

Symphony Village's Newsletter

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MISSION STATEMENT: Enhance the quality of life and promote an harmonious community through the timely publication of accurate information about residents, events, and activities in and around SV.



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HOA BOARD of DIRECTORS

The following items were approved by the HOA Board of Directors — October 20 meeting:

- **1. 2018 Irrigation Contract:** Awarded the 2018 Irrigation contract to Complete Landscaping at an annual cost of \$25,000.
- **2. 2018 Landscaping Contract:** Awarded the 2018 Landscape Contract to Complete Landscaping at a base price of \$215,000.
- **3. Pool Contract:** Awarded the 2018 pool maintenance contract to Anchor Aquatics at an annual fee of \$21,750. (This does not include the hiring of a summer pool attendant in 2018.)
- **4. Snow Removal:** Awarded the 2018 snow removal contract to Chester River for Clubhouse parking lots, sidewalks, resident's driveways and walkways to the front door. (All streets will be plowed by the Town of Centreville).
- **5. 2018 Budget:** *Approved the proposed 2018 draft budget.*
- **6. Clubhouse Items:** Approved policy that, when Clubhouse items are slated for replacement, they can either be disposed of, sold, or donated.
- 7. **Minimum Delinquent Amount:** Approved motion that homeowner accounts with delinquent amounts under \$50 would not be assessed a Symphony Village late fee.
- **8. Flow Meters:** Approved the expenditure of \$9,000 for flow meters to be installed on irrigation pumps 1,3, and 4.

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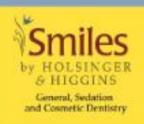


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COMMITTEE REPORTS



Randy Officer, Chair; Susan Rayner, Vice Chair; Mary Officer, Treasurer; Victoria Weber, Correspondent

"Over the river and through the woods to grandfather's house we go..." Thanksgiving is only eight days away, and this poem/song

is a Thanksgiving poem by Lydia Maria Child. Many of us are planning a wonderful celebration with our families enjoying turkey, mashed potatoes, vegetables, pumpkin pie, and of course football! The Lifestyle Committee wishes everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. As Autumn settles in at Symphony Village, the Lifestyle Committee has planned many activities in the Clubhouse.

The Opus Café had their last hurrah for 2017 on October 28. It was voted by those who attended this last breakfast to continue next June and end the last week of October. Twenty attendees enjoyed the pancakes, bacon, scrambled eggs, breakfast cake, orange juice, coffee, and tea. Chef Jim Roe was making pancakes to order. Jim had his own station and was flipping those pancakes, as if he were a professional chef. Phil Weber prepared a delicious dish of eggs with cheddar cheese, oh so good! Thanks to Carol Hodges, Sharon Roe, Linda Schmidt, Mary Jo Keefe, and Karen Kram for all the help they gave these past three weeks. Most of all, thank you Susan Rayner and Carol Hodges for creating Opus Café. What a great way to meet fellow residents for breakfast!

Nov. 18 6 p.m. <u>Happy Hour Veterans Celebration</u>

If you were in any branch of the service, please wear a hat, shirt or any type of logo indicating what branch of the service you were serving.

Nov. 25 7 p.m. Movie Night TBD

Dec. 1 6 p.m. BIRTHDAY HAPPY HOUR

You'll be hearing Frank Sinatra singing Happy Birthday

to all our neighbors who were born between September 23 and December 21.



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Dec. 9 6 p.m. 2ND ANNUAL WASSAILING PARTY

Carolers Meet at the Rayner's house for a bit of soup, then start visiting SV residents singing all the holiday songs. Please sign the Activities Book

either to sing or have the will start at 7 p.m.



Dec. 10 HEAR YE HEAR YE, ALL VILLAGERS...Please save the date Sunday, December 10, for the first annual SV Holiday Brunch

We will be serving a variety of mouth watering eggs, waffle casseroles, French toast casseroles, fruit, dessert, and coffee, tea, and juice along with some surprise holiday fare. Please sign up in the Activities Book as seating is limited. A shout out to our talented SV chefs who are signing up to bring a casserole to share and to our wonderful volunteers to help serve.

The Brunch is from 11 a.m. -1 p.m. and the cost is \$7/pp.

Dec. 17 4-6 p.m. ANNUAL HOLIDAY HOUSE TOUR

We are looking for nine houses to tour, so if you decorate and are willing to open your house, please sign the Activities Book. Susan will be providing booties before entrance to your home. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., in the Clubhouse, to those residents who have volunteered to open their homes. There is a \$5 fee for the tour.

