

LIBRETTO J

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.

WELCOME



Edward and Marlene Schomp 510 Symphony Way

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HOMEOWNERS'ASSOCIATION

HOA REPORTS

Many residents are unable to attend the meetings of the Homeowner's Association. It is still possible to find out what happened by reading the minutes and financial reports posted on the **Symphony Village Website.** Simply go to the Website and click **Residential Login** to enter the **User ID** and the **Password** which are still the same. To access the minutes, click **HOA Board** and then **Board Minutes**. The monthly financial report can be found by clicking **Village Management** then **Official Documents.**

2012 HOA Board Meetings*

July 27 at 10 a.m.

October 26 at 10 a.m.

No December meeting has been scheduled.

*All meetings will be held in the Clubhouse.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

LIFESTYLE UPDATE

MAY

- Movie Night 7 p.m. Friday, May 18 Showing "The Descendants."
- **Happy Hour** 6 p.m., Saturday, May 19 Cost of admission is bringing your favorite appetizer or dessert.
- Ladies Happy Hour 5:30 p.m. Thursday, May 24 Bring \$5, which provides you with dinner and a beverage.

- **Game Night -** 7 p.m. Friday, May 25
- **Memorial Day Picnic** noon to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 27 Catered by Doc's Riverside Grille with music provided by Bo from Doc's. In lieu of payment for Bo's DJ work, a donation will be provided to Hospice. For details of the menu, please see the sign-up sheet in the Activities Book. The cost is \$13 per adult, \$6.50 for children ages 4 to 10, children under 4 are free. Please sign up and pay at the Clubhouse. *In order to provide Doc's with the final count, the deadline for signing up AND payment is May 20.*

JUNE

- **Happy Hour** 6 p.m. Friday, June 1 Cost of admission is bringing your favorite appetizer or dessert.
- **Lifestyle Committee Meeting -** 7:15 p.m. Wednesday, June 6 **All residents are welcome.**
- Happy Hour, 6 p.m. Saturday, June16—"The Blues Keepers" will play from 6 to 9 p.m., hosted by Bob Pino of The Optical Galleria as thanks for all the business he has received from Symphony Village residents. Cost of admission is bringing your favorite appetizer or dessert.

UPCOMING EVENTS

New York City bus trip to see Ellis Island, the 9/11 Memorial, and dinner in Little Italy. For those who missed this wonderful trip in May, we have scheduled it again for **Saturday**, **October 13**. The cost is \$95 per person and is open to the first 20 people who pay by September.

Radio City Music Hall Holiday Show bus trip to New York City — Friday, November 30. The cost is \$150 per person, with a non-refundable deposit of \$75 due by September 15. The remaining \$75 is due by November 16.

HAPPY HOURS

The Lifestyle Committee is looking for volunteers to host the bi-monthly Happy Hours. This is a great opportunity to meet more of your neighbors and to have fun at the same time. If you want to make it more than a regular Happy Hour, you can be creative and come up with a theme. For those who have never hosted before, we will partner you with one of our "veteran" hosts to help. Call Vinny Volpicelli at 410-758-5440 to decide which Happy Hour you would like to host.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

The Operations Committee would like to thank the following residents who assisted with the irrigation audit this year:



Lloyd McAtee, Dave Peterson, Paul Epp, Bob Strietman, Tom Carmody, Richard Sheridan, Jim Kindle, Janet O'Conner, Joe Brown, Ira Ehrenfeld, and Jack Laird

Ed Frey Chair, Operations Committee

OUTREACH UPDATE

Outreach's Wall Art Festival - Sign Up Soon!



Do you work in a medium that hangs on a wall? Do you work in glass, watercolor, wood, fiber, oil, acrylic, quilting, macramé, photography, clay, wreaths, weaving, metal, or even mounted taxidermy? Another "wall art" medium? **Then we want you!** Outreach has already signed up several artisans to participate in the Wall Art Festival on **Saturday**, **September 22**, 4 – 8 p.m., at the Clubhouse, but we would like many more to make the event a success! The booth fee is \$25, and you keep all monies from your sales. If you would like to participate or have questions, please contact Loretta Quigley (410-758-6775, lorettaquigley@yahoo.com) or Linda Gardner (410-758-0646, lrgdsg@yahoo.com). We hope to hear from you soon! You don't need a large inventory to participate.

Donation to Hospice of Queen Anne's



SV Outreach designated Hospice of Queen Anne's as the beneficiary of its <u>3rd Annual Card and Game Party</u> which was held in January 2012.

This event scored high marks from the 100+ players and netted \$2,000 for Hospice. The Card and Game Party includes a pre-play continental breakfast, fabulous luncheon, continuous snacks and beverages, and the opportunity to enjoy cards or games of choice.

Keep this annual party in mind for January 2013.

— Nancie Cameron

Outreach Holiday House Tour

A Holiday House Tour is planned for Sunday, December 9, from 5 to 7:30 p.m., . . . and Outreach needs you IF........

You enjoy decorating your home for the holidays,

Have Christmas decorations that are family heirlooms,

Collect Santas, Snowmen, etc...

