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What is HealthChoice?

HealthChoice is Maryland's Medicaid managed care program. Most people who qualify for Medicaid are required to enroll in a Managed Care Organization (MCO). It is best to select an MCO that your doctor participates with. If your doctor does not participate in the MCO you select or are assigned to, you will need to choose another primary care doctor (PCP) to oversee your medical care.

What is a HealthChoice MCO?

An MCO is a group of doctors, clinics, and other health care providers who work together to take care of HealthChoice members health care needs. MCOs are responsible to provide or arrange for most of your health care services including most pharmacy services. Some services such as mental health and substance use disorder services and certain drugs are covered by the State and not your MCO.

The Administrative Care Coordinator serves as a local resource for all HealthChoice members. The ACCU can:

- Help you understand your HealthChoice benefits and how to access services
- Explain your MCO choices
- Help you find a primary care doctor or specialist in your MCO's network (You can change PCPs at any time.)
- Help you find a dentist (Dental services for children and adults are covered through the Maryland Healthy Smiles Program.)
- Help link you to Medicaid transportation services (MCOs are not required to provide transportation.)
- Help you get your prescriptions filled
- Explain the health care services you can get out of network and without a referral, like prenatal care (if you already started prenatal care) and family planning services
- Explain your annual right to change MCOs

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- Explain how to keep your information updated and how to get a new Medicaid card if your card is lost or stolen
- Help you resolve a billing issue
- Explain your appeal & grievance rights

Target populations include children, pregnant and postpartum women, individuals with disabilities (physical, mental or developmental), and homeless individuals. The ACC can help anyone who is eligible for HealthChoice.

Ombudsman

The local Ombudsman acts as an advocate for your health care needs. An Ombudsman may contact you when there are complex medical issues involving care coordination with the MCO. The HealthChoice Program may also request that an Ombudsman contact you to ensure that any complaints that you have about your health care or MCO have been resolved.

If you need help or have a complaint about your care, call the HealthChoice Help Line at 800-284-4510 or call your Kent County Health Department ACC/Ombudsman Program at 410-778-7035:

- Help is available to you in your language free of charge.

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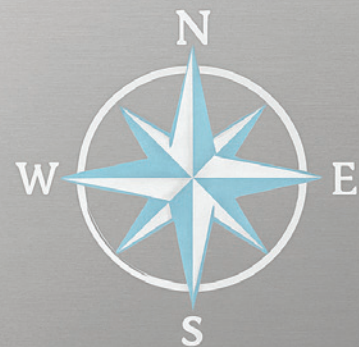
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DISTRICT	NAME	PURPOSE	LOCATION	TOWN
1	Edward Ayers	Demolition: Home 38 ft x 50 ft	14085 S Mill Road	Galena
1	Teodoro Diaz	Accessory Building: Pole Building 40 ft x 80 ft	32310 Millington Road	Millington
1	Joseph Graney	Greenhouse 12 ft by 8 ft	14190 Metasequoia Court	Galena
1	Bryan Jones	Shoreline: Stone Groinds (3)	31252 Front Street	Galena
1	Charles Woodall	Accessory Building: Inground Pool 15 ft x 35 ft	14011 Beechwood Road	Galena
2	Marsha Gerdes	Basement/Shift Bedroom/Add Closet	14029 Riverview Road	Kennedyville
2	Douglas Hopkins	Accessory: Pellet Stove	28808 Belchester Road	Kennedyville
2	Zeb Land LLC	Accessory Building: Pole Building 100 ft x 45 ft	12530 Dads Desire Road	Worton
3	CMH Homes INC	New Single Family Dwelling	25641 West Hill Road	Worton
3	Double Net LLC	Solar: Roof Mount 67.86 kw 116 Modules	10838 Worton Road	Worton
3	John Gimigliano	New Single Family Dwelling	13376 Fishing Valley Road	Worton
3	Lola Henry	Accessory Building: Shed 12 ft x 24 ft	11031 Kirsten Way	Worton
3	KNR INC	Demolish Building	10816 Worton Road	Worton
3	Joseph Mullee	Accessory Building: Pier with Boat and Jet Ski Lifts	24042 Macs Lane	Worton
3	Austin Peet	New Single Family Dwelling	26140 Bessicks Corner Road	Still Pond
3	Worton Creek Marina, LLC	Replacement Building, Pier and Bulkhead	23141 Buck Neck Road	Chestertown
4	Thomas Tucker	New Single Family Dwelling with Attached Storage/Workshop	522 Morgnec Road	Chestertown
5	Elizabeth Clifton	Renovation: Crawl Space and Interior Walls	6354 Rock Hall Road	Rock Hall
5	Fisher Family Investments	Inground Pool with Fence	4865 Eastern Neck Road	Rock Hall
5	Herman Hill	Sediment Control: New Driveway	21311 Eastern Neck Island Road	Rock Hall
5	Napley Green LLC	Logging: Selection and Pine Thinning 154 AC	22076 Napley Green Road	Rock Hall
5	Donald & Jennifer Paul	Sunroom 12 ft x 10 ft	21908 Yerkey Road	Rock Hall
5	Bret Reitz	Renovation: Replacement of 4 Windows and 1 Exterior Door	6016 Rock Hall Road	Rock Hall
5	Swan Point Farm LLC	Demolition: Pier 90 ft x 6 ft and Boat Lift	6205 Swan Creek Road	Rock Hall
5	Swan Point Farm LLC	Pier 150 ft x 6 ft with Boat Lifts	6205 Swan Creek Road	Rock Hall
6	Frank Barnes, Jr. et. Al.	Construct 2 Agricultral Buildings	22840 Bay Shore Road	Chestertown
6	Shalyn Boulden	Demolition: Garage due to tree damage	22431 Cross Road	Chestertown
6	Kevin Dey	New Single Family Dwelling	8668 Elm Road	Chestertown
6	Alexander Edge	Accessory Building: Pole Building 46 ft x 84 ft	7280 Swan Creek Road	Chestertown
6	Alexander Edge	Demolition: Pole Building 30 ft x 80 ft	7280 Swan Creek Road	Chestertown
6	Freedom Properties GOM LLC	Demolition: Remove Interior Flooring, Finishes, Wall	10564 Cliff Road	Chestertown
6	Alexa Fry	Accessory Building: Inground Pool 18 ft x 38 ft	10810 Cliff Road	Chestertown
6	Howard Rubin	Renovation: Basement & Garage	22464 Goose Hollow Drive	Chestertown
6	Constance Seale	Addition: Pantry and Closet 14 ft x 4 ft 6 in	21254 Chesapeake Road	Chestertown
7	Philip Boudart, Trustee	Add Shingled Gable Roof over Existing Flat Foof	25750 Collins Avenue	Chestertown
7	Gregory Bratton	Demolition: Garage	5639 Langford Bay Road	Chestertown
7	Gregory Bratton	Accessory Building: Detached Garage 40 ft x 60 ft	5639 Langford Bay Road	Chestertown
7	Hilco Inc	Construct 60 ft by 40 ft Pole Building	25227 Chestertown Road	Chestertown
7	Barbara Jones, Trustee	Replace Garage Roof	6669 Belle Grove Lane	Chestertown
7	John Kostick	Demolition: 3 Sheds	25345 Lovers Lane	Chestertown
7	John Kostick	Accessory Building: Pole Building 40 ft x 60 ft	25345 Lovers Lane	Chestertown
7	Prestwick-Kent LLC	Sediment Control: New Driveway	Prestwick Drive	Chestertown
7	Jermey Smith	Pool 30 ft x 10 ft with Spa 6 ft x 6 ft	5179 Quaker Neck Road	Chestertown
7	Jonathan Slocum	Replace Front Porch and Roof of Home	7643 Airy Hill Road	Chestertown

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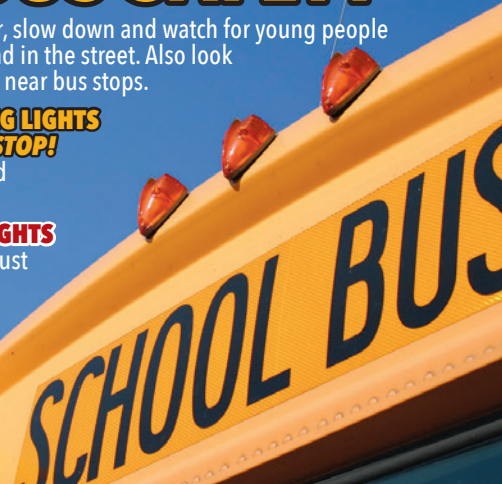
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- An opossum with a lumpy back may be carrying joeys later in spring.



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JA: Heading to Arizona for the spa!

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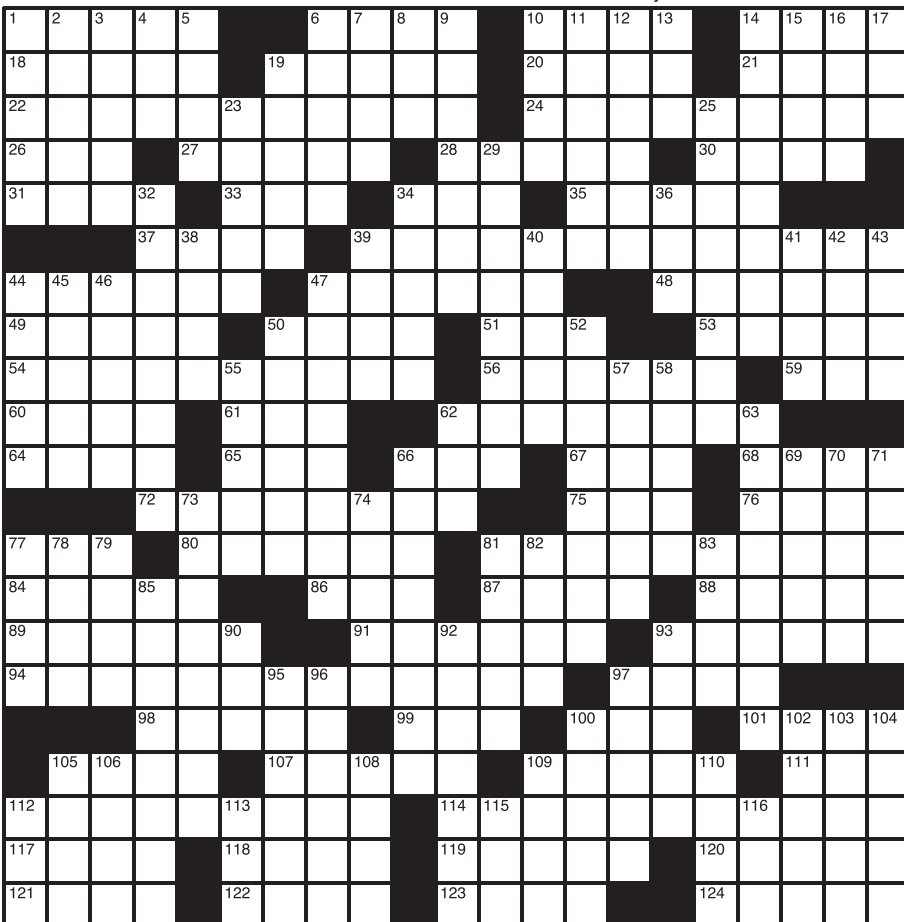
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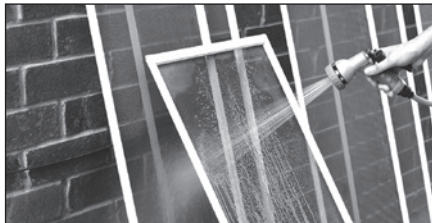
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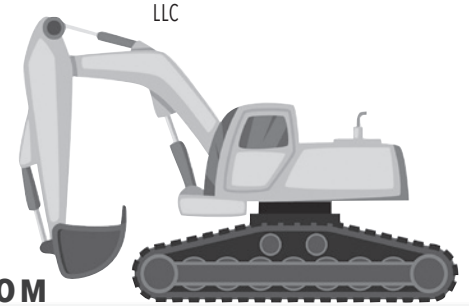


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SAT, APRIL 11TH 10AM-2PM - Moving and Garage Sale at 11122 Boyer Lane, Worton; Tools, household, furniture, patio furniture; Motivated seller!

SAT & SUN, APRIL 11TH 9AM-3PM & 12TH 9AM-12PM - Garage/Estate Sale on Collins Ave., between Carriage and Waterview Lanes, near Chester River Yacht & Country Club, Chestertown; Look for the signs; Something for everyone!

SAT, APRIL 18TH 7AM-12PM - Downsizing Yard Sale at 221 Richard Dr., Chestertown; Books, puzzles, tools, antiques, pet items, furniture, kitchen tools, artwork, craft and sewing supplies, Christmas decorations, and much, much more!

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Most Days 10am or 11am - Bingo at Amy Lynn Ferris Adult Activity Center, 200 Schaubert Rd., Chestertown; 410-778-2564.

Every Thurs 6pm - Bingo at Bay Country Moose Lodge #831, 6154 Main St., Queenstown; Call 410-827-7900.

2nd Thurs Monthly 6:30pm - Bingo at Cecilton Vol. Fire Co., 110 E. Main St., Cecilton; Benefits CVFC; Call 410-275-8686.

3rd Fri Monthly 7pm - Cash Bingo at Chestertown Elks Lodge #2474, 8631 Bell Rose Lane, Chestertown; Food & drinks available for purchase; Call 410-778-6370.

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If Your Birthday Is This Week: The union of Mars and Neptune early in your birthday means you will know things without knowing how you know them this year. Your insights into other people's motivations will give you a huge advantage in one-to-one situations. Don't be afraid to use it.

ARIES (March 21 - April 20): Your ambition knows no bounds and when mind planet Mercury joins the Sun and Mars in your sign this week you will know without a shadow of a doubt what you want and how you can get it. Look out world, Aries is coming through!

