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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 to the Neighborhood!**



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### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**LIFESTYLE** – *Vinny Volpicelli, Chairman; Carolyn Harty & Margo Wagner, Co-Vice Chairs; Pat Fox, Correspondent*

**Jimmy Buffet Happy Hour** – Saturday, August 15, at 6 p.m. Hawaiian shirts, margaritas, and DJ Randy Officer rocking the tunes! Bring an appetizer or dessert.

**Trivial Pursuit** – Sunday, August 30, 2–5 p.m. Come out for some brain-stimulating, group fun!

**Happy Hour** – Friday, September 4, at 6 p.m.

**Labor Day Picnic** – Sunday, September 6, 2–6 p.m. Food from 3–6 p.m.



**Lunch Bunch** – Thursday, September 10, at 12:30 p.m. (See article on page 9.)

**Next Lifestyle Committee Meeting** – Monday, September 14, at 7 p.m. We normally meet on the first Monday of every month and welcome new members at any time; however, our September meeting date was changed due to the Labor Day holiday.

**SV Fall Yard Sale** – Saturday, September 26, 8 a.m.– noon. The registration fee is \$5 which will put you on the list of participating households, cover advertising costs, and provide a balloon for easy identification! Watch for the sign-up sheet in the near future.



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### Labor Day Picnic

The Labor Day Picnic planning is well underway. The event is scheduled for **Sunday, September 6**, from 2–6 p.m. with food served from 3–5 p.m. Symphony Way, Concerto, and Opera residents will be your hosts with assistance from Encore, Orchestra, and Overture. A follow-up meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 26. Please come out in force to make this a memorable time!

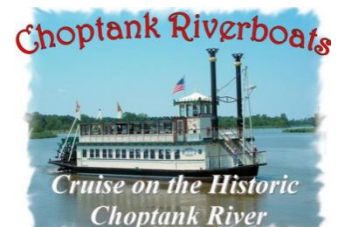


The event will be catered by Adam’s Grille for a price of \$18 per adult which includes iced tea and lemonade. Children’s prices are free for ages 1–5 and \$9 for ages 6–12. The menu will include hamburgers, hot dogs, pulled pork, BBQ chicken, coleslaw, baked beans, and potato salad. Desserts will be provided by the host streets. For folks bringing their own meals, we are asking for a \$1 donation per person to cover the paper goods, drinks, and ice purchased by the committee/HOA.

Please remember to sign up in the Activities Book in the Clubhouse!

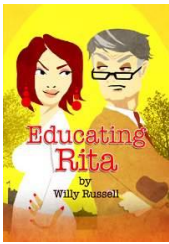
### Suicide Bridge Fall Paddle Boat Ride & Luncheon

While the sign-up deadline has passed for the two-hour Paddle Boat ride and lunch from Suicide Bridge Restaurant in Hurlock, there may still be seats available on **Saturday, October 3!** Please call Suicide Bridge to see if seats are open for this lunch cruise and make your reservation. Make sure you say you are with Symphony Village for this special senior price and seat placement. (We all want to sit together.) Once you have made your reservation and pre-paid (all major credit cards are accepted), please sign up at the Clubhouse in case carpooling is needed and so we know how many to expect. The trip will run from 12:30–2:30 p.m. The senior cost will be \$36 and includes a chicken or crab cake platter, one vegetable, a dessert, soft drinks, tax, and tip. Alcoholic beverages are available for an extra charge. Transportation will be on your own or carpooling with your neighbors. (Suicide Bridge: 410-943-4689)



[Suicide Bridge Restaurant 6304 Suicide Bridge Rd, Hurlock, MD 21643](http://Suicide Bridge Restaurant 6304 Suicide Bridge Rd, Hurlock, MD 21643)

## **A Unique Theatre Experience! – "Educating Rita"**



On **Sunday, September 27**, a Peter's Alley Theatre production of "Educating Rita," directed by Lee and Allen Ettman's daughter, Aly Ettman, can be seen at a 3 p.m. matinee. The play will be at the Theatre on The Run in Arlington, VA, located in the Shirlington section—home to a number of nice restaurants where residents can have lunch before curtain time. The total price, including ticket and bus transportation, is \$50 per person for those who have already signed up. Theatre-goers will leave SV at 11 a.m. and return by 7 p.m. At this time, the bus is full. However, there will be a waiting list for those interested in attending, and Lee will try to make transportation arrangements to accommodate everyone. The theatre ticket price alone is \$20 if you travel on your own. The cut-off date for final reservations is Saturday, August 15. Please check the wait list sign-up sheet in the Activities Book.

