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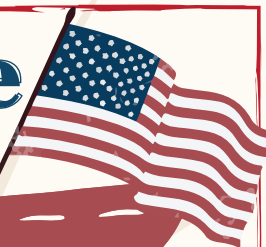
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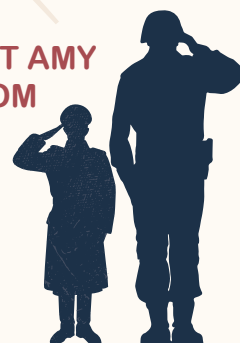
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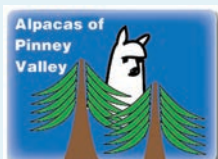
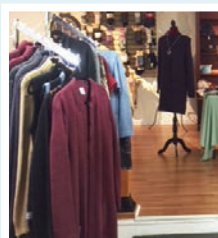
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Ridgely Rails Legacy

Book Two of the Ridgely Rails Legacy

The Ridgely Rails Legacy series tells the fictional story of three generations of women living in the town of Ridgely, Maryland. The second book in the series is a coming-of-age story set against the backdrop of the Great War and features Ella Mae's daughter, Sophie. It begins in 1915, when she is only fifteen years old and the community club, Band of Mercy, unveils the fountain near the railroad station for which they had been collecting funds and planning with great dedication. The occasion was a highlight in the small town, complete with a parade, songs, and speeches.

As a work of historical fiction, the novel is based on national and state history, as well as local events recorded in the newspapers preserved by Tommy Rammeyer and obtained from the Ridgely Historical Society. The fountain remains today where it was placed in May of the second year of World War One.

The large iron fountain was embellished with the raised picture of a horse on the front, beneath which was a large tub with four separate canisters for the animals to drink from. At the base, on either side of it, were small bowls for dogs. And at the top, on the left-hand side, was a spigot exclusively for humans. On the rear of the fountain is a plate bearing the inscription: "Erected

in the name of Love and Mercy for all God's creatures."

"Although she was only fifteen that day, Sophie understood that the significance of the fountain was not just to slake the thirst of the farmers as they went to sell their produce at the railroad station with their team of mules or horses, or to give relief to dogs wandering through the town's dusty streets on a hot summer's day. No, the value of the fountain lay in its purpose to demonstrate love and mercy.

Such platitudes would not have meant so much if across the ocean there wasn't a horrible war waging which had taken the lives of thousands upon thousands of men and would take the lives of many more before it ended. In the face of unspeakable hatred and brutality this fountain was a monument to celebrate kindness, and a statement of hope that one day peace would reign again."

I don't want to give the plot away, but the war would change the course of Sophie's life as it did for so many others. Her new path includes joining Alice Paul in the fight for suffrage and participating in the Watchfire Demonstrations in D.C., which results in her being jailed and learning firsthand that freedom and democracy are noble words, but not always lived out in the same way they are preached.

A romance story which captures the struggles of the era and the impact it had on the families of the Eastern Shore, ALONG THE WAY also

demonstrates that kindness, courage, and determination can make the world a better place. Following is the back cover synopsis:

It may be forever we part, little girl,

And it may be for only a while.

But if fight, Dear, we must, Then in God is our trust.

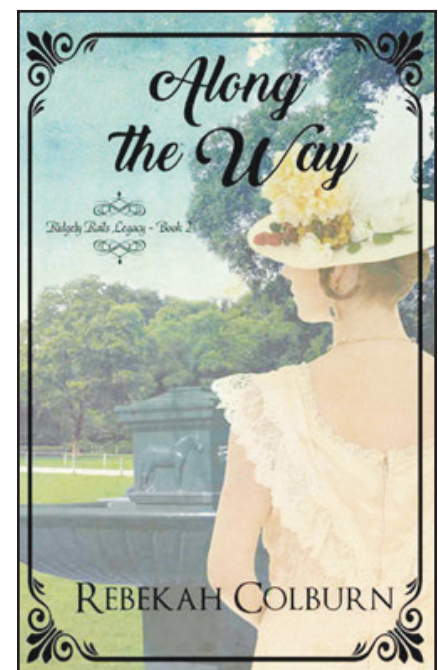
So, send me away with a smile.

-- John McCormack, 1917

Sophie is seventeen when the United States joins the Great War and the mandatory conscription is enacted. All her dreams hang in the balance when her fiancé is drafted and sent to France to fight in the trenches.

Searching for comfort and purpose, Sophie turns to her love of music, and through it, finds more than she ever expected. As she discovers new strength, Sophie feels compelled to take on a greater cause. While the young men are battling overseas in the name of democracy, she joins the crusade at home for women to have a voice in their government.

Persevering through her own personal fears and losses, Sophie clings to the hope that the world—and her life—will one day be at peace again.



Farm Wellness Fair

University of Maryland Extension will host a Farm Wellness Fair at the 4-H Park in Denton on November 8 from 11 AM to 3 PM. The event will offer speakers, demos, vendors, and resources to support farmers' and farm workers' mental health and wellbeing. The event will also include the opportunity to earn two Maryland Pesticide Private Applicator credits. Lunch and snacks are included, and the event is free to attend.

The purpose of the Farm Wellness Fair is to connect the agriculture industry with tools and resources that support healthy, profitable farm operations. University of Maryland Extension has planned the event with the help of local experts, including Mid Shore Behavioral Health, Inc. "Farms are the backbone of our community, but our farmers are not always getting the support they need," said Kathryn Dilley, executive director of Mid Shore Behavioral Health. "This event will help farmers learn about tools they can use to help their workers,

family members, or even themselves with mental health and addiction issues."

A 2020 Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report published by the Centers for Disease Control identified suicide rates to be significantly higher in the agriculture industry than the general population. Opioid use has also had an outsized impact on rural, farming communities. A Morning Consult survey sponsored by the American Farm Bureau Federation and the National Farmers Union found that 74% of farmers and farm workers have been directly impacted by opioid use, either by a family member or someone in their network who has struggled with opioids, or by taking or becoming addicted to opioids themselves.

Shannon Dill, principal agent for the University of Maryland Extension, said, "Healthy farms are successful farms. That doesn't just mean having healthy soil, crops, and animals, but healthy people as well." Dill noted that investing in farm workers' wellbeing is an important part

of running a successful ag operation. "We constantly monitor the health of our crops and animals and look for signs that they're struggling. It's important to do that for our people too."

The Farm Wellness Fair is free to attend and open to anyone interested in the agricultural community, including farmers, farm workers, family members, suppliers, and supporters. Registration is available at bit.ly/farmwellness.

The Farm Wellness Fair is hosted by University of Maryland Extension with grant support from AmerisourceBergen Foundation, an independent not-for-profit charitable giving organization focused on supporting health-related causes that enrich that global community. Other project partners include Mid Shore Behavioral Health, Inc., Farming4Hunger, Caroline County Health Department, Maryland Rural Health Association, Eastern Shore Mobile Crisis Response Team, Maryland Coalition of Families, and the Jesse Klump Memorial Fund.



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First Youth Apprentice Signed to a Business

By Debbie Bowden, Director
Caroline County Economic Development



Late in September, the Caroline County Public Schools shared a story about the first Youth Apprentice being signed to a business.

Folks – that is kind of a big deal.

First of all – the business that signed the student on as an apprentice is MidShore Technology Services, a homegrown technology business owned and operated by North Caroline graduate, Justin Smith. Justin brought on 11th grader, Christopher Ireland, to work and earn high school credits while being in the Associate Technician Youth Apprenticeship program. Justin is going to provide work experience to Christopher, the high school will provide instruction, and all the while, Christopher will be earning a wage.

Secondly – most businesses can participate in the Youth Apprentice Program. Eric Cook is the liaison to the schools and the businesses. He has been talking about the Youth Apprentice Program to businesses for a couple of years now. The first thing

he points out is that this is not a traditional apprentice program. The program allows business to bring on qualified students to work together toward real life experience, and in some cases, earn professional certification.

The program is also not like traditional apprenticeships in the variety of industries and disciplines that students can enter that either parallel the programs at the school's Career and Technical Education (CTE) Center or careers where students can earn a livable wage with an opportunity for career growth. Some examples of positions that can be filled by a Youth Apprentice include human resources, carpentry, engineering, horticulture, marketing, logistics, and technicians.

It is important to note that a student who is hired as a Youth Apprentice is not an intern and is not free labor. The concept of the program is to provide actual work-based training to supplement instructional training and receive quality work – all for an affordable wage.

If you are interested in the Youth Apprenticeship program, reach out to Eric Cook at cook.eric@ccpsstaff.org or 410-479-0100. He has a real passion for working with businesses to connect them with the perfect student.

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Why I Got Vaccinated: Scott Evans

Benedictine Executive Director Scott Evans is all too familiar with the dangers and obstacles posed by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Benedictine provides services for over 200 children and adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities and autism. It offers a year-round educational and residential program for students ages 5-21. Benedictine also offers adult services through its day programs and 22 group homes across multiple counties. The organization employs more than 400 people.

Before positive cases appeared in Maryland, Scott and his dedicated staff knew they had to do everything possible to keep their coworkers, students, and adult residents safe. Shutting down simply wasn't an option. The individuals served in Benedictine's residential facilities require round-the-clock care, and the front-line workers who support those individuals had to continue working on site.

The broad impacts of the pandemic were felt deeply by everyone throughout Benedictine. Staff had to work around severe supply shortages. Visitations were halted for several months, and adult residents were isolated from family, friends, and the general public. Individuals who normally traveled to work or vocational training could no longer do



Scott Evans, Executive Director of Benedictine

so. Benedictine developed a virtual learning program to keep students and adults engaged and facilitate social interaction.

When vaccines became available to front-line employees in January of 2021 - and to residents, older students, and all staff shortly thereafter - Scott and his team felt a sense of relief and optimism. There was no question as to whether Scott would receive the vaccine; he had the well-being of his own family and the entire Benedictine community to consider.

"This is a great first step and something to be celebrated," Scott wrote in a message to his staff. "One day soon we will be able to look back at this time and feel immense pride in the fact that we never stopped fulfilling our mission."

For the latest news from Benedictine, or to support their mission, please visit benschool.org.



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DOLLARS AND SENSE

by Tolbert Rowe

Is Now a Good Time to Take the Plunge of Purchasing Your First Home?

Last month I discussed getting yourself ready to purchase or rent your first home and the steps necessary to prepare for the leap to running your own household. Suggestions I made for those looking to purchase are also prudent things to do if you intend to rent.

The challenge of purchasing a home in today's market is the degree that home prices have risen in the last 12-18 months. Since the initial shock of the pandemic wore off in May/June of 2020 the real estate prices have been on a straight shot upward. In most markets and price ranges, prices have gone up 20-30% since early 2020 as demand for homes to purchase has far outweighed the available supply.

If prices are reaching their highest levels in decades, is now a good time to take the plunge of purchasing your first home, or any home for that matter?

Those who were born before the Gen Z generation (the period from the mid 1990's to early 2010's) will remember the real estate meltdown of 2007-2008. Many experienced the devastation of losing their house to foreclosure due to "non-traditional" mortgages that only fixed the interest rate for a short period and then the rate adjusted higher and higher making repayment harder and harder for homeowners.

Mortgage products made qualifying even easier with adjustable rate and payment option programs that allowed borrowers to pay less than the interest due so negative amortization dug the hole even deeper. Negative amortization increases the loan balance every month instead of reducing it like a traditional mortgage where some of the monthly payment goes toward reducing the principal balance.

At that time real estate values were going up so fast that buyers were convinced that values would continue rising and mortgage products at that time required very little, if any down payment or up-front equity. Credit standards and lending requirements were so lax that anyone could qualify for a mortgage.

No income verification loans, or "liar loans" meant that anyone could make up whatever income was necessary to qualify, if willing to pay a higher interest rate. If a borrower had the verified income to qualify, why wouldn't they want a lower interest rate, or need to do a stated or no income loan?

With property values climbing monthly, borrowers using these "non-traditional" loans felt that a higher interest rate was a small price to pay if values continued to go up. They would refinance to a more traditional mortgage using the

equity in their home as leverage to refinance to a lower fixed rate when their financial situation was better, hopefully. Unfortunately, this equity was never realized and evaporated when values tumbled 40% to 50% in a very short time.

Fast forward to today and it may seem that the real estate values are experiencing "déjà vu all over again." Or is it?

House prices have risen 20% to 40% in the last 12 months, depending on the area and price range. Not because underwriting guidelines and requirements are very lax and there is a full menu of non-traditional mortgages, like the early 2000's. Today's lending guidelines are very tight and if you do get a mortgage today, you have earned it. Ask anyone who has applied for a mortgage how "easy" the process has been? Stars must align with a borrower's credit, verified income, property value and funds invested in the transaction.

