



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.



Charles and Joyce Anderson
346 Overture Way

BOARD MEETINGS

Mark Your Calendars – 2013 HOA Board Meetings

The Homeowners Association Board meeting schedule:

Friday, **July 26**, 10 a.m.

Friday, **October 25**, 10 a.m.

Annual HOA Meeting–Wednesday, **December 4**, 6 p.m.

All meetings are held in the Clubhouse Grand Ballroom.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

LIFESTYLE COMMITTEE – *Donna Donaldson and Chris Pariseau, co-chairmen*

4th of July Picnic - Thursday, July 4, noon to 4 p.m.



It's time to sign up in the Activities Book for the community July 4th Picnic. The sign-up **deadline is Monday, July 1**. The cost is \$16 per person, \$5 for children 5 to 12 years, and no charge for children 4 and under. Payment is due when you sign up and is payable by checks only made out to SVHOA. Hosts for this event are the residents of Concerto, Sonata, Overture, and Orchestra. If you live on one of these streets, your help is needed for one of the committees.

Chips and 8-Layer dip will be available at 12:30 p.m. with Adam's Ribs providing our lunch menu of Pit-Roasted Beef, Pit-Roasted Turkey, BBQ Chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs, coleslaw, potato salad, baked beans, rolls, and condiments. Additionally, the host streets will be providing garden salads and desserts. Soda, beer, and wine will be sold separately, but water, tea, and lemonade are free.

We are planning many children's games and activities led by your neighbor volunteers, as well as cornhole toss and water volleyball. The tennis courts will be open or perhaps a card game will break out! We want to take plenty of pictures to remind us what a wonderful time we all had!

Come one and come all, bring your family and friends; and, if you have a new neighbor, make sure they get a personal invite.

Labor Day Picnic - Sunday, September 1, noon to 4 p.m.

During the last week of June, a meeting will be planned for the residents of **Encore, Opera, and Symphony** to begin planning the Labor Day Picnic. Please contact Donna Donaldson or Chris Pariseau to schedule a day and time that will be the most convenient.

We will be needing volunteers for the many committees, and the decision-making process needs to begin.



Happy Hours



Happy Hour events are enjoyed by many people. It is a way to socialize with your neighbors and friends over a drink and maybe get a small bite to eat. Hosting Happy Hour is loads of fun. You can set-up a theme (like Mexican Fiesta, Evening Italy, or a 1950s, 1960s and 1970s Nite). Feel free to add music. The Lifestyle Committee is looking for people to help with these events. If you can volunteer to help with just one Happy Hour per year, it would be a big benefit to our community. Set up and cleanup are quick and easy, and everyone else brings the food and desserts. Sign up in the Activities Book, and someone from the Lifestyle Committee will contact you to explain what you have to do. It really only takes a few minutes of your time, and you don't have to stay for the whole night. Please consider hosting a Happy Hour.

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Lunch Bunch

The July Lunch Bunch is scheduled for Thursday, July 11, at noon at Scossa Restaurant & Lounge in Easton. Please call Marge Strano at 410-758-2511 or Bea Trotta at 410-758-0332 if you have questions or need a ride. Please note the address and the telephone number for the restaurant: Scossa Restaurant & Lounge, 8 N. Washington Street, Easton, Maryland, 410-822-2202.

Hope to see everyone there!

Navy Football -- Saturday, October 5



If you like college football, you don't have to go far to enjoy a good game. Navy hosts the Air Force Academy in Annapolis this year. This is the first of the two games that count toward the "Commander-in-Chief's" trophy. I have made arrangements for a group ticket purchase. If you would like to attend, send me an email, and I will provide you with the logon and password to order your tickets.

SV residents who attend the game are welcome to join a tailgate before and after the game. Tickets will be going fast, so order yours today. Tickets cost \$50 per person. If interested, send an email to pariseau907@gmail.com, and he will provide you with the web connection.