Dec. 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE

Grand Party at the Clubhouse. More information will be in the December *Libretto*. Ring out the old and bring in the new to celebrate. Dance to the music of a professional DJ. Champagne and noise makers will be given out to bring in the New Year 2018. The cost is \$5 per person. Sign-up sheets will be in the Activities Book in the Wall Street room. **Note: Please make checks payable to SVHOA.**



Outreach — Bea Trotta, President 2017 Food Drive



The annual food drive sponsored by Outreach will be held this year from Wednesday, November 15, through Sunday, November 19. The food items will be delivered to QAC Social Services food pantry on Monday, November 20. Please join in to help us beat last year's total of 2380 items. Symphony Village's food drive provides the largest single food donation in our county.

Some items to include are pasta, pasta sauce, grains, cereal, peanut butter, jellies, tuna, canned vegetables, soups, fruits, canned meat products, and other nonperishable items. Please do not donate any refrigerated or frozen items. Please remember to check expiration dates since the food pantry cannot accept items with expired dates.

Your items can be delivered to any of the following collection residences in Symphony Village.

Peterson, 635 Harmony Way Hodges, 141 Encore Court Ciesielski, 227 Concerto Avenue McAtee, 321 Overture Way McManus, 137 Symphony Way Farrar, 118 Sonata Way Collins, 301 Orchestra Place DiLaura, 843 Harmony Way Page, 227 Harmony Way Porosoff, 133 Orchestra Place Cooke, 225 Opera Court Nilsson, 414 Harmony Way

We want to thank you for your support of this most worthwhile drive.

Bingo

Come join in the fun on December 8th. The **Bingo jackpot is at \$100** and 52 numbers will be called. A great chance to win some extra Christmas money. We will also have some special holiday treats available.



Next Meeting

Outreach's next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 29, at 4 p.m. at the Clubhouse. Remember you need not sign up to join Outreach. You are welcome to come to our meetings and see what we are all about. We are always looking for new members.

Outreach Queen Bees

Congratulations to the SV Outreach Queen Bees' team comprised of Willie DiLaura, Eleanor Strietman, and Marge Strano. They took 1st Place on October 19, competing in the Friends of the QAC Library Spelling Bee. The Queen Bees won the challenge against eight other teams and won with the correct spelling of the word "chronometry."

They made all of us very proud and proved that senior citizens still have what it takes to win!!



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Save the Date!!

Thursday, January 18, 2018

9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

The Ninth Annual Symphony Village Card & Game Party

To Benefit: Queen Anne's County

Department of Social Services Food Pantry

Place: Goodwill Firehouse 212 Broadway, Centreville

\$30 donation (80% tax deductible)

Includes morning coffee & tea, lunch, and door prizes.

Reserve a table on the sign-up sheets in the Card Party Binder at the Clubhouse beginning December 4
Payment by check (payable to SVOPI) is due at sign up.

If you would like to donate an item for the table prizes, it would be greatly appreciated. If so, please contact Terri O'Connell at <u>443-928-3368</u> or drop off at her home, 127 Opera Court. We welcome bottles of wine, cheese & crackers, small jars of jam, snack items, body lotion, etc.

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Sneakers - Linda Farrar, President



Sneakers would like to extend a sincere thank you to everyone who supported the Silent Auction from Symphony Village residents and their guests to the hard working, tireless Sneakers members. More than 180 people participated in the evening's activities.

The food committee exceeded all expectations this year with their variety of tasty hors d'oeuvres, deluxe sandwiches and an endless parade of homemade desserts. We received many positive comments relative to the quality and quantity of food. We want to extend a sincere thank you to Janet O'Connor and her team who prepared the food.

Co-chairs of the Auction Helena Joy, Terri O'Connell, and Amy Marotta, outdid themselves again this year in making the event the success it was by organizing, collecting restaurant and miscellaneous gift certificates, and securing unique items for the gift baskets. Also, a special thank you to all those who contributed items, bid on the baskets, and purchased raffle tickets.

Gretchen Burton won the special \$10 raffle. There were also countless other winners of baskets, gift certificates, raffle items, and a huge wine basket.

