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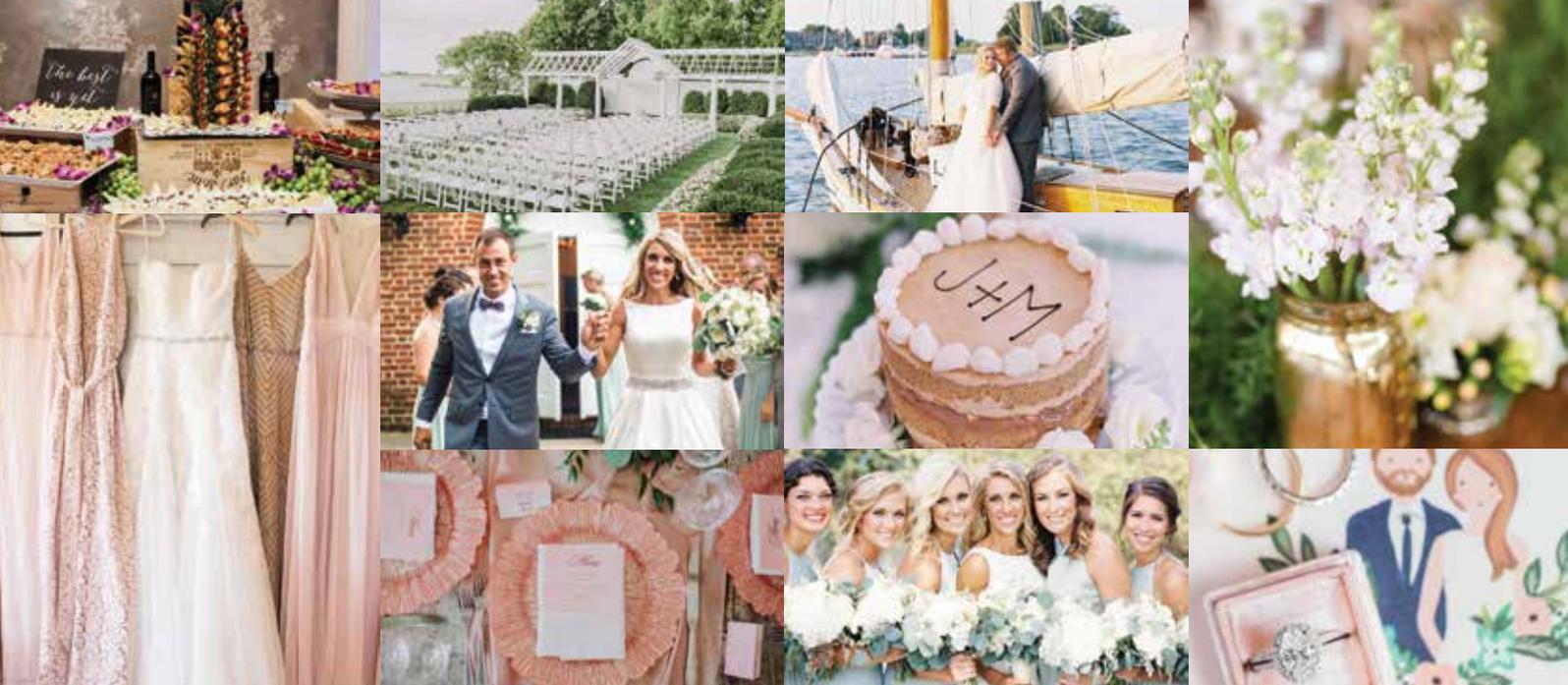
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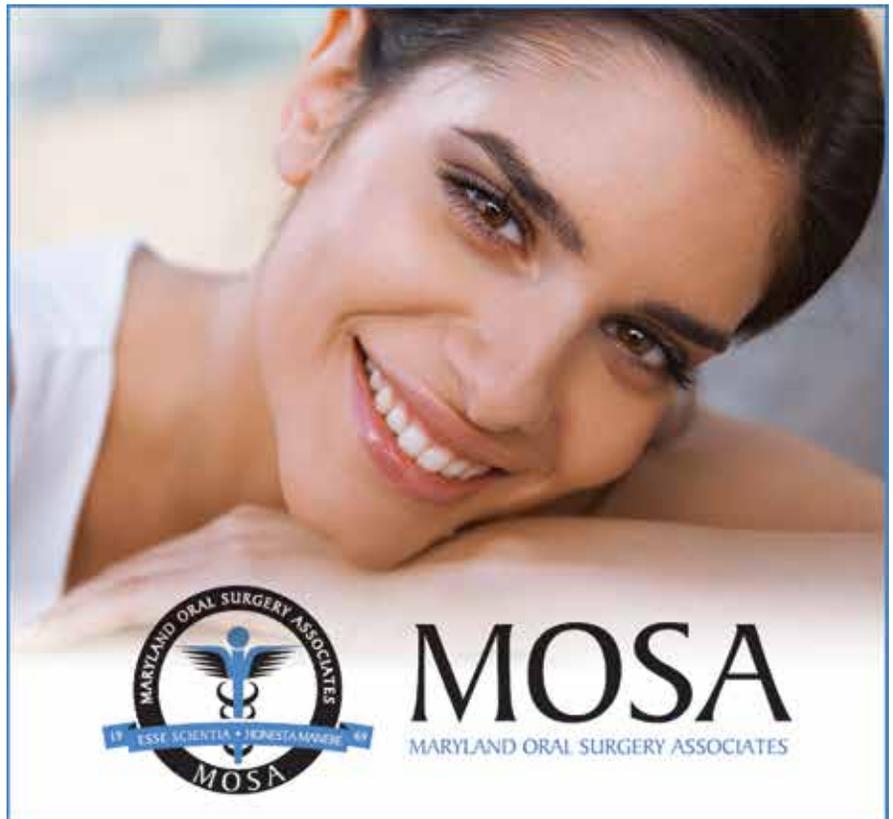
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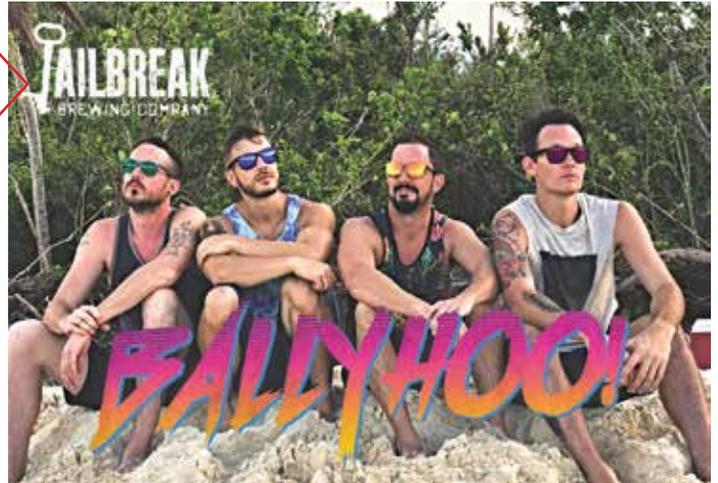
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Another way some people consider this month is the second “new year.” I understand what they mean by the new year reference and it derives from the back to school energy, meaning a fresh start. So, here’s to many positive fresh starts this month!

Veronica Tovey,
President + Publisher

September and back to school. Even though I haven’t had children returning to school for many years, it still seems like that to me every fall. Another way some people consider this month is the second “new year.” I understand what they mean by the new year reference and it derives from the back to school energy, meaning a fresh start. So, here’s to many positive fresh starts this month! Whether it includes a new school for your child, or something in your business or a new home, the temperatures are falling and energies rising—time to start now.

Last month I wrote about a new initiative being started by What’s Up? Media called “The Year of the Woman,” celebrating 100 years of women having the vote. The Anne Arundel County Public Schools system includes, as part of their history classes, a section on suffrage and they are going to join us on a new exciting initiative including their students. Our public library system is also joining us on a few ideas. This is going to be a lot of fun and I invite other community organizations or groups of people, who would like to celebrate this year with us, to give us a call and let us know about your event plans or idea. Do you normally have a dinner event and are you going to honor a woman? Or does your book club want to sponsor a year of women authors? Does your organization support a speaker and is this 2020 speaker on a woman’s topic? We will publicize your events for free on our page of “Year of the Woman” events.

A story in this September issue includes a special feature for the beginning of this school year. Diana Love has researched and written a great article about an issue that pertains to us all, whether we have children re-entering school or not. School redistricting, which affects us all. For some of us, it is the quality of our children’s education, for others it is the value of our real estate that is affected. Also make sure to see our Best of Real Estate, Home and Garden Winners starting on page 45. This is another group of winners that affects most, if not all, of us.

Some other articles that jump out to me; one is about food allergies that can kill and a more pleasant one is about day trips to historic gardens. The surprising thing to me about the food article was the very large increase in people with severe allergies. So many and so severe that some restaurants like Carrol’s Creek are now peanut and tree nut free! “Day Trips” is just a fun read and we all need those!

Whatever you choose to read this issue, I hope you enjoy it. In the meantime, enjoy this end of summer, beginning of fall month.

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↑ **Festival on the Green**

Head to Crofton Country Club on Saturday, September 28th, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. for Festival on the Green. Hosted by the Greater Crofton Chamber of Commerce, this biannual outdoor festival is free to attend and features crafters, vendors, live entertainment, food trucks, demonstrations, and more. Kids can enjoy face painting, crafts, a petting zoo, moon bounces, and remote-control car racing. For more information, visit Croftonchamber.com.

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↓ HOSPICE CUP XXXVIII

Raise sails, funds, and awareness for hospice care at the annual Hospice Cup. Now in its 38th year, the charity regatta will be held Saturday, September 14th, 11 a.m. at Bert Jabin's Yacht Yard in Annapolis. Whether you're a veteran sailor or just learning the ropes, Hospice Cup offers options for various skill levels. Non-sailors can enjoy watching the race from the decks of a beautiful charter boat. After the races, celebrate the sailors and fundraisers at the Hospice Cup Shore Party. Beginning at 5 p.m., the party will feature live music from The Shatners, food from Paul's Homewood Café, an auction, and plenty of cold drinks. Admission is \$100 for the spectator boat, \$85 for the Shore Party, \$150 for both the spectator boat and Shore Party, and \$50 for the Shore Party for registered sailors. Tickets can be purchased at Whatsuptix.com.

↑ Twist and Stout

Join Anne Arundel County Department of Recreation and Parks on Saturday, September 28th, 12-6 p.m. for its wine and beer festival, Twist and Stout. Held at Quiet Waters Park, the festival will feature fine wine and craft beer from Maryland, live music, gourmet food trucks, and juried artisan vendors. General admission tickets are \$30 in advance and \$40 day of, and include a commemorative festival sampling glass. VIP tickets are \$75 and include a commemorative festival sampling glass and a separate hospitality tent with exclusive wine and beer samples, light hors d'oeuvres, shaded seating, and private restrooms. Designated driver/non-taster tickets are \$25. Proceeds will benefit the Quiet Waters Park Nature Center Campaign and the construction of new athletic fields in Brooklyn Park. For more information, visit Twistandstout.org.



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NFL FOOTBALL

It's officially football season! Cheer on your favorite local football team as they host their first home games of the 2019 season on Sunday, September 15th, 1 p.m. At M&T Bank Stadium, the Baltimore Ravens will host the Arizona Cardinals; at FedEx Field, the Washington Redskins take on their division rival, the Dallas Cowboys. For a full game schedule and to purchase tickets, visit Nfl.com.



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Taste of the Chesapeake

Join the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay on Thursday, September 26th, 6-9 p.m. for Taste of the Chesapeake. Held at the Crowne Plaza Annapolis, the Taste recognizes the Alliance's environmental leadership award winners, showcases the Alliance's programs and projects, and celebrates progress being made toward Chesapeake Bay restoration. Enjoy an evening of delicious Chesapeake-inspired culinary creations, local wine and beer, live music, and silent auction items. Proceeds support the Alliance's mission to improve the lands and waters of the Chesapeake Bay watershed. Tickets are \$110 and available at Whatsuptix.com.



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↑ Maryland Seafood Festival

The Maryland Seafood Festival returns to Sandy Point State Park on Saturday, September 7th (10 a.m.–9 p.m.) and Sunday, September 8th (10 a.m.–7 p.m.). Enjoy a weekend filled with delicious seafood dishes, interactive cooking demonstrations, live entertainment, contests, activities for kids, fireworks, and much more. Be sure to check out the Chesapeake Arts Village and purchase unique goods from local artists and merchants. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors and military, \$65 for individual VIP, \$120 for VIP couple, and free for kids. On-site parking is \$10. For more information, visit Abceventsinc.com.



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ANNAPOLIS 9/11 HEROES RUN

The Annapolis 9/11 Heroes Run unites the community in remembering the sacrifices of the heroes of the September 11th attacks and in the wars that followed. The run will take place on Sunday, September 22nd, 2 p.m. at Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, and includes a 5K and 1-mile Family Fun Run. Proceeds support the Travis Manion Foundation programs assisting veterans and families of fallen service members, and promoting character among today's youth. Registration prices vary from \$20–115. For more information, or to register, visit 911heroesrun.org/Annapolis.

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Conflict of interest is massive. Ethics Commission's independence was nonexistent. In my view, the fix was in. This is the sort of rogue conduct that gives birth to arrogant government. Whatever happened to – no one is above the law?

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Fashion for a Cause

On June 6th, Hospice of the Chesapeake hosted its annual fashion gala, Fashion for a Cause. The fun evening of runway fashion and luxury automobiles was held at Porsche Annapolis. The event raised essential funds, which directly support Hospice of the Chesapeake's Chesapeake Kids Program.



Photography courtesy Hospice of the Chesapeake/Jessica Caughron **1.** Darlene Sellers, Avis Queen, Stephanie Allston, and Stacy Martin **2.** Cary Melnyk, Terri Hussman, and Kevin Campion **3.** Carla Christie models a dress **4.** Brigid Morahan and Laura Smith **5.** Jason Cherry models casual beach clothing **6.** Hospice of the Chesapeake President and CEO Ben Marcantonio welcomes guests



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Women's Executive Forum Showcase

On June 5th, Leadership Anne Arundel presented a showcase event for women professionals at Prism Annapolis. The Women's Executive Forum Showcase is a capstone networking event to LAA's year-long women's forum. Guests enjoyed perusing exhibit tables, lite-fare, and wine while networking with other Anne Arundel County female professionals.



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TOWNE SALUTE

Jenn Troy

Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay

By Caley Breese
Photo by Stephen Buchanan

Having grown up in a family dedicated to helping the environment, it makes sense that Jenn Troy has always felt drawn to organizations dedicated to the Chesapeake Bay and its watershed. Troy's father, Colby Rucker, owned and operated Rucker Tree Experts, was a co-founder of the nonprofit organization Scenic Rivers Land Trust (SRLT), and co-wrote the Severn River resource book *Gems of the Severn*. In 2005, SRLT approached Troy about joining its board. Troy was grateful for the opportunity to honor her late father, and served on the board for nine years, both as treasurer and vice president. Then, in 2013, Troy began volunteering with Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, serving as the board's development committee chair. While she enjoyed her time volunteering with SRLT, in 2014, she stepped away from her board position with them and devoted herself to Alliance.

"Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay attracted me with its emphasis on partnerships between communities, businesses, government, and individuals to achieve clean water for everyone," Troy explains. "The Alliance has achieved much in its first 48 years and continues to have a big vision about [how] we are capable of working together throughout the Chesapeake Bay region."

In her position as development committee chair for the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay Board of Directors, Troy focuses on raising funds and awareness for the organization. She's particularly passionate about several Alliance projects, including the restoration and preservation of a stream and historic cemetery at Asbury Broadneck United Methodist Church, as well as the restoration of wetlands and woodlands on the property of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Eastport.

"Jenn brings energy and enthusiasm to every board meeting, tabling event, or trash pickup event she sets her mind to," Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay Executive Director Kate Fritz says. "Her passion for the work and people at the Alliance is contagious."

In addition to her board duties, Troy plays an important role in the Alliance's annual event, Taste of the Chesapeake, taking the time to develop partnerships and connect and communicate with other individuals and environmental organizations. The event showcases the Alliance's programs and restoration progress, and recognizes and celebrates environmental leadership award winners.

"One of the reasons I joined the board was when I went to my

first-ever Taste and I met the staff," Troy shares. "I was just incredibly moved by their passion and their knowledge. I couldn't resist joining after I'd met the staff. And I think a lot of people have that experience when they meet the staff and hear the depth of their knowledge about the projects they're working on."

Troy says the one thing that inspires her most about Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay is their dedication to the belief that the community deserves clean water and a healthy environment in which to live, and that everyone can contribute to this.

"Jenn has been a true champion for the Alliance over the last few years, always leading with positive energy and a rallying cry for others to follow her lead," Fritz says. "I greatly appreciate the passion and experience she brings, not just to her work on our board, but to the Chesapeake Bay movement as a whole. She is truly a leader within the organization, always ready to assist in whatever way is needed. Jenn is more than deserving of this recognition of her decades of volunteer work!"

This year's 2019 Taste of the Chesapeake will be held on Thursday, September 26th, 6-9 p.m., at the Crowne Plaza Annapolis. For tickets, visit whatsuptix.com. For more information on Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, visit allianceforthebay.org.

Do you have a volunteer to nominate? Send What's Up? an email to cbreese@whatsupmag.com.



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What's Up? Media donated \$1,000 to STAIR (Start The Adventure In Reading) Annapolis in May. STAIR is a literacy and mentoring program dedicated to helping children in Annapolis and Anne Arundel County improve their reading skills and self-confidence. The non-profit organization was founded in New Orleans more than 30 years ago, and has chapters in Alabama, West Virginia, and Florida. STAIR Annapolis was formed in 2006, and offers programs that help with vocabulary, comprehension, fluency, phonics, and phonemic awareness.

↑ Golf Tournament Raises Over \$20,000 for Chesapeake Arts Center

Arundel Federal Savings Bank hosted the Seventh Annual Chip in for the Arts charity golf tournament at Compass Pointe Golf Course in April. Attracting more than 90 participants, the event raised \$21,650 in support of the Chesapeake Arts Center and its educational outreach programs. Chesapeake Arts Center's goal is to enrich the community and foster creativity through arts education and various literary, visual, and performing arts programs. For more information on the organization, visit Chesapeakearts.org.

DR. THOMAS S. COPPERMAN JOINS ADORO MEDICAL SPA AND CENTER FOR EYE AND LASER SURGERY →

Dr. Thomas S. Copperman joined Dr. Elba M. Pacheco at Adoro Medical Spa and Center for Eye and Laser Surgery in August. Dr. Copperman received his medical degree from Wright State University and completed a three-year surgical ophthalmology residency at Boston University. He practices the full scope of cosmetic and reconstructive eyelid surgery, facial plastic surgery, and cosmetic injections. Dr. Copperman recently completed the coveted Oculofacial Plastic Surgery fellowship at University of California San Francisco where he mastered the most advanced techniques in cosmetic and reconstructive surgery of the eyes and face.



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Annapolis Educators Travel to Rwanda

Head of School Lisa Nagel and third grade teacher Abbey Iliff of St. Anne's School of Annapolis traveled to Rwanda this past summer to further their connection with Rwandan students and teachers. During the 2018-2019 schoolyear, Iliff's class learned about Rwanda during their study of Africa. Additionally, Iliff and her class partnered with local organization Connect Rwanda to participate in a videoconference with Rwandan students as well as share fair trade Rwandan coffee. In April, a group of Rwandan teachers visited St. Anne's School to connect learning and culture for St. Anne's students. During their three-week experience, Nagel and Iliff worked directly with teachers and students in Kigali schools and immersed themselves in Rwandan culture.



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↑ TowerCares Foundation Donates \$5,000 to the We Honor Veterans Program

TowerCares Foundation donated \$5,000 to Hospice of the Chesapeake in support of its We Honor Veterans program in June. We Honor Veterans is dedicated to respecting and guiding veterans through a peaceful end-of-life journey. TowerCares Foundation is a nonprofit associated with Tower Federal Credit Union. The organization's mission is to support children and active/retired military personnel and their families.

ASHLING KITCHEN & BAR HOSTS RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY

New Crofton restaurant Ashling Kitchen & Bar held a ribbon cutting ceremony in celebration of its spring grand opening. Originally started as a catering company, co-owners Saeed Ashrafzadeh and Elise Letavish wanted to find a home base that would be fun and unique to the community, as well as provide a high-end dining experience in a family-friendly setting. Ashling offers a diverse menu, featuring small plates, salads, soups, sandwiches, entrées, and more.

ANNE ARUNDEL SENIOR PROVIDER GROUP AWARDS GRANTS

The Anne Arundel Senior Provider Group (SPG) awarded grants to four different nonprofit organizations dedicated to serving seniors: P.A.W.S. (People and Animals Who Serve), Partners In Care, Meals on Wheels of Central Maryland, and Langton Green. SPG is a nonprofit membership organization that provides services to aging adults and their caregivers and families. Its primary mission is to award grants to local nonprofits in support of their work with the elderly.



Photo by Marc Apter

↑ \$2,700 Raised for Wendi Winters Memorial Foundation

The 16th Wendi Winters PR Bazaar was held in early June at Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts in Annapolis. For many years, slain *Capital Gazette* journalist Wendi Winters hosted the PR Bazaar to help connect small businesses and nonprofit organizations with members of the media. This year, the event was organized by Summerleigh Winters Geimer, Marc Apter, Lisa Seborowski, John Frenaye, and Montana Winters Geimer. This year's event attracted 150 participants, and included a panel of 15 radio, television, online, and print journalists. Additionally, \$2,700 was raised in support of the Wendi Winters Memorial Foundation, an organization that is dedicated to providing programs and events that support local journalism, journalists, and news outlets.

Do you have community or business news to publicize? Send What's Up? an email at cbreese@whatsupmag.com.



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“There are a lot of ways you can do justice and everybody has their niche,” Umbarger explains. “I’m good with preparing and analyzing things to the point where I can speak about it. I will be bringing justice in either defending or prosecuting somebody.”

His inspiration comes from his aunt, Arcacia Kim, who works at a law firm. They spent countless hours talking about law. “Growing up, my aunt had a really big influence on me,” Umbarger says. “We talked a lot about what it takes to become a lawyer.”

It was an easy decision for Umbarger, who also hopes to play quarterback for the Midshipmen, to pick the Naval Academy. He chose the school over West Point and Albany State. “I love the Naval Academy itself and the downtown area,” says Umbarger, who carried a 3.9 grade-point average. “My family lives close, so they don’t have to travel far to

see my games. That was one factor. Another factor: They were the school that always stuck with me through the whole recruiting process. Navy was the first school to really recruit me.”

The 6-foot, 190-pound Umbarger had another strong connection, since Spalding was already a pipeline for quarterbacks to go to Navy. Zach Abey and Evan Fochtman played football for the Midshipmen after playing quarterback at Spalding. “Those two previous quarterbacks went there, so they were going to look at me,” says Umbarger, who also played wide receiver and running back for the Cavaliers. “They knew I had the same abilities as Zach and Evan.”

Spalding football coach Kyle Schmidt says Umbarger is the ideal student and football player for Navy. “He has the character, toughness, and attitude,” the coach says. “He is a perfect fit for Navy. He believes in the team and puts them above himself. That’s the type of guy you win with.”

Schmidt says Umbarger showed his team-first attitude after his junior season as quarterback when he threw for seven touchdowns and 733 yards, while completing 65.6 percent of his passes.

Despite his success, the coaching staff asked him to move to safety for his senior year. Umbarger quickly agreed. “The biggest thing with him as a senior was

TOWNE ATHLETE

Jayden Umbarger

Archbishop Spalding Football

By Tom Worgo

Recent Archbishop Spalding graduate Jayden Umbarger is in search of justice. Umbarger, who played quarterback for the Cavaliers, wants to be a Judge Advocate General’s (JAG) Corps lawyer. He will begin that journey in the fall by entering the Naval Academy Preparatory School in Newport, Rhode Island, before attending the Naval Academy in 2020.

his incredible selflessness,” Schmidt explains. “[Other players] would probably threaten to transfer. And they would probably be a malcontent. He couldn’t have been more than the opposite of that.”

Umbarger also made 40 tackles playing defense, but the coaching staff elected to move him back to quarterback around midseason.

He finished the season with 23 touchdowns overall, rushing for 17. Additionally, he ran 1,087 yards, and threw for 979.

However, his best game came during his junior year. Umbarger threw for four touchdowns and rushed for three more in a 76-58 win over Gilman.

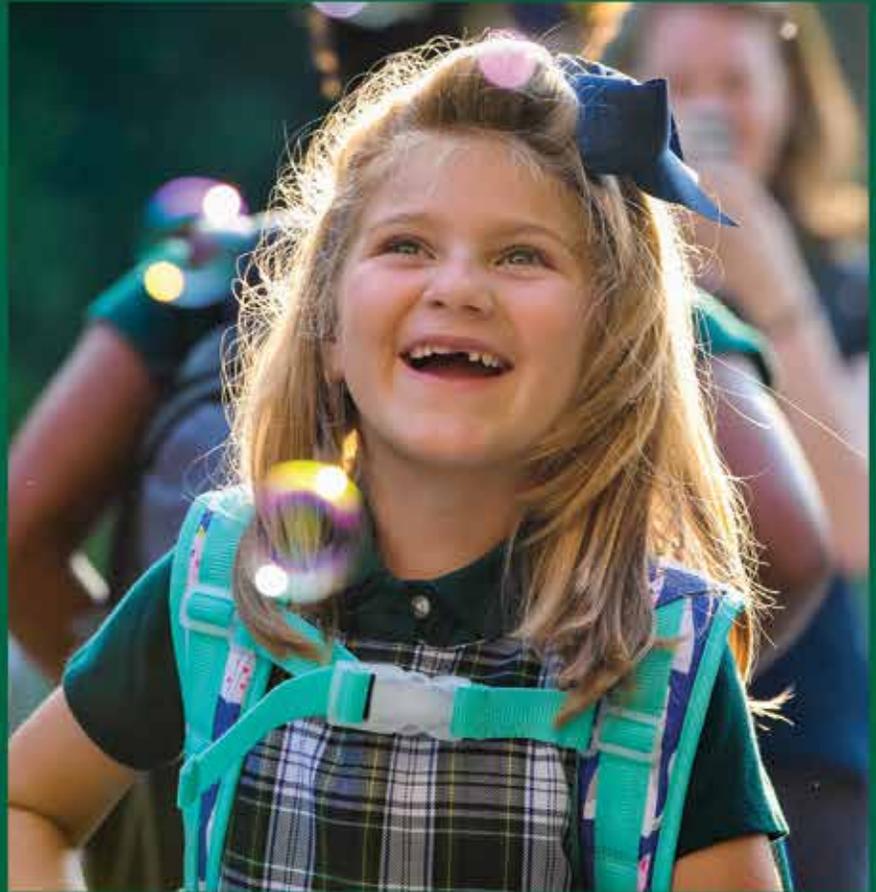
“He can really beat you with his legs and arms,” Schmidt says. “He is such a great athlete and really smart. When his grade-point average isn’t that much different from his 40 [yard dash] time, then you have a deadly combination.”

Umbarger played wide receiver as a sophomore after transferring from Gilman, where he played quarterback for the junior varsity.

He thinks his future is as a signal caller. “It was hard for teams to defend me because they were worried about how I can run,” Umbarger says. “With all the running I would do, the play action pass would be wide open.”

