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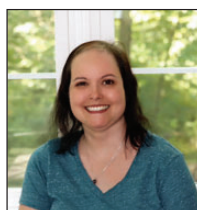
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## Danny Paisley & Southern Grass on the Second Sunday at American Legion February 11



Danny Paisley and the Southern Grass play powerful, unadorned, and intense traditional bluegrass. They reflect a love of the bluegrass genre like no other - a perfect pick for an early Valentine's Day for this second Sunday concert at the American Legion

Hall. Doors open at 12:30. Music begins at 1 p.m. with the house band - the beloved "Kitchen Pickers". The featured performer starts at 2 p.m. Admission is \$15 and is open to the public. Special thanks to concert sponsor, Towers Concrete Products and Bill and Gail Towers.

There is no hybrid or genre-bending Bluegrass music here. Danny Paisley's combination of instrumentation and vocals convey the energy and emotion of classic bluegrass and country music. Danny's lead vocals will captivate your senses, so much so that many prominent musicians, including Alison Krauss, have considered Danny as one of their favorite singers. His voice combines powerful range and soulful blues with a sound like no one else in bluegrass today.

Since Danny's father, Bob Paisley (founder of Southern Grass), passed away in 2004, Danny Paisley and The Southern Grass have made their niche in the bluegrass world, producing consecutive chart-topping albums. The group has been given over 20 Bluegrass Music Award Nominations and won the 2009 IBMA Song of the Year for Don't Throw Mama's Flowers Away. In 2021, Danny Paisley joined an elite group of vocalists to be awarded the IBMA Male Vocalist of the Year for the third time - an achievement bestowed only to five others in Bluegrass music history.

With Danny Paisley on guitar, Southern Grass continues the family tradition by adding Danny's son Ryan on mandolin, the next generation of up-and-coming pickers. Southern Grass continues the rich musical heritage started by Bob Paisley and Ted Lundy with Lundy's sons T.J. (Fiddle) and Bobby (Bass and Vocals). T.J. Lundy is a highly respected fiddler bridging the gap between old-time fiddling and bluegrass music. Bobby Lundy is also a renowned multi-instrumentalist who has gained attention for his unique bass style. Southern Grass includes Dean Phillips on banjo.

The concert is produced by the Eastern Shore Bluegrass Association (ESBA), a not-for-profit association of volunteers committed to promoting and supporting this American music. ESBA is more than 50 years old and the Sunday, February 11 concert is one of nine monthly performances - typically the

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For more information on ESBA, go to <https://www.facebook.com/EasternShoreBluegrassAssociation/> or [esbluegrass.carrd.co](https://esbluegrass.carrd.co) on the web.

IBMA Award Winners Danny Paisley & Southern Grass at the American Legion Hall in Denton on Sunday, February 11, admission \$15. Doors open at 12:30; music begins at 1:00 PM.

# Dating Advice from Chad Dean

by Chad Dean

Anyone who knows me in real life will from the start find the notion of such a column coming from yours truly hilarious in theory alone, but I thought, in the name of creative non-fiction, I would give it a try this month. Without further adieu, here is a simple yet foolproof plan so you will not be lonely for the most romantic time of the year:

**Step 1:** Create a hyperlocal facebook group exclusively for and about Caroline County, then start showing up at area hearings, meetings, tours, restaurants and more representing and reporting back to its ever-growing membership.

**Step 2.** Post daily threads on this “Caroline Past and Present” group about local history, travel, politics, and anything else out there that is righteously provocative or at least interesting to area residents.

**Step 3.** Wait for the date offers to pour in.

Of course, your results may vary.

If you lack the time, resources, or intangibles to make this strategy work for you, might I suggest another path. This one is much more direct but assumes there is someone already on your radar:

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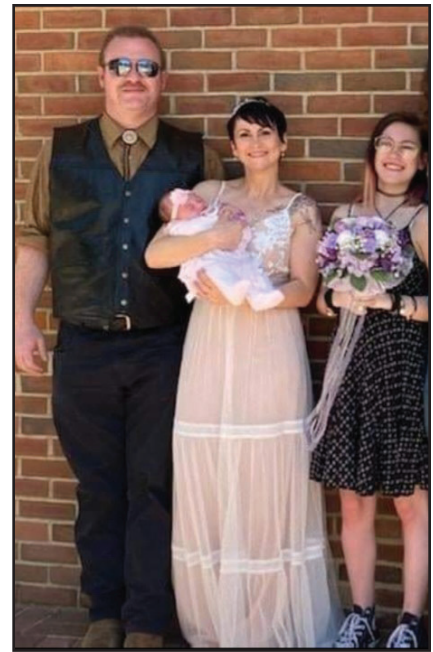
That’s it. Thank you for coming to my TED talk.

Wait.

You might come off a little weird and make the situation awkward if that is what you lead with. Cold openings are often tough sledding, even in the February snow. You want cozy. Here’s cozy:

Comedy helps. Confidence too. If closing time is near and the lady next to you leans over to put her head on you just because there is a warm body sitting there at the bar, go with it. And when she remarks that you have a comfortable shoulder or chest, you tell her that your lips are comfortable too.

So do flowers, in the grand scheme of things, if the above-witnessed scenario is too 1990s Kent Island for you. You don’t need to spring for a dozen red roses right away. In fact, google the color range for roses and other floral arrangements for just the right situation. Yellow roses for a budding friendship. White roses when you miss that would-be special someone. Pink for admiration if you are bold. If not, daisies if you are more light-hearted with your demeanor or approach. White lilies to indicate sophistication. Irises if you want to stress thoughtfulness. Carnations rhyme with fascination.



I bet you never knew that side of Chad Dean existed. Horticulture and floriculture are both extensions of my farming background and multiple classes at the Caroline Career and Technology Center, I swear.

Guys: Every girl I know also likes chocolate-covered strawberries. Chocolate-covered chocolate. Chocolate-covered anything. Chocolate is a time-honored jumping off point. You can’t go wrong. Even diabetics and those with allergies make exceptions on special occasions. Bonus points if one or both of you are Ridgelyites; the dramatic strawberry gesture shows you care on myriad levels of consciousness.

Movies work too. If you get invited to Netflix a romantic title, or one that involves cats, or books, or all of the above, you suck it up and you watch that film. You pay attention the entire time. You say how much you enjoyed the nuances of the plot and characters and dialogue and setting. Trust the narrator on this; he is a perennially reliable one no matter where you jumped in on his timeline. I certainly would not have endeavored to watch The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society on my own.

You know what doesn’t work? One might proffer an unwavering dedication to Buffalo Wild Wings and a lifelong

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fascination with pro wrestling as instant dealbreakers, but then again, you never know until you reveal those aspects of your personality.

Tinder, that's what. It has its loutish uses, to be fair -- such as overtly advertising one's status as single and looking. But establishing a meaningful relationship is not one of them. That is unless you want to "date" a webcam girl or a Russian courtesan as they drain your finances... slowly, and then all at once.

Hear me when I say that your goal should be a country girl that wants to sit next to you in the truck, not up against the passenger side window. A girl that wants to wear your camouflage shirt for a nightgown. Note to country girls: guys dig these things. More than they'll ever be able to describe with words. There is a Jimmy Buffett song about "history machines, cavemen in faded blue jeans." You get the idea.

Feel free to log on to Caroline Past and Present this month and share your good intentions, your pickup lines, your

epic fails. Your dark web dating apps. Your fake profile detail victories. Your pithy Pinterest relationship quotes and memes. In a small county where we all pretty much know everyone else, we have probably already heard the stories, whether you mention who it is about or not, but we'll all be entertained hearing them again anyway. It's all in good fun. Heck, this online celebration of local relationship ups and downs may provide enough fodder for yet another wry Caroline Review column or at least make it to some arts council's future masterclass storyboard.

In the meantime, best of luck on your cell phone or at the local bars and other haunts as Valentine's Day approaches. With everything else that has happened over the past several years, there are far worse things in life to experience than rejection, so you might as well give it a go. You may be pleasantly surprised with the results.

I know I was, considering my advice actually worked. Meet my wife and family, pictured on page six.



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## Your Chamber at Work

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

Hello Chamber Members & Friends,

January marks the beginning of the fiscal year for the Caroline County Chamber of Commerce. It's a time to reflect on our strategic plan and goals for the upcoming year. We are excited to announce that we have a number of new events scheduled for our members and community in 2024!

We recently hosted an Open House/Ribbon Cutting for Shore Love Cleaning Services and His Hope Ministries Youth House, a tour of Shore Industries with our Board of Directors and Chamber partners, and a fun game of Play that Funky Bingo with the Cow Barn!

The start of a new year is always a time of mixed emotions. We are excited about the opportunities that lie ahead, but we also feel a sense of nostalgia for what has passed. On behalf of the Caroline County Chamber, I would like to express our gratitude to Adam Jones, VP Commercial Banking with Summit Community Bank, for his unwavering commitment to our growth and community as the Board of Directors

President. We are pleased to announce that Adam will continue to serve on the board as Immediate Past President for 2024.

We are thrilled to welcome Laura Reeder, Assistant Vice President, Branch Manager III with Shore United Bank as our 2024 President! We look forward to an outstanding year ahead with Laura leading the way!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our Chamber partners, members, and sponsors for their continued support and contributions to our community's success. We cannot do it without you!

If you are not a member and would like to learn more about what we do, reach out to Executive Director Tracey Snyder to set up a meeting or visit our website at [www.carolinechamber.org/member-benefits](http://www.carolinechamber.org/member-benefits).



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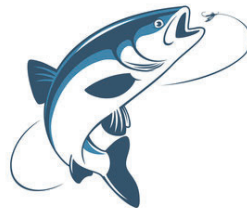
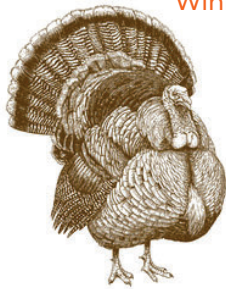
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When the inflation number came in for November 2023 showing an anemic .1% increase in year over year inflation, the stock and bond markets responded favorably, and economists quickly concluded that the Fed would reduce rates in 2024 as much as five times.

This set off a small decline in mortgage rates of approximately 1% from 7.25 to 8% range in October to 6.5% to 7% now, depending on loan program, loan term, loan to value and credit scores. Hard to believe that I am getting excited talking about interest rates under 7%. But this has not unlocked an increase in listings or homes available for sale since 82% of homeowners in this country with a mortgage are paying less than 5%, and

the median rate being paid is under 4%. Who wants to sell their home that they are financing at 4% to get a new mortgage and pay 7%?

