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## Symphony Village's Newsletter

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**MISSION STATEMENT:** To enhance the quality of life and promote a harmonious community through the timely publication of accurate information about residents, events, and activities in and around Symphony Village.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **COVENANTS UPDATE**

#### **Screened Porches and Sun Rooms**



The Covenants Committee has announced that screened porches and sun rooms have been approved by the HOA and that they are working out the final details for implementation for those wishing them. Tom Weeks has said that hopefully by the end of February a book will be available in the Clubhouse with all of the architectural details for each model. Also, the information will be available on the SV Website. A meeting will be held some evening to explain the details. (Another meeting will probably be held later for the snow birds.)

#### HOA MINUTES

For those who missed the last HOA meeting the minutes are available on the <u>SV Website</u> on the HOA page.

#### LIFESTYLE UPDATE

#### **FEBRUARY**

- Movie Night, Friday, February 17, 7 p.m., Showing *The King's Speech*
- Valentine's Happy Hour, Saturday, February 18, 6 p.m., catered appetizers by Doc's and dessert, and a DJ for dancing; cost \$11 per person. Sign up and pay at the Clubhouse by February 16.



- **Ladies' Happy Hour**, Thursday, February 23, 5:30 p.m. Bring \$5, which provides you with dinner and a beverage.
- **Game Night**, Friday, February 24, 7 p.m. Bring your favorite game.

#### **MARCH**

- Lunch Bunch, Thursday, March 1, 12:30 p.m., Rustico Restaurant, 401 Love Point Road, Stevensville, MD. Sign up at the Clubhouse.
- **Happy Hour**, Friday, March 2, 6 p.m. Bring your favorite appetizer or dessert.
- Lifestyle Committee Meeting, Wednesday, March 7, 7:15 p.m. All residents are invited.

- Movie Night, Friday, March 16, 7 p.m.
- **St. Patrick's Day Happy Hour**, Saturday, March 17, 6 p.m. Bring an appetizer or dessert [an Irish appetizer or dessert is encouraged]; we will have Irish music.

#### **Other Upcoming Events:**



May 1 - Bus trip to New York City to see the 9/11 Memorial, Ellis Island, and New York City's famous Mulberry Street, Little Italy. Cost is \$95 per person and includes a bagel breakfast on the bus. Dinner is on your own. Sign up at the Clubhouse.

The Lifestyle Committee would like to express a **special thank you** to Trish and Art Radeff, Christa and Gary Fookes, and their

committee for planning the Mexican Fiesta Happy Hour held in January. Ninety-three people attended and everyone had a wonderful time. The food, provided by **Americantina**, was very good and many people enjoyed the special margaritas and lively music.

Calling all residents: We are looking for people to help host the regular Happy Hours. If you are interested, please contact Vinny Volpicelli at 410-758-5440 for details.

#### **OUTREACH UPDATE**

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Card and Game Party



The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Card and Game Party on January 19 was a terrific success. About 90 people spent a wonderful day playing their favorite card games, enjoying nice morning snacks and a delicious lunch. And some lucky players went home with door and table prizes.

The Outreach Committee would like to thank the residents of Symphony Village, Prospect Bay, and Kent Island for supporting this event that benefited Hospice of Queen Anne's County.

A special thank you to Lauren Rose for helping with the Card Party part of the event; to Nancie Cameron, Allen Beck, Beth Dewhirst, Willie di Laura and the "food helpers" for the delicious food and wonderful service; and to Cindy Backer for helping with set up.

We look forward to the  $4^{\text{th}}$  Annual Card and Game Party. Thanks again for the support.

#### Neighbor to Neighbor

As happens at the beginning of every year, Neighbor to Neighbor has some old business to report. The past year was very busy. Our Street Captains sent a total of 113 cards to neighbors offering everything

from get well wishes and sympathy to congratulations for big and little joys. The Captains coordinated the preparation and delivery of 78 meals. Captains visited neighbors 46 times and provided general assistance a total of 4 times. They arranged shopping 10 times and processed one request for the loan of medical equipment. We suggested that one resident consider joining the Caregivers' Support Group and passed along 42 Prayer Chain requests. We made seven donations to various charities in memory of residents and entered pages into the Memorial Book in memory of one resident.

