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Beloved DC personality and former Calvert resident passes.



Calvert GOP has new leader.



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"Ghosts Before Christmas" entertains.

# "DON'T PLAY POLITICS WITH OUR HEALTH."

CALLER AT COMMISSIONERS' MEETING.

# WEEKLY FORECAST

Thu 12/2	Fri 12/3	Sat 12/4	Sun 12/5
65° I 46°F	58° I 41°F	56° I 35°F	47°   41°F
Partly Cloudy	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
Mon 12/6	Tue 12/7	Wed 12/8	Thu 12/9
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Partly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	AM Showers	Mostly Cloudy





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# Solomons Christmas Walk

Saturday, December 4th, 2021

Solomons Christmas Tree Lights: 5pm
Santa Parade with SVRS Fire Dept: 5pm
& Gospel Business Men Fellowship in America float
Solomons Decorated Boat Parade: Organized by
SIYC arrives at riverwalk at approx 7:15pm

Competition - Best decorated homes and businesses

Vote on photos published taken from 11/30 - 12/18.on the SBA

Santa's Mailbox in Solomons Gazebo - 12/1 - 12/20
BHHS McNelis Group will publish letters on SBA Facebook page
and elsewhere. NOTE: If you do not want your child's letter to be
published please make a note on the letter!

Facebook page. Winners announced 12/20!

Solomons Carolers & Dance Troop: Neighborhood caroling bringing Christmas cheer - meets at Tiki bar at 4pm ends at gazebo Solomons Victorian Inn: Open house, meet & greet 5-9pm Solomons Mission Center (SUMC): Outdoor Christmas movie "The Star" at 6pm - Refreshments, Food bantry open

Solomons Mission Center (SUMC): Outdoor Christmas movie "The Star" at 6pm - Refreshments. Food pantry open, Tues-Thurs 10am -1pm Lotus Kitchen: Live Music, Hot drinks & cocktails 4pm -8pm Calvert Marine Museum: Museum store open, live music,

Calvert Marine Museum: Museum store open, live music, bot chocolate & cookies, crafts for kids, visit with Santa & the Otter.

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For more information on Christmas Walk check our website: http://www.solomonsmaryland.com

# Dr. Polsky's Fate Still Lusby Teen Dies in **Unclear**

By Dick Myers Editor

A caller during the public comment section of the Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) Nov. 30 meeting asked them to confirm if they have asked County Health Officer Dr. Laurence Polsky to resign. They did not comment. In a Change.org petition in support of the health officer, the organizer alleged that to be the case. The petition has been signed by more than 1,800

At the conclusion of the meeting, the BOCC went into executive session to discuss personnel issues.

According to state law, a county health officer "may be removed from office with the concurrence of the governing body of that county and the Secretary (of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene)."

The state law says, "Any information concerning the removal of a health officer from office is confidential in accordance with Title 4 of the General Provisions Article." It adds, "Any meeting of the governing body of a county or any meeting that includes the Secretary related to the removal of a health officer from office shall be closed.'

During the Nov. 30 meeting, retired south county physician Dr. Charles Bennett noted that Dr. Polsky had been supported in a letter signed by 50 county health-care practitioners. He singled out Polsky's work with rehabilitation of inmates in the corrections center.

A caller during the public comment time urged, "Don't play politics with our health."

At the meeting Dr. Polsky made a report to the commissioners sitting as the County Board of Health. He reported on a "COVID vaccination clinic for children and teens that we would propose holding this Saturday,

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Polsky said, "We currently have the third highest vaccination rate in Maryland, and we'd like to keep that momentum going by providing parents an additional option. As we head into the holiday season with family gatherings, although the two dose vaccination series won't be complete prior to Christmas, two weeks after the first dose studies have shown at least 70 percent protection against COVID infections. The second dose, if we start on the 4th, will be offered the week between Christmas and New Year's and full protection will be in place shortly after children returned from their winter break."

He added, "We plan to have separate vaccination stations for five-to-11-year-olds and for their siblings who were 12 and older. This is important since the doses are different for the two age groups. And we want to assure that each child and teens receive their proper amount of

Polsky said they decided to do the clinic because not all pediatricians are administering the vaccines due to logistics issues.

During his recent presentations to the BOCC, Commissioner Chris Gadway has been the most critical of Polsky, citing data inconsistencies. After Polsky's presentation, Gadway said, "Thank you, Dr. Polsky, for presenting the information that you did today in a positive manner, in a positive light.

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# **Single-Vehicle Collision**



Intersection of Barreda Blvd. and Chestnut Drive in Lusby

Deputies with the Calvert County Sheriff's Office Patrol Bureau and Crash Reconstruction Team responded on Nov. 26 at approximately 3:33 p.m. to report of a single motor-vehicle collision in the area of Barreda Blvd. and Chestnut Drive in Lusby, MD.

Preliminary investigation revealed, a 2008 Toyota Camry was travelling north on Barreda Blvd and according to witnesses, lost control, crossed the double yellow line and struck a tree. The operator of the vehicle was identified as Cory D. Angelo Zelonis, 18 of Lusby. Zelonis was found suffering serious injuries and was transported to CalvertHealth where he succumbed to his injuries.

Anyone with any information regarding this crash, is asked to please contact Sgt. T. Phelps of the Crash Reconstruction Team at (410) 535-2800 or Thomas. Phelps@calvertcountymd.gov.

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# **University System of Maryland Opens SMART Building**



By Dick Myers Editor

"It was truly amazing to see the facility there," said Calvert County Commissioner Chris Gadway about the new Southern Maryland Autonomous Research and Technology (SMART) building. Gadway attended the Oct. 15 ribbon cutting for the \$86 million, 84,000-square-foot academic and research facility at what used to be called the Southern Maryland Higher Education Center but now is the University System of Maryland at Southern Maryland (USMSM).

The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) received a briefing on the new facility at their Nov. 30 meeting. Even though it is in California, St. Mary's County, the commissioners were told that 1,000 county residents attended the center last year.

Presenters were Joe Anderson, chair of USMSM Board of Advisors; Eileen Abel, USMSM Executive Director, and Matt Scassero, Director for Research, Innovation and Outreach of the A. James Clark School of Engineering, University of Maryland, USMSM

According to a memo to the BOCC from Acting Director of Economic Development Danita Boonchairsi, "This new facility is expected to become a catalyst for economic activity and job growth in the region. In state-of-the-art classrooms, students from across Southern Maryland now have enhanced access to in-demand educational programs, including those needed for completion of

bachelor's degrees, giving these students the opportunity to live, work and study close to home. The SMART building features an autonomous technologies research facility, which includes underwater, air and land testing capabilities that will be used by start-ups, engineers and researchers."

According to Abel, who was formerly vice president of Academic Affairs at College of Southern Maryland, only 19 percent of Southern Marylanders have bachelor's degrees, yet the goal for most communities is 30 percent. Hence USMSM's motto "30 by 30" for the goal of achieving that by 2030. The institution allows them to do that close to home.

The BOCC was told the new facility will address the demand for jobs in the area. Abel said demand growth was highest in the region in the following categories:

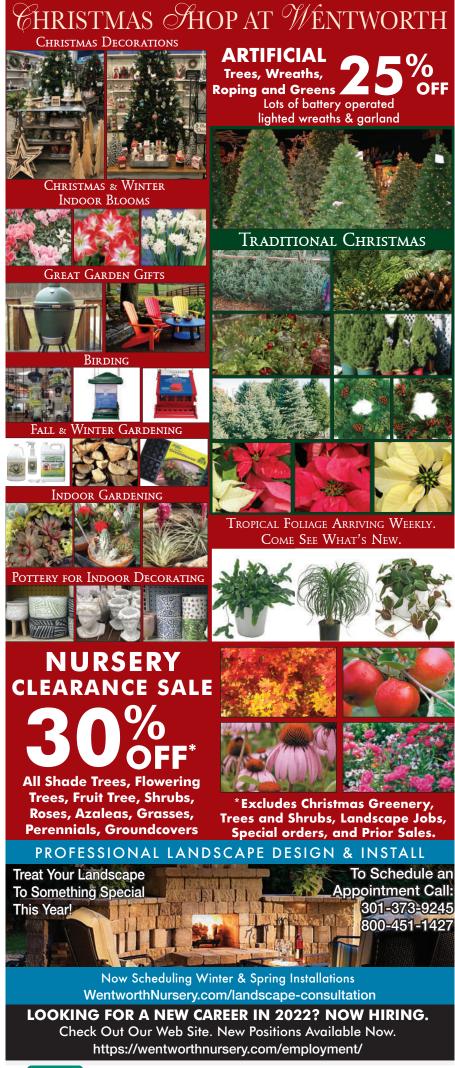
- General and Operations Managers
- Management Analysts
- Project Management **Business Operations Specialists**
- Software Developers and Software Quality Assurance Analysts and Testers
- Registered Nurses

Anderson thanked the commissioners for their consistent financial support of the educational institution over the past 20 years. They provided \$25,000 last year.