The mortgage process is not really different than it has always been. Information is provided by the applicant. The information is supported with documentation, the value of the property is supported by a certified appraisal and, if no red flags pop up, your loan is approved. The repayment of your loan will be completed with fixed monthly payment that amortize or repay the balance over a fixed period of time, or term. When interest rates fell below 3% demand for homes to purchase exploded.

Real estate prices are driven by the most basic of economic reasons, supply, and demand. Prices go up when there is more demand for a product than there is supply. Conversely, when there is a larger supply of a product than demand for that product, prices go down, or at the very least they stop going up. Look at what is happening today with prices

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This brings us to the \$64,000 question, when will real estate prices stop going up? And the sister question to that question, once they do how far will values go down? If I knew the answer to that question, I would be getting paid a lot more for my opinion than I am now. But I do have a few things to watch out for that can be indicators of a slowdown or easing of price increases.

Multiple offers with escalation clauses have become prevalent in many areas of the country including ours, giving sellers options to consider. When sellers have the luxury of considering several offers on their property, they will obviously choose the one that nets the most money in the shortest period of time with the least contingencies.

Cash offers attract the most attention, like they always have. Cash offers with an escalator clause stand out like a sore thumb to sellers, and if you can make an offer like this the only way you lose is if another offer is higher than yours, and it is for cash.

Escalator clauses establish a buyer's minimum and maximum

offer for a property with a trigger that puts it in motion. The trigger is pulled when a competing offer is submitted to the seller that is greater than your offer that automatically increases your offer to an amount greater than the other offer, say \$1,000.

A sure sign that real estate prices are leveling off is when houses stop selling at prices over the listing price. Not too long ago it was considered a good sellers' market if the sold price was 90-95% of the list price. Today sold prices start at list price and go up from there. A strong indicator that demand is stronger than supply.

This is much different than the overheated market of the early 2000's when demand was strong because of the availability of easy money, but there was a much larger supply of houses on the market, especially new construction subdivisions. Look around the Mid Shore, and especially Caroline County at the number of new subdivisions that popped up in 2003 until 2008. Look at the prices that were being paid. It was like the wild west with buyers coming from the western shore paying prices local people could not begin to pay.

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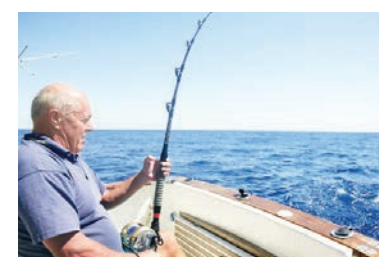
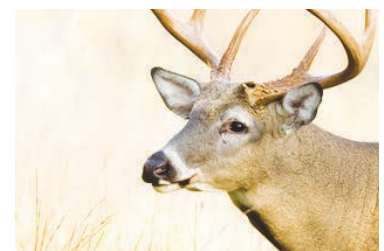
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The most important question to resolve if considering buying a home is what is the likelihood that we will see a market correction and prices fall, and if they do fall, will it be anything like what we saw 13-14 years ago?

My short answer to both questions is no. I do not believe that we will see a market correction of any significant consequence. What we will see is that prices hit a plateau where they will level out and hover in a certain range for a period of years, not going up nor going down dramatically, or in some cases even noticeably. Maybe you purchased a home for \$300,000 and its value is \$300,000 five years from now.

The only thing that could change my opinion would be a significant decline in demand for housing. This will not happen anytime soon because we are not producing new housing units to keep up with increasing demand. New

construction has been lax for many reasons, the biggest being cost of construction so significant that the cost to build new exceeds that end value of the completed home. Price out the cost of land, plus the cost of construction plus infrastructure, well, septic etc. and you can easily have an end product costing \$50,000 to \$100,000 more than the finished product will appraise for.

Our area will continue to be desirable from an affordability standpoint. It still is cheaper to buy here than the Western Shore, and with remote work taking the across the bridge commute every day off the table, you can enjoy a Western Shore salary on an Eastern Shore bill.

So, if we continue to have a deficit of homes available for sale, and high demand for affordable homes that provide a rural lifestyle, I feel we have no reason to fear a peak in real estate prices, one where values hit a high point and then begin a decline.

What is more likely because demand will continue, is a plateau where values remain flat. Demand will be supported by low fixed interest rates, maybe slightly higher than today. Buyers today do not have to fear a rug being pulled out from under them like what happened in 2008 when values plummeted because of defaults on mortgage-backed securities triggered by borrower defaults of non-traditional loan products.



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Be a realist. If values remain the same, or plateau then the only equity you will have gained during your ownership is the principal amount that you have paid down on your loan.

Mr. Rowe is Vice President/Lending for Bay Capital Mortgage Corp. with offices in Easton and Annapolis. He has lived in Caroline for his entire life and supports the county by volunteering in a variety of ways. He currently lives near Greensboro with his wife Jeanne and daughter Kelsey.

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Celebrate the 2nd night of Día de los Muertos for calaveras, espíritus,

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Registration is encouraged, but not required.

November 2, 6-8 pm, Denton

Sugar Skull Rock Painting

Join us as we continue to celebrate Día de los Muertos on Thursday! Learn about Día de los Muertos, paint sugar skulls on rocks, and enjoy traditional Day of the Dead music.

Space is limited and registration is required at carolib.org or 410-479-1343. This program is for ages 8-18 years.

November 4, 5-6 pm, Denton

Get your game on at our Video Gamer's Club!

Gamers in grades 6-12 are invited to join us on Tuesdays in November for a different game at Denton on Thursdays from 5-8 pm. Register at carolib.org.

November 9: Jump Force Tournament

November 16: Among Us

November 23: Super Smash Brothers Tournament

November 30: Rocket League Tournament

Board Gamers Club

Join the Caroline County Board Gamer's club for fun in the Denton Makerspace. Bring a game to share, or try out one of ours!

All ages are welcome, and registration is not required.

November 17, 6-9 pm, Denton

Don't miss Federalsburg Movie Night

Join us for this free recently-released movie on the big screen! All ages are welcome. A drawing will be held to win a copy of the movie being shown.

Stop by the Branch this month to get an extra chance to win a copy of this or last month's movie! Must be present on movie night to win.

November 26, 6 pm, Federalsburg

Paws for Reading

Grigsby is back! Book a half hour slot to read to Grigsby, a trained service dog. This program helps kids improve their reading skills and eases the pressure of reading aloud.

November 30, register for a time slot:
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Join a Book Group at Feddersburg or Denton

Hooked on Books: Tuesday, November 9, 6:30 pm – *The Beekeeper of Aleppo* by Christy Lefteri.

Jeanne's Bookies: Tuesday, November 16, 1 pm – *Golden Girl* by Elin Hilderbrand.

Tuesday Night Book Club: Tuesday, November 16, 6:30 pm – *Set My Heart to Five* by Simon Stephenson.

For information about joining these groups, call Jeanne at 410-754-8397 or email jtrice@carolib.org.

Storytime at Denton and Greensboro

Join us for a weekly Storytime at both our Denton and Greensboro locations. This program is designed for children birth to age five and their caregivers.

Tuesdays, 11 am, Greensboro

Wednesdays, 10:15 am, Denton

His Hope Haven at the Feddersburg and Greensboro Branches

Do you need assistance with services such as shelter, housing support, independent living skills, job searching and résumé writing, problem-solving and interpersonal skills? His Hope Haven staff visits our library branches weekly to assist you!

Please call the His Hope Ministries Resource Center for more information at 443-448-7297.

**Wednesdays, 10 am-5 pm,
Feddersburg**

Thursdays, 10 am-5 pm, Greensboro

Discord for teens at the library

The library and its Teen Services and Makerspace Team are excited to offer a virtual hangout space, just for teens!

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You can access our Ancestry Library Edition free on our website from home through the end of 2021 with your Caroline County Public Library card. Find it at www.carolib.org, click on "Online Resources", and choose "Featured Digital Collections". Scroll down to see Ancestry (and be sure to check out all the other great library resources on the page).

Free ice cream when you join the Friends of the Library!

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CLOSINGS

November 11, Veterans Day

November 25, Thanksgiving

Caroline County Humane Society Strategic Plan Public Meeting

Please Join Us!

Looking to get involved in the Caroline County community? Hoping to make an impact on the welfare of the County's homeless animals? Caroline County Humane Society (CCHS) will be holding a public meeting on Wednesday, November 10, at 6:30 pm at The Cow Barn (check out their website here: www.cowbarnevents.com), located at 101 Cow Barn Road, Ridgely. Please join us to share your thoughts, priorities, and opinions on the future of your local animal shelter! If you require additional information, or to RSVP, please contact info@carolinehumane.org.

CCHS is currently at a crossroads in our pursuit to serve the people and animals of Caroline County and will be moving forward to further engage with our generous community, building on a 21-year legacy of rescuing and supporting the animals of Caroline County. Please join us!

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Place your unwrapped donated items in a bag or box, securely attach the tag, and return it to Denton Diner in Denton Plaza, Katie Mae's in Preston, Tenchi Restaurant in Greensboro, or Tri-Me Foods in Ridgely no later than December 27.



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Questions?

Call Donna at 443-988-3251
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Neighbors United to Serve

30th Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner Delivery

Thursday, November 25, 2021

Neighbors United to Serve (NUTS) is a community group of individuals who have served Thanksgiving dinners to Caroline County families every year since 1992. We are supported entirely by donations of time, talent and treasure. This year we hope to share the blessings of Thanksgiving Dinner with 1,200 friends and neighbors with *roasted turkey, mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, stuffing, gravy, cranberry sauce, green beans, corn, rolls and dessert.* Meals will be delivered by members of the public safety, awesome volunteers and community organizations beginning at 8:30 a.m. Thanksgiving morning. Meals will also be available for pickup at **Immaculate Conception Church in Marydel.** Please note: There is no pickup service available at St. Luke's Church. Your support and assistance would be greatly appreciated!

HOW TO HELP

Donations of Time (Sign up at [Nuts Meals](#) under the volunteer link)

- **Wednesday morning**, Nov. 24, St. Luke's, Denton, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. for food preparation.
- **Thursday morning**, Nov. 25, St. Luke's Church, Denton, 6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m. to package meals for delivery and then clean up 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
- **Thursday morning**, Nov. 25, Immaculate Conception Church, Marydel, 6:00 – 7:30 a.m. to package meals for delivery. Clean up 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Donations of Money

Financial donations to NUTS Thanksgiving can be made payable to **St. Luke's Church** (*memo NUTS*) and mailed to: **NUTS Thanksgiving, PO BOX 275, Denton, MD 21629**

Meal Reservation Request:

- ONLINE reservation via the website at <https://bit.ly/2021Nuts> (Request a Thanksgiving Meal)
- CALL 443-550-1180 to give reservation details.
- EMAIL this form to carolinecountynuts@gmail.com.
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Reservation Deadline is Monday, November 22 or when reservations reach 1,100 meals.
For more information, please contact carolinecountynuts@gmail.com. Website: bit.ly/NUTSMeal

Building Permits

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Lowcountry Holdings, LLC, 28328 Shore Highway, Federalsburg, Sign.

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Tina M. Trebes, 7829 Harmony Road, Denton, New Home.

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In November, we celebrate National Adoption Month, a month dedicated to raising awareness about the need for adoptive families for the many children and youth in foster care who are waiting to find their forever homes. There are many children in Maryland and even here in Caroline County who want nothing more than to become part of a loving and stable family; children who want nothing more than to sit around a Thanksgiving or Christmas table and feel part of a family.

At CASA of Caroline, we train and supervise community volunteers who give voices to children in the Caroline County foster care system and are by their sides throughout the process of finding that safe, loving, forever home. Our dedicated volunteers advocate for permanent homes and ensure these kids don't fall through the cracks of an overburdened system. With a CASA volunteer on the case, these at-risk children are

half as likely to reenter the foster care system, experience teen pregnancy, suffer from drug and alcohol addiction or spend time in jail. They are more likely to graduate from high school and find that permanent home and loving family. Resource parents who foster and/or adopt children are also critical for kids in the child welfare system and are greatly needed. If that's where you believe your calling is, please visit www.dhs.maryland.gov/foster-care/qualification/ to learn more.