## **Another Change !! 9-11 New York City Trip**

While the 9-11 Museum trip is still scheduled for **Saturday, October 10**, you now have a choice to go either to Ellis Island or the 9-11 Museum. The bus will drop you off and pick you up at the place you choose. You can still sign up for the trip. Please see the Activities Book. For the price of \$105, you get a bagel breakfast, transportation, and admission. Dinner is on your own in Little Italy. The Committee apologizes for the confusion around this event.

## **Antique Appraisal Road Show**

A free second Antique Appraisal Road Show is scheduled for **Saturday, November 14, from noon – 3:30 p.m.** Please note: Residents can bring only two items per household. A sign-up sheet will be added to the Activities Book.

## **Radio City Music Hall Trip**

The Radio City Music Hall show is set for **Thursday, December 10**. The \$105 per person price includes a bagel breakfast and time to shop or explore NYC after the 3 p.m. matinee. A sign-up sheet will be available in the near future with a deadline of September 10 to make your reservation.

## **Need Hosts for Happy Hours! What a Deal !!**

Happy Hour hosts and hostesses will now be able to drink for free and they don't have to bring food! Donna will even give you a ride home in the golf cart if you imbibe too much. This is a very easy assignment and a great way to meet fellow residents. Please review the sheet in the Activities Book which includes a step-by-step guide. Select a theme if you wish which we will advertise. You will greet people as they arrive, enjoy yourself through the evening, and help with simple cleanup at the end. If interested, please sign up in the Activities Book or contact Carolyn Harty or Margo Wagner to register. Lifestyle Committee members are always there to help.

## **Happy Hour Bartenders!**

We are always looking for bartenders to help out at Happy Hours. Receive on-the-job training while you enjoy serving your fellow residents. Please sign up in the Activities Book to do a shift! Feel free to call Skip Kornmeyer or Donna Donaldson at 443-262-8090 for details.



**OPERATIONS** – *Ed Frey, Chairman,*  
*Dominick Mancinelli, Vice Chair,*  
*Pat Fox, Correspondent*

**Clubhouse Front Door Problem**

Just a reminder to remember to allow the Clubhouse front door to open by itself when you are buzzed in. The speed at which it opens has been increased so it is less frustrating. Also, please don't hold the door open as it is trying to close or the system can break. Recently the HOA spent \$1,019 to repair the door. In order to avoid future expensive repairs, management will be retrofitting the door by removing the outside handle. (It served no purpose and should never have been used!) The door will still open automatically after the retrofit.

Also, some advice to keep the door operational and minimize usage:

- If you are playing cards, leave by the Card Room doors;
- If you are coming in to use the gym or pool, use your card reader to enter the gym door rather than the front entrance.

We appreciate everyone's attention to this detail. Thanks from the Operations Committee

**Operations and Maintenance Report**

To keep the community better informed, the Operations Committee will be submitting *Libretto* reports highlighting recent accomplishments approved by the Board of Directors as they occur. Residents are encouraged to check Committee minutes on the SV Website for more details about relevant issues, approved projects, and those in the planning and discussion phase.

**Formalizing the Procurement Process:**

The Committee strengthened our SV procurement process and project management in 2014-15 through modification of Article C in the Terms and Reference. This document was adopted by the Board and can be seen online.

- The Request for Proposal (RFP) document was made more comprehensive to capture better cost and project implementation information from contractors and vendors;



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- A Project Planning and Decision-making Process Flow Chart was developed to identify each step required to move an item forward; and
- A Project Close Out and Lessons Learned Report and a Contractor/Vendor Performance Report were developed to document project details for the files including evaluations of the success of the project and the quality of the work.

The Contractor/Vendor Performance Report will also be used to evaluate vendors with multi-year contracts before an option year is granted. These reports are developed and approved by the project manager, the relevant Committee Chairman, and the SV General Manager. Creating Closeout and Performance Reports and keeping them on file will provide a project and contractor history for the Village that outlasts residents and our memories.

### **Pool Survey Results:**

The vast majority of the SV residents preferred to keep the pool rules as is, and the Board concurred. While every household was sent a copy of the pool rules along with the survey, you can also view them online. The following were the most controversial issues:

- Hours for children are daily from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for both the outdoor and indoor pools;
- No food or drink within 4 feet of either pool;
- No glass anywhere at either pool; and
- No smoking and no jumping.



