



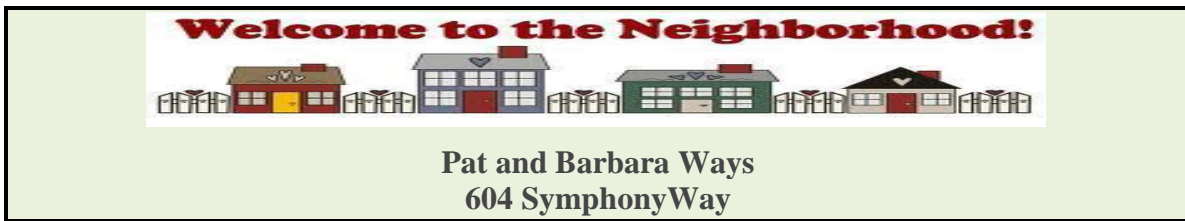
LIBRETTO

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.



COMMITTEE REPORTS

LIFESTYLE COMMITTEE—*Donna Donaldson & Chris Pariseau, Co-Chairs*

Saturday, August 17 – **Jimmy Buffet Night** – 6 to 10 p.m. Sign up in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse – **Pig Roast** being planned. Food will be served 6 to 8 p.m.

Labor Day Picnic



Our Annual SV Labor Day Picnic, hosted by residents of Opera Court, Encore Court, and Symphony Way, will be held on **Sunday, September 1, from 3 to 7 p.m.** (Please note the later time.) There will be two food options available: you may bring your own picnic or you may purchase a catered meal. The cost of a catered meal is \$12 per adult, \$5 for children aged 5 to 12 years, and no charge for children 4 and under. So that we can plan correctly, please sign up for the picnic in the Activities Book even if you are planning to bring your own food. The sign-up **deadline is Monday, August 26.** If you wish to buy a catered meal, please pay for your dinner(s) when you sign up. Payment is by check only, made payable to "SVHOA."

The catered meal will be prepared and served by Anchors Aweigh. The menu is: fried chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, condiments, potato salad, and baked beans. Additionally, the host streets will be providing desserts. Soda, beer, and wine will be sold separately, but water, tea, and lemonade will be 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. Perhaps a card game or two will break out! We hope to take plenty of pictures to remind us what a wonderful time we all had!

So, come one and come all! Bring your family and friends! If you have new neighbors, make sure they get a personal invite to join in the fun!

OUTREACH – *Carlene Cooke, President*



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Did you enjoy last year's gourmet sandwiches? They're back! For just \$7, you get a sandwich (gourmet chicken salad, egg salad, cream cheese and olive, or hot dog), chips, two cookies or a brownie, and water or iced tea. We still need bakers for the cookies and brownies, as well as the mini-quick breads that will be for sale (to volunteer to bake, please contact Willie DiLaura or Shirley Clark).

4th Annual Artisan's Fair

Artisan's Fair

Planning and registration to participate in the upcoming Artisan's Fair is well underway. We hope you all have the date saved on your calendar (**Saturday, September 21**, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., at the American Legion Hall). At press time, participating SV artisans are Cindy Backer, Nancie Cameron, George Drake, Mary Drake, Pat Kindle, Amy Marotta, and Teri Nudo. We have lots of other local talent as well, so there will be exceptional variety at the show: children's hair accessories and flower clips; quilted gifts; Old Bay-inspired painted crab pottery and glassware; paintings; hand-painted bird houses and bird feeders;



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Sharing a Table at the 4th Annual Artisan's Fair



Would you like to participate in Outreach's 4th Annual Artisan's Fair, but don't have "enough product" to exhibit by yourself? Why not share a table with other SV residents in the same boat? There are a few spaces as yet unfilled for the Fair to be held on **Saturday, September 21**, 10 a.m. –

3 p.m., at the Jeff Davis Post American Legion Hall. Table rental space is \$30 for a card table, \$40 for a medium (6' x 30") table, and \$50 for a large (8' x 30") table. There are large tables at the Legion that you will be able to use while the supply lasts (please check that space on the Registration Form). If you would like to share a table and already have some friends to share it, just fill out a Registration Form (online at [Registration Form](#) or in hard copy at the Clubhouse) listing all artisans' names and return it with a check to the Clubhouse. If you would like to share a table and need some help in finding a share-mate(s), contact Loretta Quigley (410-758-6775), and she can help.

