



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.

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157 Symphony Way



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615 Harmony Way

COMMITTEE REPORTS

LIFESTYLE – Chris Pariseau and Donna Donaldson, Co-chairs

- **Garage Sale** – Saturday, April 20, 8 a.m. to noon. Sign up in the Activities Book.
- **Happy Hour** – Saturday, April 20, 6 p.m.—Bring an appetizer or dessert.
- **Ladies' Happy Hour** – Thursday, April 25, 5:30 p.m.—Bring \$5 for dinner and a drink. Sign up in the Activities Book.
- **HOA Meeting** – Friday, April 26, 10 a.m. – Grand Ballroom
- **Lunch Bunch** – Thursday, May 2, 12:30 p.m. – Stoney River in Annapolis Mall. Call Bea Trotta or Marge Strano if you need transportation.
- **Happy Hour** – Friday, May 3, 6 p.m. – Bring an appetizer or dessert.
- **Lifestyle Committee Meeting** – Tuesday, May 7, 7 p.m. – **All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend.**
- **Happy Hour** – Saturday, May 18, 6 p.m. – Bring an appetizer or dessert.
- **Memorial Picnic** – Sunday, May 26, noon - \$16 for adults, \$8 for children 6 – 12, free for children under 6. Sign up in the Activities Book. Pay at the time of sign up. For more information see the [Daily Bulletin](#).
- **Trip to Kennedy Center** – Saturday, June 15, 1:30 p.m. – *Anything Goes* – Sign up and pay no later than May 15. For more information see the [Daily Bulletin](#).

A QUOTEABLE QUOTE

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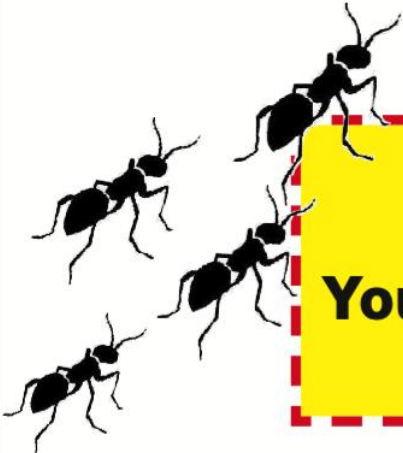
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OUTREACH – Carlene Cooke, Chair

2nd Annual Camp New Dawn Supply Drive



Outreach continues to collect items to be donated to Hospice of Queen Anne's for use at their summer Camp New Dawn, a camp for children who are grieving the loss of a loved one. The collection box remains at the Clubhouse to receive donations. A complete list of items on Hospice's Wish List appears in the March *Libretto* and on lists in pockets on the donation box itself. To those of you who have already donated, a huge thank you! Outreach has 10 houses throughout SV lined up for the two-week drive in May (May 11-26) when you may deliver your donations to neighborhood houses, and those addresses will be listed in the May *Libretto*. Items will be delivered to Hospice right after Memorial Day. Again, Outreach cannot thank SV residents enough for all the support you give our organization so that we can then help other non-profit organizations in Queen Anne's County.

Bingo Jackpot Increases!!



No one won the new Bingo jackpot game in April, so on Friday, May 12, the jackpot will be worth \$75. If no one wins the Jackpot then, the jackpot will be \$100 in September. Bring your neighbors and come on out to play. It might be your lucky night! Cards for the special jackpot game are \$1 each. And remember, we now have snacks and cold drinks for sale....\$.50 for snacks and \$1 for a soda. Bingo will take a hiatus after the May bingo for the summer and return in September.

We always welcome new members. For information, please contact the current President, Carlene Cooke, 443-262-8146 or carlene.cooke@gmail.com.

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PUBLICATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS – Carol Hodges, Chair

New Residents

If you see anyone new moving in, please contact our Welcoming Committee Chairman, Mary Drake, 410-758-8266, or Joan Hennessey, 410-758-4872. Also, if you sell or rent your house, please give Dennis or Nancy information regarding the new residents, and encourage the new residents to contact Dennis to get information regarding the Clubhouse, etc.

Directory Entries

You can now add 3 letters after a telephone number in the listing to indicate who this number belongs to—i.e. 443-735-0112 CAR, meaning Carol's number. Email the Webmaster by click on "Contact" on the Website request any changes you wish to make. Also, please check to see if your entry is correct.

Village Update

The SV Website has added a Village Update web page. This is a slide show of upcoming SV events. Check it out. John Schultz is being creative again.

Committees, Clubs, and Activities

The list of Committees, Clubs, and Activities has been updated on the Directories page of the Website. The contact information plus a description of the activities can be found. Please check it out. Thanks George Drake and Carol Hodges.

All Are Welcome

Everyone is welcome to attend the P & C meeting at the Clubhouse in the Grand Ballroom on Monday, May 6, at 2 p.m.

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SNEAKERS – Bea Trotta

Pastries For Parents Book Give-Aways At Kennard Elementary School

Mark your calendars. Sneakers will be participating in a book give-away at “Pastries for Parents” at Kennard Elementary School on Thursday, May 2, and Friday, May 3. Volunteers are needed to help set up early each morning for this enjoyable event. Look for a sign-up sheet in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse shortly.

Chess Club Match

Do you like to play chess? On Thursday, May 16, at 6 p.m., Sneakers will be hosting the Kennard Annual Chess Club match at the Symphony Village Clubhouse. Come and join the fun.

Sneakers Game/Card Party

The Sneakers Game/Card Party will be held on Thursday, June 6, at Prospect Bay. Further details will be available shortly. Look for the sign-up sheet in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse in May.

