicsville, MD, Catherine Lee Guy (Charles) of Leonardtown, MD, Joan Elizabeth Russell (Joseph) of NC, his sisters-in-law; Elyse G Woodburn, Barbara Woodburn, Hilda Woodburn, and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he is also preceded in death by his brothers,

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I am so grateful for everyone who saved him. A local artist Liese Nelson did an oil painting of him and made Xmas cards.

TriCounty animal shelter said they had such an outpouring of people to adopt. They were going to put "The Bridge Cat" on cages.

Again, I would like to thank everyone for his rescue.

All three gave me a wonderful 17 years of love, companionship & joy.

Their passage was attended to by Pawsitive Passage, St Charles Cemetary, Leonardtown, MD.

In their honor, please donate to your fire departments and animal shelter.

-Solomon's, Sasha's, Callie's loving human





James H Woodburn, Charles J Woodburn, William Benedict Woodburn, and brother-in-law, Harvey Bailey.

After graduating St Mary's Academy High School, Bob started his own business, Bob's Texaco, in Lexington Park, MD in 1965. Then he expanded by opening Bob's Radiator, also in Lexington Park, in 1965. He continued his entrepreneurial career by opening Bob's Imports in 1981 from which he retired in 2005.

He joined the Seventh District Volunteer Fire Department in 1953 and was a member until 1964. Bob was an active member of the Farm Bureau and a member of the St. Mary's Historical Society. He enjoyed the camaraderie of being a member in the Ridge Volunteer Fire Department, which he joined in 2000. He was an avid gardener for many years; he really enjoyed watching his vegetables grow. He was also very meticulous about his lawn; it had to be cut to his exact specifications. He stayed active, always wanting to be busy, throughout his entire life. He was active member of St. Michaels Church, serving as an usher there for many years.

The family ask that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations be made to the American Heart Association, P.O. Box 417005, Boston, MA 02241-7005; Ridge Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 520, Ridge, MD 20680 or St. Michael's Church, 16566 Three Notch Road, Ridge, MD 20680.

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Richard William Radvany

II

Richard William Radvany II, (William Harold Gaydon, Jr.) 52, of Chaptico, MD passed away on September 11, 2021, in Hollywood, MD.

He was born on July 16, 1969 in Sanford, NC, to Dorothy Lee Peoples Radvany of Chaptico, MD and William Harold Gaydon of Spokane, WA. He was raised by his Mom and Dad, Rick Radvany.

Bill is a 1987 graduate of Chopticon High School. He enlisted in the United States Air Force and proudly served his country for four years. He was an outdoorsman and a grill master extraordinaire. He enjoyed smoking meats and made mouth-watering brisket and ribs.



He was athletic and enjoyed everything related to rugby, especially the comradery with his teammates, who

appropriately nicknamed him "Rock". He also loved the Dallas Cowboys, going for long rides on his Harley and was very family oriented. He loved nothing more than spending time enjoying the small, joyful moments with his family, especially his children and grandchildren.

In addition to his mother and father, Bill is also survived by his children, Kayla Radvany (Jake) of Soddy-Daisy, TN and Travis Radvany of Owens Cross Roads, AL; his siblings: Danielle Trow (Russ) of Leonardtown, MD, Misty Smith (Cory) of Cheney, WA, David Gaydon (Joleen) of Spokane, WA, and Jennifer Hurley of Airway Heights, WA; his grandchildren, Mason Maxwell "Max" Burkhart and Riley Lynn Burkhart, both of Soddy-Daisy, TN, his niece and nephews: Karlie Trow, Hunter Smith, Aspen Smith, Devone Gaydon, Olivia Hurley, Sophia Hurley, and Grace Hurley; and extended family and friends. He is preceded in death by his Dad, Richard William "Rick" Radvany.

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Richard William "Dick" Carroll

Richard William "Dick" Carroll, 95, of Dameron, MD passed away peacefully in his home on Monday, September 13, 2021. He was born on June 7, 1926 in Dameron, MD to the late James William Carroll and Elizabeth Trossbach Carroll.