"They have bought into us in a big way," Anderson said of the community's support.

The USMSM is expected to be fully open for programming in January.

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# County Embraces 'Age-Friendly Communities' Program

Current Rating: 48 Percent

By Dick Myers Editor

The Calvert County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) has agreed to sign a letter committing the county to being an "Age-Friendly Community." It's all part of a new program from the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) to create a network of age-friendly states and communities.

During a presentation of the program to the BOCC at their Nov. 30 meeting, Director of the Office of Community Resources Jennifer Moreland, said, "In Calvert County, in the next 25 years, the number of residents aged 60 and older are projected to increase by 30.2 percent. Alzheimer's, depression, cancer, diabetes, rheumatoid arthritis, and chronic disease are on the rise in the Medicare population ages 65 and older, and nearly 14 percent of Calvert's population currently are Medicare enrollees. And we have 1.5 percent on Medicaid. So that's about 13,374 people that are on Medicare that are seniors. There are fewer options for those living in poverty, so on Medicaid, but without financial means for private health or assisted living services. One in five Americans older than 65 are at risk of becoming, and this is the first time I've heard this term, "elder orphans," someone who's aging alone with no family available to address their caregiving needs."

Moreland added, "According to a 2015 AARP public policy report, by 2030, the ratio of elder orphans to seniors will increase to one in four; 20 percent of people over the age of 55 experience mental disorders that are not a part of normal aging. And certainly, we see that in the Office on Aging. Case management staff are involved in trying to address those needs, but it is difficult work. I say this all to make the case that our aging community is projected to grow and have more complex needs and our county needs to be prepared."

AARP has graded communities on how age-friendly they are. Moreland says Calvert comes in at 48 percent.



Director of Community Resources Jennifer Moreland

Lack of senior housing is one of the shortfalls, the commissioners were told. Ed Sullivan with the Office on Aging said there is a waiting list of 1,500 people for the county's four senior housing facilities.

Commissioner President Buddy Hance observed that developers have said there isn't a demand for senior housing. Commissioner Mike Hart said, "I think the community supports having homes for seniors and apartments for seniors, and I don't think they support some of these other things."

According to AARP, being agefriendly involves such livability components as:

- Outdoor spaces and buildings
- Transportation
- Social participation
- Housing
- Respect and social inclusion
- Civic participation and employment
- Communication information
- Community and health services.

and

The next step would be, according to Moreland, involving the county's Commission on Aging to develop an Aging Friendly Community planning committee.

AARP Maryland Executive Council Member Sudha Haley is also a member of the county's Commission on Aging and has been instrumental in bringing the program to the attention of the county.

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8 Local News Thursday, December 2, 2021

# **Chesapeake Beach Lights the Town**









# Keep your family safe this holiday season



Use no more than three light sets on any one extension cord. Extension cords should be placed against the wall to avoid tripping hazards.

Never nail, tack, or stress wiring when hanging lights; keep plugs off the ground away from puddles and snow.

Don't use frayed or damaged electric cords, and never use electric lights on a metallic tree.

Turn off all holiday lights when you go to bed or leave the house.

Use only non-combustible or flameresistant materials to trim a tree.

In homes with small children and pets, take special care to avoid sharp or breakable decorations.

Here are a few simple tips to remember to keep safety in mind.

LIVE TREE: Make sure it always has an adequate amount of water, and keep it away from any heat source.

# **ARTIFICIAL TREE:**

Choose one that is tested and labeled as fire resistant. Artificial trees with built-in electrical systems should have the Underwriters
Laboratory (UL) label.

Make sure the Christmas tree does not block foot traffic or doorways.



Avoid using candles; they are a primary cause of house fires during the holidays.

SMECO cares about your safety. Have a safe and fun-filled holiday.



# Republican Central Committee Selects New

Chairman

By Dick Myers Editor

The Calvert County Republican Central Committee has selected R. Calvert "Cal" Steuart as its new chairman. Steuart replaces Catherine Grasso, who stepped down as chairperson after announcing her candidacy for county commissioner.

JP Sherkus of Dunkirk was elected Vice Chair.

Steuart, in a post on the GOP website, said, "My wife and I have lived in Huntingtown, Calvert County full time since 1995, although we bought our property in 1981 and enjoyed our getaway weekends before moving here full time in '95.

"My wife, Cynthia served on the Central Committee for two terms and this is my second term. I am an attorney having practiced Law in Prince George's and Calvert counties for 45 years. It is important that our Republican Central Committee serve the citizens of Calvert County in a way that promotes the Republican Party, assists our candidates



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in getting elected by raising funds on their behalf, calling and door knocking to promote their message. It is equally important that we energize our precinct system, filling in precinct captain positions and training for these positions."

Steuart added, "It is my desire to re-energize the Republican Central Committee members to promote the Republican Party in Calvert County. I welcome your ideas and energy to furthering our values and conservative beliefs. The door is always open to your volunteering in assisting us in these goals."

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# Hartman Appointed to Chesapeake Beach Town

**Council** 

The Mayor and Town Council interviewed four candidates to fill one vacancy on town council that was created by the relocation of Councilman Derek Favret. Candidates were reviewed during a work session that was held prior to the regularly scheduled Nov. 18 town council meeting with Margaret "Peggy" Hartman succeeding as the final candidate selected after three rounds of town council selection. "The Town Council joins me in appreciation of our candidates for their willingness to serve the citizens of Chesapeake Beach. I am fully confident in Councilwoman Hartman. as our newest member of town council, and look forward to continuing our work as a council motivated by the goal of maintaining Chesapeake Beach as a wonderful place to call home," stated Mayor Patrick "Irish" Mahoney.

Councilwoman Hartman has held a career in computer programming, project management, internal audit and sourcing process improvement. She has served the community as the Treasurer for the Friends of Jug Bay, as a Seagate Homeowners Associa-



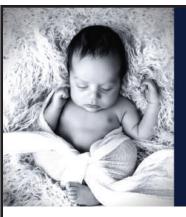
Margaret "Peggy" Hartman. Photo by Jax Photography.

tion board member and as a member of the Chesapeake Beach Board of Elections.

As a member of town council, Councilwoman Hartman hopes to promote, and achieve, citizens visions of town living. Councilwoman Hartman expressed that she looks forward to meeting citizens that she would not otherwise have met through her role on town council.

To view the recording of the town council interviews and the Nov. 18 town meeting, g to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rpsxxNTvvis

Press Release from Town of Chesapeake Beach.



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# PERFECT TIMING

# **Southern Maryland,**

It is with great sorrow that I announce that my beloved twin brother, Robert, the pastor and founder of The Mission, passed away Saturday after a 30-day battle on a ventilator fighting COVID-19. My brother loved Southern Maryland. Next week, I will share his life story, but this week, I want to share a poem he wrote years ago that is helping me get through this great loss. Hope it helps all those who knew and loved him.

# **Perfect Timing**

The tears we shed are for reasons, reasons that we at times don't understand. As time passes, we use those times to help others, we feel His peace.

Peace for the one who gives it also holds us up in times of trouble. His promises that are many.

We only can surrender to the Lord, knowing He is working in us the perfect work, a work that is not complete but has just started.

Hold your anxiety, dissolve it in the faith Christ has given you. Let your eyes look forward to His purpose, knowing day to day we walk and stumble.

Plant your feet down and walk staidly forward, not looking back but to the future, a future of growth, a future of peace and great joy, as you give all and strive for His perfect perfection.

May He sustain you in His perfect love, and may His glory fall upon you this day.

For you're valued much in the sight of our Lord; declare His name.