Yes, it was a very busy year, but that is old business. We're already busy meeting the challenges and celebrating the joys of 2012.

Eleanor Strietman Chair, Neighbor to Neighbor

#### PUBLICATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

#### **Advertisers**

#### Please support our advertisers. At the end of the newsletter you will find their ads.

There are several new ones this month. Also, if you have good service from someone, encourage the company to advertise. You can print out the ad rates from the website or pick up a rate list from Nancy at the Clubhouse. **Supporting our advertisers helps keep our HOA dues from increasing.** 

#### Symphony Village Committees, Clubs, and Continuing Activities

George Drake recently updated this list on the <u>Activities/Groups</u> page of the website. Check it out. You may be surprised at the number of activities.

#### Calendar

Yahoo has made changes to the <u>Calendar</u> located on the website. Now all of the activities are shown on a square. It is no longer necessary to click "more." Clicking on an event will pull up more information if it is available.

#### **Computer Help**

Anyone who needs help accessing the website, reading your email, etc., please sign up in the Activities Book and someone will call you to arrange an appointment.

#### **Symphony Village Facebook Page**

This page is a way for residents to post questions such as:

- "Does anyone know a good carpet cleaner?"
- "Just had a great meal at Bayard Restaurant."

To join this Facebook Page simply search "Symphony Village" and click on Group. Ask to be a friend and in a day or so you will be added. (Also, check out "Residents of Centreville.")

#### Libretto

Should you need to check out past *Librettos*, you will find the past year's *Librettos* in a binder in the Wall Street Room. It is a great place to look for past advertisers. You can also find them on the website on the News and Events Page.

#### All Are Welcome

Everyone is welcome to attend the P & C meeting on Monday, March 5, at 2 p.m.

#### **CLUBS AND CLASSES**

#### BILLIARDS

#### Women's Billiards Players

A new group has assembled the Women's Billiards Players which meets on Mondays at 12:30 p.m. in the SV Billiards Room. Anyone is welcome to attend.

#### SYMPHONY VILLAGE BIRD CLUB

February and March have a surprising number of events in nearby areas – be sure to look for all of them in Local Events (below) and in Shore Events on the <u>SV Website</u>. There are sign-up sheets for the following trips in the Activities Book: Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center on March 3 and Pickering Creek on March 11, March 31, and April 26. Linda Blume



Coming up is the Great Backyard Bird Count taking place **February 17-20**. This is a fun event, and it helps the birds at the same time. Go to <u>GBBC</u> for all the details and to report your observations. If you need a hard copy of the observation reporting form, let me know and I'll get one to you.

The <u>Eagle Cam</u> is back in operation at Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge. Two eggs have been laid (on January 11 and 14), with expected hatch dates of February 15 and 18. It's fun to watch the eaglets' progress from the comfort of your own home.



#### THE GAZERO GARDEN CLUB

First, I hope that you all know by now that we have a new volunteer to serve as Chief Gardener for the 2012 season, namely, Steve Guy! His first activity was to take down the Christmas tree and decorations in the Gazebo and to prepare them for storage. Our thanks to Duke and Shirley Clark, who have agreed to store them for another year. Many residents have commented favorably on the Gazebo decorations, and Steve has promised that they will be even better in 2012.

Due to the unusually warm weather, a few crocuses are blooming; and many daffodils have sprouted about three inches above the ground. Since the groundhog has seen his shadow, we will have six more weeks of winter, probably accompanied by snow and frost. The daffodils will retreat until the real spring arrives.

We plan to have a meeting in the Clubhouse at 2 p.m. on Sunday, February 26. All current members have been notified. We still need seven additional volunteers to each tend one of the 20 beds in the Gazebo Garden. Call Steve Guy (443-262-8685) or Jack Hennessey (410-758-4872). Sign up now, or recruit a partner to share a plot with you. We have requested \$500 cash and two loads of mulch from management to support the flower gardens.

The four purple martin houses have been cleaned and readied for the return of the martins, expected about March 15.

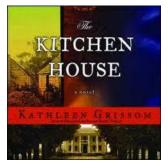
Plans for the Victory (veggie) Garden have been completed. We will till the garden ASAP, depending on the weather, and again by March 10, to allow for traditional planting of peas and spinach on St. Patrick's Day. Our Garden will be somewhat smaller this year due to constraints imposed by our benefactor.