Neighbor to Neighbor

If there is one thing in life that is constant, it is change. Many changes are for the good; others, sadly, are not. This summer has been one of change for Neighbor to Neighbor. Sadly, in June, our dear friend and Street Captain, Gretchen Storer, passed away. Gretchen had been a Captain for Encore Court for a number of years. She is – and will continue to be – missed.

The other change in our roster of Street Captains is decidedly good! Eileen Rowley has agreed to serve as a Captain for Opera Court. Please join with me in welcoming her. She is a wonderful addition to our group. — Eleanor Strietman

BINGO RETURNS!!!



Friday the 13th in September just may be a lucky night for you! Bingo resumes after a summer vacation, and there is a **\$100 Jackpot** to be won! So bring your friends and neighbors, and let the good numbers roll! There will be snacks and sodas for sale also.

If you can help set up for Bingo Night or have any questions, please call Mike King, Marilyn Williams, or Shirley Clark. Bingo is played on the second Friday of the month, and proceeds from the games



are used to support the programs of the Outreach Committee. Looking forward to seeing you on the 13th!



PUBLICATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS – Carol Hodges, Chair

Daily Bulletin Comments

In the Daily Bulletin on our SV 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.

Daily Bulletin on Desktop

To access the Daily Bulletin (or the Directories, Gallery, etc.) open the SV Website (symphonyvillage.net). Shrink the page (on Windows 7: click on the double square at the top left by the red X). Click and hold the words “Daily Bulletin” in the left hand menu and drag it to the Desktop and release. The next time you want to go to the Daily



Bulletin, click on the words Daily Bulletin on your Desktop. Need help? Contact Carol Hodges at 410-758-0591.

Photo Directory

If you have a picture that is appropriate for the Photo Directory, please email it to [Charlene Smallwood Brown](mailto:Charlene.Smallwood.Brown) and/or [George Drake](mailto:George.Drake). It is the Committee’s hope to have

everyone participate. If you need a picture taken, please email [Carol Hodges](mailto:Carol.Hodges).

All Are Welcome

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

SNEAKERS – *Linda Farrar, President*

Sneakers 9th Annual Auction will be held on Saturday, November 2, 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. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Book Giveaways

As we rapidly approach the next school year, Sneakers will again participate in the Centreville and Kennard Elementary School Book Giveaway programs. The dates for these programs, as well as sign-up sheets, will be placed in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse once dates are finalized. Volunteers are needed to help with setup and to assist students with the selection of their books. These book giveaways are fun and so worthwhile. We look forward to your participation.

Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled Sneakers meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 18, at 3 p.m. in the Clubhouse. We always welcome new members.

-- *Bea Trotta*



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BIRD CLUB – *Linda Blume*



The ruby-throated hummingbirds continue to flock to my feeder now that child-rearing is over for this summer. The aerial acrobatics that

both male and female employ to protect the food source are really fun to watch as they begin to bulk up in preparation for their epic fall migration to Mexico and Central and South America. Recently, while two males were frantically chasing each other, a female (who had been hovering in hiding under Shasta Daisy leaves) slowly rose straight up like a mini-helicopter, landed on the feeder rim, and proceeded to drink nectar while the males continued their dance. I've seen this scenario played out many times in years past. I've also observed that females will share my 6-feeding-hole feeder, but males will not. Several times, I've seen a hummingbird sitting on my shepherd's hook taking a bath in light rain showers – adorable! Let me know some of your bird-watching stories from this year.

I'm seeing more butterflies this year than last, but the number is still fewer than a few years ago. My patio pot of parsley has hosted several broods of Eastern Black Swallowtail butterfly caterpillars – I grow the parsley more for them than for me.



We haven't had any Club field trips lately, but I hope to re-start that, plus have a pavilion picnic, this fall. Stay tuned for details.