Studies show that children in foster care benefit greatly from positive male role models, just as they do from CASA volunteers. In Caroline County, 60% of the children and youth we serve are boys, while only 10% of our volunteers are men. Do you want to be that game changer in a child's life? We invite you to attend our Veteran's Day Heroes Breakfast to learn about CASA and the heroes who serve and protect children in foster care while we honor those heroic men and women who serve and protect our country. The featured guest speaker will be The Honorable J. Owen Wise, retired Circuit Court Judge of Caroline County and founder of CASA of Caroline. Please join us on Thursday, November 11 at 7:30 am at Denton Diner for an informative and inspirational breakfast, sponsored by Shore United Bank. For details, please visit www.carolinecasa.org. Space is limited so reserve your spot today by contacting Amy Horne at 410-479-8301 or casacaroline100@gmail.com. Celebrate our American heroes while learning how you can be a hero in a child's life; you can "Change a Child's Story"!

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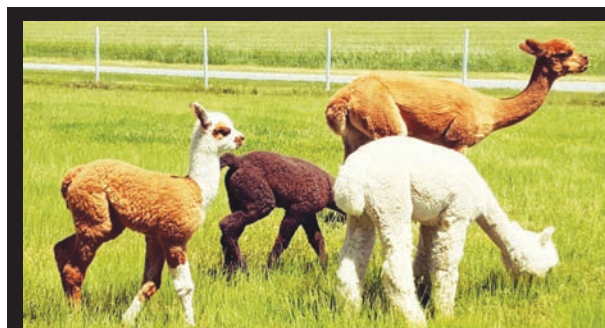
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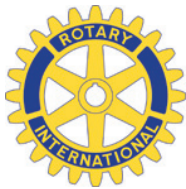
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Denton Rotary Speakers Schedule

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Speakers Schedule

November 3: Program: Ginna Tiernan, Exec. Director of Adkins Arboretum. Meeting will be held at Adkins Arboretum

November 10: Program: Veterans Day program

November 24: Business Meeting via Zoom

Shop Local and Save Money with the Denton Rotary Discount Card!

It's hard to believe the holiday season is already here! It's time to start making lists, buying gifts and preparing for special meals. This year, why not give yourself a break by shopping local and saving money with the Denton Rotary Discount card! You can take care of everyone on your list this year and save some money by visiting any of these great participating businesses! The cards cost \$20, are valid through December 31st, and can be purchased from any of the participating businesses, by visiting the Caroline Library Denton branch, or through the Rotary's Facebook page. Shop local and save!

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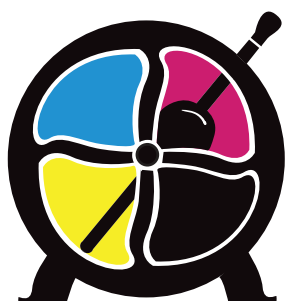
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The Preston Lions Club is seeking new members to help with our community activities. The club meets in-person from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursdays each month in the fall, winter, and spring.

The club meets at the Preston Community Center building at 114 Williamson St., Preston, near the carnival grounds. The Lions Club makes the community center available to community organizations and individuals for event rentals.

The Preston Lions Club supports youth and other activities, conducts vision and hearing tests in schools, and works for the betterment of our community. We collect used eyeglasses, support training for guide dogs, and provide a scholarship to a Colonel Richardson High School senior.

Our activities are funded through annual events, such as the Preston Carnival and the Beef & Shrimp Dinner and Auction.

If you are interested in joining the club, stop in and join us for a meeting or call Matt at 410-673-1240 x1128 or Ed at 443-786-0323 for more information.

Marydel Lions Club

Thanks to the great support of the good folks in the local communities of the Marydel area the members of the Marydel Lions Club were pleased that our BBQ Chicken Dinners were sold out close to Noon on October 9 at our host, State Line Gas, in Marydel. Our Club's outstanding success was due, in large part, to the excellent advertisement for the event that appeared in the October issue of the Caroline Review.

At the Club's monthly dinner meeting on October 12, the Marydel Lions Club officers were formally installed by District 22B Governor Lion David Studley. Those folks currently serving as officers are Lion Terry Higgins, President; Lion Lee Voshell, First Vice President; Lion Debbie Deene, Second Vice President; Lion John Tucker, Recording Secretary; Lion Sharon Burge, Treasurer; and Lion Martha Higgins, Corresponding Secretary.

Please know that 100% of all of the monies raised by our Club's fundraising activities is returned to the children, youth, families, adults and seniors who reside in the towns and environs of the greater Marydel area through our Club's projects and programs. To that end one of the projects that will begin at the Club's forthcoming membership meeting on November 9 will be the initial discussion of our Christmas Food Baskets Project for those in need.

Membership is open to those individuals and couples that have a desire to serve their fellow community members. Inquiries can be directed to Terry Higgins at terryhiggins38@outlook.com or 302-492-3354 or 302-363-5823. Remember that, as members of the Marydel Lions Club, We Serve because We Care, We Help, and We Accomplish!

Need a Gift Idea for Christmas - The Ridgely Lions Club's 2022 Sportsman's Raffle Ticket Makes a Great Stocking Stuffer

The Ridgely Lions Club is selling chances on their annual fundraiser the January 2022 Sportsman's Raffle. A daily raffle prize is awarded each day in January based on the Maryland Lottery 3-Digit Evening drawing. For a \$20 donation to the Ridgely Lions Club you have 31 chances to win on every raffle ticket from Jan. 1 - Jan. 31, 2022. Looking for a great stocking stuffer for Christmas, then the Ridgely Lions Club Sportsman Raffle is your ticket. Prizes include everything from a Benelli Ethos 12 GA shotgun to a one-bushel SS Harford steamer pot to a Wicked Ridge Black Hawk Crossbow to an Engel 50qt. cooler. Prizes in the raffle

are provided by a local sporting goods store, the Tuckahoe Sportsman at 22145 Shore Highway in Denton.

To purchase an RLC Sportsman's raffle ticket, see any Ridgely Lions Club Member or stop by the Tuckahoe Sportsman and All About Hair Salon in Ridgely. For more info on the raffle, go to Facebook/Ridgely Lions Club or www.ridgelylions.org or email us at ridgelylions@verizon.net.

Proceeds from this fundraiser will be used to support Lions Club programs and projects, such as vision screenings, hearing aid and eye glass donations, youth sport team sponsorships, literacy and other programs in local schools, Ridgely Christmas lights and parades, the annual Lions International Peace Poster Contest, a durable medical equipment loan closet and community festivals. Donations also made to numerous local charities and nonprofits.

To support local Lions Club projects with the purchase of a Sportsman Raffle ticket, call Lion Ross Harper at 410-336-1791, Lion Dave Davis at 443-786-2547, or Lion Gerry Sutton at 443-786-0848. If you are interested in helping your community and joining a local service organization, the Lions club would love to hear from you. Contact Lion Joe Riley, Lions membership chairman, at 410-935-7052 or ridgelylions@verizon.net.

Caroline Cycles

Caroline Cycles is a Caroline County based cycling group. Monthly rides are 20-25 miles in length. Riding pace for the group will vary between 12-16 mph and a designated "sweeper" rider is assigned for each ride.

All cyclists must wear helmets. Bikes should be equipped with front and rear lights. Bright colored clothing is encouraged.

Contact Tony Gianninoto at tgianninoto@comcast.net or call/text 410-924-7402.



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Youth Center

The Y has opened up its youth center and added some new games and activities to keep your 10 year and older children busy while you enjoy other membership benefits. Kids of all ages are also allowed to enjoy the youth center when they are accompanied by an adult.

Parents Night Out

Our Parents Night Out is back and will continue every third Friday of the month with our last month being May, 2022. This is for members only and prior sign up (before noon on the day of PNO) is required. Join us for a fun themed night of food, activities and ending with a snack and movie!

Stay and Play

Are your children signed up under your membership? If so, come and take advantage of our Stay and Play(S&P) program. Children ages 6 weeks and older can be left for up to 2 hours a day while you go and enjoy your alone time by working out or just a nice relaxing break. S&P is open Monday through Friday 8:30 AM to Noon and 4:30 PM to 8 PM.

ELR

The Early Learning Readiness (ELR) Program started back up this month and will continue until the end of May, 2022. Enrollment is always open for this child and caregiver preschool program. Children birth to five years old will engage and learn with other children during free play centers and circle time. We meet every Monday and Friday from 10 AM to Noon.

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4th Annual Mid-Shore STEM Festival

The 4th Annual Mid-Shore STEM Festival will be held on Saturday, November 6, at the Caroline County 4-H Park, located at 8230 Detour Road, in Denton. The event will be held rain or shine from 9:30 am – 2:30 pm and is free and open to the public.

The Mid-Shore STEM Festival is hosted by the University of Maryland Extension 4-H and Family & Consumer Sciences Programs and is focused on providing hands-on science, technology, engineering, and math learning for youth of all ages and their families. Activities will include interactive displays, activity stations, demonstrations and workshops. This year's theme is "Health and Wellness" with many activities focused on the theme, as well as many other STEM topics. This is a great event to make career connections and learn about the future of science and science related careers and opportunities.

Bring your kids to participate during the Maryland Science Festival here on the mid-shore on November 6th for a fun science-filled day! We will have lunch and refreshments for sale. Remember, the event is free and open to all!

Please note that mask wearing and other COVID-19 safety measures might be in place during this event.

For more information, please contact Navonne Owen, UME Caroline County 4-H, at nowen@umd.edu or 410-479-4030. This is an equal opportunity and equal access program.

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Events

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Walks and Hikes

Senior Walk: Meet just past the Martinak State Park Office, on the left, at 10:30 AM on Thursdays for a guided walk on a paved trail and camp loop. Meet on Tuesdays at Adkins Arboretum at the Visitor Center at 10:30 AM to walk easy trails. Both walks are approximately 1.5 miles in length or about 3,000 steps and plenty of benches are available for resting and enjoying nature.

Fitness Steps: Meet at the Martinak State Park Nature Center on Tuesday and Thursday morning at 8:00 AM for a 2 mile brisk walk that includes body weight exercises and resistance bands. Guaranteed to shape your legs and arms!

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Arboretum on Nov. 6 at 10 AM. Registration is required. Call 410-634-2847.

Explore Your Park Walks: Meet at the Tuckahoe State Park Office on Friday, November 5 at 10:00 AM for a 2 mile guided walk. Explore the various plants and trees along the way. Also, meet up to walk with others at the following community parks. We will meet at 1 PM on Thursdays at the South County Regional Park on American Corner Rd. and at 1 PM at the Marydel Community Park on Tuesdays. It's a great way to get exercise and meet new people!

Yoga

AM Stretch: Meet at Martinak State Park Amphitheatre on Tuesday for an all body stretch, and Thursday mornings for an energetic practice at 9:00 AM. Both sessions are designed to improve your flexibility, core development, and balance through exercises and yoga. Please bring a yoga mat or towel.

Craft and Art

Paint Afternoon: Paint a winter scene on Sunday afternoon at 2:00 PM at the Martinak State Park Nature Center. \$25.00 fee includes instruction, materials, and light refreshments. Covid safety includes limiting participants, and masks are required. Advance registration required. Call 410-924-1529 to reserve your seat!

Adkins Arboretum Art Reception: Join Liz Donadio, artist from 3:00 - 5:00 PM at Adkins Arboretum as she discusses her current nature exhibit.

Yarning at the Arboretum: Join us for Yarning at the Adkins Arboretum on Wednesday, November 10 from 2 to 4 PM. Bring yarn projects and a chair for an afternoon of camaraderie and encouragement. Registration is suggested. Call 410-634-2847.

Check our website for more park activities by clicking on the calendar of events. <https://go.activecalendar.com/doit-md/?&ql=y&search=y> Or <https://www.carolinemd.org/141/Recreation-Parks> or like us on Facebook at Caroline County Recreation and Parks.

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Post Office: A Short Story

by Chad Dean

"Book of stamps, please," Colt said.

He was the only customer in the Sudlersville post office at that particular moment. He had accumulated a few weeks' vacation that summer and decided a road trip was the best way to spend them. He had always been fascinated by the open road since he was a boy, when his family piled into an old station wagon or never-been-washed Ford truck in pursuit of a part for one of their tractors or medicine for one of their dairy cows. Those days were in the past for good - the farm had been sold, his siblings had scattered and pursued their own lives - but the lure of the highway still lingered as a fire in his belly. In fact, it was the primary intangible thing that motivated Colt; sure, he needed to work to pay for his house, his car, and other bills, but what got him out of bed in the morning, what got him through the doldrums of winter and the mountain of paperwork he had to sort through week by week at his job was his love of travel. Not the normal sort of summer vacation, however. There were no weekends at the beach, no Disney World on his itinerary. Ever. Colt stared at maps, made lists, and then crossed his conquests off those lists. Call him eccentric, call him meticulous, call him OCD, but this quasi-obsession did make for some rather unique excursions to often exotic albeit obscure locales in search of an iconic sign, dilapidated building, or battlefield statue, and on more than one occasion required passage through several forgotten dirt-road counties using the coordinates of a decommissioned highway to some buckling race-track really for no other reason than to please himself with the accomplishment of finding it.