The Auction raised over \$15,000 that will be used to help the children attending the public schools in the Centreville, Church Hill, and Sudlersville areas. It is so very obvious that Symphony Village is an exceptionally generous and caring community. One of the school principals said, "We can never thank Symphony Village enough for all that you do. It really means a lot to the school community."

We also want to express many thanks to everyone who was a part of the auction and raffle. You made it a grand success. It far exceeded our expectations!!! We look forward to your continued, generous support of Sneakers in the coming year.

Santa Tree Items

There are still some "ornaments" left on the Santa Tree at the Clubhouse. If you haven't taken a tree tag ornament, please try and do so. If you take a tree tag ornament, also take a direction slip that is under the tree. Again this year, Sneakers is supporting the children of several families who attend school in the QAC district. Please remember to return

your wrapped gift, with the tree tag ornament taped on the top of the package, to the Wall Street Room no later than December 10.

Centreville Elementary School 2nd Grade Choir

Remember to mark your calendar for Wednesday, December 20, at 10 a.m. at the Clubhouse for the winter concert performed by the Choir. All residents are welcome to attend. It is always fun to listen to the young students raise their voices in song. This is a way for the students to thank all Symphony Village residents for their generosity throughout the year.

Centreville Elementary School Book Giveaway

There will be a Book Giveaway at the Centreville Elementary School on Wednesday, November 29. Please look for the signup sheet in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 6, at 3 p.m. in the Clubhouse. All residents are welcome to join us.



CLUBS & CLASSES

Bocce Ball — Don Rizzo

7-1 RECORD PUTS BOCCE TEAM IN CHESTERTOWN LEAGUE PLAYOFFS

For baseball fans, how many times has your favorite team qualified for the League Playoff, for example, the American League Playoffs, but then lost in the final playoff game and sat out the World Series. Well, that is what happened to our esteemed Symphony Village Good Time Rollers (SVGTR) in the Ye Olde Towne Bocce League in Chestertown this fall. As past champions, our team had no problem sailing through the fall season handily defeating the competition and qualifying for the season-end playoffs. However, a team SVGTR beat during the season upset us in the final playoff match. The good news is that team, named the Ten Commandments, went into the championship match and came out the winner. So, we could say, it took the Champion Team to eliminate us from the competition.

Further good news —The Ten Commandments team is made up of really great people, as are most of the teams in the league, and we were pleased to see them take home the Winner's Cup. Their attitude at game's end was the same when we beat them as when they beat us. That's what bocce is all about. Sure, the score is important. But when all is said and done, it's not the score but rather what's in your heart that really counts.

Our congratulations to our SVGTR team members who persisted and earned accolades for SV throughout the season: **Linda Schmidt**, **George Drake**, **Joseph Lichaa**, **Jack Walsh**, & **Karen Kram**. We should also extend some half-hearted congratulations to the trio of thin-blooded carpetbaggers who bailed out and went south to Florida when the temperature dropped to 69° (nonetheless claiming to root for our team from afar): **Laura Rocco**, **Allan Levin**, & **Don Rizzo**. Our bocce devotees in Symphony Village extend our very best wishes to our neighbors and their families for a wonderful Thanksgiving and Holiday Season.



And don't forget ... let the good times roll!



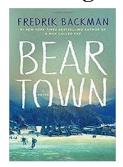
Lunch Bunch — Marge Strano



The Lunch Bunch will meet on Thursday, December 7, at 12:30 p.m. at Hunter's Tavern located at 101 East Dover Street, Easton, MD. Hunter's Tavern is situated in the Historic Tidewater Inn and is well known for its delicious American cuisine. The sign-up sheet is in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse. Hope to see you at Hunter's Tavern for a wonderful luncheon experience!

Sign up online by using the <u>Lunch Bunch Sign-up Link</u>. You can also go to the Symphony Village <u>Website</u>, and click on *Dashboard*. Scroll down to the Lunch Bunch Icon near the bottom of the page. As usual, you can also sign up in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse. If you sign up online, please <u>do not</u> add your name in the Activities Book. Only sign up in one place. Please call Bea Trotta at 410-758-0332 or Marge Strano at 410-758-2511 if you have a question or need a ride.

