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Anne Arundel County Executive Debates September 17 and October 18
County Executive Steve Schuh and challenger Steuart Pittman
will meet to debate the merits of their proposed plans as the next County Executive.

Monday, September 17, 7:00-8:00 pm
Chesapeake Bay Foundation Headquarters
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Sponsored by the Anne Arundel County Alliance for Livable Communities, Chesapeake Bay Foundation and the League of Women Voters Education Fund. Bring your questions for collection at the beginning and during the forum.

Thursday, October 18, 7:00 pm
Maryland Hall for Creative Arts
801 Chase Street, Annapolis, Maryland
sponsored by *The Capital*
moderated by *Capital* editor Rick Hutzell

Topics to be addressed are gun violence, education, development, environmental issues. Questions from readers and audience will be included. Send your questions to capletts@capgaznews.com. Write your question on the subject line.

The AA County Farm Bureau hosted two presentations at the regular monthly business meetings of their membership, with Steuart Pittman on August 6 and Steve Schuh on September 4. Candidates for other offices Ron George, Mike Shay, and Seth Howard spoke on August 6 and Jessica Haire and James Kitchin were invited for September 4. Farm Bureau President John Faber very kindly allowed guests from DACA's board to attend.

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DACA people

Many thanks to David and Verna Banner, to Cynthia Parker, to Hassan and Teresa Sadeghin, to Alan and Christine Tassej, to Gene Way, and to Nora West Terres and Peter West for their gifts to DACA in addition to renewing their dues; and to Susan and Rusty Lamar for their gift entitling them to LIFE membership.

I don't know how you do it, month after month, year after year, writing, editing and publishing the Villager. Your contribution on behalf of the residents of Davidsonville is incalculable. Thank you. F.C.
Your kind words inspire and encourage me. Thank you.

Thank you, Gail, for all that you do keeping us informed.
L.W.

Dear Gail: Thanks so much! I read your newsletters cover to cover, so to speak. Question: Is it possible for the county to rent some goats to tackle all the kudzu on Rt. 214, or is that state right-of-way? Who could be bugged to look at some action there? The stuff is smothering trees and will just keep spreading. Margaret Herbers

Dear Margaret--
Yes I am familiar with the sight of that kudzu on Central Avenue; it has been there more years than I remember.

Route #214 is a state road, not county. I believe the proper authority would be the State Highway Administration. You could go online to State Highway Administration to learn more.
Gail

Hi Gail, July 16, 2018

You do a fabulous job on the DACA newsletter. I just read it--full of informative and interesting articles. Thanks for the article on South County Concert Association. It is such a wonderful way to enjoy a variety of live performances by outstanding musicians close to home. Our new president is Steve Dougherty, a Davidsonville resident. I remain as Vice-President and Membership Chair.

Thank you for your many long-term contributions to Davidsonville. We have lived here since 1971 and feel so fortunate we chose to move here from Greenbelt.
Warm regards, Betty

Woo hoo! DACA received its first contribution to the Angelis/Enright Scholarship Fund! Many thanks to Teresa and Hassan Sadeghin for taking this first step to enhance DACA's ability to provide educational opportunities to the community. See page 8 for Tom Angelis's note.

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An apology to a valued member

I am taking this opportunity to apologize to a valued member for naming him in the article mentioned below, begging his pardon, and pleading with him to continue his good work with DACA. He is much too valuable for his service to the community as a board member, as a past president of DACA, and as a leader of the Green Expo Committee. I am so sorry!

In an article about Brandywine Aggregates in the July-August issue of the Villager, the editor made a lapse in judgment in which she quoted and named the board member for his use of the term "a team of investigators." The member's name was subsequently removed from the article in the on-line version of the Villager.

