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FRI 8/5		92° /75°	Hot; a stray p.m. t-storm	TUE 8/9		90° /77°	Hot and humid: a p.m. t-storm
SAT 8/6		87° /75°	A shower and t-storm; humid	WED 8/10		89° /74°	Humid with a t-storm in spots
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# Roving Ambulance Proves Success

By Guy Leonard  
Staff Writer

Calling it a “game changer” in the quest to improve local response times and availability of emergency ambulance service, Director of the Department of Emergency Services Director Steve Walker asked county commissioners to fund a roving ambulance that would not be tied down to a first-due area.

Rather, this ambulance would be on-call to respond to medical emergencies throughout the county.

The county is currently using an ambulance the commissioners funded earlier this year to act as a dedicated medical transport for Charlotte Hall Veterans Home as the roving ambulance.

Walker said the veterans’ home is currently having problems inculcating the supplied ambulance into its services for residents; in the meantime the county has repurposed the ambulance for its current on-call duties.

The request was for \$727,000, which also included funds for personal protective equipment and other technology upgrades for medical responders.

The money would come from the remaining \$4 million in American Rescue Act/Grant funds.

“They’re a very busy facility,” Walker said of the veterans home. “They’ve had some challenges getting ready for us to work out of there.

“They’re just not ready.”

Walker said the roving ambulance addition was expected to be an improvement, but it was much more.

“It was so much of an improvement it’s incredible,” Walker said. “This is a true, true game changer.

“They run – basically – the entire county.”

The problem, though, Walker said, was when the veterans’ home was ready to accept the ambulance originally assigned to it, the roving ambulance service would cease without a replacement.

Emergency Medical Services Chief George Edelen said the roving ambulance service has drastically reduced the time it would take to respond to an emergency



since a second or third due ambulance took between 20 to 30 minutes to answer the call.

“We’re always looking for better ways to do things,” Edelen told The Commissioners of St. Mary’s County. “This has proven to be of great benefit.”

Edelen said there were certain time during the day when three such roving units could be employed in St. Mary’s justifiably.

Walker said that the ambulance could still fulfill emergency calls when it is returned to the veterans’ home but not to the level of service it has achieved thus far.

Edelen said the roving ambulance would be stationed in Leonardtown and respond to calls that the first due units were not able to take, either because they were on another call or otherwise unavailable.

Walker said the roving unit is dispatched to the area where first-due responders first take a call to act as active reserve to cover that same area for other potential emergencies.

“We have proactively done that,” Walker said of how emergency services now dispatches that unit. “It’s never been done before in this county.

“It’s working phenomenally.”

The commissioners did not decide on disbursement of the American Rescue Funds at their Aug. 2 meeting.

But Commissioner Eric Colvin said he was concerned that the county may be “nickel and diming” the expenditure of the money on smaller projects around the county instead of projects that could have a more lasting impact.

Colvin said he supported spending \$2 million of the remaining money on “last mile” broadband connectivity projects.

“We haven’t intentionally dedicated anything to last mile projects,” Colvin said. “We’ve put it to middle mile [projects] and whatever has been left has been moved to last mile.”

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# Questions Remain About Fatal Pedestrian Accident

By Guy Leonard  
Staff Writer

The family of a man who was struck and killed by a vehicle last week while trying to cross Route 5 in Leonardtown in foul weather conditions are asking why he was dropped off by a county STS bus there in the first place.

St. Mary’s County Sheriff’s Office representatives confirmed that Joseph Harry Norris IV, 42, was dropped off on the south bound lanes of Route 5 and had to cross both separate lanes of traffic in pouring rain to reach the Cedar Lane assisted living facility where he was a resident.

Family members have said privately that Norris was normally dropped off at his home by STS drivers. Norris is the son of former mayor J. Hearry Norris III.

Sheriff’s officials have said they are not certain why Norris was dropped off in that location.

Police were alerted to the striking at about 3:18 p.m. on July 29.

The county’s STS bus schedule shows that the Leonardtown route has Cedar Lane Apartments as part of that schedule.

County Commissioner Mike Hewitt addressed Norris’ death this week during the regular business meeting.

“This past week we had a terrible tragedy with a pedestrian getting off a bus,”



Joseph Harry Norris IV

Hewitt said. “We have to do a total top down review of this whole bus transportation program we have in this county.

“We need to be able to put people out in areas where there is shelter in case it’s rain-

ing hard.”

Hewitt said the way citizens flag down STS buses in a seemingly haphazard fashion was a cause for concern.

He said he witnessed one such instance recently in the First Colony community on FDR Boulevard.

“The bus just pulled over and picked him up,” Hewitt said. “There were a couple other cars behind that had to jockey for position and didn’t know if they should go around or not.”

The county’s STS bus system needed immediate attention, Hewitt said.

“We can’t just be picking up people and letting people off and having buses stop where people don’t expect them,” Hewitt said.

Having dedicated and highlighted areas where bus stops were located might cause motorists to be more careful, Hewitt said.

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# Hollywood Carnival Back On

By Guy Leonard  
Staff Writer

The membership of the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department has decided to reinstate their annual carnival this month, The County Times has learned.

The carnival will open starting Aug. 12 and run through Aug. 14, said Bill Mattingly, president of the volunteer fire company.

There will be changes to the carnival as far as security measures are concerned, however, starting with the hours of operation.

The carnival will operate from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., Mattingly said, which is two hours shorter than its normal 11 p.m. closing time.

The carnival was cut short by deadly violence July 15 when a shooting occurred there around 11p.m. that night when two rival groups of young men arrived in the parking lot and began fighting.

A 16-year-old male was shot and killed and another person wounded.

“We want to operate mostly in daylight hours,” said Mattingly of the reason for the time shift.

Mattingly said the volunteers had worked closely with the coun-



ty sheriff’s office in reopening the carnival and that there would be more sheriff’s deputies on hand during the festivities than the four deputies who had been posted there July 15.

The two rival factions that arrived at the carnival the night of the shooting were seen to be wearing hoodies and face masks, according to witnesses, and this has led to signs being posted that only surgical face masks would be permitted to be worn at the carnival, Mattingly said.

Also, no bags or back packs would be permitted at the carnival as they had been prior.

Mattingly said, though, that the games, rides and other attractions would be running as normal when the carnival opens next weekend.

“The operations of the carnival... the community knows it’s not going to change,” Mattingly said.

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# Defendant Takes Plea in 2019 Crash Death of Woman

By Guy Leonard  
Staff Writer

A man charged with the death of an 87-year-old woman several years ago due to his actions while being chased by police has been convicted in St. Mary’s County Circuit Court after years of legal proceedings.

Machiavelli Tyzhae Savoy, 22, took an Alford Plea to two of the 26 charges levied against him in the death of Carol Jean Anderson from March of 2019 including negligent manslaughter by vehicle and illegal possession of a regulated firearm,

An Alford Plea is not an admission of guilt, rather it is an admission that the prosecution in the case would bring a sufficient amount of evidence to bear against the defendant that a jury would be likely to deliver a guilty verdict.

On the day of the crash law enforcement officers located Savoy of Lexington Park, operating a vehicle in the area of Midway Drive in Lexington Park. Savoy was wanted on numerous outstanding warrants, including illegally possessing and transporting a handgun. Officers attempted to take Savoy into custody, however Savoy refused to stop and a pursuit ensued, police reports stated. During the pursuit, Savoy lost control of the vehicle



Machiavelli Savoy

he was operating while negotiating a curve on Pegg Road. Savoy’s vehicle crossed the centerline of the roadway, and was struck by Ander-

son’s vehicle.

Both vehicles caught fire and both drivers had to be extracted; Anderson suffered burns to her left side.

Both Savoy and Anderson sustained serious injuries from the crash; sources close to the investigation said Savoy was not initially expected to live due the severe injuries he suffered.

Police found that Savoy was in possession of a handgun once he had been pulled from the wreckage.

Two of Savoy’s family members, Carla Yvette Blanton, 48, and Corrina Lyvette Savoy, 24 arrived on the scene of the accident and began to assault and impede law officers and rescue personnel; they allegedly struck Sgt. William Raddatz in the nose and had to be arrested after multiple attempts to order them to stop hindering the rescue, police reported.

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# Six-Story Apartment Complex Coming to California

By Guy Leonard  
Staff Writer

A new apartment complex project that will likely turn an already busy corner even busier in the Lexington Park Development District has received initial approval from the county's planning commission on a split vote after their Aug. 1 meeting.

The final vote was 4-to-3 in favor of approving the concept site plan for the First Colony Pod 5 development project.

The apartment complex would be six stories in height on the corner of FDR Boulevard and St. Andrews Church Road and include a total of 233 dwelling units split between 221 apartments and 12 town homes.

The project would also include two restaurants in the main building, according to planning documents, and an underground parking garage.

Included in the overall project are walking paths and greenspace pockets.

"It's ambitious, it's new," said Planning Board Chair Howard Thompson. "It has a lot of bells and whistles that other places in the county don't have."

Thompson said when the project



first came to the attention of the planning commissioner earlier in the spring, there were concerns about how it would impact the roads next to it that are already heavily taxed by traffic during morning and evening rush hours as well as other hours of the day.

The project was approved with several conditions placed on the developer.

The first was that they must

construct a dedicated right turn lane into and out of the development from St. Andrews Church Road that will extend to FDR Boulevard.

The second was that there must be an extended left hand turn lane from FDR Boulevard onto St. Andrews Church Road.

This, Thompson said, would essentially add a second left hand turn land there and help reduce

stacking of traffic that is already affecting that roadway.

The planning commission also suggested that the county place crossing improvements at Worth Drive near two tire dealerships, which intersects with FDR Boulevard before it leads out to St. Andrews Church Road.

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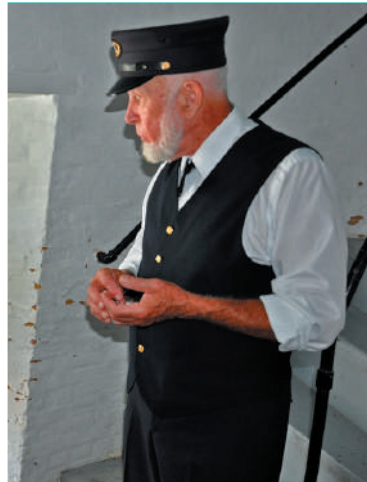
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# Bay Dissolved Oxygen Conditions Better than Average

Data collected by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and Old Dominion University show that dissolved oxygen conditions in the Chesapeake Bay mainstem of Maryland and Virginia were better than average in June 2022. The hypoxic water volume — waters with less than 2 mg/l oxygen — was 0.51 and 0.98 cubic miles during early and late June monitoring cruises, compared to historical early and late June averages (1985-2021) of 0.87 and 1.31 cubic miles.

During their respective time periods, the early June volume ranks as the 8th best on record and late June was 12th best. Additionally, a small volume of less than 0.1 cubic miles of anoxia — waters with less than 0.2 mg/l oxygen — was observed during the late June cruise. Hypoxia was essentially zero (0.0002 cubic miles) in May.

Maryland and Virginia combined results are presented for the mainstem Bay to be more comparable to the yearly seasonal forecast by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Chesapeake Bay Program, U.S. Geological Survey, University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, and University of Michigan.

In late June, the forecast expected

mainstem hypoxic volume to be 13% lower than the 37-year average, due to reduced river flows from January through May 2022, as well as less nitrogen carried to the Bay because of nutrient management efforts. Maryland and Virginia's monitoring results thus far have matched the forecast of better-than-average conditions.

Crabs, fish, oysters, and other creatures in the Chesapeake Bay require oxygen to survive. Scientists and natural resource managers study the volume and duration of Bay hypoxia to determine possible impacts to aquatic life.

Each year from May through October, DNR computes hypoxia volumes from the water quality data collected by DNR and Virginia Department of Environmental Quality.

Data collection is funded by these states and the Chesapeake Bay Program. Bay hypoxia monitoring and reporting will continue through the summer. Additional Maryland water quality data and information, including DNR's hypoxic volume calculation methods, can be found at DNR's Eyes on the Bay website.

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# Vendors Donate to Hollywood Firehouse



David and Laura Campbell, of R/C Theatres, left, present a check to Hollywood fire house volunteers Aug. 2 after food truck vendors gathered at the theatre the day prior to raise funds for the volunteers.

By Guy Leonard  
Staff Writer

The annual Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department carnival is the organization's biggest fundraising event but it was tragically cut short on July 15 when a shooting between two rival youth gangs took the life of a 16-year-old male in the parking lot next to the night's festivities.

The membership acted quickly to cancel the remaining weekend of the carnival and postponed it to a later date that has yet to be determined.

Food truck vendors raised funds this week from sales at a special event to support the Hollywood volunteers to help defray the losses they suffered from having to postpone the carnival.

