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SYMPHONY VILLAGE 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!



Martha Anthony
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Mary Campbell
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Paula Tickler
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2022 SV HOA BOD

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – OCTOBER 2022

PAT FOX, PRESIDENT

While this isn't the most savory report I have ever delivered, it is a very important communication. Many residents may know that Centreville operates its own wastewater treatment plant. The plant is nearing its treatment capacity and needs to be modernize—hence part of the reason for our increased water and sewer fees.

Several members of the Board and the Operations Committee recently toured the facility and were advised of this status by the Town's Director of Public Works. He also strongly suggested that residents do not use any toilet wipes—even when they are advertised as flushable—since with the age and condition of the plant the operation gets severely clogged grinding up these items.

The Town thanks you for your cooperation.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES CANDIDATES FOR THE SYMPHONY VILLAGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CAROL PEED

Symphony Village is very fortunate to have two residents who have stepped up and are willing to serve on the Board of Directors. They are Nancy Emerick and Janet Leister.

Please take a minute and review the candidate's resumes listed below to familiarize yourself with the many attributes these candidates bring to our community.

You can get to know each candidate and have your specific questions answered at the **Meet the Candidates Night on Wednesday, November 2, at 6 p.m.** in the Concert Hall of the Clubhouse. There will be only one session to meet the candidates. Please take note that this is a change from the previous announcement as well as a change in the date. For the convenience of all residents, the forum will be an in-person and Zoom hybrid meeting. Zoom instructions will be forthcoming

If you have any questions relating to the nominating process, please contact one of the following Nominating Committee members: Rich Ryan (chair), Tom Meringolo, Randy Officer, Joe Sykes, Carol Peed, or Patrick Ways (Board Liaison).

The Nominating Committee looks forward to seeing you there!

NANCY EMERICK

PERSONAL BACKGROUND

Born and raised in the suburbs of Albany, New York, I married Wayne Emerick in 1978 and raised three children. After earning a master's degree in communication science, I became a licensed speech-language-pathologist for 23 years specializing in adult neurological disorders. This career led me to leave New York for a 16-year career in nursing home administration in the southwest. I retired in 2020, and we moved to Symphony Village to be closer to family in D.C.



SIMILAR OR RELEVANT EXPERIENCES

My work as an administrator for nursing homes challenged me to build and oversee very large operating budgets within an industry that was fraught with regulatory compliance, strict oversight, and considerable human resource challenges. The ability to relate to, guide, and oversee a wide spectrum of employees from unskilled laborers, to licensed professionals, and to establish the highest level of care for dependent elders required wearing many hats.

VISION/EXPECTATIONS FOR SYMPHONY VILLAGE

My vision for Symphony Village is two-fold. I recognize our community as unique among 55+ settings because it is among the top in its presentation. This is a result of dedication the board has had for maintaining the property, setting by-laws, and monitoring compliance. I would like to see the village continue to embrace high standards in this way. Secondly, I envision embracing growth in ways that will interest new 55+ homeowners in the next decade.

LIST YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO SYMPHONY VILLAGE (i.e., committees, events, volunteerism, etc.)

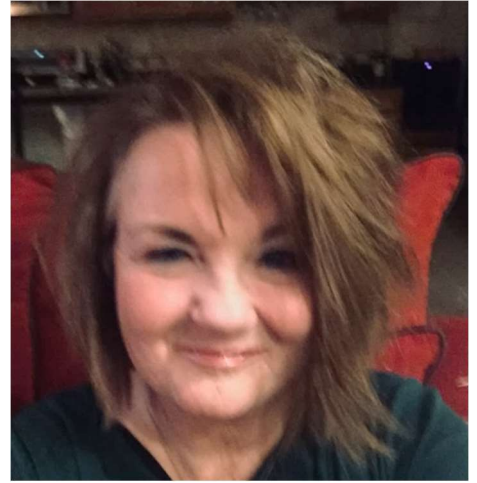
We moved into the village in December 2020. Immediately, I joined two committees of which I have been a member of for almost two years. I am the Vice-Chair of the Budget and Finance committee. Within this committee, I have volunteered to assist on a subcommittee for oversight of investments. I am also on the

Operations committee and have volunteered with property inspections. Within this group, I am on the sub-committee for the reserve study.