This came from a string of email messages that, also by my error, was copied to Daniel Jones of Brandywine Aggregates. Mr. Jones took great offence at "team of investigators" and withdrew his invitation to three DACA representatives to visit the still active sand and gravel mining operation. Bruce Stein, Kate Fox, and Fred Tutman had no desire to find faults in the operation of the fill reclamation, but were cited as most competent to understand how Brandywine meets its obligations to maintain a clean and legal operation. The original concern arose from complaints by Brandywine's neighbors about the noise and speed of heavy truck traffic entering and leaving the site.

DACA's Board wants to know why Mr. Jones objects to knowledgeable people getting a tour of his facility. Well-informed people make well-informed decisions. DACA prides itself on impartiality and making well-informed decisions.

Gail Enright

General Development Plan 2040

On August 3, 2018, Anne Arundel County announced the members of the General Development Plan Citizen Advisory Committee.

The Committee will be responsible for providing input to the Office of Planning and Zoning as they continue development of Plan 2040. The Commission consists of a Chair and citizens from each of the seven County Council districts, as well as representatives from the environmental, building, education, and planning sectors.

The Committee consists of Chairman Leo Wilson, and members
Caren McPhatter Christy D'Addario James Langley
Allan Straughan Michael Linynsky James Fraser
Patricia Lynch Kerry Petz Elizabeth Rosborg
Amy Leahy Douglas Nichols Jim Krapf
Harry Blumenthal Anthony Brent David Povlitz
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The Office of Planning and Zoning has also sponsored an extensive schedule of public comment sessions that have provided and will continue to provide a significant opportunity for citizens to have their voices heard on planning and land use issues. Officials from all relevant County departments have been on hand to hear the ideas and perspectives of residents in every corner of the County. To submit comments or learn more about the process, residents can visit www.aacounty.org/Plan2040.

The General Development plan is scheduled to be completed by December 2019, with comprehensive re-zoning legislation submitted to the County Council thereafter.

Thanks to the Anne Arundel County Farmers' Market for sending its contribution to DACA's Green Expo 2018, and thanks to Martin Zehner for expediting this support.



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Twenty-five community associations unite against County construction pollution

In June, Richard Klein, President of Community and Environmental Defense Services (CEDS), sent President Chris Asher the following draft letter, replete with charts and graphs, addressed to County Executive Schuh, and invited DACA to sign on to the letter. DACA's Board voted in favor of signing on, along with twenty-four other associations, and it was mailed on July 16.

"Dear County Executive Schuh:

On June 23 representatives of a number of the 25 undersigned organizations assessed the use of highly-effective pollution control measures at 26 construction sites throughout Anne Arundel County. ...we found that the improvements you achieved after taking office have declined somewhat and remain far below that needed to protect our rivers and other county waters. We believe this and related compliance issues are a significant factor in the latest Bay Health Index showing that our rivers [from the Patuxent to Furnace Creek north of the Magothy] are among the most polluted [in the Bay]. We would deeply appreciate an opportunity to meet with you to explore how we can support you in putting the County on the path towards achieving full compliance with construction site pollution control laws."

The graphs show that no land use generates more pollution per acre than construction sites, a primary source of turbidity fouling the rivers. Muddiness and nutrient pollution are caused mostly by clay particles. Perimeter controls like silt fences and ponds are very poor at trapping

these particles and dissolved pollutants...only straw mulch, grass, and other stabilization measures are highly effective at preventing discharge of clay and nutrients from construction sites.

Prior to Mr. Schuh's election in 2014, compliance with County laws was measured at 16 percent; it improved to 40 percent in 2015 after he took office; then declined again by 33 percent. It is vitally important to achieve the goal of 100 percent compliance requiring protection of all exposed construction site soils with highly effective stabilization measures once the initial two- to four-week clearing/active grading phase ends on most construction sites.

Community representatives had met with Dan Kane of AA Inspections and Permits in April and shortly afterward observed improvements to some of the sites visited in March.