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GAZEBO and VICTORY GARDENS

The weeding party on June 15 was so successful that another party was scheduled for August 10 at 10 a.m. All gardeners were invited, along with any other resident who wanted to help. Ten bags of hardwood mulch have already been delivered to the gazebo

for dressing the beds after weeding. We are also buying some new annuals to get ready for the Labor Day picnic.

The purple martins left on August 2 for their migration to South America. Many residents have watched the antics of these marvelous flyers from their seat in the gazebo. The gazebo martins had two successful broods of chicks. We look forward to their returning next year, probably in April.




The victory garden is well underway. However, it has not been as successful as last year. Our best crop has been

tomatoes, and many of these have been shared with residents. For some reason, our squash plants withered after yielding a few squash. This was probably due to the excessive rain, which the corn farmers have enjoyed. We are waiting to see how the few watermelon and cantaloupe plants will produce. This has been the worst year for rabbits. They are everywhere in the Village, enjoying many of our zinnias, sweet potatoes, and other flowers. It would be nice to harvest a few fat rabbits during the fall hunting season!


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LUNCH BUNCH – *Marge Strano and Bea Trotta*



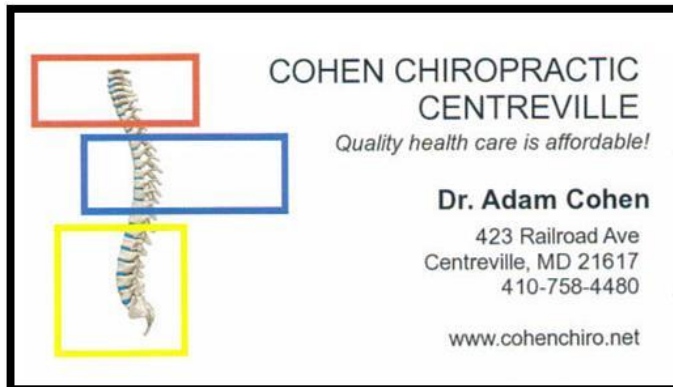
The Lunch Bunch will be going to Mason's Restaurant, 22 North Harrison Street, Easton on Thursday, September 19. **Lunch is at 12:30 p.m. at the restaurant.** A sign-up sheet is in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse. Should you need a ride, contact Bea Trotta at 410-758-0332 or Marge Strano at 410-758-2511. We hope you will join us.

READING FOR FUN BOOK CLUB – *Jack Hennessey*

At the July 18 meeting, we discussed the book *And the Mountains Echoed* by Khaled Hosseini. This book received a rating of 8.0 (on a scale of 1 to 10). This is a very popular book, and I was #22 on the waiting list at the Centreville Library, so I bought a copy. The club has begun selecting copies of recent publications, because many members were reporting that they had read the latest selections “a year or two ago.”

For our August 15 meeting, the selection was *The Silver Star* by Jeanette Walls, recommended by Dorthea Turek. This is a heartbreaking and redemptive novel about an intrepid girl who challenges the injustice of the adult world – a triumph of imagination and storytelling. It is 1970 in a small town in California. “Bean” Holladay is 12 and her sister, Liz, is 15 when their artistic mother, Charlotte, takes off to find herself, leaving the

girls enough money for a month or two. Bean and Liz decide to take a bus to Virginia where their uncle Tinsley lives in a decaying mansion that has been in Charlotte’s family for generations. The girls start school where Bean easily adjusts, but Liz is withdrawn. Then something serious happens to Liz. Read this novel to learn the surprising turn of events.



CERT CANTEEN PROJECT



The Symphony Village Community Emergency Response Team has taken on a project to convert a used QAC Adult Medical Bus into the QAC Fire and EMS Canteen. When completed, SV folks will serve beverages and snacks from the canteen to QAC Fire and Emergency Medical Service personnel during major fires, other disasters, and training drills.

Initial work on this project has been to remove or relocate the seats, remove the existing lettering on the outside, and wash and polish the bus. Near future modifications include the installation of a pass-through serving window, a serving counter, and a work table. Longer term plans are to install generator-powered



electric, propane, a food preparation area, and plumbing and sinks.



