

The Villager

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President Chris Asher welcomed and introduced guests Councilman Jerry Walker, South County Constituent Officer Michelle Corkadel, Delegate Sid Saab, and County Executive Steve Schuh at DACA's 44th Annual Meeting. Board member Bruce Stein conducted the election of officers and board members. All were incumbents reelected.

President Christopher Asher
Vice President Ed Woods
Secretary Gail Enright
Treasurer Winterson Hittle

For the Board term to June 2020, Will Biddle, Kate Fox, and Wayne Reid had agreed to serve again. Chris Rizek had declined to continue, leaving one vacancy in the term to 2020. Two vacancies remain in the term ending June 2019.

Chris invited volunteers to serve on the board of directors and to work on next year's Green Expo, DACA's most visible activity serving the community. The Board of Directors meets on the first Thursday of each month in the conference room of Ford Hall at the Davidsonville Family Recreation Center at 8:00 pm. Guests are welcome to attend board meetings; please call 410-533-4766 or email to info@daca-md.org to be sure the limited space is available to accommodate you.



County Executive Steve Schuh addressed DACA members and the Board of Directors at DACA's annual meeting on June 1. L.-R.: Treasurer Winterson Hittle, Phil Livingstone, Wayne Reid, Bruce Stein, Vice President Ed Woods, President Christopher Asher, Will Biddle, Martin Zehner, Kate Fox, Melissa Stanton.

Steve Schuh looked like the guy next door when he arrived at DACA's annual meeting, unescorted, with shirt sleeves rolled up. Within a few minutes, the current item of discussion was concluded and DACA President Chris Asher welcomed the County Executive and invited him to address DACA's members. Mr. Schuh opened his talk by recognizing that DACA's kind of grassroots activity is the start of democracy and thanked the people for coming to the meeting. His purpose was to discuss the proposed 2018 budget, which was passed by the County Council on June 5.

He noted that Anne Arundel County ranks 25th highest in prosperity of about 3,000 counties in (Continued on page 3)

This space for addresses sent by USPS

DACA people

Welcome to our neighbors in Harwood who recently joined DACA—Dave and Verna Banner, Amy Leech, and Mike Lofton. Welcome new members Chris and Hunter Messineo and thanks to David and Peggy Boggs for this gift membership, in addition to their contribution to DACA. Welcome also Dee Stoehr and thanks for her gift in addition to her dues. Thanks also to Tom and Kris Angelis, Barbara Bielaski, Paul and Mary Dallavalle, Larry Hartman, and Chris and Barbara Jedrey for their contributions to DACA in addition to their dues renewal.

Many thanks to Christopher Rizek for his many years of service to his community as a member of DACA since 1988 and a director since 1995.

It's always informative to read the Villager. What a great resource for the community! J. Shannahan

Thanks for all you do. C.J.

6/2 So enjoyed the meeting! Very productive group. Let me know if I can assist with any projects. Enjoyed Steve Schuh's presentation. Dee S.

Thank you. The most effective thing anyone can do is to enroll as a member to get on the mailing list to receive the Villager and community notices and to participate as a volunteer. Gail

I know you're always interested to find out that the Villager went through seamlessly. I received your email and the link works perfectly. Again thank you so much for all your years of service to DACA. F.C.

I enjoyed the annual meeting, I have known Chris Asher for many years and it was nice to see him and others like Will and Anne Biddle. He and my son Brian were very good friends in high school and beyond. B.K.

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Steve Schuh and DACA issues (from page 1)
 the United States. What he told the listeners—the top five priorities of his administration—was succinctly encapsulated in the press release of June 14:

The FY 2018 budget accelerates the County Executive’s five-point strategic plan for a stronger Anne Arundel County.

1. Reducing Taxes and Fees: Over the last two years, the Schuh Administration has enacted more than \$64 million in tax and fee relief. The FY2018 budget continues this initiative by eliminating two unnecessary taxes that hurt working families:

The movie tax: a nearly one dollar per person nuisance tax that hits our citizens as they enjoy a night out with the family.