Upcoming Trips through Lifestyle

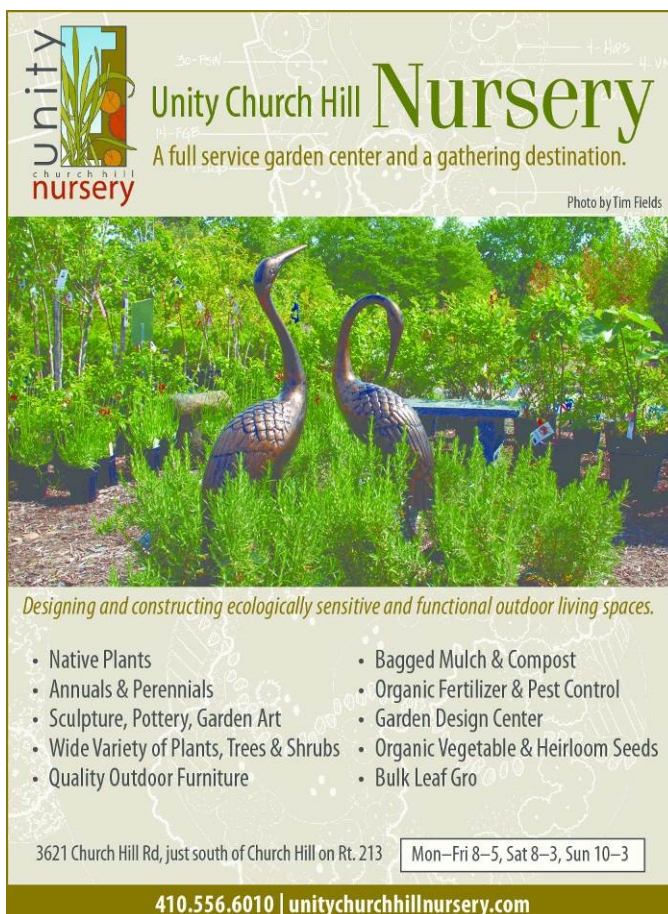
1. **New York City Broadway Show: *Kinky Boots*** — Wednesday, November 6, \$190 per person (limited seating). Cost includes bagel breakfast, orchestra seating, deli dinner, bus transportation, taxes, and tips. This musical has won several Tony awards, including Best Musical of 2013.

Departure time: 7:15 a.m. from the Clubhouse and will return at 8:15 p.m. Sign up in the Activities Book. If more residents sign up than there are seats available, determination will be based on first paid.

2. **Ellis Island (if open by the date) or Statue of Liberty and the 9-11 Memorial** — Thursday, October 3, \$99 per person. Cost includes bagel breakfast, fee for Ellis Island or Statue of Liberty, bus transportation, and all taxes and tips. Dinner on your own in Little Italy. Departure time: 7:15 a.m. from the Clubhouse and will return at 10 p.m. Sign up: in the Activities Book. Must be signed up and paid no later than August 15. If more residents sign up than there are seats available, determination will be based on first paid.

3. **Radio City Christmas Spectacular** — Friday, December 6, \$155 per person to attend the show or \$65 if you want to just take the trip to NY and not attend the show. Cost includes bagel breakfast, orchestra seating, bus transportation, and all taxes and tips. Dinner is on your own. Departure time: 7:15 a.m. from the Clubhouse and will return at 9:15 p.m.

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OUTREACH – *Carlene Cooke, President*

Camp New Dawn Supply Drive: Outreach and Sneakers Partner



Outreach wishes to thank all residents who contributed to the 2nd Annual Camp New Dawn Supply Drive. Outreach was able to donate two car loads of supplies, several monetary donations, plus a check from Outreach to be used to purchase walkie-talkies to be used at the camp. **SV Sneakers** partnered with Outreach in this effort and gave a monetary donation to sponsor two campers this summer.

Thank You, Sneakers, for your generosity. Hospice of Queen Anne's was very appreciative of all the Symphony Village support. Thank You to all SV Residents who support both Outreach and Sneakers so that these nonprofit organizations can then support deserving QAC non-profit organizations and Centreville public schoolchildren and their families.

4th Annual Artisan's Fair - SAVE THE DATE!

ARTISAN'S FAIR

Outreach will host the 4th Annual Artisan's Fair on **Saturday, September 21**. We have outgrown the Clubhouse as the venue for the event. (Is it ever a bad thing to be too successful?) Therefore, we will be holding the Fair at American Legion Jeff Davis Post 18 in Centreville. The American Legion space will allow us to have more vendors, more room, and hopefully attract more people to attend. As always, priority will be given to SV residents who wish to participate as vendors (until July 15), but we will also invite craftspeople who have exhibited in the past, as well as additional vendors of quality items. Please **SAVE THE DATE** to exhibit, as well as to attend. In fact, if you already know that you definitely want to participate, registration is now open. Contact Linda Blume, and she will email you the Registration Form or hand-deliver a copy to you. The beneficiary for this year's Artisan's Fair will be announced in next month's *Libretto*.