TAURUS (April 21 - May 21): You may feel a bit inhibited over the next few days as cosmic activity in the most sensitive area of your chart takes its toll. The good news is that while you won't be doing much in the world at large you will be thinking more.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21): You are not the sort to let others get away with statements you know are untrue and because of that you could find yourself in the middle of a big argument this week. It's important that you win the argument, so don't back down even an inch.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23): You may feel a bit out of your depth on the work front at the moment but in a way that might do you some good in that you will consciously avoid people whose ambitions clash with your own. You don't HAVE to interact with them.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23): Go your own way and do your own thing and don't spare even a moment's thought for those who don't agree with your methods. You have so much to do and only a limited amount of time in which to do it, so get going!

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23): You can be amazingly stubborn at times and with your ruling planet Mercury about to leave the partnership area of your chart you won't care in the slightest what other people think of your actions. You're not following them, you're following the money.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23): When the going gets tough the tough get going and what occurs over the coming week will prove to anyone who may have doubted it that you are as tough as they come. You won't suffer fools but you will make them aware of your presence.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22): You have been trying a bit too hard of late, which over the next few days could lead to signs of fatigue. Take the hint and slow down for a while. Mercury's change of signs on Tuesday makes that a good time to assess your priorities.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 21): One of the best times of the year is here and though you may believe that you are operating at full capacity you will find even greater reserves of energy and enthusiasm over the next few days. What can you do with it? Anything you please!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 20): If you have been hiding your feelings about someone in recent days they won't stay hidden for long. Mercury's move into one of the more emotional areas of your chart this week will encourage you to speak up, and you will have plenty to say!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19): Although you might be inclined to go on the offensive this week the influence of Saturn in your chart warns you need to tread carefully. Most of all you need to watch what you say, because careless words could so easily be your downfall.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar. 20): What occurs over the next few days will call into question at least some of your values. At the very least you will no longer be able to coast along without worrying about the effects of your actions. Causes always have consequences.

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Church

Sat, April 11th 12pm-2pm - Food for Your Soul at The Potter's House Ministries, 8814 Fairlee Rd., Chestertown; Soul food dinner; Carlos Holmes presents The Richard Allen Story; Free; Ticket req'd; Call 410-708-2716.

Sun, April 12th 10:30am - Blessing of the Planters at Still Pond Church, 12801 Still Pond Rd., Still Pond; Church service with music, lunch immediately following; Farmers bring your tractors & planters to the church for blessings & prayers for a bountiful harvest; Bring a lawn chair & side dish.

Wed, April 15th 2pm-4pm - Shower Ministry at Grace Community Church, 400 Morgnec Rd., Chestertown; For anyone who needs access to a bathroom or hot shower; Toiletries, towels, soap and shampoo provided; Call 410-778-0390.

Thurs, April 23rd 7am-9am - QAC Prayer Breakfast at Kent Island Vol. Fire Dept., 1610 Main Street, Chester; \$20/tickets; Call 410-643-5454; <https://zeffy.com/en-us/ticketing/queen-annes-county-prayer-breakfast--2026>.



Sat, April 25th 10am-2pm - Mount Olive AME Church Community Day at 24840 Lambs Meadow Rd., Worton; Kent Attainable Housing, The Olive Garden Youth Outreach, and ShoreRivers; Call 443-480-6842; Email office@kentattainablehousing.org.

3rd Fri 10am-12pm - Food Pantry at Mount Olive AME Church, 24840 Lambs Meadow Rd., Worton; Must have referral from MD Food Bank; Call 410-778-3329; Learn more at www.mtoliveamecworton.org.

Every Sat 6:30pm - The Sower Saturday Night Church at Chestertown Baptist Church, 401 Morgnec Rd, Chestertown; In person/online live at www.facebook.com/rudy.draper; Visit www.sowerministry.com.

Every Sun 10:30am - Sunday School at Still Pond Church, 12801 Still Pond Rd, Still Pond; All ages welcome; For details visit www.stillbetterchurch.org.

Every Sun 8am - Go through the Bible with Pastor Don Blad on WCTR 102.3FM, 96.1FM, 1530AM, www.wctr.com, and www.calvarychapelchestertown.net; For more information call 410-348-5702.

Every Sun 8am - Call in Sunday Service for Still Pond & Betterton Methodist Churches; Call 605-475-2200 and enter passcode 8792932#; www.stillbetterchurch.org

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7341 Barkers Landing Road, Easton MD 21601

ACCEPTABLE HHW ITEMS

- Gas, gas/oil mixtures and automotive fuels
- Empty propane cylinders size #40 and smaller
- Acids, cleaners, and solvents
- Chemicals (pool, darkroom, etc.)
- Pesticides, insecticides, and herbicides
- Oil-based paint, paint thinner, stains, turpentine, wood preservatives, and wood strippers
- Fluorescent tubes and lamps (limit 15)
- Mercury thermometers

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Household trash
- Explosives and ammunition
- Medical and radioactive wastes
- Compressed gas cylinders other than propane cylinders listed above
- Asbestos
- Smoke detectors
- Appliances
- Power tools and power tool batteries
- Tires
- Household batteries
- Road/marine flares
- Liquid containers over 5 gallon maximum size

ACCEPTABLE ELECTRONICS

- Computers and peripherals (keypads, laptops, monitors, mice, printers, cables, modems, etc.)
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For questions on the program, please contact the Maryland Environmental Service at (443) 685-4073.

2nd & 4th Sun 8:45am-9am - Trumpeting for Jesus Radio Broadcast on WCTR 1530AM, 106.9FM, www.wctr.com or on Facebook; Call 302-724-0474.

3rd Sun 3pm - Aglow Chestertown Light-house meets at Women In Need, 106 Philosophers Terrace, Chestertown; A time of fellowship and a fresh word from the Lord; On Facebook @chestertownaglow.

Every Mon 7pm - Celebrate Recovery at Hope Fellowship Church, 892 Washington Ave., Chestertown; Finding freedom from your hurts, habits & hang ups; Call 410-778-3577; www.ctownhope.com.

Every Mon 5pm - Men's Fellowship Group meets at the Presbyterian Church, 905 Gateway Dr., Chestertown; Call 410-778-6057; Email info@presbyterianchestertown.org.

1st Mon Monthly 6pm - Sister to Sister Christian Women's Group at Bethel AME Church, 237 N. College Ave., Chestertown; Rev. Robert N. Brown, Jr.; Send emails to bethel.ctown@gmail.com.

2nd Mon 9am-12pm - Millington-Crumpton Food Pantry housed at Asbury U.M. Church, 392 Cypress St., Millington; For Maryland residents on assistance; To donate, volunteer, or for more information call 443-480-0053.

Every Tues & Thurs 10am-12pm - Community Food Pantry is open to Kent County residents who meet income requirements; Christ First UM Church, Mill St., Chestertown; Donations welcome 9:30am-10am these days; To donate, volunteer, or for more information call 410-778-0550; Visit www.kentfoodpantry.org.

Every Tues 10am-12pm - Food Pantry open at Seventh Day Adventist Church, 305 N. Kent St., Chestertown; Call 443-988-3886.

Every Tues & Fri 9am-5pm - Haven Ministries Food Pantry Truck at Faith Bible Church, 407 Dudley Corner Rd., Sudlersville; Must bring photo ID & be a resident of Queen Anne's Co.; Call 410-827-7194; Visit www.haven-ministries.org.

Every Tues Monthly 7pm-9pm - Cecil Choral Practices in Weldin Hall at Elkton UM Church, 219 E. Main St., Elkton; Fall and winter season; Details at www.cecilchoral.org or find on Facebook.

Every Tues - Knit Unto Others knitting group meets at the Presbyterian Church, 905 Gateway Dr., Chestertown; For details call 410-778-6057; Send emails to info@presbyterianchestertown.org.

2nd Tues Monthly 6pm - Sons of Allen Christian Men's Group at Bethel AME Church, 237 N. College Ave., Chestertown; Send emails to bethel.ctown@gmail.com.

2nd Tues Monthly 10:30am-12pm - Caregivers Group at the Presbyterian Church, 905 Gateway Dr., Chestertown; Call 410-778-6057; deetrakat@gmail.com.

Faith Life Church - Mon 6:30pm Leadership Training Class; Every 1st & 3rd Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study 7pm; Every 2nd Friday Youth Night; Sun 9am Sunday School & 10:15am Worship; 434 Calvert St., Chestertown; For more information visit www.flcfaithlife.com; Call 410-778-4216; Email life@flcfaithlife.com.

St. Clement's Episcopal Church - Sun. Worship 10am in English, 12:30pm in Spanish; Bilingual Rosary as announced online; 32940 Maryland Line Rd, Massey; Burial Plots available in Massey Cemetery; Call 410-928-5051; For more information visit www.saintclements.org.

Presbyterian Church - Sun. service 9:30am; 905 Gateway Dr., Chestertown; Rev. Joel Tolbert, Head Pastor; Rev. Caitlan Gartland, Assoc. Pastor; On Facebook; Call 410-778-6057 for more information or visit www.presbyterianchestertown.org.

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF MARYLAND
IN THE MATTER OF TPE MD KE77, LLC'S APPLICATION FOR
A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY
TO CONSTRUCT A 5.0 MW SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC GENERATING
FACILITY IN KENT COUNTY, MARYLAND**

CASE NO. 9799

NOTICE OF COMMUNITY PUBLIC MEETING

TurningPoint Energy will hold a public meeting to collect community feedback regarding TPE MD KE77, LLC's application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) to construct a 5.0 MW community solar electric generating facility at 12721 Bloomfield Road, Kennedyville, MD 21645.

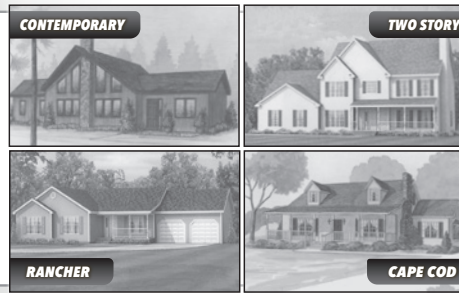
DATE: Wednesday, May 6, 2026

TIME: 6:00 p.m. EDT

PLACE: Galena Volunteer Fire Company, 90 E Cross St., Galena, MD 21635

The meeting is open to the public and all are welcome. The meeting will include a presentation by the Applicant, followed by an opportunity for members of the community to provide feedback and for the Applicant to address community feedback.

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The Rock Community Church of MD - Formerly Rock Hall Church of God; Sun 10:45am coffee and conversations (service optional) and 11am service and children's church for all ages; Pastor John Sweeney; 6528 Rock Hall Rd.; Call 301-789-9704; Email therock21661@gmail.com; For details visit www.therockcmd.org.

Olivet UM Church - 9:30am Contemporary outside worship service at the pavilion, bring a chair; 11am Traditional service in the sanctuary; 115 S. Main St., Galena; Call 302-332-8457 for more information or visit www.goandserve.jimdo.com.

Work In Progress Ministries - Youth Sun School & Adult Learning 9am; Sun Worship 10am; Tues. Community Bible Class 7pm; 104 Legion Rd, Millington; For more information call 410-928-6085; Find details online by visiting www.wipministries.com.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church - Mass Sat. 4pm & Sun. 10am; 508 High St., Chestertown; Call 410-778-3160 for more information; Visit www.sacredparish.org for details about all services and ministries.

Salem UM Church - Sun 9:30am Worship Service; 23100 Old Fairlee Rd., Fairlee; Visit www.wortonfairleecharge.org.

St. James UM Church - Sun School 10am; Worship 11am; 10965 St. James-Newtown Rd., Worton; Find details online by visiting www.wortonfairleecharge.org or find us on Facebook.

Worton UM Church - Sun Worship 8:15am; Prayer Meeting Thurs 6:30pm; 10756 Worton Rd., Worton; Rev. Kevin White; Call 240-210-3996 for more information or email kevincwhite70@yahoo.com.

New Freedom Church - Sun. 10:30am Service with Sun. School; 121 Rabbit Hill Rd., Church Hill; Call 410-778-4208; Learn more at www.newfreedomchurch.church.

Trinity Lutheran Church - Sunday Service 10am; The last Sunday of each month is Friendship Sunday with coffee and munchies after service; 101 Greenwood Ave., across from Washington College, Chestertown; Find on Facebook; Call 410-778-2744; Visit www.tlctown.org.

St. Paul's Parish, Kent - Holy Eucharist Sun. 8am & 10:30am; 7579 Sandy Bottom Rd., off Rt. 20, Chestertown; Call 410-778-1540; Visit www.stpaulkent.org.

Easton Baptist Church - Sun. School 10am; Worship 11am; Services held at 101 Marlboro Ave., Suite 47, Easton; Call Pastor Jake Reid 410-490-2884; For details visit www.eastonbc.com.

Calvary Chapel - Sun. Service 10:30am, children's ministries available; Thurs. Bible study 7pm; Call 410-348-5702; Learn more at www.calvarychapelchestertown.net.

Temple B'nai Israel - Educational and Interfaith opportunities; Rabbi Peter E. Hyman; 7199 Tristan Dr., Easton; For more information call 410-822-0553; Find details online at www.bnaisraeleaston.org.

Eastern Shore Baptist Church - Bible Study 10am; Sun. Service 11am & 6pm; Wed. Service 7pm; Nursery provided; 119 Station Lane, Grasonville; Call 410-490-4950; Visit www.easternshorebaptistchurch.org.

Chestertown Church of Nazarene - Sun School 9:30am; Sun coffee & chat 10:30am; Sun worship 11am; Rt. 213, Kingstown; 6943 Church Hill Rd., Chestertown; Visit www.chestertownnazarene.org.