AND would like to share these with your neighbors!

If you would like to have your home included on the Holiday House Tour, please contact Willie DiLaura at 443-262-8062 or jwdilaura@yahoo.com...... JOIN IN THE FUN!

PUBLICATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

Advertisers

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

The advertisements more than offset the cost of printing the *Libretto* and other printer expenses.

Website Help

Have you heard about the <u>new Daily Bulletin</u>? Or more importantly, have you <u>read</u> the new Daily Bulletin? Yes, it has the old Kelvinator Kalendar (which you can read in advance every Thursday—or thereabouts) plus much more new and exciting events which are occurring in the Village. These events sometimes appear daily because they are often newly scheduled events which just can't wait for the monthly *Libretto* or timely reminders of things to come. The P & C Committee is proud of the Daily Bulletin; and, from what we (the editors) hear, it is widely accepted--well, maybe not quite that widely accepted because sometimes we hear you can't access it. We want <u>everyone</u> to be able to access it. That is why the P & C Committee tells you in the *Libretto* to call us for help. Carol Hodges is the Committee Chairperson, and she will happily stop by to show you how to not only access the Daily Bulletin on your computer but also move the icon to your desktop for easy access. Carol's staff is equally willing to help you through this process.

So, don't wait to hear it from your neighbor and don't let news events pass you by. This is not rocket science. We'll have you reading the Daily Bulletin in minutes!

All Are Welcome

Everyone is welcome to attend the next P & C meeting on Monday, June 4, at 2 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom. — *Carol Hodges*

CLUBS and CLASSES

BIRD CLUB

Bird Club Spring Picnic



The Bird Club will hold a Spring Picnic on Thursday, May 24, noon, at the Picnic Pavilion. All SV residents who enjoy birding are welcome. Please sign up in the Activities Book by Monday, May 21. The event is free, and you don't need to bring any food! — *Linda Blume*

Delmarva Birding Weekend - Chesapeake Beach Birding

During the Delmarva Birding Weekend, Nancie Cameron, Brenda Stoltz, and Dorthea Turek went to **Terrapin Park Nature Area** in Stevensville near the Bay Bridge – home to migratory shorebirds, wading birds, and colorful songbirds. The park attracts a wide variety of birds not only because it is on the migration path but also because it has several different habitats for birds. It was especially enjoyable watching the birds on a pond near the Chesapeake Bay.

By Dorthea Turek



Our guide, Mark, explained that eagles are not as good as osprey at catching fish. That is why eagles often can be seen waiting nearby when osprey are "fishing." The osprey puts on quite a show as it hovers over the water looking for fish. If the osprey catches a fish, an aerial fight with an eagle ensues. No doubt the eagles we saw sitting on a nesting box nearby were rooting for a successful catch. Because Mark had a spotting scope, we each were able to see wonderful close ups of some of the birds. Our guide was very adept at identifying birds by their call, which makes locating them a lot easier. Walking through a wooded area, Mark described how he "birded by ear." He stopped, listened for a bird call, and then tried to find the bird in the trees or bushes. Having such a great guide made for a very successful birding trip. This list of the birds *seen* or *heard*, shows just how successful our morning was:

Canada Goose 2 Wood Duck 8 Snowy Egret 2 Black Vulture 2 Turkey Vulture 3 Osprey 5 Bald Eagle 2 Accipiter 1 Buteo 1 Greater Yellowles

Greater Yellowlegs 1 Ring-billed Gull 6 Great Black-backed Gull 1 Least Tern 4 Caspian Tern 2 Rock Pigeon 3 Mourning Dove 2 Great Crested Flycatcher 1 Eastern Kingbird 2 White-eyed Vireo 1 Blue Jay 2 American Crow 1

Tree Swallow 4
Barn Swallow 1
Carolina Chickadee 2
Tufted Titmouse 3
Carolina Wren 6
American Robin 4
European Starling 1
Blue-winged Warbler 1
Common Yellowthroat 2
Pine Warbler 1

Yellow-rumped Warbler 15

Warbler 1
Eastern Towhee 1
Chipping Sparrow 1
White-throated Sparrow 7
Northern Cardinal 7
Blue Grosbeak 1
Common Grackle 2
Brown-headed Cowbird 5
Orchard Oriole 2
American Goldfinch 6

GAZEBO and VICTORY GARDENS

Fish Crow 1

Gazebo Garden

We hope that you have enjoyed the many varieties of daffodils that bloomed in the spring. (See photos on our Website.) Due to the unusually cool nights, our gardeners have been reluctant to plant any new flowers; but, with the promise of warm weather, all gardeners will have their beds in beautiful array in time for Memorial Day. We still have only 15 gardeners for the 20 beds. Any

volunteers? Please contact either Steve Guy (410-443-8685) or Jack Hennessey (410-758-4872). We do have a **pair of killdeer** and a **pair of mourning doves** nesting in the Gazebo Garden. Also, our **purple martin** house is fully occupied; and the first brood of chicks has hatched! Unfortunately, we have no reports of occupants in the other four martin houses.

