



LIBRETTO

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 to the Neighborhood!



George and Barbara Phillips
142 Encore Court

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

- **Happy Hour** – Saturday, November 16, at 6 p.m. – Bring an appetizer or dessert.
- **Ladies' Happy Hour** – Thursday, November 21, at 5:30 p.m. – Bring \$5 for dinner and a drink. Sign up in the Activities Book.



Arundelair Chorus – Sunday, December 1, at 3 p.m. The Lifestyle Committee has arranged for the Arundelair Chorus to perform a Christmas concert at the SV Clubhouse. Come listen to these a cappella singers as they perform in the barbershop style. Cost is only \$5. Sign up in the Activities Book so we can plan for seating.



- **Lifestyle Committee Meeting** – Wednesday, December 4, at 7 p.m.
All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend.
- **Happy Hour** – Friday, December 6, at 6 p.m. – Bring an appetizer or dessert.
- **Lunch Bunch** – Thursday, December 12, at 12:30 p.m. at the Tidewater Inn, 101 East Dover Street in Easton. Sign up in the Activities Book in the Clubhouse. We look forward to your joining us. If you need transportation, call Bea Trotta (410-758-0332) or Marge Strano (410-758-2511). In early November, 23 residents met for lunch at Carpaccio's in Annapolis. A delicious lunch and jovial conversation was enjoyed by all.
- **Ladies' Happy Hour** – Thursday, December 19, at 5:30 p.m. – Bring \$5 for dinner and a drink. Sign up in the Activities Book. An optional "Holiday Chinese Gift



Exchange” is planned. For those who want to participate, bring a wrapped, fun gift – the kind of gift that keeps you laughing – (the cost should not exceed \$10).



Holiday Happy Hour – Saturday, December 21, from 6 to 9 p.m.

Doo-Wop Holiday Celebration with DJ Tim Sullivan, “The Godfather of New England Doo Wop,” playing 45 rpm records of the Doo-Wop era. “Dress Up” for the holiday and

get ready to “Dance Down” to music from the 50s and 60s!! Bring an appetizer or dessert to share, perhaps with a holiday theme. Entry fee is just \$5 per person, and we’re gonna have a ball!!



Special Trip:

Kinky Boots



- From Grammy Award-winning pop icon Cyndi Lauper and four-time Tony Award winner Harvey Fierstein comes the exhilarating new musical ***Kinky Boots***, directed and choreographed by Tony Award winner Jerry Mitchell. Featuring a sensational new score, knockout dancing, and a spectacularly uplifting story, ***Kinky Boots*** is the must-see new musical that proves that sometimes the best way to fit in is to stand out! Price: \$199 per person. Trip includes: bagel breakfast, front mezzanine seating in the Hirschfeld Theatre in New York, catered deli dinner on the way home, and all taxes and tips. Depart April 30, 2014, at 7:15 a.m. in front of the Symphony Village Clubhouse. Arrive home at approximately 8:30 p.m. **Pay and sign up in the Activities Book before April 1, 2014.** For more information call Dominic Mancinelli at 443-262-8606.

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OUTREACH – *Carlene Cooke, President*

Neighbor to Neighbor

I am very pleased to announce that Marge Strano has joined Neighbor to Neighbor. Marge will be working with Ellen Miller and Brenda Stoltz coordinating our community's *Memorial Book*.

I am also very happy to report that Lee Ettman has agreed to be a Street Captain for Encore Court. Lee will be working with Pat Porter. – *Eleanor Strietman*

Fifth Annual Food Drive



Outreach's annual Food Drive is underway as the *Libretto* goes to print. The drive is **November 13-17**, and a complete list of collection houses may be found in the October *Libretto* and on the bulletin board in the Clubhouse. Our goal is to collect at least one more item than last year's total of 2,265 items.

Find a house near you, and please be as generous as you can. Contact Loretta Quigley (410-758-6775) if you have any questions. Thank you for your continuing support.

SV Name Tag Campaign Continues



Outreach will continue to take orders for SV name tags until November 30. As of press time, 44 have been ordered, but we

need a minimum of 51 before getting the pricing we are counting on. Each name tag is \$10, and easy-order envelopes are available at the Clubhouse. Contact Loretta Quigley (410-758-6775) if you have any questions. If you want to order a name tag and haven't yet done so, now is the time. Outreach is not planning any future name tag sale; so, for a SV name tag, it may indeed be *now* or *never*.

BINGO News



Due to a scheduling conflict, November's BINGO night had to be cancelled. But BINGO will return on **Friday, December 13**, 7 p.m. when we hope someone will take home the jackpot of **\$150**.

SAVE THE DATE

Fifth Annual SV Card and Game Party

(To benefit SV Outreach Programs)

Thursday, January 30, 2014

9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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PUBLICATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS – Carol Hodges, Chair

HOA Email Guidelines

The approved guidelines for sending out Blast Emails have been edited and are now available on the [SV Website](#).

Communication

Communication was a topic of discussion at the last Board of Directors' meeting. It is important that residents know the different communication devices available.

