



LIBRETTO

Symphony Village's Newsletter

July 2013

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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 to the Neighborhood!



Will & Gerri LaRose
706 Harmony Way

Brian & Kay Power-Waters
254 Concerto Avenue

Mitch Zajac & Dee Sullivan
343 Overture Way

HOA BOARD MEETINGS

The Home Owners Association Board meeting schedule is:

Friday, **July 26**, 10 a.m.

Friday, **October 25**, 10 a.m.

The Annual HOA Meeting is Wednesday, **December 4**, 6 p.m.

All meetings are held in the Clubhouse Grand Ballroom.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COVENANTS COMMITTEE – *Ellen Norman, Chair*

As members of the Covenants Committee walk and drive around our neighborhood, it has come to our attention that some residents have not been using the Modification Requests required for all new plantings. This is a reminder that, if you are planning to change or add to any part of your front, side, or back yard, you must fill out a Modification Request and turn it in to the office for the Committee to approve. The Modification Request forms are online at [Modification Request](#) or can be picked up at the office.

This includes any planting you may want to do around the green utility boxes. However, you need not fill out a form if you are adding annuals to your garden.

LIFESTYLE COMMITTEE–*Donna Donaldson & Chris Pariseau, Co-Chairs*

Big 4th of July Thank You!

I want to thank Donna Donaldson and all those who helped her organize the 4th of July picnic. Although I was not there, I heard from several people that it was well done and the food was good. It is always great to see the community come together to celebrate



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special holidays. However, it is never done without the help of volunteers from the residents who live here. So – on behalf of the Lifestyle Committee and the rest of the Symphony Village residents, “Thank you Donna and the volunteers who put the 4th of July Picnic together.” – *Chris Pariseau Co-Chair of the Lifestyle Committee*

Dates to Remember:

Friday, July 19 – **Movie Night** – “Safe Harbor”

Saturday, July 20 – **Happy Hour** – beach party theme – fun, fun, fun – remember when?

Saturday, August 17 – **Jimmy Buffet Night** – 6 to 10 p.m. Sign up in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse – **Pig Roast** being planned. Food will be served 6 to 8 p.m.



Note – Future events being planned for the community include:

- The **Labor Day Picnic**. Stay tuned for announcements about meetings and planning for the last community-wide picnic.
- Special Trips: **Ellis Island Tour** – Thursday, October 3



Radio City Music Hall – Friday, December 6

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OUTREACH – *Carlene Cooke, President*

4th Annual Artisan's Fair

ARTISAN'S

FAIR

Artisan Registration for Outreach's 4th Annual Artisan's Fair is well underway. The Fair will be held on **Saturday, September 21**, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., at American Legion Jeff Davis Post 18 in Centreville. We're moving to the Legion Hall to accommodate more artisans and everyone a bit more space to move around and shop. Event proceeds will be donated to Crossroads Community's Queen Anne's County Dental Program. The program provides dental services to Crossroads' consumers. Crossroads Community, Inc., is a non-profit organization providing mental health and case management services to residents in five Eastern Shore counties. Artisan registration forms are available at the Clubhouse (on the front shelf and in the Activities Book) and online at [Registration Form](#). Bring the completed form with a check made out to SVOPI to Nancy at the Clubhouse.

Box lunches will again be available this year for purchase. The American Legion will staff their downstairs bar area, and all bar proceeds stay with the Legion. There will also be three handmade items raffled off.

Volunteers are needed to help staff the event (contact Loretta Quigley or Linda Gardner), help with the box lunches (contact Nancie Cameron), bake cookies or brownies for the box lunches (contact Willie DiLaura or Shirley Clark), and bake mini-quick breads which will be for sale (contact Willie DiLaura or Shirley Clark). You don't need to be an official member of Outreach to help at the Artisan's Fair. This is a big event; and, if you can spare even an hour, it will be greatly appreciated.

PUBLICATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS – *Carol Hodges, Chair*

Daily Bulletin Comments

In the Daily Bulletin on our SV Website, it is possible for readers to make comments. It is like a blog. Feel free to make comments and perhaps get some dialog going.