DACA's Board voted to sign on, along with 20 other community and environmental organizations, to the Exposed Soil Pollution letter requesting a meeting with County Executive Schuh. The full letter can be found at <http://ceds.org/audit/ConstructionSitePollutionControlProgressLagging.pdf>.

Mr. Schuh responded to the community leaders on September 6 and reported that he had ordered an inspection of all 26 sites. He and Chief Administrative Officer Mark Hartzell and Director of Inspections and Permits Dan Kane held the requested meeting on August 14, with Mr. Klein, Brad Knopf of the Magothy River (*Please turn to page 8*)



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A Vision for South County 2018

Paul Christenson, a member of the Steering Committee of the Alliance for Livable Communities, attended DACA’s August Board meeting to present the South County Vision 2018 Statement.

The main principles of the Vision are

1. Keep South County Rural
2. Maintain and promote sustainable agriculture
3. Preserve, restore, and expand natural resources
4. Align infrastructure with the rural character of the area and
5. Foster a sustainable rural economy.

Mr. Christenson asked DACA to endorse the Vision, as Patuxent Riverkeeper, AA Farm Bureau, CEPA, and his organization, Advocates for Herring Bay, have already done. When finalized, the Vision Plan was sent to the Citizen Advisory Committee to use in advising the County Executive and County Council in advance of finalizing the 2019 General Development Plan. See page 3 for CAC members. Small Area Plans are to be developed after the GDP is passed. In 1999 to 2001 DACA’s President Peter Perry spent hundreds of hours in preparing the South County Small Area Plan

In ensuing discussion, Bruce Stein suggested including solar power in a dual use of agricultural crop land. Paul agreed that County policy should give farmers more options for the use of their land than having to sell it to a developer.

Ed Woods expressed concern that the huge homes in current real estate sprawl do not pay enough taxes to cover


the cost of the increased demand in public services as roads, fire and police protection, and schools. He suggested higher taxes imposed on very high end homes.

Martin Zehner noted that the worst damage from development began more than 50 years ago when development was uncontrolled. Subdivision by Family Conveyance was thought to be a solution to farm break-ups until families and developers discovered the multitude of loopholes. Attempts to limit zoning usage and density have failed, and all our current efforts are making only a small dent in all areas—limiting density, smart growth, and cleaning up the Bay and the waterways.

Our only choices now are either to give up entirely (pave the Bay/blacktop the country), or to keep on trying to maintain and improve what we have left.

Paul took DACA’s concerns into consideration and will work on them with the other groups involved. The DACA Board voted by email to sign on to the Vision.


The web page of the Alliance for Livable Communities provides a link to the final South County document: <https://www.annearundel-livable.org/examples-of-small-area-re-a-planning-doc>. The Administration said the Executive Order for the eight-month moratorium was a mistake, subjecting the County to potential lawsuits; that a legislative moratorium should have been passed instead. Applications for the five pending solar developments are now under consideration without further regulation. See page 12 for proposed Bill 89-18 to be heard by the County Council on October 1.



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Zoning issues and effects: A victory at Turtle Run

Anne Arundel County will purchase Turtle Run at Deep Cove and will invest \$2.6 million to preserve the land for passive recreation and reforestation.

The property, which abuts Franklin Point State Park, has been the subject of litigation between the developer and the citizen group South Arundel Citizens for Responsible Development, or SACReD. After more than ten years of attempts, the developer had been granted conditional approval to locate 11 homes on a 40-acre parcel along Deep Cove Creek. That decision was appealed and won by local residents and the Chesapeake Bay Foundation.

The County plans to create passive recreation areas, like hiking trails, and will plant trees to preserve the site’s environmentally sensitive features such as tidal and non-tidal wetlands that feed into Deep Cove Creek. The funds for purchase for the property, as well as any reforestation efforts, would come from “fee in lieu” money paid into an account when developers remove trees. These funds have sat dormant for years.

