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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.

# WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

Christopher and Paula Pariseau, 314 Harmony Way Vernon and Norma Plack, 214 Harmony Way Joseph and Amy Marotta, 301 Overture Way

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

# LIFESTYLE UPDATE

#### **AUGUST**

- Movie Night, 7 p.m., Friday, August 17: Showing Mad Money
- **Jimmy Buffet Happy Hour**, 6 p.m., August 18. Please sign up at the Clubhouse so we can get a count of total attendees. There will be no cost to attendees, but you will be asked prior to the Jimmy Buffet Happy Hour to bring a specific food or drink item. The deadline to sign up is August 12. Come join the fun with Jimmy Buffet music and margaritas. This is also a pool party, so please be sure to bring your bathing suits.
- Ladies Happy Hour, 5:30 p.m., Thursday, August 23. Bring your favorite appetizer or dessert as your price of admission.
- Game Night, 7 p.m., Friday, August 31. Bring your favorite game.

#### **SEPTEMBER**

- Labor Day Picnic, 1 to 5 p.m., Sunday, September 2 (food served from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.). \$16 per person. Children 4-12-- \$8. Under 4 are free.

  Menu: Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Smoked Turkey Breast, Bourbon Beef Brisket, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Potato Salad, Rolls, Lemonade, Southwestern Dip with Chips. Desserts provided by members of the Labor Day Picnic Committee. Food catered by Adams Ribs.
- **Lifestyle Committee Meeting**, 7:15 p.m., Wednesday, September 5. All residents are welcome.
- Lunch Bunch, 12:30 p.m., Thursday, September 6. Sign up in Activities Book.
- **Happy Hour**, 6 p.m. Friday, September 7. All residents are welcome.
- **Crab Feast at The Jetty**. 5 p.m., Wednesday, September 12. Sign up at the Clubhouse. \$25 per person. Deadline to sign up and pay is September 9.

#### OTHER 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 30 people to pay by September 1. Price includes the bus, bagels, juice for breakfast, price of ferry rides to and from Ellis Island, tickets to the 9/11 memorial, refreshments on the return trip on the bus, and gratuities. Dinner is on your own in Little Italy and restaurants will be recommended. Sign up and pay at the Clubhouse by September 1.
- 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 to ensure your reservation. The remaining \$75 is due by November 16.
- Million Dollar Quartet: If you loved the Jersey Boys, you can't miss Million Dollar Quartet. It's the smash hit musical inspired by the famed recording session that brought together rock and roll icons Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, and Carl Perkins for the first and only time. Million Dollar Quartet brings that legendary night to life, featuring a score of rock hits, "Blue Suede Shoes," "Fever," "That's All Right," "Sixteen Tons," "Great Balls of Fire," "Walk the Line," "Whole Lotta Shaking"
  - Going On," "Who Do You Love," "Matchbox," "Folsom Prison Blues," "Hound Dog," and more. This event takes place Saturday, December 29, at the Kennedy Center. The price is \$130 per person. Deadline to sign up in the Activities Book is September 1. The trip includes Orchestra seating, bus transportation, and all taxes and tips. Enjoy dinner after the show on your own at Carmine's on 7th Street in Washington, DC or one of the many other restaurants in the area. Departs 11:30 a.m., December 29 from the Clubhouse.
- Williamsburg Illumination Ceremony, Sunday, December 2. This signifies the opening of the Christmas Season in the Williamsburg area. There is no fee to attend. Transportation and hotel arrangements are to be made on your own. The Clarion Hotel in Williamsburg is holding 10 rooms under the name Symphony Village at the rate of \$119 a night per person. Please make your reservations between now and September 30.

#### **OUTREACH UPDATE**

# **Upcoming Outreach Events:**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Artisans' Fair: Saturday, September 22, 9 a.m. 2 p.m.: Free admission; Beneficiary is Chesapeake Victories, Inc.
- **4th Annual Food Drive**: <u>Mid-November</u>; Beneficiary is Social Services of Queen Anne's County
- Holiday House Tour: Sunday, December 9: House Tour: 5 7:30 p.m., Refreshments: 6 8 p.m.: \$5 per person, children under six no charge;

Beneficiary is Queen Anne's County Social Services' "Adopt a Family" program

SV Outreach, as always, greatly appreciates the support that SV residents give to all our events. You allow us to help so many people in Queen Anne's County! Thank You!