Colt was in Sudlersville looking for Jimmie Foxx. He knew that "Double X" had been gone for half a century; Foxx drank himself to death after a Hall of Fame baseball career. The one detail was

just as alluring as the other. Colt was an all-American boy in most other ways - he played every sport he could, followed those he couldn't. He wanted to visit all 50 states just to be patriotic and was well on his way to accomplishing that feat. He felt at home in a national park, a history museum, a brightly-painted American car with a loud engine. But he could not explain his fascination with tragic heroes, with lost causes, with fatal flaws. He was shocked as a little boy, when watching the North and South miniseries, to discover the Confederacy lost the Civil War. He could have had no real grasp on the causes of the war, the racial undertones, the rhetoric of the abolitionist movement or states' rights demagogues. He was intrigued with the way the rebels carried themselves, their dedication in the face of impossible odds, their attractive flag he recognized in his youth was still flying here and there in the countryside and in particular on the state fair midway. In his twenties, he'd spent time in Richmond, in Charleston, in Atlanta, hoping he could find others that shared that nostalgic if not quixotic mentality, but it was fading. Colt had gradually, subconsciously, allowed his focus to shift away from the Old South and towards faded stars of the sports and celebrity world.

Colt found himself in Key West on the trail of mellow subversives Ernest Hemingway and Jimmy Buffett. He went to Las Vegas and California and Houston to understand the brilliant madness of Howard Hughes. He retraced the route of Smokey and the Bandit but limited himself to viewing the movie only once a year lest he decide on bootlegging or truck driving (or banditry) as a full-time career. He walked in the footsteps of Jesse James in Missouri, in Tennessee, in Kentucky, in Minnesota. He drove the same Lost Highway and parked at the same West Virginia gas station where Hank Williams spent his last night. At some point he realized that his heroes, for the most part, were dead. He could only be where they had been and often he and the locals encountered there, maybe not even all the locals, just the most dedicated ones [read: old people] appreciated the history and

felt the tingling of being where time and place briefly intersected to create a lasting image. Colt wondered often if anyone besides him even thought like that anymore, if ever. He kept a number of albums in his car, hoping to maintain if not mimic the mindset that had produced them in the late 1970s, especially 1977. But listening usually discouraged, rather than motivate him; he knew the era of the country-rock-folk singer-songwriter was over and wasn't coming back. Worse yet, he could not visit the year and the spot that inspired these classic songs. The best he could do was patronize the tourist traps that had been created because of them. Each might have been worth a pass through town and a picture, but it was not and would not ever be the same as it was.

His pursuit of baseball iconography was a different matter altogether. To him, baseball was a language. The rules, the uniforms, the strategy, the ballparks had not radically changed since the beginning. Little leaguers in every town played virtually the same game as the pros. This was Americana, this was culture, this was transcendent history he could appreciate in the moment. The currency of baseball statistics, records, and anecdotal personalities was timeless. Colt appreciated Field of Dreams and went to Iowa to see the farm as instructed. Heck, in his own cattle pasture (they grew mostly soybeans as opposed to corn and furthermore it already had a fence) he devised a makeshift diamond so he and the other neighborhood kids could emulate the movie. His school book reports any time he could get away with it were about the W. P. Kinsella novel that inspired the film. Colt, of course, could not stop there: he knew he needed to go to Greenville, South Carolina, to tour "Shoeless Joe" Jackson's house and did so. Three times. He crossed the border into Georgia to find Ty Cobb's house too, reticently investigating if all the people there in Royston were that passionate - or that paranoid. And now his pursuit of anti-heroes had brought him to Queen Anne's County, Maryland.

He had been there before for rather pedestrian reasons. The more time Colt spent on the Eastern Shore, however, the

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more he realized he was drawn there by the same mentality that had sent him criss-crossing the country in the first place. There was no way that those nine counties could compete with the rest of the state of Maryland or with the city in general. There weren't enough people, not enough revenue, not enough jobs to keep the best and brightest there. Yet people did stay and the local communities remained remarkably the same. Colt could discern no acute change in any of the Delmarva towns each time he crossed a bridge to get there every couple years. He chuckled once at refuting Heraclitus vis-à-vis rivers; the same held true for these tidewater towns. Colt observed how the geography of the Eastern Shore allowed those fourteen counties to exist physically separate of the outside world, how the residents of Delaware and those select parts of Virginia and Maryland could willingly isolate themselves and be quite content with that isolation. If it could not be done on Delmarva, it was not worth doing.

"These are forever stamps," said the clerk.

Colt, confident to know his postage would survive a nuclear holocaust, paid for them and turned to leave. On his way out, he noticed a corkboard on the wall and decided to peruse the advertisements. Maybe there was a local festival, a new restaurant, anything really that might keep him out of the car and on the Shore the least bit longer. Nothing of note, he thought to himself. A beagle was missing. Someone was offering small engine repair. A community yard sale with a rain date was scheduled. A weight loss elixir promotion. Baby shoes (never worn) for sale. A firehouse spaghetti dinner that happened two years ago.

And then he saw it.

There was clearly little on the bulletin board that interested him, but out of the corner of his eye Colt noticed another vehicle pull into the post office parking lot. There was nothing out of the ordinary about the car. It was gray, a

Nissan, with a collection of bugs splattered across the grille. For that matter, the person driving it was just as indistinguishable in a crowd: the woman with mousy brown hair and an equally bland outfit walked a letter to the exterior blue box and quickly drove off as if it was a hassle to peel herself away from her collection of digital devices and actually have to participate in the analog world. Colt assumed she was not local but for a moment speculated where she might be headed. It was a bumper sticker on her car that had attracted his attention:

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Colt had reservations about putting one on his own car. He enjoyed pithy phrases and bad puns as much as the next person, but could never pick just the right one for himself. He would settle for only the best line ever – the funniest, the most politically poignant, the most fitting for him personally – but as of yet had not chosen or found it. He kept three

stickers in a letter holder by his front door: one that touted his membership in the NRA even though he never actually belonged to the organization; one celebrating the 400th anniversary of Jamestown, where he could not decide if he was more excited to meet the President of the United States or James Earl Jones; and one that he had procured from eBay, possibly illicitly, that bore a striking resemblance to the arrowhead logo found on all official National Park Service vehicles. Colt wanted one badly but couldn't find it in stores. He assumed a civilian like himself was not supposed to have one and that he was the benefactor of a disgruntled Department of the Interior employee dumping classified contraband on the black market. He would gladly put that emblem on his car, perhaps on the driver side door, but then would always wonder if he would be apprehended during his next jaunt through a park and interrogated under a dangling, naked lightbulb in a visitor center back room.

So what did that sticker mean? There were so many angles to consider. Was she distraught? And if so, why advertise that fact? Colt had been through the typical ups and downs in his life: deaths of friends and family members, health scares, defeats, disappointments, but had done his best to move on and present himself as chipper as he could in public. Maybe the driver of that Nissan wanted people to know about her heartache. But that would be too easy, too direct. Bumper stickers are seldom literal.

It was tongue-in-cheek, he thought. If the bumper sticker had declared, "So mad I'm seeing red," then few would have given it a second thought. Well, other than to steer clear of that car, Colt decided. But the very point of bumper stickers is to attract attention so that could not possibly be the reason. Had the driver thought up the phrase herself and had it printed just for her? Perhaps she had styled herself as Big Woman on Campus at some generic liberal arts college and

this was her sarcastic way of thumbing her nose at the latter-day Bohemian causeheads that congregated there in self-appointed unwashed glory even though their parents were respected lawyers and accountants in cities just a few hours away. Or maybe she was one of those hipster dilettantes herself and the line was an inside joke that would make her smile haughtily whenever she thought of it or moreso whenever someone didn't get it. Colt supposed momentarily it was possible that this woman was another Lost Cause wanderer like himself, that she meant the bumper sticker to be interpreted in equally opposing ways. She too was looking for something that could not be found. Something from the past, something that may not have ever tangibly existed, some romanticized figment they both imagined blissfully as they struggled with the present and the future. She was humorously yet subtly advertising this serious condition in the hopes that someone would understand her pained existence and fill the void, or

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that she already knew this person and envisioned them crossing paths again in an improbable and idyllic reunion in Paris or at least New Orleans.

Colt smacked a mosquito from the back of his neck and returned to reality.

The Nissan was gone and he knew he would never see it or its driver again. Still, the thought of that would-be conversation preoccupied Colt. He considered ways of initiating the dialogue between them, of how he might entice her to drinks and dinner to unravel her angst and navigate her past. Of how he could explain his own worldview and spin his accomplishments and travels and philosophy in a way that made him sound alluring. Enigmatic. Artsy. Would she even respond if he were to ask her what the bumper sticker meant? Colt contemplated where they would go: Rock Hall? Oxford? Suicide Bridge? Denton? No, definitely not Denton. He did want to impress her a little, after all. He had seen her for maybe fifteen seconds but resigned himself to the fact that she was the type of woman to smile, say nothing, and head off into the twilight fashioning herself a protagonist in some sophisticated unfilmed movie.

All Colt wanted was a straightforward answer. Not much more than light-hearted small talk with another stranger in a summer resort town waiting to be seated for dinner. He wasn't a flirt. He just wanted to know. It was an innocent pointed question at best. Sure, the conversation might segue into other topics as they discovered mutual interests: pets, concerts, annoyances, whatever...

What was in the letter she mailed? She had a cellphone in her other hand the entire time she was in the parking lot. Clearly it was a binding legal document that could not be emailed or reversed. Something that required a signature. Notarization, even. Was it having to drive to the post office that had agitated her or the contents of the envelope? Colt wondered if he had imagined her mindset. She could have been a content mother of three sending away a collection of UPC symbols so that her middle child could claim an offer from the back of a cereal box and this was just one more stop of many today. There was something to be said for the unheralded everyday milestones of family life, Colt thought to himself, as he briefly evaluated the importance of his travels.

Was the car even hers? Possibly she was a hardened criminal escaping from the jail in Church Hill, dropping off a rambling and threatening note to the public defender who had bumbled his way through her case. She was reminding him that she is the type of person that walks away from explosions without looking back; she would surely avenge her death before she died. Where would she go next? No matter which direction she went she was destined to be detected on the grid – there were EZ-Pass sensors scanning license plates on every bridge connected to the peninsula. If she drove straight east she would reach the ocean in an hour or two. Colt considered the precise details of her getaway plan or lack thereof; he remarked silently it was either coincidence or irony defined as she saw crimson in the car she had chosen to steal.

Colt had been standing on the steps outside the Sudlersville post office for some time. Off the top of his head he could not remember the location of his next destination. He got back in his car and starting driving south regardless, entertaining the remote possibility of ever seeing an armadillo this far north. Colt realized hours later he had neglected to take a picture of the Jimmie Foxx statue standing in the middle of town.

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36th annual Two-Mile Turkey Trot

For 36 years, this family event has marked the beginning of the holiday season. Run, jog or walk this two-mile course from Denton Elementary School to Martinak State Park and back. The first 75 registrants receive a special gift and everyone is entered in the free turkey raffle. Registration check-in begins at 8:15 a.m. and the race begins at 9:00 a.m. Post-race events will include the Choptank Supply Frozen Turkey Bowling, Supersized Chicken Corn Hole, and plenty of COVID friendly refreshments. Fee is \$10 per person or \$34 for a group of four if registered by November 12th. Cost is \$15 per person and \$54 for a group of four after November 12th.

Saturday, November 20 at Denton Elementary School; Race Time 9:00 am.

Jr. NBA Elementary Basketball 2021-2022

Unleash your full hoops potential. Using the Jr. NBA curriculum, players will work on dribbling, shooting, passing, rebounding and teamwork during weekly practices. Teams will not be divided by home school. Instead, sign up for the location and day that's most convenient for you. Six weeks of games at CRMS will start Saturday, January 15, and run through February 19 (make-up game on February 26). Specific practice times on each day cannot be guaranteed and will be assigned once teams are put together. Depending on registration numbers,

the 9-10 year old boys and girls may be combined to make co-ed teams. Practice dates may vary based on registration numbers, coaches and gym availability. See table for ages and locations.

7-8 year-old practices run from 5:45 – 6:30 pm (and 6:45 – 7:30 if we can make multiple teams).

9-10 year-old practices run from 5:30 – 6:30 (and 6:45 – 7:45 if we can make multiple teams).