Haven Ministries - Assistance with food, housing, employment and more; Seasonal shelter, resource center, food pantries and thrift stores; Call 410-827-7194 for details or visit www.haven-ministries.org.

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF MARYLAND

IN THE MATTER OF TPE MD KE77, LLC'S APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND TO CONSTRUCT A 5.0 MW SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC GENERATING FACILITY IN KENT COUNTY, MARYLAND

CASE NO. 9799

NOTICE OF EVENING PUBLIC COMMENT HEARING

The Maryland Public Service Commission will hold a public comment hearing to consider TPE MD KE77, LLC's application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) to construct a 5.0 MW community solar electric generating facility at 12721 Bloomfield Road, Kennedyville, MD 21645.

DATE: Thursday, April 16, 2026

TIME: 6:30 p.m. EDT

PLACE: Comfort Inn & Suites Chestertown, 150 Scheeler Rd., Chestertown, MD 21620

Anyone wishing to participate in the hearing remotely may sign up through the Public Service Commission's website, <https://www.pscmaryland.com/> by April 14, 2026. To sign up, scroll to "Comment on a Case" on the left hand side and take the following steps: click on "Learn More" then scroll down until you reach the Calendly application box; locate the entry for 9799-TPE MD KE77 (CPCN); click on April 16, 2026; select 6:30 p.m. and click "next" then enter your name and email address; click "Schedule Event." You will receive a zoom link for the meeting once you have completed the sign-up process. A recording of the public hearing may be viewed on the Public Utility Law Judge's (PULJ) YouTube Channel, www.youtube.com/channel/UCYK5mu0UMA0QsQowRq2TIQ/.

Written comments may be submitted electronically or by first-class mail. Instructions are located under the "Comment on a Case" section of the Commission's website under "Learn More." The instructions can also be accessed via www.psc.state.md.us/online-services/file-a-public-comment. Comments submitted electronically must be submitted through the Commission's e-file system, which can be accessed at www.webpsxcb.psc.state.md.us/DMS/E-file-pc. Commenters utilizing this system are required to complete a one-time registration. Comments submitted by first-class mail must be addressed to Jamie Bergin, Chief Clerk, Maryland Public Service Commission, William Donald Schaefer Tower, 6 St. Paul Street, 16th Floor, Baltimore MD 21202. All comments must include a reference to Case No. 9799.

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April 12th

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Chestertown Christian Gathering - Sun 9:45am Adult Small Group, Children's Movie; Sun 10:30am Gathering, Children's Program; Wed 6:30pm Family Gathering, Small Groups; 932 Washington Ave., Unit 1, Austin Plaza, Chestertown; On Facebook.

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Seventh-day Adventist Church - Sabbath School 9:30am, Worship Service 11am, Saturday; Chestertown: 305 N. Kent Street; Rock Hall: 21366 E. Sharp St.; Services streamed live online on Facebook @ facebook.com/chestertownsda and also at facebook.com/rockhallsda.

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Mount Olive AME Church - Sun services held virtually on Facebook Live, YouTube, and conference call in at 1-518-263-8400; Rev. Monique Upshur Davis; 24840 Lambs Meadow Rd., Worton; Call 410-778-3329; Visit www.mtoliveamecworton.org.

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Mon, May 4th 6pm - Monthly Bereaved Parent Group for ages 18 and older who have experienced the loss of a child at any age at Compass Barnette Center, 255 Comet Dr., Centreville; Call 443-262-4109; rknotts@compassregionalhospice.org; Visit www.compassregionalhospice.org.

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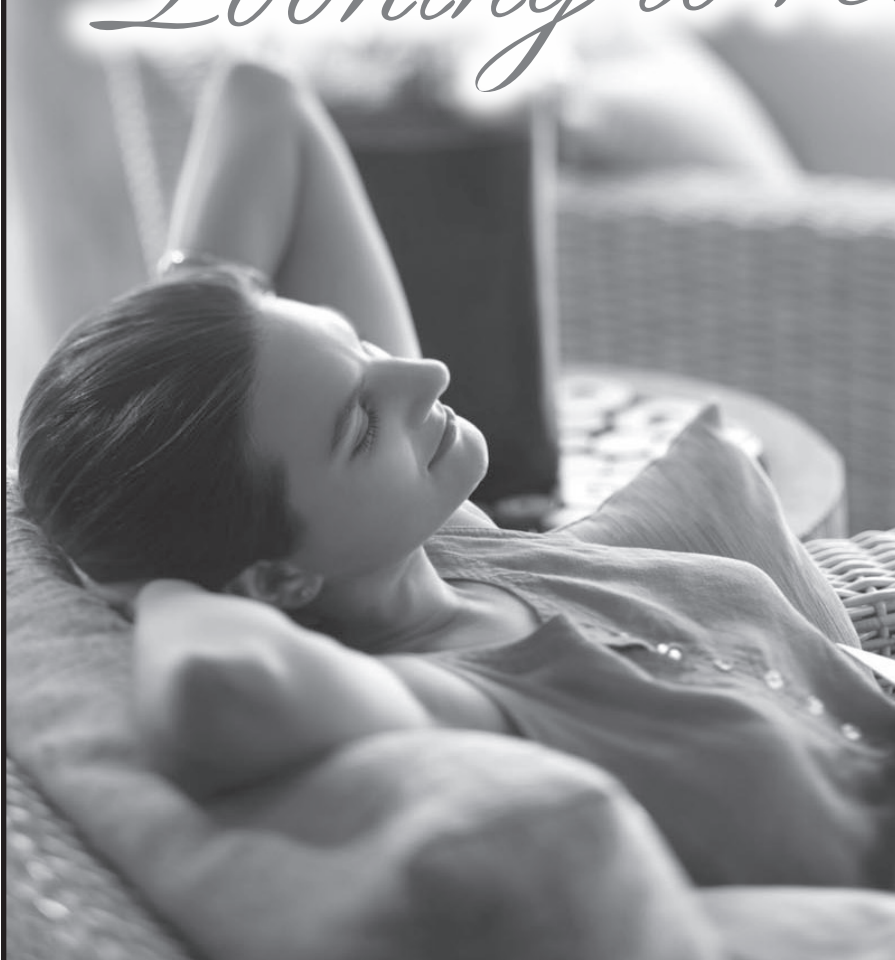
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UM Shore Regional Health's Second Annual Aging & Wellness Symposium will Focus on Brain Health

Understanding and maintaining brain health is the subject of University of Maryland Shore Regional Health's (UM SRH) second annual Aging & Wellness Symposium, set for Saturday, April 11th from 8am to 12:30pm at Heron Point in Chestertown. UM SRH is a member organization of University of Maryland Medical System.

"In our rural region where there is a large percentage of older residents, brain health is a matter of great interest," said Sandra Wilson-Hypes, Health Educator, UM SRH. "Those who attend this symposium will benefit from learning about various risks to cognitive health, strategies to minimize those risks, and signs and symptoms of cognitive issues that warrant medical attention."

Offered free of charge, the event will begin with a continental breakfast and welcoming remarks by Emily Welsh, MSN, RN, nurse coordinator, Shore Community Outreach Team/Kent and northern Queen Anne's County.

Expert presentations following the welcome will include: Be Stroke Smart: Every Second Counts, by Nicole Leonard, BSN, RN, neuroscience specialist/stroke coordinator, UM SRH; Aging, Mental Health and Community Connection, by Sharon Joyce, MPH, behavioral health coordinator and aging lead, Mid Shore Behavioral Health; and Dementia Demystified: What's New, What Matters and What You Can Do, by licensed psychologist Maggie Black, PsyD, owner of Shore Neurocognitive & Behavioral Health.

Zack Royston, Vice President, Population Health and Executive Director, UM Shore Medical Center at Chestertown, will wrap up the event with closing remarks.

Registration for the symposium is open and may be accomplished by phone, by calling 667-343-3151 or online at www.umshoreregional.org/health-education.

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Fond Farewells

Dolores Marie Welch, 92, passed away April 4, 2026. She was born May 24, 1933. When service details have been finalized the information will be posted on the funeral home's website. *Arrangements by Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home*

Alice Elizabeth Jeffers, 87, passed away April 4, 2026. She was born May 17, 1938. When service details have been finalized the information will be posted on the funeral home's website. *Arrangements by Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home*

Linda Jean "Hurtt" Steigerwald, 75, of Sudlersville, Maryland, passed away peacefully at her home April 3, 2026. Linda was born September 26, 1950 in Chestertown, Maryland, the daughter of the late Charles Wesley Hurtt and Bertha Beatrice Clough "Sissy" Hurtt. Services will be privately held by the family. Linda will be laid to rest in Sudlersville Cemetery. *Arrangements by Fellows Family Funeral Home*

Donald Boyd Hinkle, 65, passed away peacefully April 2, 2026, in Queenstown, Maryland. Born May 18, 1960 in Silver Spring, Maryland, he was the son of the late Charles Hinkle and Nancy (Goode) Hinkle. Don's service will be held Friday, April 10, 2026 at 11:00am at Samples Manor Cemetery in Samples Manor, Maryland. Following the service there will be a celebration of Don's life at 2:30pm at The Harper's Ferry Brewery in Purcellville, Virginia. *Arrangements by Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home*

Patricia Ann Kessler, 78, passed away March 30, 2026. She was born October 28, 1947. The family kindly requests that no service details be published at this time. *Arrangements by Fellows Family Funeral Home*

Richard Todd Haskell, 88, passed away March 29, 2026. He was born March 6, 1938. When service details have been finalized the information will be posted on the funeral home's website. *Arrangements by Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home*

Vernon Ray deClercq, Sr., 86, a United States Armed Forces veteran, passed away March 29, 2026 in Chestertown, Maryland. He was born February 24, 1940. Burial will be held in Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia, with the date and time to be determined. When service details have been finalized the information will be posted on the funeral home's website. *Arrangements by Galena Funeral Home of Stephen L. Schaech*

Carol Ann Richardson-Heft, 60, passed away March 28, 2026, in Rock Hall, Maryland. Carol was born March 29, 1965, in Baltimore, Maryland, the daughter of the late Chapman Richardson and Mary Sue Richardson. A Celebration of Life will be held Sunday, April 12, 2026 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm at the Frostburg Community Center in Frostburg, Maryland. *Arrangements by Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home*

Mary Lee Bennett, 81, of Chestertown, Maryland, died March 28, 2026 at her home, surrounded by her family. She was born August 1, 1944 in Galena, Maryland, the daughter of the late George Noble Dixon, Sr. and Ruth Elizabeth Redding Dixon. Services will be held Saturday April 11, 2026 at Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home in Chestertown, Maryland. Visitation will be held from 11:00am to 1:00pm. The Funeral Service will begin at 1:00pm. Following the service, Interment will be held in Chester Cemetery in Chestertown, Maryland. *Arrangements by Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home*

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Mary Lee Bennett of Chestertown, Maryland died on March 28, 2026 at her home, surrounded by her family. She was 81.

She was born in Galena, Maryland on August 1, 1944, the daughter of the late George Noble Dixon, Sr. and Ruth Elizabeth Redding Dixon. A graduate of Galena High School Class of 1962, she furthered her education at Chesapeake College by taking classes in Child Psychology and earned her real estate license. She married R. Wayne Bennett on October 18, 1969.

Mary Lee worked as a substitute teacher and later taught with Kent County High School for thirteen years. She and her husband owned and operated Bennett's Service Station on Washington Avenue in Chestertown.

She loved working with the students at Kent County High School, playing cards, traveling – especially to Hawaii, bowling, and most of all her family.

She is survived by her son: Wayne Bennett II (Libby) of Chestertown, Maryland; grandchildren Morgan Blyman (Frankie) and R.B. Bennett III; step-grandchildren Allen, Andrew, and Nick Wersten; as well as great grandchildren Wade and Leah Blyman.

In addition to her husband, she was predeceased by a daughter, Dawn, along with her brothers George N. Dixon Sr. and John W. Dixon, and a sister, Edith Ann Stevens.

Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, April 11, 2026, with a Visitation that will begin at 11:00am at Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home, 130 Speer Road, Chestertown, Maryland, and the Funeral Service following at 1:00pm. Interment will be in Chester Cemetery in Chestertown, Maryland. Memorial contributions may be made to Kent and Queen Anne's Rescue Squad or Kennedyville United Methodist Church. Online condolences can be sent at www.fhnfuneralhome.com.

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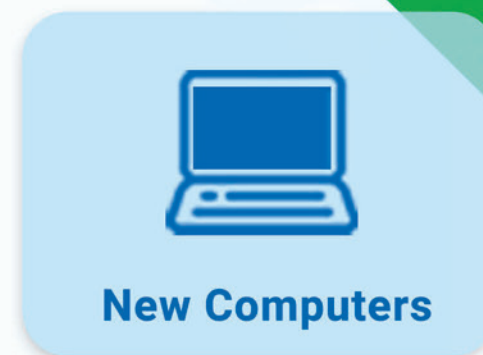
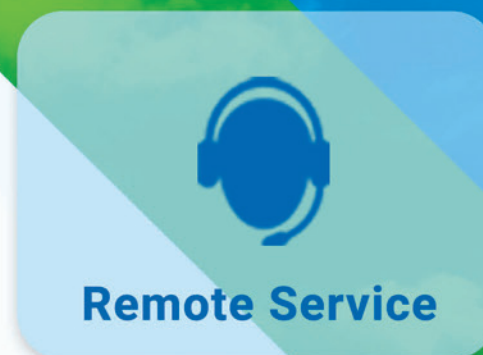
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What is a HealthChoice MCO?

An MCO is a group of doctors, clinics, and other health care providers who work together to take care of HealthChoice members health care needs. MCOs are responsible to provide or arrange for most of your health care services including most pharmacy services. Some services such as mental health and substance use disorder services and certain drugs are covered by the State and not your MCO.

