



# Calvert County NEWS

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### Calvert County Honors Dr. Ralph Eshelman with Historic Preservation Service and Education Award

**PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – June 5, 2015** – Historian and Lusby resident Dr. Ralph

Eshelman was recognized by the Calvert County Board of County Commissioners June 2 with an Historic Preservation Service and Education Award. These annual awards are given for outstanding achievement and excellence in protecting and preserving the county's cultural heritage. It was the first time one recipient was honored with a combined award for service and education.

Eshelman came to Calvert County as the director of the Calvert Marine Museum, a position he held from 1974 to 1990. He is now widely known as the leading authority on the history and paleontology of the Patuxent River. For more than 35 years, he has studied, written and lectured about the history of the region, including the War of 1812. His books include "The War of 1812 in the Chesapeake: A Reference Guide to Historic Sites in Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia," "Chesapeake Legends and Lore from the War of 1812" and "In Full Glory Reflected: Discovering the War of 1812 in the Chesapeake." Most recently, Eshelman was interviewed for a new virtual heritage tour of Calvert County that highlights the War of 1812 and its impact on the town of Lower Marlboro.

The Historic Preservation Awards are sponsored by the Calvert County Historic District Commission. For more information about the awards, contact Calvert County Historic Preservation Planner Kirsti Uunila at 410-535-1600, ext. 2504, or by email at [uunilak@co.cal.md.us](mailto:uunilak@co.cal.md.us).

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