1. The *Libretto* comes out on the 15th of each month. To conserve costs, residents are encouraged to enjoy the convenience of electronic access to the *Libretto*. However, exceptions can be made to accommodate residents who might have technophobia and/or do not have access to a computer.

2. The **Daily Bulletin** (DB) lists new items of interest daily, items that cannot wait until the next *Libretto* is published. The DB is available on the [SV Website](#). It is possible to have the DB on your desktop so it is readily available to view. To set up this icon on your desktop, go to the DB page, shrink the window so you can see the DB page and the desktop at the same time; then, on the menu at the left, click and hold the words "Daily Bulletin" while dragging it to the desktop, then release. The DB icon should be on your desktop. Any time you wish to view the DB (or the Calendar which is on the DB web page) you simply click on the DB icon. If this is as clear as *mud*, please call the **Communication Emergency Hotline** at 410-758-0591.

3. **Blast Emails** are sent when the [HOA Email Guidelines](#) are met. Residents must make sure they have subscribed to receive Blast Emails. To do this, go to the "Directories" page on the [SV Website](#) and fill out the [Residents List Subscription Form](#).

4. **Weekly and Monthly Calendars**
The P & C Committee has adopted the Google Calendar to replace the Yahoo Calendar because there were too many problems with the old one. The Calendar is available on the DB web page (see above). At the top of that page, click on [SV Official Calendar](#). Click on either [monthly](#) or [weekly](#) as you choose. The calendar can be printed. To add to or correct the Calendar, contact Sue Canfield (860-806-4899). Sue is giving Nancy Griffith some much needed relief.

All Are Welcome Everyone is welcome to attend the P & C Committee meeting at the Clubhouse in the Grand Ballroom on Monday, December 2, at 2 p.m.



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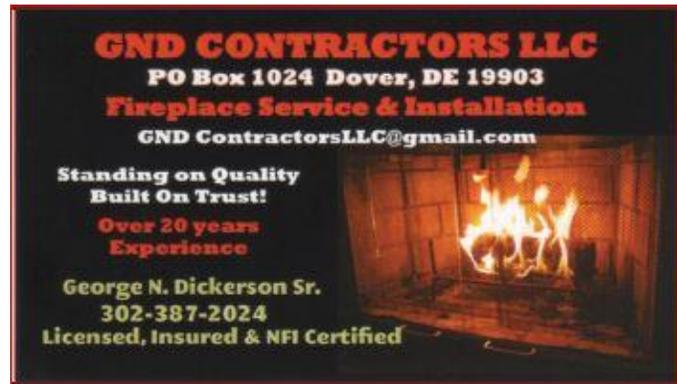


Book Giveaway for Centreville Students

There will be an all-school book giveaway on Wednesday, December 18. Please look for the sign-up sheets in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse. On November 7 and 8, Sneakers conducted a Pastry for Parents and Students Book Giveaway at Kennard Elementary School. Thank you to all the Sneakers members for their help in making this event a success.

Next Meeting

The next Sneakers meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 20, at 3 p.m. in the Clubhouse.



CLUBS AND CLASSES

GARDEN CLUB – *Jack Hennessey and Steve Guy*

Winter is upon us! The sweet potato vines in the Picnic Pavilion area have been hit by frost. They were beautiful while they lasted, along with the begonias. A new installation has been made for the purple martin house on the north side of Sonata Way. This house blew down in a storm. Bob Linkins, Tom Baker, and Jack Hennessey teamed up for this effort. Bob provided a steel mounting pole to avoid another catastrophe. A permit has been requested to allow installation of another martin house behind 143 Opera Court. Dan Battista, assisted by Jack, will do the installation. We hope to have the Christmas lights for the Gazebo installed by Thanksgiving.

Plans are under way for the 2014 Vegetable Garden (aka the Victory Garden). We will have room for two more serious gardeners. All residents are invited. If you are interested and ready to work, contact Jack Hennessey (410-758-872).

End of Season Report for Symphony Village Gazebo Garden: The 20 garden plots circling the Gazebo have lost some gardeners due to lack of energy and time. Six plots now have no one assigned; four people are managing two plots each; five plots have a single gardener. I heard from two (I think) new residents expressing an interest in a plot for next year. Any interested folks should contact me to help with plans for next season. It has been suggested from time to time that, if the residents can't manage the garden, the job could be turned over to the management company. Those of us who met last season for the two Saturday mornings to work together enjoyed the camaraderie and learned a lot from each other while meeting some good people. If you have questions or would like to join our group of gardeners, please contact Steve Guy (301-641-8728). *Happy Thanksgiving!*

JOY OF MUSIC



The “JOY OF MUSIC” has two more classes! SV residents are enjoying this wonderful opportunity to explore many aspects of music – from composers and different styles of music to the various instruments that make music possible. The “Joy of Music” classes are being held in the Clubhouse at 3 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. The sessions are being taught by Bob Huntington, the Artistic Director of the Queen Anne’s Chorale.