Victory is yours!
- Rob Myers

Services will be held Dec. 14th at Faith Bible Church 26325 Three Notch Rd, Mechanicsville, MD 20659 From 3-5 p.m.

His procession will start at 2:15 p.m. at Brinsfield Funeral Home in Leonardtown, go south on Route 5, turn onto Great Mills Road, go past The Mission, continue to Route 235 and then head north to Faith Bible Church.

**The Public Is Invited** *God Bless- Rick Myers* 





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# CALVERT COUNTY SHERIF

During the week of November 15 – November 21, deputies of the Calvert County Sheriff's Office responded to 1,330 calls for service throughout the community.

# **Burglary: 21-65004**

On November 17, 2021, Deputy Sturdivant responded to the 12500 block of Vanous Road in Dunkirk, MD for the report of a burglary that had already occurred. Contact was made with the complainant who advised two unknown white males entered the residence through an unlocked rear sliding glass door. The suspects were confronted by the homeowner and fled the residence. Suspect #1 is described as a heavy set, white male approximately 5'8"- 5'11" inches tall with blonde hair. Suspect #2 is described as a white male with a stocky build, approximately 6' - 6'2" tall. Both males were between 20 and 30 years old, wearing surgical masks. The suspects were seen entering a gray older model passenger vehicle. Nothing was reported

#### **Damaged Property:**

On November 18, 2021 DFC Mitchell responded to Circle B Farms located at 11060 Mill Bridge Road in Lusby, MD in reference to destruction of property. The complainant advised unknown suspect(s) damaged a wooden post at the entrance of the farm, stole a metal sign and left a damaged solar powered light fixture laying in the grass. The value of damaged property is unknown at this time.

#### **Destruction of Property:**

On November 20, 2021, Deputy Murphy responded to the 4100 block of Chesapeake Ave in Chesapeake Beach, MD for report of destruction of property. The complainant advised unknown suspects poured gasoline into the interior of his vehicle and scattered clothing throughout. The approximate value of damaged property is \$200.00.

#### Theft:

On November 15, 2021, Deputy Aley received report of a theft. The complainant advised he was parked at the Walmart located at 150 N Solomons Island Road in Prince Frederick, MD and after returning to his vehicle, discovered one of his handicap placards was stolen from inside the vehicle. The estimated value of stolen property is unknown at this time.

On November 15, 2021, Deputy Aley received report of a theft from a vehicle. The complainant advised sometime between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Nov. 14, unknown suspect(s) entered her unlocked vehicle parked at 10726 Southern Maryland Blvd in Dunkirk, MD and stole a black tote bag containing her wallet, MD Driver's License, a passport, and a couple of gift cards. The estimated value of stolen property is \$200.00.

On November 17, 2021, Deputy Huy responded to the 500 block of Keith Lane in Owings, MD for report of a stolen vehicle. The complainant advised his 2014 Silver Chrysler Town and Country Minivan was last seen on Nov. 16 and was now missing. The value of stolen property is \$500.00.

#### Theft:

On November 20, 2021, Deputy Aley responded to the 4400 block of Virginia Avenue in Prince Frederick, MD for report of a theft. The complainant advised sometime between 1 p.m. on Nov. 19 and 9:07 a.m. on Nov. 20, unknown suspect(s) stole his black CountyLine 30 Ton Log Splitter from his front yard. The estimated value of stolen property is \$2,000.00.

#### ARRESTS

On November 21, 2021 Deputy Freeland responded to the Solomons Fastop, located at 13888 HG Trueman Road in Solomons, MD for a reported disorderly subject. Deputy Freeland observed a male subject slumped in the driver's seat with an open beer bottle to which he of-

fered the Deputy. Additional police units arrived on scene and observed a machete and hatchet inside the vehicle. The Gary operator, Mitchell, Leon 42 of Washington D.C., was



detained while a search of the vehicle was conducted. While in police custody, Mitchell was shouting profanities and causing a disturbance in a public setting, Mitchell was arrested and transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where he was charged with Concealing a Deadly Weapon and Disorderly Conduct.

On November 21, 2021, Deputy Murphy was dispatched to report of a stolen U-Haul entering the county via Southern Maryland Blvd. in Dunkirk, MD. A traffic stop was initiated and a strong odor of marijuana was emitting from the vehicle. A search of the vehicle revealed a container with suspected marijuana, two burnt 'joints' of suspected marijuana, a baggie contained suspected cocaine, a cut straw, a folded one-dollar bill and a hallowed out pen, all containing a white powdery residue (suspected cocaine) and \$277.00 in US Currency. The operator,

Khalil **Tyron** 38 Price. of Washington D.C. was arrested and transported to the Calvert County Detention ter where he was charged Theft: under \$100,000, Possession of a



gerous Substance- Not Marijuana, and CDS: Possession of Paraphernalia.

On November 20, 2021, DFC Holt responded to the 8100 block of Bayside Road in Chesapeake Beach, MD for the report of a vehicle theft in progress. The victim stated his vehicle, a white 2012 Ford box truck was parked at Traders Restaurant when an unknown male suspect entered the vehicle and fled the area. DFC Holt was able to locate the stolen vehicle and initiated a traffic stop on Plum Point Road and Lady Annes Way in Huntingtown. The suspect, Frederick Lee Jones III, 41 of Chesapeake Beach, MD had an active warrant through the state

of Virginia for vehicle theft. Jones was apprehended and transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where he was charged with Unlawful Taking of a Motor Vehicle/Motor Vehicle Theft and Malicious Destruction



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On November 21, 2021, Deputy Dymond attempted to conduct a traffic stop on a vehicle travelling at speeds in excess of 80 MPH and passing other vehicles on a double yellow line. The violator failed to stop for marked deputies with emergency equipment activated. Deputies pursued the vehicle north on Route 4 just south of Wayson's Corner in Anne Arundel County, where the suspect vehicle finally came to rest. A search of the vehicle revealed two loose bags of Marijuana (totaling 80 grams), a Marijuana cigarette, a Ziploc bag containing suspected cocaine (9.4 grams), a digital scale, a pair of brass knuckles and a collapsible knife. The driver identified as Anthony Steven

Reyes, 26 of Ger-MD mantown. was apprehended wearing a ballistic vest. Reyes was arrested and transported to the Calvert County Detention Center where he was charged with CDS: Possession Intent to



Anthony Reyes

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

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Thursday, December 2, 2021 The Calvert County Times Feature

# **Spiggy Remembers Popular Mereologist Doug Hill**



By Dave Spigler Contributing Writer

To all who knew him or may have worked with him, Doug Hill was considered the ultimate friend and team leader during his more than 33 years presenting the weather on local Washington television and radio. More than a meteorologist, he became a personality that came into your home each day with a refreshing outlook and would win you over with his gentlemanly charm and pleasing, warm style. His approach to his work won over legions of fans who followed him when he changed networks in mid-career. He was truly beloved by all, appreciated by co-workers, and well respected by his competitors at the other local networks with whom he became a friendly

Sadly, I just learned of Doug's sudden passing at his home in Leland, NC at the age of 71 from a short-term undisclosed illness. Coming so quickly on the heels of the deaths of two other loved local media giants, Willard Scott and Sam Huff the past two months, Doug's demise is surprising, if not shocking, as there never was a hint of any sickness or condition that would lead to his untimely passing. And he was still relatively young, or maybe it was "his young at heart" manner.

For the past 20 I have considered Doug a close personal friend. No matter the setting, he remained the genuinely nice individual you witnessed during his TV performances. Those who worked with him day in, and day out stated in the great testimonials that have been posted in the media, that he was just as congenial in person as he was on the set. What you saw is what you got! I agree! Doug's persona never changed. We met during one of my Children's Hospital Charity Golf Tournaments. He would help promote my charitable events and serve as a Master of Ceremonies for our events held at the Lusby American Legion or the Solomons Holiday Inn. He also cohosted my Birthday celebration with the "Voice of the Redskins" Frank Herzog. They made a great pair and once worked together at Channel 9 with



Frank doing the Sports and Doug doing the Weather during the evening news. How great was it to have these fine gents "MC" your Birthday party because they considered you their "friend!" I am surely a lucky guy!

