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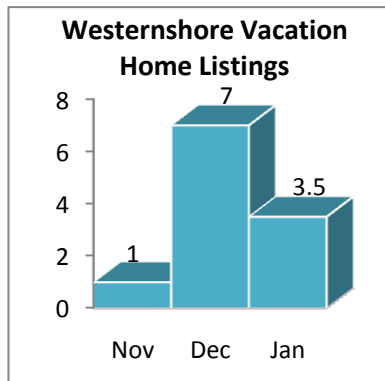
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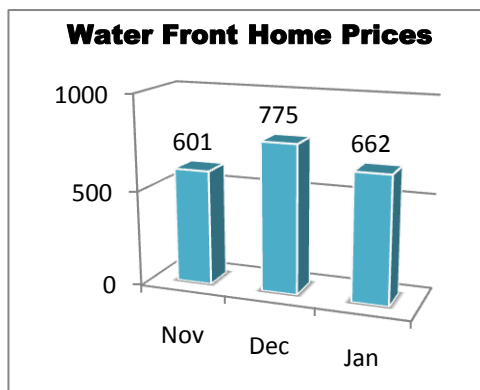
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Westernshore Vacation Home Statistics

The Western Shore of the Chesapeake Bay (Calvert County and St Mary's County) showed an increase in foreclosures and pre-foreclosures listed in December. Below is a chart of the distressed vacation home properties listed in the last three months. The chart includes water view, walk to water and waterfront properties.



Below I have included Saint Mary's and Calvert County data for average waterfront home prices.



All content can be found at www.activerain.com/blogs/ebdicard and was written by Phyllis Minik. Please visit www.SMDVacation for more information.

Now is a Great Time to Rent your Vacation Home in the Westernshore Maryland Area

Spring is coming up and people are starting to think about planning their summer vacation. Vacation Home rentals are gaining in popularity. When I first started to rent vacation homes out a few years ago there were only a couple of other homes available for vacation rentals in the area. Now it is becoming popular and there are probably around 20 homes here available to rent. Your home does not have to be waterfront. As long as there is a beach in walking distance it will be desirable to a potential renter.

Thinking of Selling? Get a Free Home Audit and See the Worth of your Home at www.smdvacation.com

I just opened up my own company Western Shore Realty, LLC to manage vacation home rentals for home owners. You can view my site to see the services I offer and vacation rentals available: www.WesternShoreVacationRentals.com.

If you are thinking about selling your home and you can't because you owe too much this could be a great option to help you weather the current economic storm. You can use the income you get from your rental toward your mortgage. Chances are your home is already furnished so it will not be costly to get it up and running for a vacation rental. One of the services I offer is to help you get your home ready to rent. Even if you are planning on keeping your vacation home and someday moving in after you retire you could use the extra income to add features to your home like a deck, sunroom or update your kitchen. The nice thing about this is you can still use your home while receiving extra income since renters will only rent for short periods.

It is difficult to manage when you are out of town so that is why I started my property management service in February. For more information just email me or visit my site at www.WesternShoreVacationRentals.com.

Concerned about the value of your home?
Get FREE neighborhood updates to see homes sold, on the market and under contract in your area. Just visit www.SMDvacation.com!

Up Coming Events in Southern Maryland

Fossil Egg Hunt

April 3rd 10:00am-11:00am

Calvert Marine Museum Solomons, MD

Come and uncover hidden fossil eggs throughout the museum. Participants will win prizes and get to bring home the fossil eggs! Just remember to bring your own baskets!

The Garden Fair at Sotterley Plantation

April 17th 9:00am-4:00pm

Sotterley Plantation, Hollywood

Come and learn all you need to know about gardening. It includes demonstrations with hands-on activities and many vendors.

Admission \$

Spring Fling XXV Classic Car Show

April 25th 8:00am-4:00pm

Leonardtwn Square Leonardtown, MD

Hundreds of classic and antique cars will be on display. Live music, entertainment and door prizes. Rain Date Sunday May 3rd

Spring Craft Fair

May 5th 10:00am-4:00pm

Cherry Tree Crossing Rd, Cheltenham, MD

Over 200 artisans and crafters. People selling, displaying and demonstrating all of their original and wonderful creations. Lots of fun for the entire family with food, games and entertainment.

Cinco de Mayo Beach Party

May 5th 2pm to 2am

Far East Beach Concierge Camping, St Mary's County

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with a fabulous beach party all weekend. Food, drinks, music and dancing will start the fun.

Family scavenger hunts and obstacle courses.

4th Annual Potomac Wildlife Art and Decoy Show

May 15th 10:00am-3:00pm

College of Southern Maryland in La Plata

Free decoy identification and appraisals. Exhibits of classic decoys and a carving competition will all take place at this annual event.

*If your home is listed by a Realtor this is not a solicitation to sell your home.

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