Annual Sneakers Silent Auction

Mark your calendars for the Sneakers 9th Annual Silent Auction, which will be held on Saturday, November 2. We are seeking donation of items for the auction. If you have unused/new items you would like to donate, please contact Helena Joy at 410-758-6532 or Linda Farrar at 410-758-8744. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Next Meeting

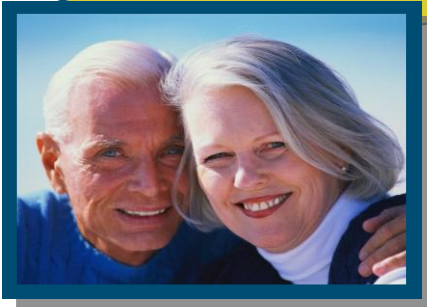
The next Sneakers meeting will be held at the Clubhouse on Wednesday, April 17, at 3 p.m. You are welcome to come; we are always seeking new members.

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CLUBS AND CLASSES

GAZEBO GARDEN



Helena Joy, Shirley Clark, Pat Kindle, Anita Dell, Steve Guy, Jim O'Connell, Duke Clark, Dan Battista, Carl Collins

On Saturday, April 6, the Gazebo Gang met at the Gazebo Garden and did a spring cleaning. Steve Guy's truck was filled to the gills with garden waste. The garden looks much better. If you would like to help with the garden, give Steve Guy a call.



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BIRD CLUB – Linda Blume



[Delmarva Birding Weekend](#) will take place **April 25-28** this year. This is a great event with a wide variety of activities to choose from. Periodically, I send out an email about SV Bird Club activities, birding events, online bird watching cams, etc. If you are not getting these emails and would like to, just let me know and I'll be happy to add your email address to the group.

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READING FOR FUN BOOK CLUB – Dortehea Turek

The Book Club met in the Clubhouse on Thursday, April 11. Local author Erika Robuk came to discuss her new book *Hemingway's Girl*. The novel is a story about Ernest Hemingway set in Key West in 1935. The narrator is Mariella, a young woman who works as a maid in Hemingway's household. The book is about Hemingway's life through his fictional relationship with this girl and her family. It is well written and an enjoyable historical read. We all enjoyed discussing the novel with the author. She also told us about her next book *Call Me Zelda*. This takes place in Baltimore and is about Zelda and F. Scott Fitzgerald. Much takes place as she is in and out of mental institutions. This will be available for sale the end of May. Our book club enjoyed talking with the author.

Our next book is *Gone Girl* by Gillian Flynn. We will meet on Thursday, May 16, at p.m. All residents are invited to attend. For more information call Jack Hennessey 410-758-4872. Note: Our new meeting date is the third Thursday of every month at p.m.



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TENNIS – Larry Miller



A spring meeting of SV tennis players was held April 3. The players are looking forward to the resurfacing of the tennis courts this spring. The schedule for tennis will remain the same as last year, 10 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. See you on the courts soon.

Trivia by Karin Anne Larsen

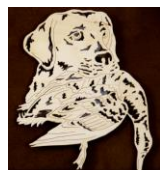
1. Which has the higher melting point - copper or iron?
2. For which sporting activity would you wear salopettes?
3. The branch of science known as odontology refers to which part of the human body?
4. What are Sevruga, Beluga, and Osetra?
5. In the game of Scrabble, there are two tiles that are worth eight points. "X" is one of them - what is the other?
6. Which queen popularized the white wedding gown?

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS



Bernie loved living in Symphony Village and by the number of people who honored him by attending his funeral Symphony Village loved having him here. The number of cards and calls has been overwhelming. There are not enough words in the English language to express how my family and I feel by your kindness and concern while Bernie was so ill and even now while we mourn his loss. I know that even if I live here until the end of time there will not be enough time to thank all of you. I will be forever grateful to each and every one of you. **Anita Morris**

5 Members Best Art Exhibit



The Queen Anne's County Arts Council's Centre for the Arts and the Queen Anne's County Department of Economic Development and Tourism will host "5 Members Best Art Exhibit," **April 6 – July 1**, at the Chesapeake Heritage and Visitor Center (425 Piney Narrows Road) in Chester. Artwork by photographers **George Drake**, Diane Blake, and Ed

Blake, wood scroll artist **Mary Drake**, and visual artist Glenn Shiring will be on display. The Center's winter hours are Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Pet Food Drive



The Queen Anne's County Library is holding a Pet Food Drive throughout the month of **April**. Food can be for a dog or a cat, wet or dry, and treats are always appreciated. All food collected will be distributed to QAC Animal Services, Animal Resource Foundation (ARF), and Chesapeake Cats and Dogs. Drop off food at the Centreville Library (121 South Commerce Street) during regular library hours. Please, no open or expired food. Library staff currently own 20 rescued dogs, 28 rescued cats, and 15 rescued rats, so this Pet Food Drive is near and dear to their hearts.

Centreville Farmers' Market Opens



The Centreville Farmers' Market will open for the season on **Wednesday, April 24**, and continue on **Wednesdays** and **Saturdays** through October 26 in the Town Square. Wednesday hours are 3-7 p.m., and Saturday hours are 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

This year's Farmers' Market has been greatly expanded by adding eight new vendors selling

- Eggs, pastured Angus whole steer ground beef, woodlot-raised whole hog sausage, and pastured rosy veal;
- Cheddar and Colby cheese;
- Artisan breads;
- Organic vegetables, including root vegetables, greens, and tomatoes;
- Plants native to the Eastern coastal plain grown with only organic pesticides and fungicides;
- Nature-inspired jewelry, locally blended bath and beauty products, and island-inspired home décor;
- Crafts; and
- Gluten-free bakery products.