Seven food truck vendors, as well as R/C Theatres held a parking lot food truck gathering at the theatre parking lot last week that was quickly rained out but held another, identical event Aug. 1.

They were able to raise a little more than \$4,900 for the Hollywood volunteers, according to Bill Mattingly, president of the fire company.

The amount is a fraction of what the

volunteers usually are able to raise on their own, Mattingly said, but they were helpful for whatever help they could get.

"Everything helps," Mattingly said.

Mike Koslofsky, of Koz's Creamery, said he wanted to find a way to help the volunteers in the aftermath of the shooting, and reached out to David Campbell, vice president at R/C Theatres.

"Hollywood's [fire house] always been there for us; we grew up here and always had a good time there," Koslofsky told The County Times. "We just felt like we should've done something to help."

The vendors gave 20 percent of their earnings from the event, Koslofsky said, as well as tips to the volunteer firefighters.

We had a great response from the community," Campbell said of the event.

The vendors presented checks to the Hollywood volunteers Aug. 2 at the firehouse on Three Notch Road.

The participating vendors were Koz's Creamery, Gato Tacos, The Salted Scoop, Dan D's Catering, Old Town Pub, 88EATTS and Kona Ice.

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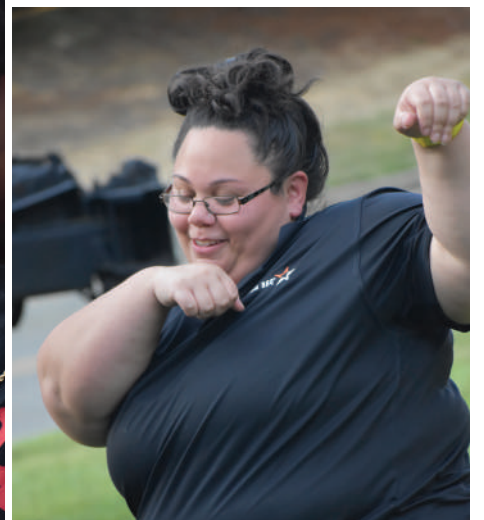
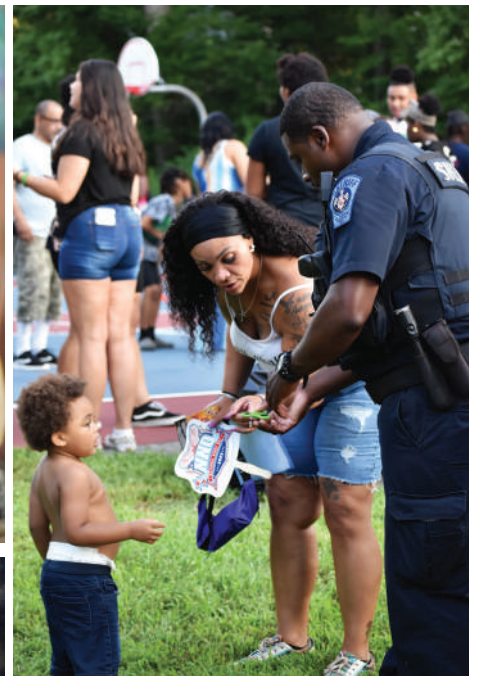
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# St. Mary's County Health Hub Awarded \$1.6 Million Grant

The St. Mary's County Health Department (SMCHD) has been awarded \$1.6 million in grant funding through the Maryland Community Health Resources Commission (CHRC) Pathways to Health Equity program, which aims to address health disparities, expand access to health services, and improve health outcomes in underserved communities. SMCHD was one of nine recipients selected for this capacity-building funding over a two-year timeframe.

SMCHD's Pathways to Health Equity award will support the launch of the St. Mary's County Health Hub in Lexington Park. The Health Hub will offer a wide range of services, including mental health and substance use crisis stabilization, a jail diversion program to focus on behavioral health treatment, harm reduction services, and primary health clinical services (e.g., primary/preventive care, health education, diagnosis/treatment, etc.). SMCHD currently offers drive-thru

COVID-19 testing and vaccination appointments at the Health Hub location. Renovations to the facility are expected to be complete in September 2022, with different services launching in a phased roll-out starting that month.

"This critical CHRC grant funding will help us get some key health and community services started at the new Health Hub facility," said Dr. Meena Brewster, St. Mary's County Health Officer. "The Health Hub will improve access to health care and help address social determinants of health in an area of our county experiencing significant health disparities. We are so grateful for this funding from the Maryland CHRC that builds upon the previous investments made by our County Commissioners, PNC Bank, and many community partners."

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# Tackle Box Fishing Report

By Ken Lamb  
Contributing Writer

August is supposed to be hot and we are not going to be disappointed.

The spot fishing continues to be superb.

Spanish mackerel and bluefish are hitting trolled spoons most everywhere in the bay from Cedar Point south.

The rockfish season just opened back up in Maryland waters. The summer hiatus continues in the Potomac until Aug. 20.

Perch in the creeks will take cast spinner baits when they make up their mind to bite. I discovered a school in a creek off the Patuxent Sunday evening, and even though the incoming tide was lazy and the water was low and stained, they bit a 1/4 oz. white Beetle Spin until I had 20 or so in the 8-to-10-inch size. I left them biting. Also landed a half dozen puppy drum from 8 to 13 inches, and one ambitious croaker.

Bass, bluegill, and pickerel are active at dusk and dawn in the ponds and lakes.

It is a great time to go fishing.



# Entries for Veterans Day Parade Being Accepted



Registration is now open for those wishing to participate in the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Veterans Day Parade in Leonardtown. Floats, bands, schools, scouts, clubs, cheerleaders, bikes, vintage cars, horses are some of the entries which will be accepted.

The parade will step off at 10 a.m. on Friday, November 11 from Ryken High School. The line of march will proceed along Fenwick Street to the Leonardtown Town Square. The event provides a great opportunity to honor our

Veterans, participate in a proud tradition and promote your group.

For more information or to request a 2022 Veterans Day Parade Entry Form, please email [cdpennington@icloud.com](mailto:cdpennington@icloud.com). Information regarding Parade guidelines are included with the forms. Entry forms should be returned to Connie Pennington, Parade Organizer, by Friday, October 21, 2022. Entries received after October 21<sup>st</sup> will not be accepted.

*Press Release from Town of Leonardtown.*

## Pet OF THE WEEK MEET MARIKA



Why does watching a dog be a dog  
Fill one with such happiness?  
-J.S. Foer

Hi everybody, my name is Marika. My TCAS pals tried to come up with an accurate description of me and decided on the word DREAM! You got it. Everybody says I'M A DREAM! At ONE-YEAR-OLD I walk well on the leash and I absolutely love exploring the neighborhood. On these hot days I also enjoy a cool treat and relaxin' in the shade. If you're looking for that PERFECT PAL who can enjoy all kinds of activities with YOU, then grab that device and email [animalshelter@charlescountymd.gov](mailto:animalshelter@charlescountymd.gov) to schedule an appointment to meet me ASAP. BE MY MIRACLE AND PLEASE CHOOSE ME! When you choose to adopt from TCAS, you are literally saving a life.

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# Sterling Looks To Upgrade State's Attorney's Office

By Guy Leonard  
Staff Writer

In winning the Republican nomination to become the new state's attorney for St. Mary's County, Jaymi Sterling got a landslide of votes in her favor, defeating Richard Fritz who has been in the office for a quarter of a century.

There are no Democratic challengers.

The wide margin of victory means that Sterling rides in on a great deal of good will from the electorate but she also realizes that there is much anticipation about how she will run the office and reestablish confidence in it, which she argued during her campaign, had badly waned.

Sterling told The County Times this week that she is looking to use her experience as a special assistant U.S. Attorney, as well as a prosecutor in Frederick and Anne Arundel counties and her time in St. Mary's working as Fritz's deputy, to influence how she will reform the office.

Much of her career, she said, has taught her the value of seeking training and resources to make for more effective prosecutors' offices.

St. Mary's new state's attorney has the rest of the year to prepare to take over the office but she already has ideas about what she would like to do when she steps in.

"We need to assess the needs of the office," Sterling said. "We need special paralegals and units to support programs like body-worn cameras.

"That's not in place in St. Mary's County."

St. Mary's was one of the first in the state to embrace body cameras for its deputies, but, Sterling said, its state's attorney's office had not kept up.

Such units worked to ensure that footage from multiple body cameras were included in discovery for defense teams and to redact information or identities of persons in the video recording but not germane to the case but need to be kept confidential, Sterling said.

Anne Arundel had such units, she said, but only now are embracing fully body-worn cameras for law enforcement.

These are some of the kinds of assessments needed once she takes over as State's Attorney, she said.

Sterling said she wants to reach out to community organizations and to law enforcement to hear their concerns about crime-related challenges in the county.

"We should be responsive to the needs of the community," Sterling said. "It should be a two-way

street."

Part of this philosophy meant ensuring that prosecutors were familiar with law officers they would be working with and understanding the challenges they face on the street, Sterling said.

She said when she was a prosecutor in Frederick County staff and prosecutors in that state's attorney's office took part in a citizens' police academy to learn about police work.

"We went to a lot of training," Sterling said. "We did a lot of ride-alongs.

"We provided training to law enforcement."

She also wanted to reach out to the elderly community and counsel them on avoiding scams, fraud and other situations in which they could be targeted for theft or other kinds of abuse.

"We need to be consistently out in the community," We'll have an open door policy," Sterling said.

The surge in violence, particularly involving youth and guns in the Lexington Park and Great Mills communities, would be one of the key priorities of her office, she said.

Sterling said she would work with sheriff-elect Capt. Steve Hall in finding ways to combat the problem.

"It's going to require a coordinated effort between the community, the state's attorney's office and law enforcement," Sterling said.

That would include gang training for prosecutors, community engagement.

"There needs to be community buy-in," Sterling said for a lasting solution.

"We have to provide alternatives [to youth] so that engaging in gang-related behavior isn't their only option."

Sterling said the National Gang Center is located in Rockville and exists to aid communities in preventing, combating and suppressing gang-related crimes.

Its close proximity meant St. Mary's County could use its resources to combat its local gang problem, Sterling said.

"We have the resources a few hours away," Sterling said. "It's not going to change overnight... but there are so many resources out there for us to take advantage of."

Sterling said she would continue the fight against opioid abuse and addiction in St. Mary's, which still kills more people than violent crime.

"It's the deadliest problem we have," Sterling said. "It's the No. 1 killer.

"Drug dealers are our major fo-



Sterling looks for a high five during National Night Out in Leonard's Grant

cus; it's something we can put a dent in."

Sterling said the office would be particularly focused on dealers of fentanyl, among the deadliest of all opioids.

If the evidence against them permits, Sterling said, her office would "prosecute for manslaughter or depraved heart murder" such defendants, if their customers had died from taking those drugs.

Sterling said it would take time

to reestablish trust she said citizens showed her was lacking but she looked to her election win as a mandate to get to work to that goal.

"It's a huge responsibility and it's something we sought out," Sterling said. "They [the community] were the driving force.

"They convinced me to run; it's going to take a lot of hard work."

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# ST. MARY'S COUNTY SHERIFF'S CRIME BLOTTER



Theft Suspects

### Theft Suspects

The St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office is seeking the identity of the persons depicted in this video in a theft investigation. On Sunday, June 26, 2022 at 4:21 am, several individuals were pictured walking at the Leonardtown Wharf, with two male suspects each carrying a flag which was removed from the flag pole there. The flag of Maryland and flag of Leonardtown were taken from the flag pole.

Anyone with information about the identity of the suspects or this incident is asked to call Cpl. Rachael Roszell at 301-475-4200, ext. 78108 or email rachael.roszell@stmarysmd.com. Case # 32317-22

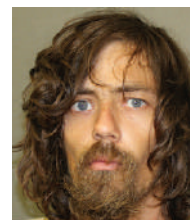
Citizens may remain anonymous and contact Crime Solvers at 301-475-3333, or text a tip to "TIP239" plus their message to "CRIMES" (274637). Through the Crime Solvers Program tipsters are eligible for an award of up to \$1,000 for information about a crime in St. Mary's County that leads to an arrest or indictment.

### On View Arrests:

#### Drug Arrest

On July 24, 2022, Dep. Kirscht responded to the 20700 block of Golden Thompson Road in Avenue, and made contact with **Thomas Matthew Higgins**, age 28 of Avenue. While Higgins was obtaining his identification,

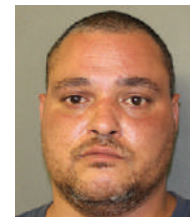
deputies observed a dollar bill with suspected CDS residue (suspected Alprazolam), a pill bottle with the label removed containing numerous pills (suspected Alprazolam), and a scale with powder residue (suspected heroin). Also, located on the porch, were two plants (suspected marijuana plants). Higgins was arrested and located on his person was a used needle containing suspected heroin residue. Higgins was charged with CDS: Possession-Not Marijuana and CDS: Paraphernalia.