#### Neighbor to Neighbor

Thank you to everyone who either joined or who agreed to stay on the list of volunteer meal preparers. We all appreciate your willingness to help out in times of need. Eleanor Strietman

# **BINGO RETURNS!!!**



After a summer vacation, bingo returns to Symphony Village on **Friday**, **September 14**, at 7 p.m. Bingo will be held the second Friday of each month in the Concert Hall, September through May. Proceeds from the games are used to support the programs of the Outreach Committee.

Mike King has assumed the leadership role for Bingo Night; thank you Mike! If you can help set up for Bingo Night or have any questions, please call Mike, Marilyn Williams, or Shirley Clark. Looking forward to seeing you on the 14<sup>th</sup>! Children and grandchildren welcome!

#### **PUBLICATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE**

# **Adv**ertisers

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

#### **Items for the Libretto**

Submit articles for the *Libretto* to both Carol Hodges at <u>lhodges@atlanticbb.net</u> and Brenda Stoltz at <u>stoltz1958@yahoo.com</u> because this is the system to double check that no article is missed.

#### **Picture Directory**

Please submit your picture for the Directory to George Drake at <a href="mailto:georgeandmarydrake@atlanticbb.net">georgeandmarydrake@atlanticbb.net</a> or Charlene Smallwood Brown at <a href="mailto:gsmallw594@aol.com">gsmallw594@aol.com</a> or give them a hard copy.

#### **Guidelines for Blast Emails**

The guidelines for blast emails is located on the <u>SV Website</u>. Dennis and Nancy follow them.

# All Are Welcome

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

#### **SNEAKERS**

It is almost time for school to start and for Sneakers to gear up for a busy year. Three of the four public schools in Centreville will have new principals. By the end of September we should have a good idea of what will be needed and dates for the book giveaways. We will need lots of help from everyone.

In September we will have two meetings to get in full gear for the Silent Auction--Wednesday, September 5, at 3 p.m. and Wednesday, September 26, at 3 p.m. at the Clubhouse. Please try to attend so that we can get all of the auction committees covered.

#### **SAVE THE DATE!!!**

#### SYMPHONY SNEAKERS SILENT AUCTION

SYMPHONY VILLAGE CLUBHOUSE SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3

6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

All proceeds of the evening support Children's Charity programs
Donation \$5 Per Person

Includes Wine and Heavy Hors D'oeuvres

If you have any questions or goods or services you would like to donate, please contact Helena Joy (410-758-6532) or Linda Farrar (410-758-8744).

### **CLUBS AND CLASSES**

# THE GAZEBO AND VICTORY GARDEN CLUB

In case you hadn't noticed, the weather has been very hot! This has had two significant impacts on the Gazebo Garden. First, several of our gardeners could not work in the garden due to the heat. Consequently, the weeds have taken over. Second, some of the purple martins have left early this year, apparently due to the heat. For the last two years, the martins left about August 15. This year, we expect the main flock to leave for South America around the same time. On the positive side, we have killdeer, mourning doves, and mockingbirds nesting in the garden. Several families have had picnics in the gazebo where there is always a nice breeze, and it is great for a small family lunch. Although it is not often needed, there is also a ceiling fan. There are two herb beds. Residents are invited to pick herbs there for personal use. We still need a few more gazebo gardeners. Please apply!

The Victory Garden has been very successful, as many residents can attest. Literally,



bushels of tomatoes have been distributed throughout the Village, along with squash, peppers, and eggplant. Many cantaloupes have been harvested, and our first watermelon will be taken about August 15. Dave Peterson reports that he will have several pumpkins for fall harvest. Joan Hennessey has three 9-foot high cucumber vines, which are producing many burp-free cukes. We have learned much about small scale farming this year, and look

forward to a better crop in 2013. The Victory Gardeners plan to have a harvest picnic in September. Due to space limitations, there will be no room for new gardeners in 2013.

# **Overabundance of Zucchini?**



If you are lucky enough to have more zucchini than you know what to do with, why not try one of these recipes in the <u>Libretto Recipes Archive</u>?

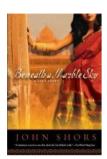
Stuffed Zucchini by Ruth Murphy (Vegetables/Sides)

Zucchini Pie by Judy Brown (Breakfast, Brunch, and Lunch)

Zucchini Pickles by Linda Blume (Appetizers)

Zucchini Appetizers by Carol Johnson (Appetizers)

#### THE READING FOR FUN BOOK CLUB



The book club met at the Clubhouse on July 17 to discuss the book *Beneath A Marble Sky* by John Shors. This book was selected by Lee Ettman, who led the discussion and also provided a delicious dessert of shortbread cookies and green tea. The author has written an historical novel based on the building of the Taj Mahal by the Mughal Emperor. The story is written in the first person from the perspective of Jahanara, the daughter of the Emperor. The Taj was built in 1632 by the Emperor of Hindustan, Shah Jahan, to symbolize his love for his wife, Mumatz Mahal. As with any

historical novel, the dialogue is a product of the author's imagination, but he does a great job, weaving a web of family jealousy and even murder. On a scale of 1 to 10, this book received a rating of 8.5. This is the third highest rating for any of our book selections.