This lack of inventory of homes for sale has been frustrating for first time buyers not only because there is not much to look at but also because prices just seem to continue to go up. We may be at a point where prices are at least starting to stabilize.

When the real estate market has become constipated due to high rates and low inventory some event has to occur to break it loose. Lower interest rates will be the laxative that will loosen up the market. The \$64,000 question is "when will that happen?"

Many homes on the market are investor owned. Either they are currently a rental, and the owner/investor wants to take their profit, or they are flip houses that are purchased fixed up and resold. Or they are homes where owners have to sell due to relocation or retirement.

Buyers who want to sell their existing home and move up to something bigger have to be sellers first.

It is my totally unscientific opinion that we will not see a significant increase

in homes on the market until we see long-term interest rates get below 6%. Rates in the 5s will be more acceptable to homeowners with 3%-4% mortgages than rates at 6.5% to 7%.

Unfortunately, those who are looking to buy now will need to continue to be patient and diligent. And buyers who are sitting on the sidelines will need to be content that inventory may not get better until later this year.

When the December inflation number came out at 3.4%, suddenly the Fed easing of interest rates was pushed back from January 2024 to March, and that may be a "big fat maybe."

But as disappointing as this revelation is for borrowers on the other side of the ledger it is good news for savers. At least for those who are able to have savings.

The personal savings rate, which is the amount of disposable income American's have each month after they have paid their expenses and taxes, was 6%-6.5% prior to the pandemic. In April of 2020 it skyrocketed to 30% when the pandemic lead to a nationwide shutdown. It remained over 10% until July of 2021 as Americans' bank accounts swelled with "Covid money" and everybody got a check.

It is worth noting that the personal savings rate remained elevated during a period of over 10% while at the same time American families were adjusting to year over year inflation that averaged 7% in 2021 and 6.5% in 2022 from a previous low of 1.4% in 2020.

In August of 2023 it dropped to 3.9% and has dropped lower than this recently. The August number was the most current I could find.

It was during these years of government stimulus that mortgage rates fell to their lowest levels ever. As distressing as the

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pandemic was for the health of all Americans it provided a wonderful opportunity for Americans to improve their financial health. If you owned a home, you refinanced. If you were creditworthy enough with sufficient income you bought a house.

The challenge going forward for Americans in this economy is to adjust their spending to align more with their income, which is obviously a challenge since credit card balances and delinquencies are going up. Consumers are continuing to spend but they are using borrowed money (credit cards) to pay for it. And as credit card balances grow it becomes more of a struggle to make their payments.

Remember my advice, regardless of how hard it may be to keep your head above water at the very least make the monthly minimum payment due. Past due payments on credit cards should be the easiest ding on your credit to avoid. Creditors require such a small monthly payment in relation to the outstanding balance it is foolish to not make at least the minimum payment.

If purchasing a home is in your future, whether in the market now, observing on the sidelines or planning on getting in later this year, the real estate market in 2024 will be challenging at best and nerve wracking at worst.

The uncertainty of which way inflation numbers will go has increased with the December numbers. With the three prior months' numbers coming in line with the Fed's 2% target, the table is being set for a Fed decrease in March. Depending on which prognosticator you listen to, the March cut could be the first of two to four more reductions in 2024.

"Happy Days are here again," or are they?

My philosophy about interest rate trends has been the same for decades, and I have always been 100% correct in my predictions. You can bet on it!

Interest rates will "always" not just "sometimes" do one of three things. They will either go up, stay the same or they may go down. Count on it.

I do seriously feel that the Fed will not increase interest rates this year. They have finished increasing rates to slow the economy and rein in inflation. They will very diligently focus on inflation numbers going forward and focus on not just one month's number but consider the trend. If the trend goes down, they will be more inclined to reduce rates. If the trend is mixed, up one month, down the next I think they will take a wait and see attitude and leave rates as they are.

They will be laser focused on what is happening with the presidential election and not want any of their actions to be considered to advantage one candidate over the other. And as it appears right now, neither of the two most likely

candidates enjoy a greater than 50% popularity rating among all Americans.

We are at the beginning of a presidential election like we have never seen before. An incumbent seeking re-election at the waning years of his life versus a prior incumbent candidate fighting lawsuits from multiple different directions that regardless of their outcome could hinder his ability to effectively govern if he were elected.

Either candidate getting elected President of the United States in 2024 would be a first in US history. One would be the oldest person to ever be elected President. The other would be the first president or former president to be indicted, not once but 91 times in four separate cases.

There is no doubt that 2024 will be a very "interesting" year!

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## Zimberoff Named Director, Caroline County Economic Development and Tourism

Caroline County proudly announces the appointment of Robert Zimberoff (Bob) as the Director of Economic Development. A passionate advocate for community growth and development, Bob brings a wealth of experience and a dedication to public service that will undoubtedly elevate the economic landscape of Caroline County.

Bob's journey toward this pivotal role has been marked by a diverse professional background and a deep-rooted connection to the local community. Hailing from the Chicago area, Bob embarked on his career as a journalist, honing his skills at prominent newspapers in West Virginia and Maryland, including The Journal and The Star Democrat.

His commitment to public service became evident during his tenure as Legislative Director for Delegate Johnny Mautz, where Bob tirelessly worked with Delegate Mautz to support constituents during challenging times, particularly through the tumultuous period of the COVID-19 pandemic. His efforts in assisting individuals and businesses navigating hurdles, such as unemployment insurance and closures, exemplify his dedication to serving the community.

With a robust background in workforce development, code compliance, grant administration, and a passion for local history and community engagement, Bob is poised to bring a fresh perspective and enthusiasm to his new role. His dedication to the Eastern Shore and his love for Caroline County are reflected in his eagerness to serve.

"I am humbled and honored to have the opportunity to serve the people of

Caroline County, the place I proudly call home," said Bob. "I plan to bring positivity and a lot of energy to my role as Director of Economic Development and Tourism. I firmly believe that through collaborative efforts with county stakeholders, we can achieve substantial progress for every part of our beloved Caroline."

In his personal life, Bob cherishes moments with his family and enjoys a range of outdoor activities, from native gardening to kayaking and exploring historic sites. His transition from rooting for the Bears while living near Chicago to becoming a self-proclaimed "die hard" Ravens fan embodies his adaptability and openness to embracing new experiences.

Caroline County eagerly anticipates the innovative leadership, dedication, and community-focused approach that Bob Zimberoff will bring to the Directorship of Economic Development and Tourism.



**Robert Zimberoff (Bob), new Director of Economic Development for Caroline County.**

*For more information, follow Caroline Economic Development on Facebook at [facebook.com/carolinebusiness](https://facebook.com/carolinebusiness), email [info@carolinebusiness.com](mailto:info@carolinebusiness.com), or call 410-479-4188.*

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The Estate of Earl F. Chaney, Jr. to Gary G. Hill and Regina D. Hill, 26220 Shore Highway, Denton, \$245,000.

Dennis J. Farina and Joanne M. Farina to 608 High Street, LLC, 608 High Street, Denton, \$80,000.

Brice O. Devos and Lisa Scibetta Devos to Richard Clinton Graves, Jr. and Kimberly Ann Baklarz, 6293 Statum Road, Preston, \$680,000.

Jerry Burrows and Kay Burrows to Brian E. Daum, Jr. and Nichole K. Daum, 3542 Seaman Road, Preston, \$385,000.

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James E. Blizzard to Brian Dunn, 10290 River Landing Road, Denton, \$50,000.

Debra Eden to Duane Boswell, Jr. and Kristen Boswell, 1506 Cattail Commons Road, Denton, \$379,900.

John P. Wolferman and Patricia Ann Spurry to Michele Alden Jenkins, 14267 Cherry Lane, Queen Anne, \$330,000.

Chi Nguyen to Preeti Prakash Kaur, 319 S. Fourth Street, Denton, \$260,000.

Broadkill Ventures, LLC to Matthew Nation and Lauren Ebling, 527 Vaughn Avenue, Greensboro, \$254,995.

Keith Bobbick and Tirzah A. Bobbick to Bradley Stephenson and Wynter L. Stephenson, 1111 Canvasback Lane, Denton, \$342,700.

Lori A. Rasmussen to Sarah Rebecca H. Cox, 1111 Coursey Lane, Denton, \$339,900.

Justin Edwards to Christopher Mason and Amy Dawn Birdsall, 206 West Sunset Avenue, Greensboro, \$259,000.

Timothy A. Bradford to Joshua Thomas Peter, 25340 Kent Street, Greensboro, \$261,000.

The Estate of Kathryn Lorraine Reed to Logan Fleming and Angelica Nicole Watts, 14700 Plains Court, Ridgely, \$380,000.



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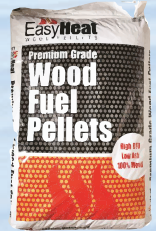
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Margaret R. Myers to Franklin D. Stockman and Maureen L. Stockman, 10161 River Landing Road, Denton, \$450,000.

Michael D. McDonough to Allen Wayne Knutson and Abigaile Rose Leaf, 107 Chambers Street, Preston, \$289,000.

Loretta Stapf to Romelio Ortiz Berduo, 332 Main Street, Maryland, \$240,000.

Mario Gonzalez Hernandez to Vincent C. Foster and Lisa Saulsbury, Tam-muxzena Drive, Lot 4, Preston, \$44,000.

Mark F. McMillan to Matthew King and Brittany King, 6 West Liberty Street, Ridgely, \$365,000.

David Gordon Taylor, II and Abigail Mutch Taylor to Matthew A. Mellor and Molly Mellor, Picture Hill Drive, Lot 3, Preston, \$330,000.

Bruce W. Kranz to Whitney Moomaw and Ryan Moomaw, 10903 Collinswood Drive, Denton, \$760,000.

Matthew F. Flamma and April R. Flamma to James Sears and Brittney Foster, 1208 Painted Fern Road, Denton, \$397,500.

David H. Wilson and Peggy A. Wilson to Mark T. Mello and Janet Y. Mello, 4218, 4208, and 4228 Harmony Road, Preston, \$3,100,000.

The Bank of New York Mellon to Jose A. Alvarez Castro and Eladio Yovanni Larios Castro, 407 Maryland Avenue, Ridgely, \$155,400.

Jean N. Ewing to James William Lewis, Jr., 150 acres – Castle Hall Road, TM 7 Parcel 55, Goldsboro, \$800,000.

Miriam Ibeth Medrano-Mendoza to Casey Matthew Clark, 305 N. Academy Street, Greensboro, \$242,999.

Martin L. Butler to Hipolito Ramirez and Martha Ramirez, 22403 Marsh Creek Road, Preston, \$110,000.



The Estate of Willard L. Griffith, Jr. to Robert P. Musselman, Terrie L. Vacek, and Gina L. Felice, 111 N. Main Street, Greensboro, \$140,000.