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PUBLICATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS – *Carol*

Hodges, Chair

Daily Bulletin Comments

On the Daily Bulletin on the Website it is possible for readers to make comments. It is like a blog. Feel free to make comments and perhaps get some dialog going.

Directory Entries

It is possible to add 3 letters after a telephone number in the Directory listing to indicate who this number belongs to— i.e. 443-735-0112 CAR, meaning Carol's number. Email the Webmaster (Go to the Contact page of the Website) with any changes you wish to make. Also, please check the Directory to see if your entry is correct.

All Are Welcome

Everyone is welcome to attend the P & C meeting at the Clubhouse in the Grand Ballroom on Monday, July 1, at 2 p.m.

SNEAKERS – *Linda Farrar, President*

Book Giveaways

Two Book Giveaways were recently held at the Centreville and Kennard Elementary Schools. Sneakers is proud to report that throughout the school year, we have given away more than 3,500 books to the elementary school students. Both the students and their teachers expressed their thanks to Sneakers for our ongoing support.

Scholarships

Sneakers gave \$500 scholarships to four graduating students from Queen Anne's County High School in Centreville. These scholarships will assist these students in attending college this fall. Scholarship winners are selected by the school.

Card/Game Party

More than 50 people participated in the card/game party held on June 6 at Prospect Bay Country Club. Various games were played, and a fun-filled day was had by all. With your support, Sneakers realized a profit of more than \$1,000 from this event.

9th Annual Sneakers Silent Auction

Just a reminder that Sneakers will hold its 9th Annual Silent Auction on Saturday, November 2, 2013 at the Clubhouse. If you have new/unused items that you would like to donate, please contact Helena Joy at 410-758-6532 or Linda Farrar at 410-758-8744. We appreciate your generosity and participation.

Next Scheduled Meeting

Our next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 14, at 3 p.m. at the Clubhouse. All Symphony Village residents are welcome to join us.

Bea Trotta

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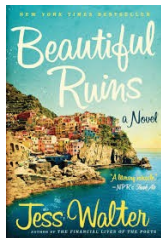
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CLUBS AND CLASSES

READING FOR FUN BOOK CLUB – *Jack Hennessey*

In order to accommodate the majority of Book Club members, the meetings have been restored to evenings. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, June 20, at 7 p. m. in the Clubhouse. We will be discussing the book *Beautiful Ruins* by Jess Walter. This book was recommended by our guest author Erika Robuck.



In April, 1962, a beautiful, dying American actress arrives at the town of Porto Vergogna on the Italian coast. The small town is essentially owned by the Tursi family. Young Pasquale has dreams of turning the town into a tourist mecca. Pasquale witnesses the arrival of the actress, Dee Moray, and immediately falls in love, and will remain in love for the rest of his life!

All residents are invited to attend the meeting and discuss the book. Ice tea and dessert will be provided. Y'all come!

GAZEBO AND VICTORY GARDEN CLUBS

Steve Guy has sent a note to all garden members, so here is the status report for other interested residents. The last group weeding was very successful, so another group weeding will take place on Saturday, June 15, at 9 a.m. All gardeners and other volunteers are invited. Jack and Joan

Hennessey, and Dan Battista pulled many weeds from bed N-2, and Steve Guy hauled them away. A sprinkler has been hooked up for each quadrant, and Jack monitors them as needed, but we have had sufficient rain that watering is seldom needed. Dennis has authorized us to buy mulch for the garden. We will pick up 10 bags of mulch before the June 15 weeding, and more as needed.

There is a laminated diagram of the garden on the gazebo table. We need two more volunteers to each take over one of the beds. Please contact Steve or Jack if you are available.

The Victory Garden is well under way. There are lots of tomatoes, peppers, squash, zucchini, lettuce, peas, and beans planted. Be nice to the gardeners, and you may get to share these products. By July 4th, we should have lots of tomatoes. Dave Peterson has tilled the rest of the garden, and three gardeners will be planting long vine crops such as cantaloupes, watermelons, and perhaps even some pumpkins! *Can't wait for the fall harvest!*

TENNIS CLUB – Larry Miller



New tennis times -- Summer temperatures are here; therefore, SV tennis is now scheduled for 9 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. See you on the

courts.

WANTED: Chairperson for SV Singles



SV Singles is a group of SV single residents who enjoy doing things together as a group that they might not do by themselves. Think “going out to lunch,” “going to a Church Hill

Theatre play,” “a picnic at the Clubhouse,” and “going to the Philadelphia Flower Show.” Over the last few years, the group has become inactive. But with almost 100 singles now residing in SV, a few of us are thinking that it might be time to try for a revival.