#### THE READING FOR FUN BOOK CLUB

The Book Club met on January 17 to discuss the book *Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand. This book was recommended by June Silverman, who also provided a delicious dessert and beverage.

The story relates the survival of a B-24 crash by two fliers who were imprisoned by the Japanese during WWII. It reveals many of the atrocities committed against POWs. It also details the ingenuity of the fliers that allowed them to survive. Men in particular would enjoy this book. The January meeting was sparsely attended because many members were on vacation. The book was rated 6.1 on a scale of 1 to 10.



The book selected by Lee Ettman for the February 21 meeting is *Kitchen House* by Kathleen Grissom. This story revolves around the life of an orphaned Irish immigrant, Lavinia, who has no memory of her past. She is put to work as an indentured servant, working with slaves in the Kitchen House on a Virginia tobacco plantation. The book details much of the terrible treatment of slaves by their masters. Lavinia eventually becomes mistress of the plantation, and struggles to help the slaves by whom she was raised. All residents are invited to sit in on discussion of the book, to share in the dessert, and to join the Book Club.

#### **COMPUTER CLASS**



Juana Ridgway recently taught a class in computer basics that was very well attended. She is planning another class starting Wednesday, March 7, from 10 a.m. to noon. The topic will be "Introduction to Windows 7." Please sign up in the Activities Book.

#### SPECIAL VALENTINE'S DAY EDITION OF TRIVIA

by Karin Anne Larsen

- 1. What is the most popular theory about where and when Valentine's Day started?
- 2. When did Richard Cadbury produce the first box of chocolates for Valentine's Day?
- 3. Before it became fashionable to give chocolates and flowers for Valentine's Day, what was the traditional gift given by a man to a woman on Valentine's Day?
- 4. What is the name of the cherub that shoots arrows into the hearts of humans?
- 5. During the Middle Ages certain superstitions helped determine what kind of man you'd marry. What did it mean when a girl saw a dove?
- 6. Who made candy hearts (the ones with the sweet messages printed on them) in the 1800s?
- 7. What Italian City receives about 1,000 letters addressed to Juliet every Valentine's Day?
- 8. What flower was the favorite flower of Venus, the Roman Goddess of Love?
- 9. Which of the countries named in the following list, do NOT celebrate Valentine's Day: United States, Canada, United Kingdom, France, Japan, Australia, Denmark, Italy, and Mexico?

#### **NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS**

#### THANK YOU!

Charlie Scheck wishes to offer his heartfelt thanks to all Symphony Village residents who honored his Maria's memory. All residents attending Mother of Sorrows Church on January 14 helped immeasurably to enhance the celebration of Maria's life. I believe the large attendance and the performance of the ceremony by Father Mark and staff reflected the love everyone felt for Maria. Thanks also go out to those who could only attend in spirit. I wish also to acknowledge the vast quantity of mass cards and sympathy cards received from residents over several trying months for both Maria and myself. In closing, your outpourings have assured that Maria has risen and that I am slowly leaving my grief behind.

#### SYMPHONY VILLAGE POND PROJECT

I have received permission from Caruso Homes to clean out the natural pond (by the storm detention basin) at the southeast corner of our Village. You can view the pond from Bravo/Harmony Way; the natural pond is adjacent to the right of the detention basin. Caruso Homes will provide a large dumpster, at no charge, which we can fill with the debris from the pond. There are glass and plastic bottles, a refrigerator, rusty drain pipes, etc. I could use any help that I can get. I would like to start the project ASAP before the weather gets warm and buggy. Please contact me at 435-731-0751 or prepp610@gmail.com. Thanks, Paul Epp, Coordinator

#### TRAVEL AND VACATION SHOW



Save Saturday, March 24, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. for the Travel and Vacation Show at Symphony Village. There will be free gifts for the first 300 guests (1 per household). There will also be a chance to win a 7-day trip for two. Watch for more details.