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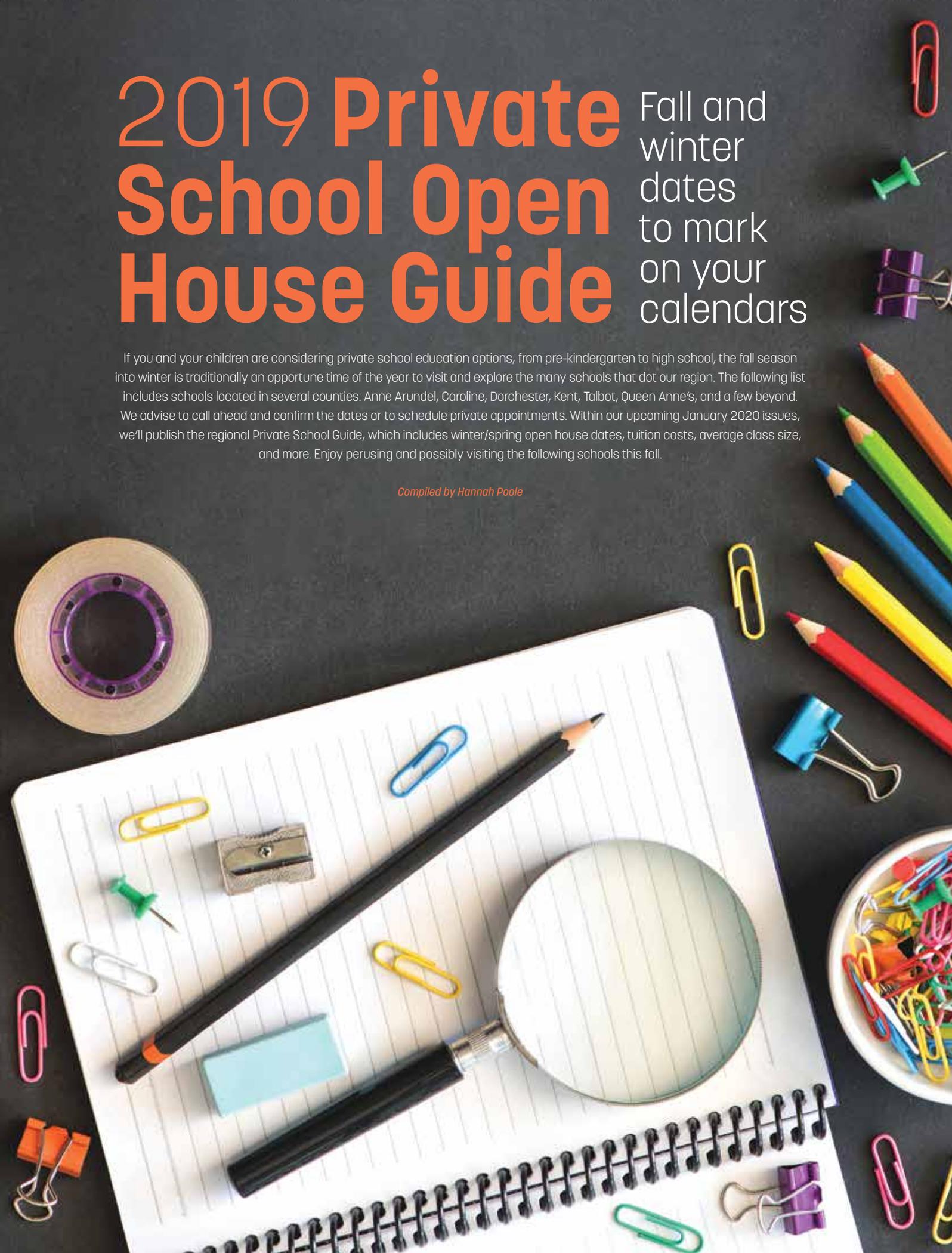
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2019 Private School Open House Guide

Fall and winter dates to mark on your calendars

If you and your children are considering private school education options, from pre-kindergarten to high school, the fall season into winter is traditionally an opportune time of the year to visit and explore the many schools that dot our region. The following list includes schools located in several counties: Anne Arundel, Caroline, Dorchester, Kent, Talbot, Queen Anne's, and a few beyond. We advise to call ahead and confirm the dates or to schedule private appointments. Within our upcoming January 2020 issues, we'll publish the regional Private School Guide, which includes winter/spring open house dates, tuition costs, average class size, and more. Enjoy perusing and possibly visiting the following schools this fall.

Compiled by Hannah Poole



GREATER ANNAPOLIS

Annapolis Area Christian School - Lower 410-519-5300; aacsonline.org; Annapolis Campus - 710 Ridgely Avenue, Annapolis; Open House Dates: November 12th, November 22nd, January 10th, and February 6th; Severn Campus - 61 Gambrills Road, Severn; Open House Dates: November 14th, November 22nd, January 8th, and February 13th

Annapolis Area Christian School - Middle 716 Bestgate Road, Annapolis; 410-846-3505; aacsonline.org; Open House Dates: October 17th, December 4th, and January 23rd

Annapolis Area Christian School - Upper 109 Burns Crossing Road, Severn; 410-846-3507; aacsonline.org; Open House Dates: October 22nd and December 13th

Book of Life Academy 913 Cedar Park Road, Annapolis; 410-263-2600; bookoflifeacademy.com; Open House Dates: Call for information

Calvary Center School 301 Rowe Boulevard, Annapolis; 410-268-3812; calumc.org/calvary-center-school; Open House Dates: Call for information

Chesapeake Montessori School 30 Old Mill Bottom Road North, Annapolis; 410-757-4740; chesapeake-montessori.com; Open House Dates: October 27th, February 2nd, and March 15th, 2-4 p.m.

Chesterton Academy of Annapolis 351 Dubois Road, Annapolis; 410-855-3216; chester-tonacademyofannapolis.org; Open House Dates: October 22nd, 6:30-8:30 p.m.; January 20th, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.; March 26th, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The Harbour School at Annapolis 1277 Green Holly Drive, Annapolis; 410-974-4248; harbourschool.org; Open House Dates: Call for tour appointment

Indian Creek School - Lower 680 Evergreen Road, Crownsville; 410-923-3660; indiancreekschool.org; Open House Dates: November 6th and March 4th, 9-11 a.m.

Indian Creek School - Upper 1130 Anne Chambers Way, Crownsville; 410-849-5151; indiancreekschool.org; Open House Dates: November 17th, 12-2 p.m.; January 28th, 9-11 a.m. (Snow day January 30th)

The Key School 534 Hillsmere Drive, Annapolis; 410-263-9231; keyschool.org; Open House Dates: October 26th, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. (First School and Lower School); November 2nd, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (Middle School and Upper School)

Montessori International Children's House 1641 North Winchester Road, Annapolis; 410-757-7789; montessorinternational.org; Open House Dates: November 3rd and January 26th, 12-2 p.m.

Naval Academy Primary School 74 Greenbury Point Road, Annapolis 410-757-3090; nap-school.org; Open House Dates: November 3rd and February 2nd, 1-3 p.m.; February 26th, 9 a.m.

St. Anne's School of Annapolis 3112 Arundel on the Bay Road, Annapolis; 410-263-8650; stannesschool.org; Open House Dates: November 15th, 8:30-10 a.m. (Kindergarten-grade 8); November 15th, 9:30-11 a.m. (Twos-PK); March 6th, 8:30-10:30 a.m.; May 1st, 8:30-10 a.m.

Saint Martin's Lutheran School of Annapolis 1120 Spa Road, Annapolis 410-269-1955; stmartinsonline.org; Open House Dates: November 15th, November 16th, January 24th, and March 26th, 9 a.m.

St. Margaret's Day School 1605 Pleasant Plains Road, Annapolis 410-757-2333; stmargaretsdayschool.org; Open House Dates: October 10th, 9:15-11:15 a.m.; January 16th and January 17th, 9:15-11:15 a.m.

St. Mary's Elementary School 111 Duke of Gloucester Street, Annapolis; 410-263-2869; stmarysannapolis.org; Open House Dates: November 8th, 9 a.m.

St. Mary's High School 113 Duke of Gloucester Street, Annapolis; 410-263-3294; stmarysanapolis.org; Open House Dates: November 3rd, 2-5 p.m.

SEVERNA PARK

Severn School - Chesapeake Campus (Lower) 1185 Baltimore Annapolis Boulevard, Arnold; 410-647-7700; severnschool.com; Open House Dates: October 17th and January 17th, 9 a.m.

Severn School - Teel Campus (Middle/Upper) 201 Water Street, Severna Park; 410-647-7700; severnschool.com; Open House Dates: November 6th, 7 p.m.

St. John the Evangelist School 669 Ritchie Highway, Severna Park; 410-647-2283; stjohnspschool.org; Open House Dates: November 5th, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 7-8 p.m.; January 29th, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 7-8 p.m. Information Nights: February 11th, 6:30 p.m. (Kindergarten); February 13th, 6:30 p.m. (Middle School); March 10th, 6:30 p.m. (PreK)

St. Martin's In-The-Field Episcopal School 375-A Benfield Road, Severna Park; 410-647-7055; stmartinsmd.org; Open House Dates: November 11th, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.; January 15th, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 5-7 p.m.; March 10th, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 5-7 p.m.

Temple Beth Shalom Preschool 1461 Baltimore-Annapolis Boulevard, Arnold; 410-757-0555; annapolistemple.org; Open House Dates: Call for information

EDGEWATER

Saint Andrew's Day School 4B Wallace Manor Road, Edgewater; 410-266-0952; standrewsum.org; Open House Dates: November 8th, January 17th, April 17th, May 1st, 9-11 a.m.

The Summit School 664 East Central Avenue, Edgewater; 410-798-0005; thesummitschool.org; Open House Dates: November 16th, February 22nd, and April 25th. Drop In Tour Dates: September 11th, October 23rd, November 13th, December 11th, January 22nd, February 5th, February 19th, March 4th, March 18th, April 22nd, May 6th, and May 20th

GAMBRILLS/ ODENTON

Odenton Christian School 8410 Piney Orchard Parkway, Odenton; 410-305-2380; ocs.odenton-baptist.org; Open House Dates: November 14th, 7 p.m.

School of the Incarnation 2601 Symphony Lane, Gambrills; 410-519-2285; schooloftheincarnation.org; Open House Dates: November 11th, 9-11 a.m.; January 25th, 10 a.m.

MILLERSVILLE

Elvaton Christian Academy 8422 Elvaton Road, Millersville; 410-647-3224; elvatonacademy.com; Open House Dates: Call for information

Rockbridge Academy 911 Generals Highway, Millersville (Main Campus); 1485 Waterbury Road, Crownsville (K-3 Campus); 410-923-1171; rockbridge.org; Open House Dates: October 14th, November 18th, January 17th (Preview Night), and March 23rd; October 8th, January 9th, and March 12th (Story Time Open House for children 6 and under)

SEVERN/ GLEN BURNIE

Archbishop Spalding High School 8080 New Cut Road, Severn; 410-969-9105; archbishopspalding.org; Open House Dates: October 27th, 12 p.m., 12:30 p.m., 1 p.m., 1:30 p.m.

Granite Baptist School 7823 Oakwood Road, Glen Burnie; 410-761-1118; granitebaptistschool.org; Open House Dates: Call for information

Monsignor Slade Catholic School 120 Dorsey Road, Glen Burnie; 410-766-7130; msladeschool.com; Open House Dates: November 11th, 8:30 a.m.

St. Paul's Lutheran School 308 Oak Manor Drive, Glen Burnie; 410-766-5790; stpaulsgb.org; Open House Dates: October 16th, 9-11 a.m.; November 7th, 1-3 p.m.; January 16th, 6-8 p.m.; January 30th, 9-11 a.m.; February 12th, 1-3 p.m.; March 10th, 9-11 a.m.; April 28th, 9-11 a.m.

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The Boys' Latin School of Maryland 822 West Lake Avenue, Baltimore; 410-377-5192; boyslatinmd.com; Open House Dates: October 20th; December 5th, April 2nd, May 14th, 8:30-10 a.m. (Campus Visits Talk & Tour)

Calvert Hall College High School 8102 La Salle Road, Baltimore; 410-825-4266; calverthall.com; Open House Dates: November 3rd, 12-3 p.m.



TIPS AND TRICKS FOR SCHEDULING COLLEGE VISITS

MAKE A LIST AND MAP THEM OUT. Before the application process begins, curate a list of all potential schools, research them, and narrow them down. Once you have reduced your list to the top contenders, it's time to start planning your campus visits. Ideally, you'll want to visit every school you are strongly considering, so map out each school and plan accordingly.

ORDER MATTERS. Try to visit your top school(s) last. As you visit more campuses, you'll start to get a better idea of your likes and dislikes. Throughout the process, you will gain a better sense of questions to ask and places on campus you want to see and you will know what to look for by then.

TIMING IS CRUCIAL. Summer may be the ideal time to plan a college visit, but that doesn't mean it's the best time. Plan your visit while school is in session. Observing student life will give you an authentic view of the school and

will (hopefully) help you envision yourself as a student there.

EXPLORE ON YOUR OWN. The official campus tour will highlight the school's best features, so make sure to stray from the pack and explore parts of campus that weren't shown on the tour. This will be the best time to observe students, check out any departments you're interested in, or sit in on a lecture.

TALK TO CURRENT STUDENTS. It's your tour guide's job to give the best impression possible of their school, making them a pretty biased source. While the information your guide gives you is crucial, you may want to secure a more candid impression by talking to current students. Ask students anything that wasn't covered on the tour: What is the nightlife like? Is it easy to meet and make friends? Is there a lot of diversity on campus? Is it difficult to adjust as a freshman?

DOCUMENT EVERY VISIT. If you plan to visit several schools, make sure to document each visit. Take pictures, jot down some notes or record a voice memo to highlight your favorite—or least favorite— aspects of each school. Going on several tours within a short period of time can be chaotic, so this will help you separate and compare each visit.

SPEND THE NIGHT. Take advantage of overnight or shadow programs. Spending the night in a dorm or spending the day in a class will give you the most realistic view of the school you're looking at, and it will make the decision process that much easier.

VISIT THE FRESHMAN DORMS. Living on campus is generally non-optional as a freshman, so you'll want to assess the housing options. If you go on a tour, you will most likely get a sneak peek inside a dorm; most universities have several dorm locations throughout campus. In case you are allowed to choose, or have

a preference, make sure to check out each dorm you could potentially be living in next year.

LOCATION MATTERS. The location of your school will be your home for the next four years, so make sure to check out the happenings off campus. It may not seem like an important factor as an incoming freshman, but you'll be glad you considered it once the novelty of campus life—and food—wears off.

KEEP AN OPEN MIND. Your priorities during your initial school search may completely shift once you start touring, so remain openminded. Walk onto every campus with a positive attitude and save your judgments until the end of the tour.





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Elizabeth Seton High School 5715 Emerson Street, Bladensburg; 301-864-4532; setonhs.org; Open House Dates: November 3rd, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.; October 3rd, 7 p.m. (Prospective Parent Night)

Grace Christian School
7210 Race Track Road, Bowie; 301-262-0158; gcsbowie.org; Open House Dates: November 4th, 9 a.m.; January 13th, February 24th, March 16th, and April 20th, 9-11 a.m.

Notre Dame Preparatory School 815 Hampton Lane, Towson; 410-825-6202; notredameprep.com; Open House Dates: October 12th, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; November 7th, 3:45 p.m. (Mini Middle Level Tour for grades 6-8)

St. Augustine School
5990 Old Washington Road, Elkridge; 410-796-3040; staug-md.org; Open House Dates: November 11th, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.; February 2nd, 1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

St. Philip Neri School
6401 S. Orchard Road, Linthicum Heights 410-859-1212; st.philip-neri.org; Open House Dates: October 14th, 9-11 a.m.; January 26th, 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.; April 1st, 9-11 a.m.

St. Vincent Pallotti High School 113 St. Mary's Place, Laurel; 301-725-3228; PallottiHS.org; Open House Dates: November 3rd, 2-5 p.m.

EASTERN SHORE CAROLINE COUNTY

The Benedictine School
14299 Benedictine Lane, Ridgely; 410-634-2112; benschool.org; Open House Dates: Call for appointment

DORCHESTER COUNTY

Countryside Christian School 5333 Austin Road, Cambridge; 410-228-0574; Open House Dates: Call for information

KENT COUNTY

Chestertown Christian Academy 401 Morgne Road, Chestertown; 410-778-5855; chestertownchristian.org; Open House Dates: Walk In Wednesdays on the third Wednesday of each month, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Kent School 6788 Wilkins Lane, Chestertown; 410-778-4100; kentschool.org; Open House Dates: Drop in or call for appointment

Radcliffe Creek School
201 Talbot Boulevard, Chestertown; 410-778-8150; radcliffe-creekschool.org; Open House Dates: Call for appointment

QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY

The Gunston School
911 Gunston Road, Centreville; 410-758-0620; gunston.org; Open House Dates: October 20th, November 17th, January 26th, and April 26th, 3 p.m.

Lighthouse Christian Academy 931 Love Point Road, Stevensville; 410-643-3034; lcaacademy.org; Open House Dates: Walk-In Wednesdays between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. (Appointments are encouraged, but not required)

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TALBOT COUNTY

Chesapeake Christian School 1009 N. Washington Street, Easton; 410-822-7600; chesapeake-christian.org/home; Open House Dates: Call for information

The Country School 716 Goldsborough Street, Easton; 410-822-1935; countryschool.org; Open House Dates: October 22nd, 4-5 p.m. (Pre-K Discovery Day); October 23rd, 4-5 p.m. (Kindergarten Discovery Day); March 25th, 4-5 p.m. (Upper School Drop-In Day); April 21st, 4-5 p.m. (Pre-K Discovery Day); April 22nd, 4-5 p.m. (Kindergarten Discovery Day)

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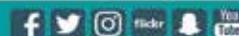
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REDISTRICTING ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS IS A LABORIOUS, CONTROVERSIAL, AND EMOTIONAL PROCESS ROOTED IN POLITICS, RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, AND POPULATION GROWTH **BY DIANA LOVE**

April 17th, 2019: After seven months of hours-long meetings, intensive training sessions, much deliberation, and heated debate, members of the Crofton redistricting advisory committee stepped out of the Anne Arundel County Public School (AACPS) offices off Riva Road in Annapolis, some smiling and some not.

The Crofton redistricting advisory committee's founding mission was to formulate a plan for new geographical boundaries for the Crofton and Arundel public school feeder system, and to figure out how to most efficiently assign students to particular campuses. At the April 2019 meeting, the Board of Education voted for an option promoted by the committee that called for using Route 3 as the primary boundary line, delineating Crofton High School and Arundel High School catchment zones. Members of that committee who left that final meeting smiling were those whose families lived in Crofton. Under the adopted plan, their Crofton students will attend Crofton-area elementary schools, Crofton Middle School, and ultimately Crofton Area High School, which is scheduled to open in 2020.

Members of the committee who left the meeting less than satisfied were those whose children currently attend Waugh Chapel, Odenton, and Piney Orchard area elementary schools and Arundel Middle School. These families, who live on the west side of Route 3, hoped they too would be included in the Crofton Area High School catchment zone. Instead, their children will attend Arundel High School. Their elementary- and middle-aged students may have to move from the Crofton feeder system into the Arundel system as redistricting occurs.

ARUNDEL HIGH SCHOOL WAS BUILT IN → **1926** AND IS ONE OF THE OLDEST PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTRY, AND THE OLDEST MAINSTREAM PUBLIC SCHOOL IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND. THE CURRENT SCHOOL BUILDING WAS BUILT IN 1949 AND FIRST OCCUPIED IN 1950, WITH ADDITIONS OR RENOVATIONS IN 1966, 1986, 1987, 2006, AND 2008.

Data provided on the AACPS website shows that Crofton and Arundel area schools are largely at or near capacity. The nine elementary schools are at least 93 percent full, up to 105 percent at Waugh Chapel and 116 percent at Crofton Woods.



The new Crofton High School is currently being built on property located near Underwood Road and is schedule to open for the 2020-21 school year. Photos on following pages show various stages of construction.



The two middle schools, Crofton and Arundel, are near capacity (93 percent and 96 percent respectively). Arundel High School is currently at 104 percent capacity. Even so, the contention between parents who agreed with the Board of Education's decision and those who did not isn't about school crowding. It's about maps.

THE DEBATE: CROFTON SCHOOLS FOR CROFTON KIDS VS. COMMUNITY & PROPERTY VALUES

Parents happy with the Board of Education's decision have long called for "Crofton schools for Crofton kids." They want their children's community networks, comprised of neighborhood and school pals, teammates, and local service groups such as Scouts, to stay together from elementary through high school. In their view, they've been fighting for a new school for 15 years. They've watched as traffic congestion grew and their quiet suburban township became surrounded by commercial and residential development. They've known for years that schools would become overcrowded and they believe that they laid the path for a new school over decades and should have access to it.

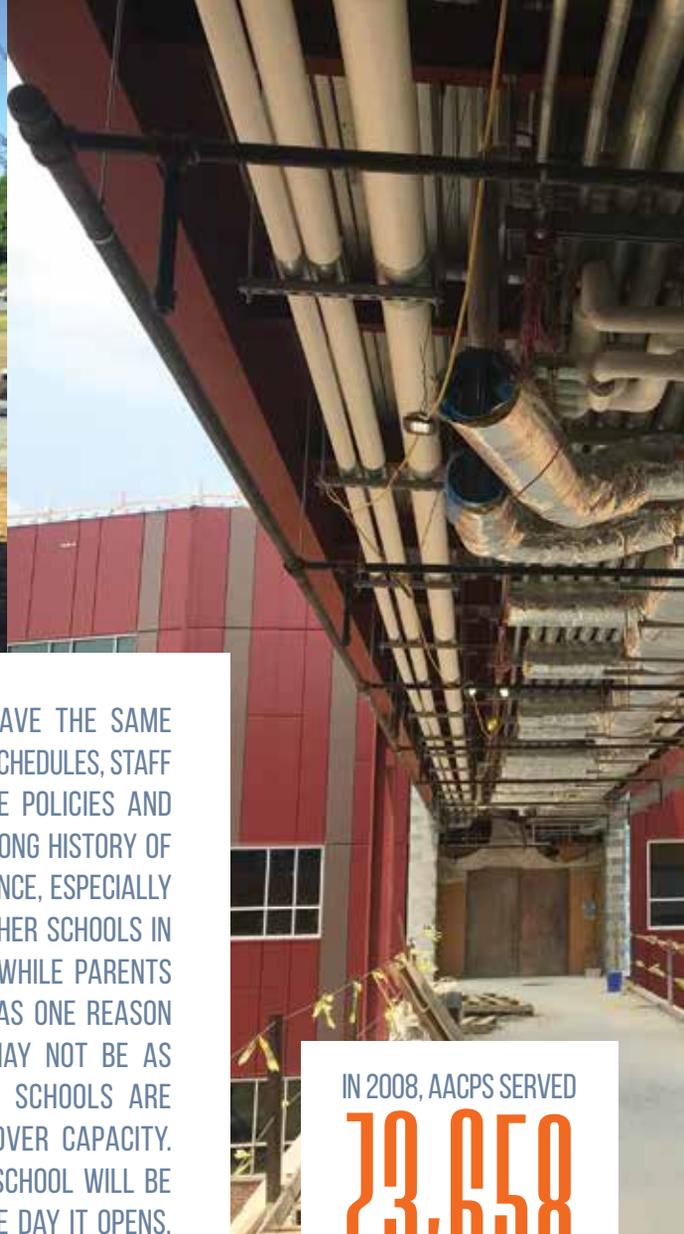
John Boniface, a local parent, was instrumental in the effort to make redistricting about keeping Crofton kids together. A stay-at-home dad with a strong opinion on public education and a high interest in learning how to get what he felt neighborhood students deserved, Boniface and other Crofton parents petitioned politicians, educated themselves on every nuance of the state and county education systems, and attended civic and school board meetings to advocate for their children. Crofton parents were well-known for showing up en masse in matching T-shirts to demand improvements to classrooms, expansion of school facilities, and new construction.

Boniface, along with others, rallied around the fact that elementary, middle, and high schools in the Crofton feeder system, including Arundel High School where his children attended, were at or near capacity. "Since it was created in 1982, the Crofton feeder system reached out as far as Waugh Chapel," Boniface explains. "But back then, there was a gravel pit and nothing else. Development has continued since Crofton Elementary and Crofton Middle were built in the 1980s. Now you have over 1,000 homes being built at Two Rivers, plus new homes going into Waugh Chapel and Odenton Town Center."

"LOOK, WE HAVE 1600 HIGH SCHOOL KIDS IN CROFTON THAT NEED A SCHOOL. I DID NOT STOP. EVERY POLITICIAN IN ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY KNEW WHO I WAS. I WAS PUSHING FOR HELP WITH FUNDING AND EVERY SINGLE BOX THAT WAS REQUIRED WAS CHECKED."

**—JOHN BONIFACE,
A CROFTON AREA
PARENT AND ADVOCATE**

Crofton township parents fought strongly to have a school districting map that used Route 3 as the geographic boundary that clearly defines Crofton Area High School and its feeder system as a service for students on the east side of Route 3. "Odenton has a school, it's called Arundel High School, and it's a great school. Crofton High is a Crofton school for Crofton kids," Boniface says. This plan "brings [students] stability and consistency to that has been missing for 21 years," Samantha Weaver, a parent on the committee who fought for Nantucket Elementary School to be included in the Crofton feeder system, told the *Capital Gazette* following the Board's final decision. "We're excited for there to be stable boundaries for the area. It's encouraging that we finally get to come together as a community."



On the other side of the debate are parents who live on the west side of Route 3, namely Two Rivers, Waugh Chapel, and Gambrills. While they share Crofton parents' concern with school capacity, they disagree on the slogan and they strongly disagree about the map. They are disappointed and even angry that their children aren't considered a piece of the fabric that weaves together the entirety of the Crofton community, even though they too attend Crofton area elementary schools, play on Crofton sports teams, and have joined Crofton area community groups. "At the meetings, there were all kinds of parents screaming, 'Keep our kids together,'" said one parent. "But what they are really saying is, 'Forget you, your kid doesn't matter. What matters most is the kid on my block, who rides my bus.' I got this very strong impression that we were being pushed out and no one cared about my kids."

Parents whose children will be redistricted from Crofton Elementary and Crofton Middle to the Arundel feeder system because they live on the west side of Route 3 complain about more than just feeling left out. One concern, expressed more discreetly but with no less passion, is the perception that Crofton area schools offer a better education than Arundel's, a factor that could play into home values. "Redistricting can be a fearful exercise, because people sometimes buy homes in an area based on their trust and confidence in their local school," says Jeff Macris, chair of the Annapolis Education Commission and a parent of five children who attend Anne Arundel County Public Schools. In this debate, families who purchased new homes in the Route 3 corridor considered local schools as a significant factor in their purchasing decisions; some parents pulled their students from area private schools because they believed in Crofton area schools' excellent reputation.

ARUNDEL SCHOOLS HAVE THE SAME CURRICULUM, SIMILAR SCHEDULES, STAFF TRAINED IN THE SAME POLICIES AND PROCEDURES, AND A LONG HISTORY OF EXCELLENT PERFORMANCE, ESPECIALLY IN COMPARISON TO OTHER SCHOOLS IN THE AACPS SYSTEM. WHILE PARENTS CITE OVERCROWDING AS ONE REASON ARUNDEL SCHOOLS MAY NOT BE AS APPEALING, CROFTON SCHOOLS ARE ALSO NEAR, AT, OR OVER CAPACITY. CROFTON AREA HIGH SCHOOL WILL BE AT FULL CAPACITY THE DAY IT OPENS.

One parent expressed frustration with AACPS and Anne Arundel County government. "I would love to have someone answer the question of how the county let so much development happen without appropriate schools being built. Why didn't the county realize the negative impact that development has on our schools?"

It's a natural question for parents who are not intimately involved in redistricting and the many other important issues at play in the county education system. AACPS has an entire team of statisticians whose job is to use data from school enrollment records, the census, county building permits, and other sources to predict school capacities over the long term. Their data shows that the county school system has grown significantly in just 10 years, with even more growth projected. The majority of that growth is attributed to overdevelopment: the creation of new neighborhoods and subdivisions, the upzoning of previously commercial or rural land, and the permitting that allowed for high density building plans.

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“BILL 1518 SAYS THAT AACPS IS NOT IN THE GROWTH OR DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS, WE HAVE NO CONTROL OVER IT, AND DON’T WRITE THE LAWS TO GOVERN IT. [THE COUNTY] ADOPTS A DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND WE REACT.”

—BOB MOSIER, AACPS

Anne Arundel County is guided in principal by a Master Comprehensive Plan that guides zoning decisions in particular areas. By upzoning an area, the county opens it to new or re-development. The school system is mandated to serve any students who might reside in those upzoned areas.

Upzoning is a term used for the process whereby the county changes zoning rules to allow for higher value or higher density use. The perfect example of upzoning is the case that led to redistricting: building in West County. Many place responsibility for the massive growth in the Crofton and Waugh Chapel areas at the feet of former County Executive Steve Schuh, who, in 2015, was privy to plans for development of the west side of Route 3. Under his administration, Koch Development Group

and their partner, Classic Group, were able to change the zoning for their Two Rivers/Forks project from an age-restricted community of about 2,000 residences to one that allowed for more than 1,500 homes without age restrictions.

This single change meant a projected influx of about 1,260 students into the Arundel High School feeder system, the

sole high school in use for Crofton, Gambrells, and Waugh Chapel at the time of the decision. Although Crofton Area High School will ease some of the crowding pain caused by development, it will be at full capacity the day it opens.