The book selected by Mary Jo Keefe for our August 21 meeting is *The Last Time I Saw You* by Elizabeth Berg, who has written 21 other books. Jack considers this a "chick book," but he still enjoyed it. The story tells of the events surrounding a 40<sup>th</sup> high school reunion. Naturally, there are many stories about losing weight and looking good for the big event. The main characters include a successful, rich tycoon, the class beauty, and even a proctologist! It is light reading and enjoyable. Read it!



#### TENNIS CLUB

Due to the continued heat, the scheduled time for SV tennis is 8:30 a.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. See you on the courts. Larry Miller

#### KNITTING



Knitting season is just around the corner. As the weather, hopefully, gets cooler, it's time to finish the project that it's been too hot to work on, or get off to a fresh start.

All knitters and crocheters are invited to a coffee on Monday, August 27, at 10 a.m. in the craft room. We welcome knitters and crocheters of all levels. There will be no knitting on

September 3 because of the holiday, but we will meet on Monday, September 17, at 10 a.m. If you have any questions, contact Willie DiLaura at <a href="mailto:jwdilaura@yahoo.com">jwdilaura@yahoo.com</a>, or 443-262-8062.

### PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

Due to scheduling conflicts, there will be no meeting for the month of August at the clubhouse. In September, as we have discussed, most of us will be attending the Tidewater Camera Club's first meeting after their summer break. They have a great website, tidewatercameraclub.com, which I encourage all to visit. They have a new member orientation on Monday, August 20, so visit the site and give it a shot. Any questions, give me a call at 443-262-8574. - Joe Shanahan

#### SOFTBALL

Our regular season will have come to an end by the time of this writing, and we are all looking forward to the next season when we debut our new <u>Eastern Shoremen's Team</u>. Of the 15 players already on the roster, 13 are from right here in Symphony Village. If you have been thinking of playing next season or would just like to throw the ball around, give team manager John Meyer a call, (443-262-8684) or meet us in the parking lot on any Monday morning at 9:15 a.m. We will be having informal practices at the 4-H field every Monday morning beginning on August 20 with a rain date of Wednesday. We will play until the weather calls us to a stop for the winter. So come on down and get in shape!

### **SINGLES**

Since everyone is so busy during these summer months, the Singles are taking a vacation. Look for a brunch in September. Happy Hot August everyone!!!

# TRIVIA QUESTIONS

by Karin Anne Larsen

- 1. Who sang "Things Go better With Coke" in 1969 before switching to Pepsi commercials in the 1980s?
- 2. Who was the first solo female host of the Academy Awards Ceremony?
- 3. What three words preceded "Land that I love" in a 1938 Irving Berlin tune?
- 4. What enduring daytime soap featured Don Knotts, Susan Sarandon and Kevin Kline?
- 5. Who played Lee Harvey Oswald, Count Dracula, and Beethoven in movies?

#### THANK YOU



I wish to thank our Symphony Village neighbors for all their kindness and expressions of sympathy extended to me and my family following the sudden passing of my husband, Fred Allegra. I sincerely appreciate all the effort and help of our Harmony Way Neighbor-to-Neighbor in planning and preparing the Memorial Reception for Fred. It's a blessing to live in such a caring and

sharing community. Thank you, Sandy Allegra

### **NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS**

# **Coffee and Doughnuts**

Come join the Symphony Village Sales Team for Coffee and Doughnuts on Saturday, September 8 from 10 a.m. - noon at the sales center. We look forward to seeing you!