#### NEW WEBSITE FOR THE TOWN OF CENTREVILLE



The Town of Centreville has completely re-done its website, <a href="https://www.townofcentreville.org">www.townofcentreville.org</a>. They have added lots of information that was not available on the former site. If you're interested in Centreville government, commissions and boards, and/or departments, the information is here. There are also Site Links to other sites of interest to town residents. There is a Centreville Business Directory, Calendar of Events, Press Releases, and a lot more. So, when you have a

few minutes, you might want to explore the wealth of information available on the new website.

#### PROJECT CLEAN STREAM 2012

As residents of the Chesapeake Bay/Corsica River watershed, Symphony Villagers can play important stewardship roles in maintaining the health and well being of the Bay and its tributaries. Many of us were attracted to this community because of the surrounding protected forest and streams which meander along the periphery of Symphony Village and flow into Mill Stream, which feeds into the Corsica River. Unfortunately, the Corsica River remains on Maryland's list of impaired polluted waterways under the Clean Water Act.

The Corsica River Conservancy is sponsoring its annual **Project Clean Stream** on **Saturday**, **April 14**, this year.



Volunteers spend three hours from 9 am – noon removing trash from streams which feed into the Corsica River in addition to areas along the stream banks. One of those sites is at the Symphony Village bioswale/stream area. If you are interested in participating in this fun and eco-fulfilling activity, please contact Betty McAtee 410-758-2443.

Please put in Neighborhood News

#### Centreville, Symphony Village, and the National Wildlife Federation

Do you enjoy watching the wildlife that visits your yard? Do you wildlife? Do you have a Rain Garden? Your yard may already have all requirements to have your home certified as a Wildlife Habitat by the Wildlife Federation.



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Centreville has registered with the National Wildlife Federation (NWF) to work toward becoming a certified <u>Community</u> Habitat. Part of the community certification process involves certifying individual properties within the community as <u>Wildlife</u> Habitat. SV residents can help greatly with this effort by having your yard certified if you meet the basic requirements of providing food, water, cover, and places to raise young for wildlife.

The NWF Habitat Certification Application asks you to check off the categories of habitat that your yard provides. Limiting the list to items that SVers may already provide:

• FOOD: Minimum requirement is 3 items:

Plants: seeds, berries, nectar, nuts, fruits, pollen;

Supplemental Feeders: seeds, hummingbird, suet, butterfly;

• WATER SOURCES: Minimum requirement is 1 item:

Birdbath, shallow dish, rain garden, water garden/pond;

• PLACES FOR COVER: Minimum requirement is 2 items:

Evergreens, dense shrubs, ground cover, water garden/pond; and

• PLACES TO RAISE YOUNG: Minimum requirement is 2 items:

Nesting box, dense shrubs, host plant for caterpillars, water garden/pond, mature trees.

The cost to apply for certification is \$20. If your yard is certified, you will receive a certificate, a one-year membership to the NWF which includes a subscription to **National Wildlife** magazine, and a subscription to *Wildlife Online*.

Application is easy. Go to <a href="www.nwf.org/gardenforwildlife">www.nwf.org/gardenforwildlife</a> and apply on-line, or contact Carol Hellmann or Linda Blume here in SV for a hard copy of the application form. Certifying your yard earns points toward Centreville's community certification. An evening presentation is in the planning stages for late March at the Clubhouse. Watch the Daily Bulletin and the March *Libretto* for all the details.

#### RESTAURANT REVIEW

by Dorthea Turek

#### **BAYARD HOUSE**

A city on the Eastern Shore that I enjoy visiting is Chesapeake City. It is an historic area with many restored homes and many small interesting shops. If you visit during the week, you can visit the C&D Canal Museum which depicts the history and operations of the 165-year-old canal. It is open Monday—Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. After sightseeing comes my favorite part, eating lunch at the Bayard House Restaurant.



The Bayard House Restaurant is located on the waterfront. It has two glass enclosed porches with wonderful views of the canal. If you are there at the right time, you may see a barge or a boat going down the canal into Baltimore. The menu for the restaurant is traditional Eastern Shore cuisine with a European flair. I have eaten there only for lunch, and it was always delicious. They have both Maryland crab soup and crab bisque. The French onion soup is very good. On a recent visit, the appetizer my brother-in-law had was calamari with

dipping sauce. He had a large portion and said they were excellent. My sister and I had salad with fried oysters, which we enjoyed. Another time I visited, I had Caesar salad with oysters and it too was very good. On that visit, my son had crab cake sandwich. He ate every bit. A trio of breads was a good addition to our meals. It included sesame seed crackers and slices of herb bread and baguette. The desserts we had were crème brûlée and chocolate mousse which were very tasty. On my next visit I think I'll try the lobster club sandwich.