Reading for Fun Book Club – Jack Hennessey



The novel that we reviewed at our October 17 meeting was *Beartown* by Fredrik Backman, who also wrote the highly rated *A Man Called Ove*. This book was rated 7.9 on a scale of 1 to 10. The main topic is ice hockey, and the setting is a small town in Sweden, where ice hockey is the favorite sport. In fact, it is the only sport, and the declining town is named Beartown. The junior team is headed for the nationals. The star player is Kevin, whose father Kevin Ehrdahl is the primary financial supporter of the team. Peter, an ex-professional, is the General Manager of the team. There is general tension between the father and the GM. The cleaning lady for the ice rink is Fatima, whose son Amat is the smallest but

fastest skater on the team. At a team party young Kevin is accused of raping Maya, Peter's daughter. The elder Kevin goes all out to defend his son. Even though you may not be an ice hockey fan, you will enjoy reading this exciting book! My daughter Michele and her family are avid hockey fans, and they enjoyed this book. This novel led to the most animated discussion ever in the Club.

The Book Club does not meet in December. All members are invited to nominate books for the 2018 reading year.

Social Singles — Carol Donnelly

Social Singles met November 8 in the Clubhouse. Great attendance!

Planned our December 9 Luncheon – Sign-up sheet is in the Activities Book in the Clubhouse.

January 10 we will meet for lunch – location to be determined.

For our long-term planning, we are looking into a trip with Caravan to New England in October of 2018 to see the Fall Foliage! The trip begins and ends in Boston and travels to New Hampshire and neighboring states. One stop is in Conway where there is an historic railway. This is a weeklong adventure and details will be in Activities Book soon. I will post more information on Nextdoor.

Wishing everyone Happy Holidays & Good Health.





NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

There's a New Face at the Clubhouse!

by Joan Hennessey

Many of you have already met Symphony Village's charming new Assistant General Manager, Rebecca Cook. Rebecca's home is in Centreville, and she is, in many ways, a "country girl." She is an avid

gardener who grows and preserves fruits and vegetables. She is fond of animals and is raising a chicken, a dog, and two guinea pigs! She also enjoys the proximity to the beautiful Maryland beaches.

Rebecca comes to us with four years of valuable experience in property management in Stevensville. When I suggested we were lucky to find a qualified person locally, she said she was the lucky one!

Rebecca, with one parent from Maryland and one from Florida, spent her younger years living and going to school in both places, attending elementary and middle school in Maryland and high school in Florida. She also attended Anne Arundel Community College, taking Business classes related to her career path in property management.

Rebecca is delighted to be part of the SV management team, and we are happy to have her here. If you haven't yet met her, stop by the Clubhouse desk and welcome her.

CERTIFIED CERT MEMBER MEETING, Nov. 20, 3 p.m.



Your CERT Steering Group has met several times in the past months and we are excited to present some ideas to you at this meeting regarding moving our team forward in 2018. We will be seeking YOUR inputs as well. Think FUN events; community service; continued team retraining, SV community

training, more. Please join us for this important meeting and give us your ideas – Monday, November 20, 3 p.m. in the Clubhouse Ballroom.

John Olson has reformatted and added some needed inputs to our CERT Plan. The updated CERT Plan is located at: http://sv-info.net/cert-files/1.pdf Check it out and consider printing it out for your reference. Thank you John for the great reformatting and update! Thank you Debi Wells for your review.





Volunteer in Action

CROSSROADS COMMUNITY by Alan Ettman

While it may sound cliché, volunteering for a nonprofit, in my opinion, is as deeply satisfying an encounter as anyone can experience. That has been my experience with Crossroads Community. I have volunteered for the local organization for a number of years and in a variety of ways.

Crossroads is a community behavioral health agency that serves individuals with persistent and severe mental illness in the five counties of Kent, Queen Anne's, Talbot, Caroline, and Dorchester. It has been in operation since 1983, and the main administrative offices are here in Centreville.

I was recruited in 2015 by the Volunteer Maryland Coordinator, Luke DiFabbio, to teach basic budgeting skills to clients in a classroom setting. Mary Drake, a fellow Symphony Village resident, had suggested me to Luke. Over a period of months, I worked with clients to help them understand the fundamentals of budgeting. During that period, Luke began to talk with me about becoming a Companion to a single client. He helped me understand establishing a friendship was the goal of the pairing.

My time commitment varied based on our schedules. The expectation of Crossroads is that Companions spend a minimum of four hours a month in conversation and/or activities together. It seemed a small price for what came to be great rewards.

My experience as a Companion allowed me to learn firsthand about the many services offered by Crossroads. Crossroads offers psychiatric rehabilitation programs for adults, young adults, and

youth. Additional services include Residential Rehabilitation Program, Supported Employment, Health Home, Respite, and Case Management Services.