### **Replacement of Outdoor Furniture:**

The Board has approved the purchase of additional outdoor furniture to replace broken pieces.

### **Pub Tables:**

The Board recently approved purchase of counter-height pub tables for the interior bar area. These may be purchased in two phases. During Phase One, we will acquire four 30-inch-wide tables with four chairs each for a total of 16 chairs. The Committee will be experimenting with identifying the best locations in which to place them and will test them through a Happy Hour experience. Should there be room for additional units, the Board has approved a Phase Two purchase of two more tables and up to eight more chairs.

### **Pergola Repair:**

The pergola at the pool edge will get much needed maintenance this fall. Once the pool closes in mid-September, the contractor will replace most pergola elements with more durable and maintenance free materials such as fiberglass columns and PVC joists, cross pieces, and lattice while wrapping the main beam in PVC.

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## OUTREACH – *Bea Trotta, President*

### 5th Artisans' Fair



Outreach's Artisans' Fair will be held on **Saturday, September 19**, 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. in the Clubhouse. There are currently 26 local artisans registered to participate, but one or two more could be accommodated. This is a **"last call"** for SV residents who wish to participate – please fill out and return a Registration Form, which is available in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse or electronically from Linda Blume, at your earliest convenience. **All residents** – please plan to "come on over" to see the fabulous items on sale and to partake of the tasty lunch which will be available! There will also be **three raffle items** (a fabulous handmade quilt, a basket of wine and assorted munchies, and a Lenox French Perle Cold Beverage Dispenser) and a **door prize**. (You need not be present to win either.)

## PUBLICATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS – *Carol Hodges, Chair; Linda Blume, Vice Chair*

### Directory

If you haven't been receiving notices of the irrigation schedule or the mowing change, please go to the [Directories](#) page on our Website and fill out the **"Residents List Subscription Form."** To see notices you may have missed, go to the **"Residents List Archive."**


### SV Picture Directory

We would like to update the SV Picture Directory by posting the photos of all residents. If you have a digital photo that would be appropriate, please send it to [George Drake](#). If you have a photo you would like to use, contact George about having it scanned.


### Welcome Night for New Residents

A welcome evening for new residents to get together, meet neighbors, enjoy dessert, and learn more about our Symphony Village community is planned on Monday, September 21, at 7 p.m. A **Libretto** photographer will be available to take your photo for the SV Picture Directory. Please sign up in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse or RSVP to Eileen Rowley at [eileen@rowley.org](mailto:eileen@rowley.org).

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SNEAKERS – *Linda Farrar, President*

**Silent Auction**

**Sneakers 11<sup>th</sup> Silent Auction  
Saturday, November 7, at the Clubhouse**

**Don't forget to mark your calendars.** We are collecting new/unused items for the auction. Please contact Amy Marotta (443-262-8807), Terri O'Connell (443-928-3368), or Helena Joy (410-758-6532) if you have items to donate. We welcome your contributions of basket items, gift certificates, tickets to sporting and cultural events, professional services, talents, skills, vacation properties, fishing charters, and even a donation of your computer services to assist others. We also are open to any new ideas for auction items.



The cutoff date for your donations is September 30.

Look for the sign-up sheet in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse in the near future.

**Next Meeting**

Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, August 19, at 3 p.m.** in the Clubhouse. All residents are welcome.

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## CLUBS & CLASSES

### Dining In –

There will be no Dining In the month of August, but please be sure to save the fourth Sunday in September for a great dining experience. If you've not attended a Dining In, you are in for a treat. Everyone is welcome with or without a "date," and no one is ever required to host. We are about getting to know our neighbors and not about keeping track of who has hosted. Hosts provide ambiance, a main course, and soft drinks. Guests provide one side dish, appetizer, or dessert per household. A sign-up sheet will be placed in the Activities Book in the Clubhouse "Wall Street Room" two weeks prior. Plan on joining us Sunday, September 27, at 6 p.m. Only you can make it a grand event!! Questions? Suggestions? Call Jinny Guy: 301-641-8729.



### trivia

1. Who preceded Spiro Agnew as Maryland governor?
2. Who succeeded Spiro Agnew?
3. Which two men have served as acting governor?
4. Who was the last Republican to serve as governor before Robert Ehrlich and Larry Hogan?
5. Who was the last Democrat to serve as governor before Martin O'Malley?