James M. Kennedy, Sr. to Jason Jester, Jamie Larrimore, and Trinity L.M. Jester, 2660 Harper Road, Federalsburg, \$38,400.

The Estate of Rick D. Gottlieb to George P. Thomas, Jr., 560 Vaughn Avenue, Greensboro, \$255,000.

Chris Noel Jones and Mark Allen Jones to Jacob Matthew MacDonald and Dolores Anne Peach, 118 Liberty Road, Federalsburg, \$190,000.

Jason S. Cronshaw to Rebekah E. Taylor, 17955 Zion Road, Marydel, \$339,900.

Joshua William Davis and Heather Louise Davis to Brian Haines and Valerie Haines, 11521 Maplewood Drive, Ridgely, \$410,000.

The Estate of Charles V. Bowdle, Jr. to Randall L. Hauge, 28012 Bloomery Road, Federalsburg, \$135,000.

Odette E. Hawkins and Virgie Mae Johnson to Debonirre DeValle Stewart and DeNene Montao Stewart, 8317 De-tour Road, Denton, \$370,000.

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Aaron Hohenstein and Tina Hohenstein to Jennifer Melissa Aguilar and Brian Clark, 1107 Ruddy Duck Court, Denton, \$420,000.

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Della W. Lynch to The Harry Austin Eaton Revocable Inter Vivos Trust, 13389 Mason Branch Road, Ridgely, \$910,000.

Catherine Shaffer to Engell Stiven Moreno-Chavarria, 328 E. Central Avenue, Federalsburg, \$20,000.

M. Marvin Taylor, Jr. and Joanne P. Taylor to Woodward R. Yarnell and Janet L. Yarnell, 25211 Adams Landing Road, Denton, \$620,000.

Samuel S. Grant and Ashley E. Grant to Katelynn B. Mansaray and Kekura B. Mansaray, II, 25525 Hignutt Road, Denton, \$307,000.

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S M S Developers, LLC to Brian K. Rich, 220 Denton Road, Federalsburg, \$8,600.

Keegan M. Davis to Andrew Macintire and Amanda Macintire, 406 Maple Avenue, Ridgely, \$264,900.

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Bryan K. Hostetter and Stephen A. Hostetter and Estate of George J. Hostetter, Jr. to Ryan S. Horan and Gabrielle G. Horan and Tony J. Giannino to, 24352 Robins Creek Road, Preston, \$245,000.

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Harry H. Rieck, III to Kent Alan Calahan, Back Landing Road, 7.78 acres, Preston, \$140,000.

Christy Ann Pierce to Thomas W. Bales and Melissa M. Weber, 223 Maple Avenue, Federalsburg, \$164,000.

The Estate of Bernice M. Crawford to Cody Weese and Amber Marie Thomas, 14706 sf L-5W/S Greens Rte 313 n of Denton, \$129,055.

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### *Sit N Knit with Alice*

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**February 7, 10 AM – 3 PM**  
**\$5 Members, \$10 Non Members**

Contact Alice Engle at 410-490-2087 to sign up.



### *Beginning Crochet*

Feb. 14, Feb. 28, March 13, March 27  
\$40 Members/\$50 Non Members  
10 - 12 PM

Class Supplies:

Crochet hook - J

One skein of cotton yarn (Peaches and Cream can be found at Walmart)

Small scissors

Paper/pencil for taking notes

Class Description:

In this beginner crochet class, instructor Helen Ruiz will be teaching a combination of crochet stitches to form

patterns. Students will quickly advance to complete a project of their own choosing.

This class is filling up fast so be sure to contact Kay Butler at 410-829-5136 to sign up today!

### *Ten Minute Table Runner Class*

This is a great class for beginners and younger students.

**February 17, 10 AM – 12 PM**  
**Member \$15/ Non Member \$20**  
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Call Kay Butler to sign up and for supply information at 410-829-5136.

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**February 9 and March 15**  
**10 AM - 2 PM**  
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Class supplies are on the website at [www.fiberartscenter.com](http://www.fiberartscenter.com).

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## Library Hours

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Tuesday: Noon - 2 PM and 3-8 PM  
Friday & Saturday: Closed

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## New

### Make a Valentine

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## STEM Series With 4H: Make a Paper Chain

Introducing our new, monthly series of STEM programming in collaboration with Caroline County 4-H.

This month, come compete with other attendees to make the longest possible paper chain!

**Thursday, February 1st, 5-6 PM, children ages 8-12, Denton.**  
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**Every 4th Thursday of the month starting February 22. 4:00-4:30 PM, 4:30 - 5:00 PM, 5:00 - 5:30 PM, children ages 5-12, Denton.** One registrant per session\*

## Ongoing

## Winter/Spring Storytime

Join us for a half-hour of fun songs, stories, and fingerplays that encourage the development of early literacy skills. Feel free to stay and play afterward, chat with other parents and caregivers, and allow children to explore the activities in our Early Literacy Center.

This program is designed for children from birth to age five with a caregiver.

No registration is required. If you have any additional questions, please call 410-479-1343.

**Tuesdays, 10:30 AM, birth to age 5, North County Branch, Greensboro.**

## Bookies

This month's book is *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt.

For information about joining this group, call 410-479-1343.

**Tuesday, February 20, 1:00 PM, adults, Federalsburg Branch.**

## Coming Soon

***Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre co-run by Caroline County Public Libraries and The Caroline County Council of Arts.***

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## Events at Martinak State Park

### Martinak Morning Walk

Year round morning hikes meet at the Martinak State Park Office at 10:30 AM. The walks on Tuesdays and Thursdays are guided and on a paved trail. Walks are approximately one mile in length or about 2,000 steps with plenty of benches available for resting and enjoying nature. After a mile or 1.5 miles, walkers may choose to walk longer through the camp loops and trails or return to the start. Meet at the gravel parking area on the left past the park office.

### First Day Hikes

Guided hikes are offered at Tuckahoe, Martinak, Sassafras and Wye Island. Check out this link:

<https://dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/pages/eastern/tuckahoe.aspx>

### Wednesday Winter Hikes

Enjoy the brisk air of winter on these

morning three to five mile hikes. Discover the diversity and wildlife of the area at the beautiful parks, refuges, and Wildlife Management Areas in the area. All walks start at 10:30 AM and follow the Caroline County Schools for weather alerts. It is suggested to bring water and a snack. Bug spray and a hat are helpful. Email: Karen.gianninoto@maryland.gov to register and to receive additional information.

**February 7: Tuckahoe State Park Tuckahoe Valley Trail.** Meet at the Lake parking area.

**February 14: Blackwater NWR Wildlife Walk.** Meet at Visitor Center parking area.

**February 21: Adkins Arboretum Loop it Walk.** Meet at Visitor Center parking area.

**February 28: Wye Island NRMA Dividing Creek Trail.** Meet at Lodge LN parking area.

**March 6: Idylwild WMA Marshy Hope Creek.** Meet at Houston Branch parking area.

**March 13: Tuckahoe State Park Pee Wee Trail.** Meet at Crouse Mill Road parking area.

**March 27: Cross Island Trail Terrapin Nature Trail.** Meet at Exit 37 Parking Area.

**April 3: Sassafras NRMA Meadows and Forest.** Meet at Turners Creek parking area.

**April 10: Tuckahoe State Park Creekside Trail.** Meet at Cemetery Road parking area.

**April 17: Lynch Preserve Robins Creek Trail.** Meet at the end of Tall Tree Lane, Preston.

**April 24: Tuckahoe State Park Connector Trail.** Meet at park office.



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## UM Shore Regional Health Announces 2024 Childbirth and Education Courses

The Birthing Center at UM Shore Regional Health's Shore Medical Center at Easton will provide several classes related to childbirth, parenting, breastfeeding and being a safe sibling throughout 2024. The Birthing Center team also offers ongoing breastfeeding support, as well as certified Safe Sitter courses for adolescent babysitters, led by experienced maternal care nurses and lactation consultants. With the exception of the Safe Sitter course, all classes are offered free of charge.

All classes will be held in-person at UM Shore Medical Center at Easton's Nick Rajacich Health Education Center, as follows:

**Understanding Labor** - 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. the first Saturday of each month. This course provides information on the signs of labor, stages of labor and labor contractions. Skilled Birthing Center team members discuss options for comfort techniques and pain management, laboring positions, medical procedures, and recovery following delivery.

**New Mom, New Baby** - 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on February 10, April 13, June 8, August 10, October 12 and December 14. This course provides an overview of care for mother and child, from the time of delivery to two weeks following delivery (postpartum). Birthing Center team members provide information

about postpartum care, emotions and stress, intimacy and sexuality, returning to work and birth control options. Course participants also learn about newborn care, including feeding, diapering, bathing, circumcision care and infant safety.

**Breastfeeding** - 9 a.m. to noon on March 9, May 11, July 13, September 14 and November 9. Birthing Center team members discuss tips and techniques for successful breastfeeding, including latch and positioning, and maintaining milk supply. (Please note: UM SRH certified lactation consultants also offer expectant and new mothers with information about the benefits of breastfeeding for mother and baby, along with tips and techniques for successful breastfeeding. For information regarding breastfeeding support offered by appointment via videoconference or in-person (outside of scheduled class time), contact Carol Leonard, 410-822-1000, ext. 5700 or ext. 5535.)

**Safe-Sibling** - 9 to 11 a.m. on February 10, April 13, June 8, August 10, October 12 and December 14. This course introduces children ages 2 to 8 to ways they can help newborns and parents by being a safe sibling. Nurses introduce participating children to safety issues, safe ways they can engage with their newborn siblings, and also offer tips and tricks for parents to encourage a healthy bonding experience. This class includes a snack, story time and tour of the Birthing Center at UM Shore Medical Center at Easton.

**Safe Sitter** - 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on April 20, June 15 and October 19. This program is designed for youth ages 11 to 13 and teaches how to be safe babysitters. The cost for this course is \$50. Registration is encouraged early as program participation is limited.

Advance registration is required for all classes and can be accomplished by calling 410-822-1000, ext. 5200. Please leave a message that includes your name, email address, phone number, and the name and date of the class for which you would like to register. Care partners are encouraged to attend with their birthing partners.

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### **Upcoming Arts Events in Caroline County**

View our upcoming Calendar of Events and register for classes online at [www.carolinearts.org](http://www.carolinearts.org).