Other efforts pertaining to “fee in lieu” funding include: Partnering with the Chesapeake Bay Trust to establish forest conservation easements on large tracts of privately-owned land; awarding grants of up to \$300,000 for waterway improvement projects; conducting an audit to determine the current tree canopy using aerial photography; identifying land owned by government agencies to form partnerships; developing a neighborhood tree planting initiative to improve the urban tree canopy. *M. Lofton*

A loss based on “Standing”

In March, the Administrative Hearing Officer (AHO) granted Helen Bilzor a variance to subdivide her property in Harwood to create two lots with less density than allowed in RA zoning. DACA, Kate Fox, and Mike Lofton filed an appeal against granting the variance, and the Board of Appeals agreed to review the case. Mrs. Bilzor’s counsel filed a request to dismiss the case citing a lack of standing to appeal. The hearing to determine standing of the appellants to appeal was held with the BOA on August 8. Robert Miller was attorney for Mrs. Bilzor. Russ Stephenson of the Chesapeake Legal Alliance represented DACA and Kate and Mike pro bono. As part of his case, Russ called Gail and Kate to testify on why DACA should have standing to appeal the Hearing Officer’s decision. Board members asked many questions! After two hours of testimony by the lawyers and more questions from lawyers and BoA members, the board voted to dismiss Fox and Lofton, based on the BoA practice of allowing standing only for residents within 175 feet or sited at an angle to the subject property, and Kate and Mike both live too far from the Bilzor property to meet the distance requirement. DACA owns no property and the Board ruled that DACA was not uniquely aggrieved by the subdivision of the Bilzor property. A neighbor of Mrs. Bilzor who lives close enough to have standing, agreed to join the case, but not in time to meet the 30-day limit to file an appeal after the Hearing Officer’s decision was made official. *(More zoning on page 9)*



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Fred Tutman on the Patuxent River Commission

The Patuxent River Commission, was established by the State four years after the 1980 Patuxent River Watershed Act was enacted, as a measure to protect this important Maryland resource. The PRC serves as a steward for the Patuxent River and commits to lead and inspire actions to protect, enhance and restore river species as well as the natural, cultural, economic, and recreational values in the watershed. It includes seven counties, the city of Laurel, and additional watershed stakeholders and interest groups. 2018 marks my twentieth year of service on the State-created PRC, a unique but still obscure state agency that most Marylanders have never even heard of.

Muzzled by the state: The actual law that created the Commission does not dictate what the State staff would have us accept now. The PRC members voted a few months ago to issue joint comments on an especially troublesome housing development proposed in historic Savage in Howard County, the same county where the headwaters of the Patuxent are located and where unwise land use decisions recently contributed to enormous flooding, property damage, and loss of life due to storm-water problems (Ellicott City!). The proposed development (1) sits next to, and up-slope of, a highly erodible stretch of the river (2) on a site recently and very contentiously rezoned (3) in the middle of a prime historic district, (4) in a State DNR “targeted ecological preservation zone, and (5) it requires a land “swap” with Howard County of some public parkland (originally purchased with Program Open Space funds) in order to complete the project—if the County will approve it.

The PRC has no real power other than advisory, and might offer comments during the public comment phase of the Howard County review process but the **State does not want any members of the Commission even to breathe on this project and already chastised a few of us who testified against it as private citizens.** Surely this speaks volumes about how dodgy and tenuous this proposed development project is!

Fred Tutman offers the following petition to be sent to our legislators seeking to strengthen the P R C.