Answers on page 15.



## Gazebo and Victory Gardens – Jack Hennessey

In my continuing effort to recruit new members for the Gazebo Garden, I spoke to Kathy McManus, one of our latest volunteers, about her experience since joining the group. Kathy has graciously submitted the following response.

*I saw an article in the **Libretto** in May asking for volunteers to manage a plot in the Gazebo Garden. I emailed Jack Hennessey that I would be willing. I'd always enjoyed gardening (not so much weeding :) and, after moving from three acres to a small lot in SV, I looked forward to getting my hands dirty. My plot in the garden already had quite a few plantings and quite a few weeds! There was a pink Crepe Myrtle, some Knockout Roses, Shasta Daisies, and a pink Coneflower. There was also one purple Lantana. After getting rid of the weeds (with help from my husband), I decided to keep with the purple and pink theme. I went to Unity Nursery on Rt 213 and purchased three purple Balloon flowers. When blooming, they make quite a display. I was also encouraged to hear that they grow quickly and reseed themselves. Adding mulch that was provided to us, the plot was looking pretty spiffy. After the initial effort, maintaining the garden plot has been relatively easy. All the tools you need are in the Gazebo storage bin. Water is readily available. I enjoy walking through the Garden and take a bit of pride in the work that has been done.....Kathy McManus*

Thank you for your support, Kathy. Hopefully, this may encourage more sorely needed volunteers. We will work hard to get the Gazebo Garden in shape for the Labor Day picnic.

Our work in the Victory Garden has been fairly successful, and many residents have benefitted from the harvest. Our most successful crop has been eggplant. Our squash and zucchini have succumbed to the bugs and the heat.

Our purple martins have already started their Southward migration, so we will begin winterizing the martin houses. There have been at least three successful killdeer nestings near the Gazebo this year.

Thanks to all the gardeners for their support!

## Lunch Bunch – Marge Strano and Bea Trotta

The September Lunch Bunch is scheduled for the **Severn Inn** in Annapolis on **Thursday, September 10, at 12:30 p.m.** The **Severn Inn** is located at 1993 Baltimore Annapolis Blvd. on the eastern side of the Naval Academy Bridge. Enjoy a wonderful lunch and panoramic views of Annapolis and the Severn River. The restaurant is a ten-minute ride to downtown Annapolis. Remember to sign up in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse. Please call Bea Trotta at 410-758-0332 or Marge Strano at 410-758-2511 if you have a question or need a ride.



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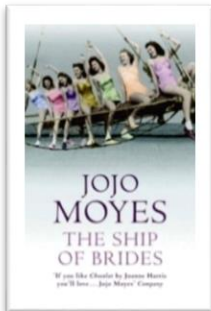
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## Reading for Fun Book Club – Jack Hennessey

The book we discussed at our July 21 meeting was *All the Light We Cannot See*, written by Anthony Doerr and recommended by Peggy Decker, who provided us with a free copy. The setting is in Paris, France during World War II. The Nazis are trying to collect all of the major art treasures in Europe for their own treasury. One single item that is being sought is The Sea of Flames, a large diamond weighing 135 carats. A young German gemologist is drafted into the Nazi army and assigned to find this rare diamond. The major theme involves the two main characters: Marie LeBlanc, a young French girl who loses her sight at the age of 6; and Werner Pfennig, a German youth who is forced to serve in the Nazi army because of his electronic genius. The author weaves a clever tale of how these two meet and how Werner saves Marie's life several times. He also does a masterful job of tying up all of the loose ends. On a scale of 1 to 10, the book received a rating of 7.7. Although the book contains over 500 pages, it is presented in many short chapters, making it an easy read. (Jack rated it 8.6!)



The book recommended by Jack Hennessey for our August 18 meeting is *The Ship of Brides*, written by Jojo Moyes. This time the setting is just after WWII. During the war, many British (and American) military personnel were stationed in Australia, where many

of them married Australian women (some as young as 15 years!). After the war, the troops are sent to Britain on a military vessel without their brides! Enter *The Ship of Brides*, an aging, decrepit aircraft carrier, HMS Victoria, whose final voyage is to carry 600 brides, intended to be reunited with their husbands in England. One of the brides smuggles a dog on the ship! The captain of the ship is on his final voyage, after more than 40 years at sea. He is faced with the task of commanding his all male crew with a boatload of young women during a 42-day trip to Plymouth, England. The reader will have to wade through all 27 chapters to appreciate the heroine of the story. (P.S. It is important to read the 27 pages [coincidence?]) of the prologue of the book!)