Returning vendors will continue to offer:

- Tomatoes, corn, and other vegetables;
- Jams, produce, potpourri, spices, herbs, baked goods, plants, and miscellaneous craft items;
- Tomatoes, string beans, squash, turnips, sweet potatoes, and red potatoes;
- Baked goods, aprons, bibs, placemats, potholders, and other handmade items; and
- Strawberries.

Not all vendors will be present when the Market opens for the season (for example, you can't sell strawberries until you have strawberries), but it is hoped that all vendors will be on Courthouse Square to participate as soon as possible on Market days.



Class on Navigating Path of Short-Term and Long-Term Care

Do you ever wonder what you might do, should you or a loved one require more support than you can provide? Or are you caring for a spouse or parent with a chronic medical condition or dementia and would like to know what resources are available to you? If so, join Lauren May, Admissions Director, at **Corsica Hills Center** on Monday, May 6, at 1 p.m. to learn how to navigate the often confusing path of short-term, long-term, and dementia

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care. Lauren will share with you what to look for in a skilled nursing facility, as well as a tour of the center. Light refreshments to follow. Please RSVP to George and Mary Drake at georgeandmarydrake@yahoo.com or call 410-758-8266.

American Legion Jeff Davis Post 18 News

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

- **Friday Night Dinners**
Friday, April 19: Marine Corps League Prime Rib Dinner
Friday, April 26: Dinner To Be Announced
Friday, May 3: Pan Fried Chicken Dinner
- **3rd Annual Toys for Tots All-You-Can-Eat Bull and Oyster Roast**



When: Sunday, April 21, noon – 5 p.m.

Menu: Pit beef, fried oysters, oyster stew, oysters on the half shell, vegetables, mashed potatoes, gravy, draft beer, soft drinks, and door prizes

Plus: Plant and cake wheels, 50/50 drawing, and door prizes

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Saturday, May 4, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Sales Office. Bring your friends.

Classic Car Cruise

Get your engines roaring! Symphony Village is having a classic car cruise directly in front of the sales office. We will be having ice cream from the Highland Creamery available for everyone. The Cruise will be on June 2, 2 – 4 p.m. If you would like to participate, call Rachel Smith at the Sales Center at 410-758-8516. We look forward to seeing you there!

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Queen Anne's Chorale 25th Anniversary Concert Gala



The [Queen Anne's Chorale](#)'s concert gala entitled "From Stage to Screen" will take place on **Saturday, April 27**, 7 p.m., at the Todd Center for the Performing Arts at Chesapeake College. The program is inspired by stage and screen musical repertoire. A retrospective Power Point program, a reunion selection, and a lively combo will add to the festivities.

Tickets are \$15 for adults, and may be purchased at the door or from Villager Kathryn Marchi or any Chorale member or from Nancy at the Clubhouse.

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RESTAURANT REVIEW *by Karin Anne Larsen*

J.R.'s Lemon Leaf Café



A perfect restaurant awaits you in Chestertown that is meticulous about taste, service, and atmosphere. Whether you dine from the breakfast, lunch, or dinner menus, Lemon Leaf will warm and enchant you. My friend and I came for breakfast on a cold day to taste the *WC Hungry Oarsmen* consisting of two flannel cakes, two eggs, two pieces of bacon, one piece of sausage, and home fries that proved delicious. We also sampled the *Flannel Cake with Apricot Syrup* (similar, but not the same as a pancake, more like giant crepes), tasty, sweet, and so comforting.

Another visit, my daughter and I sat by the fireplace for lunch with some bowls of *Oyster Stew* and their "Famous" *Cream of Crab*. The latter soup was a "big award winner at the Maryland Seafood Festival Crab Soup Cook-Off-Contest." J.R.'s

lunch menu features the tasty *Malibu Salad* which is filled with plenty of dried cranberries and raisins, glazed walnuts, crumbled blue cheese, and sliced apples, which are mixed with a delightful raspberry

vinaigrette dressing. Signature Sandwiches such as *The Joe Dan Pastry Puff*, an all-breast-meat chicken salad, the *Sheldon Ross Pastry Puff*, homemade shrimp salad with plump shrimp, and the *Famous Lemon Leaf Crab Cake* await you at Lemon Leaf. These sandwiches are a fun option for foodies.



Returning for dinner proved to be a happy experience. Bruce and I ordered and shared two entrees. The *Roast Turkey* with homemade tender roasted turkey slices, mashed potatoes, cornbread stuffing, green beans, and cranberry sauce was delicious, moist, and flavorful. Our other dinner, the *Roast Beef* served with red skin mashed potatoes, green beans, gravy, and biscuits was also savory and delicious. Both choices reminded me of the old days at my Grandma’s house for dinner on Sundays.

J.R.’s Lemon Leaf Café serves delicious food and is comforting and simple. Save some room for the *Lemon Meringue Pie* and the *Southern Style Apple Crisp* for dessert because both are tantalizingly fruity and light. There is a bakeshop of special choices such as *Georgia Peach Cobbler*, *Grandma Mullen’s Rice Pudding*, *Coconut Cream Pie*, and *Signature Brownie Sundae* to name a few.

So Villagers, if you like freshly prepared dishes, friendly staff, and sitting in a lemony dining room, then give this café a try, and see what you think. If you don’t eat much a few days before you go there, you can treat yourself to the *Warm Brownie and Ice Cream*. Wait till you see and eat it, you won’t believe it!