### **Local Volunteer Opportunities**

by Linda Blume



I attended a Volunteer Fair hosted by Prospect Bay Country Club on July 23, 2012. Sixteen local organizations were on hand to discuss their volunteer opportunities. The organizations were varied, and the volunteers that are needed cover a wide spectrum of talents. There isn't enough space in the *Libretto* to give you all the details, so what follows is a summary and the

complete article may be found on-line at <u>Local Volunteer Opportunities</u>. The on-line article also includes some organizations' Wish Lists. The organizations that participated in the Volunteer Fair are:

Adkins Arboretum, Ridgely

American Cancer Society's Road to Recovery

Animal Resource Foundation, Chester

Anne Arundel Medical Center Auxiliary, Stevensville and Annapolis

Character Counts! Centreville

Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center, Grasonville

Chesterwye Center, Inc., Stevensville

Community Mediation Mid Shore, Chestertown

Eastern Shore Land Conservancy, Queenstown

Hospice of Queen Anne's County, Centreville

Our Haven Shelter, Chester

Queen Anne's County Animal Services, Queenstown

Queen Anne's County Arts Council, Inc., Centerville

Queen Anne's County Free Library, Centerville

Rebuilding Together Queen Anne's County, Centreville

Talisman Therapeutic Riding, Grasonville

#### **Sunset Celebration**



Hospice of Queen Anne's will hold their annual Sunset Celebration on **Saturday, September 8**, 5-9 p.m., at the Kent Island American Legion Post 278. A scrumptious buffet, live and silent auctions, music and dancing in a tropical paradise are just a few of the highlights of the evening. In addition to cocktails and the Island Buffet Dinner prepared

by the Smokehouse Grill, there will be many exciting items in the auctions, a Cream of the Crop raffle, and "giving trees." Tickets are \$55 per person and may be ordered through the website. Attire is casual. Hospice of Queen Anne's is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

# **American Legion Dinners Resume**



After a summer hiatus, Friday Night Dinners begin again in September at the American Legion Jeff Davis Post 18 just down the road. All Symphony Village

residents are cordially invited to attend and enjoy good, home-cooked food. The September schedule:

Friday, September 7: Flossie's Crab Cake Dinner, begins at 5:30 p.m., \$15
Friday, September 14: Pan-fried Chicken Dinner, begins at 5:30 p.m., \$11
Friday, September 21: Marine Corp League Steak Dinner, begins at 6 p.m., \$15
Friday, September 28: Ladies Auxiliary Ziti, Sausage, and Meatballs Dinner, begins at 5:30 p.m., \$11

Read an <u>Open Letter</u> to the residents of SV from the American Legion to introduce you to the organization, its goals, and values.

# **American Legion Crab Feast**



American Legion Jeff Davis Post 18 in Centreville will hold a Crab Feast on **Saturday, September 15**, 2-6 p.m. The all-you-can-eat feast includes delicious crabs, plus corn on the cob, draft beer, and sodas. The cost is \$30 for adults and \$15 for children under the age of 12.

#### **Queen Anne's Chorale Starts Rehearsals**

Celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY year, the Queen Anne's Chorale is pleased to announce that the rehearsals for the Chorale will begin on September 10 and are regularly held each Monday from 7 - 9 p.m. at the Centreville United Methodist Church on Route 213 in Centreville, MD. This will also be an "open" rehearsal for new member recruitment, and prospective singers should arrive at 6:30 for a brief orientation. No audition is required and singers of all levels and parts are invited to attend. A short reception will follow this rehearsal. For more information, check the Daily Bulletin.

#### Queen Anne's County Bulk Trash Pick-Up



At the July 27 HOA meeting, Dennis broached the possibility of renting a dumpster once or twice a year for homeowners to discard large unwanted items. But at the cost of \$1500 per rental, it seemed a lot more cost-effective to remind residents of QAC's bulk trash pick up procedures. For a fee of \$15, QAC will pick up as many items (nothing "prohibited", of course, like pesticides or

gasoline) as a resident can cluster together near the end of their driveway. Bulk Pick-Up stickers may be purchased at the Town of Centreville office or at Price and Gannon hardware. Items are typically picked up on Tuesdays, but to confirm a pick-up, call 410-758-1180 a few days ahead of time (that hint from personal experience). There are additional requirements for appliance pick-up. For more information, go to Town of Centreville - Trash FAQs.

# DAY TRIPPER

# "Eastern Shore Impressions" at the Chesapeake Exploration Center

By Linda Blume



There is a new art exhibit at the Chesapeake Exploration Center in Chester. The Kent Island Federation of Arts (KIFA) presents "Eastern Shore Impressions," original art by KIFA members, all

with an Eastern Shore theme. I recently toured the exhibit and was impressed by some beautiful art work – all for sale.

The works of art include pieces of photography and paintings in oil, watercolors, acrylics, colored pencil, pastels, tissue paper collage, and watercolor giclée. There are also several wood art pieces including a truly unique wooden fish decorated with pop-top tabs for scales, a car wheel eye, sequins for sparkle, plus shells for teeth.