Victory Garden

Our Victory Garden has been fully assigned. Radishes, beets, arugula, and other greens have been harvested. All tenants are anxiously awaiting warm weather for planting tomatoes, cucumbers, zucchini, and other squash. We anticipate a bumper crop again this year! As expected, the early (optimistic) planting of tomatoes was a failure. C'est la vie! — *Jack Hennessey*

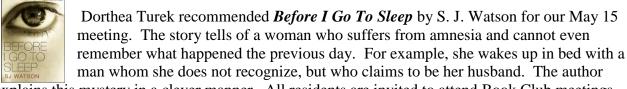
PHOTO CLUB

Attention Photographers: If you would like to participate in a Photo Club here at Symphony Village, we will be having an organizational meeting on Thursday night, June 14, at 7 p.m. in the Clubhouse. Please come and help me get things going. For more info, call *Joe Shanahan* at 443-262-8574. Everyone is welcome.

READING FOR FUN BOOK CLUB

The Book Club met on April 17 to discuss the book *Dreams of Joy* by Lisa See. This book was recommended by Jack Hennessey who led the discussion and whose wife provided a delicious dessert of peanut butter pie with peach tea. The story centers around two Chinese sisters who grew up in Los Angeles but travel to China during Chairman Mao's regime – Joy to find happiness in the agricultural communes set up under Mao and Pearl to save her sister from the perils of such a life. The sisters soon learn that dreams do not come true. If this story sounds interesting, it is

recommended that you first read Shanghai Girls, which is a prequel to this book.



explains this mystery in a clever manner. All residents are invited to attend Book Club meetings and also to join the Club. – *Jack Hennessey*

SINGLES

Singles had a very nice luncheon at the Clubhouse on April 29. It was great fun. Our next luncheon will be a cook-out (date to be decided). Keep checking the Singles section in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse.

On Sunday, June 24, at 2 p.m., we are going to Church Hill Theatre for a matinee performance of "The Sound of Music." Sign up at the Clubhouse <u>before June 8</u>. The cost is \$20. Please make checks payable to "Church Hill Theatre." If you have any questions, please call *Lois Winegardner* at 410-758-1262.

SNEAKERS

Cubby Choir

What a wonderful "Thank You" from the Centreville Elementary School Cubby Choir Concert. It was a delightful concert in the Clubhouse on May 3. The 45-voice choir sang very meaningful and fun songs for an audience of more than 65 residents and guests. They are already talking about returning for a holiday concert. Mr. David Dulac, the Principal, believes that the children should

always say thank you; and he said he and everyone at Centreville Elementary appreciate the Book Giveaways as well as the volunteering Symphony Villagers provide to their school.

Book Giveaways

Pastries for Parents at Kennard (May 3 and 4) was very successful, with a packed house on the 4th. Many parents expressed their appreciation. We have two more all-school end-of-the-year Book Giveaways in June. Lots of volunteers are needed. Please sign up at the Clubhouse to volunteer at Kennard Elementary on Monday, June 4, and at Centreville Elementary on Tuesday, June 5.

North Bay Scholarships

Sneakers was very happy to provide scholarships for ten 6^{th} graders at Centreville Middle School which enables them to attend the Outdoor Education Week at North Bay Camp.

Sneakers Auction

Don't forget that our Annual Silent Auction will be held Saturday, November 3, in the Clubhouse. If you have any goods or services you would like to donate, please contact Helena Joy (410-758-6532) or Linda Farrar (410-758-8744).

Next Meeting

Our next scheduled meeting will be held Wednesday, May 30, at 3 p.m. in the Clubhouse. All residents of Symphony Village are warmly encouraged to join us and participate in our ongoing activities.

SOFTBALL CLUB:

Softball season is here, and once again Symphony Village has eight residents who are playing in the Baltimore Senior Men's League. We are desperate for more players and are looking forward to having enough players to form our own local team. If you are interested in playing or know anyone in the area (Centreville included), please get in touch with *Joe Shanahan* at 443-262-8574. We need to have at least 20 players on the roster to

get our own team. Hope the calls come flooding in. Ringers welcome.

TRIVIA

By Karin Anne Larsen

- 1. What pro basketball team won 11 championships between 1956 and 1969?
- 2. What color does acid turn Litmus paper?
- 3. What composer wrote "The Water Music"?
- 4. What's the largest Scandinavian country?
- 5. What was Mickey Mouse's original name?

(See answers on page 16.)

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS



Much thanks to Nancie and Don Cameron for the wonderful dinner and for checking on me during my recent illness.

It was greatly appreciated. Thanks for being great neighbors.