The Administrative Care Coordinator serves as a local resource for all HealthChoice members. The ACCU can:

- Help you understand your HealthChoice benefits and how to access services
- Explain your MCO choices
- Help you find a primary care doctor or specialist in your MCO's network (You can change PCPs at any time.)
- Help you find a dentist (Dental services for children and adults are covered through the Maryland Healthy Smiles Program.)
- Help link you to Medicaid transportation services (MCOs are not required to provide transportation.)
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If you need help or have a complaint about your care, call the HealthChoice Help Line at 800-284-4510 or call your Queen Anne's County Health Department ACC/Ombudsman Program at 443-262-4482 or 443-262-4456:

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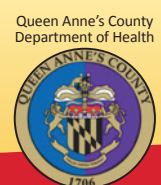
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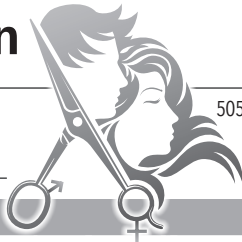
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Through Oct. 31st - Platform Tennis for ages 16 and older at Kent County Parks & Recreation and Community Center, 11041 Worton Rd., Worton; \$75/resident, \$90/nonresident; Call 410-778-1948; Visit www.kentparksandrec.org/

Wed, April 8th - Preschool Dance Party and Boredom Busters: Fiber Arts at Kent County Public Library, 408 High St., Chestertown; April 9th Storytime, Snack Around the World; April 10th The Page Turners; April 11th Pizza & Make a Thing: Colorful Keychains; April 13th Tech Help Drop In; April 14th Storytime, Book Donations, KCPL Finance Committee; April 16th Storytime; Book Donations; Get your library card for free movies, ebooks, online classes, and much more; Board members needed; Call 410-778-3636; Learn more at www.kentcountylibrary.org.

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Wed, April 8th - Froggy Scavenger Hunt and Bouncing Babies at the Library at QAC Public Libraries in Centreville and Stevensville; April 9th Froggy Scavenger Hunt, Next Chapter Book Club; April 10th Froggy Scavenger Hunt, Rock Painting; April 11th Froggy Scavenger Hunt, Ask a Master Gardener, Making That Funky Music; April 13th Mobile Library: Tiny Tin Libraries, LEGO Open Build; April 14th Mobile Library: Tiny Tin Libraries, Mother Goose on the Loose, Storytime; April 15th Mobile Library: Tiny Tin Libraries, Bouncing Babies; Call 410-758-0980 or 410-643-8161; Learn more at www.qaclibrary.org.

Wed, April 8th - Clay Studio Open Studio at RiverArts, 343 High St., Chestertown; April 9th Plein Air Painting Club; April 10th Annual Student Art Show; April 11th KidSPOT Saturday; April 13th Queen Anne's County Family Center visits KidSPOT, Intermediate Potters Wheel; April 14th Beginner Plus Wheel, Tapestry Tuesday; April 16th Plein Air Painting Club, Intermediate Potters Wheel, Beginner Wheel, Photography Club; Every 1st & 3rd Thurs. Photography Club; Every Sat. KidSpot 9am-12pm; Every Tues.-Sun. Open Studio; Every 2nd & 4th Tues. Tapestry; Call 410-778-6300; Visit www.ctownra.org.

Wed, April 8th - Painting Class: Drawing Into Painting- Session II and Hand-Built Ceramics at Academy Art Museum, 114 N. Washington St., Easton; April 10th Half Day Art Club; April 12th FREE Family Art Day-Cultural Collage; April 14th Working Artists Forum Demonstration by Lynn Goldstein; April 14th-May 19th Spring Session: After-School Art Club K-2; April 16th-May 21st Spring Session: Piano, Guitar, & Voice Lessons; Call 410-822-2787; Find details online at www.academyartmuseum.org.

Wed, April 8th 6pm-7:30pm - Community Meet & Greet with Chestertown's New Town Manager, Chad Rooney at Sumner Hall, 206 S. Queen St., Chestertown; Call 410-778-0500; www.chestertown.gov.


Thurs, April 9th 10am-2pm - MVA On Wheels & Online at 848 High St., Chestertown; No appointment needed for tag returns or individual registration renewal; For appointments for other bus services Call 410-768-7000; www.mva.maryland.gov/



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APRIL 2026

April 2:	FULL PINK MOON
April 3:	Moon near Spica; Mercury at greatest western elongation - best visibility of the year
April 6:	Moon near Antares
April 10:	Last Quarter Moon
April 15:	Moon near Mercury; Moon near Neptune; Moon near Mars
April 16:	Moon near Saturn
April 17:	New Moon
April 18:	Four Planet Alignment - Saturn, Mars, Mercury, and Neptune, visible low above the eastern horizon one hour before sunrise
April 19:	Moon near Venus; Moon near the Pleiades Mars near Saturn; Moon near Uranus
April 20:	Mercury near Saturn; Mercury near Mars
April 22:	Lyrids' Peak; Moon near Jupiter
April 24:	First Quarter Moon; Venus near the Pleiades; Moon near the Beehive Cluster
April 25:	C/2025 R3 reaches maximum brightness
April 26:	Moon near Regulus
April 30:	Moon near Spica

Time Traveler By Mrs. H.




April 5, 1946 - *Kent County News*
According to an announcement this week, President Harry S. Truman will visit Washington College on June 1st at which time he will receive the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. President Truman's visit to Chestertown will mark the third occasion on which a President of the United States has been a visitor here in connection with activities at Washington College. In 1789 President George Washington, for whom the college was named by his expressed approval, attended a Board meeting of which he was a member. Again on October 21st, 1933, President Franklin D. Roosevelt attended exercises here on the occasion of the inauguration of Dr. Gilbert W. Meade as President of Washington College and received the degree of Doctor of Laws.



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Dear Dr. Truth:
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Dear Carnivorous,
Who knows. Your family member/guest should have brought a salad or said something before the grilling began. No reason for attitude...**AND THAT'S THE TRUTH!**

Thurs, April 9th - Rising Tide After-School Workshop at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, 213 N. Talbot St., St. Michaels; April 10th Coffee & Wood Chips; April 11th Guided Tour: Blue Crabs From Bay To Table; April 11th-12th Vessel Operations 101; April 12th Guided Tour: Catch of the Day; April 14th Rising Tide After-School Workshop; April 16th Rising Tide After-School Workshop; Call 410-745-4941 for more information or visit www.cbmm.org.

Fri-Sun, April 10th-19th - "Between The Lines" at Church Hill Theatre, 103 Walnut St., Church Hill; Fri's & Sat's 7:30pm, Sun's 2pm; \$25/adults, \$20/members, \$15/students; For tickets call 410-556-6003; Go to www.churchhilltheatre.org.

Sat, April 11th - Coil Basketry Workshop and Spring Migration Bird Walk at Adkins Arboretum, 12610 Eveland Rd., Ridgeley; April 12th Spring Nature Journaling, Guided Nature Therapy; April 14th Nature Preschool Am & PM Session; April 17th Colored Pencil 2: Applications; For more information call 410-634-2847; Find details online at www.adkinsarboretum.org.

Sat, April 11th 1pm-2:30pm - DASH Freedom to Dream Academy at Sumner Hall, 206 S. Queen St., Chestertown; Monthly reading program designed to inspire imagination, creativity, and a love of reading; Ages 5-10 years old; All are welcome; Register at www.sumnerhall.org/dash.

Sat, April 11th 8am - Positive Strides Annual Spring Bike Classic Bike Tour at Easton High School, 723 Mecklenburg Ave., Easton; 25, 50 or 62 mile scenic routes with 3 rest stops & lunch at end of ride; Rain or shine; All ages; www.positivestridescenter.org.

Sat, April 11th 7:30pm - Daniela Soledade & Nate Najjar at The Mainstay, N. 5753 Main St., Rock Hall; An Evening of Love & Bossa Nova; \$25/pp; Cash bar; Call 410-639-9133; Tickets through InstantSeats and online at www.mainstayrockhall.org.

Sat, April 11th 9am-3pm - Chestertown A&E District Spring Art Walk in downtown Chestertown; Artists and artisans, pop up gallery, live music and more; Kent Cultural Alliance, 101 Spring Ave., Chestertown; Call 410-778-3700; www.kentculture.org.

Sat, April 11th 11am-3pm - "History" Open Studio at Kent Cultural Alliance, 101 Spring Ave., Chestertown; An Exhibit of the SFW Resident Artist Program; Featuring Cafarelli, Lewis & McKone; Collaboration with Historical Society of Kent Co.; Open to public; Support local history; www.kentculture.org.

Sat, April 11th 8am-2pm - Midshore Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Drop-Off Day at QA Co. Public Works, 312 Safety Dr., Centreville; Rain or shine; Free to residents of Caroline, Kent, Queen Anne's, and Talbot Counties; Call 443-685-4073.

Sat, April 11th 8am-12:30am - Annual Aging & Wellness Symposium at Heron Point, 501 E Campus Ave., Chestertown; Free, continental breakfast included; Register by calling 667-343-3151 or by visiting www.umshoreregional.org/health-education/

Sat, April 11th - ShoreRivers Project Clean Stream seeks volunteers to clear trash from roads, parks, and rivers; 8:30am Fox Hole Landing, Galena; 8:45am Sasfras Natural Resources Management Area, Kennedyville; 9am Centreville Wharf, Centreville; 10am Stevensville Park, Kent Island; 12pm Millstream Park, Centreville; 12pm 627 Race St., Cambridge; Register online at mwhite@shorerivers.org; Find details at www.shorerivers.org/events.

Sat & Sun, April 11th & 12th - Artist Open Studios Tour throughout Maryland; Free, self guided tours; www.artistopenstudios.com.

Sun, April 12th 6pm - Delmarva Marching Band Rehearsal in the Church Hall of Emmanuel Episcopal Church, 101 N Cross St., Chestertown; Call 410-778-0022 for more information.

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Sun, April 12th 7:30am-10:30am - All You Can Eat Breakfast with the Easter Bunny at Crumpton Vol. Fire Dept., 300 Third St., Crumpton; Held 2nd Sunday of each month; \$12/ages 13 and older, \$6/ages 6-12, ages 5 & under free; 410-778-6100.

Sun, April 12th 10am-4pm - Wicomico Hunt Point to Point at Mount Harmon, 600 Mount Harmon Rd., Earleville; Point to Point races, tailgating, marketplace & food court; Advanced tickets only; Call 410-275-8819; Visit www.mountharmon.org.

Sun, April 12th 12pm-3pm - Annual Dinner at Queen Anne-Hillsboro Fire Hall, 13512 First St., Queen Anne; Eat in buffet-style or carryout; Country ham, fried chicken, chicken & dumplings, and all the fixins; \$25/advance, \$30/door, kids under 5 are free; Tickets at www.qahvc.com; Call or text 410-920-9146 or 410-829-4678; See ad in this issue.

Sun, April 12th 3pm-4:30pm - NMF Resonance: Manuel Barrueco on guitar at St. Paul's Parish, Kent, 7579 Sandy Bottom Rd., off Rt. 20, Chestertown; \$25/adults, \$5/students with ID, Free under age 14; Tickets at www.nationalmusic.us; Call 443-480-0221; info@nationalmusic.us.

Sun, April 12th 5pm-6:30pm - Kent County Drum Circle at Airy Hill Stables, 7886 Airy Hill Road, Chestertown; Social hour 5pm; All adults & teenagers welcome; No experience required; Bring any type of percussion instrument or just come; Instruments will be available; Join us for fun, community, stress relief, and to bang a drum.

Sun, April 12th 10am - ShoreRivers Project CleanStream seeks volunteers to clear trash from roads, parks, and rivers; Meet at Tubby Cove Boardwalk, Eastern Neck Island, Rock Hall; Visit www.shorerivers.org/events; Register at mwhite@shorerivers.org;

Tues, April 14th 10am - Senior Nature Hikes for ages 55 and older at Sassafras Natural Resources Management area, with Kent County Parks & Recreation and Community Center; Call 410-778-1948; Go to www.kentparksandrec.org/

Tues, April 14th 2pm - Upper Shore STRT-1UP Roadshow at Washington College, 300 Washington Ave., Chestertown; Start-ups & entrepreneurs in Cecil, Kent & QA's Co.'s are invited to pitch ideas for prize money; Prize money to top 3 competitors; Free; Apply to pitch or register to attend at www.kentcounty.com/business/strt1up.

Wed, April 15th 7:30pm - "Where Voices Meet" Invited Dress Rehearsal at Presbyterian Church, 905 Gateway Dr., Chestertown; Presented by Chester River Chorale; Celebrate the American spirit, Appalachian folk tunes, and honor the diverse traditions; Visit www.chesterriverchorale.org/performances/spring-concert-2026.

Wed, April 15th - Application due for the Annual Scholarship for local graduating seniors; From the Garden Club of Rock Hall; \$1,000 Scholarship available; For details and application visit www.gch.weebly.com; Email ronnycolache@icloud.com.

Thurs, April 16th 6:30pm - Public Comment Hearing at Comfort Inn & Suites, 150 Scheeler Rd., Chestertown; Case No. 9799 5.0 MW Solar Photovoltaic Generating Facility; Visit www.pscmaryland.com to sign up for participation; Recording of hearing at www.youtube.com/channel/UCYK5mu0UMAUOqSQowRq2TIQ.

Fri, April 17th 7:30pm - "Where Voices Meet" Concert at Presbyterian Church, 905 Gateway Dr., Chestertown; Presented by Chester River Chorale; Celebrate the American spirit, Appalachian folk tunes, shape-note hymns, blues, gospel & spirituals honor the diverse traditions; Reserve tickets online at www.chesterriverchorale.org/performances/spring-concert-2026.