Physical work thus far has been accomplished by Ron Dillon, Steve Hardy, Dennis Marchi, Steve Guy, Ron Brown, Bob Linkins, and George Drake. Work is done in a shed at Pintail Point, thanks to coordination and access by Royce Holm.

SVers are welcome to sign up to help us with our work parties and/or as personnel to serve our clients from the canteen once it is in service. Contact Ron Dillon, 443-262-8362, or George Drake, 410-758-8266, to volunteer.

YARN LOVERS' TEA – *Willie DiLaura*

Knitters and crocheters are invited to a tea on Thursday, September 12, at 2 p.m. in the Craft Room at the Clubhouse. We know there are many of you who enjoy knitting and crocheting, and we would like to get to know you. At the tea, we will discuss changing the days and times for knitting so more of you will be able to attend our get-togethers. Hope you will wind your way to the Clubhouse on September 12, so we can get the ball rolling. Please sign up in the Activities Book. If you have any questions, contact Willie DiLaura, jwdilaura@yahoo.com, 443-262-8062.



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SCRABBLE – *Judy Brown*



Scrabble is scheduled for **Thursdays at 2 p.m.** We will meet in the Craft Room. All residents are welcome to join us. Not only do we have fun, but we also learn a lot of new words in the process. **Come join us!!**

SIGN LANGUAGE CLASS for BEGINNERS

Have you ever considered learning a new language? We have been able to take advantage of a wonderful opportunity right here in Symphony Village. For the past three years, Phyllis and Dan Krpata, who live on Harmony, have been teaching sign language once a week. Now we have residents who are interested in a beginners' class. We are so fortunate to have two members (Donna Donaldson and Carol Hodges) of our class who are willing to start an introductory class for sign language. This class will start in the fall with adequate enrollment. Please sign up in the Activities Book if you are interested. Indicate the day of the week that is best for you. Signing is an invaluable skill for those of us who have hearing loss.



SV SINGLES – *Pauline Dulin, Chair*

A revitalized SV Singles Group met on July 28 for a "Meet and Greet" at the Clubhouse. Following light refreshments, a lively discussion ensued about future group trips and activities. Enthusiasm and lots of ideas flew around the room. The group's first field trip was on August 4 to the War of 1812 sign dedication on Courthouse Square.

Upcoming events and activities:

- **Saturday, August 17:** SV Singles will attend the Jimmy Buffett Happy Hour – please sign up in the Activities Book;
- **Wednesday, August 21:** The group will take a field trip to the Chesapeake Heritage Museum and Queen Anne’s County Tourism office on Kent Island.



Lunch will follow at the Matapeake Clubhouse Café in Stevensville. Please sign up in the Activities Book by Monday, August 19, so a count can be sent to the Matapeake Clubhouse. A lunch menu is in the Activities Book, but you are free to pack your own lunch instead. Meet in the Clubhouse parking lot at 10:30 a.m. to carpool; and

- **Sunday, September 1:** The group will attend the SV Labor Day Picnic – please sign up in the Activities Book.

All SV Singles sign-up sheets are behind the SV Singles divider in the Activities Book. More activities are being planned, and if you have more ideas, please contact Pauline 410-310-0817 or pdulin62@gmail.com.

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SHOREMEN'S SOFTBALL

TEAM — Joe Shanahan

By the time you read this, our season will have come to a close, and not a bit too soon. We started off back in April with high expectations; however, due to a number of injuries to our players, we finished well below our capabilities. We are looking forward to next year when we can hopefully field a healthier and expanded team. All in all, we didn't do too badly considering all the growing pains we encountered. This was our first year in a very competitive league; hats off to all the players who hung in there.

We will begin our Fall Ball the first Wednesday after Labor Day down at the 4-H field. We will meet every Monday after that at 9 a.m. as long as weather permits. Fall Ball is practice, throwing, fielding, and hitting, and usually lasts just over an hour. If you think

you might like to try playing (after all these years), this is the time to do it. Hope to see many new faces at the field.

TENNIS — *Larry Miller*



American Tennis Courts completed the refurbishment of the courts August 9 (patched cracks, holes, etc. and applied three coats to the courts). SV tennis is scheduled for 9 a.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. Please enjoy the courts between the rain showers.