Dear Legislator (*see page 10 for your representative*),

We, as residents of the Patuxent Watershed and also as Maryland citizens, in observance of the legacy of struggle and activism by dedicated water quality advocates on the State’s largest watershed, support a strong and engaged Patuxent River Commission. We want a River Commission that is able to fulfill its rightful powers and duties under the law to engage and comment on the pollution and related issues and concerns that could improve water quality in this river. Sadly, the river presently holds a failing (D-) water quality score and it needs as much engagement and vigilance as possible in order to change that—and our fate. A Commission that cannot conduct fact-finding, or provide commentary wherever the river’s problems lead us, is surely not a worthwhile Commission at all, and a waste of time for all concerned! We need and want a Patuxent River Commission that is committed to following the text, spirit and intent of our purpose as formulated by its original framers in 1980. The Commission should be an independent deliberating and advisory body in which the membership has the tools, practical support and intellectual freedom to share the outcome of our deliberations where we can make a difference, and to fulfill our sworn duty to work diligently to protect the Patuxent River. We deplore the recent actions by the Maryland Department of Planning to restrain and undermine the true purpose and potential of this important Commission and its voice for the protection of the Patuxent River. We demand the State agency cease its interference with our mission and powers, and allow the Commission to do its rightful work. ****your signature****

You can read about the background to this petition and review supporting documents at <http://paxriverkeeper.org/the-only-state-river-commission-in-maryland-just-blinked/>

So, what do we in Davidsonville care about Howard County? What starts upriver flows down our western border and brings all its detritus with it, clogs and pollutes the river here at this very narrow stretch. Just keep it in mind when you might want to canoe or kayak past the Governor’s Bridge or put in at Davidsonville Park.

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Raccoon Oral Rabies Vaccination in September

The Anne Arundel County Department of Health will conduct the Raccoon Oral Rabies Vaccination (ORV) Project, beginning Thursday, August 30. Edible baits will be placed throughout Anne Arundel County to vaccinate raccoons against rabies. The project should be completed by the end of September, weather permitting.

The Baits... • Contain liquid rabies vaccine.

- Will be placed in neighborhoods by ground teams of trained Department of Health staff. Teams will wear shirts with Department of Health logos and travel in marked County vehicles.
- Will be dropped from a low-flying County Police helicopter in less-populated areas.
- Are in two types. One looks like a ketchup packet with a light brown waxy coating. The other looks like a small brown brick, is approximately 0.75 inches thick by 1.25 inches square, and has a plastic packet inside. In both types of bait, the vaccine is contained within the packet.
- Are marked with a 1-800 phone number. Anyone who comes in contact with the bait or has a pet that finds the bait is asked to call the 1-800 number or 410-222-7192.

The Vaccine... • Immunizes raccoons when the animal bites into the packet that contains the vaccine.

- Cannot cause rabies and is not harmful to raccoons, pets or other animals.
- Has a very low human health risk. However, it is advised that the following individuals avoid handling the bait:
 - People younger than 18 years old
 - Pregnant women
 - Anyone with a compromised immune system
 - Anyone with a chronic skin condition

The Department of Health recommends that pet owners keep their pets confined or on a leash during the baiting and for two weeks thereafter. If your pet finds a bait, carefully remove the bait from your pet's mouth.

For more information about the ORV Project, which began in Anne Arundel County in 1998, visit www.aahealth.org/orv.

Scholarship thank you from Tom Angelis

Although much has been written in the Villager recently about the creation of the Gail Enright Education Scholarship I again welcome members of the DACA community to support this program. Already, Theresa and Hassan Sadeghin have contributed to the scholarship when they renewed their DACA membership. Thank you both for your generous gift to this worthy endeavor.

As was indicated in the most recent Villager, "seed money" is the key phrase. With your assistance this seed money will continue to grow and benefit the scholarship recipients. No amount is either too large or small, but contributing to the fund is the key action. Thank you in advance for your generosity to this scholarship.

Tom Angelis

To support the fund, make your check in any amount payable to DACA and write "scholarship" in the memo space.

To apply for funds from this scholarship, write your request to DACA, PO Box 222, Davidsonville, MD 21035, stating how you would use the grant to further your education in whatever field you plan to pursue. Remember, every bit helps, whether coming in or going out!