Fri-Sun, April 17th-19th 10am-6pm - Bay Bridge Boat Show at Safe Harbor Narrow Point, 428 Kent Narrow Way North, Grasonville; Call 410-268-8828; For details visit www.annapolisboatshows.com/bay-bridge-boat-show/

Fri, April 17th 7:30pm - Joe Holt with Kiara Vos & Rhonda Apple Nova at The Mainstay, N. 5753 Main St., Rock Hall; "Welcome to My World"; Cash bar; Tickets through InstantSeats and www.mainstayrockhall.org.

APRIL 2026
Dates to Remember

- 1 April Fools' Day (Wed.)
- 1 Passover Begins (Wed., at sundown)
- 3 Good Friday (Fri.)
- 5 Easter Sunday (Sun.)
- 9 Passover Ends (Thurs., at nightfall)
- 15 Tax Day (Wed.)
- 17 Arbor Day (Fri.)
- 22 Earth Day (Wed.)
- 22 Administrative Professionals Day (Wed.)




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Shorerivers Seeks Volunteers for Project Clean Stream

Join ShoreRivers the weekend of April 11th to clear trash from roads, parks, and rivers – help protect the Bay by cleaning up your waterways!

ShoreRivers and volunteers are hosting community trash cleanups as part of Project Clean Stream, a Bay-wide trash cleanup that is organized by the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay and coordinated by local groups like ShoreRivers. Project Clean Stream is an opportunity for citizens across the entire watershed to work together to clean our shared water resource.

On Saturday, April 11th join a trash pick-up near you in the following locations: 8:30am in Galena at Fox Hole Landing; 8:45am in Kennedyville at Sassafras Natural Resource Management Area; *ShoreRivers volunteers are pictured after a successful Project Clean Stream trash pick-up event in 2024.* 9am in Centreville at Centreville Wharf with Corsica River Conservancy; 10am at Kent Island in Stevensville Park and Ride with Kent Island Rotary Club; 12pm in Centreville at Millstream Park with Centreville Rotary Club; and 12pm in Cambridge at Dorchester County Health Department (meet at 627 Race Street).

On Sunday, April 12th join the trash pick-up at 10am in Rock Hall at Eastern Neck Island Tubby Cove Board Walk.

To register for the event, please email Maegan White at mwhite@shorerivers.org or visit www.shorerivers.org/events. ShoreRivers will provide all needed supplies. Volunteers should bring water bottles, sunscreen, bug spray, and comfortable shoes. Wearing long sleeves and socks is recommended to protect against ticks.



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Sat, April 18th 7pm-10pm - "The Ramblers" at Millington VFW Post #652, 30922 River Rd.; Dances 1st and 3rd Saturdays each month; All are welcome; Find us on Facebook; Call 410-928-3234 for more information; Questions? Send emails to vfwpost652@gmail.com.

Sat, April 18th 4pm - "Where Voices Meet" Concert at Presbyterian Church, 905 Gateway Dr., Chestertown; Presented by Chester River Chorale; Celebrate the American spirit, Appalachian folk tunes, shape-note hymns, blues, gospel & spirituals honor the diverse traditions; Reserve tickets online at www.chesterriverchorale.org/performances/spring-concert-2026.

Sat, April 18th 12pm - Cornhole Tournament at American Legion Post 228, 21423 E. Sharp St., Rock Hall; Doors open 11am; \$20/entry; Double elimination; 60/40 Pay-out Split; Paying 3 Places; Pit Beef by Sons of the American Legion; Call 410-639-7081; Visit www.almdpost228.org.

Sat, April 18th 8:30am - Pickleball Tournament at Gunston Tennis Courts, 911 Gunston Rd., Centreville; 8:45am-10:15am pancakes with Mr. Dize; \$25/Students & faculty/staff, \$35/alumni, \$40/general admission; Sponsorships available; Family-friendly; Men's doubles, women's doubles, mixed doubles; Exact start times based on event registration; Benefits The Gunston School; Register online and find more information at www.gunston.org/pickleball26.

Sat, April 18th 10am until Sold Out - Chicken BBQ at Chestertown Vol. Fire Co., 211 Maple Ave., Chestertown; \$15/Half chicken, baked beans, applesauce & roll; Go to www.chestertownvfc.org.

Sat, April 18th 10am - Kent Ag Center's Annual Spring Auction & Family Fun Day at 21349 Tolchester Beach Rd., Chestertown; Live Auction: Items, goods & services from local families, restaurants & businesses; Carnival Games, Rabbit Petting Zoo, Kids Raffle, Bobtail Truck Show, Animals, Small Silent Auction, Seed Sowing Demonstrations, Other Fun Games; Kitchen Open, Food available for purchase; To donate or contribute, email kentagcenter@gmail.com; For details, visit www.kentcountyfair.org; See ad in this issue.

Sat, April 18th - Kent Back Roads Classic Big Rigs Show n' Shine Bobtail Only Competition at Kent Ag Center, 21349 Tolchester Beach Rd., Chestertown; \$25/Rig Entry; All proceeds go to Kent 4-H Fair Awards; Visit www.kentcountyfair.org.

Sat, April 18th 4pm-7pm - All You Can Eat Annual Roast Beef Dinner at Crumpton Vol. Fire Dept., 300 Third St., Crumpton; \$17/ages 13 & up, \$8/ages 6-13, under age 6 free; Carryout available is not all you can eat; Benefits CVFD.

Sun, April 19th 8am - Guided Birding Tour at Blackwater NWR Visitors Center, 2145 Key Wallace Dr., Cambridge; Free; 3-4 hour tour using personal vehicle, stopping at various points; Binoculars and field guides recommended; Call 410-228-2677; Visit www.fws.gov/refuge/blackwater.

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MD State Board Of Elections Launches Voter Resource Phone App, Go Vote Maryland!

Maryland State Board of Elections has launched its voter resource phone app, Go Vote Maryland! Go Vote Maryland! was developed through a collaborative effort involving researchers and students from the Empowering Secure Elections research lab Towson University and the Center for Democracy and Civic Engagement at the University of Maryland, in partnership with the Maryland State Board of Elections. The free app is now available for download on the Google Play store and the Apple store.

The Go Vote Maryland! app aims to be the voter's new go-to source for election information! The app was designed to help voters easily access important, trusted information right at their fingertips. On the app, voters can view the election calendar, report misinformation, find their voting location, check their voter registration, get answers to frequently asked questions and more.

"We're excited about the release of this app. The app will be an invaluable tool helping voters access pertinent information to use their voice in the upcoming election," said Jared DeMarinis, State Administrator of Elections. "The Maryland State Board of Elections continues to prioritize voter outreach, voter education and election transparency. This app is another tool in our mission to ensure elections are verified, open, transparent and empowering."

Please remember to rely on your state and local government election officials as your trusted sources for election information. Visit SBE's <https://www.elections.maryland.gov>, follow SBE on social media, download the new app, Go Vote Maryland!, or contact your local elections offices. In Kent County call 410-778-0038 or go to www.kentcountyelections.org. In Queen Anne's County call 410-758-0832 or visit www.qacelections.com. In Cecil County call 410-996-5310 or go to www.ccgov.org/government/election-board. Those who live and vote in New Castle County in Delaware should call 302-577-3464 or visit <https://elections.delaware.gov/elections/elections.shtml> for information about 2026 elections.

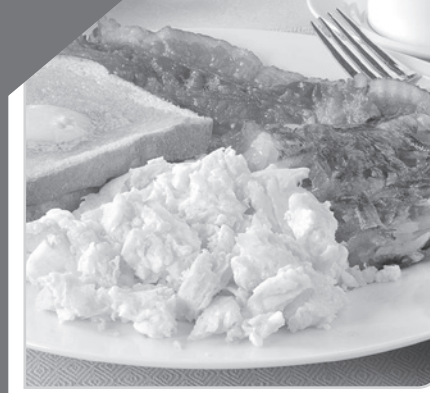


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2026 Election Timeline



- Tuesday, June 2: Deadline to register to vote or change party affiliation for the primary election.
- **Thursday, June 11:** **Early Voting for Primary Election Begins** Polls open 7:00am-8:00pm
- Tuesday, June 16: Deadline for a registered voter to request a mailed or faxed mail-in ballot; 8pm for requests made by mail, 11:59pm for requests made by fax/email.
- **Thursday, June 18:** **Early Voting for Primary Election Ends** Polls open 7:00am-8:00pm
- Friday, June 19: Deadline for a registered voter to request an electronic mail-in ballot; 5pm for requests made by mail; 11:59pm for requests made by fax/email.
- **Tuesday, June 23:** **PRIMARY ELECTION DAY** Polls open 7:00am-8:00pm
8:00pm Deadline for a registered voter or voter's agent to request a mail-in ballot in person at a local board.
8:00pm Deadline for the local boards to receive a mail-in ballot.
8:00pm Extended deadline for receipt of voter registration applications sent by mail for voting in the primary election.
10:00am Deadline for the local boards to receive mail-in ballots by mail.
Certification by Local Boards of Canvassers of Primary Election results.
Voter Registration reopens.
- Monday, July 6: Deadline to file a petition for a recount of the votes cast for a Local Office on the ballot. Statewide Certification of Primary Election Results.
Deadline for general election petition candidate to file with SBE or the appropriate local board the Certificate of Candidacy and Candidacy Petition.
Constitution Day and Citizenship Day - Anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution on September 17, 1787
- Thursday, September 17: Deadline for election officials to transmit ballots to domestic, civilian voters who requested a ballot at least 60 days before the election.
- Monday, September 21: Deadline to register to vote for the General Election; 5pm.
- Tuesday, October 13: Deadline for write-in candidates to file a Certificate of Candidacy. Only filed write-in candidates will have their votes reported on the official canvass.
- Thursday, October 22: **Early Voting for the General Election Begins** Polls open 7:00am-8:00pm
- Tuesday, October 27: Deadline for a registered voter to request a mailed or faxed mail-in ballot; 8pm for requests made by mail, 11:59pm for requests made by fax/email.
- **Thursday, October 29:** **Early Voting for General Election Ends** Polls open 7:00am-8:00pm
- Friday, October 30: Deadline for a registered voter to request an electronic mail-in ballot; 5pm for requests made by mail; 11:59pm for requests made by fax/email.
- **Tuesday, November 3:** **GOVERNATORIAL GENERAL ELECTION DAY** Polls open 7:00am-8:00pm
8:00pm Deadline for a registered voter or voter's agent to request a mail-in ballot in person at a local board.
8:00pm Extended deadline for receipt of voter registration applications sent by mail for voting in General Election.
8:00pm Deadline for the local boards to receive a mail-in ballot.
10:00am Deadline for local boards to receive mail-in ballots by mail.
Certification of the General Election results.
Voter registration reopens.
- Friday, November 13: Statewide Certification of General Election results.
- Monday, November 16:
- Thursday, December 3:

Timeline above is for the state of Maryland. Contact the Delaware State Board of Elections below for the Delaware timeline.

Kent County Board of Elections Office	410-778-0038	www.kentcountyelections.org
Queen Anne's County Board of Elections Office	410-758-0832	www.qacelections.com
Cecil County Board of Elections Office	410-996-5310	www.ccgov.org/government/election-board
Talbot County Board of Elections Office	410-770-8099	www.talbotcountymd.gov/index.php?page=Election_Board
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Sun, April 19th 4pm - Chesapeake Youth Symphony Orchestra at The Mainstay, N. 5753 Main St., Rock Hall; Call 410-639-9133 or visit www.mainstayrockhall.org.

Mon, April 20th 6pm - Town of Galena Park & Tree Committee Meeting at 101 S. Main St., Galena; Call 410-648-5151; Go to www.townofgalena.com.

Tues, April 21st 6pm - Chevrolet Corvette Fans "No" Club Corvette Enthusiasts meet at Procolino's, Kent Plaza, Chestertown; Meets monthly every third Tues. at 6pm, March-Nov., weather permitting; No dues, rules, regs, by-laws, officers, agenda; A social gathering of like-minded Corvette enthusiasts; Email m.waal@breezeline.net.

Tues, April 21st 6pm-8:30pm - 206 Tuesdays at Six Open Mic at QAC Centre for the Arts, 206 S. Commerce St., Centreville; Free; All welcome; Acoustic musicians, writers, poets, etc.; RSVP to 410-758-2520; Visit www.queenannescountyarts.com.

Wed, April 22nd-26th - Chestertown RiverArts Paint The Town plein air celebration throughout Kent County; Wet Paint Show & Sale; Quick Draw competition; Call 410-778-6300; Email kriskelley@chestertownriverarts.org.

Wed, April 22nd 8:30am-10:30am - Post-Legislative Session Breakfast Discussion at Heron Point, 501 E Campus Ave, Chestertown; \$25/pp; www.kentchamber.org.


Thurs, April 23rd 9am - Compass Golf Tournament at Queenstown Harbor, 310 Links Lane, Queenstown; 7:00am Check In; For complete details, send emails to vcorcoran@compassregionalhospice.org.

Fri-Sat, April 24th-May 30th - "History" Exhibit at Kent Cultural Alliance, 101 Spring Ave., Chestertown; Wed's-Fri's 10am-4pm, Sat's 10am-2pm; An Exhibit of the SFW Resident Artist Program; Featuring Cafarelli, Lewis & McKone; www.kentculture.org.

Fri, April 24th 5pm-8pm - "History" Exhibit Opening at Kent Cultural Alliance, 101 Spring Ave., Chestertown; Collaboration with Historical Society of Kent Co.; Email director@kentcountyhistory.org.

Fri & Sat, April 24th & 25th 10am-4pm - Shore Love Quilting! Show & Market at Presbyterian Church, 905 Gateway Dr., Chestertown; \$10/for 2 days; Children 12 & under free; Scissor sharpening services available Fri. only; Olde Kent Quilters Guild; Follow on instagram @okq_quiltguild_md/.