All aspects of Eastern Shore life are depicted – boats, marshes, birds, shells, flowers, fishing, butterflies, and even pigs, llamas, and horses. My favorite "piece" is a trilogy entitled "Heron Full Flight," a series of three paintings of a truly remarkable heron. There is even an "Oyster Decorated Step Ladder." The KIFA exhibit is scheduled to run through September 30.

There is currently also a small showing of "chicken collages" by Kennard Elementary School students. My favorite is "Uncle Sam Chicken."

In addition to the art, the Exploration Center continues some of their timeless displays including decoys, the transportation exhibit, crab pots, milk cans, the tobacco industry exhibit, the Trade with the Indians exhibit, and much more.

While at the Exploration Center, check out all the tourism brochures and visit Ferry Point Park on the Chester River. To round out your trip, there are lots of wonderful area restaurants to choose from.

The Exploration Center is once again open on weekends! Hours are Monday – Sunday, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

# Off the Beaten Path at the Beach

By Pat Scheirer



There is more to Ocean City than just sun, surf, and sand. If you don't want to idle your time away sitting on the beach listening to the waves crashing on shore, feeling the warm glow of the sun—wait a minute, this is all sounding way too good. The point is there are other things to do "at the beach." Drop your beach goers at the water's edge and explore some of the lesser known spots in North Ocean City and across the border in Delaware.

Totally off the beaten path is Dennis' Thrift shop in Bishopville (13308 Hatchery Rd, Bishopville, MD 21813). Do not go there to specifically buy. You want to see all the acres and acres of "junque," some treasures, some just pure nostalgia—and, yes, there is also some just plain junk. I have purchased some junk, for sure, but also some treasures. At <a href="Sea Shell City">Sea Shell City</a> in Delaware, you will be wowed at the vast collection of shells and then spend hours upstairs at the lost ships museum (<a href="Discover Sea Ship Museum">Discover Sea Ship Museum</a>.) The museum has a huge collection of shipwreck artifacts from gold and silver bars, coins, weapons, china, and items used aboard early day sailing ships. See <a href="www.discoversea.com">www.discoversea.com</a>

No need to list the eateries available in OC. There are truly too many to mention. But are you ready for a treat? King Kone ice cream (14300 Coastal Highway, Ocean City--you'll



know it by the gorilla outside) has a "dare you to eat sundae" better known as the gorilla split. An Ocean City tradition since 1996, if you can successful get through it, you can get your name on the wall forever. Stop in and see how many people have managed to down this gooey conglomeration over the years. (Yes, my grandson's name is there.)

And now it's time to gather up your family for some night time fun before returning home. Check out the new Freeman Stage (31750 Lake View Drive, Selbyville, DE) which has dance, theatre, music, kid's shows, and special concerts. To plan your visit to coincide for a particular show, consult the website. Movies, laser shows, and fireworks on the beach are also available at night this summer. Sundaes in the Park, another family favorite event, combines a free concert with ice cream for a small fee at Northside Park, (127 Street, bayside) Sundays from 7 p.m.

So the next time someone says "Let's go to the beach," remember you don't have to get sunburnt and sandy. Don't just think sun, think exploration and fun.

#### RESTAURANT REVIEW

#### FIELDS OF HEATHER BAKERY

Reviewed by Karin Anne Larsen

Enjoying a more tranquil life on the Eastern Shore includes a stop at Fields of Heather Bakery. Owner Heather Howe, a Kent Island native, ran a bakery for five years out of her home, before expanding and opening Fields of Heather Bakery in Chester on May 1. Come inside this storefront and your senses will appreciate the sights and smells of creative and unique sweets and desserts. Not only that, you can enjoy this full service bakery while ordering your goodies in a cozy bakery café atmosphere.

So, drive 15 minutes to Chester on Kent Island and discover as I did, a quiet place to start your day, meet friends, or taste test in the afternoon. You can try a fresh breakfast sandwich or a unique and fresh assortment of cookies, cakes, brownies, or bars. I recommend the *Jewish Apple Cake*, *Brownies in a Cup, and any of Heather's fresh Doughnuts*.

Fields of Heather Bakery is a full service bakery specializing in all types of cakes including wedding, bridal or baby showers, birthdays, and other occasions. Heather also bakes muffins, pastries, brownies, cookies, and delicious coffee cakes. Gluten-free goodies are also an option.

So enjoy a cup of *Citavo Gold Roast* brewed coffee, step up to choose a sweet from the many bakery cases, and relax in a quiet and friendly atmosphere amongst the fragrant and sweet "Fields of Heather."