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Possessed of a wonderful sense of humor and an encyclopedic knowledge of music, Bob makes each class a delight! He talks (a little), we listen (to him and then to music), we laugh, and we learn! Each session costs only \$5 per person and usually lasts about an hour. So, come to the Clubhouse for the last two classes: “The Humoresque” (Monday, November 25) and “Stormy Weather” (Monday, December 9).

READING FOR FUN BOOK CLUB – Jack Hennessey

The Book Club met on October 15 to discuss the book *The Language of Flowers* by Vanessa Diffenbaugh. This novel was recommended by Lee Ettman, who also provided snacks and beverages. The story revolves around the young girl, Vanessa Jones, who has no real family. Vanessa has a great love for and an extensive knowledge of flowers, which eventually leads to her salvation. As predicted, this novel turns out to be a winner. On a scale of 1 to 10, the book received a rating of 8.3. This is the third highest rating of all books read by the Book Club during the last six years. Incidentally, a list of all books read, with the reader ratings, will be available after Thanksgiving.



The book for our November 19 meeting is *The House Girl* by Tara Conklin. This story tells of the extraordinary efforts of Lina Sparrow to recover reparations for injustices suffered by black slaves and their descendants. This book was recommended by Pat Loiacano. All residents are invited to sit in on the Book Club discussions and to join the Club.

TRIVIA

by Karin Anne Larsen

1. When did the Pilgrims celebrate their first harvest in the New World? How long did the celebration last?
 2. Which country besides the United States celebrates Thanksgiving?
 3. According to Butterball experts, which part of the turkey is the best place to put a meat thermometer?
 4. Is it true or false that the first meal eaten on the moon by astronauts Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldren was a roasted turkey dinner with all the trimmings?
 5. Which utensil was never used by the Pilgrims in 1621 to eat their Thanksgiving feast?
spoons, forks, or knives
- (Answers on the last page.)



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A Note of Thanks

I wish to offer my sincere gratitude for the many phone calls, cards, and caring prayers for my Dad. Many of you had fond memories of his three years here at Symphony Village. He had a long and wonderful life of ninety-four years. Tony and I are so fortunate to be a part of this loving community.

Pat Loiacono

QAC FREE MEMORY SCREENING DAY



[National Memory Screening Day](#) is coming to QAC on **Tuesday, November 19**. Sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association of Maryland, the free screenings will be conducted by staff of the QAC Area Agency on Aging at four sites from 8 a.m. – noon. The face-to-face confidential screening only takes about 10 minutes to administer. Screeners cannot and will not diagnose. Based on the results, they may refer individuals to pursue a full medical examination. Screenings will be conducted at Kramer Center (104 Powell Street, Centreville), Grasonville Senior Center (4802 Main Street, Grasonville), Kent Island Senior Center (891 Love Point Road, Stevensville), and Sudlersville Senior Center (605 Foxxtown Drive, Sudlersville). For more information, call Jane Anthony at the Area Agency on Aging at 410-758-0848.

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Maryland EZPass Toll Plans: Did You Know that the Shoppers Plan Might Save You Money?

By Margaret Strano

In my recent discussion with friends, I discovered that many users of the *Maryland EZPass* toll plan are unaware of additional toll discount plans offered on the *Maryland EZPass* website. Several plan options are available, depending on bridge-crossing frequency. You will need to look through the plans and decide which plan/plans work best for you.

If you travel from the Eastern Shore to Annapolis more than six times over a period of 90 days, *The William Preston Lane, Jr. Memorial (Bay) Bridge Shoppers Discount Plan* may save you money. The *Shopper's Plan* is designed for occasional users of this specific bridge. The website description of this plan states: "Pay \$3 per trip for 10 trips that can be used **Sunday through Thursday and are valid for 90 days**. The total cost for used and unused trips is \$30."

If you find yourself traveling over the Preston (Bay) Bridge once or twice a week, this plan may indeed be the best option for you. Note that there is no discount on Friday or Saturday. Please be aware that once you make more than 10 trips over a period of 90 days, you may be charged an additional \$30 for an additional 10 trips for another 90-day period. You can activate this plan by going to your current EZPass account on the Maryland EZPass website. Your eligibility for the *Shoppers Plan* may be contingent on your subscription to other Maryland EZpass toll plans. For further clarification and additional information, go to the Maryland EZPass website:

www.ezpassmd.com.

TOYS FOR TOTS



Please consider contributing an unwrapped toy to the **SV Toys for Tots** campaign. Toys will be collected at the **November Ladies Happy Hour**, or they can be dropped off at the following locations from December 1-10:

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AMERICAN LEGION Jeff Davis Post 18

SV residents are cordially invited to participate in the following events:

- Friday Night Dinners:
 - Friday, November 15:** Flossye's Crab Cake Dinner: \$15
 - Friday, November 22:** Oyster Dinner: \$18

Friday, November 29: No Dinner: Thanksgiving Weekend
Friday, December 6: No Dinner: Centreville Christmas Parade
Friday, December 13: Deer Feast: 6 p.m.