County Construction Pollution Solution, from page 4 Association, Severn Riverkeeper Jesse Ihloff, and Lynn Rockenbauch of the Severn River Association. "Our team found the meeting to be highly productive and educational....I was pleased to learn that Anne Arundel's sediment trapping efforts are among the best in the state, according to Mr. Klein, with a compliance rate of 94 percent." Regarding erosion control, we found issues with seven of 25 sites inspected. "We believe the County should be more rigorous in requiring builders to supply and maintain the amount of straw, mulch, grass seed, and stone necessary to stabilize a construction site." We "will meet with staff to determine how the County can strengthen its requirements and practices."



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More dense zoning: Davis on Birdsville Road

The AA County Board of Appeals granted Richard Davis a variance to add two more lots to his residue lot at Walnut Hill Farm on Birdsville Road. The variance will allow more lots with fewer acres than current zoning regulations allow. DACA’s Board voted to appeal the decision by the BOA in Circuit Court because we believe this does not meet the criteria for a density variance as specified in the zoning code.

DACA filed the appeal and Circuit Court will review the decision of the Appeals Board. Mr. Davis made a motion to dismiss the appeal arguing that DACA lacks standing to appeal.

Ann Fligsten, Director of Growth Action Network, enlisted Ryan Kennedy, Esq., to take case pro bono. Legal motions have been filed between the two sides with regard to DACA’s standing to appeal. The Dodon Land Trust joined as an intervenor to bolster DACA’s standing. Currently, a tentative hearing on the Motion to Dismiss based on standing is set for October 24, 9:00 am at the AA County Court House on Church Circle in Annapolis. Depending on the outcome of that hearing, the case will either be dismissed or will proceed to the next stage with a hearing on January 28.

Kate Fox is DACA’s representative to Growth Action Network. She and Bruce Stein regularly attend GAN’s meetings with Phil Hager, Director of AA Planning and Zoning, next scheduled on Sept 26.

Got a project to do? Get a Scout!

Pat Osborne, troop leader of BSA Troop 454, writes: I have several Scouts who are looking for conservation projects to help them meet rank requirements. Does anyone know of projects in this area that Scouts can carry out? BSA has loose guidelines, and some suggestions.

- Plant shrubs to provide food and cover for wildlife.
 - Build and set out bird and squirrel nesting boxes.
 - Conduct stream improvement projects to prevent erosion.
 - Plant grasses and legumes to provide ground cover in schoolyards, public parks, and recreation areas.
 - Plant tree seedlings as part of a managed forestry plan.
 - Help thin and prune woodlands in a managed tree improvement project.
 - With a local forester, take part in or conduct a forest fire prevention program.
 - Make an exhibit on conservation for a county fair.
 - Develop a nature trail in a public park.
 - Assist a local forester in a tree insect- and disease-control or public education project.
 - Assist a local agency with a trout stream restoration project.
 - Participate in a wildlife or wildfowl count.
 - Conduct a rodent-control and public health education program under the guidance of the local health department or agency responsible for rodent control.
- I will make the final decision if the project qualifies or not, but wanted you to know what we are looking for. Contact patrick.osborne@verizon.net.

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Community Beach Clean-Up

From the August 8 news release by Owen McEvoy

County Executive Steve Schuh announced that the AA County Department of Public Works offered to assist communities whose beaches were impacted by the flood of debris deposited by excess stormwater resulting from the mid-summer release of stormwater from the Conowingo Dam in Cecil County (*LOL is this a typo or intentional?*),

The DPW selected highly impacted communities that needed this help. Dumpsters were provided to these communities along their private, bayfront beaches for several days. Only beach debris is be permitted; neighborhood trash, bulk items (old furniture, other garbage) will not be accepted. Debris loading was the responsibility of the community. The DPW will retrieve dumpsters for disposal following cleanup activities. DPW is assessing private beaches and will be contacting communities this week to schedule the drop off and retrieval of dumpsters. Communities will not be charged for recycling or disposal of collected debris.