My shared companionship, like all friendships, has evolved. We are still friends and always will be. He is working longer hours and is busy painting in his apartment's improvised studio. Last year, my companion displayed one of his art works at a SV social event and it quickly sold!

As a result of my two rich volunteer experiences with Crossroads, I was asked to join the Board of Directors. I did so happily. I have made an investment in Crossroads and welcomed the experience to help support its mission once again as a volunteer. It is easy to remain with an organization when you share its passion.

For additional information, check out the CCI website: www:ccinconline.com or contact Pat Hertzler, Volunteer Maryland Coordinator @ hertzlerp@ccinconline.com.You won't regret it.





We would like to thank everyone for all the prayers, cards, and food sent our way as as Ed recovers from his hip replacement surgery.

Thanks also for the many offers of help.

It has all been appreciated very much.

Marilyn & Ed Williams

Toy Trains on Display – Betty Gingerich

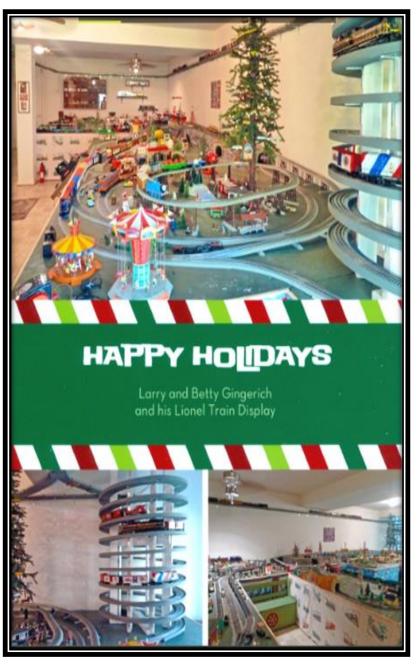
My husband, Larry, still has his large Lionel Train display in our basement at 355 Overture Drive. We would love to share it with our neighbors, and you are welcome to visit with or without grandchildren. Over the years we have found that the best way to make this work is for you to call in advance or that day to see if we are available. We have tried having Open House, but people want to come when they have their grandchildren visiting and that does not always coordinate.

We do not mind the phone calls and will honestly tell you if it is convenient for us. There are stairs to the basement. Using the outside entrance entails walking down a slope between houses if that would work better for you than the inside stairs.

Our Thanksgiving and Christmas plans are in flux at the moment, but we will update you closer to that time through our **Nextdoor ECHOES**, online community site.

Please plan to come – return visits are fun too. Larry likes to have someone to play with!

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American Legion Jeff Davis Post 18

The public is always welcome to attend Friday Night Dinners at the American Legion, and the Post especially appreciates SV participation! Dinners are 5:30 – 7 p.m., or until sold out.

Upcoming Dinners:

Friday, November17: Sons of the American Legion host a Four-Crab Soft Crab

Dinner

Friday, November 24: No Dinner – "Happy Thanksgiving"

Friday, December 1: Crab Cake

Dinner

Friday, December 8: Annual Deer

Feast

Friday, December 15: American Legion Riders will host a Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner

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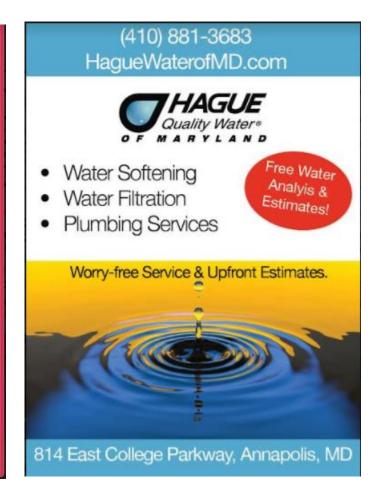


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Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Symphony Village neighbors doing what they do best... helping each other. This Yard Sale was set up in the SV parking lot to help one of our neighbors whose daughter is seriously ill.

Thanks to all who gave their support.



Events at the Centreville Branch of the QAC Library

- Saturday, November 25, 11 a.m. 3 p.m.: <u>Take Home Craft Bags</u>
- Friday, December 8, 2 4 p.m.: <u>Matinee Movie</u> Movie to be announced closer to the date.