#### **Yolanda V. Acree's Artist Reception. February 16, 4-6 PM at The Foundry. Admission is free.**

Discover over 30 new works by our esteemed Artist in Residence, Yolanda V. Acree! Immerse yourself in Yolanda's captivating world of masterful collage creations, each serving as a portal into narratives of Black femmes and folk. This exclusive showcase offers a profound reflection on identity, culture, and history. Don't miss the opportunity to witness the transformative power of Yolanda's work, with select pieces available for purchase. The exhibition runs through March—mark your calendars for an evening of art, culture, and inspiration!

#### **Black History and Arts Celebration, February 24, 11 AM - 3 PM at The Foundry.**

Immerse yourself in live music by Teran Goldsborough, savor delicious catering from Royal T Catering, and express your creativity with pour painting led by Mary Weaver. Explore captivating art exhibitions by Yolanda Acree and Charlese Annette, enjoy poetry readings by The Retreat House and Caroline County Public Schools, and don't miss the special guest appearance of the Chesapeake Heartland Sankofa bus. Admission is free—save the date for a day filled with unforgettable experiences and community celebration!

#### **A Fond Farewell: Murder Mystery Dinner Theater. March 8 & 9, 6-9 PM at The Caroline Country Club. \$50/ticket.**

Experience suspense, laughter, and devious twists at the comic murder mystery dinner theater production, "A Fond Farewell," presented by the Caroline County Public Library and the Caroline County Council of Arts. The intriguing plot revolves around the unexpected demise of writer Ben Fullman, promising surprises and a potential fortune for attendees. Will you be a mere spectator, or will you actively participate in this dramatic unraveling of deception and mystery? Indulge in a delightful culinary journey provided by the Caroline Culinary Center, adding a savory touch to the evening's entertainment. Save the date and be part of this thrilling murder mystery dinner where your attendance might just hold the key to solving the case!

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**Gnome Sweet Gnome: A Valentine's Paint Night.**  
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**Nature Craft with Katie: 3D Art for Grades 4-8. Thursday, March 14 & Friday, March 15, 5-6 PM at The Foundry.**

Join fiber artist and teacher Katie Ellis for an immersive 3D art workshop at The Foundry. Students in grades 4-8 will explore sculpting with cardboard, tape, and nature-found materials. Bring your creativity and personal items to craft unique sculptures. Beginners and art enthusiasts alike are welcome. Reserve your spot now for two days of sculpting, storytelling, and discovering the beauty of sound in art. Limited spaces available, so secure your spot today! | \$20 for the entire class.

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by Amy Horne, Executive  
Director, CASA of Caroline

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Wouldn't you love to spend it in a meaningful and important way—and enrich your life at the same time?

Volunteering on or around Valentine's Day is a great way to spread love to everyone around you. Love is about expressing compassion, generosity, and kindness to others. And that is exactly what CASA volunteers do – express compassion, generosity, and kindness to the 238,000 children and youth in our country who have a CASA volunteer by their side. But there are 400,000 more children in foster care who do not have an advocate to ensure their voice is heard. Some of them are too young to articulate their feelings and needs. Young children in foster care suffer the same grief, doubt and even fear that troubles older children. You can be their voice and

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Our volunteers come from all walks of life. They're simply people who care about children. When you become an advocate, you have the power not only to influence a child's life but the future as well.

Generations to come will benefit from the fact that you cared and guided a youngster away from pain toward success. Isn't it time to make a difference in someone's life?

Valentine's Day equals love. Share your love with a child in need. The rewards are beyond value...as is the love you'll receive in return. And to make it an even sweeter experience, share the advocate role with someone you love, like your spouse or sibling, and apply to work together as a CASA Team! CASA of Caroline is currently accepting applications for the next pre-service training class, scheduled to begin in late February. For more information or to apply, please visit [www.carolinecasa.org](http://www.carolinecasa.org). Volunteer today.

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Our donors have been extremely generous in helping CRCC with funding for ramps as well as minor but critical internal home repairs. Board members and volunteers have seen an increase in the needs for minor home repairs for low-income residents in Caroline County, and we are therefore deeply grateful for the ongoing generosity of our donors.

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2 sessions: 4:30 – 5:30 PM or 6:00 – 7:00 PM. 3-12 yrs, Sunday 2/18, Fretterd Community Center, Gym, \$40 per couple, \$5 each additional young lady

#### St. Paddy's Day 5K and 1-Mile Fun Run & Lil' Leprechaun Dash

Join us for our 16th annual St. Paddy's Day Race! Start your salute to the Irish and your spring fitness conditioning on this certified fast and scenic course through Denton with a 5K and 1-Mile Fun Run. Plenty of lucky surprises await on the course and at the finish. Register anytime through our finish line production partner Seashore Striders at [www.seashorestriders.com](http://www.seashorestriders.com). Early registrants are guaranteed a commemorative performance tee. This event benefits youth registration financial aid and scholarship fund for recreation programs produced by CCRP.

Registration begins at 8 AM; race starts at 9 AM, Fretterd Community Center.

Pre-registration: \$32 for 5K, \$17 for 1-Mile Fun Run. Add \$5 after February 23. Registration closes at 3 PM on March 15. Shirts not guaranteed for late registrations.

#### Lil' Leprechaun Dash

Saturday, March 16  
Fretterd Community Center

Kick off the festivities with a 100-meter dash down 4th Street exclusively for youngsters ages 5 and under. Special prizes for all finishers.

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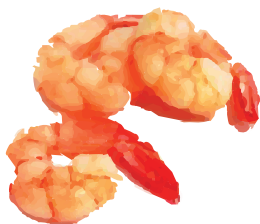
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## There Is A Pew For You!

by Bryan Gadow

Among my frequent stops while browsing the internet is a website by the name of Quora. Perhaps you've seen it? The premise is simple: anyone can ask a question, of almost any sort, and anyone can in turn answer them. I've not found the need to ever ask one myself, reasoning that at this stage of humankind's time here on earth there truly aren't many new questions worthy of posing. Best, I feel, to take a minute and find out what that last fellow found out when he asked. To show my wisdom has its limits, I have found myself answering quite a few brought forth by others. This is a way for me to play "Mr. Know-it-All" while at the same time exercising my writing skills (such as they are.)

One of the questions I could not ignore was something to the effect of, "What do carmakers do with new cars that don't sell?" Now, I know what the author was hoping to hear: "Why, I'm so pleased you asked this! The truth is, every year Ford, Toyota, GM and others are stuck with hundreds, nee, thousands of new sedans, SUV's and pick-em-up trucks that don't sell. They have no choice but to pay people like you to take them. Just call 1-888-FREE-CAR and they'll get one on the way! Thanks for asking!" The reality, of course, is somewhat less exciting. They drop the price until somebody buys them. Just like that. The old saying, among car salesmen, is "there's a butt for every seat." Crude, perhaps, but true. They say my grandfather bought the ugliest '59 Ford that Hebe Lane had on the Preston Motors lot, an atrocious two-tone dark green sedan. While Pop-Pop may have suggested he be paid for taking it off the lot, in fact it was my grandfather who had to write the check

for the pleasure of driving that machine off the property.

This is the part of the story where, speaking of cars, I change gears. You may think Loretta made a mistake in editing and that what follows is an entirely different story. Ah, but, stick with me.

I don't recall the first time I went to church, but vaguely remember sitting among the congregation listening to some hymn sung in German (or, at least, it didn't sound like English to my young ears.) The pastor spoke stodgily, but in Sunday school his wife was friendly and I seem to recall she brought us cookies. In time there was a new, younger preacher who enjoyed telling jokes. I'm not sure if some of the adults appreciated it, but I sure did. Pastor Klemm's son Karl was my age and we became friends. He taught me a little song, which I still sing to myself every so often:

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After the Klemm's left I fell away from the church. I was getting old enough that I'd have to move up to a "big kids" class which was scary to me. My parents didn't make me go, so I didn't. It was only as an adult that I would again set foot inside a house of worship, and over the years there have been a few. I've heard music good enough that some folks would pay money for tickets to hear it. I've been to a funeral at a Catholic church, leaving me utterly confused by the actions of water splashing and coordinated kneeling that everyone aside from me seemed to understand. I attended a marriage renewal once at a little country church with an old mobile home for a Sunday school and dining hall. While waiting for a piece of cake in that hall, the pastor smoked a cigarette.

I've seen cowboy churches and heard of biker churches. Music can be hard rock or old bluegrass, or anything else you can imagine. I've attended services under an hour, and some that might still be going on. Why am I telling you this?

At each of those churches, indeed, at every single one of them here in Caroline County, you will find people who are there on a Sunday morn not out of guilt or obligation, but because they truly want to be there. Does that seem hard to believe? Maybe you haven't

attended church in years, if ever. I just want you, dear reader, to think for a moment: you are missing something, if you aren't in church. I'm not even going to get into theology. You're missing out on friendships, great music, support in times of trouble, and the keys to a greater purpose.

To get back to where I started, you might have memories of some church years ago that left a bad taste in your mouth. But nobody said you had to buy that two-tone green Ford. Sure, some folks might like it, but I only suggest you take a look around. Get yourself up next Sunday morn, dust yourself off, and walk in the door of a local church. I can promise you, you'll find a smiling face, and there's always an open seat waiting for you. Remember, they want you there. They're waiting on you! And, hey, if you don't like it, continue your adventure! Try a different place a week later. If you like the great old hymns accompanied by a well-played piano, and a good message, follow my old blue car to Denton Wayside out toward the blinking light at 404 & 16. You can sit next to me. Tip: there's someone like me at every church, probably better.

So, my message today? Not so crude as a butt for every seat. How 'bout (wait for it!)

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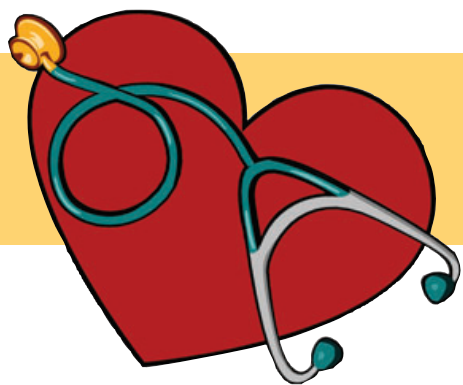
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# Health Corner

Tips, Classes and Programs to help you live healthier!

## February is Heart Health Awareness Month

By Leigh Marquess, RN  
Wellness Promotions, Caroline  
County Health Department

Heart disease remains the leading cause of death for men and women in the USA.

Key Risk Factors for Heart Disease include (account for half of the risk factors):

- High blood pressure
- High cholesterol
- Smoking

Other Risk Factors include:

- Diabetes, obesity, unhealthy diet, physical inactivity, excessive alcohol use.

The CDC has several recommendations to follow in order to help us all achieve good heart health:

**Know your numbers!** Talk with your doctor about your heart health. Have your blood pressure and cholesterol checked routinely. Have your BMI

(body mass index) measured and your A1C blood test to check for pre-diabetes/diabetes. Take any medications as directed.