Fields of Heather Bakery is located at 1553 Postal Road, Chester, Md. 21619. The telephone number is 410-829-1333. Email: heather@fieldsofheatherbakery.com

# RECIPES

# Recipe of the Month - August 2012 - COCONUT POUND CAKE From the Kitchen of Charlene Smallwood Brown



Source:	My Mom,	Genevieve Smallwood

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Flour Mixture:	SIFT these 3 ingredients TWICE, and SET ASIDE.
3 cups cake flour	
1 tsp. baking powder	
½ tsp. salt	
1 ½ cup Crisco (OR	
substitute a mixture of ¾	
cup Crisco and ¾ cup	BEAT THESE TWO INGREDIENTS FOR 10 MINUTES.
butter)	
2 ½ cups sugar	
5 eggs	Add 1 egg at a time; beat after each one is added.
1 cup milk	Add milk, alternating with flour mixture
1 cup coconut, chopped for	
easy slicing	Fold in coconut and coconut flavoring
1 tsp. coconut flavoring	
Put in large cake mold. PU	IT IN COLD OVEN. Bake 1 hour and 25 minutes at 325°.

# PERSONAL ADS

**4' round Morning Room Table**, Dark wood with Glass Top on Wrought Iron Base has four matching Tweed Padded Seats, Wood Backs, on Casters, like new. \$400 OBO. Call 443-262-9457.

Two Banquet Tables Brown, Folding 3'x 8'. \$100 each. Call 443-262-9457.

# **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.

### **Eastern Shore Impressions**

The Kent Island Federation of Arts presents "Eastern Shore Impressions" at the Chesapeake Heritage and Visitor Center (formerly the Chesapeake Exploration Center) in Chester until **September 30**. This exhibit shows 50 one-of-a-kind pieces of art. The show's focus is Eastern Shore, with artistic interpretations of the people, water, boats, waterfowl, and natural

landscapes. For information, call 410-643-7424. (QAC Tourism)

#### Caroline Summerfest Goes to Oz



Caroline Summerfest is a free family entertainment festival in downtown Denton on **August 17** and **18**. There will be three stages of regional and local entertainment, a Friday Pedestrian Parade, Saturday fireworks, strolling performers, artisans, KidzArt activities, the Choptank Rivah Run, gaming, food vendors, and more. This year's theme is "Summerfest Goes to Oz." Hours are Friday, 5 – 10 p.m. and Saturday, noon – 9 p.m. (Caroline Tourism)

#### Only in Oz Pedestrian Parade



As part of <u>Caroline Summerfest</u>, there will be an "Only in Oz" <u>Pedestrian Parade</u> on **Friday, August 17**, 6 – 8 p.m. Register at 302 Market Street beginning at 6 p.m., and the parade begins at 7 p.m. Be a munchkin, a flying monkey, a wicked witch, or create your own interpretation of the Wizard of Oz. (<u>Caroline Tourism</u>)

### **Millington Day**



Millington Day will be held on **Saturday, August 18**, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m... at the Millington Volunteer Fire House. There will be a parade, car show, bike show, corn-hole tournament, crafters, music, and food. For more information, call 410-928-3880. (<u>Town of Millington</u>)

# 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Choptank Rivah Run



As part of <u>Caroline Summerfest</u>, <u>Rivah Run</u> will take place on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>August 18</u>, beginning at Martinak State Park and ending at the Choptank River Yacht Club. Come experience a fun, 2-mile paddling event for children and adults. This event features a Poker Run, great prizes, and a free shuttle back to Martinak State Park. Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) are required, and children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Check in is at 9 a.m. and the paddle begins at 10 a.m. The cost is \$15 per person the day of the event. (<u>Caroline Tourism</u>)

#### **Ballroom and Latin Dance Party**



The QAC Arts Council will hold a Ballroom and Latin Dance Party at the Centre for the Arts in Centreville on **Saturday**, **August 18**, 8 – 10:30 p.m. There will be a beginner cha-cha lesson at 7:15 p.m. The cost is \$10 for members, \$12 for non-members. For information, call 410-758-2520. (Shore Update)

#### **Goodwill Fire Company Country Breakfast**



Goodwill Fire Company will hold an all-you-can-eat Country Breakfast on **Sunday**, **August 19**, 7:30 – 11:30 a.m., at the fire hall. (<u>Kent Island On-Line</u>)

### **Events at Adkins Arboretum**



A <u>summary</u> of the myriad programs at Adkins Arboretum will be included in Local Events, rather than complete details. These programs will be offered at Adkins Arboretum in Ridgely in the coming month:

2-For-1 Tuesdays: August 21 and 28, September 4 and 11;

First Saturday Guided Walk: September 1; Fall Harvest: Friday, September 7; and

Fall Native Plant Sale: September 15 and 16.