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## Shoremen Softball Team – Joe Shanahan



Having completed our 3rd season this past week, we finished better than we had in our first two years. We started out with 19 players on our roster in April, but by mid-May, we were down to 10 players due to vacations, injuries, and various health issues. After putting an ad in a local newspaper, we attracted some much needed help and managed to play some close games against better teams. It was nice to hear compliments from them as to our caliber of play. But most of all, we had fun and got some always needed exercise.

We finished off the season with a party, spouses included, and everyone had a great time. Labor Day, we will begin our "Fall Ball" on Monday mornings at 10 a.m., with the following Wednesday as a rain date. This is just a fun practice of throwing, hitting, and fielding that usually lasts for 90 minutes. We encourage everyone who might be interested in playing to come out and have a good time. Any questions, please call Irv Kohne at 410-758-2668.

### Social Singles – Carol Donnelly and Joyce Brown, Co-Chairs

Our next meeting for the Social Singles will be **Friday, September 11**, at 10 a.m. at The Creamery. **Beginning October 13, meetings will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month.** At each monthly meeting we will celebrate our birthday members!

#### Impromptu Events:

**August 16, Sunday – Tred Avon Players at the Oxford Community Center: "Merrily We Roll Along,"** a Stephen Sondheim musical, 2 p.m. matinee: Tickets are \$20 (open seating). Sign up in the Activities Book. We will call in ticket count and arrange transportation. Dinner after the theater: Schooner's Seafood.



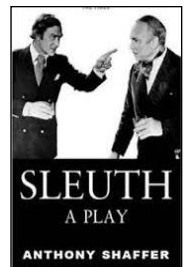
**August 26, Wednesday – Crab Deck Outing:** meet at the parking lot at 4 p.m. to carpool. Happy Hour is 4–7 p.m. with ½ price appetizers. Crabs by the bushel or dozen are available at market pricing.

**September 11, Friday, 10 a.m. – Breakfast at The Creamery**

#### Future Trips:

**October 10, Saturday – Catocin Colorfest Craft Show,** Thurmont, MD. (Sandy Beane called and got information.) The Colorfest will be featuring over 300 artists from across the United States, including glass blowing, broom making, woodturning, dulcimer crafting, and wood carving of flowers. Also, a wide selection of delicious food is available to satisfy everyone's appetite. Cost: \$40; forms and information in the Activities Book.

**October 28, Wednesday – Day trip to the Allenberry Resort Inn and Playhouse: Sleuth,** a play by Anthony Shaffer." (Thanks Dorthea!) Cost of trip is \$78 per person. Ten of us have paid the \$20 deposit. **Balance is due September 23.** Joyce made deposits and has deposit receipts and money due for each of you. Sponsored by the Grasonville Senior Center (410-827-6010). This day trip Departs 7:30 a.m. Grasonville and Returns at 5:45 p.m.



**December 12, Saturday: "SINGLES Saturday"** Carol Donnelly will host in her home! Pot luck/wine/ friendship.

#### Future Events In The Planning Stage:

\***September 11–27: Church Hill Theater, "Noises Off "**

\***January 14: Toby's Dinner Theater,**  
"South Pacific," \$50 (group discount)

\***Longwood Gardens Trip:** (possible overnight)

\***March 5 – 13: Philadelphia Flower Show**

\***American Cruise lines** (small ship, Intercoastal waterway): Historic South and Golden Isles, Eight-Day / Seven-Night Southeast Cruise. Departing from Charleston, SC, or Jacksonville, FL. (This is a great trip. Many dates available in **April** after Easter.)

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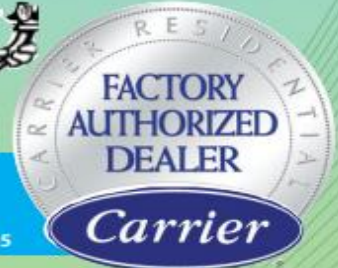
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## Water Aerobics – Brenda Stoltz

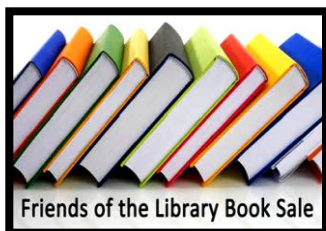
Looking for something to cool you off on a hot morning? Come on over to the pool for Water Aerobics from 9 to 10 a.m. Mondays through Fridays. Depending on the weather and time of year, the sessions are to videos indoors or CDs outdoors. It's lots of fun, and you meet new people all the time. There are no sign-up sheets, no fees, and noodles are available. Just show up and have a good time while you do something that's good for you.