Middle School Basketball

Unleash your full hoops potential! Improve your dribbling, shooting, passing, rebounding and teamwork during weekly practices, then put your skills to use in four games played on Saturdays. The game dates are: November 13, 20, December 4, 11 (December 18 make-up day). All participants will receive a jersey. Game times to be determined based on the number of teams from each school. Practice locations, days and times may be altered due to coach and gym availability.

Boys: Mondays 10/25 – 12/13, 6:00 – 7:30 at LMS, 7:00 – 8:30 at CRMS, \$59.

Girls: Wednesdays 10/27 – 12/15, 6:00 – 7:30 at LMS, 7:00 – 8:30 at CRMS, \$59.

Start Smart Basketball

Help your child prepare to be successful in organized sports and have fun with them too by participating in this nationally recognized parent-child basketball program which will develop general motor skills as well as specific basketball-related skills. Activities will include dribbling/ball handling, passing/catching, shooting, and

running/agility. This program requires a parent or other adult to participate with the child to work one-on-one, spending quality time while having fun. Each child will receive their own equipment, including two basketballs, 4 cones, and a Start Smart shirt.

4 year olds: 10:00 – 10:45 am, Saturdays 11/6 – 12/18 at the Fretterd Community Center Gym, \$89.

5-6 year olds: 11:00 – 11:45 am, Saturdays 11/6 – 12/18 at the Fretterd Community Center Gym, \$89.

Tribal Belly Dance Level 1

Always been intrigued by Belly Dance? Come out and try it! American Tribal Style (ATS) belly dance is a modern style of belly dance that uses set belly dance movements, with distinct cues and transitions, to create dance improvisation in a group (tribe). Students will learn the basic belly dance movements and format for how to dance together as a group.

Ages 16 & up, Thursdays 11/4 – 12/16, 6:15 – 7:15 pm at the Fretterd Community Center, room 104, \$59.

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Jr. NBA Elementary Basketball - Practice Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Denton	7-8 co-ed	9-10 boys	7-8 co-ed	9-10 girls
Federalsburg	9-10 boys	9-10 girls		
Greensboro			9-10 girls	9-10 boys
Preston	7-8 co-ed		7-8 co-ed	
Ridgely		7-8 co-ed		7-8 co-ed

Evening/Drop-In Pickleball

Pickleball has become the fastest growing sport in America. Come join us for two hours of drop-in game time. This program is perfect for adults of all ages and skill levels. Come learn a new sport. Equipment is provided.

Ages 18 & up, Tuesdays 10/5 - 12/21, 6:15 - 8:15 pm at the Fretterd Community Center Gym, \$5 drop in fee per night.

Open Gym Basketball

Up for some good competition? Come out and join the has-been, should have been or could have been for two hours of full court basketball!

Ages 18 & up (out of high school), Wednesdays 10/6 - 12/22, 6 - 8 pm at the Fretterd Community Center Gym, \$4 at the door.

Ages 40 & up, Sundays 10/3 - 12/19, 5:30 - 7:30 pm at the North Caroline High School Gym, \$4 at the door.

Open Gym Advanced Volleyball

Ready for some competition? Come out and join the fun. High energy group of adults. Must have previous volleyball experience.

Ages 18 & up, Fridays 9/17 - 12/17, 6 - 8 pm at the Fretterd Community Center Gym, \$4 at the door.

A link to program registration and facility rentals is always available online at www.carolinerecreation.org, and for programming updates follow us at www.facebook.com/CCRecAndParks.

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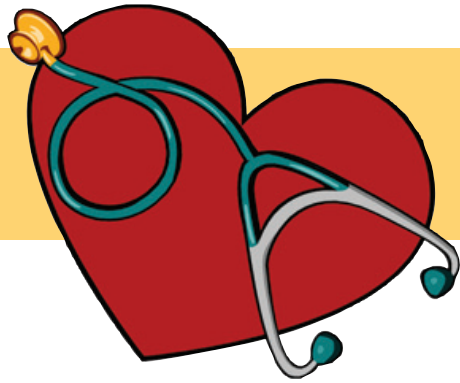
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Health Corner

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The Great American Smoke Out

By Leigh Marquess, RN

About 32.4 million American adults still smoke cigarettes, and smoking remains the single largest preventable cause of death and illness in the world. Smoking causes an estimated 480,000 deaths every year, or about one in five deaths. More than 16 million Americans live with a smoking-related disease.

While the rates of cigarette smoking have declined over the past several decades, from 42% in 1965 to 13.7% in 2019, the gains have been inconsistent. Some groups smoke more heavily or at higher rates and suffer disproportionately from smoking-related cancer and other diseases. These populations tend to be those who experience inequities in multiple areas of their lives, including those at lower socioeconomic levels, those without college degrees, American Indians/Alaska natives, African American/Black communities, LGBTQ communities, those in the military, those with behavioral health conditions, and others.

No matter your age or how long you've been smoking, quitting improves health both immediately and over the long term. Giving up smoking is a journey, and it can be hard, but you can increase your chances of success with a good plan and support. Getting help through counseling and medications doubles or even triples your chances of quitting successfully.

Are you thinking about quitting tobacco? Research shows that if you pick a quit day that is within the next 30 days and stick to it, you'll be more likely to succeed in quitting. Every November, the American Cancer Society sets aside the third Thursday to encourage smokers to go the distance, and to finally give up smoking. Why not pick the date of the American Cancer Society's "Great American Smoke Out" on Thursday, November 18th, as your quit date?

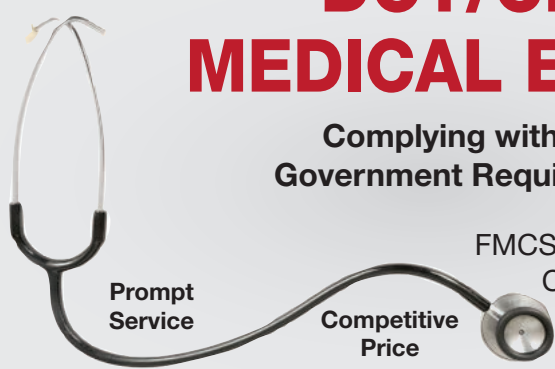
By quitting, even if it's just for one day, you will be taking an important step toward a healthier life — one that can lead to reducing your disease and cancer risk.

Here are some tips to prepare for your quit date:

- Pick your quit date and mark it on your calendar.

- Tell friends and family about your quit date.
- Seek out support and free resources, like the Caroline County Health Department and the Maryland Quit Line, 1-800-QUIT-NOW.
- Stock up on oral substitutes – sugarless gum, carrot sticks, or hard candy.
- Make sure you have lots of water on hand – this will help flush out those toxins.
- Think back to your other attempts to quit. Try to figure out what worked and what didn't work for you. There is no one right way to quit; it's whatever will work for you!

Quitting tobacco is a process and it takes a strong commitment over a long period of time. Tobacco users may wish there was a magic pill or method that would make quitting painless and easy, but, unfortunately, there is no such thing. Nicotine substitutes can help reduce withdrawal symptoms, but they are most effective when used as part of a plan that addresses both the physical and psychological components of quitting tobacco. Quitting isn't easy, but it's worth it! Think about your reasons for wanting to quit – Your health? Your family? Your children? To save money? To have freedom from addiction? There are lots of great reasons to quit tobacco.



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Resource: <https://www.cancer.org/healthy/stay-away-from-tobacco/great-american-smokeout.html>

Choptank Health Announces New Federalsburg Health Center Planned

Choptank Community Health System has recently announced plans are underway for a new Federalsburg health center to open in 2024. Choptank Health has purchased land on Hayman Avenue for its new 15,000 to 20,000 square foot facility, and architectural plans are in progress.

“Our residents deserve the best access to quality care,” said Choptank Community Health CEO Sara Rich. “We have long outgrown our original facility in Federalsburg, and are eager to see patients for medical and dental care in our new state-of-the-art health center.”

An \$829K one-time capital improvement grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services’ Health Resources and Services Administration has been received as initial funding towards the facility. The HRSA funding supports construction, expansion, alteration, renovation, and other capital improvements to modify, enhance, and expand health care infrastructure.

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in innovation and discovery,” said U. S. Senator Ben Cardin. “This funding will support the infrastructure needed to help Marylanders with expanded health care services on the Eastern Shore.”

Architectural and engineering firm George, Miles & Buhr, LLC of Salisbury is charged with the new facilities’ design. The new Federalsburg facility will include expanded spaces for dental and medical services, more parking, and space for Choptank Health’s residency programs and behavioral health services for patients.

GMB serves local, national, and international clients with a team of more than 90 professionals working from a network of Mid-Atlantic region offices. The firm was founded in 1960, with local architectural projects including the Onley, Eastville, and Atlantic Community Health Centers in Virginia; the Denton Health Center and Caroline County EMS Facility in Denton; and the Salisbury University Center for Entrepreneurship in Salisbury.

“We’re grateful to be a trusted advisor to Choptank Community Health,” says GMB President and Managing Member James H. Willey, Jr., P.E. “This is very purposeful and meaningful work as we collaborate with the Choptank Health team to provide an exceptional immersive designed facility that meets the health care needs of Federalsburg area residents.”

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Community Calendar

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Eternal Life Ministries winter hat, coat and glove drive to collect new or gently used items to help those in need. Donations can be dropped off any Sunday during our Free at 3pm! Worship Service or any Wednesday during our in person 6 pm Bible Study at 807 Market Street, Denton.

SUNDAY

In person worship every at 3 pm at Eternal Life Ministries, 807 Market St., Denton, where we are "Free at 3"! Contact Brother Mike at 410-714-4793 for more information.

MONDAYS

The Ridgely Lions meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at the Ridgely United Methodist Church Social Hall, 107 Central Ave. in Ridgely at 6:30

pm. For more info on the Ridgely Lions go to www.ridgelylions.org or www.facebook.com/ridgelylionsclub. We are always seeking new members who are interested in serving their community.

FIRST MONDAYS

The Greensboro Historical Society, 104 E. Sunset Ave., meets each month on the first Monday at 7 pm.

TUESDAYS

Tuesday Bingo at Denton American Legion Post 29. 7:30 pm. Snacks at break and computers available. Info 410 -479-2708.

WEDNESDAYS

Al-Anon Meeting. Help for family and friends worried about someone with a drinking problem. Immanuel Lutheran Church, 242 Main St., Preston. Meeting in the Geiger Hall Building (behind the church) at 7 p.m. every Wednesday evening. All are welcome.

Community Civic League Food Pantry, 3439 Laurel Grove Road, Federalsburg. Wednesdays, 4 - 5 pm or by appointment. Free food and clothing. Contact: 302-604-4216 or 410-754-6011.

In person **Bible Study** at 6 pm, Eternal Life Ministries, 807 Market St., Denton.

The Ridgely Lions Club supports the **Ridgely United Methodist Church with their weekly "Food Pantry"** from 4-5 pm. Folks in need can pick up a grocery distribution behind the Church on Central Ave in Ridgely. For more information, contact Lion Shad Brannock at ridgelionsec@gmail.com.

SECOND FRIDAYS

The Greensboro Historical Society Museum, 104 E. Sunset Ave., "**Friday Night at the Museum**" is usually held on the second Friday of each month at 6:30 with various presentations of historical interest. Also open by appointment. Our mission is the preservation of our local history and heritage, education and outreach to the greater Greensboro community. Stop by to see local artifacts and to learn about Greensboro of olden times. We also look forward to hearing your memories of old Greensboro and your thoughts on how best to preserve the history and heritage of our community. Masks must be worn and social distancing observed. For more information call 410-482-8903.

SATURDAYS

Preston Historical Society has resumed Saturday hours. For more information on the museum and its upcoming reopening and events visit www.prestonhistoricalsociety.com, Facebook at "Preston Historical Society," or call 410-943-1891.

The Caroline County Historical Society Rural Life Museum located at 16 N. 2nd St., Denton is open every Saturday from 11 am to 4 pm from May through November. We adhere to all COVID -19 regulations including the wearing of a mask in the Museum. We do not provide masks. Contact: 410-479-2055 or www.carolinehistory.org for additional information.