But we need a chairperson! The job doesn't take much time, and there are no regular meetings. A few events during the year would be nice to have. We have lots of ideas and lots of helpers, but no one with the time or the inclination to be Chairperson. If you are interested, please contact Lois Winegardner, Linda Blume, or Doris Pullman for more details.

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TRIVIA *By Karin Anne Larsen*

1. The Confederations Cup is competed for in which sport?
2. Disco Volante is the name of Emilio Largo's yacht in which James Bond film?
3. Name the best-selling author of the 'Seven Habits of Highly Effective People' who died in Idaho in 2012?
4. What nationality is Carlos Slim, the 2012 Forbes nominee labeled the richest person in the world?
5. Which famous hairdresser, who died last year, created the wedge-bob?

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS



From the Becks

Allen, Robert, and I wish to say "thank you" for all the care, prayers, and support during Allen's "down" time. It helped us all survive through his struggle. Your friends, Marion, Robert, and Allen

From the Silvermans

We would like to say a big thanks to all the people in the community for all their cards, phone calls, and prayers when Barry was in the hospital. We live in a very caring community, as you all know. So again many thanks, we are very grateful to all. Sincerely, Barry and June Silverman

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CAMP NEW DAWN FUNDRAISER



Hospice of Queen Anne's will hold a Camp New Dawn Fundraiser on **Thursday, June 20, 5-9 p.m.**, at Fisherman's Crab Deck (3116 Main Street) in Grasonville.

There will be a silent auction, and proceeds benefit the Camp held every summer for children who are grieving. The camp is free to the children. For more event information, call Rhonda Knotts, 443-262-4109.

REMOVE BROWN STAINS ON VINYL SIDING by Bob Offerman

A number of homes in the community have brown stains on the vinyl siding that are very difficult to remove. The stains are from irrigation spray coming in contact with the house and are likely iron oxide.

After having tried 3-4 rust remover products with poor results, I tried Whink Rust Stain Remover as suggested by Carol Hellman. It works extremely well - dissolving the stains with almost no scrubbing. It comes in a brown plastic bottle and is sold at Price and Gannon.

The bottle has a small opening in the top so you can wet the stain in a controlled way. Then, with a couple of gentle scrubs, the stain is gone. I used a soft scrub brush. Rinse immediately and thoroughly with a gentle spray from your garden hose. (I did not remove the minor stains on my concrete block foundation. Any scrubbing on that rough surface would tend to splatter the cleaner and I didn't want to get any in my face.)

Caution - Follow the directions on the bottle. Use heavy rubber gloves. Do not let the cleaner or spray get on your skin or in your eyes. Do not put cleaner on glass - it may stain the glass. (The active ingredient is diluted hydrofluoric acid.)

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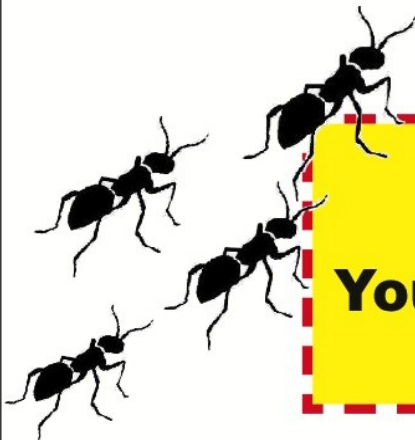
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RESTAURANT REVIEW

by Karin Anne Larsen

Hot Off The Coals



Riding to or from the beach, you can capture some summer sizzle by turning into the Shell gas station at the intersection of Route 309 and Route 404 to try a restaurant specializing in authentic, hot-off-the-coals BBQ. If you don't mind ordering your own food choices, then bringing it to your table amidst a noisy crowd of BBQ lovers, you may enjoy this unassuming place. There are even free bones for doggies at the counter.

Four years ago, restaurant owners Richard T. Brice (Ric) and Sandra Jordan started serving *BBQ Pit Beef, Pit Ham, Pit Turkey, Pulled Pork BBQ* and *Beef Brisket* with all of the delicious sides, using locally raised and grown ingredients. Chef Ric told me, "One of my secrets is cooking everything very low and slow, in my wood and charcoal fired BBQ pit." Apparent from the crowds, Ric's recipes and the smoke rings must keep the customers coming back. The smoke ring seems important to lovers of smoking meats, and the brisket clearly showed the pink discoloration under the bark (under the first layer, about a quarter inch thick, which shows the chemical reaction to the smoke and the meat). The ring was very pronounced on Hot Off The Coals' very tender and tasty *Beef Brisket on a Kaiser*.

