

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 NEW HOMEOWNERS!!



The following residents settled and/or moved into their new homes since our last publication:

Robert F and Betty Caulk
251 Opera Court
410-758-3873
rfcmes@atlanticbb.net

Mary Parker Breshears
313 Overture Way
443-262-9588

Jack & Robin Laird
239 Opera Ct.
410-758-1567
lairdr@qacps.k12.md.us

Doris Pullman
303 Opera Court
410-758-1578

Jim & Anita Dell
247 Opera Court
410-758-6715
anitadell@atlanticbb.net

K. & M. Abremski
243 Opera Court

Patrick & Ruth Murphy
138 Encore Court

Welcome to each and everyone!

NB: Some of our new residents were not available to complete the application for the Directory but the information will be updated as soon as possible and will be available on the Web site

We would like to "Welcome" the college and age-permitted members to our community for the summer. Please greet them when you see them in the gym or pool. If you are a summer resident and you haven't registered with Jan, please do so. Jan needs to see your change of address card with your new address printed.

Welcome Evening for New Residents



You are invited to a Welcome Evening on Wednesday, July 26th at 7:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse Grand Concert Room. This is an informal get-to-gether to meet other new neighbors, have dessert and learn more about your new community. Please sign up in the Activities Book in the Clubhouse or call Ann Walsh, 443-262-9449 so we can plan appropriately.

FROM YOUR COMMUNITY MANAGER – Legum & Norman, Inc.
By Tara Laing

Dear Homeowners,

As you know, I have recently become the new manager for Symphony Village at Centreville. I would like to take this opportunity to say that I am enjoying my experience at Symphony Village and I can't wait to meet everyone!

Recently, I sent you a letter in regards to the payment coupons. In the letter, I requested that you mail your July 1st payment to our Ocean City office. This was sent to you because I was unsure of when you would receive your coupon books for the remainder of the year (July- December). I found out from several homeowners that you did receive the coupons in time. I apologize for any confusion.

Effective immediately, please resume sending your monthly payment and coupon to the North Carolina address printed on the coupon.

We have also received a few calls and letters regarding our mailing addresses. Please find below the appropriate mailing addresses for various forms and correspondence:

Payment by Coupon:

P.O. Box 580339 Charlotte, NC 28258-0399

Direct Debit form with Cancelled check:

4401 Ford Avenue Suite 1200 Alexandria, VA 22302

Correspondence pertaining to HOA matters:

7904 Coastal Hwy Suite 2 Ocean City, MD 21842

I hope this information is useful to you. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me toll free at 1-866-897-5577 ext. 20 or via e-mail at tlaing@inresorts.com. Thank you!

FROM SYMPHONY VILLAGE AT CENTREVILLE HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION
Awnings Guidelines

The following Awning Guidelines apply:



Awnings can be installed over patios only. The maximum width of any proposed awning is not to exceed the width of the house. Only solid colors are permitted. Smart drops, sun drops or shades are not permitted. Wind sensors are highly recommended.

The following contractors, awning systems, and colors are approved at this time.

1. Awnings by George 410-820-4477

Approved colors are: 4616, 4633, 4651, and 4630. Only the Eclipse system is approved with a white frame.

2. Champion Improvements 410-643-4886

Approved colors are: 328325, 328030, 334672, and 323021

The Sunset system is approved with a white frame. The Sunset system must include a coupling so that there is only one awning for the wider patios.

3. Other products or contractors approved "as equal" by the Board of Directors.

Applications for approval must include (at a minimum):

- Plat plan for lot indicating location of proposed improvement.
- Contractor information.
- Materials description including model and/or color numbers.
- Complete product literature.
- Drawings in plan view and elevation with dimensions.

All requests for awnings must be submitted to and approved by the Symphony Village Homeowners Association Covenants Committee C/O Legume & Norman, Inc. 7904 Coastal Hwy Suite 2 Ocean City, MD 21842.

FROM JAN'S DESK

Pool Hours: Outdoor: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.