The Eastern Shore Area Health Education Center (ESAHEC) is offering The National Diabetes Prevention Program (NDPP). This is a virtual program. Later this winter they will also be able to refer you to an in-person program in your community. Stay tuned! To learn more or to register contact them at 410-221-2600 or [esahec.org](http://esahec.org).

**Add exercise to your life.** Physical activity can help you maintain a healthy weight and lower your blood pressure, blood cholesterol, and blood sugar levels. For adults, the Surgeon General recommends 2 hours and 30 minutes of moderate-intensity exercise, like brisk walking or bicycling, every week. Children and adolescents should get one hour of physical activity every day. Before starting an exercise program talk with your doctor about exercising. Visit our two state parks (Martinak and Tuckahoe) and join in their Healthy Parks/Healthy People Program.

**Develop Healthy Eating Habits-** Choose healthy meals and snacks to help prevent heart disease and its complications. Be sure to eat plenty of

fresh fruits and vegetables and fewer processed foods.

- Eating lots of foods high in saturated fat and trans fat may contribute to heart disease.
- Eating foods high in fiber and low in saturated fats, trans fat, and cholesterol can help prevent high cholesterol.
- Limiting salt (sodium) in your diet can also lower your blood pressure.
- Limiting sugar in your diet can lower your blood sugar level to prevent or help control diabetes.
- Do not drink too much alcohol, which can raise your blood pressure. Men should have no more than two drinks per day, and women no more than one drink per day.

**Quit tobacco use and Vaping:** Smoking and second hand smoke have long been known to be bad for our health. A lot of people who smoke have tried many, many times to quit with little success. The Maryland Quit Line is here to help. They provide free Nicotine Replacement Patches and Counseling at no cost! Call 1-800-QUIT-NOW. The Caroline County Health Department can provide a referral to the Maryland Quit Line to help get you started. For more information about our program, call 410-479-8080.

The Million Hearts website is a great website to log onto for tips on good heart health. The website includes a section on My Personal Health Progress which gives you tips for Goal setting.

For more information on the above topics, visit the following websites:  
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### February is Black History Month

How to reduce cancer incidence and mortality rates for Black women and men?

- For most types of cancer Black men and women have the highest death rate and shortest survival of any racial/ethnic group in the United States.
- Overall, Black men have a higher cancer incidence rate and an even higher cancer death rate than White men. Even more striking, Black women have a lower breast cancer incidence rate than White women, but a higher cancer death rate. Black women are 41% more likely to die from breast cancer than

White women. This is thought to be partially because about one in five Black women with breast cancer have triple-negative breast cancer, more than any other racial/ethnic group.

Cancer screening rates for Black men and women are low across the state of Maryland, regardless of insurance

status! How can we work to improve this?

- Get your routine cancer screenings done. Most insurance covers screenings with no copay.
- Check with your Primary Care Provider to find out when you are due.

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- Check with family members to find out about your medical history.
- Use the buddy system. Have a friend, church member, or a neighbor get screened at the same time.
- Speak out! Discuss this at your next church, business, community meeting.

How can the Wellness Promotions Office Assist you?

The Caroline County Breast & Cervical Cancer Screening Program provides no cost assistance and Patient Navigation for yearly mammograms,

clinical breast exams and Pap tests for all women in Caroline, Talbot, and Dorchester Counties ages 40-64 with limited income per state guidelines and limited or no insurance. The program also assists women in need of breast and cervical related diagnostic testing and consults. If you are insured, we may also be able to assist you with your screenings! We also assist younger women over 21 years of age with no cost Pap tests.

The Colorectal Cancer Screening Program assists some adults living in Caroline County with no cost access to colonoscopies. Call us to see if you qualify at 410-479-8080.

## FOOD PANTRIES

### DENTON

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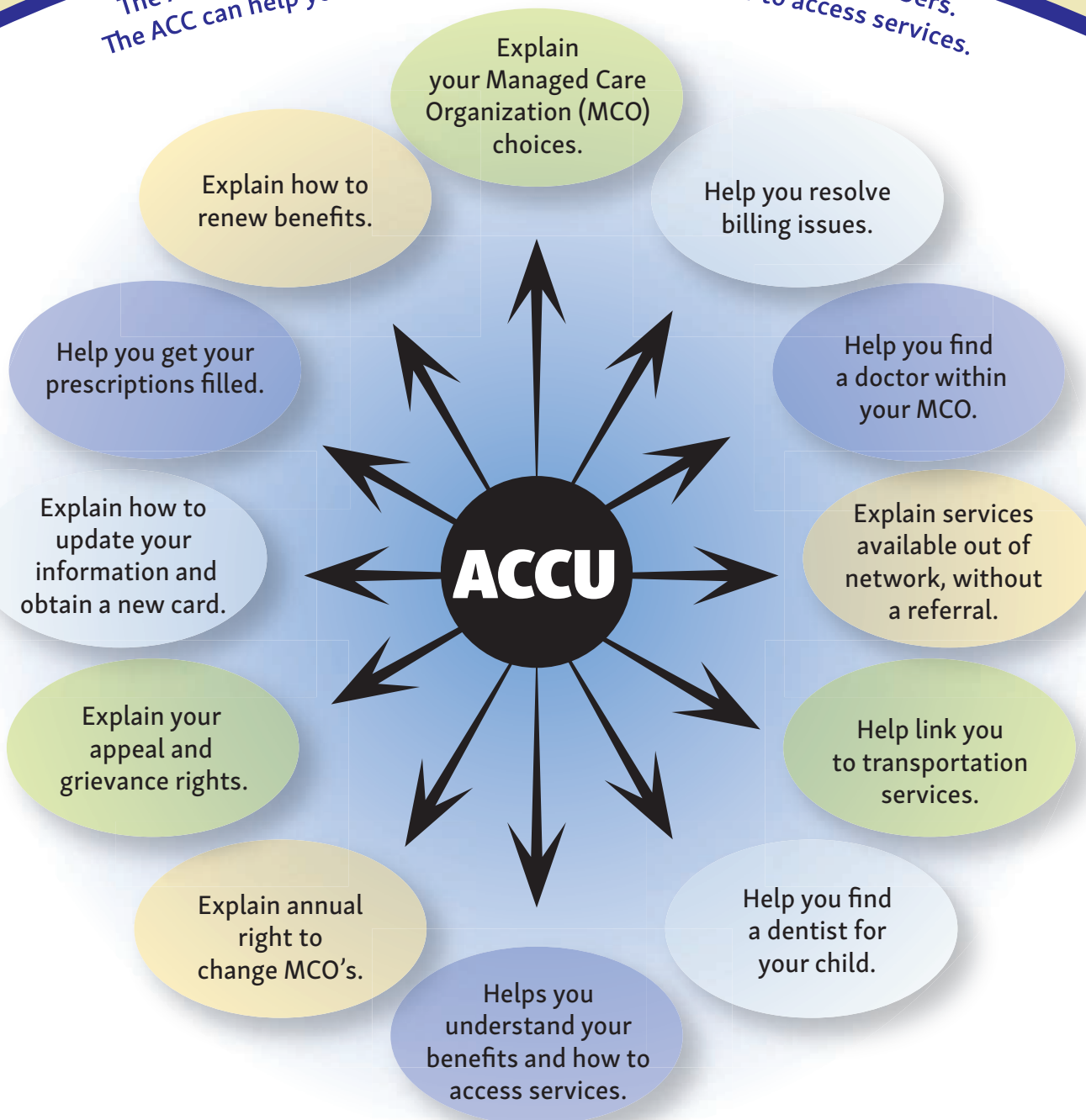


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## A Chesapeake Bay Resort – Ferry Idea That Failed

Denton and Choptank were to have been two Eastern Shore stops for a steamship line from Chesapeake Beach in Anne Arundel County in the late 1920s, but the ships never sailed.

They were to have been part of a grandiose project to transform the Chesapeake Bay resort into another Newport or Atlantic City around the turn of the century, but it was not to be.

While the bayfront resort south of Annapolis did flourish for a number of years, thanks to a 32-mile-long rail line from Washington, D.C., the automobile ultimately spelled its doom and the proposed excursion steamers from the resort, across the bay and up the Choptank never materialized.

In the late 1800s, Otto Mears, a pioneer Colorado narrow-gauge railroad builder, was sold on the idea of erecting a modern-day Monte Carlo and summer resort close to the nation's capital to be served by a rail line.

He raised the money, named it the Chesapeake Beach Railway, and by early 1900 hand constructed the 32- mile line to the resort where a sandy beach and amusement park, complete with over-the-water roller coaster, carousel and other forms of entertainment attracted thousand of vacationers.

But the grand hotels were never built and even though excursion ships from Baltimore brought visitors the same as they did to Tolchester on the Eastern Shore, the resort declined in popularity.

In 1928, the board of directors of the railway named G.F. Detrick, formerly with the Sacramento Northern Railway, as president, and Eugene Fox, of the Western Pacific, as vice-president of the line.

Soon after taking office, the two embarked on an ambitious effort to



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put the line in the ferry business.

They talked with many Eastern Shore bankers, industrialists and farmers and concluded that Chesapeake Beach's falling passenger receipts would be offset by promoting car, truck and freight traffic between Washington and the Delmarva Peninsula.

A map printed in a book entitled "The Chesapeake Beach Railway," shows the proposed ferries would sail from Oxford in Talbot County, and up the Choptank River to Cambridge, Secretary, Choptank and as far as Denton.

The development plan called for the purchase of two steel ferryboats that could carry 95 cars on the main deck and 1,800 passengers on the upper, or saloon level. With slips at Chesapeake Beach and Trippe's Bay, some 16 miles apart, it was calculated that the trip across the bay would take an hour and 30 minutes less than the ferry operating between Annapolis and Claiborne.

Since the Claiborne-Annapolis Ferry Company enjoyed a virtual monopoly of trans-Bay traffic, its officials protested the new venture vigorously.

In 1930, the Interstate Commerce Commission approved the application of the Chesapeake Beach Railway for the new ferry service, but the officials of the older ferry company took it to court and the legal wranglings dragged on for two years.


It wasn't until February 18, 1933, the lowest point of the Great Depression, that the ICC finally approved a loan of \$425,000 to the Chesapeake Beach Railway to begin its ferry system.

The award came as an anticlimax.

So much time and money had been spent in the long legal battle with the Claiborne-Annapolis Ferry Company that the final victory was a hollow one. The directors had decided some months earlier that the project could not be financed at any price, however favorable the terms might be.

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So the dreams of a second ferry line crossing the Chesapeake Bay and picking up passengers and freight as far up the Choptank as Denton died a-borning.