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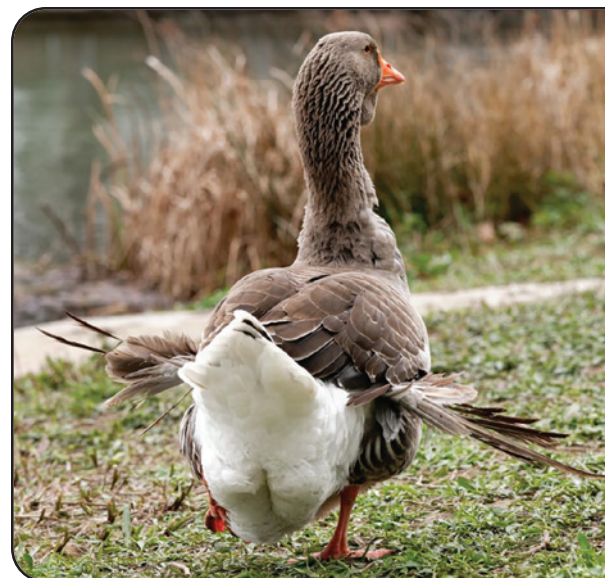
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Sat, April 25th 10am-4pm - Wings of Spring Osprey Festival in Rock Hall; Osprey education & symposium, birdwatching, scenic boat tours; local fare & shopping; artists, authors; artisans; fish mobile traveling aquarium, kids activities & more; For more information send emails and questions to rockhallbusiness@gmail.com.

Sat, April 25th 9am-1pm - 16th Annual Earth Day Festival at Park Row in downtown Chestertown; Community trash walk, community trash walk, electric vehicle display, free recycling of batteries and fluorescent bulbs, free tree seedlings, education, info booths and more; For more information call 410-708-8951 or 443-480-1987.

Sat, April 25th 7:30pm - "Byrd is the Word" Charlie Byrd Tribute at The Mainstay, N. 5753 Main St., Rock Hall; \$25/pp; Cash bar; Call 410-639-9133 for more information; Tickets are available through InstantSeats and at www.mainstayrockhall.org; Visit The Mainstay's website for details.



PLEASE DO NOT FEED BREAD TO DUCKS & GEES..

As the weather begins to warm and you're visiting local waterways, please remember that feeding bread to ducks and geese causes permanent damage. They develop "Angel Wing" - which prevents them from being able to fly - for migration or to avoid predators. Please do not feed bread to ducks and geese. Instead, choose cracked corn, corn, peas, mealworms, romaine lettuce, and small pieces of watermelon, grapes, or cantaloupe.

Who's Cookin' with Carla?

MINI CHEESECAKES

Two 8 Oz Packages Cream Cheese, softened
1/2 Cup Sugar
1/2 Tsp Vanilla
2 Eggs
12 Vanilla Wafers
12 Muffin Paper Liners

Fresh Fruit for Serving - Blueberries, Strawberries or Raspberries
Preheat oven to 350°F. Place a muffin paper and then a vanilla wafer in each muffin tin of the pan.
Mix cream cheese, sugar, vanilla, and eggs until creamy. Stir in a little organic food coloring for a decorative touch, then pour the cheese mixture into each muffin.
Bake for 20 minutes at 350°F. Remove from oven when done and cool before refrigerating overnight. Add fresh fruit before serving. For a little decadence, top with a ribbon of shaved dark chocolate. *Makes 12 servings.*

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Who's Cookin' with Carla?

SEVEN LAYER SALAD

1 Head Iceberg, chopped
2 Cups Cherry Tomatoes, sliced
6 Hard Boiled Eggs, chopped
1 Lb Fresh Peas, or Frozen, half thawed
1-1/2 Cups Cheddar Cheese, shredded
1 Lb Bacon, cooked and chopped

Dressing:
3/4 Cup Mayonnaise
3/4 Cup Miracle Whip
2 Tbsp Olive Oil
1 Tbsp Apple Cider Vinegar
1 Tbsp Sugar
Salt and Pepper

Make the layered salad in a large glass serving bowl, preferably with straight sides. For the first layer, place chopped lettuce in the bottom of the bowl. Add the sliced cherry tomatoes for the second layer, then the chopped eggs for the third layer, and follow with the peas for the fourth layer. Add the dressing for the fifth layer. Then add the shredded cheese for the sixth layer, and top with the chopped bacon for the seventh layer. Do not mix until serving. Can be made in advance.

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Sat, April 25th 1pm - "History" Artists' Talk at Kent Cultural Alliance, 101 Spring Ave., Chestertown; Collaboration with Historical Society of Kent Co.; Open to public; Support local history; For more information email director@kentcountyhistory.org.

Sat, April 25th 2pm - Annual Members Meeting for Historical Society of Kent Co. at Kent Cultural Alliance, 101 Spring Ave., Chestertown; Members only; Send emails to director@kentcountyhistory.org.

Sun, April 26th 4pm - Brasswood Trio Concert at The Mainstay, N. 5753 Main St., Rock Hall; Advanced Tickets \$15/pp (plus \$1.30 fee), \$20/Day of; Cash bar & snacks available; Call 410-639-9133 for more information; Tickets are available through InstantSeats and on The Mainstay's website at www.mainstayrockhall.org.

Sun, April 26th 6pm - Delmarva Marching Band Rehearsal in the Church Hall of Emmanuel Episcopal Church, 101 N Cross St., Chestertown; Call 410-778-0022 for more information.

Sun, April 26th 3pm-5pm - Dinner at Chestertown Elks Lodge #2474, 8631 Bell Rose Lane, Chestertown; Potroast dinner with carrots, macaroni & cheese, broccoli, assorted desserts & drinks; \$16/ages 12 & up, \$7/ages 7-11, Free/under age 7; Carry-outs available; Call 410-639-7062 for more information.

Mon, April 27th 7pm - Town of Galena Planning & Zoning Meeting at 101 S. Main Street, Galena; Call 410-648-5151 or visit www.townofgalena.com.

Tues, April 28th 6:30pm-8:30pm - Trivia Night at the Bluebird Tavern, 512 Washington Ave., Chestertown; \$20/Team; 2-4 Person Teams must register & pay entry fee by 4/22; 50/50 Raffle; Proceeds benefit Meals On Wheels Program in Kent Co.; Mail donations to Upper Shore Aging, 100 Schaubert Rd., Chestertown, MD 21620.

Wed, April 29th 7:30pm-9pm - Open Mic with Ford Schumann at Garfield Center for the Arts, 210 High St., Chestertown; Runs the last Wed. of each month; Call 410-810-2060; Email schumannford@gmail.com.

Fri, May 1st 5pm-7pm - First Friday Celebration in Downtown Chestertown; Extended shopping hours and specials; Visit www.downtownchestertown.org.

Fri, May 1st - Annual Golf Tournament at Prospect Bay Country Club, 311A Prospect Bay Dr. W, Grasonville; Benefits Haven Ministries; Greens fee \$225/pp; Four-some \$800/group; Sponsorships starting at \$250; Register by April 17th; For more information call 410-827-7194; Find details at www.haven-ministries.org/golf-tournament.

Fri & Sat, May 1st & 2nd - Chestertown Pride Festival at Wilmer Park in Chestertown; All are welcome; Live entertainment, local vendors & artisans, community resource tables, family-friendly activities, food & refreshments; For details, contact info@dpckentcounty.org; Find more information at www.delmarvapridecenter.com.

Fri, May 1st - Deadline to apply for Scholarships from Order of the Eastern Star Chapter #86; \$1,500 in scholarships available; To obtain application, send emails to chestertownchapter86@gmail.com.


Fri, May 1st 9am-1pm - Chestertown Garden Club's May Mart Plant Sale at Memorial Park Plaza, downtown Chestertown; Rain or shine; Perennials, annuals, shrubs, natives, house plants, garden decor & supplies; Raffle; Bake Sale; Food & beverages by Happy Chicken; Cash, checks & credit cards accepted; Benefits beautification and maintenance of Chestertown's Fountain and Memorial Parks and holiday decorations.

Fri, May 1st-July 31st - Recreational striped bass season on the Chesapeake Bay; Harvest; One fish per person, per day; Minimum length 19 inches; Maximum length 24 inches; Fishing license is required; Go to <https://news.maryland.gov/dnr/>

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THIS SUNDAY!

Sat, May 2nd 9am-12pm - Join The Republicans of Kent at the Farmers Market at Kent Republican Headquarters, 302 Park Row, Chestertown; Register to vote; Change party affiliation; Volunteers welcome; Call 410-924-4442; www.gopofkent.com or www.kentcountyrcc.com

Sat & Sun, May 2nd & 3rd - 44th Annual Decoy & Wildlife Art Festival at Star Centre, 700 Congress Ave., Havre de Grace, MD; Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 9am-3pm; \$10/ admission; Benefits Havre de Grace Decoy Museum; Free marine exhibition both days; Call 410-939-3739 or send emails to information@decoymuseum.com.

Sun, May 3rd 8am - Guided Birding Tour at Blackwater NWR Visitors Center, 2145 Key Wallace Dr., Cambridge; Free; 3-4 hour tour using personal vehicle, stopping at various points; Call 410-228-2677 or visit www.fws.gov/refuge/blackwater.

Sun, May 3rd - NMF Resonance: Matchstick Percussion at St. Paul's Parish, Kent, 7579 Sandy Bottom Rd., off Rt. 20, Chestertown; Rescheduled from Feb. 22nd due to weather; \$25/adults, \$5/students with ID, Free under age 14; Tickets are available at www.nationalmusic.us; For details contact 443-480-0221 or info@nationalmusic.us.

Mon, May 4th 7pm - Town of Galena Mayor & Council Meeting at 101 S. Main St., Galena; Call 410-648-5151; Learn more at www.townofgalena.com.

Mon, May 4th 7pm - Live Playwrights' Society at Garfield Center for the Arts, 210 High St., Chestertown; Call 410-810-2060; Visit www.garfieldcenter.org.

Wed, May 6th 12pm - RH Senior's Lunch Group meets at 21273 Sharp St., Rock Hall; Open to all seniors; Meets 1st Wed Monthly; Call 410-810-2074.

Thurs, May 7th 4:30pm-6:30pm - Community Baby Shower at Chestertown Vol. Fire Co., 211 Maple Ave., Chestertown; Special event for expecting new moms of Kent Co.; Free, open to Kent Co. residents; Refreshments, community resources, education, baby supplies & more; Register online at <https://bit.ly/4j5sbtc>; Call 410-778-1350.

Thurs, May 7th 9am - QA Co. Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament at Queenstown Harbor Golf Links, 310 Links Lane, Queenstown; 8:15am registration; 8:15am-8:55am coffee & pastries; \$175/pp, \$700/foursome; Registration includes green fees, golf cart, food & drinks; Call 410-643-8530 or visit www.qacchamber.com.

Sat, May 9th 1pm-2:30pm - DASH Freedom to Dream Academy at Sumner Hall, 206 S. Queen St., Chestertown; Monthly reading program designed to inspire imagination, creativity, and a love of reading; Ages 5-10 years old; All are welcome; Register at www.sumnerhall.org/dash.

Sat, May 9th - Talbot County Tour of the Maryland House & Garden Pilgrimage; Advance ticket/\$50 until May 8th, Day of ticket/\$60; Box lunches ordered in advance by May 1st; For tour sites, tickets & complete details, visit www.mhgp.org/talbotcounty.

Sat, May 9th 7:30pm - Frank Vignola & Vinny Raniolo at The Mainstay, N. 5753 Main St., Rock Hall; \$25/pp; Cash bar; Call 410-639-9133; www.mainstayrockhall.org.

Sat, May 9th 10am - Fish Fry at Chestertown Vol. Fire Co., 211 Maple Ave., Chestertown; Visit www.chestertownvfc.org.


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 *Who's Cookin' with Carla?*

SALMON WITH DILL CHABLIS SAUCE

4 Lbs Red Salmon Fillets
6 Tbsp Unsalted Butter
2 Tsp Salt
White Pepper, to taste
6 Tbsp Chopped Shallots
3/4 Cup Chablis White Wine
1 Tbsp Lemon Juice
2-1/2 Cups Fish Stock
1-1/4 Cups Heavy Cream
4 Egg Yolks
2 Tbsp Worcestershire Sauce
2 Tbsp Freshly Chopped Dill
16 Lemon Wedges

Mix the salt and pepper together. Sprinkle half of the salt/pepper mixture and half the shallots on the bottom of a buttered pan. Slice salmon into thin cutlets and dress in a round shape, side by side, in pan. Brush with melted butter.

Add wine and lemon juice; sprinkle with the rest of the salt and pepper mixture. Cover with greased waxed paper and bake in a pre-heated oven at 450°F for 8 minutes.

For the dill Chablis sauce, place remaining butter in another pan and saute remaining shallots until soft. Add all the liquid from salmon pan, and mix in fish stock. Reduce to half its original volume and strain through a fine strainer.

Whip egg yolks and heavy cream in a double boiler, for 8 to 10 minutes or until firm and foamy. Blend this mixture into the reduced sauce for binding. Add dill and Worcestershire sauce and season to taste.

To serve, cover each fillet with about 2-1/2 tablespoons of sauce and glaze for 10 seconds under broiler. Place 2 tablespoons of sauce in the center of a hot dinner plate and place the salmon on the sauce. Garnish with 2 lemon wedges and chopped fresh dill. Serves 8.

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PRESS RELEASE from **Chestertown, Maryland Police Department**
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As with all legal proceedings, it is important to remember that all persons are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

SHOPLIFTING: 02/12/2026 PFC R. Thompson took a report for a past theft that occurred in Washington Square Plaza. The suspect has been identified and charges are pending. 03/23/2026 OFC P. Rodriguez served a District Court criminal summons on Adrian Thomas Saccone, 19, of Chestertown, Maryland, charging him with theft \$100.00 to under \$1500.00. Saccone was released on his signature. Court date is pending.

