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THE St. Mary's County Chamber OF COMMERCE

UPDATE

A Fond Farewell to Chamber Staff

Donna Lange, Rich Fleming, and Lynn Mackerman at the BAH on June 23rd. Donna and Rich have retired effective June 30th. Lynn will be taking over Donna's duties as Office Manager, and an announcement on a new President/CEO is expected soon.

Save the Date

A Taste of St. Mary's

Saturday, September 11, 2021

On the Square in
Historic Leonardtown

Vendors will sell samples of their specialty items. This is a family event and there is no admission charge.

We hope to see you there!

Vendors and Sponsors are needed.
Contact the Chamber Office for info.

Business *After Hours*

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At

Olde Town Pub
22785 Washington Street
Leonardtown, MD 20650

Wednesday, July 28, 2021
5:00-6:30 p.m.

Door prizes, 50/50 raffle, refreshments

Register at https://smcchamber.com

Welcome to Our New Member

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Point of Contact: Britney Wallace
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Join Us for a "What Does Your Soul Need Today" Themed Event!

Olde Town Pub, 22785 Washington St, Leonardtown

Wednesday, July 28th

5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Appetizers Provided
Bring your $$$ for your chance at the 50/50 raffle

Door Prizes Include:

Basket of Cheer with $50 Olde Town Pub Gift Card
Basket-o-Golf to include 1 Round at Wicomico Shores
3 night/4 Day Beach Getaway to Beautiful Sunset Beach, NC
(Between 9/12/21 - 4/3/22)

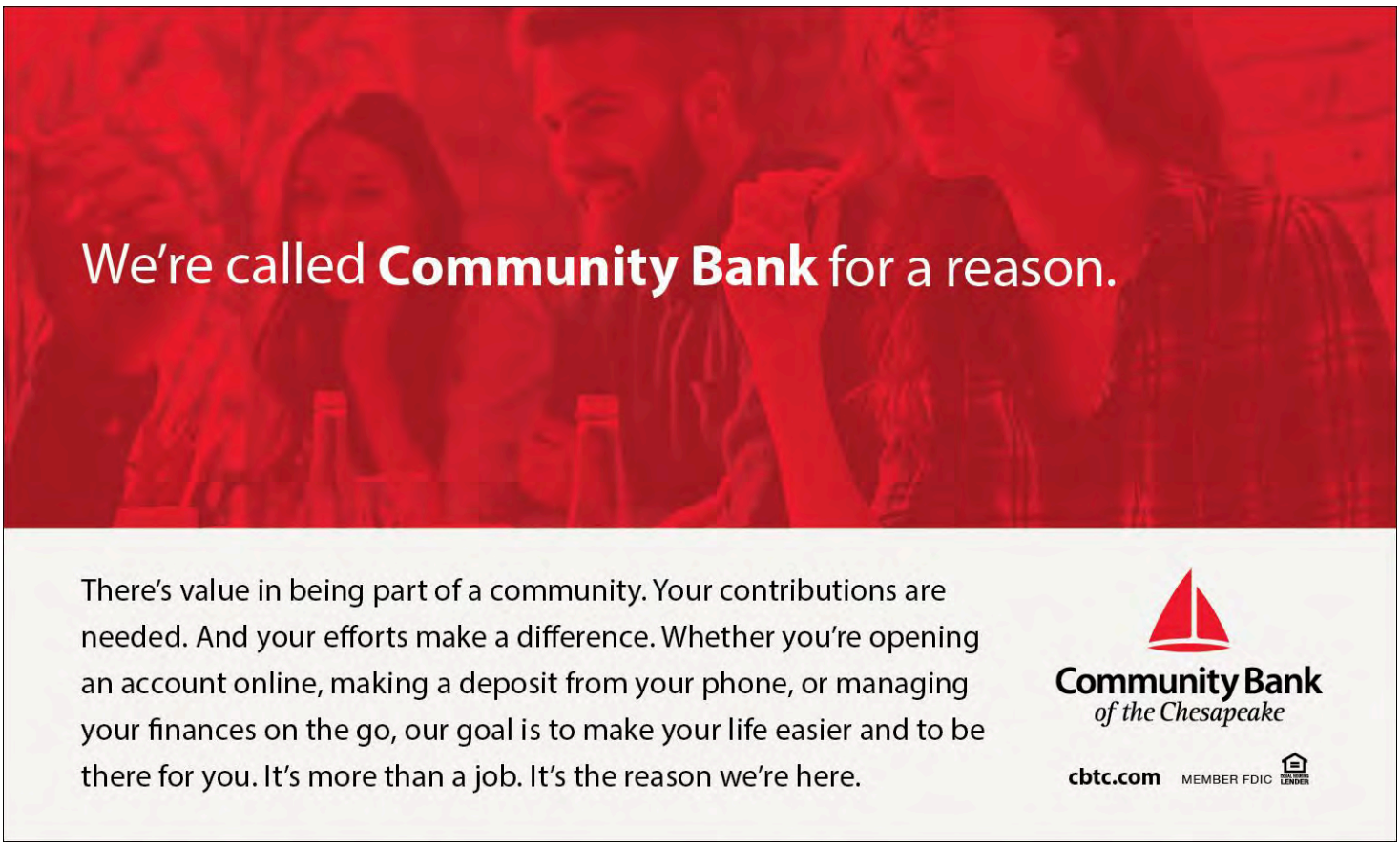
And Many More.....

