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TONIGHT'S PROGRAM

6 p.m. **Cocktail Buffet & Cash Bar**
Tickets purchased at the Horizons Bank (in the back tent)

6:30 p.m. **On With the Show!**
Welcome: Emily Murphy, Chris McClary & Kate Gray
Hosts: Jim Landskroener & John Haines

The Dance Competition
Couple 1: James Cook & Jennifer Cox
Couple 2: Pete Landon & Maria Bagley
Couple 3: Kurt Douglass & Aundra Anderson
Couple 4: Serenity Kelly & Diego Guzman
Couple 5: Jamie Fleetwood & Tyler Hartman
Couple 6: Michael Moore & Jacki Moreland
Couple 7: J.R. Russum & Jen Russum

Final Voting Period (15 Minutes)
Voting & Ballot Information available on tables & at the Bank.

Announcement of Finalists
Finalists Dance Off & Voting

9:15 p.m. **Award of Trophies**

9:45 p.m. **Dance Floor Opens**

11 p.m. **Lights Out!** Thanks Everyone!

A GUIDE TO VOTING

You vote by making a donation to Horizons in the name of the dance pairs you want to support. Our dancers have worked hard at practices to entertain you tonight. The couple who raises the most money takes home the coveted People's Choice trophy. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

HOW MUCH IS A VOTE? Every dollar is a vote.
For example, $20 = 20 votes, $500 = 500 votes.

HOW DO I BUY VOTES? Scan the website QR code below or use Venmo (be sure to enter the name of the couple you are voting for). We also accept checks, cash, and card at the Bank. You can also fill out the envelope at your table and insert your cash or check.

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Horizons of Kent & Queen Anne's enriches the lives of students who are subject to inequities in Kent & Queen Anne's counties. Horizons' summer program, along with school year support and enrichment, enhances the lives of over 230 students in our community each year by providing academic and enrichment experiences that bridge opportunity gaps, prevent "summer slide," instill confidence and empower them for future successes. Not only do Horizons students see progress in eliminating summer slide, many students actually gain crucial skills in reading and writing and return to school in the fall a step ahead. Through academics, swimming lessons, character curriculum, and field trips, Horizons fosters success and encourages students to thrive! A special thank you to our amazing teachers, staff, and also to our host schools: Gunston School, Kent School, and Washington College.

OUR STARS AND PROS

JAMES & JENNIFER



JAMES COOK is the Mayor of Rock Hall, Maryland, serving a term that runs until 2027. An educator and engineer by trade, he focuses on community revitalization, career development, and local tax reform. He also teaches at Chesapeake College and has served on the board of the Maryland Municipal League.

He is an active volunteer firefighter for the Rock Hall Volunteer Fire Company. He also acts as a board member for the Maryland Municipal League, and previously served as the president of the Eastern Shore Association of Municipalities. James resides in Rock Hall.



JENNIFER COX has been a dedicated line dance instructor across Maryland and Delaware for the past 25 years. Her love for diverse music and dance rhythms led her to become a certified Zumba instructor in 2009. Her passion for promoting health and fitness inspired her to obtain certification in 2019 to teach "Staying Active and Independent for Life," a senior exercise class she now teaches at the local senior center. In addition to her teaching, Jennifer is the Senior Care Case Manager at Upper Shore Aging, Inc., balancing a full-time job with her evening dance classes. A Kent County native, Jennifer, is also a proud mother of two daughters and a grandmother. She is thrilled to be participating in this year's Horizons Dancing With the Stars fundraiser!



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PETE & MARIA



PETE LANDON grew up in Montreal, Canada, and moved back to the U.S. for college. He is a longtime Chestertown resident, married to Tracye, and father of two sons, JT and Baker. First assigned to Kent County as a Maryland State Trooper, Pete retired after 30 years of service at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He later served as Director of the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Homeland Security Advisor to Governor Larry Hogan. Pete currently serves as Director of the Kent County Office of Emergency Services. Pete and his family are longtime supporters of Special Olympics Maryland, participating in the Law Enforcement Torch Run and Polar Bear Plunge, including the Super Plunge, while raising funds to support Special Olympics athletes. Active in his community, Pete has served as President and Commodore of the Chester River Yacht & Country Club and President of Kent Youth Lacrosse, where he coached his sons and many young athletes who continued on to play at the high school and collegiate levels. He is currently a member of the Chestertown Elks Club & Chestertown Rotary Club and a past member of the Chestertown Optimists Club. Pete and Tracye have supported Horizons in the past and he is truly humbled to be invited to dance this year, while feeling sorry for his partner Maria!