Not many people knew Doug lived here in Calvert County for many years. He had a nice home in Huntingtown and had a complete weather forecasting system there in his office that was linked to his studio up in Washington. As we got to know one another, I got the nerve to ask him how he would like to be an honorary "Hogette for a Day" at an upcoming Sunday Redskin game at FedEx Field. Surprisingly he said yes, but I could see he had some reservations so when I told him we were more than "clowns" and of our work with sick kids, he seemed to relax somewhat.

When the big day came, I went to his home to take him to the game and brought along my spare Hogette attire. He could never say no to most requests from his friends, however I sensed he still had a bit of trepidation as he dressed for the game. For the first few minutes he stood there unsmiling, but after a few cigarettes and meeting the other Hogettes he seemed to relax and began to enjoy this new-found adventure we put before him. We gave him the name "Dougette" and as we led him into the stadium he actually started to smile. I believe it was due to the fact no one recognized him in our garb and this made him less tense about what he had gotten himself into. Finally, we arrived at the "Pig Pen" above the Redskins' tunnel to the field and he got into the act with rest of the ten Hogettes that day. He later told me he truly had a fine time and enjoyed himself more than he thought he would. Doug soon became one of our biggest promoters!

On another occasion, since he lived nearby, I invited him to speak to my fellow employees at a business meeting in Prince Frederick. He agreed to do so under one condition, we were not to publicize his appearance as he had many friends at other competing firms in Southern Maryland and he didn't want to upset them by showing up at

our place of business.

Of course, we complied, and you know it was the most well attended meeting our firm ever had. Doug talked of his experience and answered questions. Many wanted to know about how he got into reporting the weather. He stated it was a hobby he had as a child and relayed how at the age of seven he stood in an inflatable pool in his back yard and looked to the skies and challenged God "to give him a lightning bolt!" And in less than a minute, a lightning bolt hit his house at the point where the electric power lines connect to the house. It scared the heck out of him, but he took it as a sign and decided right then to study the weather! Several of us sitting near where he was standing jumped up and moved our chairs away from his presence. All I could say was "Yowsaa!" He was delightful, funny and easy to listen to.

We stayed in touch over the next few years. He later moved to a larger parcel in Northern Calvert County so his wife Mary Ann could keep her horse nearby.

Becoming a "weather guesser" was not Doug's first choice; he desired to one day b0ecome a police news reporter. Born in Baltimore, he later went to Towson State University then went into the Air Force and was assigned to Security at Andrews AFB. From that experience he decided to join the Prince Georges County Police and served six years as a Police Information Officer. A friend encouraged him to consider doing news reporting on the air and he auditioned for a job with a small TV station in Richmond, VA. He didn't get that job, but the manager recognized that he had great stage presence and a smooth delivery and asked if he would be interested in doing the weather and as they say the rest is history!

He did so well the folks at WUSA Channel 9 in DC brought him up to the "big leagues" where he was able to hold his own with established weather personalities such as Willard Scott and Bob Ryan. Over time his popularity continued to grow, and he formed close relationships with all the other weather people on the local networks. He later moved to ABC Channel 7 where he



retired in 2017. One of his reasons for retiring was his devotion to his faith and his ability to spread the word of the Lord as a public speaker. He joined popular Pastor Hahn [another friend that I have written about previously] at the huge Chesapeake Church in Sunderland and became a favorite speaker for this large congregation. He also became involved with the End Hunger in Calvert County efforts.

End Hunger posted the following tribute to Doug Hill on their Facebook page:

"End Hunger lost a true partner. To us, Doug Hill was more than a meteorologist and more than a TV personality, he was a champion for the needy. Most recently, with his wife Mary-Ann, Doug spent an entire year visiting businesses, churches, and local groups to rally our community around the new End Hunger Warehouse. He spent time talking with them about the needy in our community and how each one of us plays a part in the solution.

Because of his dedication, thousands and thousands of people now and for generations to come will be cared for.

Southern Maryland is a better place because of Doug.

His presence will be sorely missed, and the Dragon Boat Festival won't ever sound quite the same.

"Thanks for everything, we love you, Doug."

It was only recently that Doug and Mary-Ann decided to move to North Carolina and build a new home in the same town Frank Herzog had moved to a few years before. It was in this home where Doug passed unexpectantly surrounded by his family this past week.

In closing these memories of my good friend, I was always amazed at how friendly and personable Doug would be in every situation. He was one of the most easily approachable celebrities I have known. I doubt there was a kinder, more gentlemanly person in the news media. What a man, what great memories, but what great sadness to lose another truly wonderful person that provided so much joy for us each day. I, and thousands of others, just lost a great friend. Rest in peace Doug.

# Straight Talk on Straight Teeth

# **BY: JEFF TOMCSIK**

Orthodontic braces and clear aligners such as Invisalign® are not just for straightening teeth and making your smile look better. In fact, a highly trained and skilled dentist will use orthodontic treatment to improve the function of the teeth which will result in a healthier, longer-lasting smile. While good looking teeth are attractive, the purpose of your teeth is to chew food. When teeth are misaligned, they can slowly damage opposing teeth during the chewing process. When they are in proper alignment, teeth break down the food they are chewing without damaging each other.

To help illustrate the point, think of a well working pair of scissors. When in good alignment the two blades come together and meet at a very precise point that makes them excellent at cutting paper. On the other hand, imagine one of the scissor blades had a slight bend or a ding in the metal. This imperfection would surely affect the scissor's ability to cut as well as when it was in perfect alignment. If the one blade is bent away from the other, there will be a gap between the points of contact that cause the cutting action. The result would likely be a failure to cut effectively or efficiently. If the bend in the one blade is toward the other, it would cause the blades to scrape each other, making cutting difficult. More importantly to note, the blades scraping each other slowly destroy the cutting surface of both blades.

These same principles can be applied to your teeth. In any area of the mouth where your opposing teeth do not meet when you perform a chewing motion (meaning there is a space between the top and opposing-bottom tooth in any area of your mouth when your jaw is closed), like the scissor in the first scenario, it is rendered ineffective in the chewing process. On the other hand, if there are any teeth that are colliding with their opposing teeth, they are likely causing trauma to each other and slowly wearing down the enamel surface and eventually the tooth structure. This will likely lead to greater risk of decay and eventually risk the tooth's overall vitality.

Many people who have ongoing problems with decay or pain despite their efforts to keep their teeth clean, might be suffering from malocclusion issues that are causing the ongoing dental problems. The good news is that orthodontics may be a solution to these problems, and a straighter, more beautiful smile is a bonus to the treatment, not the reason for the treatment.

If you're like most adults, the thought of braces is unnerving. Years in metal brackets and sharp wires is no-one's idea of a good time. If these thoughts are keeping you away from approaching your dentist about a straighter, more beautiful, better functioning, healthier smile, consider a clear aligner option such as Invisalign®. Invisalign® is a clear, removeable retainer that may achieve the same results as traditional braces in less time.

The fact that aligners are removeable means you can take them out whenever you eat. This makes eating more comfortable and cleaner as you will not have to worry about food particles being stuck in your braces. They also allow you to easily clean your teeth, where braces with wires make flossing and thorough brushing more difficult. The material used by Invisalign® is by far superior to all other aligners on the market. Not only is it the most invisible, it is also the fastest working material, meaning you will reach your desired outcome in a fraction of the time to other safe orthodontic options.

Finally, with Invisalign® technology, your dentist can take a scan of your mouth and show you virtually what your results will look like, from the improved esthetics of your smile profile to the benefits of improving any occlusion issues that may be causing damage to your teeth.

The next time you go to your dentist, ask them if they are Invisalign® certified. Ask them if they can provide a virtual, digital smile makeover with the use of an iTero® scanner so that you can see your likely outcome. Also ask them if you have any occlusion issues during chewing and if orthodontics is right for you.

One of the biggest barriers to getting orthodontic treatment dentists hear the most is that it costs too much. Before you allow money to get between you and a healthy, beautiful smile, think about the amount of money you spent on your last car. That car will likely not be in your life ten years from now. The cost of braces or Invisalign® is a fraction of the cost of that car, and the results will last you a lifetime!





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# **Land Trust Celebrates 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Volksmarch Set for Dec. 4

"Volksmarch" is a German term which loosely translates to "people's walk." ACLT's December Volksmarch will be just that: a group of people partaking in a casual hike along scenic trails, enjoying each other's company and surrounded by ACLT's magnificent, preserved land.

