



## 29<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CANCER CRUSADE

CELEBRATION OF LIFE GALA

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# For Immediate Release

## ANNUAL CANCER GALA IN AUGUST

Calvert County's 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Cancer Crusade Celebration of Life Gala will be held at the Rod 'N' Reel Restaurant, Thursday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, from 7:30 to 10:00 p.m. Advanced tickets are \$125 per person and \$150 on the day of the event.

The Gala, first organized 28 years ago by former Chesapeake Beach Mayor Gerald W. Donovan and his brother Fred, co-owners of the Rod 'N' Reel, is a celebration of life with proceeds going to the American Cancer Society for research, education, and patient services. In 1982, the first event raised \$5,300. Since then, combined earnings have reached nearly \$4 million and continue to grow!

Approximately 40 percent of the money raised stays right here in Calvert County to support such programs as the Road to Recovery, I Can Hope, Look Good...Feel Better, Man to Man, and Reach to Recovery. The American Cancer Society is also very active in educating the community about early detection and prevention.

The Honorary Chairs this year are Delegate Sue and Steve Kullen. Please join them in honoring memories of our loved ones and to celebrate the lives of all cancer survivors.

This year's event promises to be another fun-filled evening with a menu that includes Maine lobsters, shrimp, oysters, clams, mussels, crabs, and fresh fish, as well as roasted pig, filet mignon, barbeque ribs, grilled chicken, steamship round, and desserts galore. Enjoy an open bar, live music, and dancing inside and out.

Rays of Hope Luminaries to honor cancer survivors or those who have lost their lives to cancer will be available at the event.

Tickets may be purchased at any Calvert County Community Bank of Tri-County branch, at the Rod 'N' Reel Restaurant, and online at [www.RodNReelCancerGala.org](http://www.RodNReelCancerGala.org).

Hotel rooms are available for Gala patrons only (use promotional code `gala10` when making your reservation).

For more information please call 301-855-8351 or 410-257-2735 ext. 108, 109, or 171 or visit us online at [www.RodNReelCancerGala.org](http://www.RodNReelCancerGala.org)