J.R.’s Lemon Leaf Café is located at 117 South Cross Street, Chestertown, Maryland 21620. The phone number is 443-282-0004, or via computer, www.thelcafe.com. Hours of operation: Monday-Wednesday, 7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m., Thursday – Saturday, 7:30 a.m. – 8 p.m., and Sunday, 7:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. You can bring your own beer or wine.

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TRAVEL

Our Trip to Australia, Tasmania, and New Zealand

by Betty and Larry Gingerich



We crossed another item off our bucket list, having just returned from a 27-day journey to Australia, Tasmania, and New Zealand. We chose a Globus land tour because we wanted to experience so much more than the various cruises offered. It was a very intense, busy trip accompanied by an excellent Australian guide who was with us at all times. Since there were only 28 in our group, we were able to get into some venues which could not accommodate larger groups. We rode on 17 different planes, 2 trains, many coaches, a tram, two cable cars, a catamaran, a jet boat, and 3 other cruise boats, plus hoofing on our own two feet. For a

person who often experiences motion sickness, it took courage! We stayed in good hotels, never more than 3 nights, but often just one night. Discouraged yet? We still think it was our best trip ever.

Everyone asks what we liked best and that is so difficult to say. We watched almost 1000 small penguins come in out of the sea to their nests one evening on St. Phillips Island. We held koalas and played with baby lambs at the Sheep Show. We also watched sheep being sheared and dogs corralling sheep upon demand. We fed kangaroos and saw them along the roadside as often as we see deer here. There were many sheep, cattle, ostriches, alpacas, and red deer as we travelled along in the coaches. It was sad to see the drought-ravaged brown fields where it is usually very green.

We saw the Tasmanian devil in Tasmania where it is unique to that island. Thankfully it was caged—what a vicious animal! We saw many beautiful birds, including the endangered New Zealand Kiwi at a zoo. This is a nocturnal bird seldom seen in the wild. We had bats as large as crows flying over the swimming pool outside our hotel in Cairns. They are noisy, but harmless. Yet there are many things that are not harmless—crocodiles, poisonous snakes, sharks, scorpions, spiders, jellyfish, and stingrays among others.

We walked on the famous Bondi Beach in Sydney and had a demonstration by the all-volunteer Australian Life Savers. They pull people out of the surf by the hundreds some days. The riptides are lethal there. We toured the Flying Doctor Service and learned how they get medical care and emergency help to the sparsely populated Outback.

Larry climbed the Sydney Bridge, 1300 steps, tethered to the rails with 13 other people, and he said the view was magnificent, not to mention the experience itself. I went shopping instead! He snorkeled the



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Great Barrier Reef and would love to go back there again. That was a very windy day so I stayed back due to my motion sickness problem. Larry rode a jet boat in New Zealand and a 4-wheel drive over the land where *The Hobbit* was filmed.

We spent a night at Mount Cook, a bit of Switzerland in New Zealand. Our room had a mountain view, and I could have stayed there a week! We had a guided tour of the beautiful Sydney Opera House, and some of our group attended an opera that night, which we regretted not doing. We had 3 different dinners and shows by various Aboriginal Tribes. They are better integrated into the Australian and New Zealand culture than are our American Indians.

We tried to play a didgeridoo, a long tube-shaped instrument made from a tree branch. We also learned local folk songs and sang on the bus like school children. We watched boomerang-throwing demos and saw some beautiful artwork and pottery done by the Aboriginal peoples. Our highlight was the Ghan Train ride over 800 miles of the Outback, overnight, looking out at nothing but desert and scrub and an occasional camel. The food there was gourmet, and the temperature outside was over 100 degrees!

We saw evidence of the bush fires in many areas and put up with wearing face nets to stop the pesky flies from flying in our mouths. We walked in the 100 degree heat several times, not pleasant; but we drank lots of water and persevered. My planned camel ride had to be scratched because of rain at Ayers Rock or Uluru, the Aboriginal name. Wouldn't you know it had not rained there in 5 months and it rained those days! We still had a champagne sunset party even though the view was not what we had hoped for. Uluru is 1140 feet high and 5.8 miles around. The red color, particularly in the sunlight, is a photographer's dream photo.

The food was not exciting, but we do not travel to eat. We had seared kangaroo, lots of venison stew, crocodile burgers, lamb made many ways (some good, some not), good steaks, mushy vegetables, and many Asian inspired dishes with strange spices. We loved the Pavlova dessert and the creamy ice cream and gelatos. We often ate hand-sized meat pies for lunch. The beer and wine were very good too.

The plane ride from BWI to Dallas, then Sydney and then to Melbourne was a total of 22 hours in the air, about 36 hours door to door. This was the worst part of the trip. If we go again, we will stop in Hawaii for a respite. We had a wonderful time and returned to a rare snowstorm here in March!

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RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Blueberry Pie

from the Kitchen of Dorthea Turek

- 2-3 pints blueberries (5-6 cups) (can use frozen blueberries)
- ½ cup Turbinado* sugar (can use white sugar)
- 2 tablespoons tapioca
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon lemon peel (zest) or 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- ⅛ teaspoon salt
- 1-2 tablespoons butter
- Double pie crust (store bought or homemade)



- Wash blueberries.
- In a large bowl, gently toss blueberries, tapioca, cinnamon, and lemon salt.
- Spoon mixture into pie pan. Put butter pieces on top. Cover with crust. Crimp edges.
- Place pie in a preheated 450° oven on the bottom rack for 20 minutes.
- Reduce heat to 350°; put on a rack in the middle of the oven; and cook for 40-45 minutes. Be sure the center of the pie is cooked. Filling should be bubbling. (Pie may take longer to cook if using frozen berries.)