SHOPLIFTING: 03/27/2026 PFC T. Burke and SGT C. Schwink responded to the 700 block of Washington Avenue for a report of a theft that had just occurred. The suspect was identified. Investigation remains active at this time.

DRUG/NARCOTIC VIOLATIONS: 03/28/2026 PFC B. McGinnis arrested Jason Nathaniel Seago, 41, of Chestertown, Maryland, charging him with possession of controlled dangerous substance and possession of CDS paraphernalia. Seago was also issued a must-appear traffic citation for driving on highway without required license and authorization. Seago was released on his signature. Court date is pending.

Sat, May 9th 10am-2pm - Chili Fiesta Airplane Fly-In at Massey Aerodrome, 33541 Maryland Line Rd., Massey; Open to public, free admission, family friendly; Tour the Massey Air Museum, DC-3, An-2 & hangars; Excellent photo & viewing area; Share your favorite Chili recipe or covered dish; Call 410-928-5270; Visit www.masseyaero.org; Contact email@masseyaero.org.

Sat, May 9th 9am-12pm - Garden Club of Rock Hall's Annual Plant Sale on Main St., beside the Villages of Rock Hall; Rain or shine; Variety of native plants, houseplants, herbs & blooms; Jewelry Boutique & Bay Bags; Bring your wagon; Benefits the club's activities; Find on Facebook @ GardenClubofRockHall.

Sat, May 9th 10am - Millington Lions Club Annual Shrubbery Auction at Millington Fire House, 185 Sassafras St., Millington; Email millingtonmdlions@gmail.com.

Sun, May 10th 5pm-6:30pm - Kent County Drum Circle at Airy Hill Stables, 7886 Airy Hill Road, Chestertown; Social hour 5pm; All adults & teenagers welcome; Join us for fun, stress relief, and to bang a drum.

Wed-Sat, May 13th-16th - 9th Annual Paint Kent Island at Kent Island Federation of Arts, 405 Main St., Stevensville; Call for artists; Plein air painting, monetary awards, reception, gallery space; \$40/member, \$45/other; Call 410-643-7424; www.kifa.us.

Fri, May 15th 9am-2pm - 21st Annual Senior Summit Aging & Disability Resource Fair at QAC 4-H Park, Centreville; Presented by QAC Aging & Transportation; Call 410-758-1040 for details or visit www.qac.org/1184/qac-senior-summit

Fri, May 15th 7:30pm - An Evening with Mad Agnes Acoustic Trio at The Mainstay, N. 5753 Main St., Rock Hall; \$25/pp; Cash bar; Call 410-639-9133; Learn more at www.mainstayrockhall.org.

Sat, May 16th 7pm - "Feast Your Ears" The Story of WHFS Radio at The Mainstay, N. 5753 Main St., Rock Hall; \$15/pp; Cash bar; Visit www.mainstayrockhall.org.

Sat, May 16th 10am-4pm - Kent Island Day in historic Stevensville, East Main St. and Love Point Rd.; Food, live music, artisans, parade; www.kentislandheritagesociety.org.

Sat, May 16th 8am-12pm - Yard & Bake Sale at Chestertown Vol. Fire Co., 211 Maple Ave., Chestertown; For more information visit www.chestertownvfc.org.

Sat, May 16th 7pm-11pm - Party Fowl Concert at American Legion Post 228, 21423 E. Sharp St., Rock Hall; \$10/Tickets, \$15/At Door; High energy cover band; Rock, pop, hip hop, dance & country; Call 410-639-7081; www.almdpost228.org.

Sat, May 16th 10am-2pm - Wellfest at Wilmer Park, Cross St., Chestertown; All things health for all ages; Physical, mental, spiritual, environment, social, nutritional and public health, financial wellness; Call 443-480-0940; www.homeports.org.

Sat, May 16th 10:30am-12pm - Washington College's Innovation Plant Ground-breaking at 800 High St., Chestertown; Call 443-812-0778; pnugent@washcoll.edu.

Fri, May 22nd 5pm-10pm - Chestertown Tea Party Festival Block Party & Fireworks on High St., downtown Chestertown; Food trucks, craft beer, live band, children's activities, fireworks at dusk; Call 443-480-1987; Email louiseandygoddard@gmail.com with questions.

Sat, May 23rd 10am-4pm - Chestertown Tea Party Festival on High St., downtown Chestertown; 10am Parade; 2pm Reenactment; Heritage Village, demonstrations, food, live music, vendors, children's activities and more; Call 443-480-1987 for more information; Questions? Send emails to louiseandygoddard@gmail.com.

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March 25, 2026: DFC T. Baitsholts served a Kent County Circuit Court bench warrant for failure to appear on Tyson Nemrrow Stansbury, age 46, of Worton, Maryland. Stansbury was held at Kent County Detention Center without bond.

March 26, 2026: CPL P. Hudson served a Kent County District Court bench warrant for violation of probation on Glenn Scott Kilpatrick, age 53, of Rock Hall, Maryland. Kilpatrick was held at Kent County Detention Center without bond.

March 27, 2026: DFC S. Steppe served a Kent County District Court bench warrant for violation of probation on Darnell Lamont Black, age 38, of Worton, Maryland. Black was held at Kent County Detention Center without bond.

March 27, 2026: CPL. A. Freeman served a Kent County Circuit Court bench warrant for violation of probation on Nicole Lynn Reedy, age 40, of Rock Hall, Maryland. Reedy was held at Kent County Detention Center without bond.

March 30, 2026: SGT J. Watson served a Kent County Circuit Court bench warrant for failure to appear on Rachel Ann Lipford, age 34, of Chestertown, Maryland. Lipford was held at Kent County Detention Center without bond.

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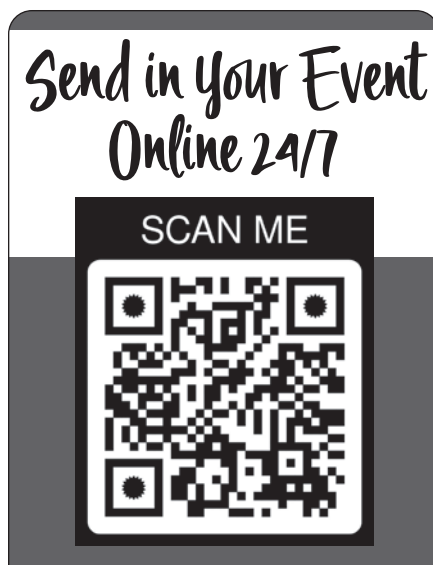
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Sat, May 23rd 10am - Parade at Chestertown Tea Party Festival, down High St., Chestertown; For more information visit www.chestertownteaparty.org.

Sun, May 24th 10am-5pm - Maryland House & Garden Pilgrimage at Mount Harmon, 600 Mount Harmon Rd., Earleville; Tour includes Mount Harmon & 8 other historical estates; \$50/Advanced tickets, \$60/Day of; For more information call 410-275-8819; Find details online by visiting Mount Harmon Plantation's website at www.mountharmon.org.



Sun, May 24th 12pm-4pm - Chestertown Tea Party Festival at Wilmer Park, Cross St., Chestertown; 2:30pm Raft Race; Punch & Judy Show, demonstrations, food, live music, vendors, children's activities and more; Call 443-480-1987 for more information or email louiseandygoddard@gmail.com.

Sun, May 24th 12pm-4pm - Rock Hall PorchFest on Main Street; Live music, community spirit, small town charm; Call 443-465-0681 for details; Send emails to mainstreetrockhall@gmail.com.

Sat, May 30th 7:30pm - "On the Trail" with Hilary Gardner and The Lonesome Pines at The Mainstay, N. 5753 Main St., Rock Hall; \$25/pp; Cash bar; Call 410-639-9133 for more information; Visit The Mainstay's website at www.mainstayrockhall.org for details about all upcoming concerts and events.

Sat, May 30th 12pm-6pm - Saturday in the Park Community Festival at Wilmer Park, Cross St., Chestertown; Live bands, food trucks, yoga classes, martial arts demos, volleyball, bocce, cornhole, and more; Pet adoption area; Call 410-212-1746 for more information; Questions? Send emails to dwright.zilinskas@gmail.com.

Tues, June 2nd - Deadline to register to vote or change party affiliation for the primary election; Find online voter registration at www.elections.state.md.us; Form request 410-778-0038; Learn more at www.yourvoteyourvoicemd.org; For complete details call 410-778-0038, 410-758-0832, 410-996-5310 or 410-770-8099; Go to www.kentcountyelections.org.

Fri-Sun, June 5th-21st - "Chicago" at Church Hill Theatre, 103 Walnut St., Church Hill; Fri's & Sat's 7:30pm, Sun's 2pm; \$25/adults, \$20/members, \$15/students; For tickets call 410-556-6003; Find details online at www.churchhilltheatre.org.

Thurs-Thurs, June 11th-18th - Early Voting for Primary Election at Kent County Public Library, 408 High St., Chestertown; For details call 410-778-0038, 410-758-0832, 410-996-5310 or 410-770-8099; Visit www.kentcountyelections.org.

Sat, June 13th 1pm-2:30pm - DASH Freedom to Dream Academy at Sumner Hall, 206 S. Queen St., Chestertown; Monthly reading program designed to inspire imagination, creativity, and a love of reading; Ages 5-10 years old; All are welcome; Register at www.sumnerhall.org/dash.

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"Welcome to My World" - Joe Holt's Special Friday Series with Rhonda Apple and Kiara Vos

The Mainstay in Rock Hall will present an evening of jazz and vocal artistry when pianist Joe Holt welcomes singers Rhonda Apple and Kiara Vos for a special concert titled "Welcome to My World" on Friday, April 17th at 7:30pm. The performance is part of Joe Holt's ongoing Special Friday Series at the Eastern Shore listening room and brings together three accomplished musicians for a program that blends jazz standards, classic songs, and engaging vocal interpretations.

Joe Holt is a respected jazz pianist and arranger whose career has included decades of performing, recording, and accompanying singers throughout the mid-Atlantic region. Known for his elegant piano style and deep knowledge of the American songbook, Holt has become a familiar presence at The Mainstay through his Special Friday Series concerts, which feature guest artists and distinctive themed programs that highlight a wide range of jazz and popular repertoire.

Joe Holt will be joined by Rhonda Apple and Kiara Vos at The Mainstay on April 17th at 7:30pm.

Joining Holt for this program are vocalists Rhonda Apple and Kiara Vos, two singers whose musical styles bring different perspectives to the stage. Apple is known for her warm and expressive interpretations of classic jazz and cabaret repertoire, while Vos brings a fresh vocal style and engaging stage presence that complements Holt's sophisticated piano arrangements. Together with Holt, the trio creates an evening of music that moves easily between swing era favorites, lyrical ballads, and timeless popular songs.

The concert title "Welcome to My World" reflects the program's focus on storytelling through song, inviting audiences into an intimate musical setting where voice and piano take center stage. The combination of Holt's accomplished piano accompaniment and the contrasting vocal styles of Apple and Vos promises a dynamic and engaging performance.

The Mainstay, located at 5753 North Main Street in the harbor town of Rock Hall, has served as a nonprofit center for live music on Maryland's Eastern Shore for nearly three decades. The 120-seat listening room presents a year-round schedule of jazz, folk, classical, blues, bluegrass, and Americana concerts featuring regional, national, and international performers in an attentive concert setting.

Tickets for Joe Holt with Rhonda Apple and Kiara Vos on Friday, April 17th at 7:30pm are available through InstantSeats and through The Mainstay website. Additional information about this concert and other upcoming performances can be found on the webpage located at www.mainstayrockhall.org/

Sat, June 13th 7:30pm - Bluegrass Under the Stars with The Larry Stephenson Band at The Mainstay, N. 5753 Main St., Rock Hall; \$25/pp; Cash bar; Call 410-639-9133; Visit www.mainstayrockhall.org.

Sat, June 13th 9am-1pm - Blueberry Boogie 5K Walk/Run at Godfrey's Farm, 302 Leager Rd., Sudlersville; Benefits Benedictine; Call 410-438-3509 or send emails to ashleyg@godfreysfarm.com.

Sat, June 13th 1pm-5pm - Guardian of the Pearl: Bags, Beef & Beer Cornhole Tournament at the Rock Hall Fire Co., 21500 Rock Hall Avenue, Rock Hall; 12pm registration & practice; 1pm-5pm beef & beer; Open to public; Music; Cash only, ATM on site; Guaranteed prize payout of \$2,000; \$25/entry fee; Register at www.rockhallvfc.org; Call 410-708-0492.

Sat, June 13th 10am - Smoked Beef Sale at Chestertown Vol. Fire Co., 211 Maple Ave., Chestertown; For more information visit www.chestertownvfc.org.

Sun, June 14th 5pm-6:30pm - Kent County Drum Circle at Airy Hill Stables, 7886 Airy Hill Road, Chestertown; Social hour 5pm; All adults & teenagers welcome; No experience required; Bring any type of percussion instrument (drum, tambourine, plastic bucket, two sticks) or just come; Instruments will be available; Join us for fun, community, and to bang a drum.

Fri-Sun, June 19th-21st 10am-5pm - 38th Annual Antique & Classic Boat Festival and Coastal Arts Fair at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, 213 N. Talbot St., St. Michaels; Boating history; Free boat rides; Maritime vendors, juried artists, nautical flea market, children's activities, Field of Dreams (boats for sale), food vendors & more; For details, send emails to chesapeakebayacbs@gmail.com; Learn more at www.chesapeakebayacbs.org.

Sat, June 20th 9am-3pm - Safe Sitter Class at UM Shore Medical Center at Easton's Health Education Center, 219 South Washington Street, Easton; Ages 11-13; \$50/pp, Safe Sitter kit included; Registration encouraged, space is limited; To register, contact gladys.peeples@umm.edu; Call 410-822-1000, ext. 5234; Learn more at www.umms.org/shore.