JANET LEISTER

PERSONAL BACKGROUND

Jack and I have lived in SV for 6 years, moving from Severna Park. I grew up in Columbus, Ohio, and went to Ohio State (GO BUCKS!). I moved to Washington, DC, in 1974, have lived in Maryland since 1978. I have taken additional business management/administration, accounting, and women's studies at George Washington University. I have served as President of Parents Association, a tutor, and coordinator of Holiday Sharing, Severna Park Assistance Network.



SIMILAR OR RELEVANT EXPERIENCES

15 years as an assistant to Senior Managing Partner—Law Firm.
14–15 years as a licensed Realtor in Maryland.

15 years as Operations Supervisor HOA/Condo Management Company, supervising team of 6–7 managers, assistant managers, and senior managers.

HOA nationally recognized designations as Certified Manager of Community Associations (CMCA) and Association Management Specialist (AMS)

DISCLOSURE: Management Company I was with was ProCom.

VISION/EXPECTATIONS FOR SYMPHONY VILLAGE

Our community is aging and will need continuous upkeep and renewal, fiscally responsible budgeting, and oversight of capital improvements to keep SV an upscale, premier over 55 community, and to keep our property values up.

I think I will offer a wealth of knowledge, education, and experience as a member of the SV Board of Directors.

LIST YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO SYMPHONY VILLAGE (i.e., committees, events, volunteerism, etc.):

Served on Lifestyle Committee for 5 years, Vice Chair for past 2 years.

Planned and chaired not only fun social and educational events, but also community outreach in the form of chairing flu and Covid vaccine clinics at SV, chairing a wellness clinic, and chairing food drives during pandemic for state, county, and local food banks

Served on Sneakers, providing books to local school children and helping with planning their budget.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ARTISANS GUILD

KATHY MCMANUS AND CATHY OLSON, CO-CHAIRS

Our next show ‘**WINTER WONDERS**’ opens on Sunday, October 30. Ann Sharp will be the featured artist. Please join us on that date for an **Art Reception** from 4 to 6 p.m. Light refreshments will be served.

Collection for this show will be on Wednesday, October 26, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. **Please pick up any items that are currently displayed at this time.**

An updated submission form and wiring instructions can be found on the SV Website: Dashboard—Artisans Guild—Submission forms. You can print forms from there.

Guild Member Highlight

The following was submitted by Len Saltiel:

My photography story began accidentally. Fresh out of college, my first boss asked me if I was interested in taking a high school photography course. I said yes, even though I wasn't that interested. The rest, as they say, is history. My career restricted the amount of time I was able to dedicate to photography, and I would shoot while on vacations. My dream was to couple my love of travel with my newly found love of photography when I retired. Since retiring, I have traveled to many wonderful locations around the world and have been able to capture them with my camera. My favorite subjects are landscapes but, over the past five years, I have branched out into other genres such as wildlife, architecture, and cityscapes.



LANDSCAPE AND IRRIGATION

TOM MCMANUS , CHAIR

'Forest Pansy' – A Colorful Redbud Street Tree in Symphony Village

Betty McAtee

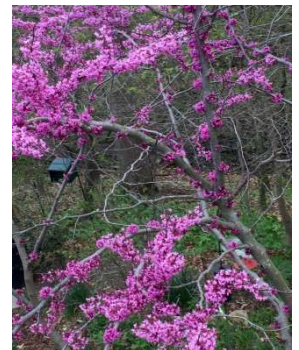
Shorter sunny days and cool brisk nights are Nature's signals to animals and plants to prepare for a more "relaxed" part of their life cycles. Animals get ready for hibernation, and trees and woody shrubs begin losing the green chlorophyll pigment used for photosynthesis, followed by defoliation.



Dormancy in plants is when metabolic activities slow down and is the safest time for any "stressful intervention" like heavy pruning and transplanting. This fall several new street trees will be transplanted from their comfortable nursery homes to new locations on Symphony Village streets.

The native tree Eastern Redbud (*Cercis canadensis*) is one example. This is an ideal street tree. It grows 20–30 feet to mature height. Its roots are noninvasive, which can easily accommodate the limited planting spaces. It is soil pH adaptable,

tolerates full sun, and can handle sandy or fertile clay-type soil.