The mobile home tax: a \$300 per year tax that places an unnecessary burden on residents of mobile home communities.

2. Strengthening Education: The FY 2018 budget fully funds a \$15.6 million teacher salary step increase and the largest school construction effort in County history, including construction money for Crofton High School.

3. Investing in Public Safety: The FY 2018 budget includes funding for 40 new public safety personnel and construction funds for the new police academy and central booking facility.

4. Reforming County Government: The FY 2018 budget will centralize all background checks so that our various front line departments, particularly public safety, are not distracted from their primary missions by having to conduct background checks. The Department of Inspections and Permits has also been restructured for deployment of staff and the County is digitizing personnel forms to help reduce red tape in hiring.

5. Improving the Overall Quality of Life: The FY 2018 budget also works to improve residents’ overall quality of life by making strategic investments to protect our waterways and enhance recreational opportunities. This includes more than \$233 million over six years to improve our waterways, \$36 million to fully connected system of bike trails, and funding to open two new boat ramps this year: one in Shady Side and the other in Solley Cove.

On June 14, the AA County Council approved the proposed FY 2018 budget and it will go into effect July 1st.

Questions and answers:

Melissa Stanton asked how will the county pay for these improvements without raising taxes. Mr. Schuh replied that we are among the highest tax districts in the country; economic growth is healthy and strong, and given the county’s current health and prosperity, we have the funds to accomplish these goals. In answer to a follow-up question Mr. Schuh did acknowledge that our county’s taxes are lower than most D.C.-area counties.

A A County Police Academy:

Mr. Schuh replied to DACA member Jim Simpson that additional land acquisition for the police academy will serve to increase the buffer area between police activities (target practice) and the neighboring homes. He can arrange a tour of the current facility for those interested. He replied to John Clark that Fort Meade had declined the county’s request to lease time at the shooting facility there, and said that the county has any say in the changed flight patterns to and from BWI.

Winterson Hittle asked about progress on replacement of the **Governor’s Bridge**. Michelle Corkadel replied that Prince George’s County has the funding in its budget for the reconstruction and it is moving forward. Ed Woods pointed out that due to its

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Annual meeting and local issues (from page 3)

historical significance and sensitive environmental location, 31 separate government agencies at local, state, and federal level are involved.

School issues:

In reply to Melissa’s question about later school start times, Mr. Schuh replied that the Board of Education declined to make a budget request to implement later high school times beyond changing the long-standing 7:17 high school start time to 7:30 am for the 2017-2018 school year.

Further questions from the audience regarding **quality of life** related to the lack of crosswalks to encourage “walkable communities,” especially on Central Avenue. For example, DES students who live in Foxhall, directly across #214 from their elementary school, must ride a bus to cross the road because there are no crosswalks and no crossing guards in Davidsonville.

Ed Woods thanked Mr. Schuh for coming to the meeting and especially for his support of the fire departments. He noted the loud complaints of a small vocal minority of residents on the Mayo peninsula seeking to keep Beverly-Triton Beach to themselves and avoid the traffic from outsiders on Central Avenue to the Mayo peninsula. Mr. Schuh noted that the County Council supports this development on the peninsula, but feels it must be moderate.

Zoning to Keep South County Rural

Gail Enright asked how the county’s budget and the General Development Plan will support the objective to Keep South County Rural, given the history of spot zoning changes approved by the County Council overriding the previous County Executive’s vetoes. Mr. Schuh says spot zoning does not exist; Gail, Kate, and Will pointed out the 16 interim amendments to the General Development Plan. This is a matter of semantics— in legal terminology they are not “spot rezonings.” He added that increased density must be supported by adequate public facilities: roads, schools, fire and police protection; and developers must pay fees to cover the cost of environmental impact of their developments; the fees are held until there is enough money in the fund to provide the next necessary improvements to adequate public facilities. The Anne Arundel County Code designates the Office of Planning and Zoning to prepare and periodically update a comprehensive plan (Comprehensive Re-zoning) to guide growth and development.