Prices for lunch range from \$10 to \$20, depending on your order. There was a wine list and alcoholic beverages were available. Our service was good. We were allowed a leisurely lunch, watching the canal. I'm hoping I can go back soon.

#### RECIPE

# Valentine Pizza From the Kitchen of Brenda Stoltz

1 package Pillsbury Pizza Dough1 can (14 ounce) pizza sauce3 cups shredded mozzarella cheese2 ripe tomatoes, sliced

1 zucchini, sliced 15 slices of pepperoni

1 can (2.25 ounce) sliced black olives

Fresh basil or parsley

• Roll out the pizza dough and shape into 1 large or 2 smaller hearts about ½ inch thick.

- Brush dough surface with olive oil.
- Spread thin layer of pizza sauce on each pizza.
- Sprinkle 2 cups cheese over sauce, and arrange tomatoes, zucchini, pepperoni, and olives on top.
- Top with remaining cheese and sprinkle with fresh basil or parsley.
- Bake in preheated oven at 400 degrees F for 15 to 20 minutes, or until cheese has melted and crust is browned.

#### **LOCAL NEWS & EVENTS**

by Linda Blume

**NOTE**: There are too many Local Events this month to include all of them in the *Libretto*. The entire list appears on the <u>SV Website</u>, and we will put a hard copy of the complete list in the *Libretto* Binder that is located in the Clubhouse. Also, if you do not have a computer, Nancy at the Clubhouse will print a hard copy of the complete list of Local Events from the Website for you. Could you please let Linda or a member of the committee know if you have found this section to be useful?

#### **Kent Island Federation of Arts Exhibit**



KIFA presents "Eastern Shore Impressions" at the Queen Anne's County Visitors Center through the end of March in the Chesapeake Exploration Center. Over 80 one-of-a-kind pieces of art are on display. The show's focus is overwhelmingly Eastern Shore with artistic interpretations of people, water, boats, waterfowl, and natural landscapes. Mediums include watercolor, photography, acrylics, oils, wood models, and clay. For exhibit hours, call 410-604-2100. (QAC Tourism)

#### Soup 'n Walk: "Seeking Snow and Winter Warmth"



During the <u>Soup 'n Walk</u> monthly programs at Adkins Arboretum, enjoy a guided walk with a docent naturalist and enjoy a delicious and nutritious lunch along with a brief lesson about the meal's nutritional value. Copies of recipes are provided. The theme on Saturday, **February 18**, is "Seeking Snow and Winter Warmth." You will search out green plants that cherish the warm winter sun, and possibly snow-covered

plants. Lunch will be chicken soup with greens and sweet potatoes, broccoli bud salad, pumpernickel bread with mint jelly, and gingerbread with lemon sauce. The fee is \$20 members, \$25 non-members. Pre-registration is required – go to Registration.

#### **Comedy at the Bridge**



R's Americantina will host "Comedy at the Bridge" at their restaurant on Saturday, **February 18**. The DJ starts at 8 p.m.; comedians take the stage at 9 p.m. This show will benefit the United Way Foundation. (<u>Kent Island On-Line</u>)

#### **Planting for Native Bees**

Adkins Arboretum presents "Planting for Native Bees" on Sunday, **February 19**, 1-2:30 p.m. More



than 75 percent of flowering plants rely on pollinators, but pollinator populations are in decline in North America. Without them, the ability of agricultural crops and wild plants to produce food products and seeds is jeopardized. Join Patuxent Wildlife Research Center Wildlife Biologist Sam Droege to learn why "bees are not optional." Learn to identify native bees, manage your landscape and lawn for them, and choose a variety of plants to attract native bee species. The cost is \$15

members, \$20 non-members. Pre-registration is required – go to Registration.

