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“We are very fortunate to have these talented individuals share their time and expertise with Talbot Hospice Foundation,” said Board President Adrienne Rudge.

Mike Sheridan, a resident of St. Michaels, has worked in the financial industry as an investment officer. He is a graduate of Drexel University and received an MBA from the University of North Carolina as a Wachovia Scholar. As a financial professional he worked in CT, and for Goldman Sachs in NY. Upon retirement he has served as treasurer for Christ Church, St. Michaels, The US Navy League and The St. Andrews Society. Mike has served on various committees for the Talbot Country Club, The Miles River Yacht Club and Poplar Island Yacht Club.

| Frances Maffitt, an Easton resident and originally from North Carolina, graduated from Salem College with a degree in chemistry. She served in research positions at Reynolds Tobacco and Vanderbilt University. Currently she is an Associate Broker with Benson and Mangold Real Estate in Easton. Frances served on the Board of Directors of the Waterfowl Festival, the Mid-Shore Board of Realtors, and The Talbot County Club. She was the Christmas in St Michaels Gala Chair in 2005. “I am delighted to serve on the Board of Talbot Hospice because I feel it is truly one of the most important organizations in the community,” commented Maffitt.

Jim Vermilye, a resident of Easton, is a senior trust officer and division manager for Centreville National Bank of Maryland and is also well versed in finance and investments. He holds a BA in Political Science from St. Mary’s College of Maryland. Active in the community, Jim is the Board treasurer of Gunston Day School, and serves on committees for the Talbot United Fund, Shore Health, Mid-Shore Community Foundation and The Memorial Hospital Foundation. He is a driver for Meals on Wheels and a member of Easton Rotary.

Shirlynn Shafer holds a B.A. in Business Administration from Wilmington College and has worked in the Health Care industry for many years. She is currently with Corsica Hills Nursing Center. Well-informed about hospice from the nursing end and the volunteer side, Shirlynn was president of the Friends of Hospice and served as co-chairman of the Festival of the Trees in 1993 and chairman in 1994. She lives in Easton with her husband Bob and son Nathan.

Lon Smith is native of Greenbrier County, W.Va and holds a B.A. in business from West Virginia University and and MBA from American University. He served as a financial advisor to several organizations in the Washington D.C. area. After 44 years in the Financial Services industry, he retired as Senior Vice President of Morgan Stanley and moved to Easton. His wife Lindsley is a native of Easton and a Hospice volunteer.

The board and staff of the Talbot Hospice Foundation are thrilled to have these Talbot residents join the Board and are confident that their professional backgrounds will be an asset to the Foundation.

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