In spring, the redbud tree produces tiny clusters of pink blossoms along its stems and branches. It has high wildlife value as it attracts butterflies, bees, and birds. A cultivar/variety of Eastern Redbud on the planting list is 'Forest Pansy' that produces a stunning array of maroon/burgundy heart-shaped leaves in early summer following the pink blossom display. Eventually the maroon leaves turn a medium green before finally turning yellow in the fall.

Be sure to look for this impressive three-season colorful street tree enhancing the landscape in Symphony Village.



Fall at Symphony Village has been highlighted by many fun and important activities.

The **Inaugural Chili Cook-Off and Square Dance** drew a huge crowd and loads of entertainment! Winners for the Chili Cook-Off include Rosemary and Anthony Rosenberger for mild chili; Gary Coombe for spicy to hot chili; and overall winning chili prize was presented to John Collins. Pictured here are the chili judges: Lance Richardson, States Attorney, Queen Anne’s County; Gary Hofmann, County Sheriff; and Jim Wass, square dance caller. All winners received gift cards and trophies, courtesy of Economy Restoration.



Sixteen lucky attendees received terrific door prizes, including a beautifully handmade necklace donated by Alloyed Earth Jewelry. Jim Wass, professional square dance caller, had dozens of folks out on the dance floor, having more fun than the law allowed! Hoot’n and holler’n could be heard throughout the Clubhouse as Villagers, dressed in square dance worthy attire, totally enjoyed the evening. A big shoutout goes to Norm Bossie for coordinating this event, to Suzanne Plack for beautifully decorating the Ballroom, and to the many volunteers who made this evening such a huge success.

The **Flu/COVID Booster Clinic**, sponsored by Edwards Pharmacy on October 6 brought in the highest turnout on record! Sixty Villagers attended and one hundred vaccines were administered. Thank you to Edwards Pharmacy for always supporting the health of our community.

The **Oktoberfest Social Hour** on October 7 drew a huge crowd. The brats were delicious as were the many German-themed appetizers and desserts. Wunderbar! A big thank you goes to everyone who attended the event and the volunteers who made it possible. A special shoutout goes to the grill masters, Joe Sikes, Randy Officer, and Jack Leister, who grilled those delicious bratwursts and to our resident brew masters, Skip Kornmeyer and Donna Donaldson, for making the Oktoberfest beer available.



On October 12, fifty lucky residents got to taste **delicious crabcakes** courtesy of “**The Village Group**” realtors Mary Ciesielski, Deborah Shiley, and Phyllis Endrich along with Chef Paul Shiley of Knoxie’s Table. What a treat it was!

As a way to thank all the residents of Symphony Village for their support this year, the Lifestyle Committee is hosting a “**Frank Sinatra Night of Songs & Dancing.**” Frank Sinatra impersonator Bud Falls, like “Old Blue Eyes”

himself, was born in New Jersey. Bud stepped on stage at the age of nineteen and hasn't left the stage yet! Bud's repertoire includes popular songs by Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin, Bobby Darren, among others. Put on your dancing shoes and ladies get ready to swoon! Come fly to the moon with us on Friday, October 21, in the Symphony Village Concert Hall from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. You are encouraged to bring snacks for your tables. Sign-up sheets can be found in the Lifestyle Activity Book in the Wall Street Room.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Saturday, October 15	6 to 8 p.m.	Social Hour	Come out and enjoy a YMCA-sponsored dinner and learn how you can contribute to the construction of Centreville's new YMCA.
Tuesday, October 11	3:30 p.m. departing Symphony Village	The play, <i>Tina</i> at National Theatre in Washington, D.C.	SOLD OUT
Friday, October 21	6:30 to 8:30 p.m.	Frank Sinatra Night of Songs and Dancing	Come dance and enjoy the music of "Old Blue Eyes" through the performance of Frank Sinatra impersonator, Bud Falls. Sign-up sheets in the Lifestyle Activity Book in the Wall Street Room
Monday, October 24	1 to 3 p.m.	QAC Commission on Aging	Come join us for this informative meeting to review services Queen Anne's county offers for Seniors.
Saturday, October 29	7 p.m.	Movie Night	Movie TBD
Sunday, November 15	Throughout the week	Clubhouse Christmas Decoration	The Clubhouse will be decorated to the nines! Come out and help hang wreaths and install other Christmas decorations.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

JOE SIKES, CHAIR; FRED KURST, VICE CHAIR

The Operations Committee is responsible for aiding the HOA Board of Directors and the General Manager regarding management and operation of community common property. We share this responsibility with the Landscape and Irrigation Committee and focus on such things as the Clubhouse, swimming pools, and sidewalks.