The proposed 2017 supplemental budget plan will include funding to accelerate Comprehensive Re-zoning in response to community concerns across the county. Mr. Schuh responded that the current GDP targets north county for revitalization; east county is primarily residential and mostly built out; west county is the current growth area around Fort Meade—Northrop (continued on page 5)

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Meeting (from page 6)

Grumman will construct a new facility to build parts for the military’s newest bomber. South County is to remain open and there are no plans to extend public sewage treatment there. See May-June Villager page 15 for GDP information.

Melissa also asked about possible zoning to allow accessory dwelling units — a housing option recommended by AARP and recently made legal in New Hampshire — so the owners of large residential lots can build a smaller, secondary residence (i.e. an in-law apartment or cottage) that cannot be sold separately from the main property but can, for instance, better enable an older person to age-in-place or live independently near family, and younger adults to return to Davidsonville by providing affordable, accessible housing options. This could be a solution to the family conveyance problem and land owners selling to developers.

John Clark complained about excessive raw sewage spills every time it rains hard; Mr. Schuh pointed out that AA has fewer raw sewage spills than any other county. Howard County, Prince George’s County, and Baltimore City are far worse. Martin Zehner was quick to point out that current and improving agricultural practices are very successful in preventing run-off to the Bay’s tributaries.

You can contact the County Executive at stevensschuh@aacounty.org.

Mr. Schuh introduced Jonathan Boniface and Michelle Corkadel, candidates for Jerry Walker’s seat on the County Council. James Kitchin was introduced as a candidate for that position as well.

Councilman Jerry Walker spoke only briefly, to invite public comment on the county’s fiscal 2018 budget which was to be voted on June 12. It was approved.

Delegate Sid Saab proudly announced that we now have a Board of Education elected by the voters, an improvement for accountability. More people are being trained in Narcans, emergency treatment for heroin overdoses. Michelle Corkadel noted that the community/police organization will hold quarterly meetings open to the public at the Southern District headquarters on Stepney Lane.

Kate Fox explained that **Growth Action Network** is a monitor of land use issues with a county-wide perspective. Their recent success was passage of a two-year pilot program to conduct peer reviews of engineers; defeat of the composting bill as needing better notification of the property owners neighboring the potential site. A continuing concern is denial of standing to neighbors near comprehensive rezoning sites; problem of definitions for agritourism sites and that it can apply in RA, and residential zones, even as dense as R-1. See page 8 for the immediate issue of the agritourism bill.

Betty Knupp spoke briefly about the South County Concert Association and invited people to join for quality professional music performances. Her letter and information are on page 13.

Chris Asher acknowledged and thanked Gail for her work on the Villager and Green Expo and Melissa Stanton for her service on DACA’s website and Facebook pages, maintaining DACA’s presence in the cyberworld.

The year-end financial report is on page 12.



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Annual Meeting, concluded.

Bruce Stein summarized DACA’s position and the board’s decision not to increase the Davidsonville Area to include Harwood and DACA’s invitation to Harwood Civic Association members to join DACA.

Martin Zehner spoke in favor of the Agritourism bill, as it stands now, because it would allow selling produce directly from the farm without involving middlemen. However, he said it is a program that needs to be nurtured, refined, to make it work. (See page 7)

Ed Woods reported on his efforts with SHA to have the solid red left-turn arrow from #424 north to #50 east changed to a blinking arrow to enable left turns when no opposing traffic is approaching from #424 north. He will follow up with a letter to the District Engineer.

Bruce Stein reported that the intersection of Riva Road with Governors Bridge Road and Homewood Road is to be reconfigured with a traffic stop light, to be complete in 2017 or 2018.

The Board of Directors voted unanimously to cancel the scheduled July 6 meeting and to hold its next meeting on August 3.