MARIA BAGLEY has been teaching dance for over 40 years, with experience in ballet, tap, jazz, musical theater, ballroom and Zumba. She has performed with professional dance companies, including Tucson Metropolitan Dance Company and Desert Gems Productions in Arizona. In 1994, she opened a dance studio in Milford, Delaware, which she operated for seven years. She later co-founded Diamond Dance Company, where she served as President of the Board, Artistic Director and Ballet Mistress over her 10 years with the company. Maria also developed a ballroom dance program offering beginner, intermediate and Latin instruction. Maria is also an accomplished actress, performing throughout Delaware and Maryland. She continues to perform dinner theater with Footlights Productions and choreograph for local theater companies. A former President of the Board of Directors for Milford Second Street Players, she spent 20 years performing in and choreographing productions at the Riverfront Theater. She has also contributed her time and talents to numerous charitable organizations, particularly those involving children and dance, including Delaware's Dancing with the Stars events. After 30 years of service with the State of Delaware, Maria retired and settled in Barclay, MD, with her husband, Bruce. Together, they have six grown children and 11 grandchildren. She currently teaches Aqua Zumba at the YMCA in Centreville and Zumba Gold at the Grasonville and Kent Island Senior Centers. She will also teach beginner group dance lessons for Dancing on the Shore in Centreville and Chestertown, Maryland.

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KURT & AUNDRA



KURT DOUGLASS has called Chestertown home for the past six years. After retiring from a long career in the medical device and pharmaceutical industries...retirement proved short-lived. In May 2025, Kurt took on a very different challenge—becoming the owner of Bespoke Chocolate and beginning a new chapter as a local small business owner.

After celebrating his first anniversary in the chocolate business, Kurt relocated the shop to 103 S. Cross Street and expanded to include chocolate-themed beverages to complement the delicious chocolates that have made the shop a Chestertown favorite. He serves on the Downtown Chestertown Association Board and enjoys the energy and continued growth of the downtown community.

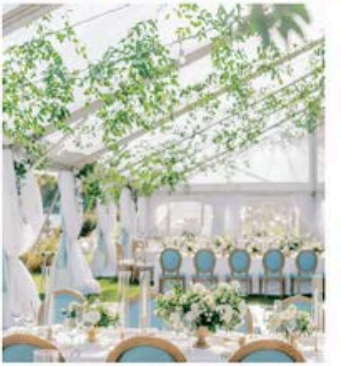
You find Kurt taking on an entirely new challenge. He is excited to support Horizons of Kent and Queen Anne's by making his dancing debut at Dance with the Stars. After careers in pharmaceuticals and chocolate, he figures the dance floor is the logical next step!



An avid fitness enthusiast, **AUNDRA ANDERSON,** has been leading group fitness classes since 2009. She has pursued multiple group fitness and yoga certifications. She loves the confidence, community, and empowerment that comes with group fitness. When not teaching a class, Aundra enjoys hiking national parks with her husband.








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SERENITY & DIEGO



SERENITY KELLY is a Certified Community Health Worker with the University of Maryland Shore Regional Health at Chestertown, where she serves as a Community Health Advocate for the Kent Shore Community Outreach Team (SCOT). In this role, Serenity works tirelessly to improve local health outcomes by reducing barriers to care, providing chronic disease education, and directly linking patients to essential community resources. Her deep commitment to Kent County is built on a proud career in emergency services, having previously served residents as a Paramedic and as the Chief of EMS for Kent County Government. Today, she continues to bridge healthcare gaps by bringing mobile health screenings, preventative education, and vital resources straight to rural neighborhoods. When she isn't advocating for her patients, Serenity loves horseback riding, gardening, reading and spending time with her family and dogs. She resides in Chestertown with her husband, Dave, and their two children, Frank and Hunter.



DIEGO GUZMAN is a recent graduate from the University of Maryland Eastern Shore with a bachelor's degree in Exercise Science. He recently joined the rehabilitation department of Shore Regional Health as a rehab technician in January 2016. Diego hopes to become a physical therapist one day.

In his free time, Diego teaches salsa dancing and volunteers for local charities, such as Dancing for the Future and Dancing for the Dogs. He is currently a member of semi-professional dance team, Dynamix, 2016 World Amateur Salsa Summit Champions. Diego has been living in Easton, MD since 2004 where he resides with his baby girl Angelica.

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JAMIE & TYLER



DR. JAMIE FLEETWOOD is an educator, holistic health practitioner, coach, pharmacist, and decorated former Division I lacrosse player who has never been particularly interested in staying in one lane. She holds doctorates in both pharmacy and holistic health and is an All-American and Johns Hopkins Athletics Hall of Fame inductee.