The Operations Committee has received three additional site visits from sidewalk contractors and is awaiting their proposals. Along with two earlier proposals, we should have five proposals to choose from exceeding our competitive goal. The General Manager, accompanied by Operations and Landscape representatives, met with Bartlett Tree Services to discuss ways to minimize impact on our trees where tree roots are a sidewalk problem.

Committee sign-up sheets are now available in the Clubhouse for those who would like to join us in 2023. Our next meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. in the Clubhouse on Thursday, September 15. It will be a hybrid meeting so residents can also attend virtually.

Feel free to attend to see if you might like to join us next year. We strive to ensure our community remains one of the most attractive neighborhoods on the Eastern Shore.

Coming Soon: Outreach 14th Annual Food Drive**Loretta Quigley**

Your Outreach team is proud to sponsor its 14th Annual Food Drive in partnership with Social Services of QAC for the upcoming holiday season. It will take place November 7 to 12.

For the first 11 years, we collected various food items for distribution each year, totally nearly a ton. Three years ago, Covid 19 interrupted that effort, and we collected money to turn into \$10 gift cards from Acme and Food Lion, instead. Both stores also added a few cards to the purchase. Last year we collected over \$5,000 and presented over 500 gift cards for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. It was so very successful and so easy for everyone who wanted to participate that we are continuing this effort.

Please mark your calendars for November 7 to 12. We will ask for your gift in \$10 increments for whatever amount you feel comfortable giving to turn into gift cards once again. More information and details will be available in the coming weeks. If you are going to be out of town and wish to participate, Outreach can take your check earlier. Just put it in the black box in the Clubhouse. **Checks should be made out to S V O P I** (Symphony Village Outreach Program, Inc.).

During the week of November 7 to 12, please deposit your check in the black box at the Clubhouse. There will be an additional container outside the Quigley home, 509 Symphony Way, to place checks in the container.

Any questions? Please contact Loretta Quigley, Event Chair, at 410-758-6775 or lorettaquigley@yahoo.com.

As always, your participation in this once-a-year endeavor means so much to so many.

SV Prayer Chain**Eleanor Strietman**

Did you know that Symphony Village has a Prayer Chain? The Prayer Chain was established to offer spiritual support to residents under the aegis of Neighbor to Neighbor. (Members of the Chain, however, do not have to be members of Neighbor to Neighbor). Villagers may request prayers for the health and/or well-being of their SV neighbors or themselves. Requests may be made by calling Eleanor Strietman (443-262-8162) or by emailing her at estrietman68@yahoo.com.

If you are interested in joining the Prayer Chain, you may do so by visiting the Symphony Village website. Click on Menu, then on the next screen click on Index. Scroll down the Website Index and click on Prayer Chain, Subscribe to. Your name will be added to the list of members. You will receive prayer requests via your email. Prayer Chain participants promise to pray as soon as they receive a request. They also promise to maintain strict confidentiality

13th Annual Card and Game Party

The 13th Annual Card and Game Party will be a huge event this year. We will have 127 people playing various games. Some will play Bridge, while others will play Hand and Foot, Pinochle, Scrabble, Phase 10, Mexican Train, Rummikub, and Mahjong.

This year will be the largest group we've ever had! The players will enjoy muffins in the morning and a lovely catered lunch at noon. There will be snacks and prizes, raffles, and lots of chatter.

This year the proceeds will be donated to the new YMCA to be put towards the new Senior Center and the Institute for Adult Learning (IAL). Both of these are worthy programs that our Community will benefit from now and in the future.

Neighbor of Note

Occasionally the *Libretto* features a Neighbor of Note. Residents nominate someone and the name is put in a box from which names are drawn. A fellow SVer can nominate someone by going to the Website and scrolling down on the Home Page and choosing Publication & Communications Committee. On that page scroll down and click on [Neighbor of Note](#) and fill out the form or going to the website:

<https://symphonyvillage.net/neighbor-of-note-nomination-form>. The name will then be put in the box for the next drawing.

A reminder of the...

Symphony Village Two-Week Name Tag Sale...

October 11 through October 24

Information will be in the reminder eBlast coming out this week.