Rosel Rodrique

HERE COME THE "JUDGES"

By Pat Scheirer



Where were they going? What happened? Did anyone notice a long line of cars leaving the village at **5:45 a.m.** on Tuesday, April 3? If you saw the traffic snaking out onto Route 213, you had to think it was an evacuation and you didn't get the word. But have no fear – it was primary election day in Maryland! An unbelievable

number of Villagers work the polls as election judges throughout the county. While the polls don't open until 7 a.m., judges must report by 6 a.m. If you voted at the high school on Tuesday, you saw many of your neighbors – some voting, some working, and some working and voting. According to the local Board of Elections, "If it was not for Symphony Village, we would not have enough judges." And one election Board member commented, "We even sent some to Romancoke, and they went with a smile." There are 16 precincts in Queen Anne's County and 27 Villagers served as judges during the Maryland primary. Several Villagers who were not available for early voting and the primary (Would they be the

CRITTERS CRAZY ABOUT POND 1

By Gil Hoffman

After the rain gardens were first started, "restoration" of the habitat surrounding the storm water management pond north of the Symphony Way was begun. At that point, a young beaver moved into the pond, built a hut, and began to harvest the newly planted trees for his purposes. A trapper was hired to capture the beaver and the trapper prevailed. The following spring some of the tree stubs began to recover from the pruning.

snowbirds?) reportedly have said they are available for the General Election. Good job!

This spring nutria were spotted in the pond. Again the trapper was brought in to remove the nutria, and three were trapped. The nutria had burrowed into the banks of the pond causing damage and erosion.

We now have muskrats in the pond. They are smaller than the beaver and nutria and the opinion is that no further damage will be caused by the muskrats. If you are patient and watch from the bank, you can see them creating bubbles, causing ripples on the surface, breaking the surface, and swimming across the pond.

TRAVEL

Villagers Visit the Big Apple

By Brenda Stoltz

Ellis Island

Fifty-two Symphony Villagers gathered at the Clubhouse on Tuesday, May 1. It was a cool, rainy morning; but we were optimistic better weather would greet us in New York City. Bagels, juice, a lively group, and a video of Ellis Island made the time go by quickly. We boarded the Ferry in New Jersey for the short boat ride to Ellis Island following a thorough security search. Some of us had the names of family members we hoped to find

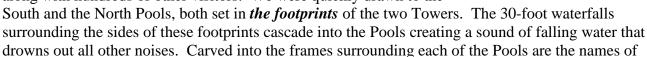


listed in the Ellis Island archives. I had no success finding names of my family; however, John, my husband, quickly found his grandfather's name. Ellis Island is filled with many stories, and it was interesting reading and listening to a few of them; but now it was time to move on to NYC . . .

9/11 Memorial

On the Ferry from Ellis Island, we could see the hazy skyline of NY. The space where the Twin Towers had been is now filled with new construction. We disembarked at Battery Park and wandered through the lovely gardens looking at sculptures, Battery West, and The Sphere. The Sphere and the eternal flame burning nearby created for me a magnificent symbol of "hope for peace." Though tarnished and cracked, this beautiful sculpture survived the destruction of 9/11. It was found buried beneath the rubble of the WTC plaza and, ironically, entitled "Peace" by Fritz Koenig, the sculptor.

Leaving Battery Park, we traveled by bus the short distance to the 9/11 Memorial. After another security search, we entered the Memorial area along with hundreds of other visitors. We were quickly drawn to the



those who perished that day. Surprisingly, there is a sign of hope near the South Pool called —"The Survivor Tree." It is a Callery Pear tree which, after all the debris was cleared away, was the <u>only tree</u> still standing in the WTC Plaza. Some types of Callery Pear trees are brittle and fragile, so I was impressed by its survival. So were the folks who spent weeks nurturing it, trying to keep this symbol of hope alive.

When the WTC is fully developed, it will include the memorial falls, related museum, and a spiral of new towers around the 80-acre park. These new towers will include 1 World Trade Center just beyond the North Pool. That tower will rise 1,776 feet and will be the tallest building in the United States. Another tower



will be 4 World Trade Center east of the South Pool. It will rise to a height of 977 feet tall.

Little Italy on Mulberry Street

On the bus again, we traveled to Mulberry Street to dine in Little Italy. As we walk down Mulberry Street, maitre d's and waiters called to us to dine at their restaurants, even offering free wine—an offer we had trouble refusing. However, it had been recommended we dine at Ristorante S.P.Q.R. This acronym suggests the very best in authentic Italian food, and we were not disappointed. Following dinner, we headed to Ferrara's ("America's finest Pasticceria since 1892") for some yummy desserts. After stuffing ourselves with hundreds of calories, we were told the bus could not drive to our pick-up spot because Broadway Street was "Occupied" and completely blocked by the Occupy Wall Street protesters and the police. So, 52 Villagers started walking off a few calories. We walked through some interesting areas of New York, including China Town with its outside stands of unusual looking fish, vegetables, and buckets full of live frogs peering up at us. As we crossed Broadway Street to reach our bus, we could see the protesters blocking the road and the police keeping watch nearby.

On the bus ride home, we reflected on how much we enjoyed our trip and how lucky we were to have had nice weather despite the dreary weather forecast. A big THANKS to Dominick Mancinelli, our trip leader, for taking such good care of us and to our tour guides and neighbors who were also very helpful.

RESTAURANT REVIEW

Riverhouse Restaurant at the Easton Club

By Carol Hodges



Our recent experience at the Riverhouse was a very pleasant one. In December, after the restaurant was renovated, Michael Rork was brought in as executive chef. Rork was chef at Town Dock Restaurant in St. Michaels for 14 years, Hemingways for one year, and then Jimmy and Sook's Restaurant in Cambridge for one year.