#### **Coaxing Blooms**



Adkins Arboretum presents "Coaxing Blooms" on Wednesday, **February 22**, 10 – 11:30 a.m. Forcing branches is a wonderfully easy way to beat the winter doldrums by bringing the cheer of spring flowers inside. Join Samantha McCall to learn what tree branches and shrubs are ideal for forcing indoors for a bright pop of color, and discover how to "trick" these plants to bloom indoors while their outdoor counterparts remain dormant. The cost is \$15 members, \$20 non-members. Pre-registration is required – go to Registration.

#### 9th Annual Hospice of Queen Anne's Gala



On Friday, **February 24**, the place to be seen will be at <u>Hospice of Queen Anne's</u> ninth annual gala to be held at Annie's Paramount Steak & Seafood House in Grasonville. The black-tie optional event begins at 6:30 p.m. with cocktails and hors d'oeuvres followed by a gourmet sit-down dinner and dancing to the live music of the entertaining Retrospect. It is sure to be an

elegant and fun-filled evening you won't easily forget. (Shore Update)

#### "The Nerd" at Church Hill Theatre



"The Nerd" will be performed at Church Hill Theatre **February 24 – March 11**, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Friday and Saturday performances begin at 8 p.m.; the Sunday performance is a matinee beginning at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$18 adults, \$15 members, and \$10 students. (Church Hill Theatre)

#### 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Tie Fest



The Tie Fest will take place on Saturday, **February 25**, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., at the Kent Narrows Yacht Club. Internationally-recognized fly anglers will tie their most popular lures, and casting lessons will be given by experienced anglers and guides. Fly patterns for fishing the Chesapeake Bay and the Atlantic seaboard will be demonstrated, and questions about casting, techniques, and locations where fish can be found will be answered. More than 500 anglers from four

states are expected to attend. Admission is free. (Record Observer, December 29, 2011)

#### 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Hold 'Em Charity Poker Tournament



Prospect Bay Country Club in Grasonville will host this event on Saturday, **February 25**, 10:30 a.m. – 6 p.m., to benefit the Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Entry is \$100 at the door, for an additional \$50 at the door you double your chip count. Add-ons are available before first break for \$50. For more information go to <u>Poker Tournament</u> or call 443-271-1939.

#### Hypertufa Planter



Adkins Arboretum presents "Hypertufa Planter" on Wednesday, **February 29**, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., in the Nursery Greenhouse. Discover how to enhance your garden landscape by making a hypertufa planter with Queen Anne's County Master Gardeners Rachel Melvin and Carol Jelich. Hypertufa is an artificial stone material that is made from several different aggregates to imitate natural tufa rock. It can

easily be molded into different forms, is much lighter than concrete, and looks like weathered crumbly stone. Wear work clothes and shoes, and bring a sack lunch, long rubber gloves, and an adventurous spirit. The cost is \$45 members, \$65 non-members. Pre-registration is required – go to Registration.

#### Wye Parish's Books Café



The Books Café will take place on **February 29 – March 4** at St. Luke's Chapel and Parish Hall (Main and Dudley Streets) in Queenstown. Over 15,000 books will be sorted by category and author and for sale at 90% off cover price. Hours are Wednesday through Saturday, noon – 6 p.m.; Sunday, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. For more information, call 410-827-8484. (OAC Tourism)

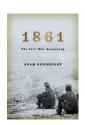
#### Nature Inspired Clayworks



Adkins Arboretum presents "Nature Inspired Clayworks" on **March 2, 16,** and **23** (three sessions). Join Paul Aspell to create nature-inspired ceramics using hand building techniques demonstrated in the first session of this series. The second session will meet at Paul's studio to stain, glaze, and finish the pieces. In the third session, participants will meet to critique and pick up their finished

fired works. Times: Friday, March 2, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Adkins Arboretum (bring a sack lunch); Friday, March 16, 10 a.m. – noon at Paul's studio; and Friday, March 23, 10 -11 p.m. The cost is \$55 members, \$75 non-members. Pre-registration is required – go to Registration.