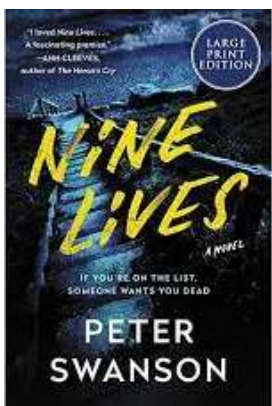
SYMPHONY SNEAKERS**LINDA FARRAR**

Now that fall is in full swing, we are anxious to begin our fall book giveaways. Books have been ordered, and we have our first date at Centreville Elementary set for Thursday, November 10. The rest of the schools will give us their dates soon.

The names for our Giving Tree are beginning to be forwarded to us from the school counselors. It is obvious that there is a great deal of need in the area as almost all have requested winter coats. Be looking for a date when the tags for the tree will be in the Clubhouse. There will be specific instructions on a separate sheet as to how to wrap and label the gifts and the dates when they will be due in the Clubhouse.

As always, a big thank you in advance for your generosity.

Remember everyone is invited to join Sneakers. Be looking for our next meeting date.

CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES**READING FOR FUN – NOVEMBER 2021 REVIEW****JOE SIKES**

The SV Book Club held a hybrid meeting on Tuesday, September 20, to discuss *Nine Lives* by Peter Swanson. Attendees included: Joe Sikes, Kathryn & Jim Buckheit, Mary Jo Volpicelli, Sue Goldberg, Len & Carol Saltiel, Cathy Olson, Joanne Walker, and Bob Nilsson.

The book was an enjoyable mystery in which nine apparently unconnected people receive an unmarked list of nine names. As persons on the list begin to be murdered, the plot thickens. You will have to wait until the end of this report before I let you know if any book club members were on the list. (Hint: Check the list of attendees. Don't see my wife, do you?)

A similar mystery story by Agatha Christie is referenced on the book cover as well as by the characters in the story itself. Both stories revolve around a list of unconnected people who begin to be murdered, although the circumstances of the two stories differ. The author was obviously influenced by the great Ms. Christie and may have intended his novel as a homage.

Trying to piece together connections between those on the list was a challenge to investigators including an FBI agent who is on the list herself. This character provides us some law enforcement information and postulates that the connection may be between parents of listees rather than the listees themselves. (Hint #2: None of the Book Club members are FBI agents.)

Most of the people on the list are young, but two are actually old enough to qualify for Symphony Village. But, of course, the others could be younger spouses, which may or may not be relevant. For that matter, author Swanson has probably never visited our community. But I digress.

Promisingly, I found that the further I read the book, the closer I narrowed in on the killer. My premise was that, if they were dead, they probably weren't the killer. Some Book Club members, especially the avid mystery readers, were not particularly overwhelmed by my logical breakthrough.

Bob Nilsson also enjoyed the mystery, but his deductive powers failed to identify the killer. In fact most of us were equally befuddled. But the book, in addition to identifying the mystery killer, provides a surprise ending to the story just as you think you are finished. Bob thought he was finished sooner than the rest of us and was surprised to find out there was a second surprise ending. That made him the winner of a surprise trifecta: a surprise killer; a surprise twist; and a surprise discovery of the second surprise. For Bob, it was the book that just kept giving!

The Book Club found the book to be a page turner and enjoyed it very much. And, luckily, my wife was not on the list. I found her safe and sound when I got home from Book Club. Len Saltiel spent much of September amongst wild animals in Africa, but he returned safely with many great animal pictures but none of the murderer. Nor was there any photographic evidence of the SV time capsule on that continent.

Once the murderer was identified, the Book Club breathed a sigh of relief and voted the book an excellent score of 7.82. We characterized our experience in reading *Nine Lives* as: Surprise, Surprise, Surprise!

We hold our meetings on **the third Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.** in the Clubhouse. We have started to hold hybrid meetings, so contact me if you would like to attend virtually. My email is sikes.withers@yahoo.com

Our current list of books and associated review dates are:

October 18—*Prisoners of Geography* by Tim Marshall

November 15—*Something Unbelievable* by Maria Kuznetsova

December 20—*Old Woman with the Knife* by Gu Byeong Mo

NOVEMBER LUNCH BUNCH RETURNS TO HUNTER'S TAVERN AT THE TIDEWATER INN

BEA TROTTA & MARGE STRANO

The Lunch Bunch will once again meet at Hunter's Tavern located at 101 East Dover Street, Easton, Maryland, on Thursday, November 3, at 12:30 p.m. Hunter's Tavern, a restaurant known for its delicious American Cuisine, is in the beautiful Tidewater Inn Hotel situated in the historic area of Easton. We will once again enjoy an interesting and appetizing lunch in a very cozy restaurant in the heart of Easton. The restaurant has changed its menu; please go to the [Tidewater Inn Website](#) to look at the menu.