Thmoas Higgins

### Assault/Resist Arrest

On July 27, 2022, Dep. McLean responded to the 21400 block of Ritz Drive in Lexington Park, for the reported disturbance. Investigation determined **William Andrew Wright**, age 39 of Lexington Park, punched the victim in the chest and threatened the victim with scissors. Wright also assaulted a second victim who intervened to stop the assault by pulling the victim's shirt, causing the victim to fall. Visible injury was observed to the second victim and Wright was advised he was under arrest. Wright refused to comply with deputies on scene and resisted arrest. Wright was ultimately placed under arrest and charged with Assault 1st and 2nd Degree and Resist/Interfere with Arrest.



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# Local Students Awarded Scholarships

Dunkin' and its DMV franchisees launched their inaugural Dunkin' Regional Scholarship Program this past spring, which awarded \$100,000 in academic scholarships to high school and college students throughout the DMV. In partnership with Scholarship America, Dunkin' yesterday awarded 40 students throughout the DMV region with a \$2,500 academic scholarship to an accredited two- or four-year college, university or vocational-technical school of their choice in Fall 2022.

Dunkin's DMV Regional Scholarship Program accommodates current part-time and full-time undergraduate students and high school seniors who were selected based on their academic record, demonstrated leadership skills and overall commitment to their school and local community.

The goal of the regional scholarship program is to recognize hard-working students in the DMV and to help ease the financial burden of pursuing higher education. This year marks the debut of Dunkin's Regional Scholarship Program to financially support deserving students in our local community. "On behalf of my fellow



Jenna Catlett



Sophie Chan



Mackenzie Mozzo

DMV-area franchisees, we feel honored to award these 40 commendable students with the 2022 Dunkin' DMV Regional Scholarships," said Maria Icaza, D.C.-area Dunkin' franchisee. "We seek to further students' educational goals as a part of our commitment

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The 2022 DMV Dunkin' Regional Scholarship recipients included:

- Sophie Chan, Great Mills High School (United States Naval Academy Class of 2026)

- Jenna Catlett, Huntingtown High School (University of Maryland: College Park Class of 2026)

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**10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Pax Adventure Center** - Canoe & Kayak rentals at Leonardtown Wharf or McIntosh Run First Pick Up 10am Last Pick Up 4pm - pacpaddle.com

**10 a.m. – 7 p.m. Shepherd's Old Field Market** specials throughout the Market - shepherd-soldfield.com

**1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Leonard Hall Friday** - Friday Skate – facebook.com/stmarysmdrecreation

**4 p.m. – 8 p.m. Ye Olde Town Café** – new evening hours at the Café on Thursday, Friday & Saturday - (301) 475-5151

**5 p.m. – 8 p.m. Pet Vendors & Rescue Groups** in the grassy area next to St. Mary's Arts Council (corner of Washington Street & Courthouse Dr) - stmarysartscouncil.com

**5 p.m. – 8 p.m. St. Mary's County Arts Council** – Dog Days of Summer Community Art Show Opening Reception – stmarysartscouncil.com

**5 p.m. - 8 p.m. North End Gallery** - Art & Date Wine Night - northendgallery.com

**5 p.m. to 10 p.m. FREE Trolley Rides from Patuxent Transportation** - visitleonardtownmd.com/leonardtownrolley

**5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Port of Leonardtown Winery** – Flippin' Eyelids Food by Heidi's Eats & Sage's Treats – facebook.com/portoftownwine

**6 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Board & Brush Creative Studio** - Make & Take DIY Board Workshop

**6 p.m. – 7 p.m. St. Mary's County Arts Council** - Drum Circle in the grass outside the Arts Council Building - stmarysartscouncil.com

**6 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. eliv8 – "Dog Days of Summer" First Friday cycling event** - facebook.com/eliv8sombd

**6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Wine & Design - Kids Open Studio** - facebook.com/wndstmaryscountymd

**6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Yellow Line Studio** – Flowers and papermaking class (this activity is open to all ages) – facebook.com/theyellowline.co

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**1 p.m. – 4 p.m. The Rex Restaurant & Bar** – live music featuring Coastline - facebook.com/therexleonardtown

**2 p.m. – 5 p.m. Port of Leonardtown Winery** - Live Music at POL Winery featuring David Sparrow, food provided by Calvert Crabs and Seafood - polwinery.com

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**4 p.m. – 8 p.m. Ye Olde Town Café** – new evening hours at the Café - (301) 475-5151

**6:15 p.m. – 8:15p.m. Sunset Cruises at the Wharf** with Captain Phil of Fish the Bay Charters courtesy of Visit St. Mary's – visitstmarysmd.com/cruises

**6 p.m. – 9 p.m. Antoinette's Garden** – live music featuring Higher Standards - facebook.com/antoinettesgarden

**6 p.m. – 9 p.m. Leonardtown Grille** – live music featuring Tracy Allen – facebook.com/theleonardtowngrille

## Sunday, August 7th

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# Wanderings

of an Aimless Mind

by Shelby Oppermann



## RIDING FOR A GOOD CAUSE



We had a fun day on Saturday, July 23rd that I meant to write about for last week's column. We started out that Saturday morning at 8am for our youngest grandson Alan's 5th birthday party at Chuck E Cheeses in Waldorf. Yes, that is an early time for a birthday party, but who doesn't love pizza, and cake, and lots of kids having fun on tons of machines at 8am. It was really nice, especially since they don't officially open until 10am. We had to miss the cake, darn it, because we had to get from Waldorf to O'Gannigan's Irish Pub in Prince Frederick by 9:30/10am, so my big, strong husband could change from Robert to his Clements Cuties alter ego Rockin' Roberta.

We were to meet at O'Gannigan's with The Kings of Mayhem Motorcycle Club SOMD and two motorcycle clubs from South Carolina, and veterans to join in their South Run & benefit ride to help support our Clements Cuties Foundation in their fight against childhood cancer. Of course, Rockin' Roberta and I do not have a Harley Davidson motorcycle, so we followed along in our '65 Mustang convertible. Robert did have to take off the 2 foot tall Baltimore Hon wig (his trademark look) for the ride, but I am sure we received some funny looks on the ride from O'Gannigan's throughout Calvert and St. Mary's County.

Quite a few Clements Cuties and spouses got to the Pub early so the "guys" could get made-up and dressed for the day. Our own Harry Poole (aka Bodacious Biker Babe) gave an address to the large group gathered at O'Gannigan's to thank the Kings of Mayhem for how they raised funds last year and what they were doing for us this year. Harry also talked about this year's 5 childhood recipients who are fighting rare childhood cancers. The bikers were generous in their time and donations again on Saturday.

We were able to get some group shots of everyone out in the parking lot, before it was announced, "Kick-stands up" and the ride was to start. The roar of all those Harley's starting up was quite impressive. For us, it was shoe to the gas pedal, and we

followed the riders down to our first stop in St. Mary's, County, Buzzy's Country Store in Scotland, where according to their website, "Buzzy and Jean Ridgell purchased the store from Jean's father Harry Raley in 1953. Buzzy operated the store until his passing in 2009. His son J. Scott Ridgell is the current owner." Mr. Ridgell was indeed working that day and made everyone feel welcome inside for a cooling respite and to purchase much needed cool drinks. We all got a rest on the shady front porch as well. I hadn't been there since my college days, so it was fun to revisit.

Then we were off again to our third stop on the ride, The Ruddy Duck Seafood and Ale House in Piney Point for much-needed food, and more cool drinks. What a beautiful place inside and the food was delicious. We pretty much took over the room with the bar and the bartender/waiter took great care of all of us. I can't wait to go back when we can get the entrees and I'd like the crabcake appetizer I ordered again. It had been a while since Robert and I had been there. Luckily this was also an opportunity for us to sit and get to know a few of the Kings of Mayhem and just chat. And our Clements Cuties could also have a moment to take off their make-up on that hot day and look like themselves again.

Our last stop for the day was Cryer's Back Road Inn to relax, and a wonderful place that we love to end the day. Harry was also surprised with a birthday cake which was a perfect ending. While we were there, one of our Clements Cuties members, Bobby Bean and his wife Susan, who had been with us the early part of the day went to the Ridge American Legion to give a presentation and thank them for their kind donation to the Clements Cuties Foundation.

So, it was a great day and shows how many kind thoughtful people are in our Southern Maryland area willing to help when it is needed. Thanks, SOMD!!

To each new day's adventure, Shelby

Please send your comments or ideas to: [shelbys.wanderings@yahoo.com](mailto:shelbys.wanderings@yahoo.com) or find me on Facebook

# A View From The BLEACHERS

## FAVORITE PLACES



By Ronald N. Guy Jr.  
Contributing Writer

It is hard to look, D.C. sports fans. Reality is burdensome.

Early returns on Johnny Davis, the Wizards' first round pick, are underwhelming to say the least. He looks like "just a guy." The Wizards have a bunch of "guys." They have but one "dude" – Bradley Beal. They need more dudes. They've needed more dudes since the late 1970s – literally.

The Capitals are looking questionable. Zero: that's the number of Caps playoff series wins since hoisting the Stanley Cup in 2018. Alex Ovechkin will turn 37 in September. A balky hip may claim Nicklas Backstrom's career; a rebuilt ACL will compromise a part of Tom Wilson's upcoming season. Did I say questionable? I meant dicey.

Diamond dreams? There are only nightmares here. The disintegration of the Nationals, a team that won the freaking World Series 21 months ago and is now the worst team in baseball, is nearly complete. Bryce Harper and Anthony Rendon cashed out. Max Scherzer and Trea Turner were traded. These departures only make sense if Juan Soto - a modern-day Ted Williams absent the prickly personality - is a National for life. Two years from free agency, he's now on the trading block. Because...it's D.C.

You know what's left. Are you actually seeking solace, some reason for hope in the Commanders? The Fightin' Snyders? Yeah, it's the NFL and anything can happen, but...just stop. The ceiling for this outfit is flirtations with a .500 record and no more Congressional inquiries.

From zero to depressed in 250 words - you're welcome? A song will enliven the spirit. "Oh, sing with me, sing for the year, sing for the laughter and sing for the tear." Aerosmith demands, in this D.C. sports swoon, that we "Dream On" together.

Speaking of songs that set the mood, just hearing Julie Andrews belt out "Raindrops on roses and whiskers on kittens" lightens the mood and dissolves the tension. "The Sound of Music" is a cinematic gem, but the musical's song "My Favorite Things" is a transcendent, multi-generational classic in and of itself. The song's message warms the coolest heart, but its smooth, orderly cadence has an addictive

quality that has even escaped Taylor Swift's songbook. As if "My Favorite Things" needed further validation, legendary saxophonist John Coltrane paid the song the ultimate tribute by recording an instrumental version and issuing an album under the same name – it's jazz gold.

My favorite things? Yours? Lists too long for a column. Focus we need, as Yoda might say. Here's a favorite things sub-genre to ponder: favorite places. A simple prompt gets the mind-gears churning. Thoughts rush in from far and wide – places lived, dining spots, sports stadiums, hang outs or locations where extraordinary things happened.

These are the moments when I wish this was a conversation with you, my dear reader, instead of a typed monologue. Nevertheless, I'll press on. My list of places includes my childhood home, two restaurants my wife and I hold dear, the man caves I've fashioned at various abodes, a theater where my kids have gifted me cherished memories, RFK Stadium, Memorial Stadium and a brewery in Baltimore. That's the quick list. Thoughts of each place bring warm feelings, comfort and an involuntary smile – evidence of the magic that happened there and special content each added to my life's scroll.

Time has altered the physical presence of my favorite places. The man caves were sold with the surrounding homes, occupied and repurposed by others. The brewery in Baltimore closed years ago. Memorial Stadium was demolished. RFK, abandoned and disintegrating, is in its last chapter. Others are making memories now in my childhood home. And as my kids rocket through the teenage years, my time with that school theater is growing short.

Things do indeed change - even favorite things and favorite places. But new ones get added, lists of "favorites" grow and cherished memories are safely stored in the mind – proof that intangible feelings transcend tangible sources.

Ms. Andrews might conclude with this: "So when D.C. sports bite, when life stings, when you're feeling sad, simply remember your favorite things (and places) and you won't feel soooo bad."

Send comments to [Ronald-GuyJr@gmail.com](mailto:Ronald-GuyJr@gmail.com)

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# In Remembrance

## Joseph Harry Norris IV



Joseph Harry Norris IV, "Jay", 43, of Leonardtown, MD, passed away on July 29, 2022 in Leonardtown, MD. Born on June 21, 1979, he was the son of Joseph Harry Norris III of Leonardtown, MD and the late Janette Norris. Jay is survived by his sisters, Kelly Loveless of Loveville, MD and Kristin Caton of Leonardtown, MD.