#### St. Martin's Ministries Author's Luncheon and Silent Auction



St. Martin's Ministries will hold their Author's Luncheon and silent auction fundraising event on Saturday, **March 3**, 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., at the Chesapeake Bay Beach Club in Stevensville. The event will feature three well-known authors who will discuss the inspiration for their most recent books and share insights into the subject matter of their work. Scheduled to appear: Adam Goodheart: <u>1861 – The Civil War Awakening</u>; Caroline Preston: <u>The Scrapbook of Frankie Pratt</u>; and Roger Roth: author/illustrator of children's books. For more information, call 410-634-2497. (<u>St. Martin's Ministries</u>)

#### Sea Glass Jewelry Workshop



Ellie Mercier from Annapolis Sea Glass Studio will lead the workshop on Saturday, **March 3**, 10 a.m. – noon, at the Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center in Grasonville. Participants will receive kits to make jewelry. The cost is \$25. Pre-registration is required – call 410-604-2100. (QAC Tourism)

#### **CBEC Bird Hike**



The Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center in Grasonville will conduct a bird hike on Saturday, **March 3**, beginning at 9 a.m. This hike is entitled "<u>Domestic Dwellers</u>" and will focus on birds that live in or around houses, out-buildings, and people. The most common birds that share our living quarters are phoebes, barn swallows, screech owls, robins, and Carolina wrens. On the hike, the group will examine several

buildings (inside and outside) to locate potential nesting sites associated with the building. Preregistration is required – call 410-827-6694. (CBEC)

#### **Baltimore Symphony Orchestra Concert**



The BSO will perform on Friday, **March 9**, at the Todd Performing Arts Center at Chesapeake College, 8 p.m. The program is Elgar's "Serenade in E Minor, Opus 20," Bach's "Violin Concerto No. 2 in E Major, BWV 1042," and Mendelssohn's "Octet (Orchestral Arrangement)." Tickets are \$35, \$10 for students. (Chesapeake College

Events)

#### **Guided Sea Glass Hunt**



The Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center will host a Sea Glass Hunt on Friday, **March 9**, 1 - 6:30 p.m., on local, public beaches. Following the hunt, participants will have one-on-one time with Richard LaMotte and a boxed dinner. After dinner, participants will have reserved seating at Mr. LaMotte's lecture on the History of Sea Glass. The cost is \$75 and includes a copy of Pure Sea Glass by Mr. LaMotte. Pre-

registration is required – call 410-604-2100. (QAC Tourism)

#### **Lecture: Unlocking the Secrets of Sea Glass**



Sea glass expert Richard LaMotte will speak at the Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center in Grasonville on Friday, **March 9**, 7 – 8 p.m. The cost is \$5 and pre-registration is required – call 410-604-2100. (QAC Tourism)

#### Sea Glass Swap



A Sea Glass Swap will take place on Saturday, **March 10**, noon -4 p.m., at the Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center in Grasonville. The event will include vendors selling sea glass art, jewelry, crafts, and other related items. There is no admission charge. (QAC Tourism)

#### **Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament Fundraiser**



The Queen Anne-Hillsboro Volunteer Fire Company is hosting a No Limit, Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament fundraiser on Saturday, **March 10**, beginning at 1

p.m. The entry fee is \$75 with \$50 going to the prize pool. Initial buy-in includes \$5000 in chips, and there will be no re-buys or add-ons. All eight finalists will share the prize pool with 30% going to the first place finisher. Food will be available for purchase; the entry fee includes beer, soda, and water. For more information, go to Queen Anne-Hillsboro VFC call 443-786-4532.

#### **Favorite Perennials**



Adkins Arboretum presents "Favorite Perennials" on Thursday, **March 8**, and on Saturday, **March 10**, 1-2:30 p.m. Adkins Arboretum Nursery Manager Joanne Healey will introduce twelve native perennials that have proven themselves worthy of the home garden. Intended for beginners, this program will review characteristics of each perennial—color, foliage, cover and size, and light, moisture, and soil requirements—in

addition to garden placement, compliment plantings, and wildlife benefits. The cost is \$15 members, \$20 non-members. Pre-registration is required – go to Registration.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Get Pumped for Pets 5K and 10K



The Kent Island Running Group sponsors Get Pumped for Pets 5K and 10K on Sunday, **March 11**, beginning at 9 a.m. at the Old Kent Narrows Outlets. The race will be run on the Cross Island Trail. The cost is \$35 for the 5K and \$45 for the 10K. The race benefits the Mid-Shore Animal League, which provides funding for rescue organizations and humane societies across the Eastern Shore. Pre-register by **March 4** by going to Get Pumped for Pets and clicking on Register Now. If you can't run in the event, a donation

would be greatly appreciated (to donate on-line, also go to Get Pumped for Pets.)