*Turbinado sugar is a less refined sugar. I think it improves the flavor.

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LOCAL NEWS & EVENTS

NOTE: There are too many Local Events this month to include all of them in the *Libretto*. The entire list appears on the [SV Website](#), and we will put a hard copy of the complete list in the *Libretto* Binder that is located in the Clubhouse. Also, if you do not have a computer, Nancy at the Clubhouse will print a hard copy of the complete list of Local Events from the website for you.

Museum of Eastern Shore Life Opens



The Museum of Eastern Shore Life opened on **Saturday, April 6**, for the 2013 season. The museum will continue to open the **first Saturday** of each month, **April through October**, 1 – 4 p.m. The museum has a unique collection of antique farm implements and tools, equipment used by watermen to harvest the Bay's bounty, Indian artifacts, household items, and a blacksmith shop that give the visitor a glimpse into rural life in QAC. There will also be a featured exhibit each month. There is no admission charge for the museum, but donations are appreciated. The

museum is located on the grounds of the Queen Anne's County 4-H Park (106 Dulin Clark Road) in Centreville.

Student Art Show



Students from Kent School in Chestertown will display their original artwork from **April 8 through May 15** at An Optical Galleria (111 West Water Street) in Centreville. The official opening of the exhibit will be **Friday, April 12**, 5:30 – 7 p.m. Optical Galleria is open Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Spring Members Best Art Exhibit



The Queen Anne's County Arts Council presents Spring Members Best Art Exhibit **April 13 – May 11** at the Centre for the Arts (206 South Commerce Street) in Centreville. Featured artists are multi-media artists Maureen Wheatley and Wende Woodham, photographer Jim Wilson, and fine artists Michael Bruley and Andren Hearn. Hours are Tuesday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. ([QAC Arts Council](#))

Bay Bridge Boat Show



This year's [Bay Bridge Boat Show](#) will take place **April 18-21** at the Bay Bridge Marina (357 Pier One Road) in Stevensville. This is the largest spring boat show north of Palm Beach and features a nautical flea market, boat rides, seminars, vendors, and so much more. Hours: Thursday, noon – 6 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.; and Sunday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. One-day adult general admission is \$10, with other ticket options available. Purchase tickets on the website. ([QAC Tourism](#))

“Stroll for Strays” Dog Walk



Chesapeake Cats and Dogs will hold “Stroll for Strays” on **Saturday, April 20**, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., at Camp Wright (400 Camp Wright Lane) in Stevensville. Join animal lovers for a fun family day with activities, food, prizes, vendors, and demonstrations. Pets are welcome, but not required. Call 410-643-9955 for a pledge sheet or information. (*The Shore Update*, March 21, 2013)

Queen Anne's County Heritage Day



The Chesapeake Heritage and Visitor Center (425 Piney Narrows Road) in Chester will host Queen Anne's County Heritage Day on **Saturday, April 20**, noon – 4 p.m. The day will feature displays from Queen Anne's County Historic Sites, food, and vendors. The event is sponsored by the Queen Anne's County Historic Sites Consortium. For more information, call 410-604-2100. ([QAC Tourism](#))

5th Annual Wounded Warrior Weekend & Shrimp Feast



American Legion Post 238 (800 Romancoke Road) in Stevensville will hold its Wounded Warrior Weekend on **Saturday, April 20**. The public is invited to a Shrimp Feast, 6-11 p.m., for \$30 per person, which includes all-you-can-eat shrimp and all the trimmings and sides, plus beer and soda. Entertainment will be provided by *Country Memories*. Call 410-643-2728 for reservations. Honored guests will be wounded military members currently in rehabilitation at Walter Reed Bethesda. ([What's Up Magazine](#))

5th Annual Nautical Flea Market



The [Nautical Flea Market](#) will take place **April 20-21** at the Bay Bridge Marina (357 Pier One Road) in Stevensville and is part of the Bay Bridge Boat Show. Spend the day browsing vendor booths that feature everything from sloop to nuts in boating. A huge array of well-loved boating treasures, fishing gear, jewelry, hardware, clothing, and rigging items will be available for purchase. Hours on Saturday are 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., and hours on Sunday are 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. For \$10, you gain entrance to both the Bay Bridge Boat Show and the Flea Market; \$5 for entry to the Flea Market only. ([Visit Annapolis](#))

3rd Annual Al's Memorial 5K Run



[Al's Memorial 5K Run](#) will take place on **Saturday, April 20**, 8-11 a.m., beginning and ending at the Island Athletic Club (448 Kent Narrow Way North) in Grasonville, and running along the Cross Island Trail. In honor of the late Al Cantello Jr., who served his community as a lacrosse coach and great friend to many throughout the Kent Island and surrounding area, a scholarship fund and memorial run benefiting graduates of Kent Island High School was established in 2011. This race benefits this fund. Advance registration is \$25, registration is \$35 on race day, and the registration form is on the website. ([Tidewater Trader](#))

Events at Adkins Arboretum



A summary of the myriad programs at Adkins Arboretum will be included in Local Events, rather than complete details. These programs will be offered at Adkins Arboretum in Ridgely in the coming month:

[Close Up Photography](#): **Saturday, April 20;**

[Spring Ephemerals](#): **Sunday, April 21;**

[Soup 'n Walk](#): **Saturday, April 27;**

[Bird Migration Walk](#): **Saturday, May 4;**

[First Saturday Guided Walk](#): **Saturday, May 4;**

[Paradise Under Glass](#): **Saturday, May 4;**

[Twelfth Night: Shakespeare in the Meadow](#): **Saturday, May 4**, and again on **Sunday, May 5;**

[Kokedama](#): **Tuesday, May 7;**

[All Levels Yoga](#): **Thursdays, May 9, 16, 23, and 30;**

[Botanical Shoes](#): **Thursday, May 9;**

[National Public Gardens Day](#): **Friday, May 10**: Free Admission;

[Second Saturday Nursery Walk](#): **Saturday, May 11**;
[Native Garden Tour](#) of Caroline County: **Saturday, May 11**; and
[Native Plant Society Movie Night](#): **Tuesday, May 14**.