Jay was a lifelong St. Mary's County, MD resident. He graduated from Leonardtown High School in 1997.

The family will receive friends on Tuesday, August 9, 2022 from 5:00PM to 8:00PM with prayers recited at 7:00PM in the Mattingley-Gardiner Funeral Home, Leonardtown, MD. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated on Wednesday, August 10, 2022 in St. Aloysius Catholic Church, Leonardtown, MD, with Father David Beaubien officiating. Interment will follow in the church cemetery. Serving as pallbearers will be Christopher Norris, Jason Bean, Gary Farrell, Maverick, Eric Donnelly, and Stephen Norris. Honorary pallbearers will be William Loveless and Logan Caton.

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

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## Terrence O'Reilly Keating



Terrence O'Reilly Keating, 88, of

California MD, Passed away in Cal-laway MD on July 29th, 2022. Terrence was born on February 12, 1934 in Washington, D.C., to the Late John Bruce Keating, and Mary Ann Barks.

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

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Mary Ellen Woodburn

Mary Ellen Woodburn, "Mimi", 81, of California, MD, passed away on July 28, 2022 in California, MD. Mary was born on the February 28, 1941 to the late Beatrice Woodburn and the late Richard Woodburn.

Mimi is survived by her sister Elizabeth Seligman and three honorary grandchildren. In addition to her parents, Mary is preceded in death by her siblings; Theresa Cusic, Joseph Woodburn, Richard Woodburn, Adele Mattingly, Mildred Holick, Frances Mozick, Charles Woodburn, William Woodburn, Norris Woodburn, Jack Woodburn, and Patricia Adams.

Mary was a lifelong St. Mary's County, MD resident. She graduated from St. Michaels High School in 1960 and was a caregiver for a private company.

The family will receive friends on Thursday August 4, 2022 from 9:00AM-10:00AM in the Mattingley-Gardiner Funeral Home, Leonardtown, MD, where a funeral service will be held at 10:00AM in the funeral home chapel. Interment will follow at Charles Memorial Gardens, Leonardtown, MD. Serving as pallbearers will be Aaron Samblanet, Austin Samblanet, Tyler Wood, Ron Samblanet, Chuck Adams, and Nicole Adams. Honorary pallbearer will be Caitlin Adams.

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

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## Johnny Wayne Martin



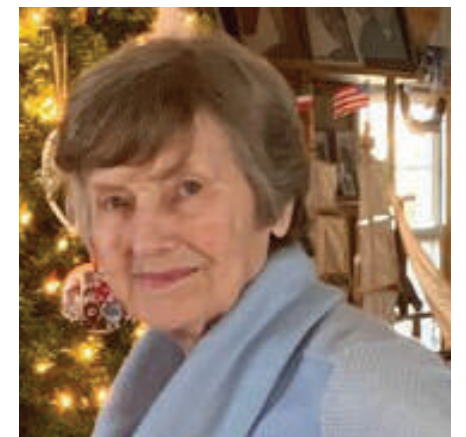
Johnny Wayne Martin, loving husband and father of three, passed away on Friday July 22, 2022 at the age of 62. He was surrounded by loved ones. Born on September 8, 1959 in Covington, VA to the late Dolly Belle Martin and the late Morris Dean Martin Sr. He was one of nine children. At the age of 18 he joined the United States Navy and retired honorably as a Chief Petty Officer after 23 years of service. He worked as an Aircraft Mechanic at Boeing Inc on the Patuxent River Naval Air Station. Johnny loved watching sports including football, basketball and golf. He was a lifelong Washington Redskins/VA Tech fan.

Johnny was very family oriented and he was close with all of his siblings, children and grandchildren. He enjoyed listening, singing and dancing to music. Johnny is preceded in death by his mother and father in heaven. He is survived by His beloved wife Tracey, his three Daughters, Christina(Michael/Son In Law), Ashley(Mikey/Son In Law) and JoAnna(Justin/Son In Law), his 9 grandchildren, Angelina, Carroll, Shayla, Myra, Alyssa, Connor, Emily, Hudson and Tatiana, great grandchildren Kameron and Kameiro, four brothers, Dean, Gary, Darren

and Greg and four sisters, Dawn, Sandy, Lisa and Christal and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held at Mattingley-Gardiner Funeral Home in Leonardtown MD on August 5, 2022 at 1:30pm. There will be a repast to follow at 5pm at the California MD VFW Post 2632. Flowers and/or donations may be sent to 41590 Fenwick St. Leonardtown, MD 20650. There will also be full military services rendered at Arlington National Cemetery at a later date, to be determined.

## Mona Stephens Famoso



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## In Remembrance

Mona Stephens Famoso, 85 of Leonardtown, Maryland, went to be with the Lord on July 21, 2022 at the home of her daughter Marcia in Loveville, MD. Mona was born on December 19, 1936 to the late Garland Lyle Stephens and Hettie Lois Sanford. She grew up in Columbia, MS. and at the tender age of 11 had to help care for her younger siblings after the death of mother. Immediately after graduating high school, Mona joined the Women's Army Corps and served as a nurse until her first marriage in 1957.

Mona was a dedicated homemaker and mother to her four children. She served as the president of the PTA, a substitute teacher, and Den Mother for the Cub Scouts. When the children were older Mona obtained her real estate license and worked as a real estate agent for over ten years. Having divorced once the children were grown, Mona met and married the love of her life, Al who was a widower, with nine children of his own. Unlike the Brady Bunch, only Angie was too young to leave the nest and Mona happily took on the co-parental role.

Mona was the matriarch of the family and the life of the party. She loved people, always willing to entertain and feed them. Family was everything to Mona, and if you were her friend, you were her family. Mona loved to cook, and she will always be remembered for her famous lasagna, gumbo, chicken salad, crab mold, and "prayer" (tortellini) soup. Mona could pick a crab very clean and faster than anyone we met. She loved to make ornaments out of crab shells for her annual Christmas party.

Mona oversaw the church kitchen and the Loaves and Fishes Meal Ministry at First Saints Community Church (previously St. Paul's UMC) for over twenty years. Her dedication and service to the Lord through this ministry impacted both those she served with and those whom she served. Mona set an example on how to care for those who were less fortunate. It was important for her to get to know and hear the stories of the people she served, and she loved them all dearly.

Mona was crafty and creative with a purpose. She made the flowers and center pieces for several of the daughters' and granddaughters' weddings. Mona wasn't a seamstress, but she sewed all ten flower girls' dresses, as well as her and Al's costumes for Angie's Renaissance themed wedding. Mona happily catered weddings and events for family and friends. For many years she catered our annual beach bash at Abell's Wharf.

Mona was preceded in death by

her husband of 25 years, Charles, A. "Al" Famoso, 4 brothers, 2 sisters, her son Stephen "Te" Gordon, and son-in-law Jose A. "Tony" Rodriguez Jr., and great-great grandchild Damian M. Sullivan. She is survived by her sister Vivian "Net" Stringer of Columbia, MS, her children: W. Philip Gordon, Jr. (Sheila), (Nancy Gordon), Marcia Lent (Leonard), Gwen Rodriguez (Tony -d); and her step-children: Douglas Famoso (Tammy), Cathy Nelson (John), Teresa Saunders (Barry-d), Stephen Famoso (Karen), Cynthia Famoso, Charles Famoso Jr. (Stella), Jeanette Famoso (Lisa), Joeleen Famoso, Angelia Famoso (Dave Demers). She is also survived by her many (natural, step, and foster) 30 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren, 1 great-great-grandchild.

A Celebration of life will be on Friday, August 5, 2022 where the family will receive friends from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. with service at 11 a.m. held at Brinsfield Funeral home, 22955 Hollywood Rd., Leonardtown, MD 20650. Interment will be at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C., at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to First Saints Community Church's Loaves and Fishes soup kitchen. Make checks payable to FSCC designated to Loaves and Fishes, P.O. Box 95, Leonardtown, MD 20650. Hospice of St. Mary's, P.O. Box 625 Leonardtown, MD 20650.

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

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

### Helen Pauline Lococo



Helen Pauline Lococo, 85 of Leonardtown, MD passed away on July 23, 2022 at MedStar Washington Hospital Center.

She was born on August 18, 1936 in Greensboro, PA to the late Andrew Gluvna, Sr. and Anna (Sabo) Gluvna.

Helen is survived by her children, Robert Lococo (Kimberly) of Olathe, KS, and Brian Lococo of La Plata, MD; siblings Kathy Raimar

(James) of Saginaw, MI, Joyce Kayla (Alex) of Uniontown, OH; six grandchildren and five great grandchildren. In addition to her parents she is preceded in death by her son, Richard Lococo and her brother, Andrew Gluvna, Jr.

Family will receive friends on Monday, August 8, 2022 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., with prayers recited by Father Drew Royals at 7:00 p.m., at Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A., 22955 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown, MD 20650. A Mass of Catholic Burial will be held on August 9, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 29119 Point Lookout Road, Morganza, MD 20660. Interment will follow at St. Mary's Queen of Peace Cemetery, 38888 Doctor Johnson, Road, Mechanicsville, MD 20659.

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

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### Don Otis Norman



Don Otis Norman, 88, of St. Inigo, MD, passed away on July 16, 2022, at his home with his loving family.

He was born on June 7, 1934, in Levy, AK, to the late Don O Norman and Eunice Stanley Norman.

Don joined the U.S. Navy in 1952 and served his country until his honorable discharge in 1956. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Geology and was employed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) as a skilled and dedicated cartographer until his retirement. In 1990 he married his beloved wife, Norma Norman, whom he met at work. Together they celebrated over 25 wonderful years together before her passing in 2016.

He was an avid fan of the Washington Nationals baseball team. He played softball for many years, until most recently when he began to be unsteady on his feet. He and his wife enjoyed going to the Northern Senior Center and participating in many activities. He also enjoyed gardening and fishing. He attended Grace & Peace Presbyterian Church

in California, MD, for many years with his family.

He is survived by his step-daughters, Cari Morrison (Matt) of St. Inigo, MD, and Denise Markward (Kirk) of Bowie, MD; his sisters, Patsy Rollow (Jimmy) of Clinton, TN, and Kathy Fleming (Rod) of Clinton, TN; his grandchildren: Joshua Morrison, Lillian Morrison, Nathaniel Morrison, John Morrison, Isaac Morrison, Joseph Morrison, Kirk Markward II and David Markward; and extended family and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents and his wife.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 6 at 3:00 pm at Grace and Peace Presbyterian Church, 22646 Benswood Road, California, Maryland 20619.

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### Francis Geraldine Carroll



Francis Geraldine Carroll of California MD passed away on July 24, 2022 at her home with her loving daughters by her side. She was born on May 9, 1926 in Beachville MD to the late George Samuel Carroll and Anne Lucille (Butler) Carroll.

Geraldine was born and raised in Beachville and was a lifelong county resident. After attending St. Peter Claver Catholic School, she began working as a housekeeper for families in the area and took pride in the quality of her work. She was later employed for many years as a crab picker in local seafood houses. Again, with great pride she would always say, "Fast and with no shells!". Geraldine was a wonderful cook and she enjoyed hosting, along with her mother, many dinners and gatherings for family and friends. She loved gardening and canning the harvest from the huge family garden. She was a gentle soul but could be feisty when aggravated. Later in her life she loved attending the St. Mary's Senior Center, spending her days with the many friends she made over the years. She really enjoyed going to the movies with them,

shopping at the Dollar Store, having luncheons, playing Bingo and other activities. She was very family oriented and loved spending time with her children and many family members. She was a devout Catholic and longtime member of St. Peter Claver Catholic Church in St. Inigoes, MD.

She is survived by her daughters; Gloria F. Carroll of California, MD, Cynthia A. Robison (Phil) of Mechanicsville, MD, and Eunice C. Dickerson (Windsor) of California, MD; her grandchildren, Joseph Lamont Dickerson, Elena Churice Dickerson, Jason C. Robison, Jessica M. Robison, and Michael Robison (Tia); her great grandchildren: Ayanna Stewart, and Elijah Dickerson; and her great-great grandchildren Rylee Mackall, Joshua Mackall, Mason Dickerson, and Carter Dickerson. She is also survived by a first cousin, Helen Carroll, and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

In addition to the loss of her parents, she was also preceded by her siblings; Anna Bertille Bryan, George Bernard "Tony" Carroll Sr., Clarence Edward "E.D." Carroll, Eugene M. "Shorty" Carroll Sr, Dorothy Barnes, and Granville "Stick" Carroll.

The family will receive friends on Friday August 5, 2022, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. at St. Peter Claver Catholic Church, 16922 St. Peter Claver Road, St. Inigoes, MD 20684. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated by Reverend Larry Swink at 11:00 a.m. Interment will follow at the church cemetery.

