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## The Legend of Moll Dyer Retold Just in Time for Halloween

*Local author to visit The Apple Basket for book signing.*

Mechanicsville, MD / Tuesday, October 15th, 2019 – The Apple Basket is excited to announce a very special book signing event on Saturday, October 26th from 2:00 - 4:00 PM. Author Lynn Buonviri will be appearing at The Apple Basket to sign copies of her new book: "Moll Dyer and Other Witch Tales of Southern Maryland".

This book is a modern genealogical witch hunt to identify the woman behind the Legend of Moll Dyer, a story of witchcraft, curses, and tragedy in St. Mary's County, Maryland. It reveals the facts behind the saga of Moll and other witches who were brought to trial in Colonial Maryland, as well as identifies the residents who sought justice through the court and as vigilantes. The culmination of this work is the evaluation of the legendary 300-year-old curse by Moll Dyer on current residents today.

Lynn Buonviri has been a resident of St. Mary's County, Maryland, since 1981, and is retired from St. Mary's County Public Schools. Her passions in life are writing, genealogy, doll collecting, restoration, preservation, and education, with a focus on historical periods of Colonial and Civil War. She is currently a volunteer docent at the Surratt House and Tavern Museum in Clinton, Maryland, and the Dr. Samuel A. Mudd House Museum in Waldorf, Maryland. It was in this capacity that her interest in the Moll Dyer story began.

This is Lynn's second book to be published. She is the author of "Mary's Story," a historical fiction about Mary Surratt and has written several short stories featuring doll adventures, usually in conjunction with events sponsored by the Black-Eyed Susan Doll Club.

Advance copies of this intriguing witch tale are now available at The Apple Basket. For more information regarding this event, please email [AppleBasketStore@gmail.com](mailto:AppleBasketStore@gmail.com) or call: 301-884-8118. You can also contact Lynn Buonviri by email at: [lynn@buonviri.net](mailto:lynn@buonviri.net)

*The Apple Basket owners, Charlene and Nick Tsirigotis, have been in business for 35 years. Charlene is a self-taught floral designer and antique dealer who runs this delightful emporium full of general store memorabilia of yesteryear. The Apple Basket store, originally opened in Solomons, MD is now located in Mechanicsville, in a two-story, original 1870's era general store.*

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