Click on the event title to go to the website for all the details and to register.

Used Bicycle Collection



As part of [Bikes for the World](#), used adult and children's bikes, bike parts, and bike tools will be collected on **Sunday, April 21**, at two local collection sites:

- Kent Island Thompson Creek Shopping Center (the grassy area next to Food Lion): noon – 3 p.m.
- The Evergreen Center (770 Port Street) in Easton: 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Sewing machines will also be accepted. The bikes are sent to developing countries where they are provided free or inexpensively to health workers, students, laborers, teachers, and other low-income people in Ghana, Costa Rica, Namibia, Philippines, El Salvador, Panama, Barbados, Kenya, and Uganda. This makes it possible for them to enhance their lives and livelihoods through better transport. In addition to the bike or sewing machine, a \$10 donation is requested to defray part of the costs for storage and shipping. ([What's Up Magazine](#) and [Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center](#))

All-You-Can-Eat Country Breakfast



There will be an all-you-can-eat Country Breakfast at the Goodwill Volunteer Fire Company (212 Broadway) in Centreville on **Sunday, April 21**, 7:30 – 11 a.m. Tickets are \$8. ([Tidewater Trader](#))

“Lyme Disease: How to Prevent, Recognize, and Treat”



As part of its Lunchtime Speaker Series “Something About Maryland,” the Queen Anne’s County Free Library (121 South Commerce Street) presents “Lyme Disease: How to Prevent, Recognize, and Treat” on **Tuesday, April 23**, 12:10 – 12:50 p.m. The Queen Anne’s County Health Department will share current information on Lyme Disease. Bring your lunch to eat while you listen. ([QAC Free Library](#))

Poetry Reading



Upper Eastern Shore Regional Poetry Contest winners will recite their poems at the Church Hill Theatre (103 Walnut Street) on **Thursday, April 25**, 6:30 p.m. The event will be hosted by special guest poet Meredith Hadaway. ([Shore Update](#))

Hospice of Queen Anne’s Golf Tournament



Hospice of Queen Anne’s will hold this year’s fundraising Golf Tournament on **Friday, April 26**, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., at the Prospect Bay Country Club (311A Prospect Bay Drive West) in Grasonville. Enjoy a day of play, networking with business associates and friends, and support HQA. The 9-hole fee (\$75 per golfer, \$300 per team) includes greens fees, carts, continental breakfast, and lunch. The 19-hole fee (\$125 per golfer, \$500 per team) includes greens fees, carts, lunch, and dinner. For more information, go to [Hospice of Queen Anne's](#). ([QAC Tourism](#))

KIVFD Wine Pairing



(KIVFD.events)

The Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department will hold a [Wine Pairing](#) on **Saturday, April 27**, 7 – 10 p.m. The focus is great food paired with a perfect complimentary wine to raise funds for the Station Capital Campaign. Tickets are \$75 in advance, \$80 at the door, and may be purchased on the website. There will also be a silent auction.

Queen Anne’s County Maryland House and Garden Pilgrimage



Maryland House and Garden’s [Queen Anne’s County House and Garden Pilgrimage](#) will take place on **Saturday, April 27**, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Twelve historical and architecturally significant homes and gardens will be open to the public for touring. Tickets are \$30 in advance (available for purchase on the website) and \$35 at the door. St. Paul’s Episcopal Church (301 South Liberty Street) in Centreville will have a chicken salad box lunch available for \$12 from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Go to the website for all the details of the homes and gardens. ([QAC Tourism](#))

6th Annual Camp Pecometh Day and Open House



Camp Pecometh Day will be celebrated on **Saturday, April 27**, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., at the dining hall field. There will be open house tours, games, music, hayrides, food, exhibits, and lots of other activities – all free. The **Open House** will be on **Sunday, April 28**, noon – 3 p.m., and in addition to tours, staff will be present to give an overview of the camp program, meet prospective camper families, and answer questions. [Camp Pecometh](#) is at ([QAC Tourism](#))

Concert: *The Blueskeepers*



The Queen Anne’s County Arts Council presents *The Blueskeepers* on **Saturday, April 27**, 7 p.m., at the Centre for the Arts (206 South Commerce Street) in Centreville. This band plays great American music with feeling and style. Advance tickets are \$10 for Arts Council members and \$15 for non-members (call 410-758-2520); tickets are \$20 at the door. ([QAC Arts Council](#))

“Pet-a-palooza”



Come to the Queen Anne’s County Free Library (121 South Commerce Street) on **Saturday, April 27**, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., for “Pet-a-palooza,” a full day of pet-flavored events. Speakers: Dr. Kathleen Maltby on “Caring For Your Aging Pet” at 11 a.m.; Dr. Renee Rucinsky on “Common Feline Behavior” at 1 p.m. Local rescue groups will also be roaming the grounds with adoptable animals, and pet food will be collected. If you’re going to be in town for the Queen Anne’s County Maryland House and Garden Pilgrimage, plan to stop by the library as well. ([QAC Free Library](#))