Communities with private, bayfront beaches can request an assessment from the Department of Public Works by calling 410-222-7321 or emailing pwcust00@aacounty.org. With Hurricane Florence upon us, DPW may have to do it again. Be prepared for a big blow!

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Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary, the Sanctuary Proper and Visitor Center, is open to the public 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays (closed Sundays December through February). The Glendening Preserve is open to the public 9:00 am - 5:00 pm every day for hiking. The Wrighton Road gate is open on Sundays and holidays. Entrance fee is \$6 per vehicle.

Programs are open to families and individuals. Registration is required for all programs. An adult must accompany children under 13. Please note age limits for each program. Reservations and entrance fees are required for all events, unless noted. To register, please call 410-741-9330 or send an e-mail to www.programs@jugbay.org for information, directions and updates to our schedule.

Saturday, September 22, 9:30 am, program in Spanish: Descubriendo Jug Bay, at Glendening Nature Preserve, 5702 Plummer Lane, Lothian, MD 20711.

10:00 am 2:00 pm: Monarch Fiesta at Parris N. Glendening Nature Preserve. Celebrate the internationally famous monarch butterfly migration with Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary staff and volunteers. Family fun will include international, young family friendly, international citizen science demonstrations and training, crafts, games and tagged monarch releases!

1:00 - 1:45 pm Free guided tour of the wetland boardwalk to discover the wonderful and unique plants and animals found here! Tour is 45 minutes in length and \$6 vehicle entrance fee to the park is required. There is no participant limit and no registration is required. Meet in the McCann Wetlands Center promptly at 1pm.

Sunday, September 23: Fall Equinox Hike through the Glendening Preserve to celebrate the arrival of Fall. We'll look for signs of the changing season. Free. Meet at 5702 Plummer Lane, Lothian. Ages 10+. Fee: \$6 per vehicle entrance fee. Registration required: 410-741-9330 or www.programs@jugbay.org.

Friday, September 28: 4:00 pm Sunset Paddle on the Patuxent to see beavers, birds, and flowering plants. Arrive 15 minutes before start time. Registration required. Meet at 1361 Wrighton Road.



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Proposed Bill: Solar Energy Generating Facilities

When Paul Christensen presented the proposal for A Vision for South County to DACA's board (see page 5), he was met with questions from Bruce Stein noting the absence of consideration for solar energy farms. After the County's moratorium on new solar facilities was canceled, the County Executive asked the Council to introduce a bill concerning Zoning--Conditional Uses--Special Exceptions on solar energy generating facilities. Bill 89-18 is to be heard by the County Council at their October 1 meeting.

Written in legal jargon, the bill runs to 11 pages. This introductory paragraph explains its purpose:

FOR the purpose of repealing certain definitions and requirements relating to solar energy systems; adding certain definitions and requirements relating to solar energy generating facilities; grandfathering certain applications for solar energy generating facilities; allowing solar energy generating facilities as various uses in certain residential, commercial, industrial, maritime, mixed use, and other zoning districts; repealing the conditional use requirements for solar energy systems; adding the conditional use requirements for community type solar energy generating facilities; adding the conditional use requirements for solar energy

generating facilities used for resale under certain circumstances; adding the special exception requirements for community type solar energy generating facilities; adding the special exception use requirements for solar energy generating facilities used for resale under certain circumstances; making other technical changes; and generally relating to zoning.

Bruce reviewed the bill and provided comments which he submitted to Council member Chris Trumbauer and requested that they be considered by the group working on the bill. As DACA is concerned with RA zoning and agricultural-use properties, he suggested that priority be given to land that is not primarily agricultural, i.e. brownfields, parking lots. Bruce also espoused dual use of solar panel fields for an environmentally beneficial use or raising crops under raised solar panels. In addition to Mr. Trumbauer, Bruce's suggestions were also forwarded to the County's Government Affairs Officer and the Planning and Zoning Officer for review, as they are involved in the legislation discussions about this matter.