Additional recommendations are the *Stacked Pit Beef* or the "Slaughter House" *Beef Brisket* on a Kaiser. Both have a satisfying, full smokiness that makes you want to eat more than one. The pit beef is moist and tender, and adding goodies from their condiment area made trying some of their homemade sauces such as the spicy or thick sweet *Tennessee Sauce* or the tangy *North Carolina Sauce* or their thinly sliced onions *part* of the experience.



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So, capture the season by driving on Route 213 toward Route 50, turn left on Route 309, and keep going to the junction of 309 and 404. Fifteen minutes or so and you could be enjoying melt-in-your-mouth BBQ cooked inside a proud metal bull who watches you and presides over the gas station and restaurant. Finally, here are words to remember from the owners' favorite saying, "**You don't need teeth to eat our meat.**" So beach buddies, set this restaurant on your radar, and I'll bet some of you may not take a gas station restaurant for granted again after you've sampled the food here.

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The Vervet Monkey Trial by Nancie Cameron

Our trip to South Africa last October proved to be the best and most diversified adventure yet. Don and I both enjoy traveling and exploring new places, but this one was exceptional. We began in Johannesburg (or Jo-Burg, as it is known) and ended in Cape Town, with many interesting experiences along the way.

The first day took us to **Soweto**, an acronym for South-Western Townships, which covers 40 square mile with a population of about four million people! A 1976 student uprising aimed to overthrow the apartheid state started in Soweto and spread throughout the rest of the country. Housing ranges from tin shack compounds to large opulent mansions. One street houses two



Nobel Peace Prize recipients—Nelson Mandela and Archbishop Desmond Tutu. A tidbit of interest concerned shebeens, or bars, which began operating illegally and unlicensed, selling mostly liquor in the early 1980s. Eventually, licensing became available, ushering in a new and more prosperous economic era.

On day two, we marched to **Pretoria**, the capital of South Africa and a city rich with more history than one could ever assimilate. It was the place where Nelson Mandela was inaugurated as South Africa's first black president in 1994.

Another place of historic interest was the *Voortrekker Monument* dedicated to the original Transvaal (Boer) settlers who crossed through South Africa in the 1830s to escape British influences. The monument stands as a national icon for Afrikaner South Africans.

Then we were off to the **Kapama Game Reserve** where we experienced four safari drives (two early morning, two evening), eventually spotting all the "Big Five"—lion, leopard, buffalo, rhino, and elephant. Getting up close and personal to giraffes, warthogs, kudu, monkeys, antelopes, zebra, and wildebeest—just to mention a few—was thrilling. Each drive brought a new and different animal into our view—it was absolutely amazing! Our journey continued in **Knysna** at the *Featherbed Nature Reserve* with its wildlife and beautiful vistas. At the top, one can view where the Indian Ocean meets the Knysna Lagoon. Along the way to the top, we encountered the blue duiker, blue crane (South Africa's national bird), eland, and a variety of sea birds soaring overhead.



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Next, we stopped for a whale and dolphin watch in *Plettenberg Bay* and then moved on to *Birds of Eden* and *Monkeyland*. *Birds of Eden* is the world's largest free-flight sanctuary where scarlet ibis, flamingos, herons, and even Canada Geese, to name but a few, live in harmony with one another. Soon we ventured over to *Monkeyland* where our tour continued through the jungle of trees and flora and fauna. Halfway through the walk, I spotted the cutest vervet monkey sitting on a tree branch—grey with white and black face. I looked up to take his picture, and he looked down at me. And then he sprang from the tree branch, ran along a railing, and RIPPED THE GLASSES RIGHT OFF MY FACE!!! Our guide tried to retrieve my specs, but by then the little s... was up a tree—and not so cute anymore—and the glasses were no more. Now usually I pack my spare specs, but for some reason, I didn't. OK, what to do. I can't see. It's Friday. I need to act fast. So, I called my neighbors, the Strietmans, who were taking care of Anna, our three-legged cat. Bob went to the house and found my spare glasses and then sent them Fed Ex to our next destination, Cape Town, where we'd be for five days. Perfect!!! They would arrive on Monday—not bad. The cost: \$135. Travel insurance reimbursement: Not a dime, as theft is not covered—whether by a person or a monkey! Go figure!