Attendees are encouraged to begin their hike from any of ACLT's three trailheads, making their way to the new Holly Hill trail, which is accessed from the North Side Trailhead on Double Oak Road or via the Prince Frederick to Bay Trail. The two-mile trail traverses the Holly Hill property, crosses Double Oak Road, and connects to the Prince Frederick to Bay Trail.

ACLT members and supporters will be the first to hike this highly anticipated addition to ACLT's robust assortment of trails, adding to the 22 miles of existing trails. ACLT staff and volunteers have been working tirelessly to prepare for the December launch, ensuring that the trail follows the path of least ecological disturbance and maneuvers seamlessly around the property's unique features such as steep ravines and streams.

The new trail features two bridges over streams, with associated boardwalks and staircases.

The Volksmarch will culminate on the Holly Hill property, where participants will be among the first to view the newly reinforced historic double-crib barn, which pre-dates the civil war. The barn has been stabilized and encased with new siding and roof and features observation areas on each end. Exhibits will be on display explaining the barn's history and construction. The Holly Hill Barn will eventually be a stop on the Parkers Creek Heritage Trail, for which research is currently underway. Link: https://www.acltweb.org/index.php/ parkers-creek-heritage-trail/

Also on display at the event will be photographs and documents recalling ACLT's beginnings and its growth



Recently stabilized Holly Hill Barn

since. On December 4, 1986 16 charter members of the newly formed American Chestnut Land Trust signed the Articles of Incorporation, which included the primary goal to promote for the benefit of the general public the preservation and improvement of natural resources, including land and water resources, the plant and animal life thereon, and unique scenic, natural, and historic sites within the Parkers Creek and Governors Run watersheds.

What started in 1986 as an effort by a small group of Scientists Cliffs residents to preserve 436 acres adjacent to their community, thereby blocking the eventual development of it, has expanded to a preserve containing over 1,400 acres of land owned by ACLT, with another 1,800 acres owned by the State of Maryland and managed by ACLT, plus another 374 acres on which ACLT holds conservation easements, for a total of over 3,500 acres of permanently preserved and protected land.

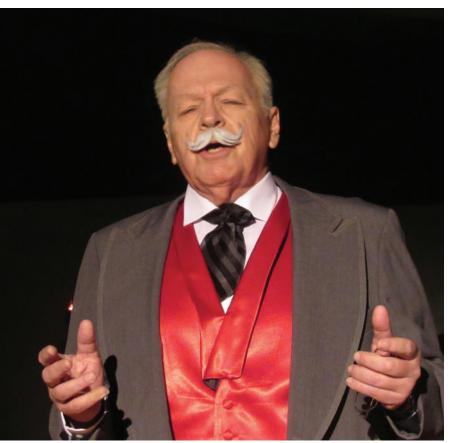
Attendees will mingle with fellow members and supporters while enjoying a delicious lunch from Dreamweaver Cafe and the music of local band "Some Assembly". Before setting off to hike back to where they began, attendees will gather for a group photo, re-enacting a photo taken soon after the formation of ACLT and featured in National Geographic's November 1987 edition. See photo and article here: https://www.acltweb.org/wpcontent/uploads/2020/02/Nat-Geo-Article-Nov-1988-Creation-of-ACLT.png

Press Release from ACLT.



New Holly HIII Trail - Bridge over Tina's Creek. Photo Credit: Dan Boesz

# **The Ghosts Before Christmas**



Playwright Rick Thompson is narrator "The Man" at open and close of Twin Beach Players' production of his "Ghosts Before Christmas" Fridays and Saturdays at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. through Dec. 12 at Boys and Girls Club, 9021 Dayton Avenue, North Beach, MD 20714

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# **COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic Site Relocates**



The Calvert County Health Department will relocate the current CO-VID-19 vaccination clinic site from the Calvert County Industrial Park to the Fox Run Shopping Center located at 713 Solomons Island Road N. in Prince Frederick. Effective immediately, vaccination clinics will be held daily from noon to 3 p.m. The new location will offer individuals more convenient access to COVID-19 vaccination services.

Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccines will be available as supply allows. This includes booster doses, additional doses and doses for children ages 5 to 11. Residents can schedule appointments online at CalvertCountyCovid19. com/vaccination or by calling the Calvert County COVID-19 vaccine information call center at 410-535-0218 on Mondays, Wednesdays or

Fridays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Individuals must bring proof of prior vaccination to their appointment to receive a booster or third dose. Citizens may view and print copies of their immunization record through the Maryland MyIR website at https://md.myir.net.

For health questions regarding CO-VID-19 and vaccinations, residents should call their primary care providers. Many health care providers, hospitals and pharmacies also offer CO-VID-19 vaccine clinics; search for all vaccine providers near you at Coronavirus.Maryland.gov/pages/vaccine.

Visit Calvert County's COVID-19 virtual resource center at www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/Coronavirus for updates and resources.

Press Release from Calvert County government.

# **Safe Nights Program to Open for Winter**

Calvert County's annual Safe Nights program providing winter shelter for people without housing will run Dec. 19, 2021 through Feb. 27, 2022.

Safe Nights provides winter protection for Calvert County's homeless population by offering shelter in a clean and safe environment. Host shelters will provide a warm bed and breakfast, a bag of lunch and dinner. Shelter hours are 7 p.m. to 7 a.m., seven days a week.

To qualify, individuals must:

- Be without a fixed residence
- Show identification
- Show proof of Calvert County residency
- Be ambulatory and capable of self-care
- Be older than 18, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian
- Pass a background check
- Sign the guest shelter agreement and agree to abide by its provisions

A one-time in-person registration is required each season. Walk-ins will not be accepted. Call Safe Nights of Calvert County beginning Dec. 3, 2021, at 443-486-8670 for more information.

Safe Nights is working with the Calvert County Health Department to safely operate with precautions to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Program volunteers will provide instructions throughout program registration and participation.

Those in need of shelter before Safe Nights opens can receive assistance by contacting the Department of Social Services at 443-550-6900; the Department of Public Safety at 410-535-1600, option 6, during regular business hours; or the Calvert County Emergency Communications non-emergency line at 410-535-3491 after hours.

Press Release from Calvert County government.

# **Walk-up COVID-19 Test Site Opens at Dunkirk Park**

A new COVID-19 testing site opened at Dunkirk District Park, located at 10750 Southern Maryland Blvd. in Dunkirk, on Dec. 1. The testing site is independently operated by First Call Medical Center and will provide sameday, walk-up COVID-19 rapid, PCR and antigen testing in Calvert County. Testing will be available at the site every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

COVID-19 testing is available through many primary care providers throughout the county. The following local providers also offer COVID-19 testing by appointment:

- Calvert Internal Medicine Group
- CalvertHealth Primary Care (for established patients)
- Patriot Urgent Care in

Dunkirk, Prince Frederick and Solomons

In addition, more than 300 testing sites are available throughout Maryland; use the Maryland Department of Health testing site locator to find a location with availability.

Citizens are reminded to NOT call 911 or visit the emergency room for COVID-19 testing. DO seek emergency medical care immediately if you or someone you know is experiencing any emergency warning signs of COVID-19:

- Trouble breathing
- Persistent pain or pressure in the chest
- Sudden confusion
- Inability to wake or stay awake
- Pale, gray or blue-colored skin, lips or nail beds

Press Release from Calvert
County government.

# **Legal Notice**

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE (RULE 2-644 (b)) VALUABLE REAL PROPERTY

STATE OF MARYLAND CALVERT COUNTY TO WIT:

By virtue of a Writ of Execution, issued by the Circuit Court for Calvert County, Maryland, and to me Mike Evans, as Sheriff of Calvert County, directed at the suit of:

Rapid Financial Services, LLC (Plaintiff)

vs.

Lucky Hang. et al. (Defendants)

Calvert County Case No. C-04-JG-20-000741, and Montgomery County Case No. 476256-V, I have this 10th day of September, 2021 seized and taken into execution all rights, title, claim, interest, and estate both at law and in equity of the said Lucky Hang (Defendant) of, in, to, and about the following described property to wit:

The real property located at 12470 Dalton Trail, Lusby, Maryland 20657 and further described as Lot 21 in Section 2D in subdivision known as Chesapeake Ranch Estates as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book JLB at plat 32 among the Land Records of Calvert County, Maryland.