FIRST SATURDAYS

Community Civic League Breakfast, 3439 Laurel Grove Road, Federalsburg. Every first Saturday, 7-10:30 am. Scrapple, sausage, eggs, potatoes, applesauce, biscuit, oj, coffee, \$8. Local delivery available. One free breakfast to

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The **1809 Exeter House** (Old Denton Road, Federalsburg) will be open for tours on the second Saturday of each month, beginning from 10 am to 2 pm. Admission is free, but donations are welcomed.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29

Friday Nite Dinner at Denton American Legion Post #29, 9238 Legion Road, 5-7 pm. ALA serving Chicken and Dumpling

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

Preston Historical Society will host its annual Haunted Porch at its museum located at 167 Main Street in Preston. Trick-or-treaters are invited, time will follow the town of Preston's trick-or-treat schedule. For more information call 410-943-1891 or visit www.prestonhistoricalsociety.com.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Grocery Bingo at the Cordova Firehouse. Doors open at 6 pm and games begin at 6:30 pm. Refreshments are available. For more information, call Cathie at 410-924-6535.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5

No Friday Nite Dinner at Denton American Legion Post #29 as will be preparing for our 35th Annual Craft Show for Saturday and Sunday.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5 AND 6

The Fall Rummage and Yard Sale at Templeville Community Hall, will be Friday from 9 am to 2 pm and Saturday, from 9 am to Noon. Due to health concerns, facial mask may be required.

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 AND 7

35th Annual Craft Show at Denton American Legion Post #29, 9238 Legion Road. Free admission. Crafts, food, bake table, silent auction, door prizes, lunch daily. Call Joanne Weis at 410-479-4737 for more info. Support our troops! All current Covid 19 protocols must be observed.

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 7

Please join us for a special **Veteran's Day worship service** where we will be honoring our Veterans. There will be a Turkey dinner following our 3 pm Free at 3 Service. Our preacher for the afternoon will be the Reverend Doctor Baron Hopkins Sr from Fulwell Baptist Church in Salisbury. We would like for all available veterans to join us. If you know a veteran, bring one with you. Join us at Eternal Life Ministries 807 Market Street, Denton.

Bingo is sponsored by **The Lady Patriots at the Easton VFW** on Glebe Road. Doors open at 1 am and games begin at 2 pm. Prizes include cash prizes & gift certificates from \$50. Price is \$25 if you pre-register and \$30 at the door. Call Connie

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Chesapeake Charities' Celebration of Charity honoring those that serve our veterans. Chesapeake Bay Beach Club from 11:30-1:00 p.m. To purchase tickets visit www.chesapeakecharities.org. For more information call 410-643-4020.

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11

CASA Breakfast Information Session at 7:30 AM at the Denton Diner in Denton Plaza, with guest speaker The Honorable J. Owen Wise. Space is limited. Please reserve yours by calling Amy at 410-479-8301 or email casacaroline100@gmail.com.

com. Complimentary juice and coffee. Door prizes.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12

Friday Night Dinner at Denton American Legion Post #29, 9238 Legion Road from 5-7 PM. Fish and/or Shrimp

Dinner for \$8 or \$12. Entertainment with Alan Cheezum on Guitar from 7-11 PM. Info 410-479-2708.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14

First Annual Family and Friends Day! We are inviting you to bring all of your family and friends to church at 3pm where we are Free at 3! The Elder Reverend Frank Gibbs from New Dimensions Milford Campus will be bringing the Word. Join us at Eternal Life Ministries at 807 Market Street, Denton.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Preston Historical Society will hold its monthly membership meeting at 7 PM at the Preston Historical Society Museum, 167 Main Street, Preston. Guest speaker will be Keith Shaffer who will give a presentation on the murder of Sallie Dean. The public is invited to attend. For more information call 410-943-1891 or visit www.prestonhistoricalsociety.com.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

The Community Club will hold its monthly membership meeting at Noon, at the Lions Club Community Building, 114 Williamson Street, Preston. This meeting is the group's annual food auction, food items suitable for storing/freezing for the holidays is auctioned off at the meeting. New members always welcomed. For more information call 410-673-1119 or visit Facebook at "Community Club of Preston, Maryland."

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18

2021 Thanksgiving Food Boxes Giveaway at Aaron's Place, 401 Aldersgate Drive, Denton at 11 am. Sponsored by Living Waters Assembly.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Friday Night Dinner at Denton American Legion Post #29, 9238 Legion Road from 5-7PM. SAL will be serving a menu to be determined for \$8. Entertainment with Linda Webb, Karaoke from 7-11 PM. Info 410-479-2708.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20

The Caroline County Republican Women will meet at 10 am at the home of Lynn Faulstick, 11039 River Road,



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Ridgely. The guest speaker will be Terry Lord, Clerk of Court. Light refreshments will be available. All are welcome!

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21

Sunday Breakfast at Denton American Legion Post #29, 9238 Legion Road. from 8-11 AM. Cost is \$9. Info 410-479-2708.

Turkey Shoot at Denton American Legion Post #29, 9238 Legion Road at 1 PM. Info. 410-479-2708.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Please join us at Eternal Life Ministries at 6:30 PM for our **Thanksgiving Eve Concert** featuring the DL Hines Mass Choir. Come and be blessed! We are located at 807 Market Street, Denton.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26

No Friday Nite Dinner at Denton American Legion Post #29 as we are all eating turkey leftovers!

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Think BIG Shop Small! Come out to support your local small businesses on Small Business Saturday from 10 to 3 at the Federalsburg VFW Hall. Contact debbiesavon@yahoo.com with any questions.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28

The DL Ministries Mass Choir will be singing at the **Festival of Trees at the historic Tidewater Inn** in downtown Easton. We will be singing from 6 pm to 6:30 PM. Please come and support the fund raising event for Talbot County Hospice.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4

Preston Historical Society will hold its Eighth Annual Christmas Open House at its museum located at 167 Main Street in Preston. Hours are 10 AM to 2 PM. Santa Claus will be present. This is the final day the museum will be open in 2021. For more information call 410-943-1891 or visit www.prestonhistoricalsociety.com.

A festive poster for 'Whoville Village Holiday Park' presented by the Town of Greensboro. The background is a snowy winter night scene with evergreen trees and a full moon. At the top, Santa Claus is shown flying in his sleigh, pulled by reindeer. A yellow circular callout on the right says 'More Attractions New Location More Fun!'. In the center, text reads 'COME AND ENJOY THE CHRISTMAS LIGHTS AT WHOVILLE VILLAGE EVERY FRIDAY AND SATURDAY DECEMBER 3-18 • 5-9 PM 13781 GREENSBORO ROAD • GREENSBORO, MD'. At the bottom left, a sign on a stick says 'Photos with Santa at Santa Village Hot Cocoa and Cookies Station'. At the bottom right, a pink speech bubble says 'New Location: Grounds behind Greensboro Vol. Fire Company Community Center'. The Grinch is standing on the right side of the poster.

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Please note: We have moved our meeting nights at Caroline County Public Library to the first Wednesday of the month!

Recognizing that we are not through the COVID-19 pandemic yet, we are following the County's and Library's current mandate that everyone wear face masks when in the Library.

Wednesday, November 3: Program. Maren Gimpel, Field Ecologist & Outreach Coordinator, and Meghan McHenry, Glass Testing Technician of Foreman's Branch Bird Observatory, Center for Environment & Society, Washington College will present "Birds and Glass-researching the ramifications of window strikes in rehabilitated birds." 7:30 PM, Caroline County Public Library, 100 Market St., Denton.

Saturday, November 6: Bird Walk. North County Regional Park. Meet at parking area near woods at 8 am. Leaders: Debby Bennett and friends.

Saturday, December 18: Christmas Bird Count. Coordinator: Contact Steve Westre at swestre26@comcast.net.

All activities are free and open to the public.

Check out more Caroline County Bird Club information at: <http://carolinebirdclubmos.blogspot.com>. And don't forget to visit our Facebook page and Like us! Just go to Caroline County Bird Club!

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November Tide Table

Predictions for Tuckahoe
(See below for other factors)
Daylight Savings Time

Date	AM				PM			
1	5:27	Hi			12:02	Lo	6:02	Hi
2	12:30	Lo	6:22	Hi	12:53	Lo	7:01	Hi
3	1:27	Lo	7:15	Hi	1:43	Lo	7:57	Hi
4	2:23	Lo	8:07	Hi	2:32	Lo	8:51	Hi
5	3:16	Lo	8:57	Hi	3:20	Lo	9:43	Hi
6	4:07	Lo	9:46	Hi	4:09	Lo	10:33	Hi
Eastern Standard Time Begins								
7	3:57	Lo	9:35	Hi	3:58	Lo	10:23	Hi
8	4:47	Lo	10:24	Hi	4:48	Lo	11:12	Hi
9	5:36	Lo	11:15	Hi	5:39	Lo		
10	12:01	Hi	6:26	Lo	12:07	Hi	6:32	Lo
11	12:51	Hi	7:17	Lo	1:03	Hi	7:27	Lo
12	1:42	Hi	8:08	Lo	2:03	Hi	8:23	Lo
13	2:35	Hi	9:00	Lo	3:06	Hi	9:20	Lo
14	3:30	Hi	9:51	Lo	4:09	Hi	10:17	Lo
15	4:25	Hi	10:42	Lo	5:09	Hi	11:13	Lo
16	5:19	Hi	11:32	Lo	6:03	Hi		
17	12:08	Lo	6:10	Hi	12:22	Lo	6:53	Hi
18	1:01	Lo	6:58	Hi	1:10	Lo	7:40	Hi
19	1:51	Lo	7:44	Hi	1:56	Lo	8:23	Hi
20	2:38	Lo	8:27	Hi	2:41	Lo	9:05	Hi
21	3:24	Lo	9:08	Hi	3:25	Lo	9:45	Hi
22	4:09	Lo	9:48	Hi	4:09	Lo	10:24	Hi
23	4:54	Lo	10:27	Hi	4:53	Lo	11:04	Hi
24	5:39	Lo	11:07	Hi	5:39	Lo	11:44	Hi
25	6:25	Lo	11:50	Hi	6:27	Lo		
26	12:25	Hi	7:12	Lo	12:38	Hi	7:18	Lo
27	1:10	Hi	8:00	Lo	1:32	Hi	8:12	Lo
28	1:58	Hi	8:49	Lo	2:32	Hi	9:08	Lo
29	2:50	Hi	9:38	Lo	3:35	Hi	10:06	Lo
30	3:45	Hi	10:28	Lo	4:38	Hi	11:05	Lo

Add or subtract hours and/or minutes as indicated:

	AM		PM	
Greensboro	Add	:25	Add	:43
Choptank	Subtract	3:06	Subtract	2:23
Denton	Subtract	:40	Subtract	:03



Your Chamber at Work

*by Tracey Snyder, Executive Director of
Caroline County Chamber of Commerce*

November ushers in the holiday season and brings everyone together!

We are excited to welcome the following new members: Lisa McCarthy- Liberty Title, Christina Lippincott Graphic Designer, Mayflower Cruises & Tours, VanTech Business Solutions, Smokin' on the Shore and Big Brothers & Big Sisters of Salisbury.

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All Aboard! The Chamber is planning a trip to San Francisco and Wine Country featuring the Napa Valley Wine Train! We are set to depart October 2, 2022 with Mayflower Cruises & Tours.

For more information please visit our website. This trip will follow all CDC guidelines and is fully refundable should it not be safe to travel.

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Financial Moves for Women Business Owners



*Submitted by Ann Jacobs, Financial Advisor, Edward Jones - Denton
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If you're a woman who owns a business, you may have some challenges not shared by your male peers – but you also have several opportunities to help improve your financial future.

You may already be taking some or all the right steps, but here are some ideas to be sure you're considering and revisiting as your business grows:

- Refresh your network. Are you involved in networking with other women business owners? Many of them may have insights into the issues women face in the business world, as well as suggestions about lending programs and business-friendly banks. You may also enjoy passing along your lessons learned to others.
- Review your business structure. If you go into business as a sole proprietor, you'll have to report your business income on your personal income tax return. If you incorporate or form a limited liability company (LLC), you can protect your personal assets – such as your house and your investments – from creditors because these assets will be separated from your business assets



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and debts. You might also consider other, more complex entities, known as C and S corporations. There's no single "correct" business structure and the most appropriate one for you may change over time, so, in choosing one that's right for your needs, you'll want to consult with your tax and legal advisors.