The annual meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Thank you

Fri, Jun 2, 2017 at 1:59 PM

Dear Mr. Schuh--

Thank you so much for coming to DACA's Annual Meeting last night and addressing the members of the organization. We all found your talk very interesting as it clarified some issues that we were somewhat acquainted with, and provided improved information. You sparked some lively questions and we appreciated your patience and thoroughness in answering them.

I hope you recognize what a great asset Michelle Corkadel is to your office and administration. She keeps us informed and up to date on countywide and South County developments.

You and Michelle will always be welcome at any DACA meeting or other event.

Sincerely,
Gail Enright, for the Board of Directors

Thank you Gail. I appreciate your having me to the meeting. A lot of great questions and perspectives.

Yes, I'm aware of what a great asset Michelle is to the county.

Thanks. Steve

The wrong Agritourism Bill proposed by the County Council

Thanks to Council members Peroutka, Pruski, Smith, and Trumbauer for voting it down.

Bill #25-17 sounded like a great idea when the first draft was heard in April, to help real farmers earn more income from their land. The AA County Farm Bureau, the Soil Conservation District, and numerous other organizations supported it.

But on June 19, Councilman Jerry Walker introduced an amendment to the bill to add Halloween festivals and activities to the list of agriculture-related activities that can be accessory uses on farms. It also added some minor conditions on those activities. Walker explained that the purpose was to help the haunted house operators of “Bennett’s Curse” to move into Anne Arundel County. The bill would have been effective in areas zoned R-1 and RLD throughout the county, not only in Residential-Agricultural zones.

Advocates of agritourism and farming were shocked by the amendment and withdrew their support. It would hijack the very concept of agritourism to allow one out-of-county company to acquire a farm (as little as ten acres), plant a few crops, and then say that the huge haunted house that they would build is an accessory to agritourism, thereby avoiding amusement taxes and

being able to locate in a residential rather than a commercial district. Bennett’s Curse operates in commercial districts of Washington, DC, and Baltimore and was rejected as an agritourism activity after making a presentation to the county’s agricultural advisory committee. They proposed to build a 20,000 square foot building plus outdoor structures, with up to 400,000 visitors and a staff of 80.

Growth Action Network, of which DACA is a member, led a coalition of at least 19 community associations to oppose the bill in a letter to County Executive Steve Schuh. DACA members sent emails to the County Council asking them to vote against it when it came to a vote. Organizations and individuals testified against it at the public hearing on July 3. Thanks to all who participated in this elementary democracy. Proof that it can work!

The County Executive’s administration pledged to bring back a clean bill that will keep agritourism for agriculture.

Information from Steuart Pittman and Annapolis Capital Amanda Yeager July 4, 2017

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School News

Farewell to Jeanne Marie Hofstetter Welcome and Hello to Colleen Harris

After ten years as principal of Davidsonville Elementary School, Mrs. Hofstetter retired on June 1. She was a well-loved principal and a gracious host to DACA's Green Expo.

AACPS Superintendent George Arlotto appointed Colleen Harris as the new principal. She was most recently principal at Deale Elementary and at Crofton Woods. We look forward to meeting Ms. Harris.

Did you know that AACPS has a student-run radio station, CRAB Radio? (Community Radio for Arts & the Bay) You can check it out at 104.7 or at <https://crabradio.airtime.pro/#>

Teachers get a raise

The FY2018 budget proposal will fully fund step and/or incremental increases for all eligible Anne Arundel County Public Schools employees starting July 1. It includes \$15.6 million to fund compensation increases requested by the Board in the FY 2018 budget. Schuh's budget also includes \$7.5 million to be used for one-time payments to help offset increases in employee health insurance premiums for the county's nearly 6,000 teachers and other school system employees. The step increase is part of an overall strategy by the County to ensure that the school system can return to a regular schedule of annual step increases and uninterrupted healthcare benefits.

Advising the Board of Education

The Board of Education appoints a Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) Executive Committee to provide advice to the Board on specific issues impacting educational policy, activities, and programs. The CAC Executive Committee is composed of county residents who represent the diversity of parents and citizens in the county. Each high school feeder cluster is represented.