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

# **Thursdays in the Park**



**Thursday, August 23** – *Bobby and the Believers* at Kent Island Yacht Club, Chester, 7 - 9 p.m.

(Arts Council)

#### **Queenstown Fireman's Fair**



The Queenstown Volunteer Fire Department will hold its annual Fair on Friday and Saturday, **August 24 and 25,** 5 – 10 p.m., in Queenstown, next to the town office. There will be fireworks on Friday at 9 p.m. (Queenstown Volunteer Fire Department <a href="http://www.qvfd3.com/">http://www.qvfd3.com/</a>)

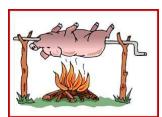
# 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Crab Feast



Animal Resource Foundation (ARF) will hold a fundraiser Crab Feast on **Sunday**, **August 26**, 1 – 4 p.m., at the Kent Island Yacht Club in Chester. Enjoy all-you-caneat delicious crabs, corn on the cob, pulled pork, salads, beverages, and desserts. There will also be door prizes, raffles, a 50/50, great music by The Acoustic Trio of Sparks, Raymond & McCoy, and visits by animals seeking adoption. Tickets are adults, \$45 in advance and \$50 at the door; children ages 6-12, \$20 in advance and

\$25 at the door; children under the age of 5 no charge. Call 410-643-8700 to reserve your tickets, or go to ARF to order on-line.

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Piga-Figa-Licious



Join friends and family for a fun-filled day on **Monday, September 3**, at Piga-Figa-Licious, noon – 3 p.m., on the lawn of Holy Trinity Church in Oxford. Attendees will find themselves in "hog heaven," enjoying an authentic pig roast with fine fig fixings. DJ Eric "Groundhog" Higgins will be spinning his signature sounds for all ages. There will also be a silent auction and raffles. Piga-Figa-Licious is a fundraiser for the Oxford Museum. Why Pigs? Oxford's first town ordinance was to prevent swine from running in the streets of the

town - the fine was 50 cents for each swine "running at large." Why Figs? Oxford's gardens are flush with figs. Tickets are \$25 per person before September 1, and \$35 after and at the door. Children ages 10 and under are admitted for half-price. A ticket includes all-you-can-eat pork, fig dishes, and sides (including barbecued chicken), and a non-alcoholic beverage. Call 410-226-0191 to purchase tickets. (*Attraction Magazine*, August 2012 issue)

# Retrospective: The Works of Former Students of John Pringle



The Kent Island Federation of Arts presents "Retrospective: The Works of Former Students of John Pringle" on **September 5-29**. (QAC Tourism)

# 4th Annual Run 4 Shelter Half-Marathon, 10K, and 5K



On **Saturday, September 8**, runners will make their way along a fast and flat paved course that alternates between the wooded trails of Kent Island and the wide-open scenery of Chesapeake Bay. There will also be a fun run for children. This is the major fundraiser for Our Haven Shelter, which is the only cold weather

shelter in Queen Anne's County. The Shelter provides a safe and warm environment, three meals daily, medication, clothing, etc., to men, women, and children. For all the details or to donate, visit Run 4 Shelter. (Kent Island On-Line)

#### **Bird Hike**



The Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center will hold a Bird Hike on **Saturday, September 8,** 8 – 9:30 a.m. with the theme "Who Lives Here?" Pre-registration is required – call 410-827-6694. (Bird Hike)

#### **Spa Party**



The QAC Arts Council will hold a Spa Party with Georgiann Gibson at the Center for the Arts on **Saturday, September 8**, 10 - 11:30 a.m. For more information, call 410-758-2520. (Shore Update)

# 45th Annual Maryland Seafood Festival



The <u>Maryland Seafood Festival</u> will take place on **September 8-9** at Sandy Point State Park in Annapolis. If you have never attended, this is a "must" for seafood and non-seafood lovers alike! Both days are packed full of activities for the whole family – see the website for complete information. (Visit Annapolis)

#### Bird School



The Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center will hold Bird School on **Sunday, September 9**, 2-3:30 p.m. with the theme "Migratory Movement." Pre-registration is required – call 410-827-6694. (Bird School)