- Invest for growth. Ideally, hard work produces results, and one of the main results you want from your investments is growth – that is, you want your investments to appreciate in value so they can eventually help you meet your goals. But if you are overconcentrated in vehicles such as certificates of deposit (CDs) and government securities, you may end up lowering your growth potential. That's not to say that CDs and Treasury bills are in some sense "lazy." They can provide you with income and help you reduce the impact of market volatility on your portfolio. But to achieve most of your goals, you'll need a reasonable number of growth-oriented investments working for you, with the exact percentage based on your needs and life stages.
- Do an insurance checkup. To protect yourself and your business, you may want to review your insurance to make sure you have the right kinds and amount of coverage. General liability insurance can be appropriate for sole proprietors, if you've established an LLC or you've incorporated your business. If you provide some type of professional service (i.e., legal, accounting, engineering and so on), you might need professional liability insurance. And no matter what business you own, you might want to add disability insurance to replace some of the income you'd lose if you were injured or became ill.
- Consider all your retirement options. If you've got your own business, you're solely responsible for funding your retirement. Fortunately, as a business owner, you've got several attractive options, including an "owner-only" 401(k), a SEP-IRA and a SIMPLE IRA. In deciding which plan is right for you, you'll need to consider several factors, including the number of employees, if any, and the nature of your business. However, all these plans are relatively easy to set up and administer and offer potential tax benefits. And even though you've got plenty to do already, you should make the time to establish or review your own retirement plan – because eventually you'll need all the resources you can accumulate to enjoy life as a former business owner.

You can also find valuable information on programs for women business owners by visiting the Small Business Administration's website at www.sba.gov and searching for "women-owned businesses."

Running your own business can be challenging – but by making some positive financial moves and getting the support you need, you can also find business ownership to be highly rewarding, personally and professionally.

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Timothy L. Todd to Selvin Junior Cordova, 418 Main Street, Marydel, \$167,000.

Colin D. Jones and Teresa E. Simmons to Ariatna E. Escobar-Estebal and Diana Escobar-Estebal, 610 W. Sunset Avenue, Greensboro, \$50,000.

Brian D. Shilling and Lauren N. Shilling to Mark Clifford, Jr., 1509 Cattail Commons Way, Denton, \$345,000.

The Gardens Land Group, Inc. to Scott Clendaniel and Jennifer Clendaniel, 305 Morning Glory Drive, Denton, \$331,792.

Garold Robert Stewart and Sheila Kathleen Stewart to Thomas F. Shaw and Tracy M. Shaw, 11481 Reed Circle, Ridgely, \$350,000.

David L. Todd and Constance Rae Todd to James D. Reese, 1207 Tuckahoe Court, Denton, \$285,000.

The Estate of Donald E. Willin to Paul Lafon, III, 11283 Central Avenue, Ridgely, \$205,750.

Michael Malone Stafford and Susan W. Stafford to Earl T. Foster, IV and Susie M. Foster, 9370 Mike Street, Denton, \$225,000.

James Francis Hubbert, Jr. to Zegato Solutions, Inc., 108 Vernon Avenue, Federalsburg, \$55,000.

Paul E. Milligan to Hector Castro, Jr. and Gabriela Y. Alvarez, 3540 Houston Branch Road, Federalsburg, \$77,000.

Eric Nicholas Lee and Daniele Miller Lee to Sean K. Saltsburg and Kimberly Irene Saltsburg, 25846 Cook Lane, Greensboro, \$420,000.



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H & W Properties, LLC to Craig W. Black and Susan R. Black, Lot 30 Maplewood Drive, Ridgely, \$67,500.

Kelly M. North to James M. Brenton, Jr. and Kathleen M. Brenton, 114 Edenton Lane, Denton, \$86,000.

David J. McArtor to Joanne M. Frye, 26507 Marydel Road, Marydel, \$200,000.

Stafford General Contractors, LLC to Michael Allen Simpson and Krystle Anne Simpson, 10796 Collinswood Drive, Denton, \$300,000.

Robert P. Behlke and Deborah L. Behlke to Justin R. Johnson and Brandie L. Johnson, 27950 Substation Road, Denton, \$525,000.

The Estate of Dalton L. Mann to Steven Gregory and Bruna A. Carincotte, 22944 Lyn Oaks Drive, Preston, \$500,000.

Margaret Ann Newton to 124 Boyce Mill, LLC, 105 Boyce Mill Road, Greensboro, \$135,000.

Elmer T. Dize, Jr. and Joan F. Dize to Vanessa Loweth, 9675 Foy Road, Denton, \$290,000.

Christopher F. Drummond to William Finlay and Tyler Finlay, 24626 Pealiquor Road, Denton, \$382,000.

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Benjamin D. Burrows and Pamela A. Burrows to Edgar Rivera and Sarely Dalila Perez Reyes, 304 Buena Vista Avenue, Federalsburg, \$82,000.

The Estate of Charles Edward Stanley to Robert K. Carroll, Jr. and Jennifer L. Elben, 26354 Boyce Mill Road, Greensboro, \$290,000.

William J. Mengel and Ann Marie Mengel to Andrew Wallis and Casey Wallis, 100 Riverton Avenue, Denton, \$145,000.

Michael E. Campbell to Stephen M. Maloy and Stephanie N. Maloy, 1301 Blue Heron Drive, Denton, \$140,000.

Hector Olguin Munoz to Luvor Natahan Vasquez De Leon and Londen Lileni Morales Gonzalez, 203 E. Central Avenue, Federalsburg, \$45,000.

Josiah K. Brubaker and Kiersten R. Brubaker to Daniel James Karner and Cheri Karner, 25294 Smith Landing Road, Denton, \$340,000.

Ronald D. Spiering to E & K Farms, LLC, 98.8368 acres on Melville Road, Lot 4 on Melville Road, 8.266 acres, Henderson, \$455,000.

Peter C. Harrison, Sr. and Charlotte C. Harrison to Jacqueline Wright, 1221 Fairfield Court, Denton, \$223,500.

Robert A. Thornton, Jr. and Carol V. Thornton to Alejandro Homes, LLC, Tax Map 303, Parcel 1137, Academy Street, Greensboro, \$35,000.

Riverview Trading Company to Paul O. Trench, 111 Railroad Avenue, Federalsburg, \$100,000.

Lauren Danielle Milash to Devereaux Tyler Rostien, Parcel 274, 7.69 acres, Greensboro Road, Greensboro, \$75,000.

Stacy A. Thomas to David Benson, 4 Ridgeway Drive, Ridgely, \$101,750.

Robert Thomas Covey and Erica H. Covey to Joseph Thomas Fisher and Alys Marie Fisher, 6004 Laurel Grove Road, Denton, \$475,000.

Vladimir Bulkin and Kelly Sharpless to Branden Lamar Johnson and Samantha E. Voss, 3488 Houston Branch Road, Federalsburg, \$275,000.

Samuel K. Bullen to Gary E. Bee and Emily M. Bee, 405 N. University Avenue, Federalsburg, \$300,000.

Shane T. Scharf and Clara K. Thornton to Christopher A. Scharf, 26056 Fox Grape Road, Greensboro, \$210,000.

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Wilbur D. Burton, III and Ethel Joann Burton to Melissa Jean Carden and Kyle Anthony Miracle, 15105 Cherry Lane, Ridgely, \$620,000.

The Estate of Jose E. Cuevas to Charles Blaine Henry, 3512 Linchester Road, Preston, \$260,000.

Gordon Fletcher Wheat to Eric D. Rubin and Patricia A. Rubin, 200 South Seventh Street, Denton, \$69,900.

Thomas Bunce and Stephanie Bunce to Michael T. Jones and Kelli C. Jones, 25631 Chestnut Lane, Denton, \$60,000.

Ann B. Collier to Christopher D. Harris and Mary A. Harris, 16360 Oakland Road, Henderson, \$1,596,250.

Bronson J. Guzman and Shayna L. Guzman to Beverly Hill and Sean D. Hill, 24850 Woods Drive, Denton, \$355,000.

Robert R. Callis to Candice Andrews, 306 Morris Avenue, Federalsburg, \$85,000.

Tammy Wooters and Danielle Wooters to Samuel S. Woods, 217 S. Third Street, Denton, \$175,000.

Deidra D. Holliday and Randolph L. Holliday to Christine Waddell, Melissa A. Czyzewski, and Wilfredo C. Reyes, 296 Tidewater Circle, Preston, \$304,000.

Matthew Wayne Shepler and Amy Lynn Shepler to David L. Hairsine and Erin M. Hairsine-Gray, 27980 Substation Road, Denton, \$415,000.

Constance Anne Christopher to Robin Campbell, 22394 Hog Creek Road, Preston, \$290,000.

Jarvis Chevrolet, Inc to Hertrich Properties XXXIV, LLC, 1123 Industrial Parkway, Denton, \$800,000.

Castillo Vasquez to Gabriel Perez Lopez and Alfa Marina Lopez Fuentes, 26871 Reservoir Drive, Marydel, \$378,876.24.

Charles Joseph Taby to Matthew Thomas Wingate and Virginia Lynn Miller, 314 School Street, Greensboro, \$209,000.

Allen Simpson and Krystle A. Simpson to Robert C. Cupelli, 312 N. School Street, Greensboro, \$209,900.

The Estate of Lee W. Noble, Jr. to Brandon Welch, 22025 Dover Bridge Road, Preston, \$75,000.

Cynthia Lee Kirk to Jeffrey Beever, 204 Bloomingdale Avenue, Federalsburg, \$185,000.

Jun 14, LLC to Adam D. Cawley and Caitlyn E. Cawley, 10122 New Bridge Road, Denton, \$265,000.

Nicole Sarzeno to Brandon Beane and Katherine Moore, 1905 Blue Heron Drive, Denton, \$206,000.

Northern Chesapeake Management, LLC to Jonathan Jacob Decker, 11030 Greensboro Road, Denton, \$145,000.

Deidra A. Seidel, Linford C. Seibel and Ashley N. Seibel to Deidra A. Seibel and Linford C. Seibel, 1904 Blue Heron Drive, Denton, \$126,000.

Colin S. Bailey to Christopher Lee Wood, Jr. and Charity Grace Wood, 1604 Blue Heron Drive, Denton, \$204,000.

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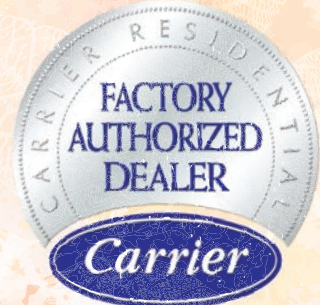
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On November 11 our Nation observes Veterans Day. It is a special day set aside for United States citizens and residents to thank our Vets across the country. On behalf of all of Caroline County I'd like to take this opportunity to thank each one of our Caroline County Veterans for your patriotism, service, and for all the brave sacrifices made by you and your families. You have honored our nation by giving us your time, energy, and dedication to excellence. We are grateful for your service and pray that you know that men and woman like you are what makes America Great...not the politicians. Please know you will always have our gratitude, love, and respect for serving your country and stepping up to the plate in whatever capacity you are needed. Caroline County supports our military and military families with a big "Thank You", not only on Veterans Day but every day!

Medicare Open Enrollment is now in full swing. Remember your Medicare Prescription Drug Plan coverage can

change from year to year and your current plan should be analyzed for any changes moving forward into the New Year. Due to ongoing Covid outbreaks, the Open Enrollment period of October 15 to December 7 will be efficiently handled by telephone and forms will be exchanged through the mail.

Now is the time to contact Mary Moran for assistance with evaluating your plans medication availability, and the premium and tiering cost changes effective as of January 1, 2022. It's easy to do! Simply call 410-479-2535 and share your name and address to receive our SHIP form in the mail. Carefully fill it out, sign the back, and return to the address on the form so you are ready for 2022! Remember: Your benefits checkup will include eligibility evaluations that may help you save money using Medicare Savings Programs, so be sure to include your individual and household gross incomes as requested on the form!

For those who have put off enrolling in Original Medicare part "D" prescription drug coverage, this is your reminder that part "D" is NOT optional for those in Original Medicare. This Open Enrollment Period is your only opportunity during the year to sign up for a plan that will start January 1, 2022. For those who failed to sign up for "D" when first eligible, there is a lifetime penalty that is automatically added to your monthly premium for not enrolling when you are eligible. The penalty is

added after 63 continuous days without proof of credible coverage after your initial enrollment period ends, which is generally 6 months after your 65 Birthday. The penalty is set at 1% for each month not covered times an annual base number. The base number for 2021 is set at \$33.6. This number can, and has, changed annually. This means that your penalty can go up, or down, each year dependent on the base number.

Let's say you did not have credible drug coverage for 31 months. The formula looks like this: 31 months X 1%=31 so 31 X 33.6=10.41... which they round up to \$10.50. Therefore a \$30.00 monthly premium becomes a \$41.50 monthly premium. Once you are penalized, the penalty amount will be added to your RX "D" plan for as long as you have Medicare! Whatever drug plan you enroll in collects the penalty and forwards it to Social Security.