One of our criteria for a good restaurant is a water view which is achieved with the overlook of the

Tred Avon River. The second criteria is an inviting menu of beers and wines. The third, of course, is great food. Riverhouse has all three. After a Fat Tire (Belgium beer), Larry enjoyed a delicious Grilled Salmon and Salmon Sandwich which was wild salmon and pastrami salmon served on a brioche roll with a lemon-dill sauce, lettuce, and tomato. I enjoyed the Grilled Cheese of the Day (changes daily). That day it included provolone cheese, sundried tomatoes, and bacon served with a cup of cream of crab. YUM!! There is a complete menu of salads, entrees, and dessert which can be accessed at http://www.eastonclub.com/menus.html.

Located at 28449 Clubhouse Drive, Easton, 410-820-9800

RECIPES

Chicken Eugene

From the Kitchen of Robin Laird

1 pkg. dried chipped beef8-10 pieces boneless chicken breasts or thighs paprika2 Tbl. butter

1 can cream of mushroom soup1 c. sour cream1 can (6.5 oz.) mushrooms,sliced and drained2 tsp. white wine

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Place the dried beef in the bottom of a 9" x 13" baking dish.

Place the chicken parts on top of the beef. (I cut the breasts in half if they are large ones.) Sprinkle the chicken lightly with paprika.

Soften the butter in a mixing bowl. Add wine, soup, sour cream, and mushrooms.

Mix well. Spread the mixture over the chicken. Bake for 40 - 45 minutes.

This recipe is flexible. You can use both thighs and breasts or just one or the other. Just try to keep the pieces about the same thickness. You will want the pieces very close together – adjust the size of the dish accordingly.

..... and for dessert try:

Peanut Butter Cheesecake From the Kitchen of Jinny Guy

3 oz. cream cheese
1 c. powdered sugar, sifted
1/2 c. creamy peanut butter
1/2 c. milk
1 c. Cool Whip
1 graham cracker or Oreo cookie pie shell
1/4 c. finely chopped peanuts
Grated Baker's chocolate (optional)



Beat cream cheese, sugar and peanut butter until smooth. Gradually beat in milk; stir in Cool Whip until smooth. Pour into pie shells and sprinkle tops with peanuts and grated chocolate, or drizzle with chocolate sauce. Freeze until firm. Keeps for weeks in the freezer.

LOCAL 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 <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.

Canines in the Courtyard: Pooches and Pirates



Swagger to Paws Pet Boutique in Annapolis with your salty dog in pirate garb for a fun evening on **Friday, May18**, 5-7 p.m., at the Kent Island Dog Park. If your pooch shines like a treasure, you may take home some loot ... or maybe just an award ribbon! The evening benefits the Friends of Kent Island Dog Park. The evening includes refreshments and raffles. (Kent Island On-Line)

Kent Island Day



The Kent Island Heritage Society will sponsor <u>Kent Island Day</u> on **Saturday**, **May 19**, 10 a.m. -5 p.m. at locations throughout historic Stevensville. The event commemorates the founding of Kent Island in 1631. There will be a parade down Main Street, historic exhibits, displays, activities, food, vendors, costumes, activities for children, crafts, and more. (OAC Tourism)

Events at Adkins Arboretum



It has been suggested that a <u>summary</u> of the myriad programs at Adkins Arboretum be included in Local Events rather than complete details. To that end, these programs will be offered at Adkins Arboretum in Ridgely in the coming month:

Chasing Venus: Sunday, May 20

2-For-1 Tuesday: Tuesday, May 22, May 29, June 5, June 12

Landscape Photography: Saturday, June 2

Hypertufa Garden Planter or Bird Bath: Saturday, June 2

First Saturday Guided Walk: Saturday, June 2

Abundant Summer: Friday, June 8

<u>Dragonflies and Damselflies</u>: Saturday, June 9 Second Saturday Guided Walk: Saturday, June 9

Click on the event title to go to the website for all the details and to register.

English Handbell Concert



Grasonville Senior Center presents *Ring into Spring*, an English Hand bell Concert with dinner and dancing on **Sunday**, **May 20**, 6-9 p.m. The concert will feature the Capital Ringers Handbell Choir who will offer an artistic dance-themed performance. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. and will consist of garden salad, grilled chicken

breast topped with broccoli cream sauce served over rice du jour and accompanied by a vegetable medley, dinner roll, sherbet and cookie dessert, coffee, and tea. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$14. Call 410-827-6010 for more information. (QAC Parks and Recreation)

Sight and Sound Theatre Bus Trip



The bus will leave from the Sudlersville Senior Center on **Wednesday**, **May 23**, at 8 a.m., for a trip to the Sight and Sound Theatre in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, to see *Jonah*. For cost and more information, call 410-438-3159. (QAC Tourism)