One residential building, land and tenements of the Defendants located at 12470 Dalton Trail, Lusby, Maryland 20657 and further described by Confirmatoty Deed dated July 25, 2007 and recorded on July 27, 2007 in Book 03028, Page 305 as recorded in the Land Records of Calvert County, Maryland. Being the fee simple property which, by Deed dated July 25, 2007, and recorded at Book 03028, Page 305, in the Land Records of the County of Calvert, Maryland, was granted and conveyed by Huy Huu Hang unto Lucky Hang.

Purchaser should be aware that they are purchasing the defendant's interest only. Defendant Lucky owns a 100% interest in the described property, totaling l 00% interest to be auctioned. The described property will be sold subject to reservations of title, all back taxes, cost of conveyance, and outstanding liens must be paid by the purchasers.

I hereby give notice that I will sell all rights, title, claim, interest. and estate both in law and in equity of the said real property of Lucky Hang (Defendant) and of, in, to, and about the above described real property to the highest bidder for cash at the front of the Calvert County Courthouse, 175 Main Street, Prince Frederick, Maryland on: January 6, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

Sheriff Mike Evans Sheriff of Calvert County The Calvert County Times Thursday, December 2, 2021

# **CSM Foundation Announces New Board Directors**

The College of Southern Maryland (CSM) Foundation announces that Natalie Cotton and Joanne Yakaitis have joined the Foundation's board as its newest directors.

The CSM Foundation, a nonprofit, 501(c)3 charitable organization established in 1970, helps increase access to higher education at CSM through scholarship funding and assures the excellence of that education by raising and managing funds for college projects and objectives — including workforce development in Southern Maryland. The CSM Foundation is comprised of a tri-county, all-volunteer board of directors.

"The CSM Foundation is so fortunate to have Natalie and Joanne join our board," said CSM Foundation Executive Director Chelsea Clute. "Both of these regional leaders have strong ties and deep commitments to our community and as alumnae of community colleges – they both know first-hand the value that CSM brings to our students. We are thrilled they are joining our efforts to make college affordable and accessible to all."

Cotton is the government affairs and community relations director for the Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative (SMECO), where she has worked for 19 years. She received her associate degree in Management Develop-



Natalie Cotton

ment from CSM, and her bachelor's in Business Administration from the University of Maryland, College Park. She is a 2011 graduate of Leadership Southern Maryland.

Cotton, a Charles County resident, has served in numerous volunteer roles in the community over the last decade, including as a board member and chair of the Charles County Chamber of Commerce; a board member for the Charles County Juvenile Drug Court Committee; a board member



Joanne Yakaitis

for the Zonta Club of Charles County; and a board member for LifeStyles of Maryland, Inc.

"CSM is a pillar of Southern Maryland, and I am thrilled to partner with them in a new way," Cotton said. "I am eager to put my experience in building relationships, planning events, and serving our community to use to benefit my alma mater. Education is a passion of mine and I am excited to tell my CSM story."

Yakaitis is currently an executive

at Fortune 500 firm Booz Allen Hamilton, where she serves as the lead of the Chief Growth Office Proposal Team and is responsible for leading the Contract Proposal Management team. She has previously worked at the Computer Science Corporation in Lanham, Md., Navigant International and GlaxoSmithKline, and co-owned a video production and multimedia company.

Yakaitis is a graduate of Northern Virginia Community College, where she received her associate degree in Speech Communications. She earned her bachelor's in Communications from George Mason University and her MBA from Eastern University. A Calvert County native, she previously served on the Board of Governors for the Calvert Marine Museum.

"As a proud community college graduate, I've always held commun ity colleges near and dear," Yakaitis said. "CSM is a valuable source of innovation in our community and a place where everyone can pursue a lifelong journey of learning. I look forward to taking any opportunities I have to speak to others about the great leaders coming out of CSM."

For information about the CSM Foundation, visit https://csmd.edu/foundation/.

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# Calvert Community Calendar

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

# **Thursday, December 2**

#### Sea Squirts

Calvert Marine Museum 10:15 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

This program invites children 18 months to 3 years, with an adult, to discover the museum together through music, stories, and special activities. Join us for story time and a take away craft, available while supplies last. Sessions are 25-40 minutes. Sign up at the Admissions Desk when you arrive. This month's theme is Animals in Winter – Migration.

#### **Transfer Thursdays**

College of Southern Maryland 1 a.m., Zoom.

CSM hosts transfer institutions virtually each Thursday from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Representatives from two different institutions will be available to chat with students and help navigate their future transfer experience. RSVPs are required to access Zoom information. Free. https://www.csmd.edu/studentservices/transfer-services/transfer-fairs/index.html

# Wine & Lights Night

Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center in Solomons 5-9 p.m.

Bundle up and enjoy a walk through our beautiful light show - with eight tasting stops along the way. From sparkling wine to wine jellies, each stop features a different festive option! A few stops will include treats, including chocolate, cheese, and other vummy surprises. It's a tasting event like no other surrounded by the glittering beauty of Annmarie Garden In Lights! Join us for a festive outdoor tasting experience, along with twinkling lights and great shopping in the Arts Building. The Hardesty Holiday Cafe will also be men. Participating businesses include: Patuxent Wine & Spirits, Nick's of Calvert, Port of Call Liquors, Blue Wind Gourmet, Bay Wine & Spirits, Twin Valley Distillers, Tobacco Barn Distillery, and DeVine Wine Jelly. Advance tickets required – \$30/ person for tastings plus cost of ticket to light show. Purchase light show ticket separately. Must be 21.

### Friday, December 3

### "The Ghost Before Christmas"

North Beach Boys and Girls Club 9021 Dayton Avenue, North Beach, MD 20714 7:00 p.m.

Pericles Redlaw is offered a gift: the chance to forget all his bad memories, and to pass it forward to others. He accepts the bargain, not knowing that it will work out badly for all concerned in

this story of love and forgiveness, based on a holiday season novel by Charles Dickens, author of "A Christmas Carol."

# **Saturday, December 4**

## **Solomons Christmas Walk**

Calvert Marine Museum 6- 9 p.m.

The museum is open and FREE to the public. Enjoy musical entertainment, Santa, the Otter mascot, holiday crafts, and shopping in the Museum Store. Santa's Coffee House will be open with complimentary coffee, hot cocoa, and holiday cookies. Museum members save 20 percent off in the Museum Store during the walk and all weekend.

#### Freedom Hill Horse Rescue New Volunteer Orientation

Freedom Hill Horse Rescue 7940 N. Flint Hill Rd Owings, MD 20736 1-3 p.m

Open to all. Children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult.

For information contact freedom.hill. org@gmail.com.

Looking for people to join our am or pm feed shifts as well as many of our 'behind the scenes' opportunities. No experience necessary. At the orientation, volunteers will learn our specific feed shift routine, how to groom a horse as well as the importance of safety and awareness when working around horses. The orientation is hands on.

# NDCT "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court"

Long Beach Community Center 5845 Calvert Blvd. St. Leonard, MD 20685

2 & 7 p.m.

Our annual kid's show! A teenager who works on his school's stage crew is knocked out by a co-worker and finds himself transported back to the thrilling days of King Arthur, Queen Guenevere and the Knights and Ladies of the Round Table. For tickets, visit www. ndctheater.org.

#### **Candy Cane Steam Bending Demonstration**

Calvert Marine Museum 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Come marvel as maritime educators demonstrate this woodworking technique to bend wood. While this method is customarily used for boat building, visitors will delight in watching as steam transforms a piece of wood into a holiday keepsake. Demonstrations will take place throughout the day. FREE with museum admission.

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#### **Chamber of Commerce Holiday Fun**

On the grounds of Calvert County Historical Society, 70 Church Street Prince Frederick

Join us for this free festive, familyfun event! Featuring: Santa Claus & The Grinch, Tree Lighting (5:45 p.m.) Caroling, Vendors, Seasonal Food & Beverages, Activities For All Ages and Much More!

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# **Sunday, December 5**

## **Holiday Character Nights**

Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center in Solomons 5-8 p.m.

Holiday characters from elves to princesses to superheroes, will be greeting guests from various locations around the garden from 5-8pm. Guests will be able to take a family photo with characters in the background. Included with cost of admission; advance tickets required.