Directory Entries

It is possible to add 3 letters after a telephone number in the Directory listing to indicate who this number belongs to—i.e. 443-735-0112 CAR, meaning Carol's number. Email the Webmaster with any changes you wish to make. (Go to the "Contact" page of our Website.) Also, please check the Directory to see if your entry is correct.

Photo Directory

If you have a picture that is appropriate for the Photo Directory, please email it to [Charlene Smallwood Brown](#) and/or [George Drake](#). It is the Committee's hope to have everyone participate. If you need a picture taken, please email [Carol Hodges](#).

All Are Welcome

Everyone is welcome to attend the P & C meeting at the Clubhouse in the Grand Ballroom on Monday, August 5, at 2 p.m.

SNEAKERS – *Linda Farrar, President*



Sneakers 9th Annual Auction will be held on Saturday, November 2, 2013, at the Clubhouse. We still need new/unused items for the auction. If you would like to donate something, please contact Helena Joy at 410-758-6532 or Linda Farrar at 410-758-8744. Your ongoing support is greatly appreciated.

Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled Sneakers meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 14, at 3 p.m. at the Clubhouse. All Symphony Village residents are welcome; we are always seeking new members. -- *Bea Trotta*

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Quote of the Month

*Go placidly amid the noise and haste, and remember what peace
there may be in silence . . . From "Desiderata" by Max Ehrmann*

CLUBS AND CLASSES

GAZEBO and VEGETABLE GARDENS

The call for a weeding party on June 15 to clean up the **Gazebo Garden** was well answered. Ten gardeners came out and all 20 beds were worked, resulting in a dozen plastic bags of weeds which were collected and disposed of. Dennis authorized us to buy mulch by the bag for our beds, and Steve Guy bought 10 bags of hardwood mulch, which were quickly spread over the garden. The well-worn American flags were sent to the Legion to be properly burned. New flags were purchased and strategically placed throughout the 20 beds. The garden overall was looking pretty good for the Fourth of July celebration.

The martin house has been well occupied, and the second brood of chicks is under way. Since the martins were late in arriving, it is hoped they will stay a little longer this year;

but if they are true to form, they will leave around August 15. The killdeer which normally nest in the Gazebo area, have abandoned us this year. They have nested in front of the Clubhouse and in the outdoor pool area. We did have a nest of mockingbirds in the Gazebo Garden.

I'm sure you all have noted the large amount of rain in June, which set a record. The corn loves it – it is as high as an elephant's eye – as the song goes. But it has not been great for our **Vegetable Garden**. We usually have lots of tomatoes by July 4, but the rain has kept them from ripening. The same goes for the squash. The lettuce and other greens were pretty good, but the deer and the numerous rabbits have decimated them. We are fattening them up for the fall rabbit season. In spite of all this, we expect the warm dry weather to give us a large tomato harvest.



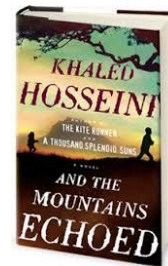
LUNCH BUNCH – *Marge Strano and Bea Trotta*



The Lunch Bunch will be going to Carrol's Creek Waterfront Restaurant at 410 Severn Avenue in Annapolis on Thursday, August 8, at noon. A sign-up sheet is in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse. Should you need a ride, you can contact Bea Trotta at 410-758-0332 or Marge Strano at 410-758-2511.

READING FOR FUN BOOK CLUB – *Jack Hennessey*

The next meeting of the Book Club will be held on Thursday, July 18, at 7 p.m., in the Clubhouse. We will be discussing the book *And The Mountains Echoed*, by Khaled Hosseini. We had previously reviewed two other books by Hosseini, *The Kite Runner* and *A Thousand Splendid Suns*, both of which were national best sellers. This book is reputed to be even better than the first two. In fact, when I went to the library to get the book, I was number 22 on the waiting list! I am now number two. So, I went to Walmart and bought a copy.



The story revolves around parents and children, brothers and sisters, cousins and caretakers; and it explores the many ways in which families nurture, wound, betray, honor, and sacrifice for one another and how often we are surprised by the actions of those closest to us. Following its characters and the ramifications of their lives and choices and loves around the globe—from Kabul to Paris to San Francisco to the Greek island of Tinos—the story expands gradually outward, becoming more emotionally complex and powerful. All residents are invited to attend the meeting, join in the discussions, and enjoy dessert and beverage.