At its May meeting, new CAC officers for 2017-2018 were approved by voice vote:

Chair: Melonie Teichert

Co-Vice-Chairs: Kelly Purnell and Tynita Moore

Secretary: Greg Novak

It was proposed that CAC terms remain a two year period, which may be extended for one year by mutual agreement of the member and the BOE.

Kelly Purnell led discussion of new scheduling software for bus transportation, a necessary component of implementing significant change in school start times.

Kelly Purnell, representative to the South River HS cluster

Being on the Board

AA County Board of Education seeks a candidate

In July, The School Board Appointment Commission will interview candidates for the at-large position left vacant by Tom Frank, who resigned in February. They expect to name a candidate on August 24. Meetings are held at 7:00 pm in the Board Room of the Carol Sheffey Parham Building, 2664 Riva Road, Annapolis.

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Council members support funding for the General Development Plan

On June 9, in response to community concerns across the County, Anne Arundel County Executive Steve Schuh announced his proposed 2017 supplemental budget plan that will include funding to accelerate updating the General Development Plan, citing the need to ensure effective planning to support the quality of life of our citizens.

Since this winter, the Department of Planning and Zoning has been developing a comprehensive transportation master plan for the county, the first step in the General Development Process. The \$50,000 in funding proposed by the County Executive would be earmarked for public input and planning in advance of the master plan.

“Public outreach and discussion is a vital part of the General Development Plan process,” said Council member Chris Trumbauer. “Adding funding into the upcoming budget sends a strong signal that the County is outlining a deliberate, thoughtful process.”

“My constituents on the Broadneck Peninsula have expressed repeated concerns regarding congestion and over development,” said Councilman Michael Peroutka. “Starting the General Development Plan early will help to ensure their concerns are heard.”

“This proposal will ensure citizens in Pasadena, Riviera Beach, and Lake Shore will have a role in shaping

the future of our County,” said Councilman Derek Fink. “Community input is critical as we chart the course for future generations.”

As a charter county, Anne Arundel County is granted planning and zoning powers by Article 25A of the Annotated Code of Maryland. Article 66B (Land Use) of the State Code also includes some requirements for comprehensive planning that apply to charter counties. The Anne Arundel County Code designates the Office of Planning and Zoning to prepare and periodically update a comprehensive plan to guide growth and development.

Anne Arundel County has had a General Development Plan since 1968, with updates in 1978, 1986, 1997, and most recently, 2009. Historically, the County has revised or amended the GDP to reflect demographic, economic, social, and environmental changes that have occurred. The 1997 General Development Plan also incorporated policy recommendations that comply with Maryland’s Economic Growth, Resource Protection and Planning Act of 1992 and related “Smart Growth” legislation.

Information from press release by Owen McEvoy

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A community conversation series of events presented by the Office of County Executive Steve Schuh

July 19, 7:00 pm, Severn Community Library
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August 10, 6:30 pm, Crofton Branch Library
1681 Riedel Road, Crofton 21114

August 23, 6:30 pm, Severna Park Community Library
45 W. McKinsey Road, Severna Park 21146

September 6, 6:30 pm, Riviera Beach Community Library, 1130 Duvall Highway, Pasadena, 21122

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Police Training Academy modernization and expansion

The County Police Training Academy is located on Wayson Road, on part of the former US Army Nike Site. Nearby resident Jim Simpson wrote to Joseph Holoubek, Project Manager for the AA County Department of Public Works, to learn about the possible expansion of the AA County Police Training Academy. No public input was invited or received about the project. Mr. Holoubek said the project includes design and construction of new administration and fitness buildings, site improvements including a running track, the creation of a fenced-in scenario-based training area, and renovations of the firearms building and pistol range at the existing Police Academy site in Davidsonville. Acquiring additional land to provide for future expansion and additional buffering for the Police Academy is a separate project. "We have completed a phase one environmental study as part of the land acquisition process. Construction on the new administration and fitness buildings will start in October to November of 2017 and be completed in October to November of 2018. We will place plants around the new buildings and with the additional property more buffering may be added, if the academy is expanded."

