

# Tidings

Visitor News for July 2018



**BROCHURES**



**JOIN**



**EXPLORE**



Ready to dive into summer? School's out, temperatures are up and it's time to gather family and friends to make lasting memories. Calvert County's got you covered for lots of fun activities this July. We are home to scenic beaches, glistening pools, lush parks and a variety of attractions perfect for warm weather adventures for every member of the family.



## Fireworks & Freedom: Celebrate 4<sup>th</sup> of July with a Bang

### **Solomons Island**

4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks

July 4, Beginning between 9:15-9:30 p.m.

### **Chesapeake Beach**

Fireworks Over the Bay

June 30, 9-10 p.m.

## Swim Into Summer

Beat the summer heat and head to one of Calvert County's beaches or pools for some fun in the sun. Enjoy Southern Maryland's finest aquatic facilities and most exquisite shorelines.

During the summer months, **Bayfront Park** offers breathtaking views of the Chesapeake Bay. Dive in for a swim or sunbathe on the sandy park shores.

**Calvert Cliffs State Park** is a day-use park featuring a beach, fossil hunting, recycled tire playground, fishing, a freshwater and tidal marshland and 13 miles of hiking trails. This park has a little something for everyone.

For hundreds of years the forces of nature have reshaped the Chesapeake Bay shoreline of **Flag Ponds Nature Park**, creating a remarkable variety of natural environments. Stroll the beach or observe the bounty of wildlife that calls the park home.



**Breezy Point Beach and Campground** features swimming, fishing, picnicking and seasonal and daily bayfront camping. Bring a picnic lunch or take advantage of the charcoal grills for a beach barbecue.

**North Beach** is an inviting and energetic town with a public beach offering kayak, paddleboard and umbrella rentals, complete with designated fishing areas. Ramble down the lively boardwalk and visit one of the many eclectic shops for a unique souvenir.

**Aquatic facilities** are located throughout Calvert County and feature lap pools, waterslides, leisure pools and children's play

areas.

## Twin Beaches Boast Alluring Attractions

Visit the charming waterside towns of Chesapeake Beach and North Beach to experience a slice of

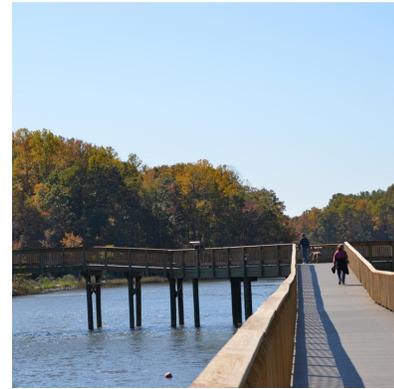
paradise tucked just a stone's throw away from the hustle and bustle of Washington, D.C. and Baltimore. Spend a day learning about the rich history and culture of the waterside communities and take advantage of lush gardens and public parks.

## *North Beach*

- [Bayside History Museum](#)
- [Wetlands Overlook Park](#)

## *Chesapeake Beach*

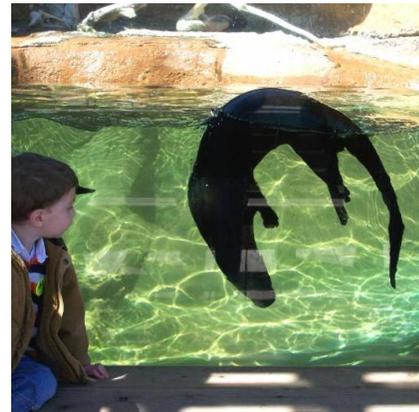
- [Bruce "Snake" Gabrielson's Surfing Museum and Surf Art Gallery](#)
- [Chesapeake Beach Railway Museum](#)
- [Chesapeake Beach Railway Trail](#)



## **School's Out! Fun Things To Do in Calvert County**

The dog days of summer are here. The sun is shining, children are out of school and in need of fun activities to stay engaged and entertained. Here are five exciting ideas and attractions sure to liven up the summer months:

- [Calvert County Parks & Recreation](#)
- [Calvert Marine Museum](#)
- [Calvert Nature Society](#)
- [Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum](#)
- [Pools](#)



## **Kick Back, Relax and Staycate**

Explore your backyard with a relaxing staycation and find time for spontaneous trips to make local discoveries. In Calvert County, here are the top 10 local things to do:

- Hunt for fossils, shark teeth, shells and sea glass at the [beach](#).
- Shop a [farmer's market](#) or [roadside stand](#) for local produce.
- Visit an [art gallery](#) showcasing local talent.
- Spend an afternoon [fishing or crabbing](#).
- [Sail](#) the Chesapeake Bay or paddle the Patuxent River.
- Wander through antique [shops and unique boutiques](#).
- Sample local wines and ales at various [wineries and breweries](#).

- Take a step back in time at a [museum](#) or tour a historic lighthouse.
- Attend one of our many free [events and festivals](#).
- Experience the area's eclectic cuisine at a [waterfront café or restaurant](#).



## Visitor Information and Merchandise Special

Stop by the Solomons Visitor Center to take home a small piece of Calvert County and to learn about the pleasant peninsula. During the month of July, there is a merchandise special on corded pillows. These versatile pillows are part of an indoor/outdoor collection that can enhance interior design or add life to an outdoor setting. They feature printed, outdoor, fade-resistant fabric for years of enjoyment. Stop by and enjoy a 10 percent discount.



## Buy Local, Eat Fresh

Eating fresh and eating local is made easy with an abundance of fresh food from Calvert County's farmers, agri-businesses and watermen. Celebrate Calvert County's bounty of delicious and fresh produce by visiting one of the five weekly farmers markets:

### **Tuesdays – Prince Frederick (CalvertHealth)**

130 Hospital Road (parking lot adjacent to Rt. 4)  
May 8-Nov. 20, 3-7 p.m.

### **Saturdays – Barstow (Fairgrounds)**

140 Calvert Fair Drive  
May 5-Nov. 17, 7:30 a.m.-noon

### **Sundays – Solomons (Solomons Visitor Center)**

14175 Solomons Island Road South  
June 3-Sept. 9, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

**Private/Municipal Markets:**

**Tuesdays – Spider Hall**

3915 Hallowing Point Road  
May 15-Oct. 30, 4-7 p.m.

**Fridays – North Beach**

5th & 7th streets and Bay Avenue  
May 4-Oct. 5, 6-9 p.m.

*\*Markets listed above are **Maryland Dept. of Agriculture**  
approved markets*



## *Upcoming Events*



**JULY 14**  
Southern Maryland  
Balloon Festival

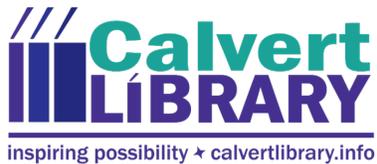


**JULY 15**  
Summer in Solomons  
Bridal Show



**JULY 21**  
Fossil Field  
Experience

*Visit [ChooseCalvert.com](http://ChooseCalvert.com) for a full listing of upcoming events*



Calvert Library offers complimentary or reduced-price passes to more than 20 participating community partners, including museums, wineries, parks and more. All you need is a library card!

Calvert County Department of Economic Development | 410-535-4583 | [ChooseCalvert.com](http://ChooseCalvert.com)