Sat, June 20th 10am-2pm - Antique Airplane Fly-In at Massey Aerodrome, 33541 Maryland Line Rd., Massey; Open to public, free admission, family friendly; Tour the Massey Air Museum, DC-3, An-2 & hangars; Excellent photo & viewing area; Call 410-928-5270; Visit www.masseyaero.org or contact email@masseyaero.org.

Mon-Sun, June 22nd-July 26th - Green Room Gang at Church Hill Theatre, 103 Walnut St., Church Hill; Call 410-556-6003; For more information go to Church Hill Theatre's website www.churchhilltheatre.org.

Tues, June 23rd - Maryland Primary Election; Call 410-778-0038, 410-758-0832, 410-996-5310 or 410-770-8099; Visit www.kentcountyelections.org.

Sat, June 27th 6:30am-5pm - Jim Gent Memorial Bay2Bay Ride starting at Betterton Vol. Fire Co.; Four routes between 26 and 102 miles in length; Benefits Chestertown Lions Club charities; Call 410-324-7117; Email bay2bayride@chestertownlions.org.

Sat, June 27th 7pm - Danny Paisley (Bluegrass) at Chestertown Vol. Fire Co., 211 Maple Ave., Chestertown; For details visit www.chestertownvfc.org.

Mon-Fri, July 6th-31st - Playmakers Camp at Garfield Center of the Arts, 210 High St, Chestertown; Ages 8-11/\$450; Ages 12-15/\$500; www.garfieldcenter.org/camps.

Mon, July 6th - Certification of the Primary Election Results; Deadline for local boards to receive absentee ballots by mail; Call 410-778-0038, 410-758-0832, 410-996-5310 or 410-770-8099; For more information visit www.kentcountyelections.org.

Fri, July 10th - Deadline for Tidewater Trader's Hunt Issue Early Bird Discount; For details call George at 410-778-1262 ext. 2002; george@tidewatertrader.com; Go to www.tidewatertrader.com.

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New 2026 Seasons for Chesapeake Bay Recreational Striped Bass

The Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has implemented a shift in the season for recreational striped bass, or rockfish. The seasonal shift opens April to catch-and-release fishing and closes all of August to targeting striped bass. These adjustments are intended to simplify existing regulations, while allowing more recreational fishing opportunities and protecting striped bass during the hot, final weeks of the summer.



This timing will enable the return of April catch-and-release fishing for striped bass. DNR is implementing the seasonal shift to enable anglers to catch-and-release striped bass in April when water temperatures are cooler, while closing the month of August for striped bass fishing when hot water temperatures make striped bass more likely to be accidentally killed by hook-and-line fishermen – known as recreational dead discards.

The 2026 recreational striped bass season in the Chesapeake Bay will be: January 1st through April 30th, catch and release; May 1st through July 31st, harvest; August 1st through August 31st, closed; September 1st through December 5th, harvest; and December 6th through December 31st, catch and release.

When striped bass harvest is permitted, anglers may keep one striped bass per person, per day, with a minimum length of 19 inches and a maximum length of 24 inches. During catch-and-release season, officials encourage anglers to practice techniques that will help the fish survive, such as limiting the amount of handling and minimizing air exposure. The ocean recreational fishery is open year-round with a 28-inch to 31-inch slot limit and a coastwide daily bag limit of one fish.

Spawning rivers will remain closed to targeting from March 1st through May 31st to protect spawning striped bass. Anglers can refer to DNR's website for maps and additional information regarding these closures.

A fishing license is required to fish for striped bass. Maryland anglers can purchase their licenses online at MD Outdoors, at DNR service centers, or at sport license agent retailers. For more information visit <https://news.maryland.gov/dnr/>

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Inaugural Wings of Spring Debuts in Rock Hall April 24th

A fresh sign of the season is taking flight on Maryland's Eastern Shore as Wings of Spring, a brand-new nature-inspired festival, makes its debut in the waterfront town of Rock Hall this April. Nestled along the scenic Chesapeake Bay, the event celebrates the annual return of ospreys and the vibrant renewal of spring.

The celebration begins with a ticketed Kick-Off Reception on Friday, April 24th from 6pm to 8:30pm at Osprey Point Inn (reservations required), followed by a fun-filled day of family-friendly programming on Saturday, April 25th from 9:30am to 4pm throughout the town.

Visitors will have the rare opportunity to observe ospreys in their natural habitat as they return to nest throughout Rock Hall Harbor. The festival blends wildlife education, outdoor recreation, and small-town charm, offering something for all ages.

Saturday highlights begin with the Osprey Symposium & Nature Talk, hosted at The Mainstay in partnership with Friends of Eastern Neck National Wildlife Refuge, will begin at 9:30am with "Osprey Population Trends in Northern Chesapeake Bay." A native plants presentation will follow, from 2pm to 3pm.

Also on Saturday, enjoy scenic boat tours for \$35. One-hour guided tours of Rock Hall Harbor and Swan Creek will depart throughout the day, offering a unique vantage point to view nesting ospreys and local wildlife. Advance sign-up is encouraged; walk-ups will be

welcome based on availability. Explore one of the region's most treasured natural areas with a guided walk at Eastern Neck National Wildlife Refuge from 2pm to 4pm. Reservations are required.

Small-town charm meets family fun on Main Street with unique local shops, artists, artisans, and pop-up vendors; regional cuisine and festival merchandise; interactive kids' activities including crafts, games, and books; and the not-to-miss Fish Mobile, a traveling aquarium showcasing Chesapeake Bay species.



Visitors can also enjoy osprey nest webcam footage streaming inside participating businesses throughout town.

Photography Contest with Cash Prizes

Photography enthusiasts are invited to participate in the Wings of Spring Photo Contest, celebrating the beauty of ospreys and the Chesapeake Bay region. Submissions were open through April 5th; winners will be announced during the April 24th Kick-Off event.

Organizers extend a heartfelt thank you to the Town of Rock Hall and the many partners, sponsors, supporters, and volunteers whose dedication has made this inaugural event possible. For more information, please visit the FB page Wings of Spring Rock Hall and the webpage www.welcometorockhall.com. Contact rockhallbusiness@gmail.com with questions.

Call To The Post For Talisman Guests

As they have for 15 years, the Eastern Shore's southerners for the day will gather at Talisman Therapeutic Riding to enjoy the "fastest two minutes in sports", the 152nd Kentucky Derby.



A southern style dinner, mint juleps, complimentary beer and wine, hat contests, bourbon tasting, and live and silent auctions are on the menu for the afternoon event. Guests can place

bets on win/place/show horses, play the prize wheel, pose for pictures in the photo booth and bid on items on the silent auction.

The event is on Saturday, May 2nd and is held at the Talisman Therapeutic Riding farm located at 172 Blue Ribbon Lane in Grasonville from 4:30pm to 8:30pm. Tickets are \$150 per person until April 14th when the price increases to \$175 per person. For further information go to www.talismantherapeuticriding.org or call 443-239-9400.

Kappa Sigma Fraternity Breakfast Returns

The Kappa Sigma Fraternity at Washington College in Chestertown has a long and proud tradition of supporting veterans' charities, primarily through its semi-annual charity pancake breakfast, an event which many have attended in the past. Since its inception, this event has raised over \$105,000 for the Kappa Sigma Military Heroes Campaign – a composite charity serving the medical, psychological, physical, and housing needs of America's veterans – one pancake at a time.

This semester's pancake breakfast will be held on Saturday, April 11th from 8am until 12pm at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, located at 101 North Cross Street in Chestertown. A donation of \$8.00 – 100% of which goes to charity – gets you an all-you-can eat breakfast of pancakes, eggs, sausage, bacon, juices, and coffee.

This year, 100% of ticket sales and all donations will be donated to the Maryland Veterans Trust Fund. The Maryland Veterans Trust Fund is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit providing grants and loans to Maryland veterans and their families to cover urgent needs like housing, utilities,

medical care, and transportation. The fund awarded over \$1 million in grants in 2025, but sadly, 200+ applications went unfunded due to insufficient funds. Let's work to change this!

Unable to come to the event but still want to support our veterans' causes? You can make a check payable to Washington College Kappa Sigma and mail it to: Aaron Krochmal, 300 Washington Avenue, Chestertown MD, 21620. If you'd prefer to use electronic payments, go to the chapter's business PayPal account ("add a note" to indicate the donation is for the Pancake Breakfast and/or Military Heroes Campaign), or use Venmo (@Kappasigwashcoll).

For more information about the event, please feel free to contact the chapter's President, Joshua Iseminger jiseminger2@washcoll.edu or the chapter's advisor, Aaron Krochmal akrochmal2@washcoll.edu. Your presence at this breakfast will motivate these young men and inspire them to double and re-double their efforts on behalf of veterans in need. Thank you for considering participating in this event supporting our nation's vets.

Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company Announces "Guardian of the Pearl: Bags, Beef and Beer" Event

The Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company (RHVFC) is excited to announce its upcoming "Guardian of the Pearl: Bags, Beef and Beer" event, scheduled for Saturday, June 13th at the Rock Hall Volunteer Firehouse located at 21500 Rock Hall Avenue.

This community-focused fundraiser will feature a full day of entertainment, competition, and great food, all in support of the dedicated volunteers who serve the Rock Hall area.

The event will include a cornhole tournament, live music, and a popular beef and beer gathering open to the public. Participants and spectators alike can enjoy a fun and welcoming atmosphere while supporting a great cause.

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Cornhole Tournament – with a guaranteed prize payout of \$2000 – will begin at 12pm with the games starting at 1pm and continuing until 5pm. Live music will be played throughout the afternoon.

This is a cash-only event, with an ATM available on site for convenience. All proceeds from the event will directly benefit the Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company, helping to support emergency services, equipment, training, and operational needs. Participants can register online at www.rockhallvfc.org. For details, please contact 410-708-0492.

The Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company encourages community members, businesses, and visitors to attend and show their support for local first responders.

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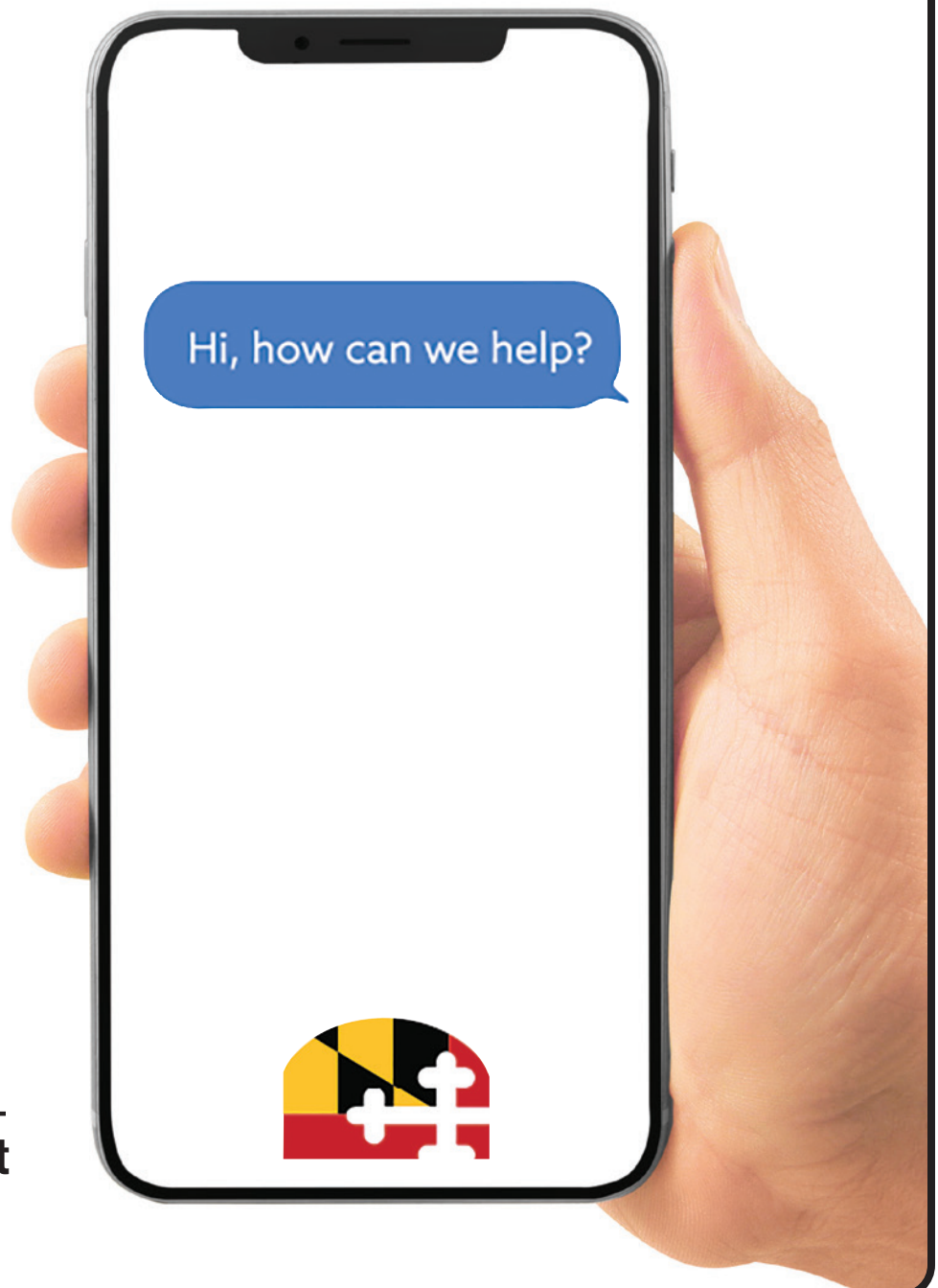
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