These decisions, along with the county’s support for the Odenton Town Center project and continued development throughout West County, contributed to voters removing Schuh from office and ushering in newcomer Steuart Pittman.

“People now realize that we have had reckless development without the necessary infrastructure; we’re forced to consider how to pay now for the true cost of past development,” Pittman says.

Pittman has to dissect and analyze county building code while also forming a comprehensive, county-wide, and area-specific plan for the future that includes sustainable, responsible growth with a vision for public services and infrastructure.

His administration is working with Smart Growth America to understand the fiscal impact of past development as well as the potential impact of future development, and to determine how much to collect in impact fees from developers that will be used to cover the true costs of development: roads, law enforcement, emergency services, and schools.

I GET THE POLITICS, BUT...HOW DID IT HAPPEN?

In 2005, federal base realignment (BRAC) resulted in new and more military service members and government contractors moving to Fort Meade. Simultaneously, the National Security Agency, reacting to the Post-9/11 world, expanded cyber

SCHOOLS BUSTING AT THE SEAMS: HOW DID WE GET HERE?

Bob Mosier, the chief communications officer for AACPS, would like to make one thing clear: neither the superintendent, the Board of Education, or AACPS administrators are in any way responsible for county decisions about zoning and development, the chief factors in school growth. “The county

has a process in place to make development and zoning decisions, and they are singularly in the driver’s seat. They adopt a plan and we react,” he says.

But if the school system doesn’t have a say in development and how that development might impact school capacity, then who does? That job lies squarely on the shoulders of the county executive and the county council.

security programs and workforce expansion. Later, Crofton was named one of the “100 Best Places to Live in America” by *Money* magazine. Odenton was named “the Most Patriotic City” in the state of Maryland—defined as the number of people who classify themselves as military service members or connected to military service. “This designation connects to the theme of job hiring and growth that occurs with NSA and Fort Meade,” says Anne Arundel County Council Member Andrew Pruski (Democrat, District 4). “Those are good paying jobs added to our area. But it also put pressure on schools and infrastructure.”

In the mid-2000s, market forces came together in a way that made it profitable for big developers to purchase land and to promote political policies

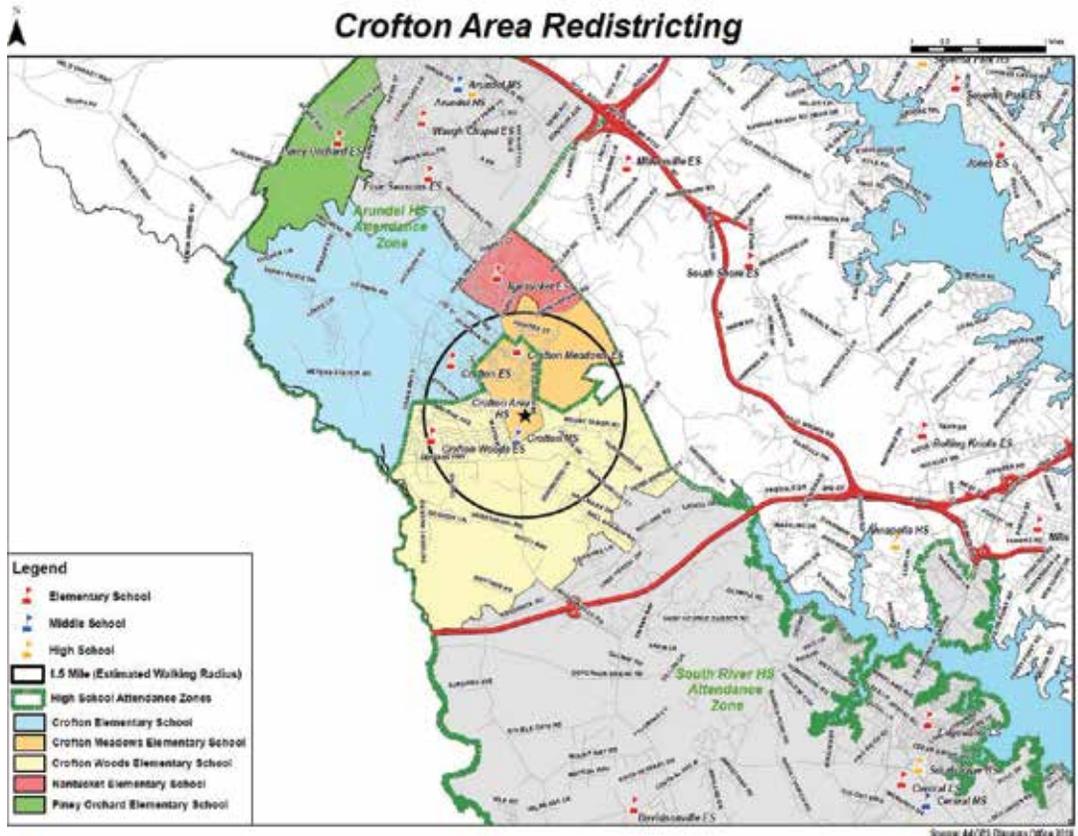
that allowed upzoning of formerly rural or undeveloped space. Their projects were designed to appeal to a growing middle class able to afford new homes, and who wanted those homes within easy commuting distance of West County workplace destinations, Baltimore, and Washington, D.C. AACPS acknowledges this growth strains the system. Their 2019



Capital Improvement Plans notes: “...the increasing number of proposed residential developments that have been approved in the Arundel, Glen Burnie, Meade, North County, Old Mill, and Northeast feeder zones will translate into significant enrollment gains in the coming years. Very large residential development projects are underway in these areas, and combined with the demographic shifts described above, there will be significant enrollment increases in the future.”

At the same time that construction of residential units took off in places like the Route 3 corridor, Waugh Chapel, Odenton, Millersville, and Gambrills, commercial landowners, retailers, and restaurants took advantage of upzoning opportunities in a bid to serve these burgeoning pockets of suburban residential development. As access to groceries, shops, and dining grew in an area previously considered semi-rural, property values soared. Everywhere across West County, business was, and is, booming.

Taxpayers had then and, in fact, have now, little recourse to combat decades of growth, beyond their electoral vote. This fact is largely due to two factors. One, the county’s General Development Plan (GDP), a land use plan that says where things can be developed and how,



“THERE IS A MISCONCEPTION THAT THIS YEAR HAS BEEN DIFFERENT. BUT IT’S THE SAME PROCESS, SAME AMOUNT OF HARD WORK, SAME AMOUNT OF INTROSPECTION. WE’VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR TWO DECADES SO THIS YEAR IS NOT ATYPICAL FOR US. THE PROCESS IS THE SAME WHETHER YOU ARE OPENING A NEW SCHOOL OR NOT.”

is configured by the county council every ten years. The GDP reflects the priorities of voters, who put the chief crafters and decision makers in office. The good news in regards to the General Development Plan is that it is up for renewal and both the County Council and Pittman are working on it now with plans for a 2020 release.

The second factor is, Anne Arundel County requires developers to submit construction applications that are valid for up to six years. Final permit approvals and the timing of construction are determined in part by school enrollment projections. The bad news as it pertains to development and subsequent overcrowding in schools is that when those six years are up, developers can build.

It’s this law that Pittman says needs to be changed. “Lawyers have always told us that we can’t have a permanent moratorium or go longer than [the six years], but I don’t believe that and our law office is looking into it,” he says. Pittman also believes that developers should have to pay higher and more appropriate impact fees.

According to Pittman, when members of the county council worked on the 2009 General Development Plan, they voted on allowing developers to pay lower impact fees than what the outside consultant hired by the county suggest-

ed. Pittman says the impact fees in no way cover the true cost of construction, namely the infrastructure required to support the thousands of people moving to the area.

While Steve Schuh believed that more and smaller schools should be built around distinct communities, a plan that suited Crofton parents, Pittman believes that “the county needs to create a General Development Plan that ends the policy of approving subdivision applications where we don’t have adequate facilities.” Beyond closing loopholes like the six year wait list, his administration is looking to other tools like forest conservation and environmental regulation.

REDISTRICTING ISN’T NEW, OR EVEN UNUSUAL

In a system where county zoning policies, gentrification, and rampant development has directly impacted schools, redistricting has become an annual exercise for AACPS administrators. “There is a misconception that this year has been different,” Mosier says, in response to families who contest the redistricting decisions that removed them from the Crofton feeder system. “But it’s the same process, same amount of hard work, same amount of introspection. We’ve been doing this for two decades so this year is not atypical for us. The process is the same whether you are opening a new school or not.” In fact, Crofton schools were

redistricted in 2014, and while the recent redistricting impacted several feeder schools, it didn’t touch nearly as many students as the 2017 countywide plan that moved thousands of students in the Annapolis and Edgewater catchment zones.

Redistricting is a formal and formulated process determined by regulation and law. The Board of Education looks to their own Educational Facilities Master Plan, the county’s Comprehensive Plan, their budget, and real time data on school capacity to decide when a school will expand, undergo reconstruction, or when a new school will be built. AACPS states that “a fundamental goal of the Board is to



plan is sent by the superintendent to the Board of Education, who votes on which version to accept and adopt. In Anne Arundel County, the Board can go with the superintendent's recommendations, propose another plan of their own, or one put forth by residents not on the committee.

In the case of redistricting in the Crofton area, a committee of 18 local parents spent two months learning about the issues that most impact students and families: residential location, current school capacity, school funding, and future growth trends. The group had three priorities: keep enrollment numbers under control, keep neighborhoods together, and keep students from splitting up. After much deliberation, they formulated four plans, one of which was adopted by Superintendent George Arlotto and forwarded to the Board of Education. "It was clear to Dr. Arlotto that the committee did an incredible amount of work and that their recommendation was well-crafted, well-reasoned, and well-justified," Mosier says.

balance the utilization of facilities and provide capacity for programs and services as they develop." This is a line they stand by in terms of annual redistricting review. Pursuant to the Education Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, the Board of Education, upon the advice of the superintendent, determines the attendance area for each school.

When AACPS and the Board of Education determine a need to redistrict, principals of impacted schools choose parents as representatives to a committee that will make recommendations to the superintendent on the geographical lines

that determine a feeder system. The committee also puts forth a formula for how students will move through a system as the redistricting plan is put into place.

AACPS provides intensive training to the volunteer committee members on county law and policy. They also provide current data and future projections to help the committee members form a full picture of what school attendance and enrollment will look like over time.

The committee makes a formal recommendation to the superintendent, who can use the ideas put forth, or come up with others. A final



The final decision made by the AACPS Board of Education marks the district's first attempt in 30 years (since construction of Broadneck High School in 1982) to create new high school boundaries. The new plan includes students temporarily moving from Crofton Elementary School to Piney Orchard Elementary School until West County Elementary School opens in the Arundel feeder system. Those children will then attend Arundel schools, a blow to those residents of Two Rivers and the nearby area who say they purchased homes based on the Crofton feeder system's reputation for excellence in education.

Construction of the new Crofton Area High School is on pace for its September 2020 opening. The school will open at full student capacity. Photos courtesy Anne Arundel County Public Schools.

The plan sends Arundel High School students who live east of Route 3 in the Nantucket,



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Crofton Meadows, and Crofton Elementary School attendance zones to the new Crofton Area High School, a boon to parents who anticipate that attending a new school will benefit their children and their home values.

The plan also allows for the few students from Crofton Meadows and Crofton Woods elementary school zones who currently bus to South River High School to move to Crofton High, a benefit to parents who don't like their children's commute. Redistricted Arundel and South River high school students will be phased into Crofton Area High School over three years, by grade level.

The option approved by the Board of Education does not include any grandfathering provisions. Along with temporary moves, and concerns about property values, the grandfathering provisions seem to be what has many parents either deeply satisfied, or not. "The redistricting decision means that my three children will have to transfer to Piney Orchard Elementary School. Not only will they have to adjust to a new school, but Piney Orchard is farther away from their current school [Crofton Elementary]," says one parent. This same mom worries about her middle school-aged son who will have to transfer to Lindale Middle. "[It's] a 45-minute bus ride. My son will be forced to quit his after-school activities because he won't be home in time."

Mosier and the administrators at AACPS recognize the emotional nature of redistricting. "Change is hard and when change involves children, it's ultra-hard," Mosier says.

Which brings us back to the ugly side of redistricting: the fight to get what communities think they deserve and those parents who don't get what they want. The reality is that construction of Crofton Area High School is budgeted for \$134 million and is expected to accommodate about 1,700 students. It fit perfectly into Steve Schuh's plan for smaller schools in clearly defined communities. But redistricting didn't address the issues of overcrowding at Arundel Middle, Arundel High, or Old Mill High. The AACPS 2019 Capital Improvement Plan indicates three new high schools will be built in the county, with a new high school to replace Old Mill and, perhaps, another in West County. Mosier indicated in an email that the Board of Education will review an educational specification for Arundel Middle School at its next meeting. "That document is the first in the process that will look at options to expand/renovate [that] school."

TAKEAWAYS

What can you do if redistricting looms over your community, or if your feeder schools are overcrowded or under-performing? Andrew Pruski, the County Council Member who represents portions of West County, says to get involved. Ultimately, it is parent involvement from every demographic of our county that will matter most in guiding the decisions our elected leaders make in regards to development and its impact on the classroom. Educate yourself on local elected officials at every level, from your city or township to the county and state.

Talk with them to fully understand their position in regards to developmental regulations, policies, and their stance on school budgets. Demand that the county executive and their advisors work in transparent ways to legislate reasonable and sustainable upzoning and permitting with the future in mind. Studiously consider how the county functions and how their proposals for zoning might impact infrastructure in your area, then vote for the person who you believe will advocate for your community's best interests. The Anne Arundel County government website allows citizens to take a deep dive into all of these issues.

If you have students in county schools, join the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO or PTA) and make clear your willingness to volunteer on possible redistricting committees. Attend Board of Education meetings to better understand the issues that impact our schools directly. The recent decision to move to a fully-elected school board has important ramifications for parents, students, and every taxpayer. Learn about who your local Board of Education representative is and what they stand for. If your town has an education commission, join it, and take an active role in learning about everything from testing to special education. "Counties change. Students populations and schools change, it's just a fact. But what parents can do is be involved," reiterates Jeff Macris, the Annapolis Education Commission chair. Commissioner Pruski concurs: "Educate yourself, get involved, and advocate for your community." The AACPS website indicates multiple ways parents can be informed and active.



WHEN FOOD KILLS

Anaphylactic food reactions in Maryland increased 114 percent between 2007 and 2016. What's going on, and how can deadly outcomes be avoided?

By Kelsey Casselbury

The first time Genevieve Carden tried peanut butter was very nearly her last. She was just 15 months old when her mother, on the recommendation of her pediatrician, gave her a taste —never expecting that the tiny bite of a childhood favorite would forever change how their family would go about their everyday lives. Genevieve went into such severe anaphylactic shock that she arrived at the emergency room limp, unresponsive, and so swollen that she was unrecognizable.

“We had no warning,” Genevieve’s mother, Summer Carden, recalls. “We had no experience with food allergies.” Thankfully, Genevieve, now seven, responded to an epinephrine injection administered by the hospital physicians. For the Carden family, though, nothing was ever the same.

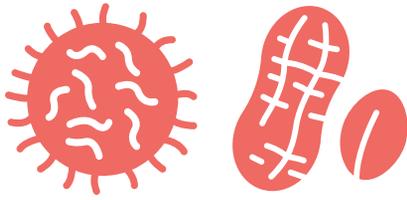
Their story, sadly, isn’t uncommon. Approximately 32 million people in America suffer from food allergies, according to Food Allergy Research & Education (FARE), including 5.6 million children under age 18. Forty percent of those children are allergic to more than one food. At the same time, a number of other conditions that likely have a biological connection—eczema (atopic dermatitis), asthma, and hay fever (allergic rhinitis)—have increased in prevalence, too.

What’s truly mystifying, however, is how food allergies appear to have skyrocketed over the past decade. The latest numbers, based on health insurance claims, estimate that anaphylactic food reactions increased 377 percent between 2007 and 2016. In Maryland, anaphylactic food reactions increased by 114 percent during that same time period.

While some 170 foods have been reported to cause an allergic reaction, there’s eight main players responsible for most reactions: milk, eggs, peanuts, tree nuts, wheat, soy, fish, and shellfish. Additionally, sesame is an emerging concern. Lawmakers in Maryland have taken action to prevent the worst outcomes when it comes to food allergies; for example, it’s one of just 12 states that requires schools to stock epinephrine, which can help prevent fatalities in schools. “The reason these fatalities hit so hard is that they’re always preventable,” surmises Gina Clowes, national director of training and outreach for FARE. “We can go back and see the mistakes that have happened.”

THE RISE OF FOOD ALLERGIES

The numbers don’t lie—there’s clearly a reason to be alarmed about food allergies. Of course, the most prevalent question is, “Why?” The answer to that is an ongoing topic of discussion. It’s a significant area of study for researchers, who have looked at possible links between food allergies and factors such as breastfeeding, Cesarean sections, diet during pregnancy, and vitamin D consumption without finding any definitive or specific connections.



As of now—and this is likely to change as research expands—there are two main theories as to why food allergies have become such an issue:

who's helmed AACPS' Food & Nutrition Services for 25 years, notes that all the meals served in the cafeteria are peanut- and tree nut-free. As part of the operation's bid process, vendors must send a nutrient label, ingredient list, and a statement verifying that the product is free from peanuts and tree nuts.

The Hygiene Hypothesis

Humans, particularly Americans, live in a world that has been rid of germs. Because of the raging battle against germs through hand sanitizer, antibacterial wipes, and other cleaning products, the immune system hasn't been trained to tell the difference between harmless and harmful irritants. "We are a clean society," says Lisa Gable, FARE CEO. "It's in a clean society that you see [food allergies] multiply." Could humans' immune systems simply be getting "bored"? Well, consider this: Research finds that people who live on farms develop fewer allergies. Exposure to farm animals also exposes a person to more germs known as endotoxins, which stimulate the immune response and decrease allergic inflammation. Additionally, the prevalence of food allergies has increased mostly in urban and first-world environments compared with rural and third-world countries.

The Food Introduction Hypothesis

Over the past three decades, pediatricians told parents to postpone introducing high-risk food allergens to children until a year of age or even later. The idea behind these guidelines was well-intentioned but had no effect on rates of diagnoses. As anyone who's had a baby in the past couple of years knows, researchers and pediatricians are beginning to throw those food introduction timelines out the window. In 2015, a landmark study, Learning Early About Peanut Allergy (LEAP), concluded that introducing peanuts to infants between four and eleven months of age—far sooner than age three, as previously recommended—dramatically decreased the likelihood of developing a peanut allergy compared with waiting until age five.

The precautions, of course, don't stop there. Other ways the department helps families with food allergies include:

Notifying cafeteria cashiers of any allergies when a student purchases food. A picture of the student and their specific allergy pops up at the point of sale, which allows staff to ensure none of the items being purchased will trigger a reaction.

Providing peanut-free or allergen-free cafeteria tables

Having Food & Nutrition Services staff regularly participate in professional training that includes education on food allergies.

Holding monthly meetings for the district's Wellness Council, which includes school nurses and the foodservice department.

Listing all ingredients for every product served or recipe made in the school on the district's website.

Although children are often the focus when food allergies are being discussed, more and more adults are developing food allergies after spending their adolescent years free from food allergies. "We have dietary trends that, I think, are exposing people on a more frequent basis to more types of allergens," Gable mulls. "We're seeing a rise in sesame allergies and asking to add it as the ninth major allergen."

It's no coincidence that sesame happens to be on the forefront of popular culinary trends, such as tahini—a paste made from sesame seeds that's a major component of hummus. Additionally, more people are reaching for plant-based proteins, which contain allergens such as soy, wheat, and egg. "Everyone who is hyper-aware is recognizing the influence of food trends," Gable says.

LIFE AND DEATH IN SCHOOLS

It's difficult for parents to control what foods might get handed to their kids at school, and that can be particularly stressful if your child suffers from a food allergy. In private preschools and daycares, bans on ultra-risky foods like peanuts help give parents a sense of relief, but neither Anne Arundel County Public Schools (AACPS) nor Queen Anne's County Public Schools (QACPS), which are managed by the foodservice company Sodexo, restrict any specific foods from entering the buildings.

That doesn't mean that food allergies aren't a top-of-mind concern for staff, particularly the head of the foodservice departments, who works with parents, teachers, nurses, and administrators to ensure safety for all students. Jodi Risse,

In addition to implementing procedures such as annual staff training and point-of-sale student identification, QACPS has made nutrition information more accessible with the Sodexo So Happy smartphone app, available for Apple and Android.

"When employees put their production sheets in, the info rolls right into the app," says Julie Hickey, RD, a dietitian for both QACPS and Talbot County Public Schools (TCPS). "The parent can pull up what's for breakfast and lunch at school, and it lists out the items and identifies the allergens." As of earlier this year, the app is also compatible

with the Amazon Echo, so parents and students can ask Alexa what's on the menu and learn about the allergens.

Of course, the impetus is not entirely on cafeteria staff or the teachers. An important part of keeping students safe is the partnership between parents and staff in implementing the 504 Plan, which outlines accommodations for students with disabilities. Under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, food allergies are considered a disability because it affects "major life activities"—e.g. eating and breathing—which means that both public and private schools must make reasonable accommodations to provide services, such as school lunch, for children with food allergies (though private religious schools are sometimes exempt).

Mom Diane Eager worked with AACPS to implement 504 Plans for both of her sons, 15-year-old Ryan, who's allergic to egg, tree nuts, and peanuts, and 12-year-old Alex, who's allergic to milk, egg, soy, peanuts, tree nuts, and shellfish. She's often concerned about her kids being given food-based rewards in the classroom. "At our 504 meetings, I give articles to the teachers that provide suggestions of what to give out instead of food," she says, also recalling that she was asked years back to speak to the PTA about food allergies.

Carden, however, decided against putting a 504 Plan in place for Genevieve, and she allows her daughter to sit at the "regular" lunch tables versus the nut-free tables. "She started school at six years, and I felt it was time she started to learn to eat safely around others, even when they were eating her allergen," Carden says. "The nut-free table, while an option, is not realistic for teaching her to protect herself."

As previously mentioned, Maryland is one of just 12 states that requires schools to stock epinephrine; the Uni-



To Ban or Not to Ban?

If peanuts and other allergens are so deadly, particularly to unsuspecting children, should they be banned from schools? The general consensus among researchers is no. Peanut-free schools aren't any safer for kids with allergies than those that allow the nut.

"I don't think peanut bans are necessary," muses Julie Hickey, RD, who has been a dietitian for 25 years and currently works with Queen Anne's and Talbot County Public Schools. "As long as precautions are in place, the parents and students need to take responsibility. If we ban it in school, it doesn't stop them from encountering it in other places."

A study published in the *Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology*, which reviewed rates of epinephrine administration in K-12 schools, found that schools that were said to be peanut-free had the same rate of epinephrine administration as those without peanut policies. However, having peanut-free tables in the school cafeteria did make a difference.

Jodi Risse of Anne Arundel County Public Schools shares the same opinion as Hickey. "As our children grow and experience independence, they have to deal with it," she says.

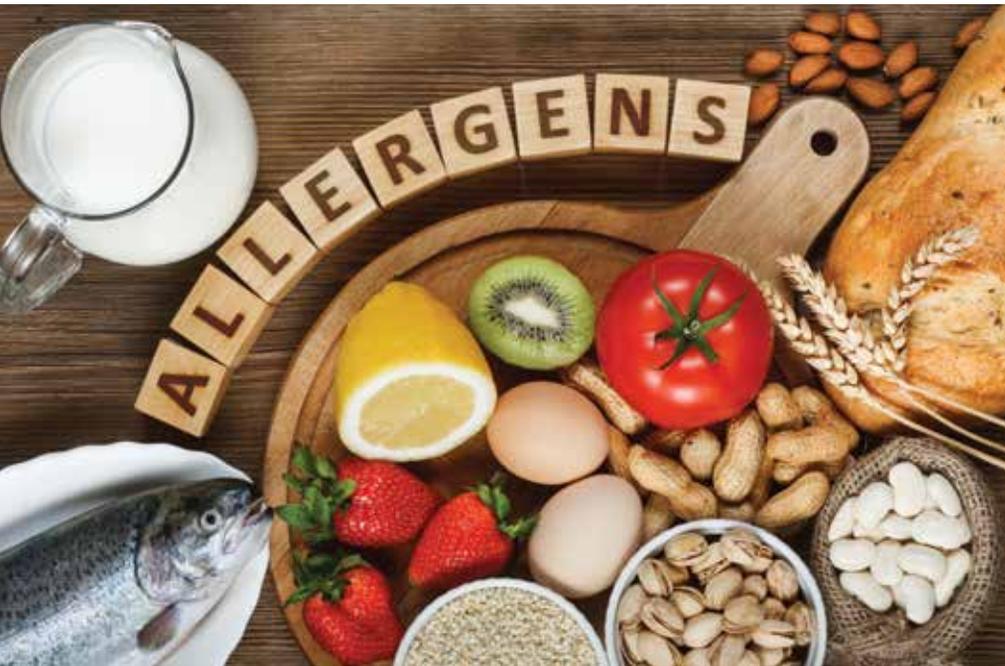
versity of Maryland stocks it on campus, too. "In Virginia, a little girl died, and that was the impetus for schools to stock epi," Clowes says. "That was not the case in Maryland, and it shouldn't have to come to that."

MAKING A CHANGE

When someone's life is so significantly impacted by food, a family member's food allergy diagnosis can be both a shock and a substantial adjustment. Such was the case for Jeff Jacobs, owner of Carrol's Creek Cafe in Annapolis, whose son is severely allergic to tree nuts. He knows firsthand the struggle that families that deal with food allergies face when attempting to eat at a restaurant and, because of that, the team at Carrol's Creek began looking at whether it was feasible for the restaurant to go peanut- and tree nut-free free.

It was, as Jacobs and his staff quickly found out, entirely possible. In February, Carrol's Creek Cafe was certified as nut-free by Kitchens with Confidence, the leading food allergen and gluten free auditor for full-service kitchens. "It's not just 'don't order nuts'—that's the easy part," Jacobs notes. "What scared us the most was what we didn't know." To combat that, the restaurant hired a consulting firm to look at all the ingredients it buys, the practices of the manufacturers that the ingredients come from, and where to go when they had to find new products.

12 states require schools to stock epinephrine. Maryland is one of them.



“The fear is so extreme that it ruins what should be a happy experience, like eating out or celebrating a birthday with a slice of cake.”

The hardest substitution to make, Jacobs recalls, was ice cream. “We used Annapolis Ice Cream and really liked having a small, craft ice cream,” he says. However, it didn’t fit the needs of the new allergen-free policy, requiring Carrol’s Creek to switch to a New York City store with ice cream that is fully nut-, peanut-, egg-, and sesame-free.

Overall, though, the process has been much easier than anticipated, and the restaurant didn’t have to raise prices to account for higher-priced ingredients, nor did the team hear any negativity from the public. “We’ve gotten amazing feedback,” Jacobs adds. “I can’t tell you how many times we’ve heard, ‘My daughter has never been to a nice restaurant before.’ It’s been great to give that to somebody.”

Maryland is one of six states that has food allergy laws in restaurants, Gable

says; it requires that a poster about food allergies be prominently placed in the staff area. She also notes that the National Restaurant Association developed a ServSafe certification for restaurants that includes training on food allergies. All restaurants in the state must have a certified food service manager on the premises during all hours of operation.

“As the number [of people diagnosed] increases, there are more reactions and there are more fatalities,” Clowes says. “We don’t need to wait for fatalities for training on food allergies.”

A NEW WAY OF LIFE

The effect a food allergy diagnosis has can’t be overstated—not only for the patient but also for their loved ones, who are constantly on guard to ensure their safety. “I remember crying the day we found out [about Genevieve’s

allergies], thinking our life would never, ever be the same again—and it hasn’t been,” recalls Carden. “From where we will be throughout the day, who will be with our daughter for each activity, who around her might have ingested peanuts or peanut butter, and where we will need to carry EpiPens for the day—this is the most important focus of our day, every day.”

On its website, (www.foodallergy.org), FARE offers the Food Allergy Field Guide for those who have been newly diagnosed with food allergies, which Clowes says is the most downloaded resource on the site. It provides information about what people need to know about food allergies, an anaphylaxis emergency care plan, food label information, advice about dining out with food allergies, and frequently asked questions.

Eager’s children are old enough to be aware of the dangers that certain foods pose to them, and they are capable of administering their own EpiPen injections. However, she says her guard never goes down because ingredients are always changing, even for non-food products, like adding tree nut oils to soaps.