#### **Pecometh Upper Shore Century**



Camp Pecometh in Centreville will host the Upper Shore Century-supported bike ride on **Saturday, September 15**. There are four routes: a 12-mile family ride, a 33-mile ride, a metric-century ride, and the century ride. The routes are flat and explore the scenery of Queen Anne's, Kent, and Caroline counties. Proceeds benefit Camp Pecometh's children's programs. For more information, call 410-556-6900, extension 103. (QAC Tourism)

# Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department Cash Bash



The Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department's Cash Bash will take place on **September 15**, noon – 6 p.m. Doors open at 11 a.m. There will be 145 cash drawings and free food and beverages. There will be 1000 tickets sold at \$100 per ticket (which includes one guest). For information, call 410-643-6288. (QAC Tourism)

# 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Corsica Watershed Awareness Day



The <u>Corsica River Conservancy</u> presents Corsica Watershed Awareness Day on **Saturday, September 15**, noon – 4 p.m., at Bloomfield Farm on Route 213 in Centreville. This free event is for families, and will include environmental exhibits,

children's crafts and activities, ecotours/hayrides, tours of the historic farmhouse, live music by *Chester River Runoff*, tasty food, pony rides, petting zoo, pond fishing, and a free native tree to the first 150 families to arrive. Scales and Tales will be there with their wildlife exhibit, as well as the Phillip's Wharf Fishmobile. The event gives people of all ages an opportunity to reconnect with the river that makes this area special. (QAC Tourism)

#### **Outstanding Dreams Fall Festival**



The Outstanding Dreams Farm in Preston will hold a Fall Festival on **September 15-16**. There will be fun for the entire family, including craft vendors, food vendors, demonstrations, and games for children, plus their star attractions – the alpacas! There will be new alpaca products in the farm store. (<u>Talbot Guide</u>)

#### **Early Fall Festival**



The Ridgely Historical Society will hold an Early Fall Festival on **Sunday**, **September 16**, noon – 4 p.m., at Railroad Memorial Park in Ridgely. (<u>Talbot Guide</u>)

### **Birds of Prey Photo Shoot**



Tuckahoe State Park in Queen Anne will hold a Birds of Prey Photo shoot on **Sunday, September 16**, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Come photograph Tuckahoe's bald eagle, hawks, and owls in their natural surroundings. \$10 per photographer, spectators are free. (<u>Tuckahoe State Park</u>)

### **Bus Trip: Sunfest 2012**



QAC Parks and Recreation will sponsor a bus trip to Sunfest 2012 on **Thursday**, **September 20**. This is Ocean City's biggest and best festival, with a wide variety of arts and crafts vendors, fabulous food, and continuous live entertainment on two stages. The cost is \$20 per person. The bus is filled on a "first come, first served" basis - call

410-827-6010 to reserve your seat. (QAC Parks and Rec)

**REMINDER**: Go to the <u>SV Website</u> to see all 80 Local Events and 24 Events Outside the Four-County Area.

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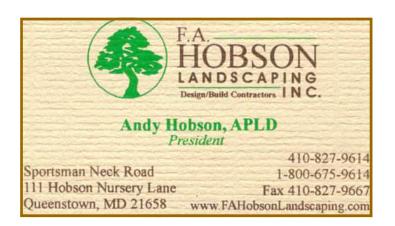
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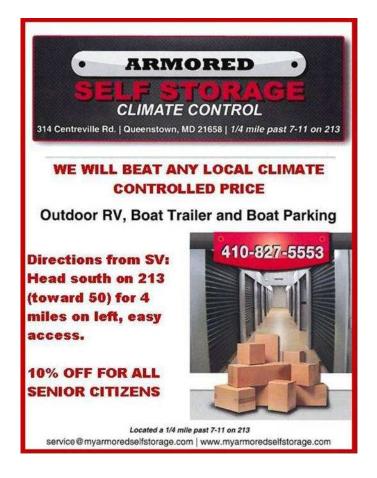
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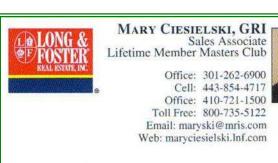
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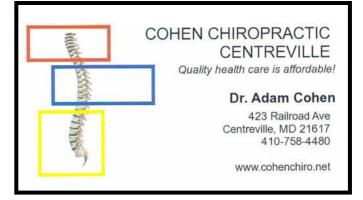
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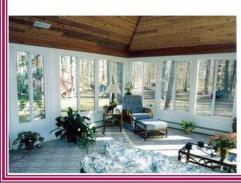


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