SCRABBLE – *Judy Brown*



Please note that the week day for Scrabble has been changed to each **Thursday at 2 p.m.** We will meet in the Craft Room. All residents are welcome to join us. Not only do we have fun; but we also learn a lot of new words in the process. **Come join us !!**

SIGN LANGUAGE CLASS for BEGINNERS

Have you ever considered learning a new language? We have been able to take advantage of a wonderful opportunity right here in Symphony Village. For the past three years, Phyllis and Dan Krpata, who live on Harmony, have been teaching sign language once a week. Recently, we have heard there may be residents who would like to have a beginner class. We are so fortunate to have two members of our class who are willing to start an introductory class for sign language. This class would start in the fall. Please sign up in the Activities Book if you are interested and indicate the day of the week that is best for you.



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SV SINGLES "Meet and Greet" – Pauline Dulin, Chair



SV Singles is pleased to announce that Pauline Dulin is the new chairperson for the group. SV Singles will host a Meet and Greet on **Sunday, July 28, 2 – 4 p.m.**, in the Grand Ballroom at the Clubhouse. All singles living in SV are cordially invited to attend and meet fellow singles, renew friendships, and make new ones.

This will be a casual afternoon with light refreshments and lots of conversation. No strings attached! Come for a few minutes or two hours! Sign up in the Activities Book or online at [Meet and Greet](#). We hope to see you there! If you have any questions, please contact Linda Blume, event POC, at 410-758-3194.

TRIVIA

By Karin Anne Larsen

1. Andy Williams' TV Show featured what animal who liked cookies: Gorilla, Bear, Dog, or Raccoon?
 2. A Judy Garland dress which sold for \$302,000 in 2012 was worn in which movie?
 3. Who won his seventh French Open Tennis Championship in 2012?
 4. A *labeorphilist* collects what type of bottles?
 5. What is the top prize of the Cannes Film Festival?
- (Answers on the last page.)

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

BRUSH/YARD WASTE PICK UP



The Town of Centreville provides brush and yard waste pick-up to the residents of the town. To ensure the Town picks up your yard waste, please make sure the following guidelines are met:

1. Brush/yard waste consists **only** of trees, limbs, branches, leaves, and grass clippings.
2. All yard waste should be placed curbside (not in the roadway) by 6 a.m. Mondays. Public Works crews will pick up yard waste as early in the week as practical, but priority is given to maintenance of water and wastewater pipes and other critical functions.
3. No limbs or branches shall be placed for collection exceeding more than 40 pounds per piece or bundle. Limbs shorter than one foot in length must be placed in a container for collection.
4. Limbs or branches exceeding 4 inches in diameter and 50 pounds will **not** be collected and must be disposed of by the property owner.
5. All leaves or grass clippings for collection must be placed in baskets, cans, or containers and shall not exceed 50 pounds per container. Any container over 50 pounds will **not** be collected.
6. Amounts larger than a small pickup truck load (50 cubic feet) will **not** be collected by the town.

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RESTAURANT REVIEW

Market Street Public House

By Carol Hodges



The discovery of the Market Street Public House began when we wanted to stop in Denton for lunch. This Irish Pub is located on the corner directly across from the County Court House and is open for lunch and dinner. In the summer, there are tables outside or you can go inside. Inside you can sit at the bar or at one of the many tables along the long shotgun-style restaurant. The décor is definitely Irish.

There was a choice of draft beers (of course Guinness, Harp, and Smithwicks) as well other typical bar drinks. On Sundays, there are \$3 Bloody Marys and mimosas.

The menu has many modern dishes as well as typical Irish dishes such as Shepherd's Pie, Guinness Irish Stew, and Fish and Chips. Recently, I savored the Honey Ham and Brie wrap which included green apples along with the ham and melted Brie. Larry relished the Pub's Famous Corned Beef Reuben. Both were served with lots of thinly hand-cut fries and Cole Slaw. I asked the neighboring table to tell me how they enjoyed their meal. One lady said she comes here every week and loves the cream of crab soup. On this occasion, she said she really enjoyed the Dublin Mexi-Cali Wrap which was a tomato wrap with chicken tenders, lettuce, tomato, jalapeno peppers, salsa, and ranch dressing.