Unfortunately, we are limited to 30 people for lunch because of issues with restaurant staff shortages. Please sign up early to avoid disappointment. The sign-up sheet is in the Club Activities Book at the Clubhouse. You can also sign up online



by using the [Lunch Bunch Sign-up Link](#). If you sign up online, please do not add your name in the Activities Book. Only sign up in one place. Please call Bea Trotta at 410-758-0332 or 610-217-4754 or Marge Strano at 410-758-2511 or 609-221-6378 if you have a question or need a ride.







COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

JOHN OLSON – CERT COORDINATOR

Clubhouse Safety Equipment



In a crisis do you know where the emergency equipment is in the Clubhouse? Back in January 2019, I published a list of emergency equipment located in the Clubhouse, but several items have been added since then. The next time you are in the Clubhouse, familiarize yourself with what is available and where it is. Here is a list for your reference:

<p>AEDs (2) An AED, or automated external defibrillator, is used to help those experiencing sudden cardiac arrest. There are two AEDs in the Clubhouse located:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the Gym next to the telephone • In the Card Room next to the outside door 		<p>Backboard A backboard is a stiff board on which an injured person is placed and immobilized to prevent further injury during transport. A backboard is in the Indoor Pool area in the alcove with the telephone.</p>	
<p>Bleeding Control Uncontrolled bleeding is the number one cause of preventable death from trauma. There is a Stop the Bleed kit located in the Gym on the counter next to the first aid kit</p>		<p>Fire Extinguishers (5)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gym • Card Room • Kitchen • Concert Hall • Storage Area 	
<p>First Aid Kits (2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the Gym on the counter • In the Indoor Pool area in the alcove with the telephone 		<p>Telephones (4)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gym next to the AED • Indoor Pool area in the alcove • Manager’s office • Card Room 	

FOR YOUR HEALTH

The Queen Anne’s County Health Department will be at Symphony Village to do **blood pressure checks** every second Wednesday of the month beginning November 9, 2022.

This will take place in the Clubhouse Craft Room.



NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

PURPLE MARTIN HOUSE

Laura Bittinger

On a lovely September Sunday morning, a new Purple Martin house was raised on the common land near the gazebo. It replaced an aged, deteriorated house installed and cared for by beloved Jack Hennessy for many years. Most recently, Dan Battista has tended it for 8 years. Pictured are Ed Ritchey, Pete Zerhusen, and Dan Battista. SV's own, Nick Oliver, helped Pete with the ground work prep before installation.

The house welcomes multiple Purple Martins each spring, who settle in and raise their young in the Village. Their return is a harbinger of spring and many of us look forward to their raucous return!

The new house will accommodate 12 families. Its pulley system will allow it to be raised and lowered easily, enabling Pete to monitor it throughout the season. The entrances are closed by plugs until the "scouts" arrive in early April. This will keep sparrows and starlings from becoming unwanted squatters before the Purple Martins arrive.

The house was made possible by the generous donations of talent and financial support by Kathie and Buddie Harrison, Sarah Bevington, Robin and Emory Anderson, Dan and Peggy Battista, Pete and Cele Zerhusen, Laura Bittinger and Ed Ritchey, Julia and Lewis Detch, Craig and Betty Lord, Mary and Bob Ciesielski, Debi Wells, and Carol Lorditch.



CENTREVILLE HAPPENINGS

CENTREVILLE AREA HAPPENINGS PLUS

Charlotte Godfrey



Fabulous exhibits displayed at the Harvest Highlights Flower Show!



Easton Air Show October 8

So much to enjoy! Scroll through the listings for your next adventure!

Tilghman Day: Saturday, October 15, demonstrations of oyster shucking, crab picking, and a look at the life of a waterman including a boat docking contest.