- Children: 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Monday through Saturday)
- Children are allowed all day on Sunday
- Indoor & Spa: 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. (No children allowed)

Reminder:

In the event of a thunder and lighting storm, please leave the pool area, including the indoor pool and spa. (This is a "Code" issue as well as a safe practice.)

Reminder:

The Clubhouse and surrounding areas are "Smoke Free." The only smoking area is in front of the door near the Card Room. (Thanks for your assistance in this matter.)

Movie Night Returns: Beginning Friday, August 4th movie night returns, showing Failure to Launch Show begins at 7:30 p.m. (Bring your snack)



Next Movie: September 29th (as of this printing no movie has been selected.)

If you have suggestions for movies please put them in the Suggestion Box on the counter in the Clubhouse

Would you like to be a Movie Host? (Instructions are in the Activities Book or ask Jan.)

I am very happy to announce that we will be partnering with the 55 and older community



“Chesapeake Del Webb” in Easton. They have extended the invitation to join them for a bus trip to an Orioles vs. Tampa Bay game. Tickets have been reserved for Saturday, August 26th at 4:35 p.m. with a special event – a Hall of Fame Ceremony. We need a minimum of 37 people (between the two communities) to justify renting a coach. The seats are located in Section #356 – Upper Box along the third base side and the sun will be setting behind us. The cost per person is \$35.00, which includes

transportation and admission. (The tip to the driver is not included.) Please sign up in the Activities Book.

See you around the Clubhouse!

PAST SOCIAL EVENTS

Cheeseburgers in Paradise

It almost seemed like we really were somewhere in the tropics between the Port of Indecision and Southwest of Disorder, a.k.a. Margaritaville, for the evening, when we celebrated a “Cheeseburger in Paradise” party on Saturday, June 24. As always, our great cooks prepared many wonderful side dishes, and the grill crew kept the cheeseburgers and hot dogs coming. Frozen margaritas and strawberry daiquiris made us feel like we were truly in the islands. Jimmy Buffett and the Coral Reefer Band played in the background while at least 100 Villagers enjoyed the food and company. According to the Coconut Telegraph, a wonderful time was had by all. A huge vote of thanks goes out to Rich Ryan and his hard-working committee for all their efforts.

July Fourth Picnic



Approximately 100 residents, family, and friends enjoyed the Fourth of July picnic. The pool was lovely and comfortable – about 85 degrees-and the food was delicious, as usual! Our grillers made wonderful hamburgers and hot dogs. All the trimmings were supplied by generous contributors who also provided a wide variety of side dishes, including deviled eggs, potato salad, cole slaw, baked beans, tossed salads and pasta salads. The menu was topped off with delicious desserts of every kind. There were cakes, pies, cookies, fresh fruit, and other delectables to satisfy every appetite, and there was evidence of some pretty hearty appetites!

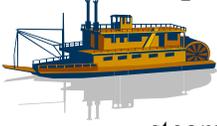
Some attendees preferred the coolness of the clubhouse, while others enjoyed the open air. The pavilion near the grill also proved to be a great place to enjoy picnicking. There always seems to be a nice breeze blowing at the pavilion. Everyone appreciated the quality picnic tables provided by Caruso. First class!

Thanks to everyone who contributed to the success of the party, including setting up, cooking, contribution food, and cleaning up.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

LIFE STYLES COMMITTEE: by Linda Farrar

Choptank River Cruise and Crab Feast



On Thursday August 17th we will be venturing to the Suicide Bridge Restaurant in Hurlock, MD. There we will board a simulated paddle boat for a three hour ride on the Choptank River. While on the cruise we will partake of a crab feast, including steamed crabs, crab soup, fried chicken, fried clams, cole slaw, corn on the cob, dessert, beer, and non-alcoholic beverages. Note that beer is now included in the price. The price for this trip, including boat ride, feast, tax, and gratuities is \$45 per person. If we have enough people we will charter a bus and share the cost of the bus among the riders. You will be contacted to see if you wish to ride the bus as it looks like we have enough people to rent one. This should be a great day for all. Details on departure time will appear later, but we will be leaving around 11:00 AM. Please sign up in the Activity Book in the clubhouse by **August 1st**. If you have questions, call Joyce Edmonston at 410-758-4908.