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The next few days were a bit of a trial and somewhat blurry—the *Safari Ostrich Farm*, the *Cheetah Outreach Centre*, the *Afrikaans Taal Monument* (the only monument in the world dedicated to a language), and two wine farms. I may not have been able to see, but I could still sniff out the wine!

Our trip ended in **Cape Town**, the oldest city in South Africa founded by the Dutch in 1652 and the most beautiful. *Table Mountain* sits high above the city and is accessible by cable car. Our guide “read” the weather and woke us early to experience the view on the only clear morning during our tour—truly a sight to behold! We walked through the *Cape Malay Quarter* or “*Bo Kaap*,” which is primarily Muslim. Houses have been restored and colorfully painted in all sorts of bright neon colors, including the Mosque. No tour would be complete without a visit to a museum! The *South African Museum*, located within the historic *Company Gardens*, was founded in 1825, and has a vast collection depicting the country’s diversity both past and present.



However, the *piece de resistance* for me was watching the Jackass Penguins frolicking in the surf or lounging in the sand at Boulders Beach! My fascination with penguins began years ago, and I have seen many penguins in the wild during our travels. I never cease to be amazed by those little critters as I observe their antics. For me, Boulders Beach and the penguins were the highlight of the trip. For Don, most probably gleaning all the history of South Africa! ([More Pictures](#))

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RECIPE OF THE MONTH

From the kitchen of Madeline Manning

Velveeta Down-Home Macaroni and Cheese



¼ cup butter or margarine, divided 2 cups elbow macaroni, cooked, drained
 ¼ cup all-purpose flour ½ cup Kraft Shredded Cheddar Cheese
 1 cup milk ¼ cup crushed Ritz crackers
 ½ lb. (8 oz.) Velveeta Pasteurized Prepared Cheese Product, cut into ½” cubes

- Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.
- Melt 3 tablespoons of the butter in a medium saucepan on low heat.
- Add flour; mix well.
- Cook 2 minutes, stirring constantly.
- Gradually add milk, stirring until well blended.
- Cook on medium heat until mixture boils and thickens, stirring constantly.
- Add Velveeta; cook until melted, stirring frequently. Add macaroni; mix lightly.
- Spoon into a lightly greased 2-quart casserole dish; sprinkle with shredded cheese.
- Melt remaining 1 tablespoon butter; toss with cracker crumbs. Sprinkle crumbs over casserole.
- Bake 20 minutes or until heated through.

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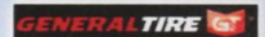


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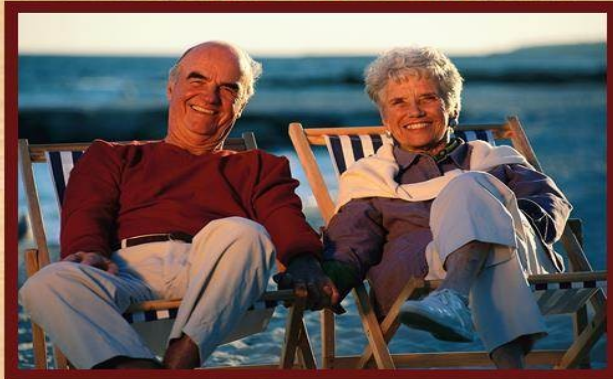
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LOCAL NEWS & EVENTS

NOTE: There are too many Local Events this month to include all of them in the *Libretto*. The entire list appears on [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.

KIFA Boat Raffle



The Kent Island Federation of the Arts is holding a Boat Raffle **through November 9** as a fundraiser. The boat is a Hurricane Sundeck powerboat model SD187 (18.7 feet), in the color of your choice, and the motor is a Yamaha OB F115XA. Also included are a Venture aluminum bunk 3025 trailer, boat cover, bimini top, safety equipment, and 20 hours of service.

Tickets are \$50 each and only 1,000 tickets will be sold. Tickets are available at KIFA (405

Main Street) in Stevensville or by phone (410-643-7424) or online at [Boat Raffle](#). The drawing will be held at KIFA's 50th Anniversary Gala. (*Attraction Magazine*, June 2013)

Queen Anne's County Arts Council Classes:

Artsy Messenger Bag Purse: **Sunday, June 23**: Wye River Designs (4300 Main Street) in Grasonville;

Introduction to Copic Markers: **Wednesday, July 10**: Center for the Arts (206 South Commerce Street) in Centreville;

Drawing Made Easy: **Wednesdays, beginning July 10**: Center for the Arts;

Exploring Watercolors: **Thursdays, beginning July 11**: Center for the Arts; and

Steampunk Necklace: **Sunday, July 14**: Wye River Designs.