Dick was a life-long resident of St. Mary's County, and second-generation owner/operator of Carroll's Equipment, the John Deere dealership in Dameron, MD. He took great pride in the family business and enjoyed serving the agricultural community while working the business with his daughter and son.

Dick married Clara "Dolly" Donatelli Carroll in October of 1950. Together they celebrated 70 years of marriage and raised five children - Brenda, Ricky, Cindy, Steffie, and Deanna. Family was his greatest love - a devoted, caring husband, and



a loving father whose even temper, endless sense of humor, and genuine good nature will be greatly missed.

In addition to his beloved wife Dolly, Dick is also survived by his children: Richard "Rick" Carroll (Becky) of St. Ingoes, MD, Cynthia "Cindy" Bradburn (Charlie) of Dameron, MD, Stephanie "Steffie" Langley

(Phil) of Dameron, MD, and Deanna Dunbar (Jeff) of Dameron, MD; his son-in-law, Jimmy Hanson of Valley Lee, MD; 13 grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren and many extended family and friends. In addition to his parents, Dick is also preceded in death by his daughter, Brenda Carroll Hanson, and brothers, Francis Carroll and Ray "Britches" Carroll.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of St. Mary's, P.O. Box 625, Leonardtown, MD 20650.

Serving as pallbearers will be Matthew Hanson, Cole Langley, Nick Carroll, Joe Gerek, Ronnie Raley, and Matthew Stauffer.

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

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Shelva J. Davis



Shelva Jean Davis, 80, formerly of St. Mary's County, passed from this life on Friday September 17, 2021.

Born on July 31, 1941, in Scotland, Maryland, she was the beloved wife of Robert C. Davis, daughter of the late John L. Fenhagen and Mary Helen (Morgan) Fenhagen, and sister, the late Sharon Gail (Fenhagen) Semler. She is survived by her daughter, Vanessa L. (Holt) Zynn and son-in-law Kevin Zynn, sister, Shirley Ann (Fenhagen) McKay; stepdaughters, Chrissy (Davis) Armwood and Darlene (Davis) Shollenberger; including relatives; Henry Armwood; Michael & Jack Shollenberger; Cody & Tyler Funkhouser. She was a graduate of Saint Michaels School in Ridge, Maryland. She had numerous talents throughout her life. She was an accomplished artist, beautician, jewelry designer, antique aficionado and loved interior and exterior design. Her love of animals was immense. She considered Summerseat Farm in St. Mary's County her most beloved home where she resided from 1985 to 2001. She will be remembered most for her love of all animals and preserving Summerseat.

After leaving St. Mary's County she resided in Sedona, Arizona, where she was active in Greyhound Dog rescue and owned Greyhounds.

Of her many dogs, her Greyhounds gave her great comfort and even accompanied her back to Maryland where she spent time living in Westminster, Maryland. Interment will be held at Saint Michael's Cemetery, Ridge, Maryland. Memorial Contributions can be made to Summerseat Farm Inc; 2665 5 Three Notch Road, Mechanicsvi

lle, Maryland 20659 in her name to benefit the animals who find sanctuary at this beautiful volunteer run plantation. Arrangements made by Going Home Cremation and Funeral Care, Woodbine, MD. Online condolences to the family may be made at goinghomecares.com

William C. Elkins, "Bill"



William C. Elkins, "Bill", 85, of Leonardtown, MD, formerly of La Plata, MD, passed away on September 17, 2021 in Charlotte Hall, MD. Born

on December 1, 1935 in Gould, AR, he was the second of six children and was the loving son of the late Piccola Nichols Elkins and Fred Elkins. Bill was the loving husband of Beverly Rose Elkins whom he married on July 3, 1960 in Sacred Heart Catholic Church, South Plainfield, NJ. He is survived by his children Pauline Norris (Ricky) of Leonardtown, MD, Laura Beth Wetmore of Newington, CT, three grandchildren Colleen Westmore of East Hampton, CT, Mallory Norris of Leonardtown, MD, and Stephen Norris of Leonardtown, MD, as well as his siblings Bennie Joe Elkins (Rose) of North Litter Rock, AR, Patricia Johnson of Star City, AR, Vicki McDaniels of Pine Bluff, AR, and Violet Kelley of Batesville, AR. He was preceded in death by his brother Vendell Elkins.