Today, Jamie teaches chemistry and coaches girls varsity lacrosse at The Gunston School while exploring human potential through a quantum lens and bringing together the worlds of science, wellness, and consciousness. She loves learning, traveling, being near the water, staying active, and finding a little magic in everyday life.

Dancing, however, is decidedly new territory. Jamie is excited to step outside her comfort zone, support Horizons, and have a lot of fun along the way. She lives in Chestertown with her children, Clay and Olive.



TYLER HARTMAN is a local and lives in Chestertown. He made his Dance with the Stars debut two years ago and is returning this year with vengeance!

Tyler is the Sales Director for Bohemia Manor Winery and a longtime social dancer. He can regularly be found on the dance floor at local bars, clubs, and events. He's most at home with Latin styles like salsa and bachata, but his dance experience also includes swing, tango, merengue, and line dancing.

Tyler is excited to trade the social dance floor for the stage once more, teach his Star a few moves, and—most importantly—put on a great show for a great cause!

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MICHAEL & JACKI



MICHAEL MOORE is a 2000 graduate of Washington College, where he majored in drama and literature. He currently works at Church Hill Elementary School as a special education paraeducator. Charles serves on the board of Churchill Theatre and chairs its programming committee. In his spare time, he enjoys reading, watching movies, taking photos, walking, and spending time with his two cats. He is excited to debut his dancing skills in his first Dance with the Stars performance. He thanks his dance partner and apologizes in advance for stepping on her toes!



JACKI MORELAND is a former competitive ballroom dancer who has been instructing since 2012. Nine years ago she started her own dance outreach company called Beyond the Ballroom, which specializes in adaptive dance. She is a certified instructor of wheelchair ballroom dance and dance fitness, pioneered a special abilities category with USA Dance, and coaches an award winning Special Olympics dance team. She currently travels to train other dance instructors in adaptive dance and help grow disability advocacy organizations. Jacki is grateful to eastern shore studios Dancing on the Shore and Mid-Shore Dance Academy for their support in her advocacy work, as well as supporting her work with Horizons!

J.R. & JEN



J.R. RUSSUM has been auctioneering almost since he could talk but officially made a career of it after college in 1998, when he partnered with his father and began building what is now Russum Auctioneers, specializing in auctions and estate services. You will often find JR helping local organizations with his auctioneer talents and the ability to connect with a crowd! When he isn't calling bids or helping families navigate estates, J.R. is happiest outdoors hunting and fishing - especially when Abby or Wyatt are along for the adventure.

JR and his wife, Jen, have been married for 24 years, and when asked who is the better dancer, neither is willing to concede. JR plans to bring the strength to their performance and leave the sizzle to Jen. And how exactly did she convince him to compete in Dancing with the Stars? It's for a great cause...and Jen said so.



JEN RUSSUM connects teams across the globe to get big, complicated projects done - which may explain why she also managed to get her husband onto a dance floor in front of an audience.

Outside of work, Jen's favorite role is being mom to Abby, 22, and Wyatt, 15. She's passionate about her family, fiercely protective of her kids, and is known to sneak vegetables into their food whenever possible. Her friends know her as a storyteller who loves to make people laugh—and someone whose homemade ranch dressing has developed a following of its own.

Jen is also just a little competitive, so while she and JR publicly maintain that their dancing abilities are a draw, don't expect her to approach this competition casually. After 24 years together, they've established the formula: JR brings the strength, Jen brings the sass —and somehow, it works.

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A LIGHT THAT STILL SHINES



LT GOODALL, who led the Horizons board for more than a decade before her death in 2014, loved the way this Dance with the Stars event brought the community together to raise funds and awareness for the children served by Horizons.

Those of us who were lucky enough to know L.T. will always remember her sunny personality, her zest for life, and the quiet resolve she applied to getting things done.

She was excited about the possibility of expanding the program into Queen Anne's County and would be thrilled today to see the program at The Gunston School in Centreville thriving. We still feel her presence, reminding us of what's truly important.

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Building on its long-standing relationship with **Washington College**, Horizons moved its middle school students from the Kent School and Gunston campuses to the college in 2025 to accommodate growing enrollment. The move shows our 6th-8th grade students that college is an option while giving them more space, agency, and independence. This expansion offers a unique opportunity to strengthen the middle school program, prepare students for high school and beyond, and inspire them to turn their ideas and interests into rigorous skill development and career pursuits. Horizons' goal is to help students better understand their learning preferences and identify interests connected to potential careers.

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