For more information, go to [Arts Council](#), click on Classes, and open file "Summer 2013" or call 410-758-2520.

Queen Anne's County Parks and Recreation Bus Trips:

Kings Dominion: **Saturday, July 20**; register by **Friday, June 21**; and

Colonial Williamsburg: **Saturday, August 17**; register by **Friday, July 12**.

Register online at [Parks and Recreation](#) or by calling 410-758-0848.

Thursdays in the Park

Satyr Hill Band: **Thursday, June 27**: Kent Manor Inn (500 Kent Manor Drive) in Stevensville; and

Cool Hand and the Swagger Creed: **Thursday, July 11**: Millstream Park in Centreville.

21st Annual United Way Golf Tournament

The United Way will hold a Golf Tournament on **Monday, June 17**, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., at Prospect Bay Country Club (311A Prospect Bay Drive West) in Grasonville. The tournament will raise funds for the 22 local non-profit United Way agencies. Along with a day of golf, participants will have food provided on the course, prizes, and awards. The cost is \$130 per person or \$500 for a team of four.

Registration, more information, and sponsorship forms are available at [Golf Tournament](#). ([QAC Tourism](#))



Guided Kayak Tour



The Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center (CBEC) (600 Discovery Lane) in Grasonville will sponsor a Guided Kayak Tour on **Wednesday, June 19**, 6-9 p.m. Explore the tidal inlets of Marshy Creek and the pristine marshes along the shoreline. The trip is appropriate for paddlers ages 5 and up with any level of kayaking experience. The cost is \$10 for CBEC members and \$15 for non-members. Reservations are required – call 410-827-6694. ([QAC Tourism](#))

"Black Captains of the Chesapeake"



The Kent Island Heritage Society will host a screening of "Black Captains of the Chesapeake," a documentary by Stephen Torriano Berry on

Wednesday, June 19, 7 – 8:30 p.m., at the Chesapeake Heritage and Visitor Center (425 Piney Narrows Road) in Chester.

Free. ([QAC Tourism](#))

23rd Annual Thunder on the Narrows



[Thunder on the Narrows](#) will take place **June 22-23** at the Kent Island Yacht Club (117 Yacht Club Drive) in Chester. This is a family event for race fans to see racing up close and personal. Hydroplanes and skiffs will race at over 100 mph. Many other classes of boats will also race. See the website for a full schedule of events. Tickets are \$7 for adults (per day) and children under age 12 are admitted free of charge. ([QAC Tourism](#))

“Seed Art”

The Queen Anne’s County Free Public Library will host “Seed Art” on

- **Monday, June 24**, 2 p. m., at the Centreville Branch (121 S. Commerce Street) in Centreville; and
- **Tuesday, June 25**, 1 p.m., at the Kent Island Branch (200 Library Circle) in Stevensville.

Local artist Glenn Shiring will conduct the class to create artwork using seeds of many colors, shapes, and sizes. Free. No registration required. For all ages. ([QAC Library](#))



Friends and Family Camp



Have you ever wished that you could come to camp and have the same fun as the children? Have you longed to come to Camp Pecometh and experience the same fun you had as a child? [Camp Pecometh](#) (136 Bookers Wharf Road) in Centreville will hold Friends and Family Camp **June 28-30**. Experience the fun of camp for a weekend. For more information, call 510-556-6900,

extension 100. Another Friends and Family Camp will be held **August 2-4**. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Two Rivers Bike Ride



The [Two Rivers Bike Ride](#) will take place on **Saturday, June 29**, beginning in historic Centreville. The 15, 30, 65, and 100-mile routes are scenic rides on wide-shouldered and back roads along the rolling hills of Queen Anne’s County that include sweeping views of the Corsica and Chester Rivers. All routes will have sag support and rest stops with food and drink located

along the course. See the website for all the details. Proceeds of the ride go to the Wye River Upper School financial aid fund. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Shore Pitmasters BBQ Cook-Off and Music Festival



The Shore Pitmasters BBQ Cook-Off and Music Festival will take place on **Saturday, June 29**, 11 a.m. – 10 p.m., at the 4-H Park (100 Dulin Clark Road) in Centreville. Featured bands will be *The Disasters*, *AMP*, *The Underground Weathermen*, *Defrayal*, *Phat Janis*, *Perception*, and *Black Dog Alley*. General admission is \$10 per person. Proceeds benefit the Alzheimer’s Association.