#### "The Ghost Before Christmas"

North Beach Boys and Girls Club 9021 Dayton Avenue North Beach, MD 20714 3 p.m.

Pericles Redlaw is offered a gift: the chance to forget all his bad memories, and to pass it forward to others. He accepts the bargain, not knowing that it will work out badly for all concerned in this story of love and forgiveness, based on a holiday season novel by Charles Dickens, author of "A Christmas Carol."

# NDCT "A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court"

Long Beach Community Center, 5845 Calvert Blvd., St. Leonard, MD 20685 2 p.m.

Our annual kid's show! A teenager who works on his school's stage crew is knocked out by a co-worker and finds himself transported back to the thrilling days of King Arthur, Queen Guenevere and the Knights and Ladies of the Round Table. For tickets, visit www.ndctheater.org.

#### CAWLs Joyful Paws Holiday Open House

Calvert Animal Welfare League 1040 Prince Frederick Blvd. Prince Frederick, Md Noon to 4 p.m.

Photos with Santa (kids and pets welcome); Bake Sale, Vendors; Holiday shopping at the Thrift store

# Wednesday, December 8

# **Local Heroes Appreciation Nights**

Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center in Solomons 5-8 p.m.

Celebrating our local heroes with free admission for 1st Responders (police, fire, EMS, hospital staff), Active Duty Military, Veterans, and Educators. Our local heroes will enjoy free admission on the night of their choice - Dec, 1, 8, 15, or 29. Reservations for local heroes are not required, just come! Please wear your ID badge to enjoy free admission. All other guests must reserve their ticket(s) in advance.

# **Thursday, December 9**

#### Sea Squirts

Calvert Marine Museum 10:15 a.m. & 11:15 a.m.

This program invites children 18 months to 3 years, with an adult, to discover the museum together through music, stories, and special activities. Join us for story time and a take away craft, available while supplies last. Sessions are 25-40 minutes. Sign up at the Admissions Desk when you arrive. This month's theme is Animals in Winter – Migration.

#### **Transfer Thursdays**

College of Southern Maryland 1 a.m., Zoom.

CSM hosts transfer institutions virtually each Thursday from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Representatives from two different institutions will be available to chat with students and help navigate their future transfer experience. RSVPs are required to access Zoom information. Free. https://www.csmd.edu/studentservices/transfer-services/transfer-fairs/index.html

### Merry Menagerie Live Animal Photo Op

Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center in Solomons, 5-8 p.m.

Snap a photo with one our sweet animals from the Merry Menagerie! Visit with a camel, donkey, mini cow, and pony, each decked out in their holiday finery! Animals courtesy of Mary's Go Round. Included with cost of admission; advance tickets required.

# In Remembrance

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

## Patricia Jean Miles



Patricia Jean Miles, 75, of Owings passed away November 28, 2021 at her home. She was born November 18, 1946 in Washington, D.C. to Eugene Harold and Frieda Frances (Boyce) Johnson. Pat as raised in Capitol Heights and graduated from Central High School in 1964. She married Charles "Bucky" Miles on February 6, 1965 and they lived in Prince George's County before moving to Calvert County in 1973. Pat was employed as a first level supervisor with Verizon, retiring after 35 years of service. She was a longtime member of Huntingtown United Methodist Church, where she volunteered in many roles throughout the years. Pat also volunteered at Calvert Memorial Hospital and with the Calvert County Election Board for many years. In her spare time, she enjoyed skiing, boating, traveling to Florida in the winters where she developed many friendships, quilting, sewing, and knitting. Pat will be greatly missed by everyone who knew her.

Pat is survived by her loving husband Charles "Bucky" Miles of Owings, daughter Denise Donahue and her husband Michael of Lothian, grandchildren Samantha and Zachary Donahue, sister Nancy Henson of Gallatin, TN, sisters in law Connie Haggard and Sandy Miles, and numerous aunts,

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uncles, and extended family members.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Pat's name may be made to Calvert Hospice, P.O. Box 838

Prince Frederick, MD 20678 410-535-0892; Link: https://calverthospice.org/ ot

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105; Link:

https://www.stjude.org/

Visitation will be Friday, December 3, 2021, 2-4 p.m. & 6-8 p.m. at Rausch Funeral Home-Owings, 8325 Mt. Harmony Lane, Owings, MD 20736

Funeral Service will be Saturday, December 4, 2021, 10 a.m. at Huntingtown United Methodist Church, 4020 Hunting Creek Road, P.O. Box 550, Huntingtown, MD 20639.

Burial will be at Southern Memorial Gardens, 10155 Ward Road, Dunkirk, MD 20754.

# Shirley Ann Conklin



Shirley Ann Conklin (80) passed away peacefully at her Huntingtown, MD home surrounded by family and friends on November 27, 2021.

On July 29, 1941 in Baltimore, MD Shirley was born to Helen Latham, and raised in a loving home by Catherine and Dashield Bowen of Lusby. In her childhood, Shirley attended Solomon's Elementary School and Calvert Coun-

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ty High School.

Shirley is fondly remembered for her love of people and her gift of putting the needs of others before her own. Written sentiments were a hallmark of Shirley's expressions, and she would spend hours choosing a perfect greeting card. In addition to her interests in crafts, bargain shopping, and caring for her many cats, Shirley was passionate about making a house into a home. The simple joy of bringing home coins collected during her morning walks exemplifies the special way Shirley cherished every day.

Shirley is survived by her companion and love of her life, Donald Bowen; sister Sherry Wood; two daughters, Penny Smith and Terry Hays; three granddaughters, Tessa Hall, Amber Yeager, and Ashley Smith; as well as six great-grandchildren. Her parents and eldest sister, Delmae Roberts, precede Shirley in death. It is with gratitude that the family honors Shirley's special friend and caregiver, Myrtle Jones, who brought comfort and joy to the Bowen home.

Funeral arrangements by Rausch Funeral Home.

# Corey D'Angelo Zelonis



Corey D'Angelo Zelonis, born November 18, 200, passed away November 26, 2021.

Visitation will be Friday, December 3, 2021, 2-4 p.m. & 6-8 p.m. at Rausch Funeral Home–Lusby, 20 American Lane Lusby, MD 20657.

Mass of Christian Burial will be Saturday, December 4, 2021, 10 a.m. at Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Church, 90 Alexander Lane, P.O. Box 560. Solomons, Maryland 20688

Burial will be Saturday, December 4, 2021 at 12 p.m. in Chesapeake Highlands Memorial Gardens, 3270 Broomes Island Road, Port Republic, MD 20676.

# Mary Katherine Frazer

It is with great sadness and love that the family of Mary Katherine Frazer announces her passing on November 25, 2021. Surrounded by her husband,



Mark, and her loved ones, Mary passed away peacefully at home in North Beach, Maryland.

Mary was born on January 19, 1954 in Sullivan, Missouri to Virginia Sue Harman and Frank Mercer Kirby. She graduated from Bladensburg High School in 1972. Mary began her career as a cosmetologist. She wore many hats along the way as a hairdresser, waitress, caterer, real estate agent and lastly, she worked for many years at Dunkirk Dental Associates. After a 24-year relationship, Mary and Mark Frazer were married in a beautiful ceremony on the Chesapeake Bay in 2016.

Mary was a loving daughter, wife, mother, grandmother, and sister. Her outgoing personality and genuine love of people impacted many. Mary, affectionately referred to as "Kiki" by her grandchildren and many others, lived life to the fullest.

A few of Mary's favorite things were traveling, golfing, playing cards, and the arts. Mary's love for travel led her to explore near and far. She enjoyed traveling with Mark and her friends, and frequently traveled out of the country. As a member of the Cannon Club in Lothian, MD for many years, Mary loved the game of golf and joining her friends at the 19th hole. Whether Mary was painting, creating pottery, or enjoying a live performance at the theater, she loved the arts and was proud to be a founding member of Artworks at 7th in North Beach.

Mary will be fondly remembered as an outgoing, loving, and friendly person. Mary's beautiful smile and infectious laugh made her extra special and couldn't help but to have a good time while in her presence.

