

Media Advisory

Comptroller Lierman's Take a Look with Brooke Tour Heads to Queen Anne's County Wednesday

Comptroller to meet county elected officials, business leaders, and community stakeholders during the afternoon tour

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (December 19, 2023) — Comptroller Brooke Lierman's Take a Look with Brooke Tour will travel to Queen Anne's County on Wednesday afternoon. She will meet with Queen Anne's County elected, business and community leaders. She will hear their concerns and issues affecting the county, talk about her role as Comptroller for the past year, and discuss actions taken as a member of the Board of Public Works. The Comptroller also will share her thoughts on what's ahead for Maryland's economy as the Maryland General Assembly session begins January 10.

Comptroller Lierman will start the tour with a lunch meeting with the Queen Anne's County Commissioners, where she will provide highlights of her first-year accomplishments and share agency outreach initiatives to assist government leaders and taxpayers. She will be joined by Commission President James J. Moran, R-At Large; Vice President Philip L. Demenil, R-District 3; and Commissioners Jack N. Wilson Jr., R-District 1; J. Patrick McLaughlin, R-District 2; and Christopher M. Corchiarino, R-District 4.

Comptroller Lierman will next tour Everside Health Center in Centreville, whose innovative mission is to deliver advanced primary care and mental health services to employees and families of the county government and public school system. The center provides same-day/next-day access with no out-of-pocket costs. Stuart Sulley, an Innovative Practice Leader for Bolton Health, will lead the tour of elected, school and business officials.

Afterward, the Comptroller will head to Stevensville for an economic roundtable session with county business leaders at Itaberco, an artisan dessert business that employs more than 35 people in manufacturing, research, and development. The meeting, arranged by the Queen Anne's County Economic Development Coordinator Rebecca Clark, will include recent achievements and endeavors. Queen Anne's County recently was ranked number one in Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of the state's 23 counties and Baltimore City. The county experienced the highest growth in GDP in Maryland, with an increase of 8.25% between 2019 and 2021. GDP is the value of goods and services produced within a county.

On her last stop of the tour, Comptroller Lierman will visit Paul Reed Smith (PRS) Guitars, where she will meet Founder and General Partner Paul Reed Smith, President Jamie Mann, and Chief Operating Officer Jack Higgenbottom for a tour of the facility. Mr. Smith started

making guitars in the late 1970s in a small Maryland workshop and today, PRS guitars are played by some of the biggest names in the music industry.

On the Take a Look with Brooke Tours, Comptroller Lierman visits towns and communities throughout the state to learn more about the people, businesses, and community leaders who make Maryland a great place to live and work. On these tours, the Comptroller has the opportunity to see cutting-edge technologies, to talk with local entrepreneurs to take the pulse of the local economy, and to highlight places that contribute to a region's quality of life.

Wednesday, December 20, 2023

12:30 p.m.

Lunch Meeting

Queen Anne's County Commissioners
Queen Anne's County Family YMCA building
210 Vincit St.
Centreville, MD 21617

1:30 p.m.

Tour

Everside Health Center
2977 4-H Park Road, Suite 202
Centreville, MD

2:30 p.m.

Business Roundtable
Itaberco
363 Log Canoe Circle
Stevensville, MD 21666

3:40 p.m.

Tour Paul Reed Smith
380 Log Canoe Circle
Stevensville, MD 21666

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