Family Fun Day - *** Date Change *** - New Date – Saturday August 19th

Plans are in full gear for our Old Fashioned Family Fun Day. Activities will include a picnic, games for adults and children, crafts, moon bounce, and a special appearance by our own “Glitzy The Clown.” Jim and Sharon Roe, 410-758-6540, will be coordinating this event. We need many volunteers so please sign up in the clubhouse to help!!! Sign up sheets are in the Activity Book. Let’s make this a fantastic time for our whole SV family!



Happy Hour

Don’t forget our summer Happy Hours will be July 14, July 29, August 11, and August 26. Please sign up to be a host. Happy Hours are a great way to meet your new neighbors!!!

Bowling

Bowling is back on the calendar. In August bowling trips are planned for August 8th and August 22nd. The group leaves the clubhouse at 12 noon and goes to Chestertown Bowling Lanes. For only \$5 per person you get a pizza lunch, shoes, 1 game of bowling, exercise, and lots of laughs. Sign up at the clubhouse.



Labor Day

Labor Day plans are just being finalized. Look for details in the August Libretto and in the activities book.

Water Aerobics Are Fun for All



Water aerobics is offered every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 9:30 a.m. Come join us. It is easy and a great way to exercise, and very low impact. It is a good way to exercise and stretch and have fun while doing it. We do it either in the indoor pool or outdoor pool (weather permitting). It is a great way to meet new neighbors and be good to your body at the same time.

COME ENERGIZE AND SOCIALIZE! YOU WILL BE GLAD YOU DID! THERE IS PLENTY OF ROOM FOR ALL!

Symphony Village Garden Club

A brief organizational meeting was held to start a garden club plant flowers around the gazebo. The following persons have already expressed interest:

George Drake	Pat Kindle
Jack Hennessey	Judy Scully
Joan Hennessey	Carol Stephens
Carol Johnson	Jack Walsh
Helena Joy	



We are awaiting guidelines through Caruso, but we wanted to do something before it gets too late. We were advised, through Jan, that we could plant some wildflower seeds.

We did, using the seeds that were passed out at Ron Lewis's funeral service.

So far, we have a sketch of the area around the gazebo. The area is divided into four sections, and then sub-divided into flower beds. All residents are invited to participate in future meetings. . Please come, and bring your ideas.

Incidentally, a vegetable garden was established outside Caruso property near the construction office. It is late, but all are invited to participate. I suspect that we will have enough tomatoes to feed the village! For info, contact Jack Hennessey at 410-758-4872. Next year, we will start early!

OUTREACH PROGRAM UPDATE by Dorothy Hamm

KUDOS to the master chef, Jim Roe, who single handedly prepared the fabulous pepper and onions side dish and delicious baked beans for our Thank You Party – the day following the Luncheon and House Tour. He also, with his side-kick, Keith Tennier, barbequed the various sausages and marinated them in his secret recipe. Everyone joined in the preparation and clean up of our hastily put together sausage supper. A surprise 50th Wedding Anniversary Cake for Janet and George Hughes was served for dessert. A good time was had by all and the party ended with Jeanne Novack's announcement that the House Tour was a grand success!



By Bob Butler

The House Tour created a great deal of fun, team work and camaraderie. It was also a great financial success. The following is an accounting of the facts and figures. Raffle Tickets grossed \$1,355; expenses were only \$300 for the cash prize to the lucky Craig Lord. The net of \$1,055 was paid out within 30 days as specified by QAC rules to the following organizations: Hospice \$655, Neighbor to Neighbor \$200, Goodwill Fire Dept. \$100, Adult Day Care Foundation \$100. These amounts were approved by committee vote. The House Tour Tickets, advertising, sale of food and plants totaled \$6,856. Expenses, including luncheon expenses, printing of brochures, decorations, two kitchen carts (donated to Clubhouse), postage and Thank You Party totaled \$1,568.98. The net profit for the event was \$5,287.