As stated in last month's column, there is a lot of advertising being pumped out by mail and on the airways. Many different types of companies are throwing the "Medicare" word around! These bozos advertise to "Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries", thereby targeting a generic pool of folks they can hook and reel in to make a sale. They hit the jackpot and are halfway home when someone responds to the adds with a question! Remember these fast-talking salespeople are trained to wear the consumer down with long sales pitches to sell you anything from "Healthy Groceries/Meals Now Available Monthly at no cost" to electric socks that Medicare will pay for (wrong!)? Nothing is free, and if a fast-talking salesperson starts the pitch, remember they don't give a fig about you, so if you realize you made a mistake, just hang up!

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Open enrollment also means a plethora of advertising from Medicare Advantage plans. Remember that one must still pay the Medicare part B premium each month (which is jumping to \$157.70 for 2022) in addition to the plans monthly premium, if any. Each Advantage company sets out of pocket maximums for in network and out of network health services that you are required to meet. They require different coverages, deductibles, and co-pays. Some include prescription drug coverages, some plans do not. They are medical systems that service a specific geographic region.

The three key factors to consider when thinking about dropping Original Medicare, which includes dropping your Medicare supplemental plan and your part "D" coverage, to sign up with any Advantage plan are as follows:

- Are your current Doctors/ providers in the Advantage plans network? Call your doctors and ask if they accept the Advantage plan. If not, are you willing to change doctors? How far are you willing to travel to in-network doctors who do accept that particular Advantage plan? Once you locate in network providers who you are willing to travel to, be sure to Call the in-network doctors personally to verify that they are accepting new Advantage patients.
- Does the plan offer prescription drug coverage? If so, are all your Prescription Drugs in network and therefore covered by the plan? If not, are you willing to pay full price for the medication? Find out what the full price of your medications are. If they prove to be unaffordable, are you willing to ask the doctor to change your medication to suite the Advantage drug formulary?

- Know what your actual cash out-of-pocket maximum will be per provider visit or prescription refill. Understand what your financial responsibilities will be and analyze the cost of Advantage vs. the cost of Original Medicare over a one-year period. Find out how much you will actually be paying for each provider visit, medical service, and drug before you reach your out-of-pocket maximum per year.

On another note: Our fall session classes start this month at the Caroline Senior Center, it is not too late to join the fun and the best part is, IT'S FREE. To join in on the fun, please call the center for more information on those class dates and times. We have an exercise program called Enhance Fitness w/ Jennifer, Ceramics, Crafts and lots of Healthy Nutrition and Health Education presentations. Blood Pressure screenings are once a month with Anne Clucas. Lunch is served Monday, Wednesday and Friday at Noon as well as Tuesday & Thursday's at 11:30 am for \$2.50. Come join us for lunch! Please call Jennifer Acree or Geraldine Warner at 410-479-2535 for any questions on the classes listed above and feel free to stop by the center to pick up our Monthly Calendar, Newsletter and Menus. Some dates are subject to change, questions about upcoming classes or crafts please contact the center!!!

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Medical Adult Day Care

by Carole Friend LMSW

Happy November!

November is commonly thought of as a month of Thanksgiving, pumpkin pie and football. At Medical Adult Day Care we think of November as National Alzheimer's and Family Caregiver's Awareness month. In 1983 president Ronald Reagan designated November as Alzheimer's Awareness month while President Bill Clinton first designated November as National Family



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Caregiver's month in 1997. Two areas of awareness unquestionably associated when one is familiar with either topic.

While you are reading this you are possibly thinking of someone you know personally who is affected by Alzheimer's disease or a family caregiver. Alzheimer's is a growing disease; 5.7 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's or other dementias. Their family caregivers provided an estimate of 18.4 Billion hours of care valued at over \$ 232 Billion. Every 65 seconds someone in the United States develops the disease. Therefore, the time it has taken you to read these statistics from ALZ.ORG someone in the US developed the disease.

Become aware; awareness develops interest and concern, it also creates public attention and legislative strategies. Moreover, awareness promotes the conversations of involvement on a personal level, which is when an individual's question becomes, "What can I do to help".

Generally, family caregivers are happy to receive a helping hand, however most dementia caregiver is too busy to ask for assistance. If you know a family caregiver, reach out, let the caregiver know you are available.

Caroline Medical Adult Day Care would like to share a few ideas from ALZ.org, whether you are seeking to support a person with Alzheimer's or the person that cares for him or her, you will find helpful ways to lend a hand – in ways both big and small.

10 Ways to Help a Family Living with Alzheimer's

1. Educate yourself about Alzheimer's disease. Learn about its effects and how to respond.
2. Stay in touch. A card, a call or a visit means a lot and shows you care.
3. Be patient. Adjusting to an Alzheimer's diagnosis is an ongoing process and each person reacts differently.
4. Offer a shoulder to lean on. The disease can create stress for the entire family. Simply offering your support and friendship is helpful.
5. Engage the person with dementia in conversation. It's important to involve the person in conversation even when his or her ability to participate becomes more limited.



Pictured: Kathleen and Sherry

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6. Offer to help the family with its to-do list. Prepare a meal, run an errand or provide a ride.

7. Engage family members in activities. Invite them to take a walk or participate in other activities.

8. Offer family members a reprieve. Spend time with the person living with dementia so family members can go out alone or visit with friends.

9. Be flexible. Don't get frustrated if your offer for support is not accepted immediately. The family may need time to assess its needs.

10. Support the Alzheimer's cause.

Family members would like you to know:

"We need time to adjust to the diagnosis."

"We want to remain connected with others."

"We need time for ourselves."

"We appreciate small gestures."

People living with early-stage Alzheimer's would like you to know:

"I'm still the same person I was before my diagnosis."

"My independence is important to me; ask me what I'm still comfortable doing and what I may need help with."

"It's important that I stay engaged. Invite me to do activities we both enjoy."

"Don't make assumptions because of my diagnosis. Alzheimer's affects each person differently."

"Ask me how I'm doing. I'm living with a disease, just like cancer or heart disease."

"I can still engage in meaningful conversation. Talk directly to me if you want to know how I am."

"Don't pull away. It's OK if you don't know what to do or say. Your friendship and support are important to me."

If you would like more information about Alzheimer's dementia or family caregiving go to ALZ.org or contact the Caroline Medical Adult Day Care at 410-479-8065. The Caroline Medical

Adult Day Care offers respite day care for family caregivers. The center is open Monday-Friday 8:00- 4:00.

The medical adult day care is designed to permit health impaired adults of Caroline County to remain in their homes and community, living as independently as possible with dignity and a renewed sense of quality of life through care in the least restrictive setting. To learn more about the medical adult day care in your community, please call the facility at 410-479-8065 or visit the website at carolinehd.org.

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Feddersburg Senior Center

November is a special time of the year when we think of all the things that we're thankful for: family, friends, good health, living in the U.S.A., our Senior Center, and more.

We're also thankful for the many programs offered at our center such as, health information, exercise programs, financial, medical and other topics of interest to seniors.

On November 23, the seniors are planning to have a pot luck luncheon to celebrate Thanksgiving.

Lunch is provided at noon on Tuesday and Thursdays for a donation of \$2.75. Crafts, games, and Bingo are offered each week.

The center is located above the Feddersburg Town Hall and is open 9:00 to 3:00 on Tuesday and Thursday. Come join us!

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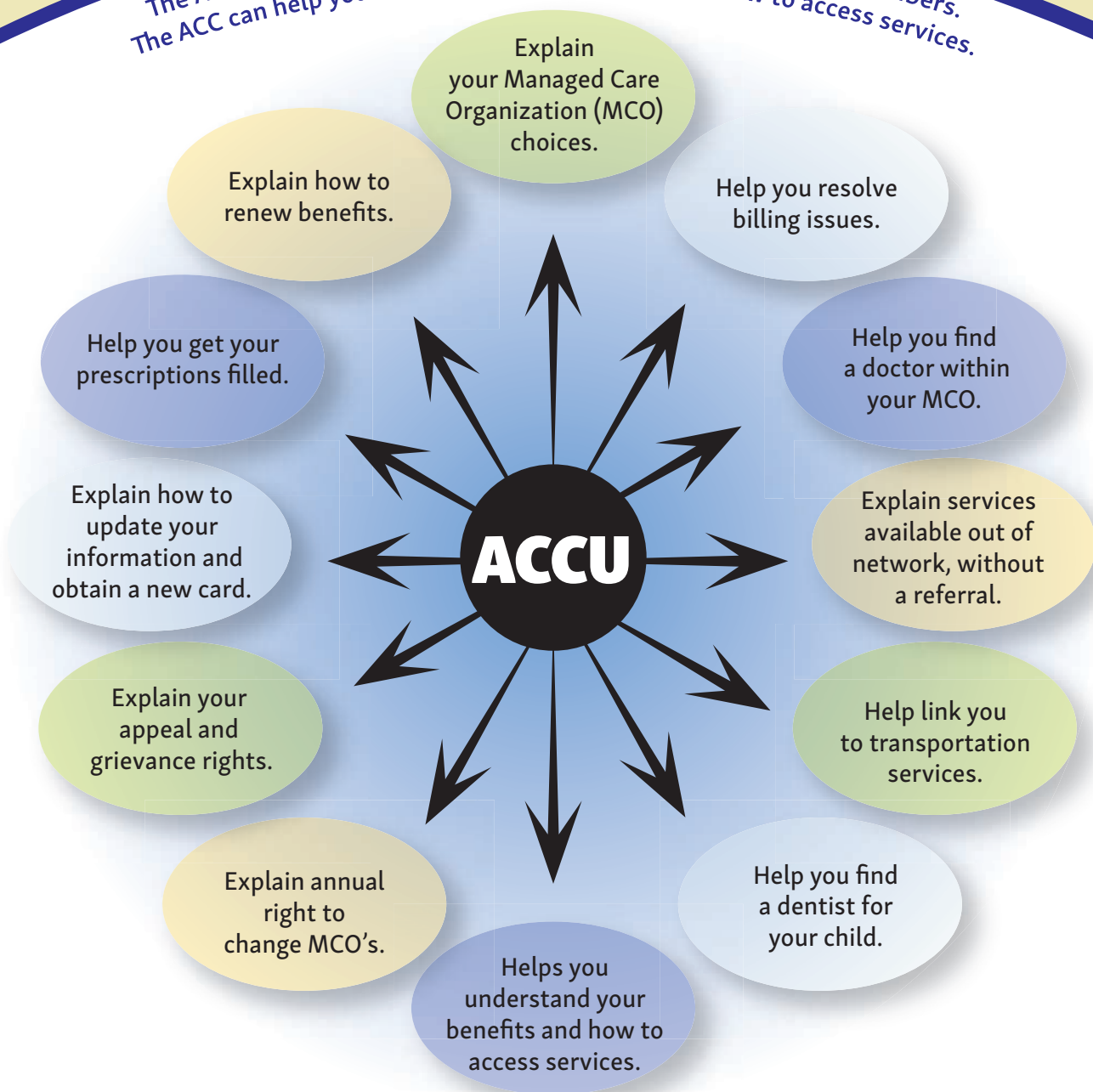
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 Sept 28 Martha Jean Hutson, 71, Camden Wyoming, DE
 Sept 29 Timothy John McKee, 83, Goldsboro
 Sept 29 Deborah Sue Barr, 71, Marydel
 Sept 30 Larry James Walls, 66, Barclay
 Oct 2 Alfred Howard Kellner, 81
 Oct 7 Henry Louis "Lou" Collomb, Jr., 92, Felton, DE
 Oct 9 Carmon Lee Dilworth, 78, Greensboro
 Oct 12 Edna "Bootsie" Hart, 82

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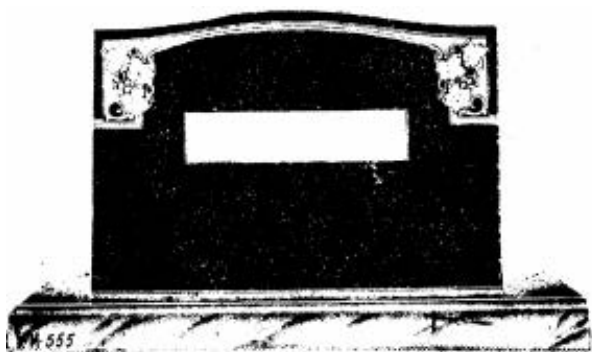
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 Sept 20 Julia Katherine Burns, 72, Federalsburg
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 Sept 25 Harvey H. Stewart, Jr., 92, Easton

Sept 26 Robert Perry "Sonny" Wroten, 87, Cambridge
 Sept 26 Ann Marie Windsor, 78, Federalsburg
 Sept 30 David Thomas "Tommy" Nickerson, Jr., 71, Greenwood, DE
 Oct 1 Lorraine Brummell Smith, 74, Federalsburg
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 Oct 2 Vera Pawlowsky Worm, 97, Preston
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