- Terrick Lee – Live Music in the Bar: **Friday, November 15:** 7-10 p.m.
- Wounded Veterans Waterfowl Weekend Evening Banquet: **Saturday, November 16**
- Wounded Veterans Waterfowl Weekend Breakfast at the Post: **Sunday, November 17**
- Ravens Football at the Post:

Sunday, November 17: Ravens vs. Bears, 1 p.m.
Sunday, November 24: Ravens vs. Jets, 1 p.m.
Thursday, November 28: Ravens vs. Steelers, 8:30 p.m.
Sunday, December 8: Ravens vs. Vikings, 1 p.m.
Monday, December 16: Ravens vs. Lions, 8:40 p.m.



For more information on any events, call the Post at 410-758-3584 or go to [Jeff Davis Post 18](#).

Wounded Veterans Waterfowl Weekend



American Legion Jeff Davis Post 18 will host Wounded Veterans Waterfowl Weekend on **November 14-17**. There will be a “Meet and Greet” on Friday evening with a Friday night dinner of Flossye’s crab cakes. There will be a banquet Saturday evening (limited number of tickets, \$40 each) catered by the Marine Corps League. The weekend ends on Sunday with an open breakfast at the Post. For more information, call 410-758-3584 or go to [Jeff Davis Post 18](#).



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HALLOWE'EN PARTY – *Carlene Cooke and Linda Farrar*



Once again, Hallowe'en came to Symphony Village on October 26. About 48 children and grandparents enjoyed crafts, games, snacks, and a Trick or Treat parade at the annual Grandchildren's Hallowe'en Party. It was a busy fun time for everyone.

We want to thank the people who helped us make this such a fun day. Pat Scheirer once again did a great job as the "Tattoo Artist." Bob Farrar took the cute pictures with Jim Cooke as his helper; and the following persons helped with the games, crafts, and snack: Pat Kindle, Mary Lewis, Marge Strano, Isabel Cusimano, Doug Cooke, Dave Peterson, Bea Trotta,

Marilyn and Ed Williams, Susan Donnelly, Allison Donnelly, Jennifer Donnelly, and Ellie Merton. Also a big thanks to Pat Kindle for helping with setup and decorating. And thank you Mary Lewis for making the delicious Witch Hat cookies.



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A Smile . . . author unknown ☺



To launch the Holiday Season, the *Queen Anne's Chorale* will present its very popular annual holiday concert. The program, entitled "Angels Among Us," will explore the fascinating role of *angels* in culture, history and, of course, Christmas.

Saturday, December 7, at 7 p.m.

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The audience will hear such favorites as "Angels We Have Heard on High," "Glory to God" from the *Messiah*, "The Heavens are Telling" from Haydn's *The Creation*, Spirituals, "All Night, All Day" and "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," "Prayer" from *Hansel and Gretel*, a West Indies carol, "Calypso Lullaby," and Pop favorite, "My Special



Angel,” among others. Included in this program will be a performance by the Chorale’s “Special Ensemble,” twelve auditioned singers from within the group. A reception will follow this performance to enable singers to meet audience members. Tickets are \$15 for adults; children through high school are admitted free. Tickets can be purchased at the door or from a Chorale member. The venue is handicapped accessible. For more information please call 410-770-9337 or visit www.qachorale.org

Verna’s Korner Country Kitchen

By Karin Anne Larsen

Verna’s has returned with the same delicious cooking that has earned her a dedicated and loyal following over the years. Now, she has an expanded lunch and dinner menu to wow shore folks. Verna’s was initially reviewed in the October 2010 *Libretto*, which documented her flair for serving comforting breakfasts at the Rams Head Shore House. She also cooked with flair when she owned Verna’s Island Inn in Stevensville. Alas, keeping up with Verna is fun!

Newly located in Church Hill, Verna’s still cooks three styles of *Eggs Benedict*: the *Traditional* (with Canadian bacon), the *Montoya* (with prime rib), and the *Thomas* (with fresh tomatoes and bacon) – all with her popular hollandaise sauce. The *Our World Famous Seafood Omelette* is really flavorful. The omelette features three eggs with fresh crab, diced sea scallops, and tasty shrimp in a special sauce. The *Silver Dollar Platter* is a good deal because you get pancakes, sausage, bacon, and scrapple, not to mention home fries, toast, and beverage for \$8.69. You may wish to skip a few meals after consuming the *Silver Dollar Platter*. Luckily, Verna still serves her *Creamed Chipped Beef* and her delicious *Sausage, Gravy, and Biscuits*. But a real gem to try is *Our Famous Blintzes* which consists of two delicate and sweet crepes that are lightly filled with cottage cheese and your choice of strawberry, apple, or blueberry filling.