An additional amount of \$345 for Hospice was approved by committee vote making the donation to Hospice a total of \$1,000. The SVBCC provided the SV Outreach Program \$200 as start-up cash. The committee voted to return the funds to the SVBCC. The QAC raffle rules required that SV Outreach Program have a non profit sponsor, because it had not been in operation for three years. The Jeff Davis American Legion Post through Keith Tennier, provided sponsorship. In return, the committee voted to contribute \$300 to their organization. After payment of fees and expenses, the net cash as of June 30th was \$4521.05.

The Committee voted to set up a reserve account of \$2,000 to be invested in a CD. The goal is to add at least \$1000 from each annual fund raiser until the reserve is \$5000. The balance of the funds will cover all Neighbor to Neighbor expenses and any activities or donations that the SV Outreach Program approves. If you have any questions or suggestions, please call Dorothy Hamm 410-758-3803 or Bob Butler 410-758-8187.

Pictured below is the giving of the donation from the SV Outreach committee members to the Hospice of Queen Anne's County.



Left to Right: Joyce Edmonston, Volunteer Co-Coordinator, Valerie Heisler, Program Coordinator, William Campbell III, Chairman of the Board, Hospice of Queen Anne's County, Jeanne Novack, Fund Raising Chairman, Beth Dewhirst, Volunteer Co-Coordinator

Volunteers in Action by Sue Hoffmann



Working with Hospice and Estate Treasures in Queenstown has been a most rewarding experience. After moving to SV a year ago, I was looking for a way to help out in the community. It turned out to be a nice way to get acquainted with some wonderful people as well. Estate Treasures is a resale shop open to the public and staffed with volunteers. There are two shifts a day, six days a week. Volunteers can work weekly or alternate weeks. Sometimes we work in the back sorting and tagging clothes, house wares, etc. At other times, we circulate in the shop and arrange displays and interact with the customers. The proceeds go to Hospice programs and the new center to be built right here in Centreville. Should you wish to make a donation to Hospice, items can be dropped off during store hours.

Anyone interested in volunteering at the shop, or just getting information can call Wendy Morrow at 410-643-3616 or give me a call at 410-758-3577. I'll be glad to help out where possible. Just think what just a few hours can mean to this wonderful organization.

Update on Request for DVDs



The collection of DVDs for the troops in Iraq is proceeding well. Please continue to drop off DVDs no longer needed (and music CDs as well) to either Charlie Scheck at 165 Symphony Way or to Paul Sheehan at 146 Harmony Way. Charlie is leaving his front storm door unlocked so the items can be placed inside the door at any time.

Two shipments of 15 or so items each have been made and another batch is already started. A big thank you to residents who already have made a donation. If we get only one item per household, Symphony Village will contribute close to 200 items which may contribute to some rest and relaxation for our troops. They must get very weary in the summer heat in Iraq and might find watching a DVD movie or listening to a music CD – just the ticket prior to the next mission.

Update on Telephone Cards for Troops:

May 7, 2006

Mrs. Dorothy Hamm
Outreach Committee/Symphony Village c/o 231 Concerto Way
Centreville, M D 21617

Dear Mrs. Hamm:

Last December we prepared 138 Christmas stockings and shipped them to Tikrit, Iraq, for my son's company, A 2-5, Field Artillery. In April, we completed 138 spring bags, which were given out, on Easter Sunday. To say that the troops were thankful and surprised is an understatement.

Your organization has added to this project by donating \$275., which was used for phone cards, for these deployed soldiers. I am happy to report that using the best phone service available to the men, a rate of \$.04/minute has been obtained, for the soldiers to call back to the states. These phone cards have been mailed to Tikrit, Iraq, where I am sure they will be distributed accordingly.

Paul Sheehan, a close friend to our family, was instrumental in securing this donation from your organization and we're particularly thankful to him.

On behalf of my son, Captain Aaron J. Sadusky, and his men, I thank you for your generous donation to the cause.

Thank you.