“The moral of the story is be prepared—but you get caught off-guard every once in a while,” Jacobs says, recalling when they were making quesadillas with shredded cheddar cheese and happened to notice that the package said it may contain almonds. Later, he found out, the manufacturer adds nut dust to ensure the cheese doesn’t clump. What was just a regular family gathering could have turned into something much more perilous—and the panic and fear surrounding that risk is what Carden would like other people to understand.

“The fear is so extreme that it ruins what should be a happy experience, like eating out or celebrating a birthday with a slice of cake,” she says. “Knowing that for her entire life, every meal she eats and every product she tries, that she could die—it’s a heavy burden.”

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The State of Real Estate

How federal and state economics and politics have affected Maryland's housing market now and into the future, and what local realtors are seeing on the front lines

By James Houck



To characterize Maryland's housing market for the past year as "not good" would be easy but somewhat misleading. True, there are basic economic indicators (low inventory, high prices, fewer buyers) that explain a soft market

for much of 2019 and, yet, there are reasons to be optimistic as the summer season transitions to fall. Mortgage rates are expected to remain low and overall economic activity throughout Maryland is expected to increase this summer, leading to more home sales. Unemployment also remains low in most Maryland counties, which leads toward pay increases for workers in those areas. Central Maryland counties (Anne Arundel, Howard, Prince George's, and Montgomery among them) represent the lowest unemployment rates. This, combined with low interest rates, should translate to higher demand this fall for residential housing, particularly single-family homes.

unremarkable 35th nationally, tied with Michigan... Maryland's February home sales were, for lack of a better phrase, not good. Year-over-year sales were down 7 percent statewide that month." In fact, 15 of 24 major Maryland jurisdictions experienced a year-over-year decline in sales.

Interestingly, this counters the traditional notion that our region is recession resistant. After all, Maryland maintains a sub-4 percent unemployment rate and mortgage rates have remained low throughout the 10 years of economic expansion. However, the federal shutdown also proves our state's reliance on government employment. The shutdown affected consumer buying power in the short term and cracked consumer confidence, further burdening markets.

The next assumption would be that weak sales would lead to lower pricing, but that has not been the case. Low inventory has kept prices inflated. "Despite the recent softening in homes sales, the inventory of unsold homes remains well below what many real estate professionals would con-

"It is conceivable that this summer will be associated with a restoration of year-over-year home sales growth."

—Anirban Basu

Why the housing market became stunted through most of 2019 helps explain how it's poised to recover now into 2020, despite earlier predictions of a looming nationwide recession.

"When the federal government is impacted by change, Maryland's economy is inevitably impacted," states leading economist Anirban Basu in his latest report contributed to the June/July 2019 issue of *Maryland REALTOR* (the publication for the state's largest real estate association, Maryland REALTORS).

"Since the federal government shutdown, the economic momentum that characterized much of 2018 has proven elusive in the Free State," he says. Basu explains that lackluster job growth from March 2018 to March 2019, especially in Central Maryland (adding just 15,600 jobs), was a major factor in setting back the housing market. "In percentage growth terms, that ranked Maryland an

sider equilibrium in a larger share of communities," Basu says. Across Maryland, median home prices rose 3.6 percent between March 2018 and March 2019 (from \$275K to \$285K).

The good news? Maryland still ranks fifth nationally for defense contract spending. That influx of federal dollars helps position Maryland's economy for an overall recovery. "With the federal government shutdown increasingly in the rearview mirror and with the national economy strengthening, Maryland's economy should be more vigorous by the summer," Basu suggests. This, in turn, should be a boon for the housing market.

Additionally, mortgage rates are expected to remain low. Many experts think it's likely that the Federal Reserve actually cuts rates versus raising them, which could lead to even lower mortgage rates. Good news for potential buyers.

Right now, the consensus among Maryland's housing market experts is very cautious optimism heading into the final quarter of the year and beyond. The dark cloud of inflation is looming in the distance, though it remains uncertain what exactly could trigger a recession. Meanwhile, the housing market is expected to support an adequate sales pace, gradual price increases, and low average days on market. Good news for sellers.

"It is conceivable that this summer will be associated with a restoration of year-over-year home sales growth," Basu states.

The wild card heading into 2020? It's a presidential election year. And elections, especially national, have the psychological effect of uncertainty among investors and consumers alike. Less investment and spending could be a straw that breaks economic expansion's back. But, for now, a strong U.S. economy and Maryland's slow but steady recovery are reasons to feel confident in the near-term.

State Legislation Impacting the Market

In this year's Maryland General Assembly, legislation categorized under affordable housing and taxes became a case of "be careful what you ask for." Many significant pieces of legislation that could have spurred affordable, first-time buyer, and new housing failed to pass. Meanwhile, several bills that streamline taxation collection did pass (optional property tax installment payment schedule and collections of unpaid taxes and tax sales). Legislators were keen on the windfall of money, about \$400 million, that the state would receive as a result of the President Donald Trump's "Tax Cuts and Jobs Act," which amended the tax code for the first time since 1986.

Perhaps in an effort to provide a much-needed jolt to the housing industry, there was support among Maryland real estate professionals for several bills, which included HB41/SB88 "Student Debt Relief Act" (would have relieved student debt on the backend by adding an income tax deduction for 100 percent of the interest paid on a qualifying student loan) and several versions of legislation aimed at decoupling the federal and state taxation methods (for example: a Marylander that takes the standard federal tax deduction could itemize their state taxes versus taking the standard state deduction, to benefit from certain federal deductions, such as



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mortgage interest). These did not pass, despite the reasoning that debt relief in these forms could, in theory, increase consumer spending power and investment. All for naught.

Other bills that failed to pass included several of the tax credit variety, including those pegged to credit homeowners that install automatic fire sprinkler systems or perform lead remediation. Bills that would have credited housing developers who target a percentage of units to low-income families or construct public housing available to all-income levels failed, as did other affordable housing credits (one that did pass was a property tax credit for elderly individuals, removing the state's 40-year residency cap to qualify). Despite this—and much like the economic and housing forecasting taking place—there were reasons to be optimistic. The General Assembly did pass several much-anticipated bills. According to *Maryland REALTOR*, "two of Maryland REALTORS' top priorities, HB222—which requires written agreements for escrow money holders—and SB678—which permits Maryland notaries to provide remote notary services—passed on the last day."

In fact, the last day of legislature was a busy one, as hundreds of bills were finished—yea or nay. Among those that passed to the benefit of the real estate industry, according to *Maryland REALTOR*, "legislation clarifying that real estate licensees must keep information learned at meetings to form a brokerage relationship confidential; legislation to permanently extend state (not federal) tax relief for forgiven mortgage debt; and legislation limiting ground rent escrows against sellers."

On the Front Lines

Market sentiment among realtors echoes the cautious optimism that economists favor right now. We discussed the Chesapeake Bay real estate market, particularly Anne Arundel County and the Mid-Shore (Queen Anne's, Talbot, Kent, Caroline, and Dorchester counties), with several agents and their answers help shape the local story.

"The last year or two has been primarily a sellers' market but it's more nuanced than that," explains Shane Hall, of The Shane Hall Group of TTR Sotheby's International Realty. "Our market is hyperlocal with schools, water, and proximity being the driving factors of value in our towns. Within the towns, neighborhood values are driven up or down by amenities offered. It's a great time to sell if you're in the areas everyone wants to be in."



MANY BABY BOOMERS ARE TRANSITIONING FROM LARGER HOUSES TO SMALLER—**DOWNSIZING** INTO WALKABLE, MIXED-USE COMMUNITIES

Travis Gray, an associate broker with Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in Annapolis, confirms that inventory, or lacking quality thereof, influenced the early half of 2019. “The general feeling earlier this year was that we had a lack of inventory, but it turns out we had about the same inventory as last spring, but we just didn’t seem to have much good inventory as the year started. But, by mid-spring it seemed like the flood gates opened and some really good inventory came on the market and went under contract quickly.”

The most sought-after inventory may (or may not) surprise you. Buyers are seeking turn-key, low-maintenance properties. “The house can’t really have a bunch of projects needed. People will pay for things that are done,” Hall says.

young grads and high schoolers, the answer is no—that is Generation Z. Millennials are adults, many of whom are mid-career, starting families, and buying homes. Generation X, by the way, is the generation that could “take on the world” and have bought many of the suburban fixer-uppers.)

“The Millennial buyers are influencing the market in different ways,” says realtor Biana Arentz of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage. “They do not want the big homes that their parents had, but they are buying homes...and investing in real estate. The younger generation is worried about student debt and are putting smaller down payments—but they are smart and are sticking to a budget.”

Sarah Morse, another agent with Coldwell, agrees. “These buyers want an urban lifestyle, where they can walk everywhere, eat out, attend concerts, and enjoy a sense of community. They don’t care about having a large home; it is more important for them to live more simply and be able to lock and leave.”

Real estate agents confirm that the most desirable communities continue to be the downtown vicinities of Annapolis, Easton, and St. Michaels, as well as outlying townships including Severna Park, Crofton, Chestertown, and Cambridge. But the very attributes that make them so desirable (walkability, community amenities, excellent schools, history/culture, close proximity to water) have spread to geographically adjacent neighborhoods, especially as mixed-use development continues to be built.

“Properties on the Wye River or the Chesapeake Bay area [are growing in popularity],” Arentz says. “We love Prospect Bay, a neighborhood in Grasonville—minutes to the Bay Bridge—that is a golf course community with water access and lots of amenities. Cove Creek and Southwinds, also in Queen Anne’s County, are desirable.”

“Poplar Point is another sought-after community for those who know the area well and can appreciate the accessibility,” suggests Mary Ann Elliot, also with Coldwell. “Although it is not technically in Annapolis, it is located on the Annapolis side of the South River and has exceptional private marina facilities for boating, kayaking, paddle boarding, crabbing, and fishing.”

“One criterion that is most sought after is water access and proximity to shops and restaurants,” sums Coldwell agent June Steinweg. “A neighborhood where someone can easily launch a kayak, paddle board, jet ski, or sail/power boat. Another criterion is walking/biking trails.”

“The younger generation is worried about student debt and are putting smaller down payments—but they are smart and are sticking to a budget.”

—Biana Arentz



MILLENNIALS ARE ADULTS, MANY OF WHOM ARE MID-CAREER, STARTING FAMILIES, AND BUYING HOMES

“Condition is king,” states David Orso, who leads the David Orso Team of Compass Real Estate. “Buyers want homes with little to no work required. The idea of selling a home with lots of deferred maintenance is almost obsolete. The ‘great neighborhood’ just isn’t enough anymore.”

This trend is partly attributable to two different generations—Baby Boomers and Millennials—that, actually, have this similar need but for varying reasons. Many Boomers are transitioning from larger houses to smaller—downsizing into walkable, mixed-use communities—and they do not want a project home (meaning fixer-upper). Similarly, an influx of first-time homebuyers (Millennials) have entered the market—particularly in denser, mixed-use neighborhoods and towns—with above-average buying power. They want clean and pristine. (For the record: those of you asking if Millennials are

“By mid-spring it seemed like the flood gates opened and some really good inventory came on the market and went under contract quickly.”

—Travis Gray

How You Can Impact the Market

One of the most asked questions by both potential buyers and sellers has always been “Is now a good time to buy/sell?” And the answer is...well, it depends. To look at the big picture (see previous section in this article) and gauge whether it’s a buyers’ or sellers’ market based on available data, or if the season plays a factor, is a smart-ish approach, but, ultimately, the answer depends upon you. Are you ready? And a knowledgeable, experienced real estate agent can help you determine yes or no.

As of this writing, there are factors that benefit both buyers (low interest rates; “no doc” and “low doc” loans availability; quality inventory) and sellers (lower inventory; higher pricing), so it’s important to determine if you are truly ready to commit to a purchase/sale. “The time to buy is when you find the house you love and you can afford it,” says Arentz. “I always tell my clients not to worry about the season, just keep looking and we will find what they are looking for.”

Similarly, Orso advises that full commitment is needed when selling a property. “The best time to sell is when it is right for your needs and when you are committed to the process,” he says. “Selling a home is no easy task and it will be annoying to do if you are halfhearted.”

That said, realtor Travis Gray offered sound advice when taking the long view of the market and how buyer/seller decisions fit in. “If you’re an investor, or a cash buyer of opportunity, I would hold off on buying until the fall of 2020 when the market is almost certainly going to dry up with the election,” Gray assesses. “If you don’t have that kind of flexibility, now is a good time [to buy] in my opinion. With interest rates low and summer, when the market typically slows down, there

could be some good opportunities. It’s impossible to know for sure where we are in the cycle, so buy something you will be happy in for at least 10 years in the event the next recession is close.

“There seems to be good energy in the market and the economy overall. In my opinion, if you are planning on selling in the next couple years, sell now. Two years from now could be a very different landscape.”

Steinweg concurs that selling now is favorable. “If you look at trends over the last several years, the cyclical nature of selling a home has kind of leveled out. So, I think if you price it correctly and present it well, it will sell! Inventory goes down during the ‘slower’ months, so it kind-of balances out.”

“If you listen to your realtor and price the property properly, declutter, stage, paint, et cetera, [you will sell your property],” says local realtor Day Weitzman. “It can take quite a while to prepare a property for the market and any homeowner who doesn’t take the time to prepare is making a mistake. Pricing and condition are very important.”

Preparation is the word heard time and again when discussing how sellers should approach the market, whether it’s before or during a potential transaction. “Get a home inspection before you list and address the main issues,” Gray says. “Prepare the property—paint, clean, landscape—as much as possible.”

“Curb appeal is crucial,” Morse confirms. “Power wash the exterior, get your windows professionally cleaned, and spruce up your garden. Take out furniture—the home shows best when two-thirds furnished, as buyers need to envision their belongings. Think about space, light, flow, and function. Clean and declutter. Trust the experts.”

And for buyers hoping to stick out among several bidders on a single property and “win” the pur-

chase, similar principles apply. Build a reputable team behind you; local and respected realtor, lender, and title company. A good listing agent will investigate the buyer's lender and title company. Other critical elements to prepare for are time of settlement (Does the seller want to settle quickly or want extra time in the property?), the deposit amount (Consider making a larger deposit than necessary to affirm the seriousness of your offer), and organize, organize, organize. "Submit clear, neat offers with a summary page attached," Morse says. "It can matter. A seller considering two offers, where one is organized with each detail checked and another messy or incomplete, may select the professionally presented offer, even if for a lower amount."

Of course, whether you're selling or buying a home, all the timing, preparation, and organization ultimately comes down to one thing...pricing.



THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR IN SELLING ANY HOME IS TO PRICE IT PROPERLY.

—Debra Fortier.

"The single most important factor in selling any home is to price it properly," says local realtor Debra Fortier. "Introducing a home at an inflated price is almost always going to slow down your sale and result in settling for a price lower than you would have received if the house had been listed at the appropriate price going in." This is a sentiment shared by every realtor surveyed for this article.

Weitzman hits on a serious point, "Homeowners have to take the emotion out of selling their home and realize the minute the house goes on the market they are in a business transaction and should pay attention to the expert they hired to help them sell."

David Orso offers the bowtie. "Supply and demand are always at play and vary by category," he says. "It is critically important to work with an agent who can assess the activity accurately for a home like yours or yours-to-be."



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Virginia is Notable for More Than Traffic Jams

GARDENS WORTHY OF A DAY TRIP

By Janice F. Booth

Autumn is fast approaching; schools are opening, and our gardening tasks are abating...at least for a few weeks. Now's a perfect time to plan a few day trips to gardens that may inspire us as we plan next spring's garden. Some of us have been to Pennsylvania's grand gardens of the Brandywine Valley and Philadelphia's Main Line. We've explored the District's Dumbarton Oaks, Hillwood Gardens, the National Arboretum, and National Conservatory. We've taken the garden tours of Annapolis.

Now might be the time to wander down into Virginia and explore the historic and lush gardens of the south. Let me suggest some gardens with historical significance and gardens that invite the whole family, with lots for children to enjoy.

So, grab your notepad and sunhat, and let's get started.

FIRST AND MOST NOTABLE OF VIRGINIA'S HISTORIC GARDENS ARE THOSE ASSOCIATED WITH PALATIAL HOMES AND FAMOUS FIGURES WE CAN RECOGNIZE FROM OUR AMERICAN HISTORY TEXTBOOKS. I'LL MENTION BRIEFLY MT. VERNON, MONTICELLO, AND WILLIAMSBURG AND THEN MOVE ON TO OTHER, LESS-RENOWNED SITES.

Mt. Vernon House & Gardens, just outside the District of Columbia in northern Virginia, interests gardeners and history buffs alike. This National Historic Site was the residence of George Washington from 1754 on. The estate includes the restored, expansive gardens designed by our first president. There are acres of garden areas, which include vegetables, fruit, experimental botany, and flowers. An avid horticulturalist, Washington's vision for the gardens was influenced by the English landscape designer Batty Langley. Much of the estate is wheelchair accessible, and there are lots of places to stop, rest, and observe. If you haven't been, go! mount-vernion.org

Thomas Jefferson's **Monticello**, outside Charlottesville, reflects Jefferson's creativity, fascination with the horticultural sciences, and love of nature. As an added bonus, you can see the creative vision of Capability Brown, whose gardens and philosophy

of garden design moved mid-18th century England away from classicism to a romantic, and more natural appearance. Jefferson based the designs for his gardens, orchards, and wooded areas on Brown's designs. The grounds of Monticello include eight acres of orchards, which Jefferson called his "fruitery," and a thousand-foot-long vegetable terrace. Autumn is a particularly good time for a visit; the Thomas Jefferson Foundation sells seeds collected from their gardens. monticello.org



The third of these historical giants is **Colonial Williamsburg**. Founded as a settlement in 1633 and rebuilt and restored by John D. Rockefeller Jr. in 1926, the Colonial-style village includes 25 public gardens and 75 additional gardens that can be toured by appointment. There may not be much that will surprise you among the gardens, but you will get a vision of Colonial garden design. You'll probably want to spend more than a few hours—perhaps a few days touring—Colonial Williamsburg. colonialwilliamsburg.com

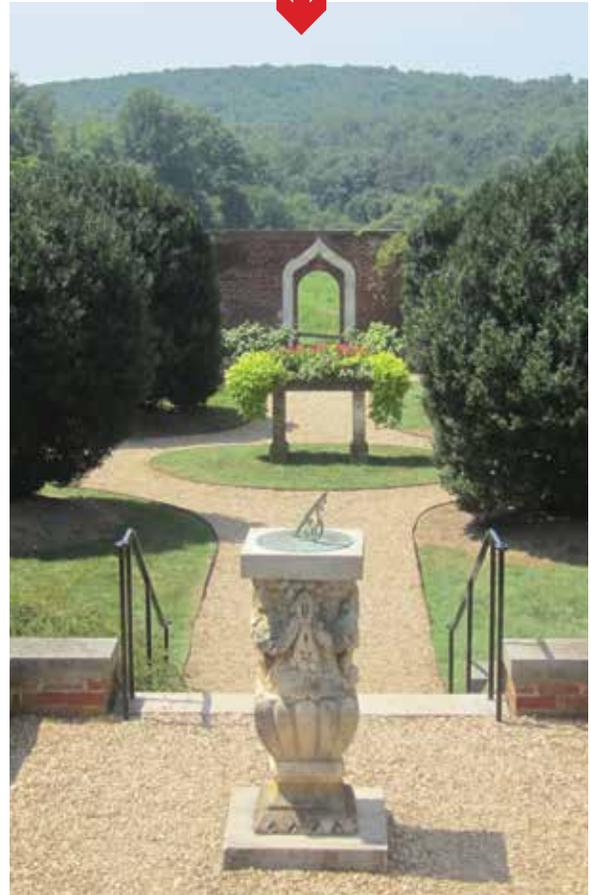


NOW THAT WE'VE GOTTEN THE FAMOUS ONES OUT OF THE WAY, LET ME SUGGEST SOME LESSER-KNOWN BUT HISTORICALLY INTERESTING GARDENS.



Agecroft Gardens: While Agecroft Gardens is not technically historic itself, it is the 20th century reconstruction of 15th and 16th century English country life. In 1925, industrialist Thomas C. Williams, Jr. bought a 15th-century English manor house. He had it deconstructed, moved, and rebuilt near Richmond. The 23 acres of gardens surrounding the house are Tudor in design, and include a “knot garden,” in which boxwoods have been grown and shaped into a square knot, and another garden inspired by famed 17th-century garden John Tradescant’s designs—worth the trip for those interested in historical garden designs. agecrofthall.org

Montpelier Gardens: The family home of James Madison, fourth president of the United States, dates back to 1773. In addition to the two acres of formal gardens, there are miles of hiking trails that crisscross the estate. The nine miles of trails are not arduous, and they wander past Civil War archeological remains. Keep an eye out for birds; there are said to be more than 100 species of birds spotted in and around the gardens. montpelier.org



Berkeley Plantation: Now here's an intriguing historical site. The first Thanksgiving in 1619 was celebrated here—just over one year *before* the now-famous Thanksgiving Day in Plymouth Colony. (President Lincoln signed a proclamation in 1863 establishing Thanksgiving day as a national holiday.) Two presidents were born here: William Henry Harrison, the ninth president of the United States, and Benjamin Harrison, the 23rd president. Today, you can wander over 10 acres of formal gardens, including the Boxwood garden with 100-year-old specimens. There are convenient benches where you can rest and admire the vistas. berkeleyplantation.org

Gunston Hall Gardens: Virginia Declaration of Rights: Established in 1755 as George Mason IV's ancestral home. George Mason wrote the Virginia Declaration of Rights that was eventually incorporated in the United States' Bill of Rights. Currently, there are 550 acres of grounds replete with hiking trails where visitors are encouraged to wander. Look for the garden's highlights, like the Boxwood Allée, or alley, planted by George Mason IV. gunstonhall.com

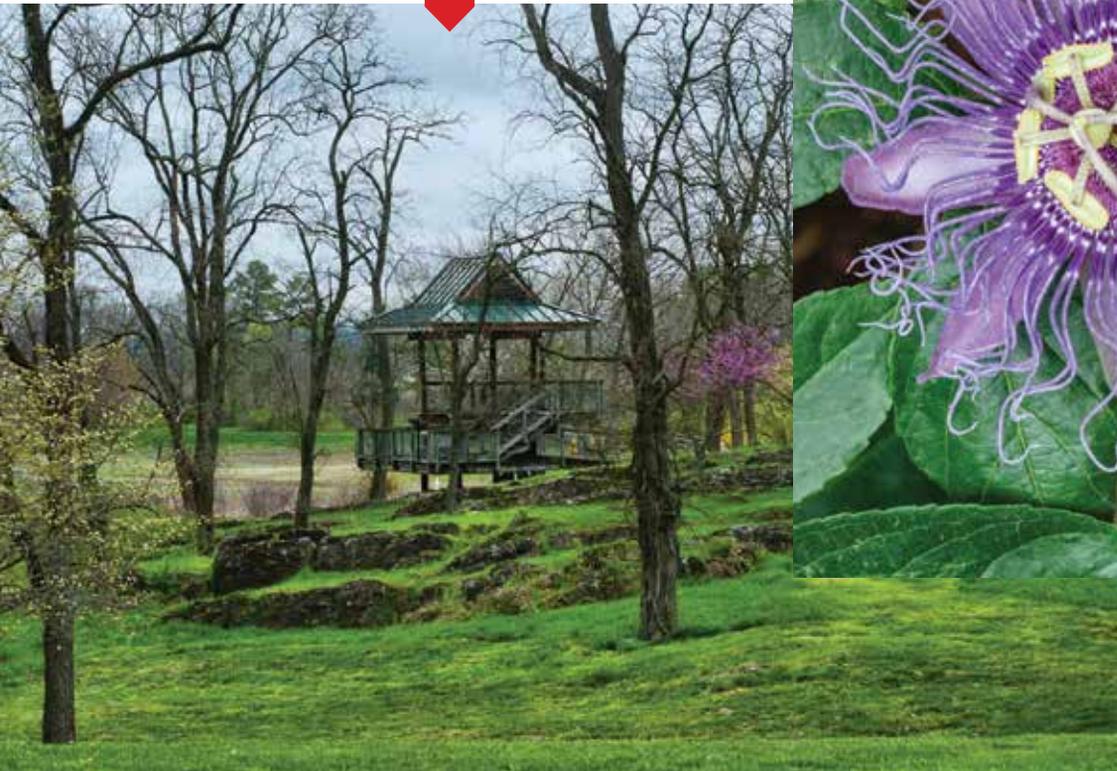


Oatlands Plantation: Established in 1789 by George Carter, the gardens of Oatlands were typical of the Tidewater region of Virginia, formal and terraced. In 1903, William and Edith Eustis purchased the plantation and began restoring the gardens to the grandeur seen today, complete with a reflecting pool, parterres, arches, and statuary. oatlands.org

THE NEXT GARDENS MAY NOT HAVE THE HISTORICAL IMPACT, BUT YOU'LL FIND THEY HAVE THEIR OWN PARTICULAR CHARMS.

Blandy Experimental Farm and State Arboretum of Virginia:

Blandy Experimental Farm is a 700-acre research field station. The arboretum, which occupies 172 acres, contains over 5,000 trees and shrubs, including a 300-tree ginkgo grove and plants from around the world. The Garden Club of Virginia manages the arboretum. Overseen by the University of Virginia, the farm offers classes and guided walks. Check their website for dates and times. blandy.virginia.edu



Norfolk Botanical Garden:

Established in 1938, the gardens include three acres of children's gardens and a "museum for plants." In addition, there are specialty gardens; Japanese, rose, and desert plants among others. Ninety-five species of birds and 30 types of butterflies have been sighted within the gardens. A tram takes visitors on guided tours around some of the 175-acres, a fun way to explore the Botanical Garden if you have a tired group. norfolk-botanicalgarden.org

Maymont Gardens and Manor: Located in Richmond, this 100-acre estate reflects the glories of the Gilded Age in America. There are bison and deer grazing in the meadows, as well as a petting zoo and nature center if you want a closer look at nature. Maymont offers carriage rides and tours of the mansion, giving you the opportunity to imagine how it might have felt to be the owner of all you survey. This garden is particularly delightful for a multi-generational adventure. There's lots of activities for the children, while the elders enjoy less strenuous encounters with the manor house and garden's treasures. maymont.org

MacCallum More Museum & Gardens: Last, but not least, this tiny jewel of a garden is a particular favorite of mine. You can wander the winding paths of the garden's six acres, and around every corner you may discover a statue, a fountain, an architectural feature, or cluster of interesting plants and shrubs to capture your imagination. Anachronistically, the museum houses a large collection of Native American artifacts purchased by the home's owner, William Hudgins. mmsg.org



Whether you're interested in garden design and want to study the 17th-century work of Tradescant or Brown's renowned 18th-century gardens, or if you simply want to admire the visions of those who loved their gardens, any of these Virginia gardens will delight and inspire you.

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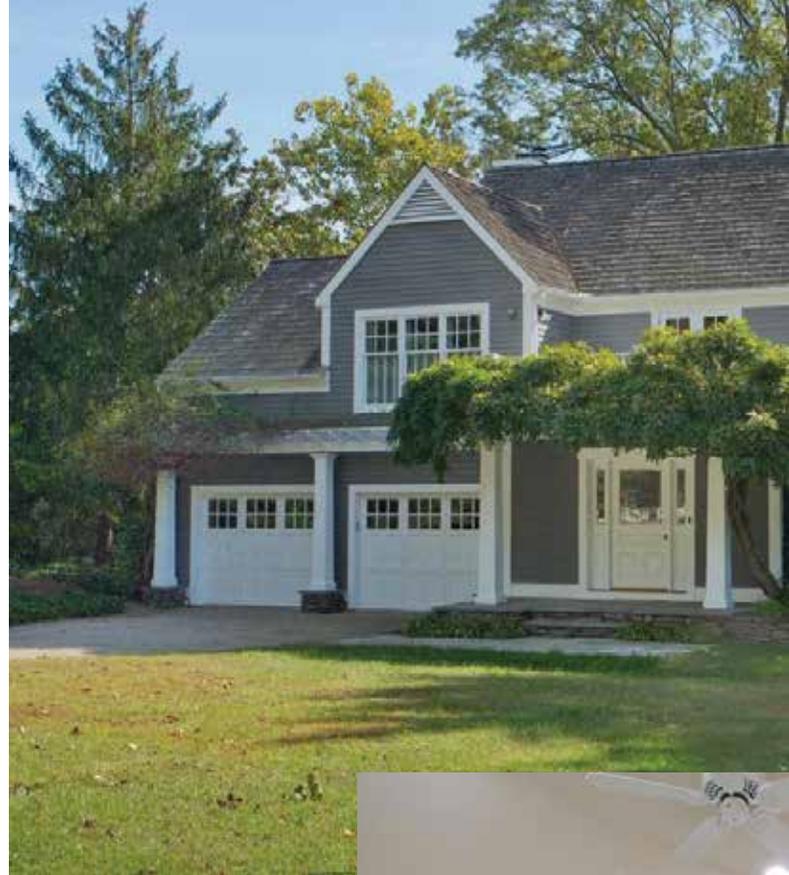
Annapolis

By Lisa A. Lewis

Situated above Crab Creek and boasting spectacular water views of the creek and South River, this custom-built cottage-style home is absolutely charming—an idyllic retreat where the delights of waterfront living abound. The property was listed on October 21st, 2018 and closed on January 3rd, 2019 after only 48 days on the market.