Serving as pallbearers will be Brian Hopewell, Wayne Carroll, Donald Bryan, Marvin Barnes, Lamont Dickerson, and Jason Robison. Honorary pallbearers will be George Caroll Jr., Eugene Carroll Jr., Bruce Carroll, Ricky Hopewell, and James Carroll.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, 100 Painters Mill Road, Suite 800, Owings, MD 21117 and the American Cancer Society, 405 Williams Court, Suite 120, Baltimore, MD 21220.

Arrangements by the Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.

### Ruth Ann Cecil

Ruth Ann Cecil, 80, of California, MD, passed away on July 28, 2022.

Ruth was born on July 18, 1942, in Doddridge County, WV to Haymond and Charlene Robison.

In 1960, she met Robert Cecil, Sr., and they married on February 3, 1962. Ruth and Robert went on to have four children; Robert Cecil (Grace), Jr. of Charlotte Hall, MD, Douglas Cecil (Nancy) of Lusby, MD, Tammy Graves (Wayne) of Mechanicsville, MD, Tara Mobley



(Norman) of Mechanicsville, MD.

Ruth loved to go shopping, travel, and go to casinos. She loved her family dearly.

She is survived by her children, her brothers, James Robison of Culpeper, VA, and Rodger Robison of Strasberg, VA, and sister, Sharon Robison of Culpeper, VA. She is also survived by her nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Ruth was predeceased by her loving husband, Robert Cecil, Sr., her parents, and her siblings, Robert Robison, Ronald Robison, Sandra Clark, Eugene Robison, Kenneth Robison, Richard Robison, and Hayward Robison.

The family will receive friends for the Visitation on August 4, 2022, from 10:00 am to 11:30 am with the Funeral Service beginning at 11:30 am at the Brinsfield Funeral Home & Crematory, P.A. at 30195 Three Notch Road, Charlotte Hall, MD 20622. Interment will follow after the service at Resurrection Cemetery, 8000 Woodyard Rd, Clinton, MD 20735.

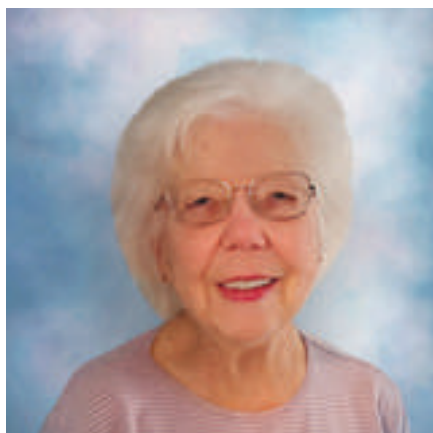
Pallbearers will be Robert Cecil III, Wayne Graves, Norman Mobley, Brandon Mobley, Jessie Russell, and Ryan Russell.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Hospice of St. Mary's.

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

All arrangements by Brinsfield Funeral Home & Crematory, P.A. in Charlotte Hall, MD.

### Caroline Bradburn Bradford



Caroline Bradburn Bradford, 97, of Mechanicsville, MD, passed away at her home and joined the love of her life Kenneth H. (Pappy) Bradford Sr, on July 21, 2022.

She was born in her fraternal grandparents' bedroom in Ridge, MD. Later, she attended St. Michael's Elementary School and went to Great Mills for 2 years before moving with her family to Washington, DC in 1940. She graduated from Central High School in 1942. On September 16, 1942, she entered nursing school at Garfield Memorial Hospital (Washington Hospital Center). This was her lifelong dream to become a nurse.

In 1943, she joined the US Cadet Nurse Corps, which took her to Children's Hospital in Philadelphia, PA, St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Washington, DC, and Newton D. Baker Army Hospital in Martinsburg, WV. August 1945, the first year Washington, DC gave the National Board Exams she took and passed Cum Laude but couldn't get her nursing license until she turned 21. At the age of 21, she moved on to her position as RN at Winter General Hospital in Topeka, KS. It was there she met a handsome orderly, the love of her life, and they were married on November 26, 1946, in Washington, DC. They moved to Forestville, MD, and raised two sons and a daughter doing all the family things--PTA, Boys and Girls Club, Scout leader, and involvement at Epiphany Episcopal Church. During these years she worked part-time as a private duty nurse and when her husband retired from the US Marshal Service as a supervisor, she went to work in the office of the family's general practitioner. She loved traveling with family and driving their 1978 4-door Chevy pick-up truck and pulling a camper to visit the US National Parks. She retired to care for her husband as he survived cancer of the larynx, 7-way bypass surgery, and bladder cancer only to contract Parkinson's Disease. In 2001, they moved from Forestville,

MD to Mechanicsville, MD where they had a handicapped-accessible house built, which was closer to their son. They enjoyed 57 years and 10 months of marriage until his passing in 2005.

She always enjoyed US history and later in life rekindled her passion for genealogy and was an active member of the DAR, USD 1812, DSDI, National Society Colonial Dames of the XVII Century, First Families of Maryland, NS Daughters of Founders and Patriots, The IX. She also was an avid reader and enjoyed her book club at the Northern Senior Center.

Caroline was preceded in death by their son Stephen H. Bradford, her parents Beulah and Howard P. Bradburn Sr.

Survived by their son Kenneth H Bradford, Jr., and his wife Pam and daughter Clara Stark, all of Mechanicsville, MD; Clara's fiancé, Robert Carroll of Ridge, MD; grandchildren Justin L. Bradford and his wife Laresha, Kelly I. Teclesenbet and her husband Thomas, Caroline E. Bradford and her fiancé John L. Blackwell, Sr.; great-grandchildren Lucas and Rachel Teclesenbet, John Jr, Mikell, and James Blackwell and Karen Bradford. Also surviving are sister Mary Stockstill, brother Howard P. Bradburn II and his wife Sharon, and many other nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great-nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Hospice of St. Mary's County PO Box 625 Leonardtown, MD 20650 and/or St Andrew's Episcopal Church 44078 St. Andrew's Church Rd. California, MD.20619 and/or Military Women's Memorial PO Box 420560 Washington, DC. 20042.

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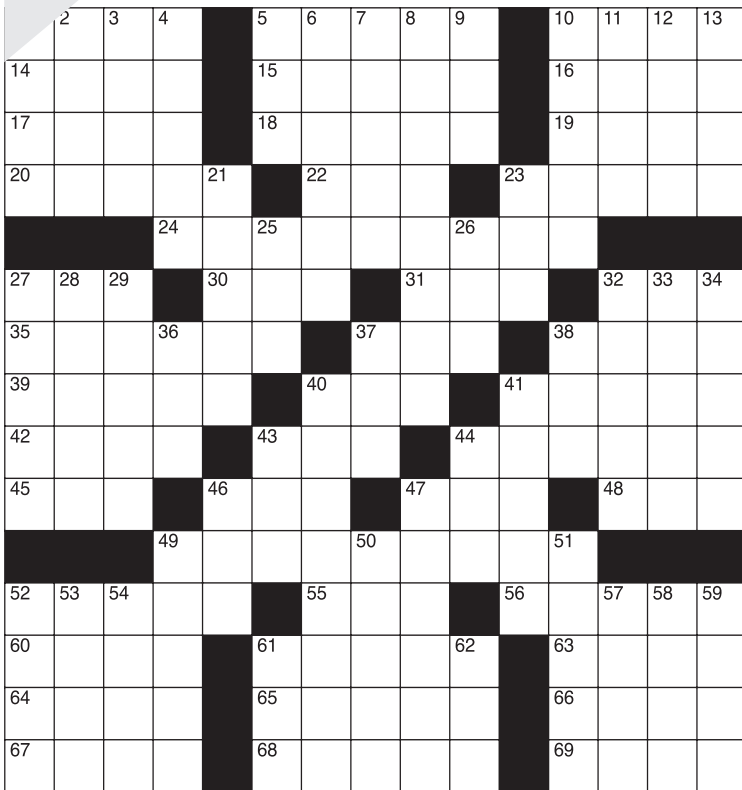
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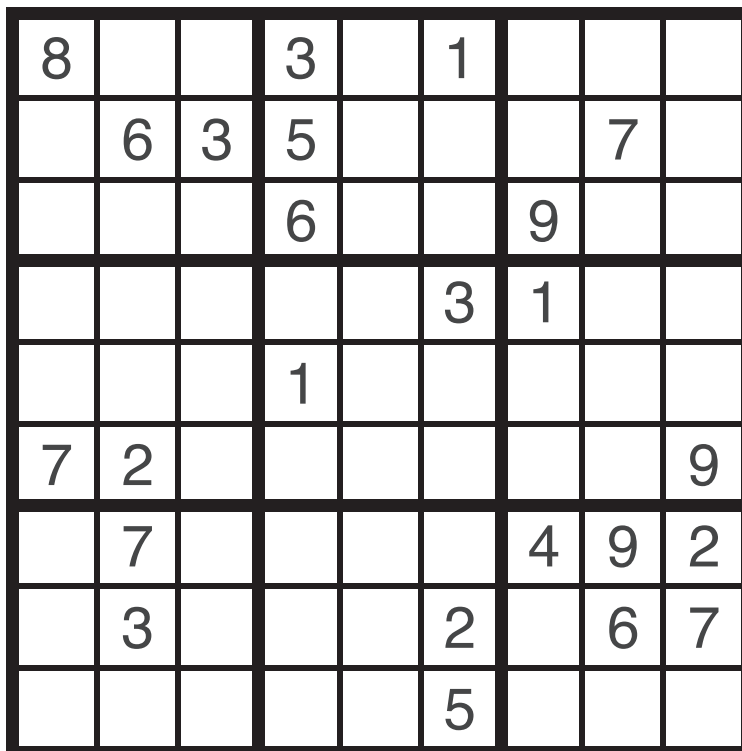
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- 20. Very willing
- 22. One and only
- 23. Cluster cups
- 24. Famed Hollywood director
- 27. Score perfectly
- 30. Important lawyers
- 31. Undivided
- 32. Part of the foot
- 35. Spun by spiders
- 37. Married woman
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- 39. Instruments
- 40. The A-Team drove one
- 41. Short-tailed marten
- 42. Oil organization
- 43. Predecessor to the EU
- 44. "Hotel California" rockers
- 45. Color at the end of the spectrum
- 46. Actress Ryan

- 47. Digital audiotape
- 48. Expression of creative skill
- 49. Scientific instrument
- 52. Dog-\_\_: marked for later
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- 56. Fencing sword
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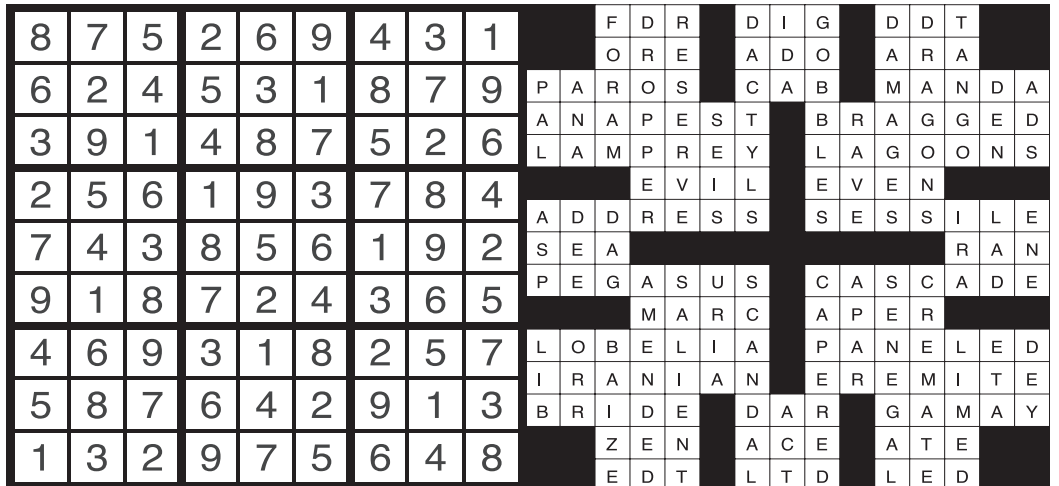
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- 34. Discharge
- 36. Former women's branch of the military
- 37. Partner to cheese
- 38. Witch
- 40. Live in a dull way
- 41. Satisfies
- 43. Snakelike fish
- 44. Consume
- 46. Type of student
- 47. Erase
- 49. Instruct
- 50. Girl's given name
- 51. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation
- 52. Every one of two or more things
- 53. Indian city
- 54. Greek letters
- 57. Weapon
- 58. Geological times
- 59. Cycle in physics
- 61. Soviet Socialist Republic
- 62. Witness

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- 1. Female of a horse
- 2. Bowfin
- 3. Chinese dynasty
- 4. Small venomous snake
- 5. Global news agency
- 6. Common fractions
- 7. American state
- 8. Tired
- 9. Boxing's GOAT
- 10. Made less severe
- 11. A group of countries in special alliance
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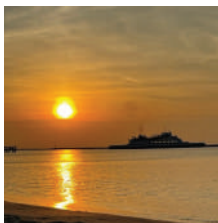
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**Rodney Edward Hance**

Rodney Edward Hance, age 87, of Lewes, DE, passed away peacefully at his home on Thursday, July 28, 2022. He was born on August 16, 1934, in Mutual, MD, the son of the late

James and Hazel (Hutchins) Hance.