Betty Knupp honored by Goucher College

The Excellence in Public Service Award, awarded by Goucher College, is given to alumni who demonstrate outstanding commitment and leadership in public service. Goucher's President, José Bowen, presented the 2017 award to alumna Elizabeth Knupp. In addition to helping found the SCCA 42 years ago, Knupp has taught classes for senior adults at Anne Arundel Community College through its continuing education program over 25 years, and has volunteered with art education at elementary schools and retirement communities. She also works in her church's gardens, a children's museum, a senior center, and the Anne Arundel Literacy Council.

Betty joined DACA in 1976 and is a life member. See page 12 for her invitation to join the South County Concert Association.
The Capital, June 4, 2017

Shannahans withdraw application for child care center

At the end of March, Patrick and Jennifer Shannahan withdrew their application for a Special Exception for a child care facility. With their withdrawal, the recorded documents will show that the application was denied, although in fact the Dept. of P & Z recommended "conditional approval" for the special exception, citing an error which had inflated traffic estimates in their previous denial recommendation.

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From the Vineyards at Dodon

June 7

To our neighbors in the Davidsonville Area:

We are writing you to let you know that that we recently found, for the second time in two years, significant “2,4-D” (short for 2,4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic Acid) herbicide damage in our commercial grape vineyard and to ask for your assistance to prevent further damage.

These herbicides are very toxic to grapevines, and when exposure occurs during the period of rapid shoot growth between bud break and bloom, as occurred in both cases, grape injury is severe, causing flower abortion, curling of shoot tips, cessation of shoot growth, or regrowth of deformed leaves after exposure, all of which reduce the quality and quantity of our crop.

For those who don’t know, 2,4-D is one member of a class of chemical herbicides known as growth regulators that also includes dicamba and clopyralid. There are more than 1,500 common 2,4-D containing products, such as Weed B Gone, available in the United States. Because these herbicides are highly effective against broadleaf weeds but do not harm grasses, they are commonly used for lawn and turf management, as well as certain agricultural applications such as on cereal crops. Most forms of 2,4-D can become highly volatile in



certain climatic conditions, so damage can occur from applications up to two miles away.

Fortunately, there are ways to apply 2,4-D and other growth regulators with minimal risk. These techniques include:

Avoid use of these herbicides during periods of rapid growth of sensitive crops, from mid-March through mid-June.

Avoid use when temperatures are high, during temperature inversions, or in windy conditions (about 10 or more miles per hour), especially when the wind direction is toward a sensitive crop.

Use drift-reduction nozzles (for example, drift-guard or air induction types) that operate at lower pressure (15 to 30 psi) and produce large droplets.

While farmers and lawn maintenance applicators have been certified in appropriate pesticide use, the damage this year covers about 20 percent of our vineyard, suggesting that additional vigilance is necessary. We ask that you, our neighbors, will follow these guidelines if you apply herbicides yourselves or to ask your lawn care companies to do so. If you have questions, please call or email us.

With best regards, Tom Croghan and Polly Pittman

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JUNE 2016	BALANCES	JUNE 2017
\$ 759.76	PNC Bank checking	\$ 3,036.87
7,988.00	PNC Bank savings	13,347.39
<u>3,274.72</u>	T. Rowe Price Prime Reserve Fund	<u>3,277.00</u>
\$12,022.48		\$ 19,661.26
	RECEIPTS	
-0-	Refund from Chesapeake Legal Alliance lawsuit	\$ 1,166.22
855.00	Dues	1,390.00
3,025.00	Villager advertisements	3,205.10
970.00	Contributions	1,335.10
5,125.00	Green Expo	4,125.00
<u>-0-</u>	Contributions for Welcome sign	<u>5,803.00</u>
\$ 9,975.00		\$15,487.42
	DISBURSEMENTS	
\$ 6,370.50	Minuteman Man Press for Villager print and postage	\$ 4,191.50
284.33	U.S. Postal Service postage and Office Depot ink	442.29
1,300.00	Contributions and dues to other organizations	1,850.00
2,156.42	Green Expo costs	2,496.42
205.00	Erie Insurance general liability	205.00
<u>252.84</u>	Website	<u>95.88</u>
\$10,569.09		\$ 9,281.09