After high school, Bill joined the United States Air Force in 1955 while stationed at Fort Dix, NJ. Bill meet his soon-to-be wife, Beverly, and had two children. He ended his Air Force Career at Andrew Air Force Base in Camp Springs, MD after 20 years. Bill went on to work 18 more years for IBM. Bill loved playing Gold, working in the yard, and spending time with his family.

The family will receive friends on Friday, September 24, 2021 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 with Deacon Paul Bielewicz officiating. Interment will follow in Charles Memorial Gardens, Leonardtown, MD.

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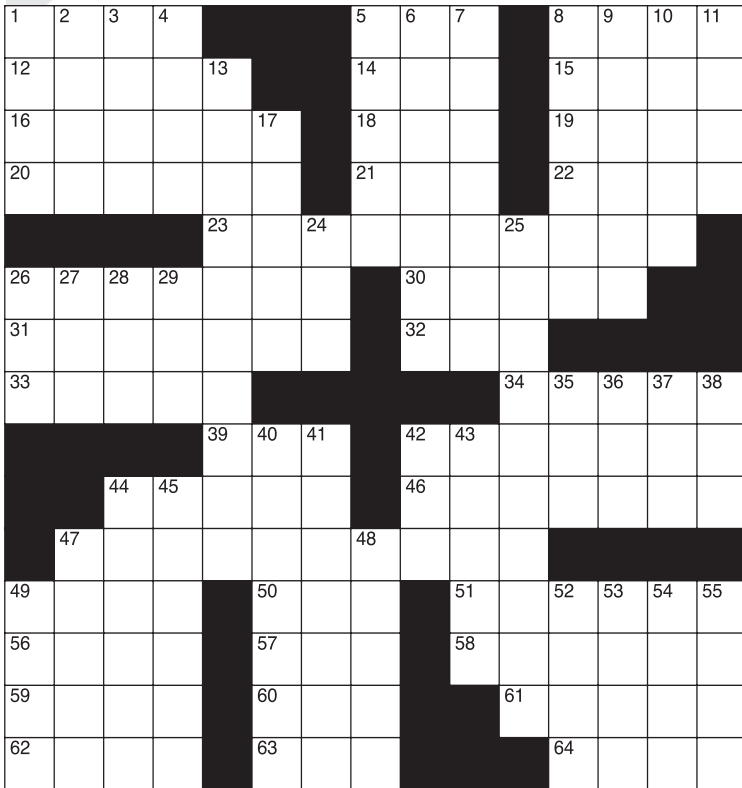
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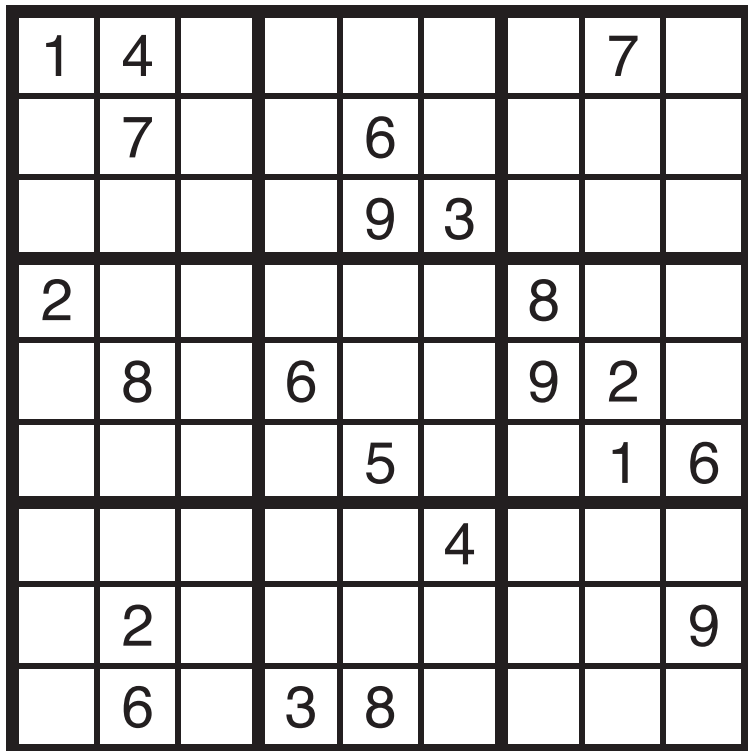
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- 30. Make very happy
- 31. Binary compound of hydrogen with a metal
- 32. Albanian currency
- 33. Subatomic particle
- 34. Type of salt
- 39. 007's creator
- 42. Emerging
- 44. Railroad flare
- 46. Observed
- 47. Capable of reproduction
- 49. Indicates