Tuckahoe and Martinak State Park Special Activities



Both state parks will offer a variety of free family programs each weekend from **Memorial Day weekend** through **Labor Day weekend**. Check the park bulletin boards for scheduled activities. (Caroline Recreation and Parks)

Open Rock Wall



On **Saturday, May 26**, 1-4 p.m., Tuckahoe State Park will open its Rock Wall for open climbing. Youth under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. The cost is \$8 per climber. (Caroline Recreation and Parks)

Guided Canoe Trip



Join staff from Martinak State Park on **Saturday, May 26**, 6 p.m., for an entertaining and educational canoe trip up Watts Creek. The trip departs from the Martinak Nature Center. The cost is \$10 adults, \$8 ages 14 and under. Preregistration is required – go to <u>Registration</u> or call 410-479-8120. (<u>Caroline Recreation and Parks</u>)

Centreville Memorial Day Parade



The Memorial Day Parade will take place on **Saturday, May 26**, beginning at noon. The parade leaves from Queen Anne's County High School. (<u>Town of Centreville</u>)

Chesapeake Bay Community Band Memorial Day Concert



The Chesapeake Bay Community Band will play a musical tribute to America's service men and women on **Sunday, May 27**, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m., at the Prospect Bay Country Club in Grasonville. (QAC Tourism)

Guided Canoe Trip



Join staff from Tuckahoe State Park on **Sunday, May 27**, 6 p.m., for an entertaining and educational canoe trip up Tuckahoe Creek. The trip departs from the Tuckahoe boathouse. The cost is \$10 adults, \$8 ages 14 and under. Preregistration is required – go to <u>Registration</u> or call 410-479-8120. (<u>Caroline</u> Recreation and Parks)

31st Ridgely Strawberry Festival



The Ridgely Lions Club will host the Strawberry Festival on **Sunday, May 27**, beginning at 9 a.m. in Martin Sutton Park. The highlights of the day include the annual parade, games and rides, a variety of fresh-cooked foods, live music, prizes and awards, and the

now-famous Ridgely Lions Club strawberry shortcake and ice cream. (Ridgely Lions Club)

Stones in His Pocket



Dignity Players present *Stones in His Pocket* on **May 31, June 1-3,** and **June 7-9** at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Annapolis. This award-winning hilarious and moving play tells the tale of a quiet Irish community turned upside down by the arrival of a Hollywood movie shoot. Performances begin at 8 p.m., except on June 3 which begins at 3 p.m. Reserve tickets by calling 410-266-8044, ext. 127, or on-line at <u>Dignity</u>

Players. (Kent Island On-Line)

Exhibit: The Artists Garden



The <u>Kent Island Federation of Arts</u> presents "The Artists Garden" during the month of June. The exhibit features works by local artists inspired by gardens and will be open during KIFA's "Gardens By The Sea Garden Tour". (QAC Tourism)

Wright's Chance Open House



Wright's Chance, a restored 18th century Plantation House, will be open to the public, free of charge, on **Saturday**, **June 2**, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Docents will lead tours of the house. For information, call 410-758-3010 or email info@qachistory.org.

Bird Hike



The Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center sponsors a bird hike entitled "The Mimics" on **Saturday, June 2**, 8 – 9:30 a.m. Pre-registration is required – call 410-827-6694. (Bird Hike)

Kent Narrows Fly and Light Tackle Striper Tournament



Coastal Conservation Association Maryland will host a Fly and Light Tackle Striper Tournament on **Saturday, June 2**, 5:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., on Kent Island at the Narrows. The kayak division of the event is sponsored by Island Bike and Paddle. The cost is \$40 per angler. Register at CCA Maryland. (QAC Tourism)

Kent Island Rock n Run



The Chesapeake Bay Exploration Center will host Kent Island Rock n Run on Saturday, June 2, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. A five-mile run will be followed by an all-day outdoor music festival with food, drink, and vendors, and featuring live musical performances by The Smithereens, Mr. Greengenes, The Reagan Years, Love Seed Mama Jump, Dean Crawford Hyjinx, The Kajun Kelly Band, and Hot Tub Limo. The event will benefit Special Olympics of Maryland. For \$39, you can

participate in the five-mile race on the Cross Island Trail or you can attend the all-day music festival beginning at 10:30 a.m. For \$49, you can do both! Purchase tickets at <u>Tickets</u>. (QAC Tourism)

15th Annual Wings and Wheels for Sight



Wings and Wheels for Sight will take place at the Bay Bridge Airport in Stevensville on **Saturday**, **June 2**, 10 a.m. -3 p.m. There will be antique/classic cars, motorcycles, and airplanes; airplane and helicopter rides; children's games

and rides; model rockets; model trains; food; and family fun. The event is a fundraising event for the Wilmer Eye Institute in Baltimore and other Lions Club Vision projects and is sponsored by the Kent Island and Queenstown Lions Clubs. For information, call 410-604-1141. (QAC Tourism)

Athlete's Choice Event



This event will take place on **Sunday, June 3**, 9 a.m. – noon, at Terrapin Park in Stevensville. Featured events are the Duatholon (3-mile run, 10-mile bike, and 3-mile run), and the Sprint-Tri (2-mile kayak, 10-mile bike, and 2-mile

run). For more information and to register, contact Maryland Team Sports at 410-271-6737. (QAC Tourism)