Please register at https://smcchamber.com

National Lighthouse Weekend at Piney Point Lighthouse Museum

August 7-8, 2021
10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Piney Point Lighthouse Museum
44720 Lighthouse Road Piney Point, MD 20674
Phone: 301-994-1471
Web: Facebook.com/1836Light

Head to Piney Point for a fun FREE Open House weekend in recognition of National Lighthouse Day, which is officially celebrated each year on August 7th. Enjoy tours of the museum, Potomac River Maritime Exhibit, lighthouse tower and grounds.



Greenwell Foundation and the Rotary Club of Lexington Park Partner in Service to At-Risk Local Teens

A key priority for the Rotary Club of Lexington Park's philanthropic efforts this year is to address mental health issues challenging the area's youth. Rotary leadership has awarded Greenwell Foundation a grant of $4,500 to bring their "Re-connecting Field Trips" to Great Mills High School this summer.

Greenwell's research-based field trips involve cooperative activities, Equine Assisted Activities and Therapies (EAAT), communication challenges and time for reflection and meditation, all facilitated by Greenwell staff.

Explains Julie Randall, Director of the Rotary Club's Community Service Lane, "Greenwell has been hosting therapeutic field trips for years, and we at Rotary Club of Lexington Park are thrilled to be helping them provide these services during this particularly challenging time for youth – with schools opening up, reconnection with peers and teachers will be vitally important and we know that these field trips will help so much."

Trips will begin this summer with on-site activities, and – with sufficient resources – continue into the 2021-2022 school year.

Get more information about Greenwell Foundation's programs at the website, www.greenwellfoundation.org or by calling the office at 301-373-9775.

For more information about the Rotary Club of Lexington Park, visit their website at www.rotarylp.org.

New Hickory Hills Water Storage Tower Takes Shape

The Metropolitan Commission is pleased to announce that the new 275 foot tall, 2 million gallon water tank is now in place with final painting and coating underway. Time-lapse videos of the construction and the recent elevation of the bowl on the structure can be viewed at https://www.metcom.org/hickoryhillsprogress.

With the overhead construction work completed, the site will now be safe for the commencement of well drilling operations. This next phase of the project will include the replacement of the original well built in 1992. The new deep well will be capable of delivering water at a rate of approximately 700 gallon per minute.

MetCom Executive Director George Erichsen states "The 500,000 gallon water tower currently in use cannot be removed and taken out of service until the new elevated storage tank is tested and fully operational. We expect that the existing water tower will be demobilized and removed by the end of the calendar year. The final punch-list on the project should be completed in January, 2022."'

This project will help stabilize water system pressures throughout Lexington Park and improve water storage deficiencies to meet the current water demands of the community.

Currently MetCom operates 17 elevated water storage towers, 37 ground storage towers, and 28 water supply and distribution systems throughout the county, including 67 wells supplying approximately 1.4 billion gallons of water annually. To learn more about our planned projects, visit www.metcom.org and select Capital Improvement Projects under the Engineering tab.

July 19 – 22, 2021, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Piney Point Lighthouse Museum
44720 Lighthouse Road, Piney Point, MD 20674
Phone: 301-994-1471
Facebook.com/1836Light

Kids are invited to enjoy a STEAM oriented program at Piney Point Lighthouse Museum focused on outdoor science and exploration. Every day will have a different nature theme filled with tons of fun crafts and activities. Kids can explore the nature at Piney Point while having fun. This is an in-person program that will follow all COVID safe protocols. Throughout this 4-day week, participants will create their very own Field Journal based on their findings. During our adventures, kids will make lots of exploration materials that they can take home and continue exploring. $40 per child for all 4 days. Call to book.

