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October in Calvert County, Maryland

PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – September 30, 2010 – The long, hot summer is over but cool days and crisp nights make fall the perfect time of year to explore Calvert County.

Friday, October 1 (6-9 p.m.)

North Beach Friday Night Farmers Market & Classic Car Cruise-In

5th Street & Bay Avenue on the Boardwalk, North Beach
301-855-6681 • 410-257-9618 • www.ci.north-beach.md.us

Seasonal delights from local farms including vegetables, fruit, cut flowers, bedding plants, fresh herbs, seafood and baked goods. Free entertainment. Classic car enthusiasts will enjoy viewing some of the coolest vehicles in the area at the simultaneous Friday Night Cruise-In.

Friday, October 1 (5-8 p.m.)

First Free Friday

Calvert Marine Museum
14200 Solomons Island Road, Solomons
410-326-2042 • www.calvertmarinemuseum.com

The first Friday of the month will feature our first FREE Friday program. The museum is open free to the public from 5 until 8 p.m. with special entertainment and activities each month. Visit Web site for complete details.

Friday-Sunday, October 1-3

2010 Solomons Offshore Grand Prix

Solomons Riverwalk, Glascock Field, Solomons
www.solomonsrace.com

Offshore racing fans can look forward to the 1st Annual Solomons Offshore Grand Prix sponsored by Bayside Chevrolet-Toyota. Fans and spectators will get a firsthand look at the boats as they tour the pits on Friday and Saturday. Dozens of boats will compete in this amazing race. Races will occur on Sunday, October 3. Races can be viewed from Solomons Riverwalk.

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Saturday, October 2 (9 a.m.-noon)

Maker's Market

Annamarie Garden Sculpture Park & Arts Center

13480 Dowell Road, Solomons

410-326-4640 • www.annmariegarden.org

Annamarie Garden hosts Maker's Market on the first Saturday of the month, featuring vendors selling fresh produce, handmade crafts and products.

Wednesday, October 6 (2-3 p.m.)

Point Farm House & Garden Tour

Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum

10515 Mackall Road, St. Leonard

410-586-8501 • www.jefpat.org

Join us for a guided tour of Point Farm, estate home and retreat of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson Patterson. This Colonial Revival brick house was designed in 1932 by noted female architect Gertrude Sawyer. The gardens are being faithfully restored based on the original plans by landscape architect Rose Greely. Reservations are required. Fee.

Thursdays, October 7, October 14, October 21, October 28 (4-8 p.m.)

Calvert County Farmers Market - Solomons

Solomons Riverwalk, North of Solomons Pavilion, Solomons

410-535-4583 • www.calvertag.org

Seasonal delights from local farms including vegetables, fruit, cut flowers, bedding plants, fresh herbs, seafood and baked goods. Also enjoy the Southern Maryland Sailing Association's small boat races on the water in front of the gazebo starting at 6 p.m.

Saturday-Sunday, October 9-10 (10 a.m.-5 p.m.)

Patuxent River Appreciation Days (PRAD)

Calvert Marine Museum

14200 Solomons Island Road, Solomons

410-326-2042 • www.calvertmarinemuseum.com

Celebrate the past, present and future of the Patuxent River. Toy boat building, local musicians, juried arts and crafts fair, great food, games and environmental displays and activities promise fun for visitors of all ages. PRAD parade is Sunday, October 10, at 2 p.m.

Sunday, October 10 (1-4 p.m.)

Fall Family Fun Day

Chesapeake Beach Railway Museum

4155 Mears Avenue, Chesapeake Beach

410-257-3892 • www.cbrm.org

Free annual event and open to the public. Join us for fun, crafts and games.

Sunday, October 17 (1-4 p.m.)

13th Annual Calvert County Farm Tour

Calvert County Agriculture Association

410-535-4583 • www.calvertag.org

Since 1998, the Calvert County Farm Tour has been held at various farm locations throughout the county. The Farm Tour is conducted to showcase how farming is evolving in Calvert County as well as to help residents become familiar with agriculture methods and the county's agriculture community.

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Saturday, October 23 (10 a.m.-5 p.m.)

Calvert Marine Museum 40th Birthday Party

Calvert Marine Museum

14200 Solomons Island Road, Solomons

410-326-2042 • www.calvertmarinemuseum.com

The Calvert Marine Museum is celebrating 40 years – help them celebrate with this birthday party!

Saturday, October 24 (3:30-6:30 p.m.)

Guided Canoe Trip

American Chestnut Land Trust

Warriors Rest Sanctuary, 1920 Scientists Cliffs Road, Port Republic

410-414-3400 • www.acltweb.org

Depart from Warriors Rest and enjoy a scenic Harvest Moon tour of Parkers Creek. Trip will be from 3:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. to see the full moon rising! Reservations are required. Please note that canoe trips are physically strenuous, requiring paddling for three hours (frequently against wind and tides), and may require participants to help carry a canoe for up to one-quarter mile over sand to access the creek.

Saturday, October 23 (11 a.m.-4 p.m.)

Halloween in the Garden

Annamarie Garden Sculpture Park & Arts Center

13480 Dowell Road, Solomons

410-326-4640 • www.annmariegarden.org

Looking for something SPOOKtacular to do for Halloween? Bring the family to the Garden for a sale and spook-free daytime trick-or-treating event. Non-profit organizations, outreach programs, local businesses and entrepreneurs participate by decorating their space in a haunted theme, dressing in holiday costumes and handing out goodies. Free art activities provided. Dress the whole family and enjoy trick-or-treating in the garden. \$1 per person donation benefits a charity.

Saturday, October 23 (6:30-8 p.m.)

Halloween Family Fun Night at Chesapeake Beach Water Park

Chesapeake Beach Water Park, 4079 Gordon Stinnett Avenue, Chesapeake Beach

410-257-1404 • www.chesapeake-beach.md.us

This is a free family event held at the Chesapeake Beach Water Park. Come in costume and go through the haunted river, then trick or treat through the park for Halloween treats supplied by the town and their local merchants. The event is geared toward elementary school-aged children.

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Sunday, October 31 (1-4 p.m.)

Fall Foliage Hike at Double Oak Farm

American Chestnut Land Trust, Double Oak Road, Prince Frederick

410-414-3400 • www.acltweb.org

Join ACLT for a hike through the woods and enjoy the fall colors. Wear comfortable walking shoes and dress for the weather. Registration requested.

Sunday, October 31 (4:30-5:30 p.m.)

9th Annual Monster Mash Cruise and Costume Contest

“Wm. B. Tennison,” Calvert Marine Museum, 14200 Solomons Island Road, Solomons

410-326-2042 • www.calvertmarinemuseum.org

This cruise is for little goblins and their families. Registration is required by Wednesday, October 27. Adults \$7, children 5-12 \$6, children 4 and under \$4. For more information contact mccormmj@co.cal.md.us.

For more information about the Calvert County, Md., Department of Economic Development, our visitor sites and attractions and the services available to assist county businesses, call 410-535-4583, 800-331-9771 or 301-855-1880; send an e-mail to info@ecalvert.com, or visit online at www.ecalvert.com.

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Calvert County is Maryland's smallest county in land area with 213 square miles. It is home to approximately 90,000 people and has one of the highest standards of living in Maryland. There are more than 5,000 businesses in the County and a labor force of at least 1.8 million resides within a one-hour drive. Major industries include defense contracting, information technology, tourism, utilities, light manufacturing and administrative services.