Dorotheann S. Sadusky

Important information for all residents:



Because of a recent incident where the Fire Department was delayed getting to a resident's home because they could not find Sonata Way, it was brought to the attention of the appropriate individual at Caruso. As of June 30th the Land Development person at Symphony Village, Jon Bullock, has taken a new/revised community map to the fire department. Further problems should be avoided.

Our Feature Article of the Month

EXCEPTIONAL CARE EVERY DAY

Submitted by Kathy Gauthier

Often when Maryland mid-shore residents are asked about health care, they say they usually go to the western shore for medical services. They have no idea that Shore Health System (SHS) offers the same services right in their own back yard. SHS consists of The Memorial Hospital at Easton and Dorchester General Hospital in Cambridge, as well as outpatient sites all over the surrounding area. As one might expect, the emergency rooms work non stop for crisis situations like accidents, heart attacks, and other critical needs.



What people may not expect is the wide range of services that Shore Health System provides. The Shore Regional Cancer Center provides world-class care close to home with the most updated technology, social services, and emotional support from experts skilled in this sensitive area of health care. The Requard Radiation Oncology Center offers the latest technology in radiation therapy. Image Guided Radiation Therapy and Stereotactic radiosurgery are examples of the sophisticated treatments available. For chemotherapy, patients can rely on a team who uses the latest developments in drug therapy. Shore Regional Breast Center provides expert care and resources needed to make life-saving decisions. The National Center Institute sponsors clinical trials which give patients the opportunity to benefit from new drugs or interventions before they become available for common use. Support services include counseling, access to cosmetic supplies such as wigs, nutrition counseling, pain management, palliative care, and alternative therapies such as massage and acupuncture.

The community hospital is typically the first place people turn when they have a heart attack. From the Emergency Room, where diagnosis and treatment begin, to cardiac rehabilitation center, SHC offers therapies and services that save lives and restore quality of life. The Cardiac Services Steering Committee recommends the best course of treatment and fine tunes treatment options to ensure improved patient outcomes. Included in the cardiac services provided are The Cardiac and Pulmonary Rehabilitation Programs, specifically designed for the individual patient.



Diagnostic Imaging gives physicians an inside view of bones, muscles, organs, and blood flow. Diagnostic centers at both Memorial Hospital at Easton and Dorchester General, as well as imaging centers in Centreville, Denton, and Easton provide services such as x-rays, ultrasound, fluoroscopy, CT scans, MRI, and Pet scans, bone density scans, and computer aided diagnosis for screening mammograms. Surgical Services combine state-of-the-art technology with surgical expertise to ensure patient access to the newest operating room developments. In orthopedics, SHS has been rated in the top 10% in the nation, with a 5-star rating for joint replacement. Additional specialty services include ENT, neurosurgery, urology, gynecology, gastroenterology, cataract surgery and the Sleep Disorder Center. The Wound Healing Center is equipped with hyperbaric oxygen chambers that enhance the healing process.

SHS professionals believe that practicing good health care also involves interaction with patients and colleagues in the community, and supports these initiatives with \$6 million of cash and donations along with thousands of staff hours every year. SHS has recently affiliated with the University of Maryland Medical System, which will be highly beneficial to both systems, as well as to patients. Shore Health System is truly committed to its mission of Exceptional Care Every Day.

**Thursday, July 20, 2006
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

AGENDA

- I. Call to order.**
- II. Reading/Approval of Minutes.**
- III. Old Business:**
 - **Introduction of new Board member.**
 - **Newly elected officers of the Board.**
 - **Awnings.**
 - **Irrigation system.**
- IV. New Business:**
 - **Symphony Village committee structure.**
 - **Facilities survey.**
 - **Committee reports.**
 - **Nominating committee for fall elections.**
- V. Open Forum:**
 - **Issues (not concerning individual properties) to be submitted in writing prior to the Call to Order. In accordance with Community Guidelines, any issues not addressed prior to the 8:30 adjournment will be carried over as the first Open Forum issues to be discussed at the next Community meeting.**
- VI. Adjournment**