And on April 15, 1935, the final passenger train out of Chesapeake Beach to Washington slowly made its

way westward as the crew padlocked each of the empty depots along the line.

The story of the relatively short life (35 years) of the Chesapeake Beach Railway is a sadly familiar one in modern railroading.



# Community Calendar

## ONGOING

**Lions Durable Medical Equipment Loan Closet.** If you are in need of a piece of durable medical equipment, have your caregiver or healthcare provider contact a Lions Clubs near you to see if we can assist you. To contact a Lions Club near you search [www.lions22B/projects](http://www.lions22B/projects).

## SUNDAYS

**Worship Service** at Eternal Life Ministries at 11 AM at 807 Market St., Denton. Contact: Brother Mike at 410-714-4793.

Please join us in person at **New Beginnings UMC** at 12020 N. Central

Ave Ridgely at 10 AM. Virtual via YouTube #NBUMC or Zoom meeting ID: 242 506 3045 Passcode: 421282.

A new series of 13 lessons has started based on **"God's Awesome Promises" at Bethesda Methodist Church**, 155 Main St in Preston. Each individual and interactive lesson is suitable for children age 4 and up. They are held every Sunday at 9 AM. Call 410-673-1481 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](http://www.ridgelylions.org) or [www.facebook.com/ridgelylionsclub](http://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** at 7:30 PM. Doors open at 5 p.m. Snacks and drinks available for purchase at break. Info 410-479-2708.

**English as a Second Language Classes** from 9-11 AM. at Aaron's Place, 401 Aldersgate Drive, Denton. Any questions, please call 443-243-5906.

**Zumba Classes** at 6 PM with instructor Maria Draves at Aaron's Place, 401 Aldersgate Dr, Denton.

## THIRD TUESDAYS

**Caroline County Chapter of Maryland Right to Life** meets at St. Benedict Family Life Center, 4th Street, Ridgely, behind the church. Regular meeting at 7 PM; committees meet 6 PM. All are welcome to help us defend life, educate the public, and work for legislative change. Info: call or email chapter president Tom Lough, 443-996-3024 or email [Upcycle1atime@gmail.com](mailto:Upcycle1atime@gmail.com).

## WEDNESDAYS

**Ridgely Volunteer Fire Department offers Line Dancing** every 2nd Wednesday of the month from 6-8 PM. Cost is \$5 per person, children 12 and under are free! An instructor will teach

you 1-2 new dances each week and then there will be social time to show off your dance moves. It's a fun time and open to all. The Firehouse is located at 101 Sunset Boulevard, Ridgely. For more information, call 410-634-2424 or email [ridgelyfd@comcast.net](mailto:ridgelyfd@comcast.net).

**Christian Fellowship** from 6:30 – 7:30 PM at Bethesda-Preston Methodist Church. For questions, contact Pastor Paul Lewis, 155 Main St., Preston, 410-610-8111, [Plewis777@yahoo.com](mailto:Plewis777@yahoo.com).

**Community Civic League Food Pantry**, 3439 Laurel Grove Road, Federalsburg. Wednesdays, 4 - 6 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.

**Wednesday Bible Study** at 7 PM at Calvary Baptist Church. Questions: Contact Don Reynolds, Pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, 1120 Market St, Denton, 410-924-6404, [donalddwreynolds@comcast.net](mailto:donalddwreynolds@comcast.net), [www.calvarybaptistchurchofdenton.org](http://www.calvarybaptistchurchofdenton.org).

The Ridgely Lions Club supports the **Ridgely United Methodist Church with their weekly "Food Pantry"** from 2-6 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](mailto:ridgelionsec@gmail.com).

Come out and join us for **Mommy and Me classes** from 9 AM to 1 PM at Aaron's Place, 401 Aldersgate Drive, Denton. Discussion for health and wellness, baby diapers and needs and care for mommies. Any questions, please call 443-243-5906.

## WEDNESDAYS & THURSDAYS

**Exercise-Exercise-Exercise!** One hour exercise classes at 11 AM at Aarons Place, 401 Aldersgate Drive, Denton. Please call 443-243-5906 if any questions.

## FIRST THURSDAYS

**The Activities Singles Klub (ASK)** holds its meetings the 1st Thursday of the month. Meetings are held at the Elks located at 502 Dutchman's Lane in Easton. Single, widowed, divorced and separated individuals are invited. Feel

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free to come visit with us. We meet at 4:30 PM for social time, dinner will be at 5:00 PM and the meeting will follow dinner. For information call Gladys at 410-822-6205.

### **SATURDAYS**

**Upper Shore Genealogical Society of Maryland - The Research Center/Library** is located at 12156 Greensboro Road, Greensboro. The hours of operation are most Saturdays, from 9 AM - 2 PM. The Research Center is usually closed on holiday weekends and dates of membership meetings. Particularly for out of town researchers, the Research Center can be visited by special request. Email us at usgsmmd@yahoo.com. Membership meetings are held at 1 p.m. the second Saturday of January, March, May, September and November. Locations may vary, but will be posted on the website at usgsmmd.org and our official Facebook group (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/usgsmmd>) prior to meetings.

**Preston Historical Society Museum**, located at 167 Main Street, Preston, will be closed January through March, but will reopen in April. For more information visit [www.prestonhistoricalsociety.com](http://www.prestonhistoricalsociety.com) or call 410-924-9080.

Men, join us for **"Men Praying Together"** at 8:30 AM every Saturday. Come fellowship with other believers and be strengthened and inspired. Calvary Baptist Church, 1120 Market Street, Denton. Contact: 410-924-6404. [donaldwreynolds@comcast.net](mailto:donaldwreynolds@comcast.net) <https://calvarybaptistchurchofdenton.org/>

### **FIRST SATURDAYS**

**Community Civic League Breakfast**, 3439 Laurel Grove Road, Federalsburg. Every first Saturday, 7-10:30 AM. Scramble, sausage, eggs, potatoes, applesauce, biscuit, oj, coffee. Cost is \$8. Local delivery available. One free breakfast to anyone who attended the original school or day care. Contact: 410-754-6011 or 410-924-0552.

### **SECOND SATURDAYS**

**Giving Grace Food Pantry** held at **Goldsboro Fire Co.**, 700 Old Line Road, Goldsboro. Food available from 7 AM until. For more information, call 302-270-1948. Sponsored by Trinity United Methodist Church, Goldsboro.

The **1809 Exeter House** (Old Denton Road, Federalsburg) will be open for tours on the second Saturday of each month, from 10 AM to 2 PM. Admission is free, but donations are welcome. Exeter, located at 408 Old Denton Road in Federalsburg, is one of the oldest remaining structures in southern Caroline County, dating back to around 1800. Many of its early residents were millers who worked in the grist mill across the road on the Marshyhope Creek. Docents will be available. Admission is free, but donations are welcomed! For more information, please contact 443-434-3114 or [federalsburgmuseum@comcast.net](mailto:federalsburgmuseum@comcast.net).

**Eternal Life Ministries** will have **Fish Dinners** available from 11 AM until 3 PM. We are located at 807 Market Street in Denton. For more information please call the church at 410-714-1087 or 410-725-1484.

**Men For Change Outreach** will meet every second Saturday, from 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM at the Apostolic Pentecostal Church,

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123 Liberty Road, Federalsburg. Contact: David Ricks, Sr. 443-786-5182, or Betty Jarman, 302-448-5939.

### **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3**

**First Saturday Guided Walk** from 10:00 - 11:00 am. Explore the Arboretum's diverse plant communities on a guided walk led by an Arboretum docent

naturalist. Explore the bottomland forest and upland paths, meander through majestic beech trees, traverse the native meadows, and follow the narrow Tuckahoe Creekside path. Guided walks are free for members and free with admission for the general public. Tours begin at the Visitor's Center and last approximately one hour. Contact: AdkinsArboretum.org or 410.634.2847 ext. 0

### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4**

Join us as we combine our 10 AM Sunday School hour with our 11 AM worship service for a special "**World Missions Day**" with China Missionary A.B. Childs sharing in both. Sunday School at 10 AM and worship at 11 AM and 7 PM every Sunday. Calvary Baptist Church, 1120 Market Street, Denton, 410-924-6404, donaldwreynolds@comcast.net, <https://calvarybaptistchurchofdenton.org/>

### **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5**

**Grocery Bingo** at the Cordova Firehouse. Doors open at 5:45 and games begin at 6:30. Cost starts at \$5. Refreshments are available for purchase. For more information call Rose at 410-829-3771.

### **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11**

**Super Sunday** at Calvary, 11 AM, with worship followed by a Luncheon. No evening service. Sunday School at 10 AM. Calvary Baptist Church, 1120 Market Street, Denton, 410-924-6404, donaldwreynolds@comcast.net, <https://calvarybaptistchurchofdenton.org/>

### **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12**

**Caroline County AARP Chapter 915 meets** at noon, with a covered dish luncheon, at the Church of the Nazarene in Denton. The Bay Country Chorus will entertain us with their wonderful harmonies. Guests and new members are welcome. For more information, call 410-482-6039.

### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15**

Third Thursdays in Downtown Denton from 5:00 - 7:00 PM. Head to downtown Denton on the Third Thursday of every month from 5-7 PM as downtown businesses extend their hours and offer specials! Come rediscover downtown Denton as restaurants and businesses extend their hours and offer specials

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### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

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Breakfast follows. Then we will have a  
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**The Caroline County Republican  
Women (CCRW) will meet** at 10 AM  
at the home of Barbara Porter, 208 S. First  
Street, Denton. Larry Porter, County  
Commissioner will be the speaker.  
Please RSVP to Bobbi by text to 410-570-  
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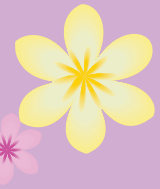
### SATURDAY, MARCH 9

**Cordova Day** from 10 AM-2 PM at  
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## Adkins Arboretum

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[Adkinsarboretum.org](http://Adkinsarboretum.org)  
[Info@Adkinsarboretum.org](mailto:Info@Adkinsarboretum.org)

### **Adkins Arboretum, Shore Rivers Receive Grant to Educate Homeowner Associations**

Adkins Arboretum received a 2023 Chesapeake Bay Trust Outreach grant to partner with ShoreRivers on a “Naturally Better Landscaping” project that strives to educate and empower local homeowner associations to adopt environmentally-friendly landscaping practices. The project was prompted by the passage of Maryland House Bill 322, which prohibits HOA governing bodies from restricting homeowners who employ landscaping techniques that benefit the environment.