Centreville Day: a free family festival featuring pumpkin bowling games and vendors, plus the Centreville Idol/Talent Contest and the Cookie Contest! Saturday, October 22, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Lawyers Row and Broadway. Rain date is October 23.

Centreville Farmers' Market: Sundays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., rain or shine, Lawyer's Row, through November 6. Check website of luckyheartbakery.com to order bread and baked items for pick up.

Centreville Holiday Markets on Lawyers Row!

Dress up and go **"Tent or Treating"** Sunday, October 30, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"Fall Harvest Fest" Sunday, November 13, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

"Heck with the Malls" Saturday, December 3, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Chestertown Farmers' and Artisans' Market: Saturdays year-round, 8 a.m. to noon, Fountain Park, High Street.

Kent Island Farmer's Market: Thursdays year-round, 3 to 6 p.m. at Cult Classic Brewery, 1169 Shopping Center Rd, Stevensville. (Wonderful freshly baked bread!)

Cambridge Farmers Market: Thursdays from 3 to 6 p.m. through November, 100 High Street at Long Wharf.

St. Michaels Farmers' Market: Saturday mornings 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. through November, 204 South Talbot Street. stmichaelsfarmersmarket.org

Market at Linchester Mill: Saturday, October 28, from 5 to 8 p.m. Linchester Rd. in Preston.

Easton's Farmers' Market: Saturdays, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., through December 17, Public Parking Lot. marie@avalonfoundation.

Alzheimer's, Dementia, and Latest Research: Learn ways to possibly reduce cognitive decline Tuesday, October 18, at the Talbot County Free Library, 6 to 7:30 p.m. (800-272-3900).

Chesapeake Forum 30 Fall Courses: topics include Internet Safety for Seniors, Touring the Library of Congress, and more: chesapeakeforum.org.

Queen Anne's County Centre for the Arts: Celebrate their 45th Anniversary with a benefit to support the Queen Anne's County arts in our community. Gnarly Bodacious Outrageous Stellar Seriously Wicked and Most Excellent 80s-90s Rock to the vibes of Mike Hines and The Look at the Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department on Saturday, October 22, from 6 to 10 p.m. Tickets sales / queenannescountyarts.com, 410 758-2520. Hors d'oeuvres, photo ops, Bourbon, oyster and Cigar Bars, cocktails, raffle tickets, silent auction.

Wende Woodham Exhibition: at the Queen Anne's County for the Arts located at 206 S. Commerce Street, Saturday, October 29, through Wednesday, December 2.

Church Hill Theatre: "The Outgoing Tide" by Bruce Graham will play from Friday, November 4 to November 20. Call for tickets 410 556-6003 or Churchhilltheatre.org.

United States Sailboat Show at City Dock, Annapolis, through Monday, October 17.

Waterfowl Festival: Friday, November 11, through Sunday, November 13, featuring wildlife and nature art show, craft brews, wines, and delicacies of the Chesapeake, Easton. Tickets available at WaterfowlFestival.org.

Gibson Center for the Arts: Fall Musical "A Grand Night for Singing," Friday, November 4, at 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., check it out at: [events in Chestertown md](http://events.inChestertown.md).

The Avalon Theatre in Easton: For musical events, see pp. 72 and 73 in the October *Attraction* including Judy Collins Concert Saturday, October 22, 8 p.m., avalonfoundation.org.

Gallery Artists Studios Tour: Visit over 40 artists in their studios (Kent and Queen Anne's Counties) on this self-guided tour on Saturday and Sunday, October 22 to 23, and October 29 to 30, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. a few galleries are not open on specific days. Check out the schedule and map on: <http://www.chestertownriverarts.org> (p. 17 in *Attraction*).

The *Attraction* — Pick up a copy of the October, 2022, *Attraction* in the Clubhouse for wonderful descriptions of numerous activities happening this month and early November. I have added magazine page numbers for your further review of the events.