On September 12 the Capital reported the opening of a new solar power plant of 55,000 panels located on Annapolis's retired, capped landfill located on the north side of the Defense Highway. Good job Annapolis! Go to it, Anne Arundel!

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 Principal Mildred Beall, 410-956-5800
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 William Myers, 410-956-5600
 Projected enrollment 2198

The 2018-19 calendar was approved by the Board of Education and revised on July 23, 2018. This calendar has two days built in at the end of the school year for emergency closings, making the school year 183 student days and 193 teacher days. If any of the three emergency days are not used, they shall be deducted from the June closing date. If more than two additional makeup days are needed, Tuesday, March 5, may be used as a potential makeup day.

If emergency closings affect the end of any marking period, the calendar will be adjusted and the marking period extended so that both early dismissal days occur at the end of the marking period.

- Davidsonville Parent-Teacher Organization events:
- September 21, DES Movie Night, 7:30-ish
 - October 2, Custodial Appreciation Day
 - October 12, Student Pictures
 - October 16, IB Info night for Middle School students at Annapolis Middle School, 6:30
 - October 15-16 and 18-19, Drownproofing for fifth grade
 - October 17, Two-hour early dismissal
 - October 23, No school
 - October 24, STEM Middle School info night at Central Middle School, 6:30
 - Oct. 31, Halloween parties and parade

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 Vocal Trash Monday, November 19 7:30 pm
 Maryland Live: The Annapolis Chorale with
 Ernest Green Sunday, February 17, 2019 **3:00 pm**
 Vox Fortura Saturday, March 23, 2019 7:30 pm
 Shenandoah Run Saturday, May 11, 2019 7:30 pm

Your subscription to South County Concert Association includes AACCA concerts also:

Anne Arundel Community Concert Association

Severna Park High School

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Derik Nelson & Family Tuesday, October 2, 7:30 pm
 My Funny Valentine Thursday, November 1, 7:30 pm
 U.S. Navy Commodores Saturday, January 26, 7:30 pm
 The Malpass Brothers Tuesday, February 12, 7:30 pm
 Sergei Teleshev Sunday, April 7, **3:00 pm**

If you need transportation to attend the South County concerts, please notify us and SCCA will provide a guest pass for your driver. We welcome new subscribers and invite you to refer SCCA to your friends and neighbors.

For additional information, visit SCCA's website at www.southcountyconcerts.org. If you have any questions, please call 410-956-4881 or 301-789-3295.

Betty Knupp, Membership Chair

DACA offers deep sympathy to the SCCA on the death last month of Frank Gouin, President

To make DACA more visible

The Welcome to Davidsonville sign is almost ready to make its debut this fall. Once it is in place, we can and should give consideration to posting a sign where DACA meets at the Davidsonville Family Recreation Center, along with the signs of other member organizations. More later.

Write for the Villager?

What would you like to say to your neighbors, legislators, local government officials, DACA Board members? The Villager always welcomes input and opinions from readers and DACA members, and thanks them for it. I found this Editorial Policy in the Minutes of November 1994, and not much has changes since then.

DACA members and readers deserve the best that a volunteer editor can produce in the time available. Deliberately or lazily publishing bad writing is an insult to the author as much as to the readers. The Editor reserves the right to edit material for the Villager, especially regarding grammar, punctuation, capitalization, spelling and sentence structure. Facts are the business of the author (unless they are known to be blatantly false). The Editor is responsible for all honestly presented articles in the Villager. Exceptions are the comments from readers printed verbatim on page 2. When major or substantive changes are made on a written submission, Editor will show the copy to the author and confer to reach common understanding and agreement. Enough mistakes are made by accident that the Villager should not publish preventable misprints and errors. *Gail*

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A Broadway Spectacular

Saturday, January 26, 7:30 pm

Tunes with the Archbishop Spalding H.S. Choir
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Ivan Stefanovic from the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra in Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto

Rising Stars

Saturday, March 9, 7:30 pm

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