“The owner, who hails from New York City, originally built the home for his parents, whose primary residence was in Montgomery County,” says Jeff Ross of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage, the listing agent for the property. “They were uncomfortable with the idea of owning a second home, but they ultimately ended up docking their sailboat in one of the slips. Over the next 32 years, my client and his family used the residence as a second home to escape the proverbial ‘rat race’ of Manhattan.”

Exuding impressive curb appeal, the four-level home features an eye-catching exterior design and lovely landscaping. French doors greatly enhance the main level—showcasing the serene water views. Adorned with hardwood floors, the living and dining rooms are open to one another, creating an easy flow. The living room features a cozy fireplace and offers the perfect setting to relax and enjoy the views. Sharing a delicious meal is a delight in the dining room, which overlooks the kitchen and includes large windows and access to the waterside deck.



Primary Structure Built: 1986
Sold For: \$1,200,000
Original List Price: \$1,350,000
Last Sold/Price: No previous sale
Bedrooms: 6
Baths: 4 full, 1 half
Living Space: 3,581 sq. ft.
Lot Size: .60 acres

Beautifully designed spaces also await on the upper levels of this stunning home. The exquisite master bedroom, located on the second level, features locally handcrafted wooden cabinetry, a built-in armoire, a fireplace, carpeting, and oversized windows that boast water views. The master bath, which also offers water views, includes a dual sink vanity, and a Jacuzzi tub. A ballet studio, complete with a barre and wall-length mirrors, is located on the third level. Attached to the studio is a charming sitting area with built-in bookshelves.

The lower walkout level features a bedroom and a full bath for additional convenience. The exterior includes a boathouse and private pier with lifts and multiple boat slips, amenities that greatly enhance the property. This home is truly a waterfront paradise.

“This was a meaningful transaction for me,” Ross says. “I met the owner and his wife in 1999 when they brought their children to Annapolis for the school year. During our conversation at dinner—although the own-



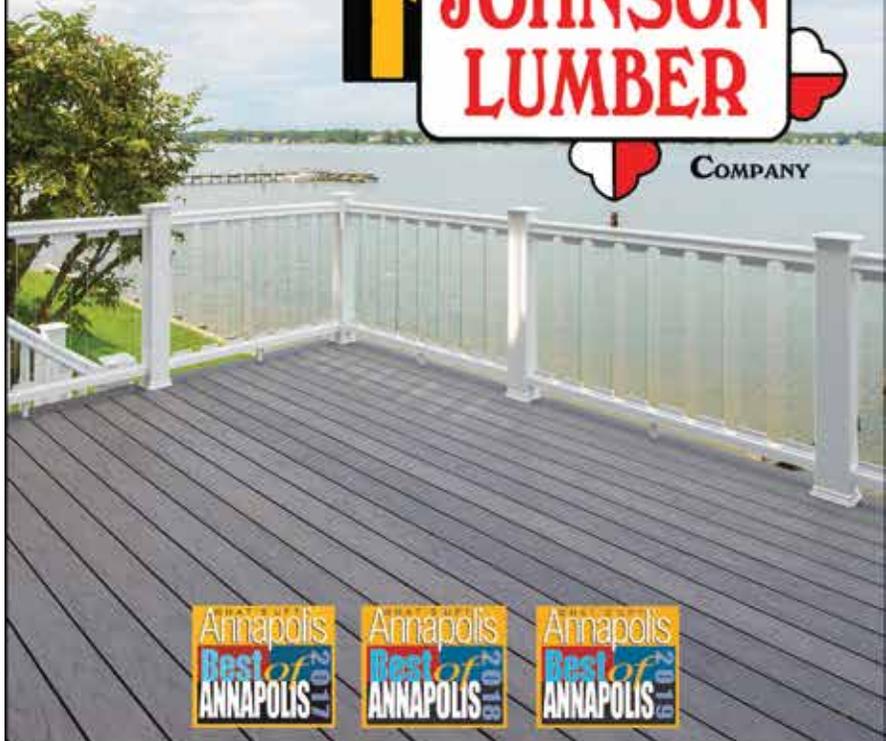
er's wife initially didn't believe me—I finally convinced her that we both grew up in West Orange, New Jersey—less than one mile apart. It was the beginning of a 20-plus year friendship.”

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Arundel on the Bay

By Lisa A. Lewis

With impressive curb appeal and beautifully designed living spaces, this custom Craftsman home is an absolute gem—extending a charming aesthetic that appeals to buyers. The property was listed on January 2nd, 2019 and closed on March 6th, 2019 after only 34 days on the market.

The three-level home, which was completely renovated between 2010 and 2018, showcases exquisite architectural detailing, including wide-plank pine flooring, elegant moldings and trims, and nine-foot ceilings. Ample windows bathe the interior spaces with abundant natural light, creating a warm, cheerful atmosphere.

Designed for modern lifestyles, the main level features an open floor plan that seamlessly blends the kitchen, living, and dining areas into one common space—creating an easy flow that is perfect for entertaining. A relaxing retreat, the living room includes a cozy gas fireplace, custom built-ins, and recessed lighting. Preparing meals is a joy in the well-appointed kitchen, which offers generous cabinetry, leathered granite countertops, subway tile backsplash, high-end stainless-steel



appliances, an island, recessed and pendant lighting, and access to the deck. Additional spaces on the main level include an office, a mudroom, and a bath.

Located on the second level, the stylish master bedroom boasts views of the Chesapeake Bay, and features a lovely bay window, a ceiling fan, a walk-in closet, and recessed lighting. The spa-like master bath with a dual sink vanity, a tiled shower with two rain shower heads, and a clawfoot tub provides a luxurious setting to unwind after a long day. This level also includes two additional bedrooms, which offer water views and a bath.

The third level features a bedroom suite or a recreation/game room area, as well as a sitting area, a bath, and a private balcony that offers glimpses of the bay. In addition, the property also includes a detached garage with a studio/office above. Indeed, this charming home is an absolute delight.

“The seller was offered his dream job in another state, but he had to move almost immediately,” says Debbie Greenfield of Engel & Völkers Annapolis, the listing agent for the property. “It was extremely rewarding to provide our client with the peace of mind that we could accommodate all of his needs from afar. Our strategic marketing and sales plan for the property enabled us to get the home under contract in a short period of time. And the trusted relationship with our client has already led to a referral.”

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Health Report

By Kelsey Casselbury

HOW PROCESSED FOODS LEAD TO WEIGHT GAIN

People who eat a diet high in ultra-processed foods, such as Cheerios, canned beef ravioli, and white bread, consume about 500 calories more per day than people who eat unprocessed foods. The findings, published in *Cell Metabolism*, came as a bit of a surprise to the researchers because the meals consumed by the two groups were designed to be matched for carbs, fat, sugar, salt, and calories. However, all participants could eat as much of the meals as they wanted—and those who ate the ultra-processed foods simply ate more than those on the unprocessed meal plan.

Participants on the unprocessed meal plan ate foods such as Greek yogurt, berries, nuts, broccoli, beef roast, and rice pilaf. Over the two-week research period, those on the ultra-processed diet gained an average of two pounds. Researchers theorized that people who consumed the processed foods ate faster, which led to overeating. Additionally, the hunger-regulating hormones decreased in those on the unprocessed meal plan. However, the study didn't take into account convenience or cost of processed versus unprocessed food.



REGULATE ANXIETY BY MANAGING GUT BACTERIA

Those who suffer from anxiety might benefit from regulating the microorganisms in their gut, suggests a review of studies published in *General Psychiatry*. The trillions of microorganisms play a number of roles in the body, affecting everything from the immune system to metabolism, but scientists have theorized they could also affect brain function through the “gut-brain axis.” Eleven of the 21 studies re-

viewed found that regulating intestinal microbiota had a positive effect on the symptoms of anxiety.

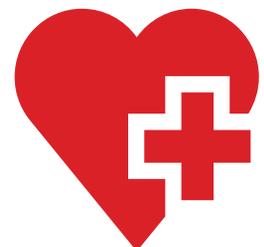
More than a third of the 14 studies that used probiotics—foods and supplements that contain “friendly” bacteria that fight harmful bacteria from settling in the gut—to regulate the microorganisms resulted in reduced anxiety symptoms, while the seven remaining studies looked at regulating the microbiota in another way. Of those, six of the studies found regulation to positively affect anxiety.

SEVEN FACTORS PREDICT HEART DISEASE RISK

People who score well in seven key indicators of heart disease risk are less likely to develop the condition, concludes a study published in *JAMA Network Open*. Improving your health in those categories helps to lower your risk.

Nearly 75,000 study participants were assessed based on their history of smoking, body weight, exercise, diet, blood sugar levels, cholesterol levels, and blood pressure over a period of four years. “Only about two percent of people in the United States and other countries meet all the ideal requirements for these seven factors,” Penn State Associate Professor Xiang Gao says in a statement from the university.

The study also examined whether any one factor was more important than the others, but found that each test indicated future CVD risk in similar ways. “This suggests that overall cardiovascular health is still the most important thing, and that one factor isn’t more important than the others,” Gao says





HEALTH & BEAUTY BEAUTY

A Return to 'Tyte' Skin

SKINTYTE USES INFRARED TECHNOLOGY TO IMPROVE THE APPEARANCE OF SAGGING SKIN

By Kelsey Casselbury

Thanks to rapidly improving technologies in non-invasive skin treatments, there are fewer reasons than ever to go under the knife in an effort to improve your skin's appearance. One of those technologies, SkinTyte, is available through a number of local providers, who gave *What's Up?* the low-down on how the procedure works and why it's a smart option for those looking to tighten up sagging skin.

SkinTyte comes from Sciton, the manufacturer behind other cosmetic laser technologies such as BroadBand Light (BBL) and JOULE X, and targets sagging skin using infrared light technology. "I've had great success with doing treatments under the chair, arms, and knees," says Renee Jamerson, MS,

RN, CNL, of Sullivan Surgery & Spa in Annapolis. "However, any area can be treated."

The technology works by heating the deeper layers of the skin while simultaneously using an advanced cooling system on the top layer. The rapid, gentle pulses of the heat contracts and partially coagulates the collagen, which then jumpstarts the healing of that collagen, as well as production of additional collagen, to give the skin a firmer appearance. "It's a great option for people who want to tighten their skin without resorting to surgery because it ... restores suppleness to skin that's loose and sagging," says Melissa Corbin, PA, of Plastic Surgery Specialists in Annapolis.

One particular benefit of SkinTyte versus other types of skin procedures is the lack of downtime required after treatment, Jamerson notes. However, it does require multiple treatments for optimal results—four treatments spaced three to four weeks apart, as well as maintenance treatments once or twice a year. Corbin recommends using SkinTyte in combination with other skincare treatments and injectables to complement and prolong results. "We've seen absolutely wonderful results, especially in combination with other treatments," she says. "Our patients are very pleased."

Opening up About Mental Health at Work

By Kelsey Casselbury

How often have you gone out of your way to avoid showing any sign of mental health issue at work, such as racing to the bathroom for privacy when you feel an anxiety attack coming on? Mental health still carries a stigma that's often perceived as a weakness in the workplace, and the symptoms are then kept under lock and key—despite the fact that one in five people experience them.

Discrimination in the workplace based on mental health conditions is, of course, illegal, but that doesn't mean it's easy to share such personal details with a boss or coworker. However, part of creating an ideal work environment for yourself just might mean opening up and sharing your experience.

The Legalese

The Americans with Disabilities Act covers both mental and physical impairments, and this means that employees have no obligation to tell employers about a mental health disorder unless they're asking for reasonable accommodation. That accommodation—which is a legal right for workers—must be granted unless it creates an “undue hardship” for the employers. Potential accommodations could be arranging a quiet workspace for someone with sensory issues or altering a work schedule to accommodate therapy appointment for someone with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.

It's important to know that once the condition is disclosed, an employer has the right to ask questions and require medical documentation—but any information gleaned *must* be kept confi-

Tips for Employers

As an employer, it's likely that at least one of your employees—or many more—deals with a mental health disorder on a daily basis. Creating an environment that allows an employee to feel like their mental health isn't a liability is not just about complying with the law or being “nice,” but rather about optimally leveraging the talent of your employees and allowing them to shine to the best of their abilities. One of the most effective ways that an employer, boss, or supervisor can create a culture of understanding in the workplace is to open up about their own mental health struggles and encourage employees to come to talk when and if they feel comfortable. If an employee *does* choose to speak up, here's what to do:

Listen, don't judge.

When an employee comes to you, don't make any assumptions about the situation. Listen to what they have to say without providing any opinionated feedback.

Assume good intent.

Symptoms of mental health disorders might not be as visible as physical conditions, but they're just as real. Ask for medical documentation, but err on the side of assuming the employee is telling the truth—not just because they want to be able to work from home more often than company policy currently allows.

Keep it to yourself.

Confidentiality is not just a favor, it's the law.

Resolve the issue as partners.

Work with the employee to find an accommodation that's suitable for everyone involved, and periodically check in to make sure that everything is still going smoothly.



dential. If an employer rejects a job candidate or fires an employee, they must have objective evidence that the person is incapable of doing the job's necessary duties.

Speaking Up

The right time to disclose a mental health condition to an employer depends on a variety of factors: First, are you feeling well? The right frame of mind can help you feel calm and focused when sharing personal information. Second, does divulging serve a purpose? There are reasons to share, such as requesting accommodations, and there are reasons to stay silent. Finally, do you feel ready? It's a personal decision.

Consider your relationship with your employer to determine if you should talk to your immediate supervisor or having a conversation with human resources first. After all, the HR department is schooled in both the company policies and the laws that protect you.

Not a single person is responsible, on their own, for destigmatizing mental illness. However, being willing to open up and talk about it—even if delicate situations, such as in the office—can go a long way in making the conversations much more commonplace.

Picking the Perfect Plant-Based Milk

IF YOU'VE DECIDED TO SAY 'SO LONG' TO COW'S MILK, THERE'S PLENTY OF NON-DAIRY ALTERNATIVES

By Kelsey Casselbury

The numbers don't lie—Americans are taking a step back from dairy. Although milk and other dairy products remain a common ingredient in the average American's diet, between 1975 and 2017, per-capita consumption of cow's milk has decreased from 247 to 149 pounds per person, according to stats from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. If you're considering ditching dairy in your diet, it's not a move to make without thought. Cow's milk has remained a staple in a standard diet because of its rich nutrient profile; the beverage contains high-quality protein, calcium, phosphorus and B vitamins. Pediatricians still recommend milk for children, particularly whole milk before age 2 due to the influence of its nutrients on brain development. Everyone has their own reasons for choosing or not choosing cow's milk as a beverage. If dairy milk doesn't have a place in your diet, whatever the grounds for elimination, there are more alternatives than ever on the market, each with their own pros and cons. Here are four of the most popular:



Oat Milk

The latest and greatest—or so it seems—in non-dairy milks is oat milk, which has skyrocketed in popularity over the past several months because of its naturally sweet and milk flavor. It's similar in calories to cow's milk, but it contains more carbohydrates and fewer grams of protein (on the bright side, it has fewer grams of fat, too). Oat milk's selling point is its soluble fiber content in the form of beta-glucan, which benefits your body's cholesterol levels.

Best for: Add oat milk not only to coffee or cereal but also to light cream soups and curries in place of cow's milk.



Soy Milk

If you're looking for an alternative to dairy that has a close nutritional profile, soy milk is your best bet. Unlike many other plant-based options, soy milk provides a complete protein—meaning, it contains all of the amino acids your body requires—but it's lower in calories, fat, and carbs than cow's milk. Soy, however, is a controversial food because of concerns over its effect on the body. Rest assured, though, that research has yet to establish any link between a moderate amount of soy and potentially harmful diseases.

Best for: Because of its high protein content, soy milk works well as a dairy alternative in baking.



Almond Milk

Almond milk has long been the darling of dairy alternatives, most likely because it's the lowest-calorie option available—just a quarter of the calories compared to cow's milk. It's also lower in fat, protein, and carbs. Almond milk is mostly water—some brands contain just two percent almonds—which is why it's so light and mild, but it does contain a good amount of vitamin E, an antioxidant.

Best for: Use almond milk in desserts and smoothies, where its slightly sweet flavor profile shines.



Coconut Milk

You might be familiar with coconut milk sold in cans in a grocery store's ethnic section, but the kind you might use to replace dairy in, say, your coffee is a diluted version. The carton-clad version of coconut milk still has that rich creaminess that you might seek from whole milk, but it also features a hint of a tropical flavor—a perk to some, a drawback to others. It has fewer calories, fat, carbs, and protein than cow's milk, but the fat that it *does* contain is known as medium-chain triglycerides. This is a type of saturated fat that's a little controversial—it might decrease appetite and improve blood cholesterol, but it could also raise the level of total and "bad" cholesterol, according to research.

Best for: Add coconut milk to sauces or soups that call for cow's milk or whip it into whipped cream or puddings.



OTHER MILK ALTERNATIVES

Oat, soy, almond, and coconut milk are four of the top-selling non-dairy options, but there are so many others out there, too. If none of those work for your diet, try out a few others—cashew milk, rice milk, hemp milk, macadamia milk, or quinoa milk, all of which are currently available for purchase (or, if you're feeling intrepid, to make at home).

Fresh Take

ACAI BERRIES

By Kelsey Casselbury



When it comes to superfoods, few are talked about as much as acai berries. Pronounced “ah-sigh-EE,” these reddish-purple berries are native to Central and South America and packed with antioxidants—even more so than other types of berries, which are already known as being booming with beneficial compounds. Potential health benefits from these little gems include improving cholesterol levels and boosting overall energy, immune system, and brain function, among others. However, these berries aren’t easy to find in just a loop around your local supermarket. Rarely do grocery stores sell acai berries fresh; it’s more likely that you’ll see acai berry juice blends. As the popularity of acai berries grows, though, so does the ability to acquire them. Keep an eye out for frozen unsweetened acai berry puree packs, which can be used in smoothies, bowls, or as a topping for desserts.

Acai products show up in powder, tablet, and capsule form all the time, but be cautious—there’s little research done on the benefits of consuming the berry through these methods. The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) as of late has been cracking down on companies that market acai-derived products in a deceiving manner. As always, there’s a better way to get the potential health benefits of acai berries—by enjoying the fruit or juice in its natural form.

Acai & Chia Parfait

Serves 1

- 1 cup vanilla-flavored Greek yogurt
- 3.5 ounces frozen acai berry puree, thawed
- 1 tablespoon chia seeds
- 1/2 cup low-sugar granola
- 1/4 cup fresh fruit of choice
- 1 tablespoon pumpkin or sunflower seeds

Layer a half-cup of Greek yogurt in the bottom of a glass or jar. Add half of the thawed acai berry puree on top of the yogurt. Mix the remaining Greek yogurt with the chia seeds and layer them on top of the acai berry puree. Add the remaining puree and then the granola. Top the parfait with your choice of fresh fruit and pumpkin or sunflower seeds.

NUTRITIONAL INFORMATION (PER SERVING)
419 calories, 30 grams protein, 17 grams fat,
58 grams carbohydrates, 11 grams fiber,
26 grams sugar, 144 milligrams sodium

*Nutritional information is for estimation purposes only and may vary based on brand and weight of individual ingredients.



Break Out of Your Style Rut

FIVE WAYS TO REFRESH YOUR LOOK WITHOUT SPENDING A DIME

By Kelsey Casselbury

Even the person with a closet the size of a small bedroom occasionally thinks they have nothing to wear, despite how untrue that statement might be. This boredom with your wardrobe typically leads to less-than-inspired outfits, commonly featuring basic black leggings or boring blue jeans, that results in going about your day feeling unhappy with how you look.

When you feel like you're in a style rut, there's a temptation to pay a visit to your favorite store and break the bank on a whole new look. Thankfully for your wallet, though, breaking out of the rut doesn't require a credit card—it just means that you need to dig into your closet, get rid of what's not working and find fresh ways to style what you already have.

DO A PURGE

Go Marie Kondo on your closet or gently weed out your least-favorites—whatever your method, just get in there and pull out the items that you hate. Cleaning out your closet serves a few purposes: First, it reminds you of what's actually in your wardrobe (you might have forgotten about a few items!), and second, it allows you to better see the items that you still do love.

HOST A SWAP BRUNCH

Your friends have incredible senses of style, too, so take all those items that you weeded out of your closet and host a get-together (don't forget mimosas!) Encourage your pals to clean out their closets, too, and then invite everyone to bring the freshly laundered rejects to the party. It's like going shopping at an ultra-chic thrift shop, but you don't have to bring any money along with you.



SEEK OUT INSPIRATION

Maybe it's not that your clothes aren't fabulous. Maybe you just need a little inspiration for pairing items in a fresh way. Luckily, there are more resources than ever available from which to glean a little inspiration to spruce up your look. There's Pinterest, of course, but follow fashion influencers on Instagram and take a look at the Style Guide on the Stitch Fix website for outfit ideas and styling advice.

THINK ABOUT LAYERS

Adding layers isn't about getting too warm or too cold. Layers add interest to a ho-hum look, so if your dress just doesn't seem all that visionary, add a cardigan and a necklace for a bit more intrigue. Jeans and a blouse are much more exciting when there's a jacket and scarf layered over them.

INDULGE IN ACCESSORIES

If you find that you *must* do a little shopping, keep it low-key. Accessories are an inexpensive, fun way to give a tired outfit a new look. Think about it—a head-to-toe black ensemble isn't anything interesting, but when it's put together with a colorful, chunky necklace, fantastic heels, and the right clutch, the outfit becomes one to covet.

Food and Health Collide at National Restaurant Show

By Kelsey Casselbury



from gluten-free company Venice Bakery, which sampled grain-free pizza crusts made from beets, sweet potatoes, cauliflower, and zucchini. The company won a 2019 Food and Beverage (FABI) Award from the National Restaurant Association for these products.

All Hail the Chickpea

If one ingredient could be considered the star of the show, it just might be the humble chickpea—which, perhaps, shouldn't be considered so humble anymore. Not only was the legume itself highlighted in vegan creations, such as chickpea-based pasta and ice cream, but even its byproducts were on display. Aquafaba, which is the leftover liquid from cooked chickpeas, has been incorporated into products such as Fabanaise, a vegan mayo from Sir Kensington's, and FabaButter, a plant-based butter from Fora. The latter was also a 2019 FABI Award recipient.

"Before it's a thing, it's here." So proclaimed the signage hung across Chicago's McCormick Place as it played host to the National Restaurant Association Show in mid-May. Contributing Health & Beauty Editor Kelsey Casselbury had the opportunity to spend two days exploring the show to find out what, if the sign rings true, is about to be a *thing* in the culinary world, and discovering where those trends intersect with health and nutrition.

Plant-Based Everything

From "burgers" to "sausage" to "sushi"—yes, sushi!—every few booths seem to have signs that proclaimed plant-based, meat-free status. Crowds gathered at Impossible Foods' and Beyond Meat's booths to try out their products. In January 2019, Impossible Foods reformulated its plant-based meatballs and other products, switching from wheat protein to soy protein. The result: an impressive meatball that closely mimicked the taste and texture of beef while improving on flavor over what was sampled at the 2018 show. As for the aforementioned sushi, Ocean Hugger Foods was sampling rolls made with tomatoes in place of tuna and eggplant instead of eel—both of which were quite convincing.

Keto- and Paleo-Specific Offerings

One of the most challenging parts of a low-carb diet has long been the lack of convenient snacks, particularly for those

who dislike cooking. Well, companies are doing their part to provide a solution by offering products formulated to meet those diets' stringent requirements. Paleo muesli? Yes, that's now available from Bob's Red Mill. Keto-approved cookies? Bake City has them.

Gluten-Free Goods

With some three million people in the U.S. affected by celiac disease and a number of others who claim they feel better when they eliminate gluten from their diet, it's no wonder that the food industry is constantly looking for ways to cater to this growing population. Gluten-free pizza crusts were a frequent sight at the show. One of the most interesting offerings came

The Movement Behind Tobacco 21

RAISING THE MINIMUM AGE FOR TOBACCO PURCHASES WILL DRASTICALLY IMPROVE PUBLIC HEALTH, ADVOCATES SAY

By Kelsey Casselbury

In 1992, the government passed federal legislation that limited tobacco purchases to those age 18 and older. Nearly 30 years later, some states—all of which had their own age-based laws prior to the implementation of federal restrictions—are passing or considering laws that increase the minimum age to purchase all tobacco products to 21. In April, the Maryland legislature voted to do just that. The law, signed by Gov. Larry Hogan in May, goes into effect in October. This is another win for advocates of the “tobacco 21 movement that’s championing similar laws across the nation. As of June 1st, Maryland is one of 14 states that have raised the age for tobacco sales to 21 (though, in Maryland, members of the military are exempt), while another 15 states have implemented the same law in certain cities and counties.

Approximately one in five high schoolers in Maryland report using some sort of tobacco product regularly, while more than 35 percent say they have tried vaping pens or e-cigarettes, according to the Maryland Youth Risk Survey. The new law applies to all forms of tobacco, including cigarettes, cigars, smokeless tobacco, e-cigarettes, and vaping devices. The push to raise the minimum age for tobacco sales to age 21 stems from a number of reports that have concluded that doing so could result in significant public health benefits, including fewer tobacco-related deaths. For example, a 2015 report from the Institute of Medicine noted that increasing the age for tobacco sales would significantly reduce the number of adolescents and young adults who start smoking; reduce smoking-caused deaths; and immediately improve the health of adolescents, young adults, and young mothers. There’s a chance the law could change on a federal level (and, in this case, the military wouldn’t be exempt). In May, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell introduced legislation, co-sponsored by Dem. Tim Kaine of Virginia, to increase the age for tobacco sales to 21. States that aren’t in compliance would lose federal funding from the Department of Health and Human Services’ Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant Awards.



Legally Speaking

A Tobacco Timeline

Source: American Journal of Public Health, July 2016

1700s	European studies conclude that pipe smoking causes lip and throat cancers.
1820s	German scientists isolate pure nicotine and identify it as a poison.
1883	New Jersey sets the first minimum age of legal access (MLA) for tobacco at 16 years. New York state follows in 1886.
1890	By this time, 26 states have MLAs that range from age 14 to 24.
1898	German scientists begin to hypothesize a link between tobacco and lung cancer.
1939	Ohio and Rhode Island are the last two states to pass MLA laws.
1953	Maryland repeals its MLA.
1964	For the first time, the Surgeon General’s report indicates that smoking causes lung cancer.
1985	The American Medical Association proposes setting the national MLA for tobacco to 21 years.
1992	The federal government sets the minimum age for tobacco sales at 18 years.
2009	President Barack Obama signs the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act into law, which gives the FDA the ability to regulate tobacco products for the first time in history.
2019	The Maryland legislature votes in April to raise the legal age to purchase tobacco from 18 to 21, with the exception of military members. The law goes into effect in October.

Products We Love

THIS MONTH'S PICKS FROM THE BEAUTY BUZZ TEAM

By Caley Breese

Check out the latest and greatest hair, skin, makeup, and grooming products, reviewed by our Beauty Buzz team (and the occasional What's Up? staff member!)