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KIFA’s 50th Anniversary Picnic



The Kent Island Federation of Arts (KIFA) will hold an old-fashioned family picnic on **Saturday, June 29**, 5-8 p.m., to celebrate its 50th anniversary. The picnic will be held at the waterfront home of Mr. Fred Beane (316 Benton’s Pleasure Road) in

Chester. Tickets are \$10 per person and include the picnic dinner with beer, wine punch, lemonade, and ice tea. The Sweet Adeline's "Harmony on the Bay" will perform at 6:30 p.m. The event will also include fun family games. Purchase tickets by **June 24** online at [KIFA Picnic](#) or call 410-643-7424.

Centreville Fireworks



In celebration of Independence Day, the Town of Centreville will host fireworks on **Saturday, June 29**, 9-10 p.m., across from Queen Anne's County High School (125 Ruthsburg Road) in Centreville. ([QAC Tourism](#))

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:



[Wild and Neat](#): **Saturday, June 29**;

[First Saturday Guided Walk](#): **Saturday, July 6**;

[What Future for Maryland's Salt Marsh Birds? Audubon's Salt Marsh Conservation Initiative](#): **Thursday, July 11**;

[Plants of the Chesapeake Bay](#): **Saturday, July 13**;

[Second Saturday Nursery Walk](#): **Saturday, July 13**; and

[Kusamono](#): **Sunday, July 14**.

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

17th Annual Photography Show



The Kent Island Federation of Arts (405 Main Street) in Stevensville will hold a Photography Show **July 3 – August 3**. Photography of local photographers will be on display and will be judged for cash awards. There will be five categories: People Plus, Nature, Black and White, Abstract and Experimental, and General. Gallery hours are Wednesday – Friday, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., and Saturday, 1 – 4 p.m. ([KIFA Exhibits](#))

Fourth of July Celebration – Wye Plantation



There will be a wreath-laying ceremony at the grave site of William Paca on **Thursday, July 4**, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., at the Wye Plantation (201 Wye Woods Road) in Queenstown. It will be followed in the garden with music and a speaker. ([Maryland Tourism](#))

“Claws for a Cause”

The Queen Anne's Emergency Center will hold a fundraiser, “Claws for a Cause,” on **Thursday, July 11**, 6 – 9 p.m., at Fisherman's Crab Deck (3116 Main Street) in Grasonville. Tickets are \$90 in advance or \$100 at the door, and include a traditional crab feast and a buffet of fried chicken, pulled pork barbecue, and an assortment of side dishes. There will also be a 50/50 raffle and basket raffles. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 410-822-1000, extension 5481. ([Talbot Guide](#), page 34)

Centreville Block Party



The Centreville Block Party will be held on **Friday, July 12**, 6-9 p.m., on West Water Street in Centreville. There will be motorcycles, live music, games for all ages, face painting, henna tattoos, a dance contest, a hula hoop contest, and more. Free. ([QAC Tourism](#))

“Some Like it Hot” – Ballroom and Latin Dance Party



The Queen Anne’s County Arts Council (206 South Commerce Street) in Centreville will hold “Some Like it Hot,” a ballroom and Latin dance party, on **Saturday, July 13**, 7:30 – 10 p.m. There will be an early-bird salsa lesson at 7:15 p.m. The cost is \$10 for Arts Council members and \$12 for non-members. ([Arts Council](#))

“Soiree on Reed Creek” Dinner and Auction

The Queen Anne’s County Mental Health Committee is hosting “[Soiree on Reed Creek](#)” on **Saturday, July 13**, 5:30 p.m., at historic waterfront Reed Creek Farm (404 Reeds Creek Farm Lane) in Centreville. Tickets are \$100 per person, and include cocktails, wine, and dinner. There will also be live and silent auctions. The menu features French-inspired dishes: mixed charcuterie, crudité, cheese variety, smoked fish, country breads, Bibb lettuce salad, chicken Provençal, beef roulades bordelaise, haricot vert, macaroni au gratin, and red potato with sea salt. To purchase tickets, email info@qacmhc.org or call 410-827-7459. ([What's Up Magazine](#))

9th Annual “Birdies for the Bay”



The Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center (CBEC) will host [Birdies for the Bay](#) on **Monday, July 15**, 10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., at Queenstown Harbor Golf Club in Queenstown. The cost is \$125 per golfer or \$500 per team. Pre-registration is required – go to the website or call 410-827-6694. Proceeds benefit CBEC. In addition to golf on an environmentally-friendly course, there will be great food, prizes, and on-course contests. ([QAC Tourism](#))

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