Rodney was born and raised in Calvert County, growing up on the family sprawling tobacco farm. After graduating high school, in 1955, he married his sweetheart, Elizabeth Anne Gott, and they would spend sixty-seven happily married years together. From 1957 until 1959, Rodney honorably served his country in the United States Army. Upon returning from the Army, Rodney came back to Calvert County where he would enjoy a long and fulfilling career with the Parks and Recreation department and serving as a Deputy Sheriff.

Rodney won the Maryland State Jousting Tournament, a feat that he was particularly proud of. Rodney's love of the water drew he and Anne to Delaware's Eastern shore, where they would make their home at Bay Crossing in Lewes, DE. He made many wonderful friends there and was affectionately known as the neighborhood "go-to" guy. He was an active member of the Elks Club and in his spare time he loved to go "crabbing" always hoping to catch the ultimate feast. Above all, the time spent with those he held dear was what he most cherished. He was a loving and devoted husband, brother, uncle, and friend. Rodney will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sisters, Helen Goss, Doris Denton, and Barbara Curry; and his brother, Marcellus Hance. He is survived by his beloved wife Elizabeth Anne Hance of Lewes, DE; his sister, Linda Nolan; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services will be private.

Funeral arrangements are by Rausch Funeral Home.

**Wanda "Lynne" Dayton**

Wanda "Lynne" Dayton, August 2, 1939- July 25, 2022. Beloved wife, devoted mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, she considered being a 'Navy Wife' serving alongside her husband deployed in Alas-



ka and Japan to be a fine title, but she was in fact a determined trailblazer. In her early career she was a waitress at her mother's restaurant, a proof-reader, a real estate agent, and a test driver. Later she was a radio/TV station owner and executive. With her husband she built and operated WSUL in Monticello, NY, WOVU in Ocean View, MD, WPFL in Pensacola, FL, and WFLX-TV in Albany, GA. She was a TV senior executive in Jacksonville, FL, West Palm Beach, FL, and Birmingham, AL. She cared deeply about her employees and treated them with dignity and respect. She always dealt with people fairly and expected fairness in return. Her focus and determination made her a very successful business woman.

She was caring, warm, and welcoming. She always wanted the best for others, and she was always determined to fight for what was right. She knew her own mind and had a clarity of thought that was a blessing to others.

She loved hummingbirds, sunflowers, the smell of jasmine in the morning, the glint of reflected sunlight from the pond, Sealyham Terriers, and blueberry muffins. She fought every day to stay healthy for her family, and she fought valiantly until the last moment before going home to the Lord she loved.

Lynne is survived by her husband of 52 years, Daniel; two children: Sparrow and Connie; four grandchildren: Eleanor, Daniel, Hilary, and Jonathan; two great grandchildren: Calvin and Rose; and three cousins: Carolyn, Penny and Katie.

She was a staunch supporter of the establishment of the National World War I Memorial in Washington, DC. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Doughboy Foundation, PO Box 17586, Arlington, VA 22216; Link:

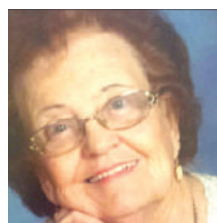
<https://www.doughboy.org/>, established to support the World War I Memorial.

A celebration of her life will be held at a later date at Arlington National Cemetery.

Funeral arrangements by Rausch Funeral Home.

**Alberta Elizabeth Williams**

Alberta Elizabeth Williams, 94, of Owings MD passed away on July 24, 2022. She was born on September 17, 1927, in Lower



Marlboro MD to Thomas and Venie (Beverly) Cochran. Alberta grew up on a farm in Owings on Briscoe Turn Rd with her mom and dad and three sisters Leona, Lillian, and Lorraine.

Alberta met her husband, Walter Hance Williams Jr and they married on January 21, 1946. The two of them started their own farm and mom helped with farming and worked at Waysons Restaurant. She was a waitress at Waysons for 42 years where the owners treated her with love and respect. She loved telling stories of Waysons Corner and all the fun she had there. They had four children, Mildred, Barbara, Gloria, and Bryan. Alberta lived in her farmhouse until 2020 and then moved to Prince Frederick to live with her daughter Barbara. In 2021 she moved to assisted living at the Hermitage where she spent her last days.

Alberta is survived by her children Mildred (Pat) Nutter, Barbara McCoy, Gloria (Ronald) Schultz, and Bryan (Ruth) Williams, sister Lorraine Hutchins, three grandchildren, Dean Catterton (Michele), Angie Hill (Jimmy), and Kenneth Groom (Beth), and two great grandchildren, Jakob and Lukas Groom. She was preceded in death by her husband Walter, in 1998, and her sisters Leona Robertson and Lillian Griffith.

Memorial contributions may be made to Mt. Harmony United Methodist Church, 155 East Mt. Harmony Road, Owings, MD 20736.

Funeral arrangements were by Rausch Funeral Home.

**Charles Boggs "Bo" Morgan Jr.**

Charles Boggs "Bo" Morgan Jr. age 32 of St. Louis, passed away July 21, 2022 at his apartment. Bo was born November 16th, 1989 in Saratoga Springs, New

York.

Bo grew up in Southern Maryland graduating from Patuxent High School in 2007. He worked as a cook, sushi specialist, and a sous chef in Washington, DC, Philadelphia, Portland, Oregon, and Salt Lake City, Utah before he landed in St. Louis in 2017. He became a local celebrity on the food scene as his creative skills led to his development of the Deep End, where he produced numerous food shows in St. Louis. Bo was a key contributor to the opening of the nationally recognized Asian restaurant Indo of St. Louis.

He was an avid skateboarder in his younger years, frequently competing in local skateboard competitions. Bo also had a knack for music, easily and quickly picking up instruments. He began playing the trumpet at an early age and found a love for marching band in high school, where he played the euphonium. His natural artistic abilities found so many outlets. He excelled in Advanced Placement Photography and was known for his photo and movie editing skills.

Bo was always surrounded by friends, from his crew of skateboarders in high school

to his biking friends in St. Louis. Those who met Bo were immediately drawn to his energy and enthusiasm for life. He was a good conversationalist and could always be counted on for an adventure. Most importantly, he treated everyone he met with kindness and love.

Bo realized at an early age that the world was different than he thought it should be. At four he said, "Look, look, the grass is John Deere green." Riding in the car, he screamed out "the lines, the lines in the road are mustard yellow." Just a few years ago he called to announce, "I just rode by my past." He had just passed an old Acura on the highway like his first car. Bo didn't just hope the world would be different; he made sure that it was. Every person that met Bo was able to see the world a bit differently too – a little brighter, and certainly a lot more interesting. And because of him, we have so much to miss, so much to love; what a gift he was.

He is survived by his parents, Judy and C.B. Morgan of Dillwyn, VA, his sister, Sydney Morgan and her wife Christina Cavanaugh of Canton, Massachusetts, along with many cousins, aunts, and uncles along with his cat Measles and dog Darla. Countless friends across the country from Portland, Oregon, to Southern Maryland mourn his passing.

Memorial services will be held at Bethel United Methodist Church August 27th at 1PM. 3551 Andersonville Road, Dillwyn, VA 23936 and in St. Louis to be determined later.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of your choice in memory of Bo.

Funeral arrangements by Rausch Funeral Home.

**George Constantine Kuhn**

George Constantine Kuhn, 87 of North Beach, MD passed away on July 21, 2022 at Hospice of the Chesapeake in Pasadena, MD with his youngest daughter by his side. After almost 8 years of being apart from his wife Shirley, they are finally back together forever. George, also known as Buzzy, was born on March 21, 1935 in Washington, D.C.

You may have seen George in Roland's walking around with a coffee and a donut talking to all of the employees or on the North Beach boardwalk where he has a memorial bench in memory of his wife Shirley. He enjoyed going to Redskin games, playing golf with his son as his caddy, eating Little Tavern burgers, dining at The Crab Claw in St. Michaels, gambling at Dover Downs Casino, watching golf tournaments and the Washington Nationals, reading books from the Twin Beaches Library and working on jigsaw puzzles.

George is survived by a sister, 4 children, 8 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Donations in memory of George can be made to the Hospice of the Chesapeake Foundation, John and Cathy Belcher Campus, 90 Ritchie Highway, Pasadena, MD 21122 or make a secure donation online.

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# Community Calendar

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

## Thursday, August 4

**Sea Squirts**  
Calvert Marine Museum  
10:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

Children 18 months to 3 years, with an adult, are invited to discover the museum together through music, stories, and special activities. Join us for story time and a takeaway craft, available while supplies last. Sessions are 20 - 45 minutes. Free with museum admission. Capacity is limited; sign up at the Admissions Desk when you arrive. This month's theme is Life of a Pirate!

## Friday, August 5

**Summertime Blues**  
Calvert Marine Museum,  
Fridays, August 5 & 19, 10 - 11 a.m.

Join a CMM educator on the historic Wm B. Tension for a hands-on blue crab educational experience. This youth field program uses live blue crabs to illustrate their life cycle and how to identify male and female crabs. Discover the history of the blue crab fishery on the Patuxent River and learn the ins and outs of our annual blue crab harvest. Participants are required to have an adult accompany them for the trip. Boat capacity limit is 40 people. For

ages 8 - 12. Cost is \$20 which includes 1 child participant and 1 adult chaperone. Capacity is limited; pre-registration required. To register, visit: <http://www.calvertmarinemuseum.com/492/Mornings-at-the-Museum>

## Saturday, August 6

**Open House**  
Freedom Hill Horse Rescue  
7940 N. Flint Hill Rd., Owings, MD  
3-4 p.m.

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

Freedom Hill Horse Rescue is a 501(c)(3) non-profit.  
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**Vendor Show**  
10 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Hollywood VFD

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department is sponsoring a Vendor Show on Saturday, August 6, 2022. The Show will be held in the Main Hall at the Hollywood Firehouse and will be open

to the public from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM.

There will be Consultants from the following businesses participating in the event: Pampered Chef, Posh, Thirty-One Bags, Dot Dot Smile, Vintage Jewelry, Tastefully Simple, Scentsy, Mary Kay, Healthy/Wellness Activities, Avon, Lindt Chocolate, Rada Knives, Lip Sense, Books of Poetry, Origami Owl, Color Street, Pappazzis, Magnabilities Jewelry, Tupperware, S.E. Simpson (Author of Amish stories), Rascalito's Salsa, Usbourne Books, LulaRoe, and Dixie Belle Paints.

The Ladies Auxiliary will have refreshments for sale in the kitchen and there will be a dining area where you can sit and relax while eating. There will be a Bake Sale and a 50/50 Money raffle too.

The profits from this event will benefit the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department to help with fire protection and education in the community. Please come visit the Vendor Show and support the Fire Department and the Independent Consultants who are participating in the Show.

## Monday, August 8

**USCG Solomons Flotilla**  
23-2 Monthly Meeting  
The Pier Restaurant  
14575 Solomons Island Rd.  
Solomons, 6 p.m.

Social/Dinner at 6 pm. Flotilla 23-2 monthly meeting starts at 7 pm. Public is invited to attend social and meeting to learn more about this volunteer boating and service organization.

## Wednesday, August 10

**Old-Fashioned Ice Cream Social**  
One-Room Schoolhouse  
3080 Broomes Island Road  
Port Republic, Md; 6-8 p.m.

Bring a lawn chair and enjoy local, farm fresh ice cream while visiting the original, fully restored Port Republic One-Room Schoolhouse. You'll see where the Calvert County fourth grade students experience a day of history. There will be activities for the children, artifact display, and live music by the Calvert County Dance Band. The One Room Schoolhouse has accessibility for those who use a wheelchair or walker. For more information, please visit our website at [calvertoneroomschool.org/](http://calvertoneroomschool.org/)

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# CALVERT COUNTY SHERIFF'S CRIME BLOTTER

During the week of July 18, 2022 – July 24, 2022, deputies of the Calvert County Sheriff's Office responded to 1,463 calls for service throughout the community.

## Damaged Property: 22-41797

On July 21, 2022, Deputy R. Jones responded to the 5100 block of Rosemary Drive in Chesapeake Beach, MD, for the report of property destruction. The complainant advised sometime between July 19th and July 20th, an unknown suspect (s) damaged the passenger side window of a vehicle parked outside the residence. The estimated value of damaged property is \$300.00.