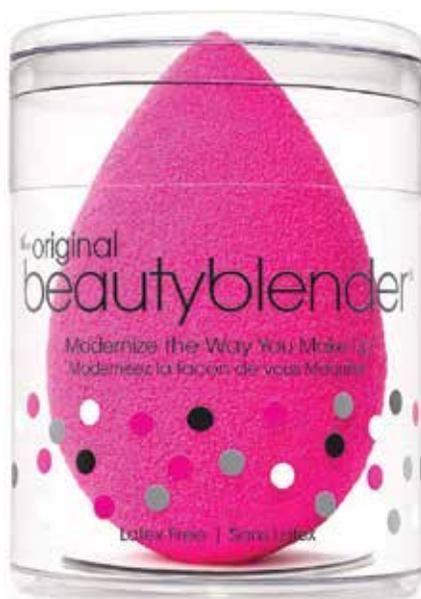
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1.
 "This cleanser leaves your skin feeling clean, fresh, and comfortable with no pore-clogging residue. It also foams quickly and removes all of your makeup in one go. I love the pump applicator and the transparent bottle." –Beauty Buzz Member Cathy Belcher, 66, Edgewater



2.
 "I love this lipstick for a sultry look that I want to last. ECRU's Velvet Air Lipstick went on effortlessly to provide a natural long-lasting finish. The formula lasted all day without touch-ups. No lipliner needed! This formula provided a flawless finish that went on super easy without any fuss." –Beauty Buzz Member Lyndsie Cox, 22, Glen Burnie



3.
 "Bálla Body Spray has a fantastic aroma. It is neither too overpowering nor too faint. It's perfect—just right. I really didn't think I would use this product as much as I do, but it's become as essential as brushing my teeth in the morning. I've made my friends smell me after I've applied this body spray. That's how much I believe in this product." –Beauty Buzz Member Conor Reynolds, 26, Baltimore



4.
 "I have used other beauty sponges but this one is by far the best. It's soft and gives you a perfect application of foundation and concealer. It's easy to clean and it doesn't waste a lot of product. I don't think I will go back to using a brush." –Beauty Buzz Member Carolina Rauch, 29, Annapolis

Understanding What Pansexual Means

It was a typical evening as Amanda Brady chatted with her 16-year-old Lee, the oldest of three children. As the two sat in Lee's room talking and sharing laughs, Amanda spotted a Post-It note stuck to the wall. Small, handwritten scribbles outlined some of the goals Lee wanted to accomplish that year. One goal, in particular, stood out to Amanda. It read, "Come out as pansexual by the end of the school year."

"I was totally confused because I had no idea what pansexual meant," Brady recalls. According to the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), pansexual describes someone who has the potential for emotional, romantic, or sexual attraction of people of any gender, though not necessarily simultaneously, in the same way, or to the same degree. Soon after this, Lee asked his family to refer to him by the gender-neutral pronoun "they" while also noticeably becoming more isolated and depressed.

The Turning Point

It was during Lee's senior year of high school when the self-harming started. Lee was eventually hospitalized because of suicidal ideation. "The hospitalization was rock bottom for our family, but it was also a blessing in disguise," Brady says.

In talking with a counselor at the hospital, Lee opened up about identifying as transgender. While there, Lee, who was born female, also firmly stated that he wanted to be referred to as "he" or "they" and changed his name from Liana to Lee. "My husband and I were willing to support him in whatever he wanted to do," Brady says. "We told him that we loved him whether they were 'her' or 'him.'"

Brady, who works as a clinical director of nursing at Anne Arundel Medical Center (AAMC), was

determined to support her son and help him get through this dark time. She says her family sought therapy, got Lee treatment for depression and anxiety and found an endocrinologist to start him on testosterone. "It hurt my feelings when I found out," Brady says, "but I never said I didn't want him to be a boy. I always said I wanted him to be happy and that I would help the best way I could."

Brady also joined AAMC's Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender, Queer, Intersex or Asexual (LGBTQIA) Business Resource Group, a group of employees who joined together based on

shared characteristics or life experiences. She wanted to glean from other ways she could better support her son.

"The easiest part for me was when he cut his hair and started wearing male clothes because growing up, I was a tomboy," Brady says with a laugh as she reflects. "The hardest part was not knowing how to help him through the emotional state. He didn't want to open up at all because he thought we wouldn't understand."

Acceptance, Communication, and Support

Danny Watkins grew up in a small community in Allegany County and was raised in a

traditional Catholic family. He told his parents he was gay when he was 15. To his dismay, he was faced with unacceptance and was unwillingly 'outed' to the rest of his family members. Traumatized, Danny tried not to be gay for the next two years to cope with pressure at home. At age 17, his family found out he was dating a boy and the family discord from years before resumed.

"I felt very isolated and lonely," he recalls. "It's as if I were a giant air balloon that couldn't fit in any situation. I was just barely functioning and trying to get through the day. I didn't have the support I needed at home, so I relied heavily on my friends. They became my support system I needed to survive until the relationship with my family started to slowly get better over the next couple years."

Danny pursued a career in nursing, moved out at 19, and worked at an inpatient psychiatric unit. He is now the director of clinical operations at Pathways, AAMC's substance abuse and mental health treatment facility. "Working in mental health has really opened my eyes to suicidality in the LGBTQ community," he says.

Four in 10 LGBT youth say the community in which they live is not accepting of LGBT people, according to the HRC which surveyed more than 10,000 LGBT-identified youth, ages 13-17. An estimated 26 percent of LGBT youth say problems they face include not feeling accepted by their family, having trouble at school or with bullying, and coming out or being open.



Danny advises parents with an LGBTQ child to work on acceptance first. "You should always support your child and try to approach them from a non-judgmental place," he says. He also recommends keeping the lines of communication open and meeting your child's friends as important steps to take. "Reassure your child that you love them and that you support them, no matter who they are inside," he says.

Danny also advises parents to find a good support system by joining local support groups and finding a counselor in the school or community who can provide support and resources.

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Brady and her husband have fully accepted their son's decision to come out as transgender. She is also observing Lee becoming more comfortable with himself. Lee is currently a freshman in college. She says he is growing facial hair for the first time. "He has really blossomed," she adds.

Even as someone who has an LGBT child, Brady admits she still doesn't know all there is to know about the community but is committed to furthering her understanding so she can continue to support her son. "If you isolate your child because you don't see eye to eye, that's a very boring and lonely existence to live," she says. "Love your child for who they are: that's the bottom line."

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DINING TASTE

Past Experience Translates to New Restaurant

By Tom Worgo
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When it came to opening Ashling Kitchen & Bar in Crofton, Elise Letavish and her fiancé, Saeed Ashrafzadeh, made a perfect team. The 38-year-old Ashrafzadeh had the food service experience, and Letavish developed the music contacts that proved vital to lifting their business off the ground.

“When we toured, we never got a great meal—a home-cooked meal,” says Letavish, 33, who worked as a music tour manager all over the world for six years. “Catering wasn’t the best out there for the artists.”

The two saw an opportunity and started a catering company based at the Lyric Opera House. They called it Ashling Marketing and Catering, and they focused on providing high quality meals to touring musicians.

The Lyric was one of their first big clients and Pier Six Pavilion (now MECU Pavilion) followed. Since December of 2016, they’ve served a number of well-known acts: the Barenaked Ladies, Chicago, Diana Ross, Steve Martin, and The Beach Boys. Out of the catering company came their restaurant, which opened in April in the spot formerly occupied by the well-known Christopher’s restaurant.

“It’s an evolving menu, Americano,” Letavish says. “I did not want to pigeon hole us.”

We recently sat down with the couple to chat about their catering company (which makes up about 60 percent of their business), what’s new with the restaurant (the other 40 percent), and the respective backgrounds of the two entrepreneurs.

Saeed, can you tell me about the catering company?

Once we had the second account at the MECU Pavilion, we started thinking about our next move. You couldn’t use one place (Lyric) as a central location to service other accounts. We had the dilemma of, what’s our next move? In the catering world, what do you do when the business is not there and there are no tours in the wintertime? That’s when we came up with the restaurant. We have a full kitchen trailer next to the restaurant for catering.

What was the theme of the restaurant?

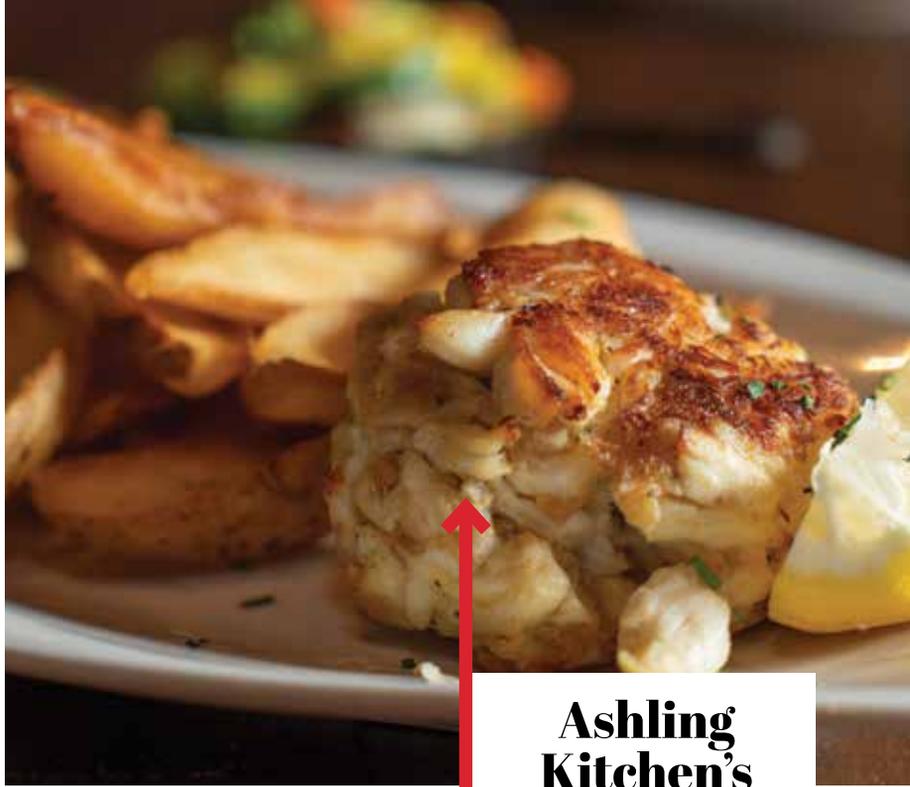
We wanted to create a homey atmosphere and have home-cooked meals. That’s how we transferred it from the catering company into the restaurant.

How do you differentiate yourself from other restaurants?

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Take a big mixing bowl and place your crab meat inside the bowl. Add your mayonnaise, tabasco sauce, lemon juice, and the crab cake classic mix into the crab meat and mix together gently so you don't break up the crab meat into small pieces. Once everything is mixed, form your crab cakes into a circle patty. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Use pan spray and spray your pan, along with both sides of the crab cakes. Place crab cakes on the pan and insert in oven. Cook for five minutes on each side, leaving the crab cakes with a golden-brown finish on both sides.

we do on a daily basis and ask, "What works, what is not working, and what can we do to make it better in order to find that sweet spot to really make it a destination for customers?" It's that mom and pop feeling that people want.

What is your most popular item?

Crab cakes. It's all prepared with love. We don't skimp on the product. We use the top ingredients. There is no filling in the crab cakes.

What are some other customer favorites?

Our mac and cheese balls. They are unique. No one is putting duck inside them. Poutine is another unique thing. Not a lot people do it. It's basically gravy fries. It's not just regular plain gravy. We use demi-glace and melted cheese curds inside of it.

Anything new on the horizon?

We are going to roll out brunch in the fall. It will probably be a big thing that will keep us hopping. There will be a flair to it. It's not a traditional breakfast where you get

omelets, or eggs benedict. We are doing things like huevos rancheros, vegan burritos, and nachos and churro waffles. And we will have music. It will be soft. We will do jazz or an acoustic set.

Saeed, what's the biggest challenge in opening a new restaurant?

We are a lot more stable than a couple of months ago. We have a flow; we have built a team and we have the trust. One of the hardest things to do when you are starting something new is building that core trust around your team and having everybody fall back on each other and working in unison. If your kitchen is not cohesive, you are not going to have that great experience because the food is going to take a while.

Elise, what was it like meeting some of these musicians and cooking for them?

It's hundreds of people and our website has a list of them. We get to do all kinds of genres of music. We have done some legendary acts,

and I am so thankful for the opportunity to be able to work alongside so many legendary people. What we try to do is let people know who we are feeding. When you come into the restaurant, you see (backstage credentials from the shows) of what musicians we are feeding on the wall. Everybody has a love for music. What we are trying to do is incorporate what we did with the catering into the restaurant and bring it to the community. We plan to give tickets away to shows.

What did you do before starting the catering company?

I worked in the box office at Rams Head Live! and worked my way up to a production assistant to runner. I met a lot of people. I spent some time with Robin Williams when I was a production assistant. I was a tour manager and worked with rapper Mac Miller.

Saeed, what was your background before your new ventures?

I owned two 7-Eleven franchises (in Deale, Prince

Frederick). I wanted to phase out of out the 7-Elevens and food was always something I was passionate about. When we started the catering company, I was down to one and I sold the other one when we started the restaurant. I paid for college working in restaurants for five years. Food and beverage and retail has always been at the core of my existence.

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1021 Generals Highway, Crownsville; 410-923-0093; Milanopizzaofcrownsville.com; Italian, lunch, dinner \$ 🍷

Mother's Peninsula Grille
969 Ritchie Highway, Arnold; 410-975-5950; Mothersgrille.com; American; lunch, dinner \$\$ 🍷 🍷 🍷 🍷

Old Stein Inn
1143 Central Avenue, Edgewater; 410-798-6807; Oldstein-inn.com; German; dinner \$\$ 🍷 🍷 * 🍷 🍷

The Point Crab House & Grill
700 Mill Creek Road, Arnold; 410-544-5448; Thepointcrabhouse.com; Seafood; lunch, dinner \$\$ 🍷 🍷 🍷 🍷 🍷

Rams Head Roadhouse
1773 Generals Highway, Annapolis; 410-849-8058; Ramsheadroadhouse.com; American, brewery; lunch, dinner, late-night, Sunday brunch \$\$ 🍷 🍷 🍷

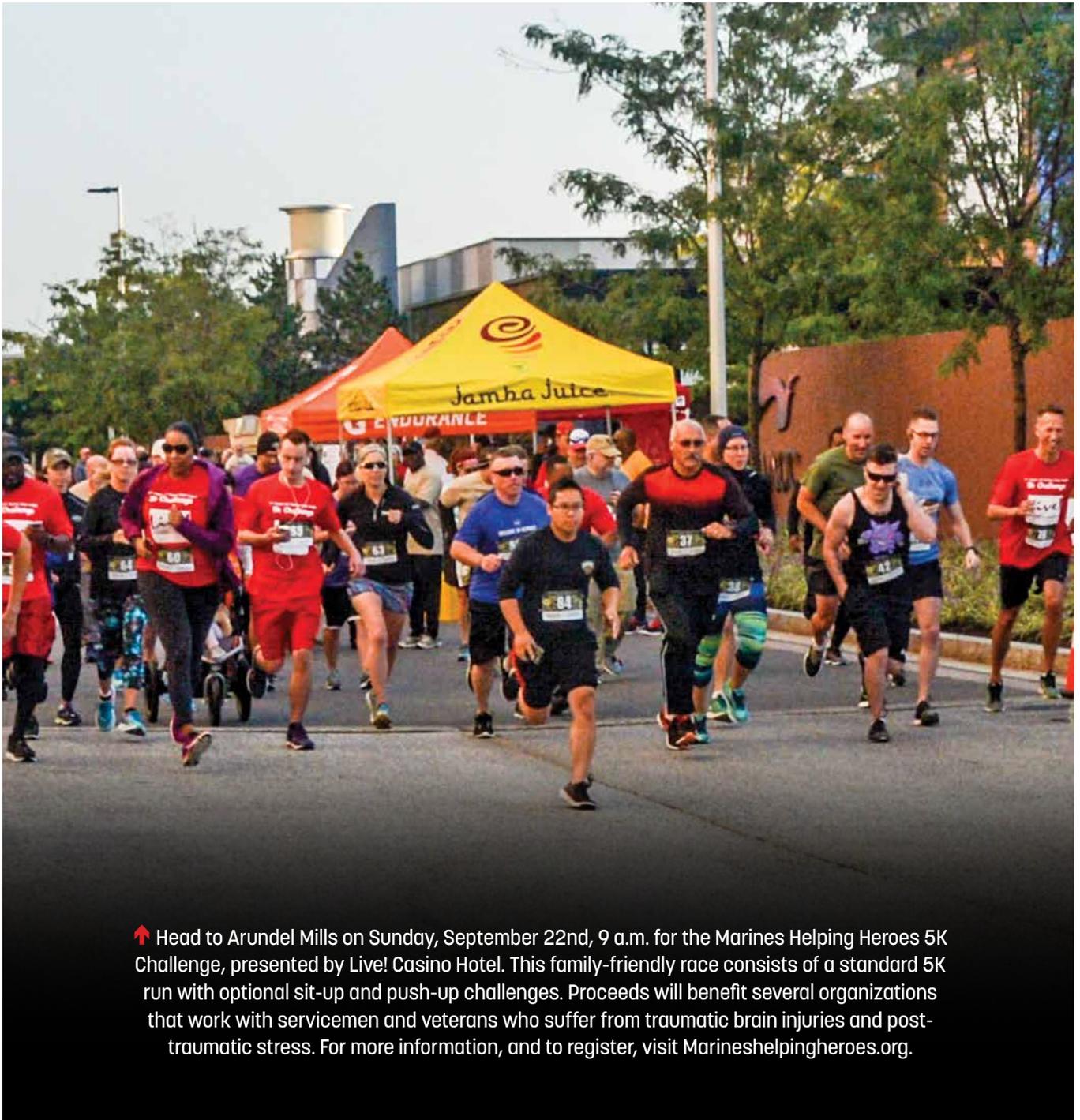
Rips Country Inn
3809 N. Crain Highway, Bowie; 301-805-5900; Ripscountryinn.com; Rustic country cooking and Chesapeake eats; breakfast, lunch, dinner \$\$ 🍷 🍷

Ruth's Chris Steak House
301 Severn Avenue, Annapolis; 410-990-0033; Ruthschris.com; American; dinner \$\$\$ 🍷 🍷 🍷

September Calendar

(F) FAMILY EVENTS (C) CHARITY EVENTS (TIX) AVAILABLE AT WHATSUPTIX.COM

Advertisers listed in red What's Up? Tix event listed in blue



↑ Head to Arundel Mills on Sunday, September 22nd, 9 a.m. for the Marines Helping Heroes 5K Challenge, presented by Live! Casino Hotel. This family-friendly race consists of a standard 5K run with optional sit-up and push-up challenges. Proceeds will benefit several organizations that work with servicemen and veterans who suffer from traumatic brain injuries and post-traumatic stress. For more information, and to register, visit Marineshelpingheroes.org.

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Sunday

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Maryland Renaissance Festival at Renaissance Festival, Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-266-7304. Marylandrenaissancefestival.com (F)

First Sunday Arts Festival at Downtown Annapolis, Annapolis. 11 a.m. 410-858-5884. Firstsundayarts.com (F)

Maryland State Fair at Maryland State Fairgrounds, Timonium. 10 a.m. Marylandstatefair.com (F)

American Landscapes at Circle Gallery, Annapolis. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. (daily). Now through September 21st, 2019. 410-268-4566. Mdfedart.com

The Color of Light at Quiet Waters Park, Annapolis. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. (Mon.-Fri.), 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (Sat. & Sun.). Now through October 13th, 2019. 410-222-1777. Fqwp.org

Breaking the Barriers at Quiet Waters Park, Annapolis. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. (Mon.-Fri.), 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (Sat. & Sun.). Now through October 13th, 2019. 410-222-1777. Fqwp.org

American Impressionism: Treasures from the Daywood Collection at St. John's College Mitchell Gallery, Annapolis. 12-5 p.m. (Tues.-Sun.). Now through October 27th, 2019. 410-626-2556. Sjc.edu

Deconstructing Decoys: The Culture of Collecting at Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, St. Michaels. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. daily. Now through November 1st, 2019. 410-745-2916. Cbmm.org

Chesapeake Visual Icons at Ward Museum of Wildfowl Art, Salisbury. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Mon.-Sat.), 12-5 p.m. (Sun.). Now through September 29th, 2019. 410-742-4988. Wardmuseum.org

On Land and On Sea at Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, St. Michaels. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. daily. Now through March 1st, 2020. 410-745-2916. Cbmm.org

Heather Harvey: The Thin Place at Academy Art Museum, Easton. 10 a.m.-8 p.m. (Tues.-Thurs.), 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (Fri.-Mon.). Now through September 30th, 2019. 410-822-2787. Academyart-museum.org

Amze Emmons: Pattern Drift at Academy Art Museum, Easton. 10 a.m.-8 p.m. (Tues.-Thurs.), 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (Fri.-Mon.). Now through September 30th, 2019. 410-822-2787. Academyart-museum.org

James Turrell: Mapping Spaces at Academy Art Museum, Easton. 10 a.m.-8 p.m. (Tues.-Thurs.), 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (Fri.-Mon.). Now through September 30th, 2019. 410-822-2787. Academyart-museum.org

Patterns of Eastern Shore Live at Chestertown RiverArts, Chestertown. 11 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (Tues.-Fri.), 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (Sat.), 11 a.m.-3 p.m. (Sun.). Now through July 28th, 2019. 410-778-6300. Chestertownriverarts.net

Parenting: An Art without a Manual at American Visionary Art Museum, Baltimore. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. (Tues.-Sun.), closed Mon. Now through September 1st, 2019. 410-244-1900. Avam.org

Esther & The Dream of One Loving Human Family at American Visionary Art Museum, Baltimore. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. (Tues.-Sun.), closed Mon. Now through March 1st, 2024. Prices vary. 410-244-1900. Avam.org

DIS I A Good Crisis at Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Wed.-Sun.). Now through November 19th, 2019. 443-573-1700. Artbma.org

Hitching Their Dreams To Untamed Stars: Joyce J. Scott & Elizabeth Talford Scott at Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Wed.-Sun.). Now through December 1st, 2019. 443-573-1700. Artbma.org

Slavery, The Prison Industrial Complex: Photographs by Keith Calhoun & Chandra McCormick at Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Wed.-Sun.). Now through September 29th, 2019. 443-573-1700. Artbma.org

Oletha DeVane: Traces of the Spirit at Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Wed.-Sun.). Now through October 20th, 2019. 443-573-1700. Artbma.org

Every Day: Selections from the Collection at Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Wed.-Sun.). Now through January 5th, 2020. 443-573-1700. Artbma.org

Melvin Edwards: The Architecture of Being at Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Wed.-Sun.). Now through January 12th, 2020. 443-573-1700. Artbma.org

Time and Place at The Walters Art Museum, Baltimore. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Fri.-Sun. and Wed.), 10 a.m.-9 p.m. (Thurs.), closed Mon. and Tues. Now through March 1st, 2020. Free. 410-547-9000. Thewalters.org

Portraits of the World: Korea at Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery, D.C. 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m. daily. Now through November 17th, 2019. 202-633-8300. Npg.si.edu

Section 14: The Other Palm Springs at The National Museum of the American Indian, D.C. 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. daily. Now through January 20th, 2020. 202-633-1000. Americanindian.si.edu

Votes for Women: A Portrait of Persistence at Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery, D.C. 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m. daily. Now through January 5th, 2020. 202-633-8300. Npg.si.edu

Rise Up: Stonewall and the LGBTQ Rights Movement at Newseum, D.C. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. (Mon.-Sat.), 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Sun.). Now through January 5th, 2020. 202-292-6100. Newseum.org

Tiffany Chung: Vietnam, Past is Prologue at Smithsonian American Art Museum, D.C. 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m. daily. Now through September 2nd, 2019. 202-633-7970. Americanart.si.edu

Enrico David: Gradations of Slow Release at Hirshhorn Museum, D.C. 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. daily. Now through September 2nd, 2019. 202-633-1000. Hirshhorn.si.edu

Oliver Lee Jackson: Recent Paintings at National Gallery of Art, D.C. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Mon.-Sat.), 11 a.m.-6 p.m. (Sun.). Now through September 15th, 2019. Nga.gov

More is More: Multiples at National Museum of Women in the Arts, D.C. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Mon.-Sat.), 12-5 p.m. (Sun.). Now through September 15th, 2019. 202-783-5000. Nmwa.org

American Myth and Memory at Smithsonian American Art Museum, D.C. 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m. daily. Free. Now through October 14th, 2019. 202-633-7970. Americanart.si.edu

David H. Koch Hall of Fossils - Deep Time at National Museum of Natural History, D.C. 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. daily. 202-633-1000. Naturalhistory.si.edu

Women of Progress: Early Camera Portraits at Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery, D.C. 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m. daily. Now through May 31st, 2020. Free. 202-633-8300. Npg.si.edu

Illegal to be You: Gay History Beyond Stonewall at National Museum of American History, D.C. 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. daily. Now through January 2019. 202-633-1000. Americanhistory.si.edu

One Life: Marian Anderson at Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery, D.C. 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m. daily. Now through May 17th, 2020. Free. 202-633-8300. Npg.si.edu

By the Light of the Silvery Moon: A Century of Lunar Photographs to Apollo 11 at National Gallery of Art, D.C. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Mon.-Sat.), 11 a.m.-6 p.m. (Sun.). Now through January 5th, 2020. Nga.gov

PERFORMING ARTS

Aladdin at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 1:30 p.m. & 7 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

Perfect Arrangement at Fells Point Corner Theatre, Baltimore. 2 p.m. Fpct.org

MUSIC

The Fabulous Hubcaps at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 7:30 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadonstage.com

Annapolis Symphony Orchestra - Pops in the Park at Quiet Waters Park, Annapolis. 5:30 p.m. 410-263-0907. Annapolissymphony.org

Rising Artist and Pianist George Bowerman at Unitarian Universalist Church of Annapolis, Annapolis. 3 a.m. 410-266-8044. Uuannapolis.org

Monty Alexander Jazz Festival at Avalon Theatre, Easton. 2 p.m. 410-819-0380. Chesapeakejazz.org

Bayside Summer Concert Series at Downs Park, Pasadena. 4:30 p.m. 443-685-4333. Friendsofdownspk.org

Slipknot, Volbeat, Gajira & Behemoth at Jiffy Lube Live, Bristow. 5:30 p.m. 703-754-6400. Bristowamphitheater.com

UB40 & Shaggy at Filene Center, Vienna. 5:30 p.m. 703-255-1800. Wolftrap.org

SPORTS

Marlins at Nationals at Nationals Park, Washington, D.C. 1:35 p.m. 202-675-6287. Nationals.com (F)

Shorebirds vs. Intimidators at Arthur W. Perdue Stadium, Salisbury. 5:05 p.m. 410-219-3112. Theshorebirds.com (F)

Monday

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Artists' Favorites at What's Up? Media Gallery, Annapolis. 8 a.m.-6 p.m. (Mon.-Fri.). Now through December 13th, 2019. 410-266-6287. Whatsupmag.com

The Sights and Sounds of Abstraction by Christine Zmuda at Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts, Annapolis. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Mon.-Sat.). Now through November 16th, 2019. Free. 410-263-5544. Marylandhall.org

Maryland State Fair at Maryland State Fairgrounds, Timonium. 10 a.m. Marylandstatefair.com (F)

Open Portrait Studio at Academy Arts Museum Of Easton, Easton. 1 p.m. 410-822-2787. Academyartmuseum.org

A Retrospective of Portraits: Dorothy F. Newland at Troika Gallery, Easton. 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (Mon.-Sat.). Now through September 3rd, 2019. 410-770-9190. Troikagallery.com

MUSIC

Bluegrass Jam at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Hurluck. 7 p.m. 410-943-4900.