- **Easton Fall Craft Fair:** Saturday, October 15, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Trinity Cathedral (p. 41)
- **Plan ahead for Christmas:** St. Michaels Celebrates Joy with activities starting Friday, December 10 through Sunday, December 12. See article p. 31.
- **“Duchamp Won’t Die,”** Tawes Theatre, Washington College, Thursday, October 20 to 22 at 7:30 p.m. (p. 14)
- **Organ Series:** Friday, October 21 at Emmanuel Church in Chestertown at 7:30 p.m. (p. 14)
- **Halloween Parade:** Saturday, October 29 at 1 p.m., Dixon Drive, Chestertown (p. 14)
- **Sultana Downrigging Festival:** best blue grass bands and tall ships, sailing tours of the Chester River, Friday through Sunday, October 28 to 30. (p. 15)
- **Events at the Foundry in Denton** including creative writing, beginning water color classes. (p. 19)
- **Meet the Authors:** Pulitzer Prize Winner Kathryn Schultz and best-selling Casey Cep, Wednesday, October 26, at 7 p.m. at the North Carolina High School Auditorium. (p. 21)
- **Underground Railroad Bike Event:** Saturday, October 15, at 8 a.m. at South Dorchester High School, 26 or 46 miles. (p. 23)
- **Fun Dog Show:** Saturday, October 22, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Baywater Animal Shelter (p. 23)
- **Oyster Fest at the Maritime Museum in St. Michaels:** Saturday, October 29, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (p. 34)
- **Winterthur Bus Tour:** Tuesday, November 1, to view a special exhibit “Jacqueline Kennedy and Henry Francis Du Pont.” (p. 35)
- **Calidore String Quartet:** Saturday, October 22, at the Ebenezer Theatre at 7:30 p.m. (p. 38)
- **Academy Art Museum Craft Show:** Saturday, October 22, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, October 23, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. (p. 39)
- **History Speaker Series:** features Joseph Koper on Friday, October 28, at 1 p.m. (p. 45)
- **Fall Fun Festival:** Saturday, October 22, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. visit pumpkin fields (p. 47)
- **Art Sale:** to benefit food pantry at the Maria M. Mitchell Social Hall at Saints Peter and Paul Parish in Easton on Friday, October 21 through Sunday, October 23. (p. 57)
- **Guided Birding Tour:** Sundays, October 16 and 30, Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center, Cambridge at 8 a.m., (p. 23)

American Legion Jeff Davis Post 18:

- **Friday night dinners, 5 to 7 p.m.**
- **A Haunting Halloween Costume Party, Saturday, October 29, 7 to 11 p.m.**
- **Cruise night** (Car, Truck, and Bike) the third Wednesday of the month from 5 to 8 p.m.

Queen Annes’s County Library: www.qaclibrary.org

- **“What’s It Worth?”** Mike Ivankovick will introduce you to what determines value. Each attendee can have two items for Mike to appraise virtually. Registration Required. Saturday, November 12, at 10 a.m. Online/Zoom.
- **Recycled Paper Flower Craft:** Create paper flowers using recycled book pages. Registration required. Thursday, October 20, at 10:30 a.m., Centreville Branch.
- **Veterans Book Club:** Wednesday, November 16, at 6:30 p.m., Centreville.
- **Crime & a Cuppa:** Hour of mystery, humor, and thrills discussing new and old crime novels, Saturday, October 22, at 10 a.m. at Centreville branch.
- **Take online classes.**

The Adkins Arboretum: (410-634-2847), adkinsarboretum.org

- **Fall Color Soup ‘n Walk** Saturday, October 15, at 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

- **Beer Garden and Dell Foxx Company Concert**, Saturday, October 22, at 2 p.m.
- **Plein Air Adkins:** artists will paint out of doors in the morning and sell works in the afternoon Saturday, November 5, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- **First Saturday Walks:** Explore the Arboretum's rich and unique native plant habitats at 10 a.m. on Saturdays, November 5, and December 3.
- **Nature Journaling:** Autumn Leaves and Berries, Sunday, November 6, from 1 to 3 p.m.

If you know of any events you'd like to share, please email them to me at godfreycb@me.com.

RECIPES EVERYONE WANTS

TEXAS SHEET CAKE

Set Oven 375°

Bring to boil: 2 sticks oleo or butter, 1 cup water, 4 tbsp. cocoa,

Pour into bowl and add: 2 cups sugar, 2 cups flour, 1 tsp. baking soda, 2 eggs, ½ cup sour cream or plain yogurt, mix.

Pour into Pan

Bake 30–40 min., 15 ½ x 10 ½ pan.

Frosting: bring to boil, ½ stick oleo, 3 tbsp. milk, 2 tbsp. cocoa; add: ½ lb. confectioners' sugar, ½ tsp. vanilla, spread on warm cake.



Nuts optional, cake freezes well.

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