Donation to Camp New Dawn

The American Legion Riders from Jeff Davis Post 18 recently donated \$2,000 to Camp New Dawn. From left are Kevin "PopPop" Morgan, Treasurer, American Legion Riders Post 18; Rhonda Knott, director, Camp New Dawn; Steve "Snoopy" Harty, President, American Legion Riders Post 18; and Gregg "Desert Fox" Harrington, Vice President, American Legion Riders Post 18.



Cassini, A Twenty-Year Adventure

by Larry Rayner, The Armchair Astronomer



Saturn, even her name conjures up beautiful images. Those of us with telescopes are first asked, can I see Saturn? She is everyone's favorite planet—well, except for Earth. Strangely,

the two, along with her moons, are not as different as we first thought thanks to

the exploration of the spacecraft Cassini.

Saturn is almost a billion miles from Earth, and the Cassini Huygens spacecraft, familiarly called Cassini, began its 20-year mission on October 15, 1997, taking 7 years to reach the Saturn System. Nineteen countries pulled their resources to build and lift off this extraordinary spacecraft which weighed over 5,000 lbs. Its mission was to explore Saturn, her spectacular rings and her many moons (62). It was this past September that Cassini took its final swan dive into the atmosphere of Saturn. The designers could have left Cassini as space debris but the fear was the micro-organisms that Cassini carried from Earth could have been transferred to a moon, such as Enceladus or Titan, and contaminated the possible life that exist there, better not to take the chance, instead have the spacecraft burn up in the atmosphere of Saturn.



From a brief passing of the spacecraft Voyager in 1980, the Saturn system intrigued astrophysicist with the possibility of life within the system, moons that were as exciting as Earth and Mars to explore, and a ring system that could be younger or older than the solar system. Scientists view the rings as a mirror into the creation of our own universe after the big bang. Because of Saturn's gravitational pull, the debris which makes up the rings will not be able to coalesce into planets and moons as our solar system did, but the study of



the rings is fascinating beyond their wildest expectations.

Scientist are especially excited about the exploration of Titan, the largest of Saturn's moons and one that has been shrouded in fog. With the Huygens modular detaching from Cassini and going deeper towards Titan, they could see through the veil. What they found was very Earthlike - dunes, river beds, lakes - it is as geographically and geologically as complex as Earth.

Enceladus is the moon where the possibility of life is most pronounced. While the surface is an ice mass, plumes of icy particles spray up from underground thermal funnels. The plumes reach higher into the atmosphere than the size of the planet. These particles account for the outer ring of Saturn, known as the E ring. Under this icy surface, surrounding the planet, are oceans that are warmed, like on Earth, by a hot core with thermal funnels warming the water.

I have only touched the surface of Cassini and all that it found, the data it returned, and the questions it raised. My hope is that you will be intrigued enough to read more on line at NASA.org, watch the series NOVA, or read Astronomy magazine.

The Night Sky

November 10-18: Vega is the brightest star in the west in early evening. Its little constellation Lyra extends to the left

<u>November 20:</u> A crescent moon joined by Saturn and Mercury in the western sky after sunset. Catch Saturn while you can - it is now heading towards the Sun. Mercury will appear a little below Saturn.

<u>December 9:</u> Looking South-West, see Venus to your right and Mars straight up, by 9 p.m. Orion will be visible with Sirius rising below it, making for the famous tall stack of December stars.

<u>December 11:</u> Look for the Geminid Meteor Shower late at night. It will peak just after midnight until 4 a.m.

Remember this: "The cosmos is within us. We are made of star-stuff.

We are a way for the universe to know itself."... Carl Sagan

UPCOMING CENTREVILLE EVENTS

All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast



The Goodwill Fire Company (212 Broadway) in Centreville will host an All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast on Sunday, **November 19**, 7:30-11 a.m., at the Fire Hall. The cost is \$9 per person. Breakfasts will take place the third Sunday of every month through May 2018.

Candlelight Remembrance Service



Compass Regional Hospice's Hope and Healing Center will host a <u>Candlelight</u> <u>Remembrance Service</u> on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>November 19</u>, 4 p.m., at the Centreville United Methodist Church (608 Church Hill Road) in Centreville. The centerpiece of the Service is the reading of the names of Compass Regional Hospice patients who have died in the past 13 months. Members of the community are also invited to bring names of their loved ones whom they would like to be remembered

during the holiday season. The service is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Rhonda Knotts, 443-262-4109, <u>rknotts@compassregionalhospice.org</u>.