As for some impressive lunch choices to try at Verna’s, come try the *Shrimp Sub* and the *Soft Crab Sandwich*. Also try the *Deli Sandwiches* and *Traditional Clubs* with your choice of *Ham, Roast Beef, Turkey, Chicken, or Tuna Salad*. Verna lets you add Gulf Shrimp blended with Chesapeake Bay Seasoning to your sandwich for an additional charge of only \$2. The prices seem very reasonable for the quality of the food prepared here. On a recent Wednesday evening at Verna’s, the dinnertime locals filled every seat. Was it the cooking, the atmosphere, or the service? I’ll let you decide. All factors do contribute, but to my thinking, it may be Verna’s homey style of cooking her favorite shore recipes that folks love. In the new menu are five salad choices. There are also five pasta dishes served with garlic bread and salad. The savory flavors in the *Old Fashioned Spaghetti* with zesty marinara sauce and Italian meatballs with sweet Italian sausage reminded me of my mother’s pasta. Some of the *Classic Entrees* to enjoy are the *Chicken Chesapeake*, 8 oz. of Chicken Breast stuffed with Crab Imperial, and the *Prime Rib* dinner. Both dishes were very tasty with generous portions. If you order from the *Seafood Platters* section, do try the *Whole Fried Clams*, *Our Award Winning Crabcakes*, and the *Breaded Local Oysters*. For appetizers, try the *Hot Buffalo Wings* and *Our Famous Crab Dip*, made with blue crab and spiced cheddar cheese.

Keeping up with Verna seems to be a habit that’s hard to break. Just drive North on Route 301 to sample Verna’s Korner Country Kitchen. Get spoiled again and be glad she’s back!

Verna’s Korner Country Kitchen is located at 1104 Price Station Road in Church Hill. Telephone is 410-556-6585. Hours are 6 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Sunday.



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RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Pineapple Bake

From the Kitchen of Marge Strano

- ½ cup butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 4 eggs
- 8 slices of bread (Schmitz's Italian White Sliced or similar*)
- 1 20 oz. can crushed pineapple
- ½ teaspoon cinnamon
- ¼ teaspoon nutmeg



Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.
 Spray an 8" or 9" baking pan (round or square) with cooking spray.
 Cream the butter and sugar together in a large mixing bowl.
 Beat the eggs and add to the creamed mixture.
 Dice bread into quarter-inch to half-inch cubes and add to mixture.
 Add crushed pineapple.
 Mix thoroughly and place into prepared baking pan.
 Sprinkle top with cinnamon and nutmeg.
 Bake for approximately 45 minutes.
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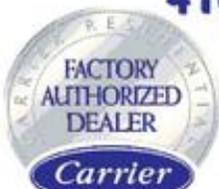
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LOCAL EVENTS

Anne Arundel County: **“Annie”**: November 8 – December 7: Colonial Players of Annapolis:
[Colonial Players](#)

Art Exhibit to Benefit the Building Fund



The Queen Anne’s County Arts Council will hold an Art Exhibit on **November 9-30** at the Centre for the Arts (206 South Commerce Street) in Centreville to benefit its Building Fund. The exhibit will feature artists Gerry Czajkowski, Karen Cunningham, and Stephanie Nadolski. The public Opening Reception will be **Friday, November 8, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.** ([QAC Arts Council](#), Events)

Dorchester County: **14th Annual Festival of Wreaths**: November 14 – December 5: Cambridge:
[Festival of Wreaths](#)

Mini Show: “Leaves and Trees”



The Kent Island Federation of Arts (405 Main Street) in Stevensville presents “Leaves and Trees” on **November 15-16**. Two Kent Island artists create entirely different types of art yet have one thing in common: they both use trees to create their one-of-a-kind pieces. Tom Yates is a seasoned wood carver who transforms hunks of trees, mostly driftwood, into faces and creatures that call to mind Greek mythology. Melissa Kay-Steves, a jewelry artist and instructor, paints leaves with precious metal clay and then fuses them into striking silver and gemstone creations. There will be a Friday evening Wine and Cheese Reception 5 - 8 p.m., and the gallery will be open on Saturday, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

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Third Annual Holiday Bazaar



A Holiday Bazaar will be held on **Saturday, November 16**, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., at St. Christopher's Church (1861 Harbor Drive) in Chester. There will be a silent auction, and lunch (pulled pork sandwich, chips, and soda) will be available for purchase. The event benefits Our Haven QAC Homeless Shelter.

Craft Show



The Sudlersville Senior Center (605 Foxxtown Drive) in Sudlersville will hold a Craft Show on **Saturday, November 16**, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Call 410-438-3159 for more information. ([Tidewater Trader](#))

Anne Arundel County: **Brigade Pipes and Drums Winter Concert**: **Saturday, November 16**:
 Mahan Hall, United States Naval Academy, Annapolis: [Chesapeake Taste](#)

Maryland and Pennsylvania: **Wine Just Off the Vine**: **November 16-17**: Wineries in Maryland and Pennsylvania: [Mason Dixon Wine Trail](#)

Country Breakfast



The Goodwill Volunteer Fire Company (212 Broadway) in Centreville will hold an all-you-can-eat Country Breakfast on **Sunday, November 17**, 7:30 – 11 a.m. The cost is \$8. For more information, call 410-758-1422. ([Tidewater Trader](#))

Anne Arundel County: **Lights on the Bay**: **November 17 – January 1**: Sandy Point State Park, Annapolis: [Lights on the Bay](#)

Wicomico County: **Winterfest of Lights: November 21 – January 1**: Ocean City: [Winterfest of Lights](#)

Annual “Holiday Boutique and Tiny Treasures Show”