Jo Kirchner, Nieda Lanier, Judy Brown, Helena Joy, Ginny McKaig, Rochelle Ray, Christa Fookes, Sue Riley

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Friends Of Queen Anne's County Library will host a **Porch Book Sale** at the Centreville



Library on Saturday, August 29, from 9 a.m.–2 p.m. Books will be on the library's porch as well as in the meeting room. There will be bargain books for all ages and all reading levels. Books will be categorized by subject: mysteries, romance, children's books, old and rare titles, history, cookbooks, sports, DVDs, CDs, talking books, etc. Hardbacks, DVDs, and audio are \$1 each, paperbacks are 25 cents, and Fill-a-Friends Bag for \$10. Proceeds benefit the library's programs and services.

**Members Only Preview Night** will be **Friday, August 28**, 5–8 p.m. (Present your invitation to enter.)

### Compass Regional Hospice

Congratulations to our neighbor, Nancie Cameron, for being chosen the "Volunteer of the Month" by Compass Regional Hospice. Nancie was recognized for her dedicated assistance to administrative tasks as well as providing much needed support during special events.



### Musicians of Symphony Village – *Laura Rocco*

We live in homes honoring composers on musically named streets. And we have musicians among us. Some raise voices in choirs, chorales, and barbershop ensembles. We have rockers on guitars and



drums; strummers on ukuleles; bass players keeping the beat; steel drummers ringing out island vibes; flutists and pianists; harmonicas tucked into a pocket, ready to wail the blues; kazoos in parades.



Did you take music lessons as a child? Did you drive your children to lessons? Have you kept up your musical talents? Benefits of participating in music after age 60 have been

demonstrated in research over the past 30 years. Singers have better pulmonary function. Playing a keyboard may reduce arthritis in fingers and slow cognitive decline. Woodwind and brass instrumentalists have better aerobic capacity. Creating music in a group, vocal or instrumental, leads to improved collaboration and enjoyable social interaction. Self-expression and satisfaction with new accomplishments round out musicians' experiences.

There are local groups that welcome amateur musicians. **Queen Anne's Chorale** rehearses in Centreville. I've played with the **Eastern Shore Wind Ensemble** in Chestertown and am currently rehearsing with the **Chestertown Ukulele Club**. Craig's List has pages of musicians looking to form bands, join others, and play gigs. On the last Wednesday of each month, there's an Open Mic Night at the **Prince Theatre** in Chestertown with as many retirees as college students performing.

**MusicLife** in Chestertown is a locally owned business that sells instruments, sheet music, and accessories. Piano tuning is available. Owner Bill Drazga estimates that one third of students coming for lessons are adults. Lessons are offered for individuals or groups.

So get that drum set out of the sky basement, dust off the clarinet in the back of the closet, let's play the piano in the Clubhouse and make a joyful noise together.

## The “Joy Of Music” Is Coming Back To Symphony Village!

SV residents will once again have a wonderful opportunity to explore every aspect of music – from composers and different styles of music to the various instruments that make music possible. The “Joy of Music” classes will be held in the Clubhouse at 3 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. The sessions will again be taught by Mr. Bob Huntington, the Artistic Director of the Queen Anne’s Chorale. Possessed of a wonderful sense of humor and an encyclopedic knowledge of music, Bob makes each class a different 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 first class on Monday, (September 14); the topic will be “**Richard Rodgers.**” Future topics include: “**Home, Sweet Home**” (September 28); “**What is the Blues**” (October 12); “**Cole Porter**” (October 26); “**Musical Alphabet**” (November 9); and “**The Story of the Magi**” (November 23).



Please feel free to call Eleanor Strietman (443-262-8162) if you have any questions.

## RECIPE OF THE MONTH

### Lemon Cookies

*from the kitchen of Brenda Stoltz*

These cookies have only four ingredients and can be prepared in less than 5 minutes. Even better, they use no oil or butter, and they are light, soft, and make a yummy summer dessert.