Carnival and Silent Auction



Kent Island Methodist Church will hold a carnival open to the community on **June 7-9**, 5-9 p.m. The event will include rides, games, petting zoo, pony rides, and live entertainment nightly from local bands and magic shows. A great assortment of food will be available ranging from hamburgers and hot dogs to pizza, cotton candy, and crab cake sliders by Kent Island Crab Cakes. (QAC Tourism)

The Sound of Music



The Sound of Music will be performed at the Church Hill Theatre **June 8 – 24**. The cost is \$20 adults, \$17 members, and \$10 students. Purchase tickets at Church Hill Theatre. (QAC Tourism)

Tuckahoe Triathlon



The <u>Tuckahoe Triathlon</u> will take place on **Saturday**, **June 9**, 8 a.m. -3 p.m., at Tuckahoe State Park in Queen Anne. The triathlon consists of a 2-mile run, 10-mile bicycle course, and 1-mile canoe course. A limited number of canoes are available for rental. (QAC Tourism)

22nd Annual Thunder on the Narrows



<u>Thunder on the Narrows</u> will take place on **June 9-10**, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., at the Kent Island Yacht Club in Chester. Hydroplanes and skiffs will race at over 100 MPH, over two days, in many classes of boats. This is a family event for race fans. (<u>QAC</u> Tourism)

3rd Annual Gardens By The Sea Garden Tour



The Kent Island Federation of Arts will hold a <u>Garden Tour</u> on **June 9** and **10**, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Nine beautiful private waterfront owners in the Kent Island area will open their gardens to visitors. Docents will greet you at each garden and present special features that make each seaside garden unique. Tour tickets may be purchased in advance for \$20 each, or for \$25 the tour weekend. Your universal

ticket/booklet will be held at KIFA until the day of the Tour. One ticket is good for both days of the tour. Call 410-643-7424 to reserve your ticket. (QAC Tourism)

31st Annual Bay Music Festival



The Music Festival will take place on **Saturday, June 9**, 4-10 p.m., at the 4-H Park in Centreville. You'll hear the region's best blues, rock n roll, rockabilly, and bluegrass with plenty of food, drink, and fun for the entire family. The event is sponsored by the Centreville Lion's Club. The Bay Music Festival is an Eastern Shore tradition with

proceeds going to the Wilmer Eye Institute in Baltimore and other Lions Club charities. The cost is \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door, children under 12 no admission charge. (QAC Tourism)

5K Walk/Run in honor of Purple Heart Recipient Adam Jacquet



Gunston School will hold a 5K Walk/Run on **Sunday, June 10**, 8 a.m. -2 p.m., in honor of U. S. Marine Corps Lance Corporal Adam Jacquet (Gunston class of 2009) who was awarded the Purple Heart. The event will assist the Jacquet family with expenses related to his recovery. A breakfast will follow the walk/run. For

more information, call 410-758-0620, ext. 109. (QAC Tourism)

Bird School



The Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center sponsors a Bird School presentation "Parental Care and Rearing of Young" on **Wednesday, June 13**, 6 – 7:30 p.m. Preregistration is required – call 410-827-6694. (Bird School)

Thursdays in the Park



Thursdays in the Park, Queen Anne's County Arts Council summer concert series, will resume for the season on **Thursday**, **June 14**, 7 – 9 p.m., when the Chesapeake Bay Community Band will play at the Kent Island Yacht Club. (<u>Chesapeake Bay Community Band</u>)

20th Annual United Way Golf Tournament



The Golf Tournament will take place on **Friday, June 15**, 7 a.m. – 3 p.m., at Queenstown Harbor Golf Course. The event raises funds and awareness to support 23 local non-profit agencies. (QAC Tourism)

Canines in the Courtyard: Best Dog Tricks



Come to Paws Pet Boutique in Annapolis on **Friday, June 15**, 5-7 p.m., and show off your dog's talent. Dogs from Fidos for Freedom will perform. The evening benefits Fidos for Freedom which trains service and therapy dogs. The evening includes refreshments and raffles. (Kent Island On-Line)

Father's Day Tea



The Queen Anne's County Historical Society and the St. Paul's Kitchen Guild will co-host a Father's Day Tea on **Saturday**, **June 16**, 2 p.m. Expect great food and a delicious specialty tea. The tea will be held at St. Paul's Parish hall (301 S. Liberty Street). The cost is \$25 per person. The event is handicapped accessible. Please pre-

register no later than June 8 by calling 410-758-3010 or email info@qachistory.org.