TRIVIA

by Karin Anne Larsen

1. A *prestidigitator* performs what?
2. In which English palace was British politician Winston Churchill born?
3. A cartomaniac is a collector of what?
4. The ptarmigan belongs to which bird family?
5. Pyrosis is the medical term for which common complaint?

(Answers on the last page.)

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS



I wish to thank everyone for all the well wishes and prayers during my recent heart surgery. Wonderful neighbors like you all are a blessing.

Madeline Manning

UPCOMING BUS TRIPS SPONSORED BY GRASONVILLE SENIOR CENTER

- Sunfest: September 19, 2013: \$20 per person;
Smoky Mountain Entertainer Tour: September 23-26, 2013: \$425 - \$525 per person;
Peddler's Village: October 10, 2013: \$45 per person;
Non-Stop Christmas Shop, Pennsylvania: November 9-10, 2013: \$155 – 123 per person;
American Music Theatre's 2013 Christmas Show, Lancaster, Pennsylvania: November 20, 2013, \$83 per person;
St. Augustine, Amelia Island, and Jacksonville: March 16-22, 2014: \$575 - \$764 per person.
Moses at Sight and Sound, Lancaster, Pennsylvania: April 9, 2014: \$102 per person;

Million Dollar Quartet, DuPont Theatre, Wilmington, Delaware: **May 28, 2014**, \$118 per person;

New York Finger Lakes and Boldt Castle: **July 8-11, 2014**: \$540 to \$679 per person;

South Dakota: The Black Hills and Badlands: **September 16-22, 2014**: \$1969 to \$2499 per person; and

Christmas on the Danube, **November 29 – December 7, 2014**: \$2,999 to \$3,749 per person.

For more information, contact Ann Martin, Grasonville Senior Center, 410-827-6010, amartin@qac.org.

YARD WASTE PICKUP OBSERVATIONS — Pat Scheirer



It seems that there are two different yard waste pickups on Monday—or Tuesday or whenever the trucks and personnel are free to come to Symphony Village. One of the trucks collects all **bagged** yard waste. You can spy this truck immediately because it has zillions of bagged waste precariously balancing above the sides of the truck and threatening to spill. This truck purposely ignores branches, stumps, and any other yard waste that someone has placed curbside. Later, along comes another truck, again threatening to spill its load, and these collectors pick up loose limbs, branches, and other yard debris which is not bagged. So if a truck comes by and seems to ignore your strategically placed trash, don't panic—another is most likely on its way. When Monday comes and goes and the stuff is still curbside, don't panic. Wait a day or two. Do not bring it back into your garage. My observation is that all will eventually be picked up.

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RESTAURANT REVIEW

EASTON DINER

Reviewed by Karin Anne Larsen



There's no doubt about it. Diners offer comfort food and Easton Diner is no exception. Easton Diner is locally owned and was established November 2008 by joint owners, Cookie and Alan. Their diner amply fits Wikipedia's definition of the diner that is characterized by offering a wide range of foods (mostly American), a casual atmosphere, a counter, and late operating hours. Unlike restaurant chains, diners will usually try to customize their menu to local cuisines and their prices to local patrons.

Easton Diner caters well to Eastern Shore folks by featuring a large choice of seafood dishes. You can order a delectable bowl of *Cream of Crab* soup paired with one of the best salad bars around or select an entrée which comes with two sides, salad bar, soup, and dessert. One of my favorites is the *Open Face*

Crabmeat Imperial Melt. Yours may be the *Fried Crab Cake Deli Sandwich* or the *Sliced Turkey Hoagie*. Both are served with soup, French fries, and coleslaw

Some of the *House Specialties* that stand out are the *Broiled Seafood Combination* of shrimp, scallops, crab cake, and flounder. I recommend trying the *Easton Diner Special*, featuring a 12 oz. rib-eye steak with stuffed shrimp, stuffed mushrooms, rice pilaf, and vegetable. On a visit last month, two of us chose this diner's deliciously prepared *Easton Chicken*, a sautéed chicken breast with three cheeses and chicken gravy with two vegetables, and a *Veal Parmigiana Sandwich* which was tasty and tender. One of our friends tried the *Seafood Trap*, a broiled combination of scallops and shrimp, the salad bar, and two vegetables. Two of us shared the *Roast Turkey* with stuffing, giblet gravy, and cranberry sauce and the *Broiled Tuna Steak*. Each entrée we sampled was cooked well and seasoned nicely. Overall, the feeling was that the Chef here is using good ingredients in recipes prepared with pizzazz.