Birds of Prey Photo Shoot



There will be a Birds of Prey Photo Shoot on **Sunday, April 28**, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., at the youth group camping area of the Cherry Lane Campground at Tuckahoe State Park (13070 Crouse Mill Road) in Queen Anne. Come photograph Scales and Tales hawks, falcons, owls, and a bald eagle in their natural surroundings. The cost is \$10 for photographers and free for spectators. ([Maryland Tourism - Photo Shoot](#))

Longaberger Basket/Vera Bradley Spring Bingo



Chesapeake Cats and Dogs will host Longaberger Basket/Vera Bradley Bingo on **Sunday, April 28**, at the Kent Island American Legion Hall (800 Romancoke Road) in Stevensville. Doors open at noon, and games are 2-5 p.m. Tickets are \$20 in advance, and \$25 at the door. It will be an afternoon of fun, adoptable animals, raffles, food, a Chinese auction, and door prizes. Call 410-643-9955 for tickets. (*The Shore Update*, March 21, 2013)

Lecture Series: Weeds in the Garden



The University of Maryland College of Agriculture and Natural Resources will present a lecture on “Weeds in the Garden” on **Monday, April 29**, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., at the Queen Anne’s County Free Library (121 South Commerce Street) in Centreville. ([QAC Tourism](#))

10th Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament



The Kent Island Elks Lodge 2576 will host the Scholarship Golf Tournament on **Tuesday, April 30**, at Queenstown Harbor Golf Club. Proceeds from the tournament provide over 100 scholarships to graduating seniors from Kent Island and Queen Anne’s County High Schools. The cost is \$125 per person or \$500 per foursome. Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m., with a shotgun start at 10 a.m. A continental breakfast will be provided, along with a catered lunch and dinner at the course. Several contests will be held throughout the day, and there will be prizes for the top three places. For more information, call 410-598-1225. Checks for participation may be mailed to KI Elks Lodge 2576, c/o SGT, 2525 Romancoke Road, Stevensville, Maryland 21666. (*Record Observer*, March 22, 2013)

50th Annual Open Judged Show



The Kent Island Federation of Arts (405 Main Street) in Stevensville will hold an Open Judges Show, **May 1-25**. The displayed artwork will feature art in all mediums of local artists. The show is free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Wednesday – Saturday, 1 – 4 p.m. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Colonial May Fair



Step back into local living history on the grounds of 1721 Old Wye Church (14114 Old Wye Road) in Wye Mills on **Saturday, May 4**, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. There will be artisans demonstrating and displaying colonial crafts, colonial games for children, Clydesdale horse-drawn wagon tours through historic Wye Mills to the 1682 Grist Mill, May Pole dancing, the Blessing of the Animals, a fife and drum corps, colonial costumes, and church tours. Free. (*Star Democrat*, February 22, 2013)

11th Annual Youth Day



Pintail Point (511 Pintail Point Lane) in Queenstown will hold [Youth Day](#) on **Saturday, May 4**, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. There will be fly typing, retriever dog demonstrations, putt-putt golf, fishing, sporting clays, air rifles, archery, and much more. All activities are free. There will also be door prizes and contests, and lunch will be available. Dog and cat food donations will be accepted to benefit the QAC Animal Shelter. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Grist Mill Grinding Days



The historic Wye Grist Mill (900 Wye Mills Road) is open **mid-April** through **mid-November**, Monday – Saturday at 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. and Sunday at 1 – 4 p.m. A \$2 donation is suggested for a tour. Grinding Days are the first and third Saturday of each month, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. The first Grinding Day of 2013 is **Saturday, May 4**. Volunteers demonstrate the traditional stone grinding process using a water-powered grist mill grinding corn and wheat on millstones. ([QAC Tourism](#))

19th Annual Spring Fling Car Show



The Western Tire and Auto (1406 Main Street) in Chester will host the Kent Island Cruiser's Spring Fling Car Show on **Saturday, May 4**, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. The registration fee is \$10, and dash plaques will be given to the first 100 to register. There will be a 50/50 raffle, door prizes, store specials, and more. ([QAC Tourism](#))

6th Annual "A Garden Affair"



The QAC Master Gardeners will host "A Garden Affair" on **Saturday, May 4**, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., on the grounds of the Centreville Library and Wright's Chance. There will be horticultural exhibits, plant sales, children's activities, face painting, rain garden and composting demonstrations, door prizes, and refreshments. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Wright's Chance Open House



Historic Wright's Chance (119 South Commerce Street) in Centreville will be open during "A Garden Affair" on **Saturday, May 4**, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Docents will be on hand to conduct tours. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Historic Sites Open House



The Historic Sites Consortium of Queen Anne's County will open historic sites throughout the county on **Saturday, May 4**, allowing visitors to step back in time. Three sites in Sudlersville, three sites in Centreville, one site in Grasonville, one site in Church Hill, seven sites on Kent Island, and the Queen Anne's Museum of Eastern Shore Life in Centreville will be open. These sites will be open on the first Saturday of every month through October. The historic sites will be open for touring at different times – consult the Heritage Guide for all the details. Free copies of the Heritage Guide are available at the QAC Visitors Center, or call 410-604-2100, or go to [Historic QAC](#). ([QAC Tourism](#))

Relay for Life Queen Anne's County



[Relay for Life Queen Anne's County](#) will take place on **Saturday, May 4**, noon to midnight, at the 4-H Park in Centreville. Teams camp out overnight to raise funds and fight back against cancer. The event is family-friendly and open to the entire community with food, games, and entertainment. ([QAC Tourism](#))

3rd Annual Wye Island Adventure Race



The [Wye Island Adventure Race](#) will take place on **Saturday, May 4**, beginning at 8 a.m., at the Wye Island Natural Resource Management Area (632 Wye Island Road) in Queenstown. The race is comprised of a 2-mile trail run, a .75-mile paddle, and a 6.5-mile mountain bike ride with surprise obstacles added along the way. Participants must have their kayaks and bicycles at the designated transition areas by 7:30 a.m.