By using native plants in conjunction with other environmentally friendly

techniques such as leaving the leaves, reducing turf, and finding alternatives to toxic fertilizers and pesticides, homeowners can help support wildlife and keep our waterways clean. Land, water, and wildlife are inextricably linked, and the choices homeowners make play an important role in safeguarding our environment.

During the initial “Naturally Better Landscaping” project year, Adkins and ShoreRivers have provided field experiences, site visits, and community presentations to Bay Bridge Cove and Chester Harbor HOAs in Queen Anne’s County, as well as Back Creek HOA in Talbot County. They have also developed garden concept designs and online and print resources. The project was featured in the Chesapeake Conservation Landscaping Council’s “Turning a New Leaf” conference in December.

Queen Anne’s County officials have welcomed the “Naturally Better Landscaping” project as a way to raise

awareness about best landscaping practices and stormwater management. With their encouragement, Adkins has applied for a second year of funding in hopes of working with three new HOAs in addition to the HOAs currently engaged. Mallard Run HOA in Stevensville has already expressed interest.

To learn more about the Naturally Better Landscaping project, visit [adkinsarboretum.org](http://adkinsarboretum.org).

### **Adkins Arboretum Offers Botanical Art Classes**

Learn to capture the nuances of plants in colored pencil or watercolor when Adkins Arboretum offers a series of botanical art classes. Programs include:

#### **Botanical Drawing I Sundays, February 11, 18, 25 and March 10, 12:30 –3:30 p.m.**

Led by Sarah Saltus, this introduction to botanical drawing will focus on developing skills and techniques necessary to capture the essence of flowers, fruits, pods, and leaves. Each student will produce a detailed botanical study in pencil.

#### **Botanical Drawing II Sundays, March 17, 24, April 7 and 14, 12:30–3:30 p.m.**

Watercolor is a versatile and expressive medium that can initially be intimidating. This introductory class with Kelly Sverduk will focus on proper watercolor techniques: brush handling and control of water, mixing colors using a limited palette and achieving gradients with washes and layering.

#### **Watercolor I Fridays, March 1, 8, 15 and 22, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.**

Watercolor is a versatile and expressive medium that can initially be intimidating. This introductory class with Kelly Sverduk will focus on proper watercolor techniques: brush handling and control of water, mixing colors using a limited palette and achieving gradients with washes and layering.

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**Watercolor II: Painting and Composition,**  
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Through a series of small watercolor paintings, concepts of composition will be explored through painting techniques demonstrated by Kelly Sverduk. This class aims to develop students' confidence in composing and painting a watercolor study.

**Color Pencil II: Applications**  
Fridays, May 17, 24, 31, June 7 and 14,  
10 a.m.–1 p.m.

Taught by Sarah Saltus, this course focuses on combining the appeal of drawing with the immediacy of color application. Learn to observe color hues and values in color studies and compositions. Prerequisite: Color Pencil I.

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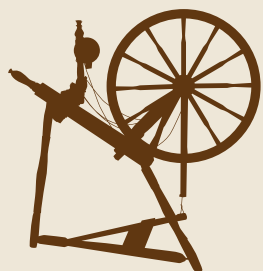
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### **Greensboro Lions Club News**

On January 6th Greensboro Lions members removed the town's Christmas lights. Lion Kevin Barnes provided the boat to retrieve the Christmas Tree from the river. Eleven Lions participated.

Several Lions participated in the eye glass recycle program held at the Elks Club in Easton on Saturday, January 13.

The Greensboro Lions Club will host their Annual Sporting Clay Tournament on Saturday, February 24 at Schrader's Bridgetown Manor, 16090 Oakland Road, Henderson. The tournament will be held from 8-11 AM (Registration and European Start). A barbecue chicken lunch will be served. Cost for individual participants is \$75 which includes 50 targets and lunch. Cost for a four member team sponsorship is \$400 and includes a station sponsor sign, 50 targets and lunch for each member. Cash prizes for winners, ladies and juniors (under 16). Lewis Class will be available for a fee. Special award for the winning team. Station sponsorships with advertising sign are being offered at a cost of \$100. Further information is available by calling Lion Bill Satterfield, 410-829-7416.

The Greensboro Lions meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM at Wheatley Hall, 300 West Sunset Avenue, Greensboro. The club welcomes new members (men and women). To make a reservation, call Lion Allen Kinnamon at 302-398-3899.

### **February Finds the Marydel Lions Club's 2024 and 2025 Programs Beginning to Take Shape!**

The Marydel Lions Club's July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 Community Grants Program has so far donated a major portion of their monies to a wide range of very important and very worthy recipients. Having said that, there still remains

a portion of uncommitted funds that need to be distributed to deserving local and regional causes prior to June 30. Thus, between now and the end of June of this year the Club's membership will identify additional recipients and make the respective donations.

Plans to raise additional funds for the July 1, 2024 through the June 30, 2025 Community Grants Program include 'Always a Winner' Raffles, Eastern Shore Style BBQ Chicken Dinners, Painting Parties and 'Lee's Bees Local Raw Honey'. Also, providing all of the complex components work together, the Club plans to host a Marydel Community Appreciation Celebration Day at the Marydel Park in mid summer of this year.

The motto that gives credence to all Lions Clubs is that of "We Serve". In fact, the Mission Statement of Lions Club International is as follows: To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote international understanding through Lions Clubs. Your Marydel Lions Club's continued success is due, in large part to the excellent monthly coverage that is found in the Caroline Review and its extensive readership.

Please know that 100% of all of the monies raised by our fund-raising activities is dedicated to the programs and projects that benefit the children, youth, families, adults and seniors that are residents of the Maryland and Delaware Mason-Dixon Line Communities and environs of Marydel. In addition to the Club's grants, we will be providing support to the needs of those with visual problems, diabetic challenges, and childhood cancer. Environmental stewardship, support for local food pantries and free use loan of hospital equipment will also continue to be a part of our mission.

We continue to be actively welcoming new members. The Club's combined dinner/business meetings occur on the first Tuesday of each month at 6 PM in the dining room of the Marydel Volunteer Fire Company and are catered by the Chef's of the Ladies Auxiliary. Questions and comments relative to programs, projects and membership can be answered by contacting Lion Lee Voshell at leevoshell@gamil.com or 410-482-8510 or Lion Terry Higgins at terryhiggins38@outlook.com or 302-363-5823.

We are now on Facebook at Marydel Lions Club.

### **Preston Lions Club**

December was a bit of a disappointment with having to cancel our Christmas parade. Mother Nature just didn't want to cooperate. But, we did deliver coats, hats, gloves and scarves to students at Preston Elementary School, thanks to Lions Deb Lawler and Kristy Marshall.

We are still hosting Aaron's Place for their food giveaways, and will be posting when they will be at our facility.

Our meetings are the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM and we welcome anyone to attend.

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**Saturday, March 16, 2024**

**12:00 PM - 4:00 PM**

Scavenger Hunt \$10 adults, \$5 children

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Pickle Ball Demonstrations

### **Other Activities**

\*Oyster Chuck'n at the Pub

Scavenger Hunt Reception at Caroline's 4:00 PM

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**Sunday, March 17, 2024**

Breakfast at the Pub 7:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Brunch at Caroline's 10 AM - 3:00 PM

**See QR Code for more information!**



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## Caroline County Bird Club

Maryland Ornithological Society (MOS) is a nonprofit, statewide organization of people who are interested in birds and nature. It was founded in 1945 and incorporated in 1956 to promote the study and enjoyment of birds. MOS promotes knowledge about our natural resources and fosters its appreciation and conservation. The Society also maintains a system of sanctuaries to encourage the conservation of birds and bird habitat, and to help record and publish observations of bird life.

If you would like to become a member, the Maryland Ornithological Society's dues plus our \$5 local dues are: Individual \$25; Household \$30. With your membership, you will also receive the MOS newsletter, *The Yellowthroat*. For those age 18 or younger, the cost is only \$10.

If at all possible, please register or renew your membership online at the MOS website <https://mdbirds.org/join/>. At the website, you will be able to choose the Caroline County Chapter as your local chapter.

**Friday, February 16 - 19: The Great Backyard Bird Count.**  
How to participate: <https://www.birdcount.org/participate/>

**Saturday, February 17: Program.** 9–11 AM. Gabriel Foley, MD State Breeding Bird Atlas Coordinator will provide an update and help us strategize for our final year in Caroline County. Location: Wharves of Choptank Visitor & Heritage Center, 3 Crouse Park Lane, Denton.

**Sunday, March 3: Bird Walk.** North County Regional Park. Leaders: Robin Lahnemann & Debby Bennett. Meet at parking lot at end of drive at 8 AM. Address: 14267 Greensboro Road, Greensboro.

## February Tide Table

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

Date	AM				PM			
1	12:07	Hi	6:46	Lo	12:44	Hi	7:16	Lo
2	12:45	Hi	7:30	Lo	1:32	Hi	8:07	Lo
3	1:25	Hi	8:16	Lo	2:22	Hi	8:59	Lo
4	2:09	Hi	9:04	Lo	3:17	Hi	9:52	Lo
5	2:59	Hi	9:54	Lo	4:15	Hi	10:47	Lo
6	3:55	Hi	10:48	Lo	5:14	Hi	11:42	Lo
7	4:56	Hi	11:43	Lo	6:11	Hi		
8	12:37	Lo	6:00	Hi	12:39	Lo	7:06	Hi
9	1:30	Lo	7:03	Hi	1:35	Lo	7:59	Hi
10	2:21	Lo	8:05	Hi	2:30	Lo	8:50	Hi
11	3:10	Lo	9:05	Hi	3:24	Lo	9:38	Hi
12	3:57	Lo	10:01	Hi	4:17	Lo	10:23	Hi
13	4:44	Lo	10:55	Hi	5:10	Lo	11:08	Hi
14	5:31	Lo	11:48	Hi	6:02	Lo	11:52	Hi
15	6:18	Lo			12:39	Hi	6:54	Lo
16	12:36	Hi	7:07	Lo	1:30	Hi	7:46	Lo
17	1:22	Hi	7:56	Lo	2:23	Hi	8:38	Lo
18	2:12	Hi	8:47	Lo	3:18	Hi	9:30	Lo
19	3:05	Hi	9:40	Lo	4:14	Hi	10:23	Lo
20	4:02	Hi	10:33	Lo	5:10	Hi	11:17	Lo
21	5:01	Hi	11:27	Lo	6:04	Hi		
22	12:11	Lo	6:00	Hi	12:21	Lo	6:56	Hi
23	1:03	Lo	6:57	Hi	1:14	Lo	7:44	Hi
24	1:52	Lo	7:50	Hi	2:05	Lo	8:28	Hi
25	2:38	Lo	8:40	Hi	2:54	Lo	9:09	Hi
26	3:23	Lo	9:26	Hi	3:41	Lo	9:48	Hi
27	4:05	Lo	10:09	Hi	4:28	Lo	10:25	Hi
28	4:47	Lo	10:50	Hi	5:15	Lo	11:01	Hi
29	5:29	Lo	11:31	Hi	6:02	Lo	11:36	Hi

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



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## How Will Higher Rates Affect You?