The menu features ten different *Senior Citizen Meals*, none of which exceed \$11.99, which are paired with soup du jour or salad bar, one vegetable, and pudding or ice cream. For the grandchildren or great-grandchildren, Easton Diner offers meals for ages 12 and under, and they are served with milk or soda and choice of dessert for \$6.99. Last but not least, are their breakfast offerings. Some of us from SV have enjoyed *Hotcakes*, *Specialty Omelettes*, *Waffles*, and *Club Breakfasts*. The breakfasts are quite enjoyable.

Diners often elicit romance with the old days. I dare you to pass by the pastry display next to the register without a memory or two about some enjoyed diner experience from

the past. Venture east to “a gathering place for honest-to-goodness, unpretentious grub,” as one nostalgic diner stated.

Easton Diner is located at 8451 Ocean Gateway in Easton (just past the Holiday Inn Express). The telephone number is 410-819-0535 or 0536. Open 7 days per week. Hours of operation are 6 a.m. to 11 p.m.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

From the kitchen of Carol Hodges

Mexican Lasagna



1 lb. extra lean ground beef or turkey
½ large onion, chopped
1 large clove garlic, minced
1 ½ cups low-fat cottage cheese
1 cup fat-free sour cream
1 can (4 ounces) chopped green chili peppers
½ cup chopped cilantro (optional)

2 tsp. ground cumin
⅛ tsp. salt
2 ½ cups salsa
4 whole wheat tortillas (6” in diameter)
1 ¼ cup (5 oz.) shredded, reduced-fat Monterey Jack cheese

- Preheat oven to 350° F and coat 13” x 9” baking dish with cooking spray.
 - Cook ground beef or turkey over medium heat in large nonstick skillet, turning several times, for 5 minutes or until no longer pink.
 - Remove the meat to a medium bowl. Wipe the skillet with a paper towel. Coat the skillet with cooking spray. Add the onion and garlic. Cover and cook, stirring occasionally for 7 to 8 minutes or until lightly browned. Add to the meat in the bowl.
 - In another medium bowl, combine the cottage cheese, sour cream, peppers, cilantro (if using), cumin, and salt.
 - Spread 1 cup of the salsa across the bottom of the baking dish. Arrange half of the tortillas evenly over the salsa. (Halve 1 of the tortillas and quarter the other to fit evenly in the corners and sides.) Spread half of the cheese over the tortillas. Top with half of the meat mixture. Top with 1 cup of the remaining salsa and ½ cup of the Monterey Jack cheese. Repeat the layering sequence with the remaining tortillas, cheese, and meat mixture. Sprinkle with the remaining salsa and ¾ cup Monterey Jack cheese.
 - Bake for 30 minutes or until heated through. Loosely cover with foil if the cheese browns too quickly.
 - (For variations, add refried beans, black olives, corn, or different cheeses)
- (I used this recipe when we were on the South Beach Diet.)*

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EVENTS IN QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY

Shop Maryland Tax-Free Week



Shop Maryland Tax-Free Week will take place this year **Sunday, August 11 – Saturday, August 17**. Qualifying apparel and footwear costing \$100 or less, per item, are exempt from state sales tax.

Kent Island Rocks Horseshoe Tournament



Kent Island Elks Lodge #2576 (2525 Romancoke Road) in Stevensville will host the Kent Island Rocks Horseshoe Tournament on **Saturday, August 17**. Two-person teams, double elimination, best two-out-of-three games, and open to all. Prize money goes to first- and second-place teams. Registration is \$20 per team. Sign up begins at 9 a.m., and the tournament begins at 11 a.m. There will be “lots of food and fun.” For more information, call 410-310-5772 or 443-740-3300.