## Damaged Property: 22-41004

On July 18, 2022, Deputy Shoemaker responded to 30 Duke St. in Prince Frederick, MD, for the report of property destruction. The complainant advised sometime between 3 p.m. on July 17th and 10 a.m. on July 18th, an unknown suspect (s) damaged the victim's vehicle's passenger side window while parked overnight. The window of the vehicle had been shattered by a large rock and a check from inside the vehicle was stolen. The estimated value of damaged property is \$500.00.

## Theft: 22-41050

On July 18, 2022, Deputy Newton received a report of a theft. The complainant advised sometime between June 3rd and July 13th, an unknown suspect (s)

stole a 36mm Rose Gold Rolex with diamond studs from a residence in the 300 block of Cambridge Place in Prince Frederick, MD. The estimated value of stolen property is \$13,000.00.

## Theft: 22-41717

On July 21, 2022, Deputy Morrison responded to the 3000 block of Drury Lane in Dunkirk, MD, for the report of a theft. The complainant advised a permanent (non-expiring) handicap placard had been stolen from her vehicle sometime between June 21st and July 21st. The estimated value of stolen property is \$10.

## Theft: 22-41937

On July 22, 2022, DFC Burgraff responded to the 13500 block of Osprey Lane in Solomons, MD, for the report of a theft. The complainant advised a wheelbarrow and two plastic storage bins had been stolen from the victim's front yard. The estimated value of stolen property is \$120.

## Theft: 22-41574

On July 20, 2022, M/DFC Aurich responded to the 700 block of Skinners Turn Road in Owings, MD, for the report of a theft from a vehicle. The complainant advised sometime between 9

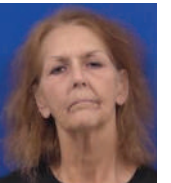
p.m. on July 19th and 6:45 a.m. on July 20th, an unknown suspect (s) broke the lock on the victim's truck bed cover and stole two leaf blowers (a Stihl BR450 and an Echo PB770). A full 5-gallon gas can valued at 105.00 with fuel was also stolen. The total value of stolen property is \$1135.00.

## ARRESTS

On July 20, 2022, DFC Anderson responded to the parking lot of the Solomon's Urgent Care located at 14090 HG Trueman Road in Solomons, MD, for the report of an auto accident. Preliminary investigation revealed traffic was stopped on the Thomas Johnson Bridge and the at-fault driver, **Jacqueline Darlene Gardiner**, 44 of Crownsville, MD, ran into another vehicle causing a chain reaction crash. A wanted check was conducted and it was revealed Gardiner was operating a stolen vehicle and was wanted through Anne Arundel County for failure to return a rental car. Gardiner was taken into custody and transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where she was charged with Unlawful Taking of a Motor Vehicle and Theft of \$1,500 to under \$25,000.

On July 20, 2022, Deputy R. Jones

responded to the area of Solomons Island Road and Calverton School Road in Huntingtown, MD, for the report of a traffic complaint. Witnesses observed the suspect vehicle traveling the wrong way in a traffic circle and driving up on a curb. Deputy Jones observed the vehicle traveling on the shoulder at a slow speed with its flashers on. Contact was made with the driver, **Lisa Gale Richards**, 61 of La Plata, MD, and it was determined the vehicle's registration was expired and Richards was impaired. A vehicle search incident to her arrest revealed seven cut straws containing a white residue, three Oxycodone pills, and a pill crusher. Richard was transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where she was charged with CDS: Possession – Not Marijuana, CDS: Possession of Paraphernalia, and other traffic-related charges.



Lisa Richards

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

## Detectives Investigating Strong Armed Robbery in Dunkirk

Detectives from the Calvert County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigative Bureau are investigating a commercial strong-armed robbery of the McDonald's located in the 10800 block of Town Center Blvd. in Dunkirk. Detectives have released surveillance photos of the suspect vehicle and are asking for the public's assistance in identifying possible suspects.

On July 28 at 2:11 a.m., deputies from the Calvert County Patrol Bureau responded to the McDonald's in Dunkirk for the report of a commercial robbery.

A preliminary investigation revealed that a dark-colored passenger vehicle occupied by approximately two or three black males entered the drive-thru and placed an order. One suspect handed the employee cash to pay for the order and when the employee opened the register, the suspect reached through the drive-thru window and pushed the employee out of the way. The suspect then stole an undisclosed amount of cash from the register and fled the scene.



Detectives reviewed surveillance footage and obtained a physical description of the suspect vehicle. The vehicle is described as a dark-colored four-door Nissan passenger car with no fixed front registration plate. The suspects are described as black males clothed in all black, wearing masks, gloves, and knit caps.

Anyone with information about this crime is asked to contact Detective S. Jernigan at sarah.jernigan@calvertcountymd.gov or 410-535-2800 ext. 2772. Citizens may remain anonymous thru the 'Submit a Tip' feature on the Calvert County Sheriff's Office mobile app. To download, visit <https://apps.myocv.com/share/a39520678>. Tipsters may also email [ccsotips@calvertcountymd.gov](mailto:ccsotips@calvertcountymd.gov).

The investigation is ongoing.  
*Press Release from CCSO.*

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### GUEST SPEAKERS

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Lauren K-Hunt, Calvert County Mom

**Spreading Hope - Erica's Experience**  
Erica Clark, Peer Recovery Specialist  
Calvert County Behavioral Health

**Special Announcement - Memorial Project**  
Joe Davis, Executive Director  
Arts Council of Calvert County

### MEMORIAL READING OF NAMES

Sandy Mattingly, Calvert County Mom  
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Committee Member  
Twin Beach Opioid Abuse Awareness Committee

### QUESTIONS?

For more information email  
Sandra Mattingly at [sandy.otse@yahoo.com](mailto:sandy.otse@yahoo.com)

### MEMORIAL EXHIBIT

"Lost Souls" at Sunrise Gardens (photo and shoe display), a family and friend tribute.

To submit, names, photos and shoes (optional) or for more information email Sandy Mattingly at [sandy.otse@yahoo.com](mailto:sandy.otse@yahoo.com).

### FREE LOCAL RESOURCES

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- CAASA
- Calvert County Behavioral Health (Narcan training)
- Calvert County Mobile Crisis Team
- Celebrate Recovery

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OVERDOSE



# Assistant Superintendent Dr. Susan Johnson: Preparing for School Opening

By Dick Myers  
Editor

During his first month, Calvert County Superintendent of Schools Dr. Andrae Townsel had an experienced educator by his side to help him navigate his new job. Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Dr. Susan Johnson has been with the school system for more than 30 years, having started with them right out of Old Dominion University in Richmond in 1991.

The Eastern Shore native (Somerset County) said, "I wasn't sure what I wanted to do when I graduated from high school and was moving toward physical therapy when I was a freshman in college. My mom was a nurse and my dad an educator, so it seemed like a good fit. I took a survey course in special education and was fascinated by the brain research regarding students with disabilities and I was hooked. I switched my major and graduated with a degree in special education with an emphasis on learning disabilities."

She started her career as a special education teacher at both Calvert Middle School and Patuxent High School and was Teacher of the Year at both schools. From there she was an assistant principal and principal at Northern Middle and principal at Calvert High School before coming to the central office as the Director of Secondary School Improvement. She's been assistant superintendent since last July.

She said, "I have always approached my job based on what is best for students and continue to keep students in the forefront of my mind as I work each day."

All that experience has added up. "I have been fortunate to have taught in all regions of the county and have developed relationships with families in each area," she said, adding, "This helps me in understanding the various dynamics of our county and the different needs of our families and students."

She's had mentors along the way, including the late Pat Young, who was principal at Calvert Middle School, who "supported my career by offering experiences, advice, and guidance in becoming a teacher and system leader."

Then she was helped when she became assistant principal at Northern Middle School by Dr. Mike Mote, who "became a great mentor for me. He was from elementary, and I had just left high school. We engaged in philosophical conversations about teaching and learning and why we do what we do in education. It was through these conversations that I grew in my thinking and approach in leadership."

With the upcoming school year seeming to approach normalcy, Johnson said, "I think COVID has been challenging because it has impacted so many people in different ways. Everyone is concerned about different aspects, and we



had to navigate the changing landscape every week during the pandemic."

Because of that, she said, "Our students and staff have struggled with teaching and learning. But there are other things that we deal with that are challenging all the time such as school safety, disproportionality, gaps in learning."

She said, "Through the pandemic our students and staff grew exponentially in their ability to work and learn in a virtual or blended environment. But students do have learning loss. The learning loss is in two areas: social and emotional development and in academic learning."

She added, "Our students have gaps in their background knowledge, or they may not have learned all standards in the curriculum during virtual and hybrid instruction. Therefore, our teachers use assessments to determine what gaps students have, use acceleration strategies such as previewing and vocabulary development to make sure that students have the background knowledge to hook new information."

As schools open this month, the recovery process will continue. Johnson said, "We align our curriculum to the state standards and is outlined for teachers by our supervisors. This summer our supervisors have reviewed previous assessments and determined where students did well in the curriculum and what areas need more emphasis. They will reinforce these ideas with staff when we return. Our focus though is to provide universal instruction in every classroom. This means that we want all teachers to use the best instructional practices each day. We know when kids can stop and reflect on learning, talk about what they are learning, and write about their learning during the lesson that they are more likely to hold on to the learning. When we know our learners, we can engage them in learning, ensuring that each student has a voice and is a contributing member of the class."

She noted, "We do have additional

curricular resources that we used during the pandemic that will continue to support the curriculum. We are excited to train our elementary teachers in the Science of Reading to complement their instructional knowledge. This will support efforts in teaching all students to read."

She said they are also excited to have cohorts of social studies teachers trained in Project Based Learning "to engage our students in the social studies content."

She said the second focus is to create inclusive and equitable environments.

Meanwhile the school system is at work helping students overcome the impacts of COVID. "This summer," she said, "Calvert County has hosted elementary, middle, and high school summer school programs. At the middle and high school level, students who were unsuccessful in one or more courses were invited to attend and we invited others who may have received passing grades but struggled with some content during the year. At the elementary level, students were invited based on MAP assessment scores and classroom experiences. Our summer school program builds in creative arts and/or physical education to help support social emotional learning as well."

Counselors and social workers are a part of some programs and give specific support to students. Our programs support students who have disabilities or who are English Language Learners too."

She said parents, for the most part, are buying into the need for the summer programs. It has helped that transportation has been provided.

She observed that grant monies are being used to train staff in restorative practices, which are "processes to build community and to restore relationships that may become damaged because of poor decision making or behavior choices. Circles are used in classrooms to get to know each other and to discuss things that happen in the classroom. This provides an opportunity for each student's voice to be heard. Restorative practices are not necessarily a replacement to consequences, rather it is an opportunity for all parties to communicate their feelings of a particular action and understand how their actions impacted others and creates a way to continue to be a positive part of the school or classroom community. This is particularly important when there is an interpersonal conflict or some sort of wrongdoing."

Dr. Johnson noted, "This year we will give our local assessments three times a year. This is the NWEA MAP assessment. It is a normed referenced test that breaks students up into quintiles. The staff can then take a deeper look at the skills the student needs and the skills that they know well and adjust instruction to support them. We also give vari-

ous benchmark assessments during the year to help teachers know how students are progressing toward content standards. We will give the Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP) tests this year in the spring. The state will not release our data for 2022 MCAP until January of 2023."

Tutoring will be an important part of school this fall. Dr. Johnson said it is "focused on reading and math standards at the elementary school and reading, math, science, and social studies standards at the secondary level. These sessions are focused on content standards in groups of no more than four students. Our teachers provide these services to students. Each school looks at their schedules and determines if these services are offered before school, after-school or on Saturdays."

She added, "Calvert County continues to struggle with finding time during the school day to provide tutoring services. At the secondary schools, advisory times and the hour lunch are used to support students' academic needs."

Cell phones have become an issue in this year's election. She said all students now have laptops and so cellphones are no longer necessary for instruction.

She concurred that teachers see it as an issue. "Many times, cell phones become problematic in the social arena of school and allows students to become disengaged in the classroom and more engaged in social dynamics. And while I think this is more prominent in middle and high schools, I have talked with elementary teachers who report cell phones being an issue there to. I do believe it is a worthy topic of discussion."

For the rest of the summer, she said, "I think there are three things that parents can do with their children over the summer. One is to talk with them. Engage in conversations about their day and things around them. Two is to read with them and discuss what they read. This could be kids reading to parents, parents reading to kids, or both reading their own book at the same time. The more kids read the better their vocabulary becomes. Three, take them places locally or if they have the means outside of Calvert County. These family experiences expose kids to new things, takes them away from their digital devices, and allow for conversations about what they see."