The Kent Island Federation of Arts (405 Main Street) in Stevensville presents “Holiday Boutique and Tiny Treasures Show” **November 22 – December 21**. There will be lots of artsy gift ideas for holiday shoppers, and the Tiny Treasures Show will feature art in miniature. Gallery hours are Wednesday – Saturday, 1 - 4 p.m. ([KIFA Exhibits](#))

“A Night With Elvis”



The Queen Anne’s County Arts Council will sponsor “A Night With Elvis” on **Friday, November 22**, at the Centre for the Arts (206 South Commerce Street) in Centreville. Johnny Seaton has traveled the county in “Elvis, An American Musical” for over 30 years. During “A Night With Elvis,” guests will enjoy snacks and a drink and tap their toes to the music of the time, courtesy of Priceless Industries. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., and the concert begins at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$50 and may be purchased by calling 410-758-2520, Monday – Friday, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Space is limited. ([QAC Arts Council](#), Events)

9th Annual Upper Shore Dementia Caregiver Conference



The Conference will be held on **Friday, November 22**, 8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., at the Kramer Building (104 Powell Street) in Centreville. The theme is “Family Support Through the Stages.” The cost is \$25 for family caregivers and \$40 for health care professionals. To register and for more information, go to [Conference](#) or contact the Alzheimer’s Association at 1-800-272-3900. The Conference is sponsored by the Alzheimer’s Association, QAC Area Agency on Aging, and Upper Shore Aging, Inc. ([Shore Update](#))

Talbot County: **Wild and Scenic Film Festival: Friday, November 22**: Avalon Theatre, Easton: [Wild and Scenic Film Festival](#)

Christmas Craft and Vendor Fair



A Christmas Craft and Vendor Fair will be held on **Saturday, November 23**, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., at Christ Church (830 Romancoke Road) in Stevensville. The event benefits Chesapeake Cats and Dogs. For more information, call 410-643-9955. ([Shore Update](#))

Workshop: “Hope for the Holidays”



Hospice of Queen Anne’s will hold “Hope for the Holidays” on **Saturday, November 23**, 8:30 a.m. – noon. This half-day workshop led by Hospice’s professional grief counselors focuses on tips for living and celebrating the winter holidays and is tailored for those who are grieving the loss of a loved one. Registration fee is \$10 which includes workbook, materials, and refreshments. Call Rhonda at 443-262-4109 for more information and to register. ([Hospice Calendar](#))

Caroline County:

- **Two Mile Turkey Trot: Saturday, November 23**: Denton to Martinak State Park and back: [Caroline Tourism](#)
- **Little Pilgrim Wee Walk: Saturday, November 23**: Denton Elementary School, Denton: [Caroline Tourism](#)
- **Thanksgiving Centerpiece Workshop: Saturday, November 23**: Adkins Arboretum, Ridgely: [Workshop](#)

Kent County: **Thanksgiving/Christmas Bazaar: Saturday, November 23:** Emmanuel Church, Chestertown: [Kent Tourism](#)

Candlelight Remembrance Service



Hospice of Queen Anne's will sponsor a Candlelight Remembrance Service on **Sunday, November 24**, at Our Mother of Sorrows Church (301 Homewood Avenue) in Centreville. The service will be a special time to reflect on the loved ones who have passed away in the past year. Call 443-262-4109 for more information. ([Hospice Calendar](#))

KIFA Annual Show at Chesapeake College



The Kent Island Federation of Arts will host an art show on **November 25 – January 30** at the Todd Performing Arts Center at Chesapeake College. Categories for the work are oils/acrylics, watercolors, pastels, graphics, mixed media, and photography. ([Annual Show](#))

4th Annual Great Turkey Chase



The Kent Island Running Group will sponsor the [Great Turkey Chase](#) on **Thursday, November 28**, at the Queenstown Harbor Golf Course (301 Links Lane) in Queenstown, beginning at 8 a.m. Choose to run or walk .5 miles or 2 miles of paved cart path with gorgeous views of the Chester River and abundant wildlife. Entrance fees and registration information are on the website. Non-perishable foods will also be collected on race day to donate to the Maryland Food Bank. ([Maryland Tourism](#))

Crafters Show and Sale



There will be a Crafters Show and Sale at the Chestertown Volunteer Fire Company (211 Maple Avenue) in Chestertown on **November 29-30**, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. For more information, call 410-778-1048. ([Tidewater Trader](#))

Baltimore City: **Holiday Festival of Trains: November 29 – December 31:** B&O Railroad Museum, Baltimore: [Festival of Trains](#)

Baltimore County: **Kennedy Krieger Institute's Festival of Trees: November 29–December 1:** Maryland State Fairgrounds, Timonium: [Festival of Trees](#)

- **50th Annual Chestertown Antiques Show and Sale: November 29 – December 1:** Washington College Lifetime Fitness Center, Chestertown: [Kent Tourism](#)
- **31st Annual Country Crafts Guild Fall Arts and Crafts Show: November 29-30:** Rock Hall Fire House (21500 Rock Hall Avenue), Rock Hall: [Kent Tourism](#)