Respectfully submitted,
Winterson Hittle

Thanks to the generosity of the Davidsonville Ruritan Foundation and numerous DACA members, DACA shows a greater amount of cash assets in 2017 than in 2016, as that account includes the money to be used for the Welcome to Davidsonville sign. The odd ten cents in advertising and contribution receipts reflect the fees withheld by PayPal.

DACA's ongoing major expenses are for the *Villager* printing and postage, which are combined in one line item payable to Minuteman Press of Crofton, as they print and mail the Villager with one invoice to DACA, handling all the US Postal Service documentation and cost of bulk mail postage.

DACA had contributed \$3,000 two years ago for use in the spot zoning lawsuit against Anne Arundel County. Not all the money collected by Chesapeake Legal Alliance from the plaintiffs was used for that purpose and CLA refunded the prorated amount of \$1,166.22 to DACA. DACA continues to support CLA as a member. We paid two year's dues to GAN as we missed their previous fiscal year.

Green Expo expenses were higher in 2017 than in 2016. The greatest costs were the price of the table and tablecloth rental at \$1,269.90 and well worth it; the giveaway tote bags (\$491.02 for 300 bags and four polo shirts); and \$264 for 400 seedling trees we gave away, all of which were approved by the Green Expo Committee and DACA's Executive Committee. We had fewer business sponsors (two of them closed their business), more business exhibitors, more cash contributions and fewer total expenses.

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**You are invited to join the
South County Concert Association**

May 20, 2017

Dear Friends,

The Board of Directors invites you to join SCCA for our 42nd concert season, 2017-2018. We are offering a series of outstanding and diverse performances. The concerts will be held at Southern High School, 4400 Solomons Island Road (Route 2), Harwood, MD 20776

Ticket fees for the 2017-18 season remain the same: one adult = \$55; one-parent family with children = \$65; two-parent family = \$120. SCCA is committed to offering top-quality attractions at very affordable prices. We are an all-volunteer organization and are supported by subscriber fees, donations and grants.

The reciprocal agreement between SCCA and Anne Arundel Community Concert Association (AACCA) allows our subscribers to attend all concerts by both organizations at no additional cost.

To join and subscribe to SCCA, visit our web site: www.southaaccountyconcerts.org.

2017-2018 Season

South County Concert Association

Southern High School, 4400 Solomons Island Road (Route 2), Harwood, MD 20776

Tony Pace, singer	Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2017	7:30 pm
ABBA Fab	Thursday, Oct. 12, 2017	7:30 pm
Andy Hackbarth, guitarist	Thursday, Nov. 2, 2017	7:30 pm
Londontowne Symphony	Sunday, Jan. 28, 2018	3:00 pm
Three Redneck Tenors	Wednesday, Mar. 14, 2018	7:30 pm
Side Street Strutters	Saturday, Apr. 7, 2018	7:30 pm

Anne Arundel Community Concert Association

Severna Park High School, 60 Robinson Road, Severna Park, MD, 21146

Paul McDermand, jazz/pop	Saturday, Sept. 30, 2017	7:30 pm
Steven Vanhauwaert, concert pianist	Tuesday, October 24, 2017	7:30 pm
Side Street Strutters	Tuesday, April 3, 2017	7:30 pm
Hank and My Honkytonk Heroes	Tues, Feb. 6, 2018	7:30 pm
Classical FX Vocal Quartet	Friday, May 25, 2018	7:30 pm

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