Mary is survived by her loving husband, Mark Frazer; her son, Joseph Mattingly and his wife Shannon, her son, Jeffrey Mattingly and his wife Tina; stepdaughters Suzanne Hardisty and her husband Charles and Linden Re and her husband John; grandchildren, Marley and Lily Mattingly and stepgrandchildren Lindy, Kayla, Sean, Rebecca, Michael, Ryan, and Lauren; and step-great-grandson Kasey. She is also survived by her brother, Jim Kirby and his wife Kathy, along with nephew Kevin Kirby.

Family will receive visitors on



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Thursday, December 2, from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at Rausch Funeral Home, Owings. A celebration of life will be held on Sunday December 5, from 2-5 p.m. at The Cannon Club in Lothian. Memorial donations in Mary's name may be made to Calvert Hospice, P.O. Box 838.

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https://calverthospice.org/

# David Michael Lanham, Sr.



David Michael Lanham, Sr., age 80, passed away Wednesday, November 24, 2021. Dave was born in Washington, DC on June 23, 1941 to Joseph and Anna Lanham. He attended Bladensburg High School. Dave was drafted for the Army in 1964 and spent 2 years in the service. After serving, he worked as a mechanic at his brother's business and later became a truck driver. Dave loved what he did and loved visiting the people he met through his job. He especially loved making his deliveries while dressed up for Halloween and dressed up as Santa and the Grinch for Christmas. Everyone loved receiving his unique and thoughtful gifts.

Dave liked to spend time in "the country" in Virginia, going fishing, and watching wrestling. He found a hobby in tinkering with things: he would rather buy something old and fix it than buy something new. He enjoyed singing and karaoke. When visiting with family, he loved singing some of his favorite songs for them. Dave would do anything for anyone. He loved making people laugh through his jokes and storytelling.

He is survived by his son, Mike Lanham and wife Mary of Dunkirk, Maryland, and daughter Loretta Waddell and husband Adam of St. Leonard, Maryland. Dave leaves behind his siblings- Norma, Debbie and Judy, as well as 10 grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, and siblings, Joseph, Robert and Karen.

Family and friends are invited to attend the viewing on December 10th at 10 a.m. at St. Anthony's Catholic

Church in North Beach, MD, with a Funeral Mass to follow at 12 p.m. The interment will be at Jesus the Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Owings, MD.

Funeral arrangements are by Rausch Funeral Home.

# Maryann K. Lazer



Maryann K. Lazer, 78, passed peacefully on November 22, 2021, at her home in Lusby, MD. Maryann was born August 8, 1943, in Macomb, IL. to Harry and Ruth (DuGoff) Kaplan. She grew up in Washington D.C. and attended the University of Maryland College Park, earning degree's in Nutrition and English. Maryann worked for many year's as a Human Resource's Manager.

After college, Maryann married her late husband Raymond S. Lazer and settled in Bowie, MD. They later moved their family to Arnold, MD, and then Edgewater, MD, before settling in Lusby in 2016.

While residing in Lusby, Maryann was active in her community, enjoying various book club's, exercise program's at the local senior center, and working with the Quilt's of Valor Foundation. Her Jewish faith continued to be an important part of her life, as well.

Maryann is survived by her son Daniel and his wife Stefanie (Antoine) also of Lusby; Daughter Renee (Hansen) and her husband Robert of Westminster; Grandchildren William R., Rose C., Julia W., and Joshua G.; Sister's Eleanor, Laura, Harriet, and Marjorie; as well as many other friend's and family who will greatly miss her.

A celebration of her life will be planned for a later date.

Funeral arrangements are by Tausch Funeral Home.

# Paul Charles Hollobaugh

Paul Charles Hollobaugh, 54, of Huntingtown passed away November 20, 2021 at his home surrounded by family. He was born July 7, 1967 in Fairborn, OH to Gordon Francis and Jeannette Irene (Zachar) Hollobaugh.



Paul grew up in Upper Marlboro and graduated from Frederick Douglas High School and later from Penn State University with a degree in agricultural business. Paul worked as a science teacher with Prince George's County Public Schools for many years. Paul lived in Upper Marlboro until moving to Huntingtown in 2016. He married Ann on June 7, 2018. In his spare time, Paul enjoyed fishing, hunting, music, cooking gardening, and spending time with his family and friends.

Paul is survived by his wife Ann Hollobaugh of Huntingtown, daughter Caylin Hollobaugh of Baltimore and bonus daughters Kristi Kelly and her husband Sean of Annapolis, Kelly Simmons and her husband Wayne of Severna Park, and Kaycie Quinones and her husband Adam of Millersville. He is also survived by bonus grandchildren Michael, Madi, Dominic, Savannah, Sloane, Lucie, and Austin, brother Matthew G. Hollobaugh and his wife Julie of State College, PA, mother Jeanette Hollobaugh, and niece and nephew Mia and Owen Hollobaugh.

A celebration of Paul's life will be held at a later date.

Funeral arrangements by Rausch Funeral Home.

# James Alan "Jim" Davis



James Alan "Jim" Davis, 75, of Lusby, MD passed away on November 14, 2021 at Georgetown University Hospital.

Born November 8, 1946 in Oakland, CA, he was the son of William "Bill" Davis, Jr. and the late Thelma (Buell) Davis.

Jim served in the U.S. Air Force for four years. He was a photographer for the Office of Naval Intelligence for 35 years, retiring in June 2002. Jim loved boating, beer and crabs, and spending time with family and friends. He will best be remembered by most as "Damn It" Jim.

Jim is survived by his loving wife, Lorraine (Wagner) Davis whom he met in 1999 and married on July 18, 2009 in Fort Smith, AR; Step Daughter, Lori Krotendofer (Bobby) of Lusby, MD; grandchildren, Faith, Hope, Robert and Charity; siblings, Judy Morgan (LeRoy – Deceased) of Lake Havasu, AZ and Jeff Davis (Linda) of Murphy, TX; nieces and nephews; and great nieces and nephews.

A celebration of Jim's life will be held at a later date. Condolences to the family may be made at www.rauschfuneralhomes.com



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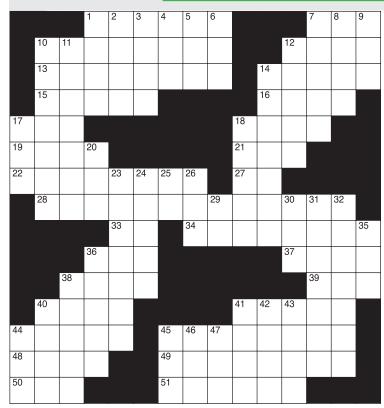
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#### **CLUES ACROSS**

1. Topsides 7. Sino-Soviet block (abbr.) 10. A Sultan's court

12. Maine city13. Largest living

land animal 14. Appetizer

15. Encounters

16. Leader

17. The source of bacon

18. Nuclear near reach weapon (abbr.)

19. Celery (Spanish)

21. Pie \_ \_ \_ mode 22. Eye disease

27. Hello (slang)28. Those in their

80s 33. Law

enforcement agency (abbr.) 34. Business

organizations 36. Mimic

37. For indicating speed of rotation (abbr.)

38. Feeling

39. Visual way to interact with computers (abbr.) 40. "Let It Snow!" songwriter 41. Essential oil used as perfume

44. Norwegian composer

45. Coast 48. \_\_ lang syne,

good old days 49. Gland behind the stomach

50. Tooth caregiver 51. King of Camelot

#### **CLUES DOWN**

1. N. American indigenous people 2. Fascinated by

3. Root of out

4. Patti Hearst's

captors

5. Atomic #50

6. Habitual drunkard

7. Arabic for

"peace" 8. Trickery

9. One's physique

(slang)

10. Not quite there 11. Wistfully

mournful

12. Popular dance

14. Cut of meat

17. A way to stand

18. "Gunga Din" screenwriter

20. 10th month of

the year (abbr.) 23. A way of

jumping

24. Utah town

25. Of I

25. OII

26. Actress de Armas

29. Silver

30. Play a role

31. \_\_ Falls

32. Attaches to

35. Japanese title36. Expressed

pleasure

38. Buckets

40. Dirt

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41. Hypnotists' group (abbr.)

42. Restaurant drive-

43. Digs up

44. He voices

"Olaf"

45. Relaxing place 46. Body part

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# LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE SOLUTIONS

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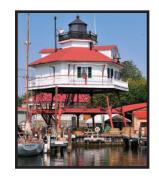
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