Talbot County: **Festival of Trees: November 29 – December 3:** various venues in Easton: [Festival of Trees](#)

2nd Annual Holiday Bonanza



The Holiday Bonanza will be held on **Saturday, November 30**, noon – 4 p.m., at the Queenstown Moose Lodge (6154 Main Street) in Queenstown. ([Shore Update](#))

Small Business Saturday – Stevensville



Historic Stevensville will host Small Business Saturday on **Saturday, November 30**, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Shop local and support our small businesses. There will be shopping, a tree lighting, children's activities, and more. For more information, call 410-604-2100. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Caroline County: **33rd Annual Craft Show: Saturday, November 30**, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.: Goldsboro Volunteer Fire Company, Goldsboro: [Tidewater Trader](#)

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BASKET BINGO



Bingo will be held on **Sunday, December 1**, noon – 5 p.m., at American Legion Post 278 (800 Romancoke Road) in Stevensville. The doors open at noon, and bingo is 2 - 5 p.m. There will also be raffles, food, a Chinese auction, and door prizes. Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door. The event benefits Chesapeake Cats and Dogs. For more information, call 410-643-9955. (*The Shore Update*, October 30, 2013)

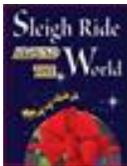
Caroline County: **Caroline Hospice Festival of Trees: December 4-7**: The Foundry, Denton: [Caroline Tourism](#)

Centreville Christmas Parade



The Centreville Christmas Parade will take place on **Friday, December 6**, 6:30 – 8 p.m. This year's theme will be "Celebrating 200 Years of American Soldiers – 1813-2013." Due to road construction, the parade route this year won't be definite until closer to the parade day – go to [Town of Centreville](#) for the final route.

Sleigh Ride Around the World



Experience the culture and traditions of the holiday season from around the world on **Friday, December 6**, 7:30 – 9 p.m., at the Todd Performing Arts Center (TPAC) at Chesapeake College in Wye Mills. Travel with the Sleigh Ride Company as they explore season traditions, dances, stories, and melodies. This educational and entertaining performance is for all ages. Dinner and Show tickets are \$35 for adults and \$25 children ages 10 and under (dinner begins at 6 p.m. in the TPAC lobby). Show only tickets are \$20 for adults and \$15 for children ages 10 and under. Purchase tickets at [Tickets](#). ([QAC Tourism](#))

Kent County: **Chester River Chorale presents "A Chester River Holiday": December 6 and 8**: Presbyterian Church, Chestertown: [Chester River Chorale](#)

Talbot County:

- **Handmade from the Heart Holiday Craft Sale: December 6-7**: The Historical Society of Talbot County Auditorium, Easton: [Handmade from the Heart](#)
- **7th Annual Christmas on the Creek: December 6-8**: Oxford: [Christmas on the Creek](#)

Annual Christmas Bazaar



Our Mother of Sorrows Corbaley Hall (301 Homewood Avenue) in Centreville will host its annual Christmas Bazaar on **Saturday, December 7**, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. There will be numerous vendors and artisans, a silent auction, a white elephant room, Secret Santa, and free pictures with Santa (until 12:30 p.m.). From the kitchen, enjoy the famous chicken and dumplings, crab soup, or other delicious foods. For more information, call 410-827-8357. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Heck with the Malls



Heck with the Malls will be held on **Saturday, December 7**, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., throughout Centreville. There will be unique artwork and gifts for sale along with a town-wide open house, refreshments, music, and more. For more information, call 410-758-2520. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Holiday House Tour



The Queen Anne's County Historical Society will host a Holiday House Tour on **Saturday, December 7**, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Tickets are \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members. Call 410-758-3010 for more information and to reserve tickets. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Old Fashioned Christmas



The historic Sudlersville Train Station Museum (101 S. Linden Street) in Sudlersville will host an Old Fashioned Christmas on **December 7-8** and **14-15**. Saturday hours are 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., and Sunday hours are 1 – 3 p.m. There will be running model train displays and refreshments. For more information, call 410-438-3501. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Festival of Trains



The Queen Anne's Railroad Society and the Museum of Eastern Shore Life will host the Festival of Trains on **December 7-8** and **14-15**, at the Old Kent Narrows Outlet Stores. There will be model trains and villages, Santa, and punch and cookies. Admission is free, but donations are gratefully accepted. ([QAC Tourism](#))

“Angels Among Us” Concert



To launch the Christmas season, the Queen Anne's Chorale will perform its holiday concert “Angels Among Us” on **Saturday, December 7**, 7 – 8:30 p.m., at the Todd Performing Arts Center at Chesapeake College in Wye Mills. The program will explore the fascinating role of angels in culture, history, and at Christmas. The Chorale will perform holiday favorites along with a variety of spirituals and classical selections – all based on angels. An audience sing-along of traditional carols will be included. For more information, call 410-758-3183. ([QAC Tourism](#))

3rd Annual “Saturday with Santa”



The Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center (CBEC) (600 Discovery Lane) in Grasonville will host “Saturday with Santa” on **Saturday, December 7**, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. The festivities begin at 9 a.m. with a guided nature hike for the whole family to collect greenery and pine cones for crafts. At 10 a.m., a local artist will lead adults in making greenery arrangements, while children will make pine cone Christmas trees, recycled gifts, and beaded ornaments. Santa arrives at 11 a.m. for story time, holiday carols, and pictures. Hot cocoa, coffee, and treats will be available for all. Silent auction and gift items for sale throughout the day include locally grown poinsettias and discounted gift memberships to CBEC. Tickets are \$10 for members, \$12 for non-members, and children age 2 and under no charge. The ticket prices include the guided hike, crafts, pictures with Santa, and treats. Reservations are encouraged by November 29 – call 410-827-6694 or email knelson@bayrestoration.org. All proceeds from this event go towards supporting CBEC's environmental education programs. ([CBEC](#))

Cash Bash

CASH BASH The Bay Country Moose Family Center (6154 Main Street) in Queenstown will hold a Cash Bash on **Saturday, December 7**. Call 410-827-7900 for more information. ([Shore Update](#))

Anne Arundel County: **Handel's “Messiah”**: **December 7** and **8**: Main Chapel, United States Naval Academy, Annapolis: [Handel's "Messiah"](#)

Caroline County:

- **Country Christmas House Tour: Saturday, December 7:** Preston: [Tidewater Times](#)
- **Christmas in Caroline: December 7-8:** 4-H Park, Denton: [Caroline Tourism](#)
- **Toy Train and Model Railroad Exhibit: December 7-8:** Caroline County Library, Greensboro: [Caroline Tourism](#)
- **Holiday Open House: Saturday, December 7:** Outstanding Dreams Alpaca Farm, Preston: [Caroline Tourism](#)
- **Country Christmas House Tour: Saturday, December 7:** Preston: [Caroline Tourism](#)
- **Santa's Magic Workshop: December 7, 8, and 14:** Martinak State Park, Denton: [Caroline Tourism](#)
- **Enchanted Campground Driving Tour: December 7-24:** Martinak State Park, Denton: [Martinak Events](#)
- **Ridgely Old Fashioned Christmas: Saturday, December 7:** Ridgely: [Caroline Tourism](#)
- **Holiday Greens Workshop: Saturday, December 7:** Adkins Arboretum, Ridgely: [Greens Workshop](#)
- **Holiday Wreath Sale: Saturday, December 7:** Adkins Arboretum, Ridgely: [Wreath Sale](#)

Kent County: **Colonial Chestertown's Holiday House Tour: Saturday, December 7:** Historic buildings in Chestertown: [Kent Tourism](#)

Talbot County:

- **Christmas Boutique and Jewelry Sale: Saturday, December 7:** St. Luke's Methodist Church, St. Michaels: [Talbot Tourism](#)
- **12th Annual Midnight Madness: Saturday, December 7:** St. Michaels: [Midnight Madness](#)
- **Easton Choral Arts Society- Handel's "Messiah": December 7- 8:** Easton High School, Easton: [Easton Choral Arts Society](#)

Caroline County: **Pysanky: Ukrainian Egg Decorating: Sunday, December 8:** Adkins Arboretum, Ridgely: [Egg Decorating](#)

Caroline County: **Old Fashioned Christmas in the Museum: Monday, December 9:** Federalsburg Historical Society, Federalsburg: [Caroline Tourism](#)

Kent Island Federation of Arts Classes



Life Drawing Studio: Tuesday, December 10: KIFA (405 Main Street) in Stevensville. For more information, go to [Classes](#) or call 410-643-7424.

Talbot County: **Christmas in St. Michaels: December 13-15:** [Christmas in St. Michael's](#)

Stevensville Old Fashioned Christmas Celebration



Historic Stevensville will celebrate an Old Fashioned Christmas on **Saturday, December 14**, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. There will be shopping, Santa, a hand bell choir, holiday caroling, historic sites open house, and more. For more information, call 410-604-2100. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Caroline County:

- **Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)'s 4th Annual Holiday Open House Tour: Saturday, December 14:** Williston area of Caroline County: 410-479-8301

- **Historical Society’s Christmas Celebration: Saturday, December 14:** an historic home in Caroline County: [Caroline Tourism](#)
- **Candlelit Caroling Celebration: Saturday, December 14:** Adkins Arboretum, Ridgely: [Candlelit Caroling](#)

Howard County: **Nutcracker on Ice: December 14 -15:** Columbia, Maryland: [Columbia Figure Skating Club](#)

Somerset County: **Crisfield Holiday Home Tours: Saturday, December 14:** Crisfield: [Maryland Tourism](#)

“Capitol Ringers” in Concert



The “Capitol Ringers” will present a concert on **Sunday, December 15**, 3 p.m., at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church (301 South Liberty) in Centreville. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for children, and \$20 for families with children. Tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance at the Parish Office.

TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. In 1621, and the Thanksgiving feast lasted three days.
2. Canada celebrates Thanksgiving the second Monday in October.
3. The thigh
4. True
5. Forks – they had not been invented yet.

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