Wreaths Across America



The American Legion Riders at American Legion Jeff Davis Post 18 in Centreville will participate in Wreaths Across America again this year. On Wreaths Across America Day, Saturday, December 16, a ceremony will be held simultaneously across the country at more than 1,200 locations. Here in Centreville, wreaths will be laid at veterans' graves in Chesterfield Cemetery, at noon, in a free ceremony open to all. Local fundraising is now underway to ensure that a live, balsam fir wreath can be placed at the headstone of every veteran buried in this cemetery. Fundraising is taking place until November 20. Each wreath sponsorship is \$15, and for every two-wreath sponsorship received, three

wreaths will be provided to Chesterfield as part of a special fundraising program developed by Wreaths Across America. Donations may be made in several ways:

- At the Friday Night Dinners at the Legion
- Dropped off at the Post
- Mailed to the Post (2619 Centreville Road, Centreville, 21617)

<u>Checks should be made out to Wreaths Across America; in the memo line indicate Group ID:</u> MD0244 and Location ID: MDCCCV; and <u>on the outside of the envelope</u>, include "Attention Radar." <u>Wreaths Across America</u> is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded to continue and expand the annual wreath-laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery begun by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester in 1992. The organization's mission – Remember, Honor, Teach – is carried out in part each year by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies in December at Arlington, as well as at more than 1,200 veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond.

6th Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony



The Town of Centreville will host the <u>Tree Lighting Ceremony</u> on **Wednesday**, **November 29**, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., on the Courthouse Square. Children are welcome to bring ornaments (handmade are favorites) to decorate the tree. Santa will be present to listen to everyone's Christmas list.

28th Annual Harvest Breakfast



The <u>Harvest Breakfast</u> will be held on **Friday, December 1**, 7:30 - 9:30 a.m. at the 4-H Park in Centreville. The event is free, but a monetary donation will be accepted.

Centreville Christmas Parade



The Christmas Parade will take place on Friday, December 1, beginning at 6:30 p.m. This year's theme is "A Chesapeake Bay Christmas (Land and Bay)." The parade will leave Queen Anne's County High School, proceed down Ruthsburg Road/Railroad Avenue and take a right onto Banjo Lane and turn left onto Turpins Lane, continue on Turpins Lane and turn left onto Commerce Street; continue on Commerce Street and turn left on Kidwell Avenue; continue

on Kidwell Avenue and turn right on Ruthsburg Road. The parade will continue on Ruthsburg Road and return and disband at the High School.

Heck with the Malls



The Queen Anne's County Arts Council will host <u>Heck with the Malls</u> on **Saturday, December 2,** 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Over 40 vendors will exhibit in the Arts Council Building and St. Paul's Episcopal Church's Parish Hall. There will be unique gifts and goods handmade by exceptional local talent including jewelry, woodwork, ceramics, prints, toys, holiday decorations, and much more. Holiday refreshments will be available.

Christmas Bazaar



Our Mother of Sorrows Church in Centreville will host a <u>Christmas Bazaar</u> on **Saturday, December 2**, 8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m., in Corbaley Hall.

Hope and Healing Holiday Workshop



Compass Regional Hospice will host a <u>Hope and Healing Holiday</u> <u>Workshop</u> on **Saturday, December 2**, 9 a.m. – noon, at the Hope and Healing Center (255 Comet Drive) in Centreville. Come for conversation and creative activities designed to help those grieving the loss of a loved one during the holiday season. The workshop begins with

a light breakfast and will include art projects and opportunities to talk about how to remember loved ones while facing the grief that accompanies their memory. The workshop fee is \$10 and is open to anyone 18 and older. For more information, contact Ann O'Connor or Linda Turner, 443-262-4100, accompassregionalhospice.org, lturner@compassregionalhospice.org.

QAC Commissioners' Open House



The County Commissioners of Queen Anne's County invite the public to join them at their Christmas Open House on **Tuesday, December 13**, noon – 2 p.m., in the County Commissioners Meeting Room at the Liberty Building (107 N. Liberty Street) in Centreville.

<u>Note</u>: To see a <u>list of tourism</u> and <u>local attraction websites</u>, press "Event Source Links" on the <u>Sources</u> page on the SV Website.





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Remember..."You better watch out, you better not pout.
Santa Claus is coming to town."

Joan Hennessey looks like she's having fun telling Santa all her wishes.

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