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NEWS RELEASE

Eleven Businesses Pass Alcohol Compliance Checks

LEONARDTOWN, MD (November 10, 2025) - On October 22, 2025, the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office Alcohol Enforcement Unit conducted a series of alcohol compliance checks at licensed establishments throughout the county.

The operation involved the use of a 20-year-old Confidential Informant (CI) from the Sheriff's Office. The CI, dressed in jeans and a sweatshirt, was instructed to enter restaurants and stores and attempt to purchase an alcoholic beverage to test compliance with state alcohol laws.

The CI was accompanied by Corporal Kristi Nelson of the Sheriff's Office Special Operations Division. Cpl. Nelson, also dressed in civilian attire, observed all transactions.

A total of 11 businesses were visited during the operation, and all 11 successfully passed by requesting identification and refusing the sale of alcohol to the underage CI.

The following establishments were visited:
2000 Liquors 21800 N. Shangri-La, #19, Lexington Park
Action Lounge and Billiards 25470 Point Lookout Road, Leonardtown
Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar 45480 Miramar Way, California
Blue Wind Gourmet 22803 Gunston Drive, Lexington Park
International Beverages 21367 Great Mills Road, Lexington Park
La Vida Mexican Bar & Grill 22767 Three Notch Road, California
Pax River Ale House 46590 Corporate Drive, Lexington Park
Pier450 48342 Wynne Road, Ridge
Ruddy Duck Seafood & Alehouse 16800 Piney Point Road, Piney Point
Tacos Hacienda Mexican Grill 20975 Point Lookout Road, Callaway
Gridiron Grill 20855 Callaway Village Way, Unit 2, Callaway

The St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office commends the businesses that continue to follow Maryland's alcohol laws and thanks them for their commitment to keeping our community safe.

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