From the waitress, we learned that the favorite desserts are the heaping dish of cinnamon apple crisp and the brownie ice cream sandwich (brownie, ice cream, whipped cream, and chocolate syrup). Larry and I will have to go back some time just for the dessert (no room this time).


The manager pointed out that there are special nights: Tuesdays are \$5 Hamburger Nights from 3 until 9, and Wednesdays are \$5 Burritos and Quesadillas Nights from 3 until 9. Monday is Trivia Night and Saturday is Karaoke.

(Check [Market Street Public House](#) for a complete menu and more information.)

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RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Carolina Caviar

From the kitchen of Mary Jo Barnes

2 cans blackeyed peas (drained)
2 cans shoepeg corn (drained)
3 peppers (red, green, yellow, and finely diced)
1 purple/red onion (medium size and finely diced)
1/2 cup vegetable oil
1/2 cup apple cider vinegar
1/2 cup sugar



Note: This recipe is great for a large party. I cut the recipe in half for a small group. (e.g., 1 can of blackeyed peas and shoepeg corn and ¼ cup of everything else) Also, the longer it sits, the better it tastes). Serve w/ tortilla chips.

EVENTS IN QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY

NOTE: Beginning this month, the Publications and Communications Committee decided to only include events that take place in Queen Anne's County in the *Libretto*. Also, there will no longer be "Shore Events" on our SV Website for events that take place outside of Queen Anne's County. Instead, please go to [Event Source Links](#) on our Website to see a list of websites that you may browse to look for other events and activities on the Eastern Shore.

Kent Island Federation of Arts Classes



Beginning Mosaics: July 16 and 18: Wye River Designs (4300 Main Street) in Grasonville

Intermediate Mosaics: July 30 and August 1: Wye River Designs (4300 Main Street) in Grasonville.

For more information, go to [Classes](#) or call 410-643-7424.

Fireman's Carnival



The Sudlersville Volunteer Fire Company (203 South Church Street) will hold a Fireman's Carnival on **July 16-20**. Call 410-438-3155 for more information. ([Tidewater Trader](#))

Green Room Gang – Children's Theatre Production



Church Hill Theatre's Youth Theatre Camps present two musicals on **July 18-20** at the Church Hill Theatre (103 Walnut Street). The performance begins at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Guided Kayak Tour



The Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center (CBEC) (600 Discovery Lane) in Grasonville will sponsor a Guided Kayak Tour on **Saturday, July 20**, 5:30 - 7 p.m. Explore the tidal inlets of Marshy Creek and the pristine marshes along the shoreline. The trip is appropriate for

paddlers ages 5 and up with any level of kayaking experience. The cost is \$10 for CBEC members and \$15 for non-members. Reservations are required – call 410-827-6694.

[\(QAC Tourism\)](#)

Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department Carnival



The Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department will hold its annual Carnival on **July 21-27** at the Kent Island High School (900 Love Point Road) in Stevensville, 4-9 p.m. This is a major fundraiser for the fire department. There will be games, special ride nights, and fireworks. [\(QAC Tourism\)](#)

Thursdays in the Park

The Annapolis Bluegrass Coalition: **Thursday, July 25:** Kent Island Yacht Club (117 Yacht Club Drive) in Chester; and

Sean Flemming Duo: **Thursday, August 8:** Kent Island Yacht Club.

[\(Arts Council\)](#)

University of Maryland Queen Anne’s County Extension Classes

Pressure Canning: **Tuesday, July 30**, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.: QAC 4-H Park; \$35; register by **July 25** (410-758-0166); and

Canning Tomatoes: **Wednesday, July 31**, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.: QAC 4-H Park; \$35; register by **July 25** (410-758-0166).

[\(Tidewater Trader\)](#)

Queen Anne’s County Free Library Lunchtime Series

Self-Help Legal Information for Marylanders: **Friday, August 2**, 12:10 – 12:50 p.m.: Centreville Branch;

Oral History How To: **Tuesday, August 13**, 12:10 – 12:50 p.m.: Centreville Branch.