Millington Day



Millington Day will be celebrated on **Saturday, August 17**, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. There will be a 5K run, a craft show, a classic car show, and a bike show. For more information, call 410-928-3880. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Guided Kayak Tour



The Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center (CBEC) (600 Discovery Lane) in Grasonville will sponsor a Guided Kayak Tour on **Sunday, August 18**, 6 - 8 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](#))

Queen Anne Veterinary Clinics



The QAC Animal Services Animal Shelter (201 Clay Drive) in Queenstown will host reduced-fee veterinary clinics on **August 22 and 23**, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Dog spay services range from \$85 - \$120, and neuter services range from \$75 - \$110, determined by weight. Cat spay service costs \$55, and neuter service is \$45. Call Joan Oliver at 410-490-6092 for a complete list of services and pricing and to make an appointment.

([Shore Update](#))

Thursdays in the Park

Bay Jazz Project with Sean A. Lane: Thursday, August 22: Kent Manor Inn (500 Kent Manor Drive) in Stevensville.

Queen Anne's County Free Library Lunchtime Series



Healthy Living in Maryland: Thursday, August 22: 12:10 – 12:50 p.m.: Centreville Branch; and

Wells for Ghana: Thursday, September 12, 12:10 – 12:50 p.m.: Centreville Branch.

([Library Events](#))

Sunset Celebration



Hospice of Queen Anne's will host its annual [Sunset Celebration](#) on **Saturday, August 24**, 6 – 10 p.m., at Fisherman's Crab Deck (3116 Main Street) in Grasonville. It will be a casual Eastern Shore evening with a scrumptious buffet, music, live and silent auctions, a giving tree, and raffles to benefit Hospice. Tickets are \$65, and include food, beer, wine, and a specialty Sunset drink. Attire is Bermuda shorts and flip flops. There will be a [Jeep Wrangler Sahara Raffle](#): \$50 per ticket, 300 tickets will be sold. Call 443-262-4106 to purchase a Jeep raffle ticket or for more information.

Prospect Bay's 8th Annual Texas Hold 'Em Charity Poker Tournament



Prospect Bay Country Club (311A Prospect Bay Drive West) in Grasonville will hold a Texas Hold 'Em Poker Tournament on **Saturday, August 24**, to benefit the Grasonville Volunteer Fire Department and the Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center. Check-in begins at 10:30 a.m., with the tournament beginning at noon. The entry fee is \$100 at the door, and for an additional \$50 (at the door), you double your chip count. Add-ons are available before the first break. Side table games will also be available. Ten percent of the field will be paid out. For more information or to pre-register, call 443-271-1939 or email jasonembry@msn.com.

Movie Screening: “The Chesapeake Bay Bridge: Spanning the Bay”



The Queen Anne’s County Free Library will host a screening of Maryland Public Television’s “The Chesapeake Bay Bridge: Spanning the Bay” on **Wednesday, August 28**, 7 – 8:30 p.m., at the Centreville Branch (121 South Commerce Street). The film documents the bay’s history and captures the physical majesty of the Bay Bridge and its distinct personality. ([Library Events](#))

Exhibit: “Jewelry and Fiber: The Art of Adornment”



The Kent Island Federation of Arts (KIFA) (405 Main Street) in Stevensville will host an exhibit “Jewelry and Fiber: The Art of Adornment” **September 5-28**. Artwork will be displayed in a gallery setting and will feature fiber/wearable arts and jewelry designs of local artists. Gallery hours are Wednesday – Saturday, 1 – 4 p.m. ([KIFA](#))

Challenge Walk MS



Challenge Walk MS will be held on **Saturday, September 7**, 8 a.m. – 2 p.m., on the Cross Island and South Island Trails. The walk begins at the Romancock Pier (9700 Romancock Road) in Stevensville, and walkers will walk 12 miles along the South Kent Island Trail before stopping for lunch at Mowbray Park. After lunch, a shuttle will take walkers to the head of the Cross Island Trail, where they will walk six miles to the finish at Chesapeake Exploration Center in Kent Narrows. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Bosom Buddies Rocks



Bosom Buddies Charities presents the [Bosom Buddies Rocks](#) on **Saturday, September 7**, 6:30 p.m., at the home of Susan and John Ponchock. The evening will feature the party rock band *Misspent Youth* and specialty dishes prepared by local restaurants. Tickets are \$150 per person. For tickets and more information, call 410-490-0332 or email BosomBuddiesEvents@gmail.com.