SPORTS

Mets at Nationals at Nationals Park, Washington, D.C. 1:05 p.m. 202-675-6287. Nationals.com (F)

Shorebirds vs. Intimidators at Arthur W. Perdue Stadium, Salisbury. 2:05 p.m. 410-219-3112. Theshorebirds.com (F)

Tuesday

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Sip and Paint in the Garden at William Paca House and Garden, Annapolis. 5:30 p.m. 410-267-7619. Annapolis.org

Doing the Work: Celebrating 50 Years of MCAAHC at Bonner-Douglass Museum, Annapolis. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (Tues.-Sat.). Now through December 29th, 2019. 410-216-6180. Bdmuseum.maryland.gov

Four Artists: Moving through Abstraction, Annapolis 1950s to 1990s at Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts, Annapolis. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Mon.-Sat.). Now through October 26th, 2019. Free. 410-263-5544. Marylandhall.org

Creative Space: Work by Maryland Hall's Resident and In-House Artists at Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts, Annapolis. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Mon.-Sat.). Now through October 26th, 2019. Free. 410-263-5544. Marylandhall.org

PERFORMING ARTS

Tartuffe at Reynolds Tavern, Annapolis. 7:30 p.m. 410-415-3513. Annapolisshakespeare.org

Aladdin at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

MUSIC

Marcia Ball at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadonstage.com

Mary J. Blige at Filene Center, Vienna, VA. 8 p.m. 703-255-1800. Wolftrap.org

SPORTS

Mets at Nationals at Nationals Park, Washington, D.C. 7:05 p.m. 202-675-6287. Nationals.com (F)

Wednesday

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Crofton Farmers' Market at Crofton Country Club, Crofton. 4 p.m. Croftonfarmersmarket.com

Dinner Under the Stars at Downtown Annapolis, Annapolis. 6 p.m. 443-452-7321. Dinnerunderthestars.org

Karaoke Live! at Rams Head Center Stage, Hanover. 8 p.m. 443-842-7000. Marylandlivecasino.com

Evolve: Painting by Jeff Huntington at Jo Fleming Contemporary Art, Annapolis. 12-5 p.m. (Wed., Fri., Sat.), 12-7 p.m. (Thurs.). Now through October 20th, 2019. 410-280-1847. joflemingcontemporaryart.org

Connections: Work in a Series at Chestertown RiverArts, Chestertown. 11 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (Tues.-Fri.), 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (Sat.), 11 a.m.-3 p.m. (Sun.). Now through September 29th, 2019. 410-778-6300. Chestertownriverarts.net

PERFORMING ARTS

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. 2 p.m. & 8 p.m. 301-924-3400. Olneytheatre.org

Aladdin at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/1).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-332-3300. Studiotheatre.org

MUSIC

UB40 featuring Ali Campbell and Astro & Shaggy 40th Anniversary Tour at MECU Pavilion, Baltimore. 6:30 p.m. 410-547-7200. Mecupavilion.com

NSO Pops: Jim James' The Order of Nature: A Song Cycle at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org September Music

Of Monsters And Men at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

SPORTS

Mets at Nationals at Nationals Park, Washington, D.C. 1:05 p.m. 202-675-6287. Nationals.com (F)

Thursday

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Steam Show Days at Carroll County Farm Museum, Westminster. 7 a.m. 443-974-2005. Masondixonhistorical-society.org (F)

Cambridge Farmers Market at Long Wharf Park, Cambridge. 3 p.m. Visitdorchester.org

Literary House Series: A Reading by Rebecca Makkai at Rose O'Neill Literary House, Chestertown. 4:30 p.m. 410-810-5768. Kentcounty.com

PERFORMING ARTS

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. 8 p.m. 301-924-3400. Olneytheatre.org

Aladdin at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/3).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/4).

MUSIC

September Sunsets Concert Series at Ellen O. Moyer Nature Park, Annapolis. 6 p.m. 410-295-0104. Amaritime.org

Three Dog Night at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Rams-headonstage.com

dodie at 9:30 Club, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Morrissey at Merriweather Post Pavilion, Columbia. 7:30 p.m. 410-715-5550. Merriweathermusic.com

Jennifer Hudson & The National Symphony Orchestra at Filene Center, Vienna, VA. 8 p.m. 703-255-1800. Wolftrap.org

Adam Ezra Group at Avalon Theatre, Easton. 8 p.m. 410-822-7299. Avalontheatre.com

Jenny Lewis at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

NSO at Wolf Trap: Jennifer Hudson at Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts, Vienna. 8 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

NSO at Wolf Trap: Jennifer Hudson at Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts, Vienna. 8 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

SPORTS

Rangers at Orioles at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Baltimore. 7:05 p.m. 888-848-2473. Orioles.com (F)

Friday

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Arts Alive! A Night in New York City at Maryland Hall, Annapolis. 6 p.m. 410-263-5544. Marylandhall.org (C)

Friday Night Karaoke at The Hideaway, Odenton. 9 p.m. 410-874-7300. Hideawayodenton.com

First Friday in Chestertown at Downtown Chestertown, Chestertown. 5 p.m. 443-282-0246. Kentcounty.com

First Friday Gallery Walk at Downtown Easton, Easton. 5 p.m. 410-690-4395. Discover-easton.com

TREES at the Carla Massoni Gallery, Chestertown. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. (Wed.-Fri.), 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Sat.). Now through October 13th, 2019. 410-778-7330. Massoniart.com

PERFORMING ARTS

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. (See 9/5).

Aladdin at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/3).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/4).

Perfect Arrangement at Fells Point Corner Theatre, Baltimore. 8 p.m. Fpct.org

33 Variations at Church Hill Theatre, Church Hill. 8 p.m. 410-556-6003. Churchhill-theatre.org

The Merchant of Venice at Oxford Community Center, Oxford. 6 p.m. Shoreshakespeare.com

MUSIC

The Jerry Douglas Trio at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadonstage.com

National Folk Festival at Downtown Salisbury, Salisbury. 6 p.m. 410-677-1917.

Emmanuel Church Concert Series at Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Chestertown. 7:30 p.m. Emmanuelchester-parish.org

dodie at 9:30 Club, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Shreya Ghoshal at MGM National Harbor, Oxon Hill. 8 p.m. 844-346-4664. Mgmnationalharbor.mgmresorts.com

The Piano Guys at Filene Center, Vienna, VA. 8 p.m. 703-255-1800. Wolftrap.org

Intocable - Perception Tour 2019 at Fillmore Silver Spring, Silver Spring. 8 p.m. 301-960-9999. Fillmoresilverspring.com

Phantogram at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

SPORTS

Rangers at Orioles at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Baltimore. 7:05 p.m. 888-848-2473. Orioles.com (F)

Saturday

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Day on the Bay to St. Michaels at Watermark Cruises, Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-268-7601. Cruisesonthebay.com

Maryland Renaissance Festival at Renaissance Festival, Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-266-7304. Marylandrenaissancefestival.com (F)

Maryland Seafood Festival at Sandy Point State Park, Annapolis. 10 a.m. Abceventsinc.com (C)

English Country Dancing at Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall, Annapolis. 6:30 p.m. 410-268-0231. Contradancers.com

Wild Goose Chase Women's Bike Tour at Dorchester County, Cambridge. 7 a.m. 410-521-5894. Friends-of-blackwater.org (C)

Amish Country Bike Tour at Legislative Hall, Dover, DE. 8 a.m. Amishcountrybiketour.com (C) (F)

Easton Farmers Market at Easton Farmers' Market, Easton. 8 a.m. 410-822-7299. Avalonfoundation.org

Chestertown Farmers Market at Fountain Park, Chestertown. 8 a.m. Townofchestertown.com

Outdoor Art Fair at Kent Island Federation of Arts, Stevensville. 9 a.m. 410-643-7424. Kifa.us

Learn to Row on the Tred Avon at Evergreen, Easton. 9 a.m. 410-819-3395. Escrowers.org

Log Canoe Cruises at Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Saint Michaels. 9:30 a.m. 410-745-4960. Cbmm.org

Greenland Paddle Workshop at Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Saint Michaels. 10 a.m. 410-745-4960. Cbmm.org

First Saturday in Historic Stevensville at Historic Stevensville, Stevensville. 12 p.m. Stevensvilleartsandentertainment.org

Boating Party Fundraiser at Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Saint Michaels. 5:30 p.m. 410-745-2916. Cbmm.org (C)

PERFORMING ARTS

Norm Macdonald at Live! Casino & Hotel, Hanover. 8 p.m. 1-855-563-5483. Livecasinohotel.com

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. (See 9/4).

Aladdin at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/1).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. 2 p.m. & 8 p.m. 202-332-3300. Studiotheatre.org

Perfect Arrangement at Fells Point Corner Theatre, Baltimore. (See 9/6).

The Merchant of Venice at Oxford Community Center, Oxford. (See 9/6).

33 Variations at Church Hill Theatre, Church Hill. (See 9/6).

MUSIC

Swampcandy at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8:30 p.m. 410-268-4545. Rams-headonstage.com

O.A.R. w/ Andrew McMahon in the Wilderness at Merriweather Post Pavilion, Columbia. 6:30 p.m. 410-715-5550. Merriweathermusic.com

Jason Aldean & Kane Brown at Jiffy Lube Live, Bristow. 7:30 p.m. 703-754-6400. Bristowamphitheater.com

Hot Chip at 9:30 Club, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Kacey Musgraves - Oh, What a World Tour at Filene Center, Vienna, VA. 8 p.m. 703-255-1800. Wolftrap.org

Eleanor Ellis at The Mainstay, Rock Hall. 8 p.m. 410-639-9133. Mainstayrockhall.org

SPORTS

Rangers at Orioles at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Baltimore. 7:05 p.m. 888-848-2473. Orioles.com (F)

Sunday

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Maryland Seafood Festival at Sandy Point State Park, Annapolis. 10 a.m. Abceventsinc.com (C)

Annapolis Pancreatic Cancer Research Walk at Susan Campbell Park, Annapolis. 9:30 a.m. Lustgarten.org (C)

Maryland Renaissance Festival at Renaissance Festival, Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-266-7304. Marylandrenaissancefestival.com (F)

Wild Goose Chase Women's Bike Tour at Dorchester County, Cambridge. 7 a.m. 410-521-5894. Friends-of-blackwater.org (C)

Hoopers Island Waterman's Rodeo at P.L. Jones Marina and Boatyard, Fishing Creek. 11 a.m. 410-397-3311. Visit-dorchester.org

5th Annual CrowFest at Crow Vineyard & Winery, Kennedyville. 11 a.m. 302-304-0551. Crowvineyardandwinery.com

PERFORMING ARTS

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. 2 p.m. 301-924-3400. Olneytheatre.org

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. 2 p.m. 202-332-3300. Studiotheatre.org

Perfect Arrangement at Fells Point Corner Theatre, Baltimore. (See 9/1).

The Merchant of Venice at Oxford Community Center, Oxford. 5 p.m. Shoreshakespeare.com

33 Variations at Church Hill Theatre, Church Hill. 2 p.m. 410-556-6003. Churchhill-theatre.org

MUSIC

Don McLean at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Rams-headonstage.com

Bayside Summer Concert Series at Downs Park, Pasadena. 4:30 p.m. 443-685-4333. Friendsofdownspk.org

Deerhunter, Dirty Projectors at 9:30 Club, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Cardi B at Royal Farms Arena, Baltimore. 7:30 p.m. 410-347-2020. Royalfarmsarena.com

Gipsy Kings featuring Nicolas Reyes and Tonino Baliardo at Filene Center, Vienna, VA. 8 p.m. 703-255-1800. Wolftrap.org

BABYMETAL at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

SPORTS

Rangers at Orioles at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Baltimore. 1:05 p.m. 888-848-2473. Orioles.com (F)

Monday

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Italy: A Taste of Italian Tradition Wine Dinner at La Posta Pizzeria, Severna Park. 6:30 p.m. 410-647-7363. Whatsuptix.com (TIX)

B2C Mastermind at Anne Arundel Chamber of Commerce, Annapolis. 9 a.m. 703-439-7804. Annapolismcb2c.eventbrite.com

On Stage

Annapolis:

Arsenic and Old Lace

Colonial Players; September 13th through October 5th, 2019; Prices vary; Thecolonialplayers.org; 410-268-7373

The Brewster family is a once-elite American bloodline that has now descended into homicidal insanity. Mortimer Brewster, a drama critic and the most ostensibly normal of his clan, is forced to cover up for his sadistic kin while being torn between family loyalty and his desire to marry the woman he loves. Exploring motifs of family loyalty, nature versus nurture, and whether we can ever truly break away from our family's influence, *Arsenic and Old Lace* is a dark, screwball comedy declared one of the funniest plays ever by *The New York Times*.

Tartuffe

Annapolis Shakespeare Company; Now through September 10th, 2019; Prices vary; Annapolisshakespeare.org 410-415-3513 This rollicking 90-minute adaptation of Moliere's most popular and controversial comedy is a bawdy romp under the stars. It's presented in ASC's signature tavern style: fast-paced, frivolous, and fun. Performed weekly on Tuesdays in the Reynolds Tavern courtyard.

Homeschool Day at Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Saint Michaels. 10:30 a.m. 410-745-4960. Cbmm.org (F)
Open Portrait Studio at Academy Arts Museum Of Easton, Easton. 1 p.m. 410-822-2787. Academyartmuseum.org

MUSIC

Two Door Cinema Club at 9:30 Club, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Tuesday

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Public Garden Tour at William Paca House and Garden, Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-267-7619. Annapolis.org

Italy: A Taste of Italian Tradition Wine Dinner at La Posta Pizzeria, Severna Park. 6:30 p.m. 410-647-7363. Whatsuptix.com (TIX)

American Red Cross Blood Drive at Anne Arundel County Public Library, Edgewater. 9:30 a.m. 410-222-1538. Aacpl.net

Fall Poetry Series & Open Mic at Anne Arundel County Public Library, Crofton. 6:30 p.m. 410-222-7915. Aacpl.net

Antoni in the Kitchen at Lincoln Theatre, D.C. 6:30 p.m. 202-888-0050. Theincolindc.com

PERFORMING ARTS

Tartuffe at Reynolds Tavern, Annapolis. (See 9/3).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/4).

MUSIC

Two Door Cinema Club at 9:30 Club, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Kamelot at Fillmore Silver Spring, Silver Spring. 8 p.m. 301-960-9999. Fillmoresilver-spring.com

Vic Mensa at Rams Head Live!, Baltimore. 8 p.m. 410-244-1131. Ramsheadlive.com

SPORTS

Dodgers at Orioles at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Baltimore. 7:05 p.m. 888-848-2473. Orioles.com (F)

Wednesday

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Anne Arundel County Fair at Anne Arundel County Fairgrounds, Crownsville. 12 p.m. Aacountyfair.org (F)

Anchors Away! Sunset Cruise on the Severn at Watermark Cruises, Annapolis. 6:30 p.m. Annapoliswellnesshouse.org (C)

Crofton Farmers' Market at Crofton Country Club, Crofton. 4 p.m. Croftonfarmersmarket.com

Dinner Under the Stars at Downtown Annapolis, Annapolis. 6 p.m. 443-452-7321. Dinnerunderthestars.org

Alzheimer's Association Support Group at Spring Arbor of Severna Park, Severna Park. 6:30 p.m. 410-544-7774. Springarborliving.com

Karaoke Live! at Rams Head Center Stage, Hanover. 8 p.m. 443-842-7000. Marylandlivecasino.com

PERFORMING ARTS

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. (See 9/4).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/4).

What the Constitution Means to Me at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

Criminal Podcast - Live Show at Lincoln Theatre, D.C. 6:30 p.m. 202-888-0050. Theincolindc.com

MUSIC

Grace Kelly at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadon-stage.com

Wilder Woods at 9:30 Club, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Peter Frampton at The Anthem, D.C. 7:30 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

Banks - III Tour at Fillmore Silver Spring, Silver Spring. 8 p.m. 301-960-9999. Fillmore-silver-spring.com

SPORTS

Dodgers at Orioles at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Baltimore. 7:05 p.m. 888-848-2473. Orioles.com (F)

Thursday

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Anne Arundel County Fair at Anne Arundel County Fairgrounds, Crownsville. 12 p.m. Aacountyfair.org (F)

Family Bingo at Anne Arundel County Public Library, Linthicum. 6:30 p.m. 410-222-6265. Aacpl.net

Cambridge Farmers Market at Long Wharf Park, Cambridge. 3 p.m. Visitdorchester.org

Open Boatshop at Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Saint Michaels. 5:30 p.m. 410-745-4960. Cbmm.org

How I Built This with Guy Raz: Live with Tristan Walker at Lincoln Theatre, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-888-0050. Theincolindc.com

PERFORMING ARTS

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. (See 9/5).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/4).

What the Constitution Means to Me at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/11).

MUSIC

Sara Evans at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadon-stage.com

Pat Owens Live Music at Riverbay Roadhouse, Annapolis. 9 p.m. 410-757-2919. Riverbayroadhouse.com

September Sunsets Concert Series at Ellen O. Moyer Nature Park, Annapolis. 6 p.m. 410-295-0104. Amaratime.org

Get The Led Out at Maryland Hall, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-263-5544. Marylandhall.org

Chestertown Jazz Festival at Downtown Chestertown, Chestertown. 12 p.m. Chestertownjazzfestival.org

Thursdays in the Park at Millstream Park, Centerville. 7 p.m. 410-758-2520. Queenanne-countyarts.com

Judah & the Lion at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

Chestertown Jazz Fest Kickoff with the Larry McKenna Quartet! at The Mainstay, Rock Hall. 8 p.m. 410-639-9133. Mainstayrockhall.org

SPORTS

Dodgers at Orioles at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Baltimore. 7:05 p.m. 888-848-2473. Orioles.com (F)

Friday

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Anne Arundel County Fair at Anne Arundel County Fairgrounds, Crownsville. 12 p.m. Aacountyfair.org (F)

Live Aboard Harbor Queen: Johnny Bling at Watermark Cruises, Annapolis. 7 p.m. 410-268-7601. Cruisesonthebay.com

Symposium on Building the New Maryland Dove at Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Saint Michaels. 10 a.m. 410-745-4960. Cbmm.org

Friday Night Cruise-In at Historic Downtown Easton, Easton. 6 p.m. Dentonmaryland.com

Friday Night Karaoke at The Hideaway, Odenton. 9 p.m. 410-874-7300. Hideaway-odenton.com

PERFORMING ARTS

Arsenic and Old Lace at The Colonial Players, Inc., Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-7373. Thecolonialplayers.org

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. (See 9/5).

Dane Cook: Tell It Like It Is at The Hippodrome Theatre, Baltimore. 7:30 p.m. 410-837-7400. France-merrickpac.com

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/4).

Perfect Arrangement at Fells Point Corner Theatre, Baltimore. (See 9/6).

What the Constitution Means to Me at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/11).

The Merchant of Venice at Centerville Wharf, Centerville. 6 p.m. Shoreshakespeare.com

33 Variations at Church Hill Theatre, Church Hill. (See 9/6).

MUSIC

Sara Evans at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadon-stage.com

The Band CAMINO at 9:30 Club, D.C. 6 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Stone Temple Pilots and Rival Sons at MECU Pavilion, Baltimore. 7 p.m. 410-547-7200. Mecupavilion.com

The Avett Brothers at UMBC Linehan Concert Hall, Baltimore. 7:30 p.m. 802-255-1826. Soundchronicle.com

Shakey Graves & Dr. Dog at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

Angels & Airwaves at Fillmore Silver Spring, Silver Spring. 8 p.m. 301-960-9999. Fillmore-silver-spring.com

Cody Johnson at Power Plant Live!, Baltimore. 8 p.m. 410-727-5483. Powerplantlive.com

SPORTS

New Jersey Titans @ Maryland Black Bears at Piney Orchard Ice Arena, Annapolis. 7 p.m. 410-672-7013. Piney-icerink.com (F)

Braves at Nationals at Nationals Park, Washington, D.C. 7:05 p.m. 202-675-6287. Nationals.com (F)

Saturday

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Boatyard Beach Bash 2019 at Annapolis Maritime Museum, Annapolis. 5:30 p.m. 410-295-0104. Whatsuptix.com (C) (TIX)

Jailbreak's 5th Anniversary Party at Jailbreak Brewing Company, Laurel. 4 p.m. Whatsuptix.com (TIX)

Anne Arundel County Fair at Anne Arundel County Fairgrounds, Crownsville. 12 p.m. Aacountyfair.org (F)

Intro to Prenatal Fitness at AAMC Doordan Institute, Annapolis. 9 a.m. Aahs.org

Day on the Bay to St. Michaels at Watermark Cruises, Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-268-7601. Cruisesonthebay.com

Maryland Renaissance Festival at Renaissance Festival, Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-266-7304. Marylandrenaissancefestival.com (F)

Architrex Tour at Information Booth at City Dock, Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-268-7601. Annapolistours.com

Annapolis and Colonial Painters at William Paca House and Garden, Annapolis. 11 a.m. 410-267-7619. Annapolis.org

Hospice Cup XXXVIII at Bert Jabin Yacht Yard, Annapolis. 11 a.m. 410-919-8393. Whatsuptix.com (C) (TIX)

Annapolis Opera: Season Opening Gala Celebration at Westin Annapolis Hotel, Annapolis. 6 p.m. 410-267-8135. Annapolisopera.org

Second Saturday Art Night Out at Town of St. Michaels. 5 p.m. Tourtabot.org (F)

Canoe/Kayak Bass Fishing Tournament at Dorchester County Visitor Center, Cambridge. 6 a.m. Visitdorchester.org

Easton Farmers Market at Easton Farmers' Market, Easton. 8 a.m. 410-822-7299. Avalonfoundation.org

Chestertown Farmers Market at Fountain Park, Chestertown. 8 a.m. Townofchestertown.com

Log Canoe Cruises at Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Saint Michaels. 9:30 a.m. 410-745-4960. Cbmm.org

27th Annual Native American Festival at Ball Field, Vienna. 10 a.m. 410-228-0216. Turtletracks.org (C) (F)

Taste the Beaches at Kellam's Field, Chesapeake Beach. 12 p.m. 410-257-2230. (F)

Baltimore Seafood Fest at Canton Waterfront Park, Baltimore. 12 p.m. Baltimoreseafoodfest.com

Kent Goes Purple Community Jamboree at Worton Park, Worton. 1 p.m. 410-778-1948. Kentparksandrec.org (F)

Full Harvest Moon Paddle at Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Saint Michaels. 5:30 p.m. 410-745-4960. Cbmm.org (F)

An Evening at Versailles with Benjamin Franklin at Wye River Upper School, Centreville. 7 p.m. 410-671-5317. Qacif.org

PERFORMING ARTS

Arsenic and Old Lace at The Colonial Players, Inc., Annapolis. (See 9/13).

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. (See 9/4).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/7).

Perfect Arrangement at Fells Point Corner Theatre, Baltimore. (See 9/6).

What the Constitution Means to Me at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 2 p.m. 8 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

The Merchant of Venice at Centreville Wharf, Centreville. (See 9/13).

33 Variations at Church Hill Theatre, Church Hill. (See 9/6).

MUSIC

Bob Sima at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 12:30 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadonstage.com

The Dirty Grass Players at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadonstage.com

Chesapeake Music Festival at Smithsonian Environmental Research Center, Edgewater. 2 p.m. 410-224-3802. Whatsuptix.com (C) (TIX)

D J Jim Live Music at Riverbay Roadhouse, Annapolis. 9 p.m. 410-757-2919. Riverbyroadhouse.com

Barns Courtney at 9:30 Club, D.C. 6 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Del Florida // Changing Scene // Deaf Scene at Cult Classic Brewing Company, Stevensville. 7 p.m. 410-980-8097. Cultclassicbrewing.com

Soulful Symphony: Under an Open Heaven at Merriweather Post Pavilion, Columbia. 7:30 p.m. 410-715-5550. Merriweathermusic.com

Streetlight Manifesto at Fillmore Silver Spring, Silver Spring. 7:30 p.m. 301-960-9999. Fillmoresilver-spring.com

Andrew Bird at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

Dweezil Zappa "Hot Rats & Other Hot Stuff" at Avalon Theatre, Easton. 8 p.m. 410-822-7299. Avalontheatre.com

KIX at Rams Head Live!, Baltimore. 9 p.m. 410-244-1131. Ramsheadlive.com

Marc Rebillet at 9:30 Club, D.C. 10 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

SPORTS

Navy vs. East Carolina University at Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, Annapolis. 3:30 p.m. 1-800-874-6289. Navysports.com (F)

Braves at Nationals at Nationals Park, Washington, D.C. 4:05 p.m. 202-675-6287. Nationals.com (F)

New Jersey Titans @ Maryland Black Bears at Piney Orchard Ice Arena, Annapolis. 7:45 p.m. 410-672-7013. Pineyicerink.com (F)

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Anne Arundel County Fair at Anne Arundel County Fairgrounds, Crownsville. 12 p.m. Accountyfair.org (F)

Maryland Renaissance Festival at Renaissance Festival, Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-266-7304. Marylandrenaissancefestival.com (F)

The Best of the Chesapeake at McBride Gallery, Annapolis. 12 p.m.-5:30 p.m. (Sun.), 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (Mon.-Wed. & Fri.-Sat.), 10 a.m.-9 p.m. (Thurs.). Now through October 20th, 2019. 410-267-7077. Mcbridegallery.com

Ride for Clean Rivers at Chesapeake College, Wye Mills. 8 a.m. 443-385-0511. Shorerivers.org (C)

Log Canoe Cruise at Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Saint Michaels. 9:30 a.m. 410-745-4960. Cbmm.org

Native American Festival at Town of Vienna, Vienna. 10 a.m. 410-228-0216. Turtletracks.org (F) (C)

Verrocchio: Sculptor and Painter of Renaissance Florence at National Gallery of Art, D.C. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Mon.-Sat.), 11 a.m.-6 p.m. (Sun.). Now through January 12th, 2020. Nga.gov

PERFORMING ARTS

Arsenic and Old Lace at The Colonial Players, Inc., Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-7373. Thecolonialplayers.org

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. (See 9/8).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. 2 p.m. & 7 p.m. 202-332-3300. Studiotheatre.org

Perfect Arrangement at Fells Point Corner Theatre, Baltimore. (See 9/11).

What the Constitution Means to Me at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/14).

33 Variations at Church Hill Theatre, Church Hill. (See 9/8).

MUSIC

Robby Krieger at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadonstage.com

Vocal Arts DC presents Brenda Rae, soprano, in Recital at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 2 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

Bayside Summer Concert Series at Downs Park, Pasadena. 4:30 p.m. 443-685-4333. Friendsofdownspk.org

Polo & Pan at 9:30 Club, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Game of Thrones Live Concert Experience at Jiffy Lube Live, Bristow. 8 p.m. 703-754-6400. Bristowamphitheater.com

Burna Boy - The African Giant Returns Tour at Fillmore Silver Spring, Silver Spring. 8 p.m. 301-960-9999. Fillmoresilver-spring.com

SPORTS

Ravens vs. Cardinals at M&T Bank Stadium, Baltimore. 1 p.m. Baltimore Ravens.com (F)

Redskins vs. Cowboys at FedExField, Landover. 1 p.m. 301-276-6800. Redskins.com (F)

Braves at Nationals at Nationals Park, Washington, D.C. 1:35 p.m. 202-675-6287. Nationals.com (F)

Monday
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SPECIAL EVENTS

4th Annual Teeing the Tavern Charity Golf Tournament at Compass Pointe Golf Course, Pasadena. 7:30 a.m. 410-365-4489. (C) (F)

MUSIC

In The Vane Of. The Pretenders at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 7 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadonstage.com

Live at 9:30 Club, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Hillsong Young & Free at Rams Head Live!, Baltimore. 7 p.m. 410-244-1131. Ramsheadlive.com

Mainstay Monday featuring Joe Holt and guests Max Murray and Frank Russo at The Mainstay, Rock Hall. 7 p.m. 410-639-9133. Mainstay-rockhall.org

Bloc Party at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

Tuesday
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SPECIAL EVENTS

Annapolis Rotaract's Putt Putt Classic at Severna Park Golf Center, Severna Park. 6:30 p.m. Whatsuptix.com (TIX)

PERFORMING ARTS

Cats at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 7:30 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/4).

What the Constitution Means to Me at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/11).

MUSIC

Jake Shimabukuro at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadonstage.com

Starset & Palisades at Fillmore Silver Spring, Silver Spring. 7 p.m. 301-960-9999. Fillmoresilver-spring.com

Sigrid at 9:30 Club, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

The B-52s at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

SPORTS

Blue Jays at Orioles at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Baltimore. 7:05 p.m. 888-848-2473. Orioles.com (F)

Wednesday
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SPECIAL EVENTS

Crofton Farmers' Market at Crofton Country Club, Crofton. 4 p.m. Croftonfarmersmarket.com

Dinner Under the Stars at Downtown Annapolis, Annapolis. 6 p.m. 443-452-7321. Dinnerunderthestars.org

Karaoke Live! at Rams Head Center Stage, Hanover. 8 p.m. 443-842-7000. Marylandlivecasino.com

PERFORMING ARTS

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. (See 9/4).

Cats at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/17).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/4).

What the Constitution Means to Me at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/11).