Submitted by Ann Jacobs, Financial Advisor, Edward Jones - Denton  
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As you know, interest rates have risen considerably over the past couple of years. But what does this mean to you, as a consumer and as an investor?

From a consumer's standpoint, it's not hard to see the effects of higher interest rates. If you want to take out a mortgage or refinance an existing one, you'll find that it's considerably more costly, in terms of the interest you'll pay, than it was a few years ago. And the same is true of car loans and credit cards. Paying these debts at higher rates can affect your cash flow, so while rates are high, you may need to make some important decisions about your overall budget and spending plans.

As an investor, though, you may find the effects of higher interest rates to be somewhat more complex. That's because higher rates can have a different impact on different types of investments, such as stocks and bonds.

When considering stocks, be aware that not all market sectors will respond the same way to higher interest rates. For example, the financial sector, which includes banks, insurance compa-

nies and brokerage firms, may benefit from higher rates. On the other hand, smaller technology companies, which still must invest heavily in their businesses, may not do as well due to rising interest rates making it more expensive for them to borrow. And other sectors will respond differently to higher rates. Keep in mind, though, that there's great variance within sectors and among companies, so when you consider purchasing stocks, evaluate each choice on its merits and make sure it fits within your risk tolerance, time horizon and need for portfolio diversification. When you diversify your investment dollars, you can reduce the risk of market volatility affecting just one type of asset, although diversification by itself can't protect against all losses.

With fixed-income investments, such as bonds, interest rate movements can have significant and direct impacts. When interest rates rise, the value of your current bonds will likely fall because new bonds can pay higher rates. However, you can also buy bonds at the new, higher rates and benefit from bigger interest payments.

Still, there's no guarantee that interest rates will stay elevated – in fact, the Federal Reserve has indicated that it might actually start cutting rates in 2024 – which is why it may be a good idea to build what's known as a "ladder" consisting of short-, intermediate- and long-term bonds. Once you have your ladder in place, you'll have some protection from interest-rate movements. So, if rates were to keep rising, you could reinvest the proceeds of your short-term bonds in the new, higher-paying ones. But if rates level off, or even fall, you'll still benefit from your longer-term bonds, which typically (but not always) pay higher rates than short-term ones.

Of course, if you hold your bonds until maturity, you will continue to get the same interest payments, regardless of where market rates go.

In any case, it's useful to be aware of what's happening with interest rates — the more you know about the factors affecting your investments, the better off you'll be.


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## Senior Moments

by Mary Moran  
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It surely seems like we are in thick of sick these days! The trifecta of Covid, RSV, and pneumonia are rampaging through Caroline County along with those lovely stomach bugs that haunted Christmas this year. These lung infections are serious and very contagious, with the coughing lasting 4-6 weeks. For those burning wood stoves or fossil fuels to keep warm, humidifiers help to get some moisture into the air to reduce that cough. And for those tough guys and gals who put off seeing a doctor because they must work, do us all a favor and call the doctor, or get thyself to urgent care, and get some meds to stop the spread! The doctors are slammed and doing the best they can, so don't be surprised if it takes a few days to be seen, but please, make the call! We respect your work ethic but need our coworkers to be considerate of everyone's health!

As we go about our daily lives with this mess it's important to protect ourselves

and the community! We are all familiar with the routine to mask up, be diligent about hand washing, use hand sanitizer in the car and at home, and wipe down those shopping carts! For those that are healthy, getting vaccinated for all three lung infections will reduce and shorten your suffering and keep you out of the hospital...or the morgue!

Reminder to those with February Birthdays! Maryland's Birthday Rule opportunity to reduce the premiums on your Medicare Supplemental Plans starts the day of your birthday and ends exactly 30 days later. It is your annual opportunity to change insurance carriers and plans and agents are not permitted to ask any medical underwriting questions! However, your age will determine your new rate. Call Mary Moran at the above numbers for more information.

SHIP is still waiting for 2024 income limits for eligibility for Extra Help. These income limits are based on the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) which drops every year in February or March. This federally based program is facilitated by Social Security and puts a cap on your Medicare Prescription drug costs. Members will pay a co-pay of \$4.50 for generic drugs and \$11.20 for brand name drugs. With the exception of insulins, it is recommended that these are picked up in 90-day supplies to pay the flat fees of \$4.50 and \$11.20

rather than buying them monthly for the same price!

Know that in 2024 they are prorating your monthly contributions to your monthly premiums with the more expensive plans. Our annual Social Security benefit statement will reflect whatever is being deducted from your check for your share of the drug premiums. If you are enrolled in Extra Help but did not evaluate your options during Open Enrollment, SHIP may be able to help. One of the perks of being in Extra Help is the option to change plans quarterly outside of Open Enrollment! Based on your medication needs there may be a better option for you.

Annual Deductibles are reduced from \$535 to \$109 for those enrolled in Extra Help.

We do know the feds have streamlined this program and eliminated the two tiers of eligibility. Until the FPL is released, eligibility is based on 2023 income limits.

The individual monthly income limit is \$1,843. The individual asset limit is \$17,220 and does not include one's home or vehicle.

A couples monthly income limit is \$2,485. The couples asset limit is \$34,360, not including home or car.

For moderate income Maryland residents, the Senior Prescription Drug Assistance Program (SPDAP) pays up to \$75 per month toward Medicare part "D" monthly premiums. There are no other subsidies tied to this program and it does not reduce one's drug costs. However, the assistance is great for those who find themselves paying high premiums!

The one extra perk is that it allows a change of Medicare prescription "D" drug plan one time per year outside of Open Enrollment. It may come in handy if one's health and medication needs change.

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For other ways to save on your medications, take a look at January's Senior Moments in hard copy or online at the Caroline Review!

Heres hoping Caroline County stays warm and you stay well!

**Denton Caroline County  
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What a busy Month we have ! Starting every Tuesday and Thursday in February we will be doing bingo-size from 10:00-10:45. It's bingo with some fun exercise!

We also will still have Tyrell coming in on Wednesdays at Noon and Thursdays at 12:45 for Sail exercise. It's a great way to get that heart pumping for American Heart Month!

Kara Greene will be here for Advance Directives on 2/5 at 12:30 and Michelle Hammond on 2/7 at 10 AM to talk to us about healthy nutrition.

Erika will be back to do nails on 2/12. Call Brandy at 410-479-2535 to schedule a time. She will be here from 9-2.

We will be doing several crafts for Valentines, such as candles, glass bead art, heat art and spoon art.

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- Tyrell James will continue to come on Tuesdays for Healthy Coaching and SAIL exercise beginning at 10.
- For medication questions and blood pressures Melainie will visit our Center on February 22nd at 10.
- We have lots of fun crafts planned for this month that include decorating a Valentine box, Valentine sign making, a heart puzzle piece wreath, water coloring a mug, and a saltshaker flower bouquet.
- February 13th we will hold our Valentines Party where we will have games to play and plenty of snacks!

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- Bingo will continue to be on Thursdays at 11.
- On February 29th the Center will be traveling to the Harriet Tubman Museum in Cambridge.

For any additional information on the crafts, Valentine party, bingo, trip to the Museum, or any of our Educational/ Guest speakers, please call Sheri at 410-754-9754 or stop by the Center. We would love for you to join us!

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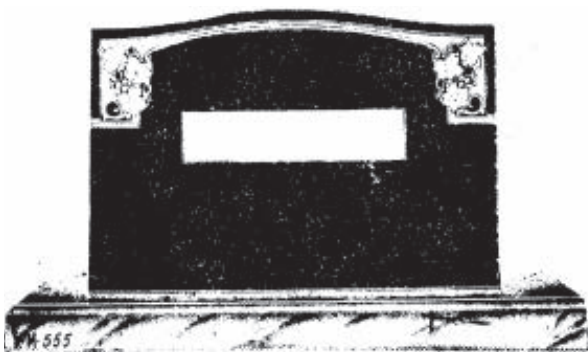
- Dec. 01 Helen Estelle Womack, St Michaels
- Dec. 03 Anious Corene Parker, 92, Preston
- Dec. 04 Cecil Mildred Harrison, 86, Seaford, DE
- Dec. 07 Shirley A Crowe Ellis, 79, Seaford, DE
- Dec. 08 Kenneth Howie, III, 77, Hurlock
- Dec. 09 Lena Grace DeGraw, 91, Bridgeville, DE
- Dec. 11 Shirley Prettyman Haddaway, 96, Tilghman
- Dec. 14 Toni Lyn Gehman, 57, Bridgeville, DE
- Dec. 14 Marilyn Joyce Barrett, 92, Saint Michaels
- Dec. 16 Richard N. Roe, Sr., 70, St. Michaels
- Dec. 16 Joan E. Kirsch, 85, Preston
- Dec. 16 Charlene Marie Garman Robbins, 57, Preston
- Dec. 16 Bobby Davis, 78, Easton
- Dec. 17 Beverly G. D'Attilo, 75, Oxford
- Dec. 24 Jack Thomas Taylor, 87, Easton

- Dec. 24 Cheryl Ann Willey, 62, Federalsburg
- Dec. 27 Evelyne Harrison Garner, 87, Tilghman
- Dec. 28 Kathleen Anne Barry, 82, Preston
- Dec. 29 Patricia Ann Southard, 79, Federalsburg
- Dec. 29 Robert William Rieck, 73, Denton

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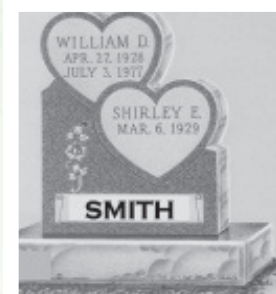
- Dec. 02 C. Steven Mulder, 77, Cordova
- Dec. 06 P. Lynn Towers, 60, Denton
- Dec. 07 Pamela Kay Mcbee, 70, Denton
- Dec. 08 Ronald A. Stafford, 77, Hillsboro
- Dec. 09 Robin Leigh Murphy, 66, Preston
- Dec. 12 James Morris Brady Jr., 55, Stockton
- Dec. 13 Anthony Wade Gay, 61, Centreville
- Dec. 14 Paula Helen Butler, 94, Luthersville, GA
- Dec. 14 Matthew Joseph Bach, 89, Denton
- Dec. 21 Henrietta Maria Wood, 94, Denton
- Dec. 23 Robert Leroy Bischoff Sr, 81, Denton
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