#### **CBEC Bird School**



The Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center in Grasonville will conduct the next session of Bird School on Sunday, **March 11**, 2 – 3:30 p.m. The topic is "<u>Dabblers vs. Divers</u>." Bird School is an organized learning situation involving both field work and classroom instruction. Each session may include a demonstration, power point

presentation, video, live birds, and hands-on activities. Pre-registration is required – call 410-827-6694. (CBEC)

#### **History Alive!**



There will be an exciting presentation on Wednesday, **March 14** at the Kent Island Heritage Society's general meeting. Mary Ann Jung of <u>History Alive!</u> will relive the drama of life during the War of 1812 as we meet Rosalie Calvert of Riversdale Plantation. The meeting takes place at Historic Christ Church in Stevensville beginning with the reception at 6:30 p.m. For a synopsis of this fascinating talk, go to <u>Kent Island Heritage Society</u>.

#### Irish Bingo Night



The Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center in Grasonville will hold <u>Irish Bingo Night</u> on Friday, **March 16**. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and Bingo begins at 6:30 p.m. Pre-registration for \$20 includes pack of 20 Bingo papers and door prize tickets. The cost at the door is \$25. Irish food and drinks will be available for purchase. Wear green to win extra prizes! Prizes are worth \$25 to over \$100. Call 410-827-6694 to pre-register. (CBEC)

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Patrick's Day 5K Race/Fun Walk



The St. Patrick's Day race on Saturday, **March 17**, will be run on a certified fast and scenic course through Denton to Martinak State Park. The run begins at 10 a.m. at 317 Carter Avenue in Denton. The fee is \$15 in advance, \$20 on the day of the race. The run benefits the Caroline Human Services Council. Costumes are encouraged! Register on-line at Registration. (Caroline Recreation and Parks)

#### **Jazz Concert**



Steve Abshire, Robert Redd, Chuck Redd, and Tommy Cecil will give a Jazz Concert on Saturday, **March 17**, at the QAC Centre for the Arts, 7 – 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door. The After Party includes great food and a chance to meet the artists. (Arts Council)

**REMINDER**: Go to the <u>SV Website</u> to see all 60 Local Events, 16 Continuing Events, and 17 Events Outside the Four-County Area.

#### TRIVIA ANSWERS

- 1. The theory that during the reign of Claudius II, (A.D.) during the time of the Roman Empire, Claudius didn't want men marrying during wartime and Roman Bishop Valentine went against this and married couples, only to get executed.
- 2. In the 1800s
- 3. A pair of gloves
- 4. In Roman Mythology, Cupid: To the Greeks, Eros; In Latin, Amor
- 5. That you'd marry a kind-hearted man
- 6. NECCO, the candy maker
- 7. Verona, Italy
- 8. The Red Rose
- 9. Japan

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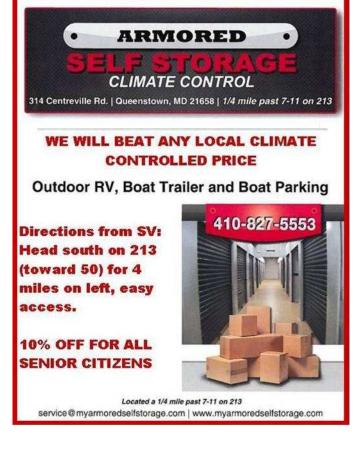
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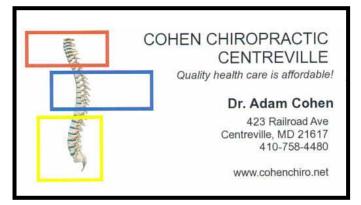
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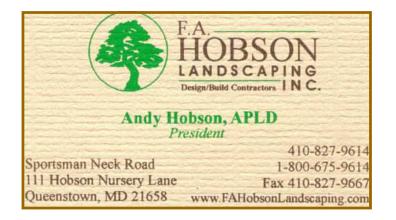
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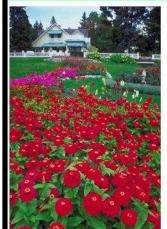






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