

Letter to the editor: Thank you from Calvert Hospice!

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On behalf of the Board of Directors and the staff of Calvert Hospice, I would like to express our sincere appreciation for the generosity of our community in making our Third Annual Culinary Event a truly wonderful evening of caring, friendship, and support. Over 170 guests turned out in support of our organization, making this not only our most financially successful Culinary Event to date, but also a special evening of both connecting with old friends and making new ones as well. Guests enjoyed tapas and other culinary treats from Elegance by Maryland Country Caterers, savored award-winning wines from Running Hare Vineyard, and danced to the ever-energetic NightLife Band.

Because of everyone's commitment to our work and mission, we were able to raise over \$45,000 to support the Burnett Calvert Hospice House and our other hospice programs. In addition to our guests, a successful evening such as this was possible only with the generosity and support of our sponsors. We are truly grateful to our first "Hospice Partner," Medart Galleries, for their sustaining commitment and collaboration with us, and to our event sponsors: Kelly Generator & Equipment, Inc., Dr. Stephen Peters & Mr. Alan Wilson, Floor Systems, Anchor Pharmacy & Medical Supply, Production Management Group, Len the Plumber, PNC Bank, SMECO, Calvert Memorial Hospital, Community Bank of the Chesapeake, ProCare Hospice Care, Sneade's Ace Home Center, Marrick Homes, Jacqueline Morgan Day Spa, and Absolute Quality Contractors. We can't begin to adequately thank Running Hare Vineyard and Elegance by Maryland Country Caterers for their incredible generosity and guidance. Simply, we could not have held such an incredible event without them.

Our fun and very successful live auction would also not have been possible without donations from the following businesses and individuals, and we are extremely grateful they chose to share their talents and opportunities with us: King Street Blues, Calvert Brewing Company, Running Hare Vineyard, Ray Bogle, Jeri Kalins, Ann Crain, Pamela Callen, Abbey Griffin, Dr. Raymon Noble, Randy Estabrook, Marie Bundy Estabrook, The Mermaid's Cottage, Mamma Lucia's, Brick Wood Fire & Bistro, Stoney's Prince Frederick, Charles St. Brasserie, , Stoney's Kingfishers, Salsarita's Fresh Cantina, Fiesta Grill, Ruddy Duck Brewery & Grill, Bobby and Lynn Bennett, Evolution Training Athletics, Maertens Fine Jewelry & Gifts, and Mike Scarborough. Additional valued supporters who contributed to the evening's success include Bill Chambers, Bob Carpenter and The Arts Council of Calvert County, AAA Transport, the Explorers from the Calvert County Sheriff's Department, Copper Fox Distillery, and Buehler's Market.

A new option for providing much needed funds also proved very successful! Instead of our usual silent auction, we introduced our "Fund A Need" initiative, which provided our guests an opportunity to donate funds directly to a specific need, such as supporting our bereavement programs for children and our We Honor Veterans ceremonies. We look forward to making this opportunity a traditional part of our future events.

And a final special thank you goes out to Torben Huge-Jensen and Dr. Raymon Noble, who provided the original inspiration for this event and who continue to give of themselves, their time, and talents in support of Calvert Hospice.

As the community's hospice, we are grateful for everyone's sincere caring, generous support and personal involvement. All of us remain committed to being the hospice you need us to be, whenever you need us.

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