- 1 box lemon cake mix
- 1 egg lightly beaten
- 2 cups Cool Whip (thawed)
- ½ to 1 cup powdered sugar

Preheat oven to 350°.

In a large bowl combine cake mix, egg, and Cool Whip. The batter will be sticky!

Form dough into tablespoons full and roll in powdered sugar.

Bake 8 to 10 minutes (until edges are golden).

Allow to cool 1 minute on baking sheet before removing.



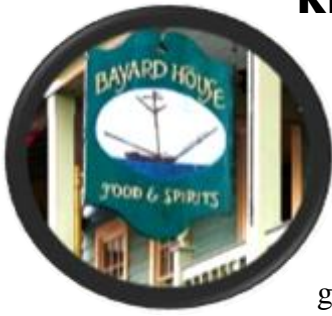
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## RESTAURANT REVIEW



### The Bayard House Restaurant *by Bea Trotta*

In July, more than 40 Lunch Bunch Symphony Village residents enjoyed dining at the Bayard House Restaurant located in historic Chesapeake City along the C & D Canal (Chesapeake and Delaware Bays). The setting is just lovely along the canal, teasing the senses and creating candy for the eyes with great water views and lovely flowers in bloom everywhere.

The Bayard House building has a long, interesting history that dates back to the 1780s. Samuel Bayard built the original manor when Chesapeake City was named Bohemia Village. When the C & D Canal was built in the early 1800s, the city came to life and in 1824 the city was renamed Chesapeake City.

In the early 1980s, Allaire du Pont, a local resident, purchased the property. She is credited with restoring the Bayard House to its original design along with the restoration of a great portion of Chesapeake City.

The lunch menu is varied with delicious homemade soups and healthy salads ranging in price from \$6 for a house salad to \$18 for grilled salmon over greens. Also, a large variety of sandwiches are available ranging in price from \$11 for a grilled corned beef sandwich to \$14 for a blackened rockfish sandwich. There are numerous lunch entrees starting at \$16 for grilled chicken with penne pasta dressed with sundried tomatoes and spinach. For \$25 you can enjoy a petit filet and crab (grilled petit filet topped with a crab cake and caviar). We ordered a variety of luncheon items; all were delicious.

After lunch, you can visit the quaint shops along Bohemia Avenue and the interesting art galleries that are all within a short walking distance from the Bayard House.

If you haven't been to the [Bayard House Restaurant](#), it is worth the visit. You will savor the delicious food, take in the lovely surrounding views, and enjoy a stroll around the city.

## Rates for [placing Ads in the Libretto](#)

### Trivia Answers

1. J. Millard Tawes
2. Marvin Mandel
3. James Brice and Blair Lee III
4. Spiro Agnew
5. Parris Glendening

## UPCOMING CENTREVILLE EVENTS

### Ravens Kickoff Bash and Charity Event



[Ravens Nest 20](#) will host the Ravens Kickoff Bash on **Saturday, August 22**, 3 – 7 p.m., at Good Guys Sports Bar (219 E. Water Street) in Centreville. There will be a silent auction, prize wheel, and a 50/50 raffle. Raffle drawings begin at 4 p.m. and continue every 30 minutes. Proceeds from this event will benefit Compass Regional Hospice, Animal Resource Foundation (ARF), QAC’s Rebuilding Together, QAC Youth Activities, and more.

**Rescheduled: Caring for your Family Treasures with Q & A**



This rescheduled presentation will be on **Tuesday, August 25**, 6:30 – 8 p.m., at the Centreville Branch of the QAC Library. Vicki Lee, Director of Preservation and Conservation at the Maryland State Archives, will share information on how to best store and handle your various family treasures. There will be time for questions and answers at the end of the lecture. Participants may bring one object to receive a brief consultation. Ms. Lee specializes in books and paper.

**Monarch Butterfly Mania**



This event will be held at the Centreville Branch of the QAC Library on **Wednesday, September 16**, 6 – 8 p.m. Jim Wilson will talk about the life cycle of the monarchs and what you can do to protect monarch habitat. Monarch artwork will also be on display.

**To see a list of tourism and local attraction websites, press “Event Source Links” on the [Sources](#) page on the SV Website.**

**SPECIAL REMINDERS**

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 Collection and Recycling by Bates Trucking: 800-840-6454  
 Bulk Pickup and Yard Waste: 410-758-1180

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