[\(Library Events\)](#)

War of 1812 Dedication Ceremonies

Friday, August 2: Dedication ceremony for the British invasion at Broad Creek Cemetery (480 Romancoke Road) in Stevensville, 6-7 p.m.;

Saturday, August 3: Dedication ceremony for the War of 1812 Memorial Park, honoring the War of 1812 heroes, at the intersection of Route 18 and Nesbit Road in Grasonville, 1 - 3 p.m.;

Saturday, August 3: Dedication ceremony for the British Headquarters site at the intersection of Route 8 and Blue Bay Road in Stevensville, 6-7 p.m.; and

Sunday, August 4: Dedication of the 1812 Militia and U. S. Army Sign on Courthouse Square in Centreville, 1 – 3 p.m. At 2:30 p.m., there will be a dedication at the Centreville Wharf for the Fort Point sign.

For more information, contact Mary Margaret Revell Goodwin at mmgvel@verizon.net. [\(QAC Tourism\)](#)



Summer Music Series



As part of its Summer Music Series, Coca Cola presents the *Stephen Heller Trio* on **Saturday, August 3**, 1 - 4 p.m., at Queenstown Premium Outlets (441 Outlet Drive) next to Auntie Anne’s Pretzels. Free. [\(QAC Tourism\)](#)

National Night Out



The Centreville Police Department will sponsor National Night Out on **Tuesday, August 6**, 6 – 8 p.m., on Lawyers Row in Centreville. This family-oriented event will feature games, prizes, balloons, hot dogs, and popcorn. The evening is part of the National Night Out Against Crime. ([QAC Tourism](#))

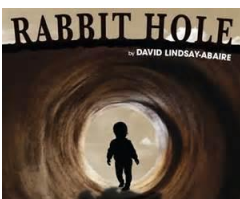
Exhibit: “Plein Air Painters of KIFA and Guests”



The Kent Island Federation of Arts (KIFA) (405 Main Street) in Stevensville will host an exhibit “Plein Air Painters of KIFA and Guests” on **August 7-31**. Artwork will be displayed in a gallery setting and will feature the plein air paintings of KIFA members and their guests. Gallery hours are Wednesday – Saturday, 1 – 4 p.m.

([QAC Tourism](#))

“Rabbit Hole”



Church Hill Theatre presents “Rabbit Hole” by David Lindsay-Abaire on **August 9-25**. This achingly sad but often hilarious play deals with the ways family members survive a major loss. Becca and Howie Corbett have everything a family could want until a life-shattering accident turns their world upside down. Share their bittersweet search for comfort and for a path that will lead them back into the light of day. The play was nominated for several Tony awards and was the recipient of the 2007 Pulitzer Prize for Drama. Tickets are \$18 for adults, \$15 for Church Hill Theatre members, and \$10 for students. Purchase tickets at [Church Hill Theatre](#) or call 710-758-1331.

“Sizzling Summer Nights” – Ballroom and Latin Dance Party



The Queen Anne’s County Arts Council (206 South Commerce Street) in Centreville will hold “Sizzling Summer Nights,” a ballroom and Latin dance party, on **Saturday, August 10**, 7:30 – 10 p.m. There will be an early-bird cha-cha lesson at 7:15 p.m. The cost is \$10 for Arts Council members and \$12 for non-members. ([Arts Council](#))

Queen Anne’s County Arts Council Class

Spirit House: Sunday, August 11: Wye River Designs (4300 Main Street) in Grasonville; register by **Monday, August 5**. For more information, go to [Arts Council](#), click on Classes and open file “Summer 2013” or call 410-758-2520.

Queen Anne’s County Fair



The [Queen Anne’s County Fair](#) will take place **August 12-17** at the 4-H Park in Centreville. There will be livestock shows, a rodeo, 4-H demonstrations and displays, food, a truck pull, live entertainment, special dinners daily, barrel racing, and so much more. See the website for a complete schedule of events. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Queen Anne’s County Parks and Recreation Bus Trip

A Day in Washington, DC: Saturday, September 21; register by **Friday, August 16**. Register online at [Parks and Recreation](#) or by calling 410-758-0848.

TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. Bear 2. The Wizard of Oz 3. Rafael Nadal 4. Beer bottles 5. *Palm d' Or*

SPECIAL REMINDERS

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Nancy Griffith's email: symphonyclub@verizon.net

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