- adjacent to
- 50. Legendary Notre Dame coach
- 51. Not wide
- 56. An embarrassing mistake
- 57. Pearl Jam's debut album
- 58. Denotes passerine birds
- 59. Stumble
- 60. Midway between east and southeast
- 61. W. Indian trees
- 62. You
- 63. Pigpen
- 64. Be aware of

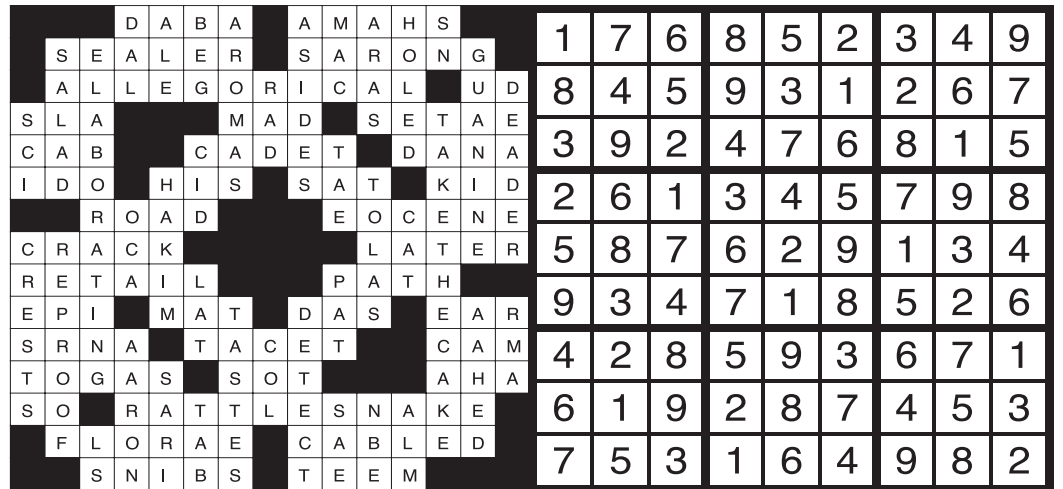
CLUES DOWN

- 1. Crease
- 2. "Honey" actress Jessica
- 3. Broad volcanic crater
- 4. Product safety watchdog
- 5. Southern Colombian city
- 6. Part of a church
- 7. Perceptible by touch
- 8. Pronounce not guilty of criminal charges
- 9. Hairpiece
- 10. Variety acts
- 11. "Mystic River" actor

- Sean
- 13. Remove salt
- 17. Went out with
- 24. Type of bread
- 25. Popular Eagles song
- 26. Philosophy degree
- 27. Yes vote
- 28. Passports and licenses are two
- 29. No seats available
- 35. Pounds per square inch
- 36. A way to launch an attack on
- 37. The lowest cardinal number
- 38. Popular Miller beer
- 40. Pokes holes in
- 41. Closest to
- 42. Folk singer DiFranco
- 43. Rivne's former name
- 44. Flat ruler
- 45. Lacking the means to do something
- 47. Cockatoo
- 48. Dred Scott decision deliverer
- 49. Explosion exclamation
- 52. Canadian flyers
- 53. Houston university
- 54. At some prior time
- 55. Red, swollen mark



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