8th Annual Art of the Deals



The Queen Anne's County Centre for the Arts presents Art of the Deals on **Saturday, June 16**, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., in Centreville's Courthouse Square. Artists, civic groups, and area merchants open up the town for demonstrations, the Farmer's Market, art vendors, and special sales by downtown business owners. Come out and enjoy meeting area artists, learn about area non-profit

groups, and shop local! (www.arts4u.info)

Cancer Sucks Concert



The <u>Cancer Sucks Concert</u> will be held on **Saturday, June 16**, 11 a.m. – midnight, at the 4-H Park in Centreville. There will be bands, vendors, food, games, beer, wine, and much more. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. (Shore Update)

Country Classics Show



Polish your boots and straighten your Stetson for the Country Classics at the American Music Theatre in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, on **Tuesday, June 19**. QAC Parks and Recreation will sponsor the trip. The cost is \$70 which

includes buffet lunch and shopping at the Shady Maple Restaurant, shopping at Kitchen Kettle Village, and the Country Music Show. Call 410-827-6010 to register. (QAC Parks and Rec)

Last Day to register is May 31:

Bus Trip: Utz of Hanover



QAC Recreation and Parks will sponsor a bus trip to the Utz factory on **Thursday**, **June 21**. Ever wonder how your favorite chips and snacks are made? You can see and smell the making of the famous Utz Potato Chips and Snacks in their 600,000 square foot facility as close as Hanover, Pennsylvania. You will be guided step-by-step with the aid of a push-to-talk audio program and closed-circuit TV monitors. The Utz Potato Chip Trip is fun for the entire family, a learning experience for the

young and old. The cost of \$45 includes round trip transportation. The program number is 403005. Register on-line at www.parksnrec.org or call 410-827-6010. (QAC Parks and Rec)

Register now; final payment due by June 1:

Bus Trip: Castles of New York



QAC Recreation and Parks will sponsor a 4-day, 3-night bus trip on **July 9-12** to see the castles of New York. Cruise aboard a replica steamboat on the scenic St. Lawrence River. Tour Boldt Castle, a monument of Love built by George Boldt for his wife, Louise. Tour stately Singer Castle on the St. Lawrence River, and Wings Castle, a unique architectural marvel on the Hudson. You'll also visit Millbrook Vineyards and the New York State Capitol Building. The

cost is \$550 per person, double occupancy. Single rate, add \$179. Optional insurance is available. A deposit of \$100 is due at sign up; the balance due by June 1. Register on-line at www.parksnrec.org or call 410-827-6010. (QAC Parks and Rec)

REMINDER: Go to the <u>SV Website</u> to see all 99 Local Events and 45 Events Outside the Four-County Area.

Trivia Answers

- 1. Boston Celtics
- 2. Red
- 3. Handel
- 4. Sweden
- **5. Mortimer Mouse**

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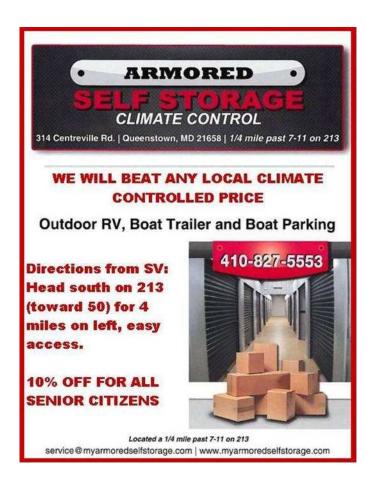
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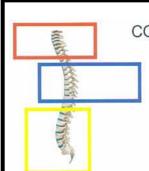


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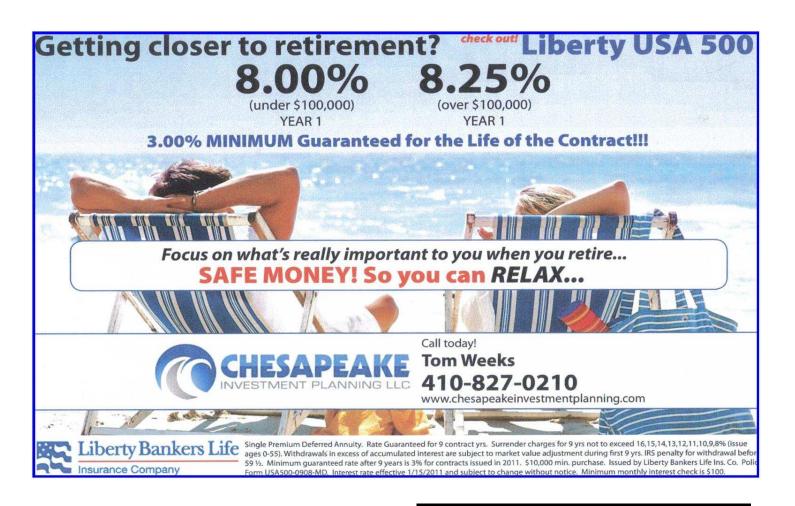
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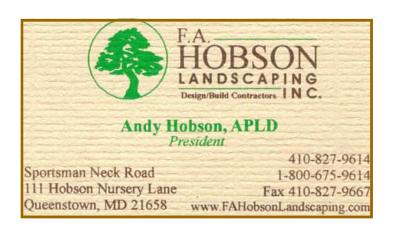
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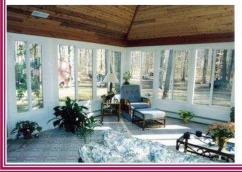


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