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Sunny Squirrel Appointed Official Recreation & Parks Mascot
Meet Sunny at the 2023 Cherry Blossom Festival

LEONARDTOWN, MD – The Commissioners of St. Mary's County are pleased to announce the appointment of Sunny Squirrel as the Official Mascot for the St. Mary's County Department of Recreation & Parks.

"I'm totally nuts about our awesome Recreation & Parks programs in St. Mary's County," exclaimed Sunny. "Sports, camps, parks, beaches, museums – we've got it all!"

Sunny will be making appearances at community events to promote Recreation & Parks programs. Residents are encouraged to take photos with Sunny at these events, and to tag the Department of Recreation & Parks on related social media posts with the hashtags *#SunnySighting* and *#SquirrelSelfie*.

Don't miss your next chance to meet Sunny at the St. Mary's County [Cherry Blossom Festival](#), being held on March 18, 2023, from noon – 4 p.m. at Lexington Manor Passive Park, located at 21675 South Coral Drive in Lexington Park. **Free event parking is available at Lancaster Park, located at 21550 Willows Drive in Lexington Park. **Additional/overflow parking** will be available at the Frank Knox Development Center located at 21748 Three Notch Rd in Lexington Park with an STS express shuttle to the event (\$1 per rider).**

"We hope that Sunny's abounding energy and program knowledge will get the community as excited about Recreation & Parks as we are," said Arthur Shepherd, Recreation & Parks Director. "Join us at the Cherry Blossom Festival this weekend to meet Sunny and to enjoy a full day of fun for the entire family!"

For more information on St. Mary's County Recreation & Parks, please visit:

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