Johnson concluded, "Our staff is excited for the new year to begin. No matter if they are new to the district or if they are a returning student, we are prepared to meet the needs of each student who walks through our doors and prepare them for whatever opportunities they will want to pursue when they leave us."

Her message to parents: "Reach out to the school if you have any questions."

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# County Receives Climate Resilience Grant

*Supports Planning, Design of Green Infrastructure*

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) announced the award of more than \$2 million to 12 climate resilience projects to help communities prepare for, and recover from, climate-related impacts. These competitive grants are designed to help communities plan and design solutions to withstand flooding and other weather-related events.



Deal Island's living shoreline and marsh enhancement work was supported by a 2021 climate resilience grant. Photo by Nicole Carlozo, Maryland Department of Natural Resources.

Among the awardees was Calvert County to "Support the development of a model using the most recent climate data to demonstrate the increasing precipitation-induced flood risks for Calvert County and inform stormwater management design."

The projects selected will identify and prioritize vulnerable communities, incorporate climate change data and information into existing plans and policies, and develop nature-based or natural solutions to control flooding. Funding is provided by Governor Hogan's Resiliency Through Restoration Initiative, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and

the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Applications for this funding is accessed through the DNR Grants Gateway to provide a single entry point for grantees, and assures access to funding for innovative, local projects. Through the improved connections across similar grant programs, the department seeks to support more comprehensive and integrated projects that achieve at least one of the following outcomes: fostering healthy ecosystems, building resiliency, or providing outdoor learning experiences.

*Press Release from MD DNR*

# The Primary Votes are All Counted

*Up Next – the November General Election*

By Dick Myers  
Editor

When the counting concluded on July 29, slightly more than 30 percent of Calvert County's registered voters had participated in the 2022 Primary Election, either by early voting, on election day or by mail-in.

Of the 8,558 ballots that had been mailed out, in the end 5,894 had been returned.

Of the 27,784 registered Republicans, 10,816 voted. Of the 24,007 Democrats, 8,081 participated. With only the nonpartisan school board race on the ballot for them, 1,511 of the 15,515 Unaffiliated registered voters cast their ballots.

Taking advantage of the larger number of Democrats who used the mail-in method, Camille Khaleesi overtook Scott Fowler's election night lead to claim the fourth at-large bared of education spot on the ballot in November. Two seats are up for grabs. The others on the ballot will be Lisa Grenis, Tracy McGuire and Jana Post.

With the final vote count, there were no other changes in the leaders of the various local races from election night.

The closest commissioner race was the GOP 2<sup>nd</sup> Commissioner District contest in which incumbent Chris Gadway was bested by Mark Cox by 467 votes.

In the only contested Democratic commissioner race, Chelsea Montague defeated

Emad Dides by 610 votes in the at-large race.

In the GOP race for treasurer, incumbent Nova Tracy-Soper defeated Beth Chaaya by a two to one margin.

When the final tally was m, incumbent Democratic District 27-B Delegate Rachel Jones was defeated by Jeffrie Long, Jr. by 813 votes total in Calvert and Prince George's. There are no GOP candidates.

There will be four Democrats on the ballot and five Republicans for the five county commissioner seats up for grabs. Two incumbents have survived -- Buddy Hance ad Mike Hart.

There will be contested races on the November ballot for sheriff, state's attorney, and register of wills.

The winning GOP sheriff's candidate, Ricky Cox, will face Democrat Vaughn "Jay" Johnson.

Long-time Democratic Register of Wills Margaret Phipps will be challenged for the second tome by Republican Mark Lynch.

Incumbent Republican State's Attorney Robert Harvey (who was appointed) will face Democratic challenger Rick Piereck.

Democrat Clerk of the Court Kathy Smith so far has no GOP challenger and the three incumbent Judges of the Orphans Court, Republicans Leslie Downs and Ted LeBlanc and Democrat Thomas Pelagatti are unopposed.

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# Hearings Held on County Budget Adjustments

*Include Large Grant Infusions*



By Dick Myers  
Editor

The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) will have to decide how to spend the second installment of the pandemic inspired American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Those monies from the federal government through the state will be almost \$9 million on top of the \$10 million already allocated.

County Administrator Mark Willis told the BOCC at their Aug. 2 meeting that a draft spending plan has been created and will be presented to the commissioners.

The BOCC held a public hearing on the increase to the county budget by the infusion of the federal monies. Only public hearing regular Joseph Cormier of Owings spoke. He expressed concern about all of the federal spending that will have to be paid by his children and grandchildren.

“Please be good stewards of the money,” Cormier urged the commissioners.

The commissioners will make a final decision on the budget addition after a 10-day waiting period.

Also, at the same meeting the commissioners approved, after a public hearing at which no one spoke, a budget adjustment adding a state capital grant of \$630,000 to help pay for “two washouts bordering the driveway surrounding the campus of the Calvert Pines Senior Center,” according to a memo from Community Resources Director Jennifer Moreland.

She wrote: “Both washouts result from failing storm water systems. An environmental and engineering study was conducted by Calvert Soil Conversation District to assess costs for repairs to the washouts. Washout A is approximately 300 feet long and 30 feet deep and presents a long-term threat to the structural support of the properties. Washout B, while only 175 feet long and 25 feet deep, could present similar challenges, if not addressed sooner. Both washouts create liability preventing further needed investment on those properties.”

Also at the meeting the board gave Economic Development Director Julie Oberg the authority to join the other counties in the region along with the Tri-County Council to tap into a \$50 million grant fund created by Gov. Hogan that “would be made available to boost economic development activity, stimulate private sector investment, and grow jobs in the state’s rural regions,” according to Oberg.

“The grant program is flexible,” Oberg said, “and allows each rural council to

determine the best use of funds with the counties they represent. Eligible uses of the funds include developing infrastructure such as: utilities, transportation, broadband to support the attraction, retention, or expansion of businesses, and infrastructure related to specific industry sector development including manufacturing, cyber security, and the life sciences.”

Oberg presented the BOCC with a list of four projects with a \$2.4 million price tag.

The county projects on the list are:

Open-air multi-use pavilion concept plan -- \$60,000

Open-air pavilion construction at the armory site in Prince Frederick -- \$2 million.

Armory Square development -- \$400,000

Chesapeake Bay passenger ferry feasibility study -- \$18,000

Although it was not discussed in her presentation to the BOCC, Oberg wrote in the project list:

“Armory Square is a comprehensively planned retail and medical office project planned for the Prince Frederick Town Center at the corner of Dares Beach Road and Route 4 North. The site plan received conditional county site plan approval from the Planning Commission on April 28, 2022. The project is expected to result in 125,000 square feet of new commercial space, 450 jobs and an estimated \$325,000 in annual property taxes. The development team is Generation Properties of Dunkirk - a small business in good standing with the State of Maryland.

“The grant monies will be used to help defray expenses associated with the relocation of SMECO electricity lines and Verizon broadband lines. The broadband lines bisect the property, thus rendering it unusable for any commercial purpose without the relocation of these lines. The latest estimate for this relocation is \$1.6 million. Relocation of the electric poles and lines will allow for realignment of Armory Road, which fronts the subject property and the county’s old armory building. This armory is currently being considered for rehabilitation as a community resource. Without relocation of the electric lines, future use of the armory property is jeopardized. The latest estimate for the electric line relocation is \$320,000. This project will serve the Southern Maryland counties of Calvert, Charles and St. Mary’s through jobs, medical services, retail and other commercial enterprises, including small business opportunities for growth and expansion.”

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# Commissioners Approve Apparatus Grants

## CALS Volunteerism Still High

By Dick Myers  
Editor

The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) has approved grants to volunteer emergency service companies for the replacement purchase of four apparatus units. All four units are currently in the county's Capital Improvement Plan for the current fiscal year. The purchases total more than a million dollars.

The loans are:

- Solomons Volunteer Rescue Squad and Fire Department: \$395,000 for the purchase of an ambulance.
  - Huntingtown Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad: \$395,000 for the purchase of an ambulance.
  - Calvert Advanced Life Support (CALs): \$109,000.00 Fire and Rescue Apparatus Grant for the purchase of a medic unit to replace Unit 101.
  - Calvert Advanced Life Support: \$109,000.00 Fire and Rescue Apparatus Grant for the purchase of a medic unit to replace Unit 104.
- The Solomons replacement still had one year of predicted life, however the

BOCC was told that the Solomons department is an especially busy one, with 26 percent of the overall calls in the county (4,000 annually), so the unit had worn out faster. It did however still have \$49,125 left on the original loan, which the BOCC agreed to waive.

Solomons also runs many mutual aid calls with St. Mary's County, adding to its call volume.

In all four cases, the departments agreed to pay back the apparatus cost, in eight years for Solomons and Huntingtown and three years for CALs.

Any monies received on the sale of the old units will have to be applied to the new purchases.

During the discussion about the apparatus loans at the BOCC's Aug. 2 meeting, CALs Chief Christopher Shannon reported that even with the transition to a part paid staffing, they still had 49 volunteers, the most of any such unit in the state. They have been successful in attracting out of county volunteers looking for experience.

Of the mix of paid and volunteers, Shannon said, "It's a team effort."

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# Calvert Mourns Loss of Malcolm Funn

## Was Community Volunteer Stalwart



Malcolm Funn for a 2018 article in The County Times on the Big Conversation.

By Dick Myers  
Editor

Calvert County civic leader Malcolm Funn passed away July 26 after hernia surgery and a second operation for removal of scar tissue.

Commissioner President Buddy Hance said, "Most people didn't realize the impact he had but he made this a better place."

"He will be greatly missed," Hance said, echoing what everybody The Calvert County Times spoke to said about Funn.

Funn was 1st Vice President of the Calvert County Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), and his passing will greatly impact them. The organization's President Michael Kent, however, observed in a Facebook post, "Malcolm was not only an integral part of the NAACP but of all of Calvert County. Some of his services included the League of Women Voters, the Planning Commission, Liquor Board, Hospital Board, Wallville School docent, the Big Conversation, State Board of Elections, Maryland Commission of History and Culture, and National Asbury Board."

Kent said, "At an appropriate time, the NAACP will find a way to honor Malcolm for his service, and more importantly for his friendship."

One of this community activities was the Big Conversation Partners in Dismantling Racism and Privilege in Southern Maryland. Their chairwoman, Diane Davies said of Funn, "Malcolm touched many people and organizations in Southern Maryland and all of Maryland. He worked tirelessly for a better life for all people. He was a 'human bridge' toward the 'Beloved Community'."

She said they probably would not exist "had he not agreed to sign-on to a vision the MSP Big Conversation committee proposed to him," adding, "He was always a very active, wise and faithful leader and participant."

Davies added, "As we proceed in our work, let us be inspired by his memory and leadership."

Davies said, "Because of the makeup of the committee and what we're doing, we shared a lot of very personal things to understand different cultures. He never held back with us. And the thing that always stood out to me is no matter what Malcolm did, he did it from his deep faith and he never rarely did anything because of himself."

She said the next Big Conversation on Sept. 11 will be dedicated in his honor.

Fun was also involved in the Harriett Elizabeth Brown Commemoration Task Force chaired by Margaret Dunkle. She said, "Malcolm was a great man -- of intelligence, compassion, mission, wisdom, character, creativity, and love of family and community. It will take 100 good souls to come even close to filling the void he leaves in Calvert County and in the hearts of so many of us."

"He and I both grew up in Calvert County -- in a different time, when his dad and mine worked together to make this a better place. It was my joy to continue that legacy, working with Malcolm to make the Harriet Elizabeth Brown Community Center & Park a reality," Dunkle said.

Funn, 77, was a retired lawyer. The death of his wife Annette, who was honored posthumously at the annual Democratic Louis Goldstein dinner several years ago, left a deep hole in his heart, according to several people who knew him.

In spite of his many accomplishments, Funn never took himself seriously and appreciated humor. County Commissioner Mike Hart said he always greeted Funn by asking, "Are you having fun?"

Hart said Funn always replied, "If you are going to have fun (Funn), you have to have heart (Hart)."

Funn is survived by his son Kelby and brother Charles.

Funn's funeral service will be on Tuesday August 9th at Chesapeake Church in Huntingtown. The viewing will be from 10 a.m. to noon with the service starting at noon. Interment will be at Sewell's Memorial Gardens on Dares Beach Road in Prince Frederick.

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Dr. Susan Johnson at CCPS administrative offices.

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FRI 8/5		<b>92°</b> /75°	Hot; a stray p.m. t-storm	TUE 8/9		<b>90°</b> /77°	Hot and humid; a p.m. t-storm
SAT 8/6		<b>87°</b> /75°	A shower and t-storm; humid	WED 8/10		<b>89°</b> /74°	Humid with a t-storm in spots
SUN 8/7		<b>87°</b> /77°	A couple of p.m. t-showers	THU 8/11		<b>86°</b> /72°	Mostly sunny with a t-storm

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## International Overdose Awareness Day

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