Competition groups are parent/child, mixed doubles, female team, and male team. The entry fee is \$30 per team. A limited supply of kayaks and canoes are available for entrants for \$5 with advance registration. The registration form is on the website, or call 410-827-7577.

The Russian Trio



The Russian Trio will perform selections by Haydn, Mendelssohn, and Shostakovich at The Cadby Theatre at the Chesapeake College on Saturday, May 4, 8 p.m. Tickets are \$20 and seating is limited. Call 410-819-0380 to make reservation.

Kent Island Great Strides Walk



The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation will host the Kent Island Great Strides Walk on **Sunday, May 5**, beginning at 8:30 a.m., at Bridges on Kent Narrows Restaurant. Great Strides is the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's largest national fundraising event.

Register to walk or donate at [Cystic Fibrosis Foundation](#) - click "Find a Walk" and then search "Team Name" for "Team Bridges" or "A&O Latitude." The walk begins and ends at the restaurant. For more information, call 410-490-1945. ([What's Up Magazine](#))

"Alpha: The Story of a Red Fox"



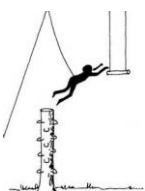
As part of its Lunchtime Speaker Series "Something About Maryland," the Queen Anne's County Free Library (121 South Commerce Street) in Centreville presents "Alpha: The Story of a Red Fox" on **Thursday, May 9**, 12:10 – 12:50 p.m. Listen to Jean Higgins, artist, potter, and photographer, as she shares her photo journal of the life of Alpha, a red fox, and her cubs. Bring your lunch to eat while you listen. ([QAC Free Library](#))

26th Annual Golf Tournament



The Queen Anne's Chamber of Commerce will host a Golf Tournament on **Friday, May 10**, at the Prospect Bay Country Club (311A Prospect Bay Drive West) in Grasonville. Registration begins at 11:45 a.m.; enjoy a box lunch from 11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.; the shotgun start is at 12:30 p.m. Call 410-643-8477 for more information and to register. ([Maryland Tourism - Golf Tournament](#))

Family Fun Day on the Challenge Course



Children and grown-ups alike will enjoy a day on the Tuckahoe State Park Challenge Course's high elements on **Saturday, May 11**, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. There is a 40-foot rock wall, tube net, zip line, 50-foot giant swing, and a 25-foot pamper pole. The cost is \$15 per person for age 16 and older and \$10 per person for youth ages 7-15. Pre-registration is required – call 410-820-1668. Tuckahoe State Park is located at 13070 Crouse Mill Road in Queen Anne. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Life Drawing Studio



The Kent Island Federation of Arts (405 Main Street) in Stevensville will hold a Life Drawing Studio on **Tuesday, May 14**, 1 – 4 p.m. This will be an open studio with a live model with a 3-hour sustained pose. The cost is \$20 for members and \$25 for non-members. Pre-registration is required – call 410-643-7424. ([KIFA Classes](#))

Bus Trip: Hershey Park



Queen Anne’s County Parks and Recreation will sponsor a bus trip to Hershey Park on **Friday, June 21**. Roller coasters, water rides, shows, and tons of fun await! The cost is \$80, and includes motor coach transportation and admission to the park. Register on-line at [Parks and Rec](#) no later than **Friday, May 17**. The program number is 801003.

Cupcake and Cake Decorating



The Queen Anne’s County Arts Council will hold a Cupcake and Cake Decorating Class on **Wednesday, May 22**, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., at the Centre for the Arts (206 South Commerce Street) in Centreville. Turn cupcakes or cakes into works of art with a variety of piping techniques. Stars, flowers, grass, and other embellishments will be taught. The cost of the class is \$25 for Arts Council members and \$30 for non-members. There is an \$8 materials fees also due to the instructor on the day of the class. You must register no later than **Friday, May 17**. To register, call 410-758-2520.

“Cinderella”



The American Family Theatre presents “Cinderella” on **Friday, May 17**, 7-8 p.m., at the Todd Performing Arts Center at Chesapeake College. This sparkling production features a terrific cast, unforgettable songs and special effects, and lots of audience participation. The production is recommended for ages Pre-K to 5. All tickets are \$9, and may be purchased at [Tickets](#).

Goodwill Fire Company Cash Bash



The Goodwill Fire Company will hold a Cash Bash on **Saturday, May 18**, noon – 6 p.m., at the fire hall. There will be 145 cash prize drawings every 2.5 minutes ranging from \$125 to \$3,000, with the final drawing for \$6,000 at 6 p.m. Only 1000 tickets will be sold for \$100 each. Ticket holders are entitled to bring one guest; additional guests are \$30 each for adults, \$10 each for ages 16 and under. There will be free food and beverages. For tickets, contact John J. Cvach, 443-262-8009, or go to [Goodwill Fire Company](#). (*The Shore Update*, January 24, 2013)

REMINDER: Go to the [SV Website](#) to see all 149 Local Events and 46 Events outside the Four-County Area.

Trivia Answers

1. Iron
2. Skiing
3. Teeth
4. Types of caviar
5. “J” is the other
6. Queen Victoria