Kent Island Federation of Arts Classes



Life Drawing Studio: **Tuesday, September 10**: KIFA (405 Main Street) in Stevensville; and

From Photo to Fiber Art: **Thursdays, September 12, 19, 26, October 3**: KIFA.

For more information, go to [Classes](#) or call 410-643-7424.

Master Gardeners Training Class



The Queen Anne’s Master Gardeners will hold a training course for those wishing to become a Master Gardener, beginning on **Friday, September 13**. The cost is \$225, which includes the Master Gardener’s handbook and nine weeks of classes. For more information, call University of Maryland Extension, QAC at 410-758-0166. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Indoor/Outdoor Yard Sale



Old Wye Church (14114 Old Wye Mills Road) in Wye Mills will hold a huge Indoor/Outdoor Yard Sale on **Saturday, September 14**, 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Rain or shine.

Indoor Flea Market



The Grasonville Senior Center (4802 Main Street) will hold an Indoor Flea Market on **Saturday, September 14**, 8 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. There will be yard sale, flea market, and white elephant items. Rain or shine. ([Tidewater Times](#))

Pecometh Upper Shore Century Bike Ride



The [Pecometh Upper Shore Century Bike Ride](#) will take place on **Saturday, September 14**, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. The supported tour consists of four routes: 12 miles, 33 miles, 72 miles, and 100 miles. The routes explore the scenery of Queen Anne’s, Kent, and Caroline counties. Proceeds benefit Camp Pecometh’s children’s programs. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Cash Bash



The Kent Island Volunteer Fire Department (1610 Main Street) in Chester will host a [Cash Bash](#) on **Saturday, September 14**, noon – 6 p.m. Doors open at 11 a.m., and there will be cash drawings, and free food and beverages. Only 1000 tickets will be sold; each \$100 ticket includes one guest. ([QAC Tourism](#))

Run 4 Shelter Half Marathon, 10K, and 5K



[Run 4 Shelter](#) is the major fundraiser for Our Haven Shelter and will take place on **Saturday, September 14**. Runners will run a half marathon, 10K, or 5 K along a fast and flat paved course that alternates between the wooded trails of Kent Island and the wide-open scenery of the Chesapeake Bay. There will also be a

Fun Run for children. All races are open to both runners and walkers. Go to the website for more information and to register. Our Haven Shelter is a mission of the QAC Christian Assistance that provides shelter, meals, and assistance to homeless men, women, and children in the local area.

“Be Our Guest” – Ballroom and Latin Dance Party



The Queen Anne’s County Arts Council (206 South Commerce Street) in Centreville will hold “Be Our Guest,” a ballroom and Latin dance party, on **Saturday, September 14**, 7:30 – 10 p.m. There will be an early-bird foxtrot lesson at 7:15 p.m. The cost is \$10 for Arts Council members and \$12 for non-members. ([Arts Council](#))

Bosom Buddies Swings



Bosom Buddies Charities will hold [Bosom Buddies Swings](#), a men’s and women’s golf tournament, on **Monday, September 16**, 11 a.m., at Prospect Bay Country Club (311A Prospect Bay Drive West) in Grasonville. The

format is 18-hole scramble. The entry fee of \$125 per player includes golf, lunch, reception, dinner, and hole and team prizes. For tickets and more information, call 410-490-0332 or email BosomBuddiesEvents@gmail.com.

Queen Anne's County Parks and Recreation Bus Trips:



A Day in Washington, D.C.: **Saturday, September 21**; register by **Friday, August 16**;

Thurmont Shopping and Craft Show: **Saturday, October 12**; register by **Friday, September 6**; and

Radio City Christmas Spectacular: **Saturday, November 16**; register by **Friday, September 13**.

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

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