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JULY 14, 2021
9:00AM - 11:00AM
VIRTUAL EVENT
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www,rotarylp.org
www.facebook.com/Rotary-Club-of-Lexington-Park-Rotary-Club-5892-248509568494043/

June 1, 2021

Dear Friends of Rotary,

The Rotary Club of Lexington Park is having its 23rd Charity Golf Tournament to be held at the Breton Pay Golf and Country Club on Thursday, September 2, 2021, with a rain date of September 9, 2021. Registration will begin at 8:30 am. At 9:30 All teams assemble for final directions from Master of Ceremonies, Larry Brown, Redskin and NFL Player of the Year 1972. Tournament shotgun start will be at 10:00. Lunch on the course. Cocktail hour starts at 4:00 pm or when last putt is in the hole, featuring the best oysters in the world, local brews and friends of Rotary food trucks. Capstone of the day will be Q&A with Larry Brown and his experiences with the Redskins.

Our goal is to raise $15,000. 100% of all funds raised supports our Rotary club's charitable activities in our local community and beyond. The Club provides about $75,000 annually in its charitable donations that include direct philanthropic grants, vocational service, scholarships, and international service.

One of our golf committee members will be contacting you in the near future to ask for your assistance or you may go directly to the website https://rotarylp.org/2021Golf to register to participate or to sponsor the tournament. Several levels of sponsorship are offered to give you and/or your company the opportunity to participate as a sponsor of this event. We also appreciate any support received from our members, other Rotarians and the public. We hope you join us on the course as a player and/or at the 19th hole for festivities, raffles, and awards. https://www.bretonbaygolf.com/play-golf

Sincerely,

Al Gardiner

Al Gardiner, Tournament Chair

Committee Members

Bob Parkinson	Carl Franzen	Mike Guy
Jane Sypher	Buddy Owens	Linda Lymas

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June 23, 2021

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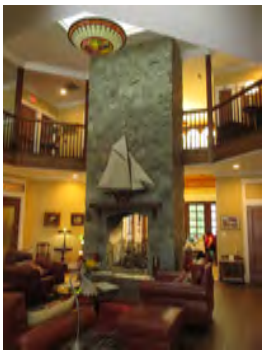
Swanendele Inn



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The 50/50 raffle was won by Todd Morgan, *Commissioners of St. Mary's County,* who donated his winnings to the Chamber's scholarship fund.

Door Prize Winners:

Lewis Beckley, Jr., *Little Old Lady's Handyman*
Michael Blackwell, *St. Mary's County Library*
Mary Bohanan, *Historic St. Mary's City*
Joy Bowes, *T.N. Bowes Heating and Air Conditioning*
Beverly Brown, *Chesapeake Travel*
Valerie Deptula, *The Good Earth Natural Foods Co.*
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Ike Puzon, *Bay Community Support Services*
Daniel Rebarchick, *College of Southern Maryland*
Mary Wagnor, *Visit St. Mary's MD*

SMAR Hosting Candidate Training

On behalf of the Southern Maryland Association of Realtors, we are excited to announce SMAR will be hosting a candidate training on September 29th at our headquarters in Hughesville. This free training will be all day, 9-4pm, and it will cover many areas of running for office with national political consultants. It is a first come, first serve registration with limited seating, and full participation is required.

We held a similar training in 2017 and had 30 filed candidates from around the state of Maryland and the DMV region running for all levels of elected office participate, with many successful wins. Please share with any of your filed and potential candidates for office for the 2022 midterms.

https://www.southernmarylandrealtors.org/pages/2021candidatetraining/

The Chamber's Member Discount Program

Thank you to our Chamber members listed below who are already participating in the Member Discount Program. If your company would like to participate, please contact the Chamber office at 301-737-3001 or send us an email to info@smcchamber.com. Current available discounts are listed on the Chamber's website: https://smcchamber.com.

Participating Chamber Member Businesses

Aicy Karbstein, Artist; Alexander Chiropractic Center; Baldwin, Briscoe & Steinmetz, PC; Barefoot Graphics; Cedar Point Federal Credit Union; Country Inn & Suites by Radisson; Heritage Printing & Graphics; Hilltop Signs & Graphics; Mid-Atlantic Skin Surgery Institute; PaxFitness; Printing Press, Inc.; St. Mary's Roofing & Home Improvement; Dylan Schneider, DDS, MS, LLC Orthodontics; Servpro of St. Mary's & Calvert; T.N. Bowes Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc.

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