MUSIC

Pam Tillis at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadonstage.com

MARINA - LOVE + FEAR Tour at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

NSO Pops: An Evening with Maxwell at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

PnB Rock - Trapstar Turnt Popstar Tour at Fillmore Silver Spring, Silver Spring. 8 p.m. 301-960-9999. Fillmoresilver-spring.com

SPORTS

Blue Jays at Orioles at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Baltimore. 7:05 p.m. 888-848-2473. Orioles.com (F)

Thursday
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SPECIAL EVENTS

What's Up? Media Party for the Arts: Artists Favorites at What's Up? Media, Annapolis. 5:30 p.m. 410-266-6287. Whatsuptix.com (TIX)

HA Happy Hour at William Paca House and Garden, Annapolis. 5 p.m. 410-267-7619. Annapolis.org

Laughter Yoga at Anne Arundel County Public Library, Deale. 6:30 p.m. 410-222-1925. Aacpl.net

Cambridge Farmers Market at Long Wharf Park, Cambridge. 3 p.m. Visiddorchester.org

Mermaid's Kiss Oysterfest at Baltimore Museum of Industry, Baltimore. 6 p.m. 410-990-4970. Oysterrecovery.org (C)

Haymakers for Hope at The Anneton, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanetondc.com (C)

Judy Chicago-The End: A Meditation on Death and Extinction at National Museum of Women in the Arts, D.C. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Mon.-Sat.), 12-5 p.m. (Sun.). Now through January 20th, 2020. 202-783-5000. Nmwa.org

Live Dangerously at National Museum of Women in the Arts, D.C. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Mon.-Sat.), 12-5 p.m. (Sun.). Now through January 20th, 2020. 202-783-5000. Nmwa.org

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PERFORMING ARTS

Arsenic and Old Lace at The Colonial Players, Inc., Annapolis. (See 9/13).

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. 10:15 a.m. & 8 p.m. 301-924-3400. Olneytheatre.org

Cats at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/17).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/4).

Miss You Like Hell at Baltimore Center Stage, Baltimore. 7:30 p.m. 410-332-0033. Centerstage.org

What the Constitution Means to Me at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/14).

MUSIC

September Sunsets Concert Series at Ellen O. Moyer Nature Park, Annapolis. 6 p.m. 410-295-0104. Amartime.org

Shinedown, Papa Roach & Savage After Midnight at Jiffy Lube Live, Bristow. 6:15 p.m. 703-754-6400. Bristowamphitheater.com

Tinariwen at Lincoln Theatre, D.C. 6:30 p.m. 202-888-0050. Theincolndc.com

Band of Skulls at 9:30 Club, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back - In Concert at The Music Center at Strathmore, North Bethesda. 8 p.m. 1-877-276-1444. Bsmusic.org

NSO Pops: An Evening with Maxwell at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

Songs From the Road Band at Avalon Theatre, Easton. 8 p.m. 410-822-7299. Avalontheatre.com

Renée Fleming VOICES: Rhiannon Giddens with Francesco Turrisi at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

National Symphony Orchestra: Season Opening Gala Concert at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

NSO at Wolf Trap: Jennifer Hudson at Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts, Vienna. 8 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

SPORTS

Blue Jays at Orioles at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Baltimore. 7:05 p.m. 888-848-2473. Orioles.com (F)

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Renée Fleming VOICES: Rhiannon Giddens with Francesco Turrisi at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. (See 9/5).

Cats at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/17).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/4).

Miss You Like Hell at Baltimore Center Stage, Baltimore. 8 p.m. 410-332-0033. Centerstage.org

Perfect Arrangement at Fells Point Corner Theatre, Baltimore. (See 9/6).

What the Constitution Means to Me at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/11).

33 Variations at Church Hill Theatre, Church Hill. (See 9/6).

The Wendi & Justin Comedy Show at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadonstage.com

MUSIC

Taking Back Sunday at Power Plant Live!, Baltimore. 7 p.m. 410-727-5483. Powerplantlive.com

Gina Chavez Duo at Avalon Theatre, Easton. 8 p.m. 410-822-7299. Avalontheatre.com

Grace VanderWaal at 9:30 Club, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back - In Concert at Joseph Meyerhoff Symphony Hall, Baltimore. 8 p.m. 1-877-276-1444. Bsmusic.org

NSO Pops: An Evening with Maxwell at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

Mac Demarco at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanetondc.com

Renée Fleming VOICES: Rhiannon Giddens with Francesco Turrisi at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

National Symphony Orchestra: Season Opening Gala Concert at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

NSO at Wolf Trap: Jennifer Hudson at Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts, Vienna. 8 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

Banda MS - Sinaloense Tour at Capital One Arena, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-628-3200. Capitalonearena.com

Emo Night at Rams Head Live!, Baltimore. 9 p.m. 410-244-1131. Ramsheadlive.com

SPORTS

Mariners at Orioles at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Baltimore. 7:05 p.m. 888-848-2473. Orioles.com (F)

Chesapeake Bayhawks vs. Denver Outlaws at Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 866-994-2957. Thebayhawks.com (F)

Saturday
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SPECIAL EVENTS

OBi Fall Festival at OBI, Millersville. 10 a.m. 410-787-0700. Obiworks.org (C)

Annapolis Home & Remodeling Expo at The Byzantium Event Center, Annapolis. 10 a.m. Midatlanticexpos.com

Day on the Bay to St. Michaels at Watermark Cruises, Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-268-7601. Cruisesonthebay.com

Maryland Renaissance Festival at Renaissance Festival, Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-266-7304. Marylandrenaissancefestival.com (F)

Fall Fest at Homestead Gardens, Severna Park. 11 a.m. 410.798.5000. Homesteadgardens.com (F)

Annapolis Out of the Darkness Walk at Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, Annapolis. 11:30 a.m. afsp.org/Annapolis (C)

Contra Dancing at Annapolis Friends Meeting Hall, Annapolis. 6:30 p.m. 443-540-0867. Contradancers.com

Alpaca Festival at Outstanding Dreams Farm, Preston. 410-829-2012. Outstandingdreamsfarm.com

Kent Island Beach Cleanup's International Coastal Cleanup at Queen Anne's County, Annapolis. 8 a.m. 410-458-1240. Kentislandbeachcleanup.com (C) (F)

Easton Farmers Market at Easton Farmers' Market, Easton. 8 a.m. 410-822-7299. Avalonfoundation.org

Chestertown Farmers Market at Fountain Park, Chestertown. 8 a.m. Townofchestertown.com

Run the Vineyard - Crow 5k at Crow Vineyard & Winery, Kennedyville. 9 a.m. Crowvineyard.com

Easton Airport Day at Easton Airport, Easton. 10 a.m. Eastonairportday.com (F)

DogFest at Baltimore Humane Society, Reisterstown. 10 a.m. 410-833-8848. Dogfest.org (C)

The Maryland Wine Festival at Carroll County Farm Museum, Westminster. 10 a.m. 410-386-3880. Carrollcountymuseum.org

Smithsonian Museum Day at Historic London Town and Gardens, Edgewater. 10 a.m. Historiclondontown.org

Margaret Atwood - THE TESTAMENTS Book Tour at Lincoln Theatre, D.C. 5:30 p.m. 202-888-0050. Theincolndc.com

PERFORMING ARTS

Arsenic and Old Lace at The Colonial Players, Inc., Annapolis. (See 9/13).

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. (See 9/4).

Cats at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 1:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/7).

Miss You Like Hell at Baltimore Center Stage, Baltimore. 2 p.m. & 8 p.m. 410-332-0033. Centerstage.org

Perfect Arrangement at Fells Point Corner Theatre, Baltimore. (See 9/6).

What the Constitution Means to Me at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/14).

Marshal Manlove At Wicomico Youth & Civic Center - Midway Room at Wicomico Youth & Civic Center, Salisbury. 5 p.m. 410-548-4911. Wicomicociviccenter.org

33 Variations at Church Hill Theatre, Church Hill. (See 9/6).

MUSIC

Blue Miracle & The Jello Boys at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadonstage.com

Rick Wakeman: Grumpy Old Rock Star Tour at Maryland Hall, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-263-5544. Marylandhall.org

Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back - In Concert at Joseph Meyerhoff Symphony Hall, Baltimore. 3 p.m. 1-877-276-1444. Bsmusic.org

Music on the Nanticoke Concert at Vienna Waterfront Park, Vienna. 4 p.m. 443-239-0813.

Rancid with Special Guests Pennywise at MECU Pavilion, Baltimore. 5 p.m. 410-547-7200. Mecupavilion.com

Groovefest Music Festival at Downtown Cambridge, Cambridge. 5 p.m. 443-477-0843. Downtowncambridge.org

grandson at 9:30 Club, D.C. 6 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

TYLER, THE CREATOR Jaden Smith & GoldLink at Merriweather Post Pavilion, Columbia. 7 p.m. 410-715-5550. Merriweathermusic.com

Rebel Soul returns to Cult Classic at Cult Classic Brewing Company, Stevensville. 7 p.m. 410-980-8097. Cultclassicbrewing.com

Hoodie Allen - Whatever USA Tour at Fillmore Silver Spring, Silver Spring. 8 p.m. 301-960-9999. Fillmoresilver-spring.com

Victoria Vox at The Mainstay, Rock Hall. 8 p.m. 410-639-9133. Mainstayrockhall.org

Bastille at The Anthem, D.C. 9 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanetondc.com

SPORTS

Mariners at Orioles at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Baltimore. 7:05 p.m. 888-848-2473. Orioles.com (F)

Sunday
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SPECIAL EVENTS

Annapolis Home & Remodeling Expo at The Byzantium Event Center, Annapolis. 12 p.m. Midatlanticexpos.com

Fall Fest at Homestead Gardens, Severna Park. 11 a.m. 410.798.5000. Homesteadgardens.com (F)

Run for the Light House at Quiet Waters Park, Annapolis. 8 a.m. 443-569-4209. Friendslshs.org (C)

9/11 Heroes Run at Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium, Annapolis. 2 p.m. 911heroes-run.org/Annapolis (C)

Maryland Renaissance Festival at Renaissance Festival, Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-266-7304. Marylandrenaissancefestival.com (F)

Classic Wooden Boat Regatta at Schooner Woodwind Annapolis Sailing Cruises, Annapolis. 11 a.m. 410-263-7837. Schoonerwoodwind.com

Pet Loss Seminar at Perfect Pet Resort, Lothian. 1 p.m. 410-741-0000. Perfectpetresort.com

9th Annual Ridgely Car Show at Martin Sutton Park, Ridgely. 9 a.m.

Exhibitions



Annapolis:

↑ Evolve: Painting by Jeff Huntington

Jo Fleming Contemporary Art; Now through September 30th, 2019; Free; joflemingcontemporaryart.org; 410-280-184 The exhibition includes contemporary portraiture in oil on panels or canvas as well as cut paper collage. Jeff Huntington's powerful compositions pulsate with rich layered imagery, patterning, and multiplicity, incorporating Huntington's exploration of techniques he developed for monumentally scaled public art murals made using digitally cut templates, modern screen print techniques and aerosol spray paint. Exhibition images capture the faces of iconic characters that have caught Huntington's attention including Heinrich Himmler and Madame Nhu.

The Color of Light

The Galleries at Quiet Waters Park; Now through October 13th, 2019; Opening reception: September 8th, 1:30-3:30 p.m.; \$6; fqwp.org; 410-222-1777 *The Color of Light* will feature artwork the West River Artists. This group, founded in 1984, features about 20 artists from Annapolis/D.C. area who meet weekly in Galesville Community Center to paint and to critique.

Four Artists: Moving through Abstraction, Annapolis 1950s to 1990s

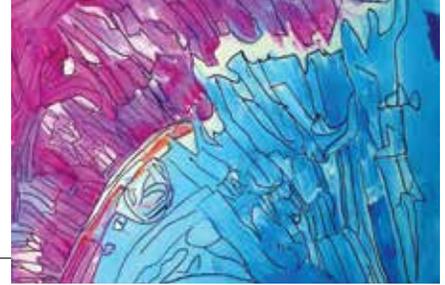
Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts; September 3rd through October 26th, 2019; Opening reception: September 19th, 5:30-7 p.m.; Free; Marylandhall.org; 410-263-5544 *Four Artists: Moving Through Abstraction, Annapolis 1950-1990* showcases the avant-garde work of Michel Freinek, Esther Levy, Virginia Ochs, and Missy Weems, four women living and painting in Annapolis during the period 1950 to 1990. The exhibition will incorporate between four and eight oil paintings from each artist, resulting in an exhibition of approximately 25 to 30 works, large and small.

Artists' Favorites

What's Up? Media; August 23rd through December 13th, 2019 Opening reception: September 19th, 5:30-7 p.m.; Free admission; Whatsupmag.com; 410-266-6287 What's Up? Media, in partnership with the Arts Council of Anne Arundel County, presents its newest exhibition, *Artists' Favorites*. Artists are often asked to make work to fit a theme or to try to fit an existing piece into a themed show. This exhibition is about giving artists an opportunity to step outside the constraints of a theme, and to share their favorite pieces that might not have been a good fit with a previous show.

Creative Space: Work by Maryland Hall's Resident and In-House Artists

Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts; September 3rd through October 26th, 2019; Opening reception: September 19th, 5:30-7 p.m.; Free; Marylandhall.org; 410-263-5544 Maryland Hall celebrates the third-floor studio artists with this group exhibition of both Artists-in-Residence and In-House artists. Though the artists have their own individual studios and work in a wide-range of styles and mediums, this exhibition showcases Maryland Hall's diverse community of both professional and emerging artists.



Leah Loebner, "Blue Emotion," Mixed Media, *Breaking the Barriers*, Open Eye Gallery, Arundel Lodge, Quiet Waters Park

↑ Breaking the Barriers

The Galleries at Quiet Waters Park; Now through October 13th, 2019; Opening reception: September 8th, 1:30-3:30 p.m.; \$6; fqwp.org; 410-222-1777 *Breaking the Barriers* is an exhibit from the Open Eye Gallery at Arundel Lodge. The Gallery creates a safe, supportive environment for a community of artists to explore and develop their creative visions. Creating expressive works provides opportunities for growth, transformation, to help cope with trauma, and aids in overall recovery and wellness.

American Impressionism: Treasures from the Daywood Collection

Mitchell Gallery, St. Johns College; Now through October 27th, 2019; Free; Sjc.edu; 410-626-2556 American art changed significantly between the late 19th and early 20th centuries when artists moved from European-style landscapes and monumental portraits to intimate subjects of the American countryside and portraits of those around them. This exhibition of over 40 works highlights this shift through the visions of artists Arthur Bowen Davies, Henry Ward Ranger, George Inness, Ernest Lawson, Willard Metcalf, Edward Redfield, Charles Hawthorne, George Luks, and John Sloan.

The Best of the Chesapeake

McBride Gallery; September 15th through October 20th, 2019; Opening reception: September 15th, 2019; Free; Mcbridegallery.com; 410-267-7077 This annual exhibition features paintings and sculptures by noted marine and landscape artists focused on the Chesapeake Bay. From visiting historic square-riggers, pleasure boats, and workboats, the Bay has a lot to offer the artist. Life continues to thrive around this body of water, not just the human variety, but great blue herons, egrets, and osprey that live on and around the water. The small family farms and harbor towns add a quaintness and character along the many miles of sandy and marshy shorelines.

The Maryland Wine Festival at Carroll County Farm Museum, Westminster. 11 a.m. 410-386-3880. Carrollcountymuseum.org

Dorchester's 350th Anniversary Celebration at High Street, Cambridge. 12 p.m. 410-228-1000. Visitdorchester.org

Dorchester Center for the Arts Showcase at High Street, Cambridge. 12 p.m. 410-228-7782. Dorchester-arts.org (F)

PERFORMING ARTS

Arsenic and Old Lace at The Colonial Players, Inc., Annapolis. (See 9/15).

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. (See 9/8).

Cats at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/21).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/15).

Miss You Like Hell at Baltimore Center Stage, Baltimore. 2 p.m. 410-332-0033. Centerstage.org

Perfect Arrangement at Fells Point Corner Theatre, Baltimore. (See 9/1).

What the Constitution Means to Me at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 2 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

33 Variations at Church Hill Theatre, Church Hill. (See 9/8).

MUSIC

Judy Collins at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 4:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadonstage.com

Boyside Summer Concert Series at Downs Park, Pasadena. 4:30 p.m. 443-685-4333. Friendsofdownspk.org

The Waterboys at Lincoln Theatre, D.C. 6:30 p.m. 202-888-0050. Thelincoldc.com

Chris Brown - Indigo Tour 2019 at Capital One Arena, D.C. 6:30 p.m. 202-628-3200. Capitalonearena.com

Alter Bridge & Skillet - Victorious Sky Tour at MECU Pavilion, Baltimore. 7 p.m. 410-547-7200. Mecupavilion.com

Ride at 9:30 Club, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

North Sea Gas at Avalon Theatre, Easton. 8 p.m. 410-822-7299. Avalontheatre.com

SPORTS

D.C. United vs. Seattle Sounders FC at Audi Field, D.C. 8 p.m. Dcunited.com (F)

Mariners at Orioles at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, Baltimore. 1:05 p.m. 888-848-2473. Orioles.com (F)

Monday
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SPECIAL EVENTS

Beginner Yoga at Anne Arundel County Public Library, Eastport-Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-222-1770. Aacpl.net

An Evening with Dr. Jane Goodall at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

MUSIC

Adam Ant at Lincoln Theatre, D.C. 6:30 p.m. 202-888-0050. Thelincoldc.com

Whitney at 9:30 Club, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

SPORTS

Phillies at Nationals at Nationals Park, Washington, D.C. 7:05 p.m. 202-675-6287. Nationals.com (F)

Redskins vs. Bears at FedExField, Landover. 8:15 p.m. 301-276-6800. Redskins.com (F)

Tuesday
24

SPECIAL EVENTS

Chair Yoga at Anne Arundel County Public Library, Crofton. 1 p.m. 410-222-7915. Aacpl.net

PERFORMING ARTS

Garfield Improv Group at Garfield Center for the Arts, Chestertown. 8 p.m. Garfield-center.org

Cats at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/17).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/4).

Miss You Like Hell at Baltimore Center Stage, Baltimore. (See 9/19).

MUSIC

Magic City Hippies at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadonstage.com

Ingrid Michaelson at 9:30 Club, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Bad Suns at Rams Head Live!, Baltimore. 8 p.m. 410-244-1131. Ramsheadlive.com

Massive Attack at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

SPORTS

Phillies at Nationals at Nationals Park, Washington, D.C. 7:05 p.m. 202-675-6287. Nationals.com (F)

Wednesday
25

SPECIAL EVENTS

Whiskey 101 & Meet the Distiller at Fishpaws Marketplace, Arnold. 6 p.m. 410-647-7363. Whatsuptix.com (Tix)

Crofton Farmers' Market at Crofton Country Club, Crofton. 4 p.m. Croftonfarmersmarket.com

Karaoke Live! at Rams Head Center Stage, Hanover. 8 p.m. 443-842-7000. Marylandlivecasino.com

Open Mic Night at the Garfield at Garfield Center for the Arts, Chestertown. 7:30 p.m. Garfieldcenter.org

PERFORMING ARTS

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. (See 9/5).

Cats at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/17).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/4).

Miss You Like Hell at Baltimore Center Stage, Baltimore. (See 9/19).

MUSIC

Ace Frehley at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadonstage.com

Cat Power at Lincoln Theatre, D.C. 6:30 p.m. 202-888-0050. Thelincoldc.com

Stereolab at 9:30 Club, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Local Natives at Rams Head Live!, Baltimore. 8 p.m. 410-244-1131. Ramsheadlive.com

Lizzo at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

SPORTS

Phillies at Nationals at Nationals Park, Washington, D.C. 7:05 p.m. 202-675-6287. Nationals.com (F)

Thursday
26

SPECIAL EVENTS

Tribute to Women & Industry Awards at Hotel Annapolis, Annapolis. 11:30 a.m. 410-626-7800. Annapoliswca.org (C)

Taste of the Chesapeake at Crowne Plaza Annapolis Hotel, Annapolis. 6 p.m. 443949-0575. Whatsuptix.com (C) (Tix)

22nd Annual Bowl-a-thon at Glen Burnie Bowl America, Glen Burnie. 10 a.m. 410-787-0700. Obiworks.org (C)

SPCA Benefit Cruise at Watermark Cruises, Annapolis. 6 p.m. 410-268-7601. Cruise-sonthebay.com (C)

Blazers. Bourbon. Cigars. at William Paca House and Garden, Annapolis. 6 p.m. Annapolis.org

Cambridge Farmers Market at Long Wharf Park, Cambridge. 3 p.m. Visitdorchester.org

Ta-Nehisi Coates - THE WATER DANCER Book Tour at Lincoln Theatre, D.C. 5:30 p.m. 202-888-0050. Thelincoldc.com

PERFORMING ARTS

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Cats at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/17).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/4).

Miss You Like Hell at Baltimore Center Stage, Baltimore. (See 9/19).

MUSIC

September Sunsets Concert Series at Ellen O. Moyer Nature Park, Annapolis. 6 p.m. 410-295-0104. Amaritime.org

Delbert McClinton at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadonstage.com

D J Jim Live Music at Riverbay Roadhouse, Annapolis. 9 p.m. 410-757-2919. Riverbay-roadhouse.com

Miranda Lambert at Royal Farms Arena, Baltimore. 7 p.m. 410-347-2020. Royal-farmsarena.com

Pinegrove at 9:30 Club, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Renée Fleming VOICES: Rhiannon Giddens with Francesco Turrisi at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 7:30 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

Lizzo at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

Wynonna Judd & The Big Noise at Avalon Theatre, Easton. 8 p.m. 410-822-7299. Avalontheatre.com

Yung Gravy - Experience the Sensation Tour at Fillmore Silver Spring, Silver Spring. 9 p.m. 301-960-9999. Fillmore-silverspring.com

SPORTS

Phillies at Nationals at Nationals Park, Washington, D.C. 4:05 p.m. 202-675-6287. Nationals.com (F)

Friday
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SPECIAL EVENTS

ASO Opening Night Celebration at Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts, Annapolis. 6 p.m. 410-263-0907. Annapolisymphony.org

Movie Night Under the Stars at Eastport-Annapolis Neck Community Library, Annapolis. 5 p.m. Sofaonnapolis.com

Friday Night Karaoke at The Hideaway, Odenton. 9 p.m. 410-874-7300. Hideaway-odenton.com

Wine on the Beach at Ocean City Inlet, Ocean City. 11 a.m. Winefest.com

5th Annual UWQAC Crab Feast at Harris Crab House, Grasonville. 6 p.m. 410-643-6288. Whatsuptix.com (C) (Tix)

Lee Ufan: Open Dimension at Hirshhorn Museum, D.C. 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. daily. Now through September 13th, 2020. 202-633-1000. Hirshhorn.si.edu

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Cats at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/17).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/4).

Miss You Like Hell at Baltimore Center Stage, Baltimore. (See 9/20).

Peppa Pig Live! - Peppa Pig's Adventure! at The Hippodrome Theatre, Baltimore. 6 p.m. 410-837-7400. France-merrickpac.com (F)

MUSIC

Bob Mould at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Ramsheadonstage.com

half*alive at 9:30 Club, D.C. 6 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Snoop Dogg & Wu Tang Clan at Jiffy Lube Live, Bristow. 7 p.m. 703-754-6400. Bristowamphitheater.com

GRIZ at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

Gloria Trevi: Diosa De La Noche Tour at MGM National Harbor, Oxon Hill. 8 p.m. 844-346-4664. Mgmnationalharbor.mgmresorts.com

SPORTS

Indians at Nationals at Nationals Park, Washington, D.C. 7:05 p.m. 202-675-6287. Nationals.com (F)

Saturday
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SPECIAL EVENTS

ASO Opening Night Celebration at Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts, Annapolis. 6 p.m. 410-263-0907. Annapolisymphony.org

Twist and Stout at Quiet Waters Park, Annapolis. 12 p.m. 410-222-7316. Twistandstout.org

30th Annual Kunta Kinte Heritage Festival at Annapolis City Dock, Annapolis. 10 a.m. Kuntakinte.org (F)

Architrex Tour at Information Booth at City Dock, Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-268-7601. Annapolistouers.com

Fall Fest at Homestead Gardens, Severna Park. 11 a.m. 410.798.5000. Homesteadgardens.com (F)

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Day on the Bay to St. Michaels at Watermark Cruises, Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-268-7601. Cruisesonthebay.com

Maryland Renaissance Festival at Renaissance Festival, Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-266-7304. Marylandrenaissancefestival.com (F)

IRONMAN Maryland at Great Marsh Park, Cambridge. 6:45 a.m. Ironman.com

Easton Farmers Market at Easton Farmers' Market, Easton. 8 a.m. 410-822-7299. Avalonfoundation.org

Chestertown Farmers Market at Fountain Park, Chestertown. 8 a.m. Townofchestertown.com

Skin-on-Frame Kayak Workshop at Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Saint Michaels. 8:30 a.m. 410-745-4960. Cbmm.org

Frederick Douglass Day at Easton, Easton. 10 a.m. Frederickdouglasshonorsociety.org (F)

Elf Classic Yacht Race Spectator Cruise at Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Saint Michaels. 10:30 a.m. 410-745-4960. Cbmm.org

Mid-Shore Out of the Darkness Walk at Idlewild Park, Easton. 11 a.m. Afsp.org / MidShoreMD (C)

PERFORMING ARTS

Arsenic and Old Lace at The Colonial Players, Inc., Annapolis. (See 9/13).

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. (See 9/4).

Cats at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/21).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/7).

Miss You Like Hell at Baltimore Center Stage, Baltimore. (See 9/21).

MUSIC

Gregg Karukas at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Rams-headonstage.com

Jade Bird at 9:30 Club, D.C. 6 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

National Symphony Orchestra: Season Opening Gala Concert at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-467-4600. Kennedy-center.org

Billy Price Band at The Mainstay, Rock Hall. 8 p.m. 410-639-9133. Mainstayrock-hall.org

Joe Russo's Almost Dead at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

SPORTS

Indians at Nationals at Nationals Park, Washington, D.C. 4:05 p.m. 202-675-6287. Nationals.com (F)

Sunday
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SPECIAL EVENTS

Maryland Renaissance Festival at Renaissance Festival, Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-266-7304. Marylandrenaissancefestival.com (F)

Bands on the Bay Oktoberfest at YMCA Camp Lettes, Edgewater. 1:30 p.m. Celebratehopefoundation.org (C)

Fall Fest at Homestead Gardens, Severna Park. 11 a.m. 410.798.5000. Homesteadgardens.com (F)

Osprey 5K and Fall Festival at Kent School, Chestertown. 9 a.m. 410-778-4100. Kentschool.org

13th Annual St. Michaels Concours d' Elegance at Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, Saint Michaels. 10 a.m. 443-262-5916. Smcdc.org (C) (F)

Generations: A History of Black Abstract Art at Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Wed.-Sun.). Now through January 19th, 2020. 443-573-1700. Artbma.org

Melvin Edwards: Crossroads at Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Wed.-Sun.). Now through January 19th, 2020. 443-573-1700. Artbma.org

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Arsenic and Old Lace at The Colonial Players, Inc., Annapolis. (See 9/15).

Cabaret at Olney Theatre, Olney. (See 9/8).

Cats at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, D.C. (See 9/21).

Doubt at Studio Theatre, D.C. (See 9/15).

Miss You Like Hell at Baltimore Center Stage, Baltimore. (See 9/22).

MUSIC

JOURNEYMAN at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Rams-headonstage.com

Sunday in the Country at Merriweather Post Pavilion, Columbia. 2 p.m. 410-715-5550. Merriweathermusic.com

Bayside Summer Concert Series at Downs Park, Pasadena. 4:30 p.m. 443-685-4333. Friendsofdownspk.org

Nahko And Medicine For The People at Lincoln Theatre, D.C. 6:30 p.m. 202-888-0050. Theincolndc.com

K.Flay at 9:30 Club, D.C. 6:30 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

GWAR at Rams Head Live!, Baltimore. 7:30 p.m. 410-244-1131. Ramsheadlive.com

Snow Tha Product at Fillmore Silver Spring, Silver Spring. 8 p.m. 301-960-9999. Fillmore-silverspring.com

Catfish and the Bottlemen at The Anthem, D.C. 8 p.m. 202-888-0020. Theanthemdc.com

SPORTS

Ravens vs. Browns at M&T Bank Stadium, Baltimore. 1 p.m. Baltimore Ravens.com (F)

Indians at Nationals at Nationals Park, Washington, D.C. 3:05 p.m. 202-675-6287. Nationals.com (F)

Monday
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SPECIAL EVENTS

Beginner Yoga at Anne Arundel County Public Library, Eastport-Annapolis. 10 a.m. 410-222-1770. Aaacpl.net

MUSIC

Dean Lewis at 9:30 Club, D.C. 7 p.m. 202-265-0930. 930.com

Greg Laswell at Rams Head On Stage, Annapolis. 8 p.m. 410-268-4545. Rams-headonstage.com

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Here's how the contest works: Wilma appears next to three different ads in this magazine. When you spot her, write the names of the ads and their page numbers on the entry form online or mail in the form below and you'll be eligible to win. Only one entry per family. Good luck and don't forget to submit your restaurant review online at whatsupmag.com/promotions for another opportunity to win a prize.

Congratulations to this month's winner: Deborah Bates of Odenton, who won a gift certificate to O'Learys Seafood Restaurant!

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