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LIBRETTO

September, 2015

Symphony Village's Newsletter

Vol. X No. 9

MISSION STATEMENT: To enhance the quality of life and promote a harmonious community through the timely publication of accurate information about residents, events, and activities in and around Symphony Village.

Welcome to the Neighborhood!



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To Our New Neighbors: Join us to meet your neighbors. Learn more about your new community and enjoy light refreshments.

Monday, September 21, at 7 p.m.

Clubhouse - Concert Hall

Please sign up in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse or

RSVP to Eileen@rowley.org or 703-946-1075

Optional: Have your photo taken for the SV Directory

MUSINGS FROM THE BOARD

For those residents who haven't been keeping up, the Board has recently taken action to authorize a *Clubhouse Usage Survey* that will be mailed to all homeowners in the near future. Please take the time to answer the survey and return it in a timely manner. At the end of September and early October, you will see activity throughout the community with the replacing of 42 street trees. We now have an arborist on retainer who advises us on the best course of action to be taken for our 1,800 plus trees. Common area trees will be taken care of in the future. In the next couple of weeks you will see activity in the grass area in front of the gym as we grade the area in an attempt to alleviate the water and icing problem in the winter.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

LIFESTYLE COMMITTEE—*Vinny Volpicelli, Chair; Carolyn Harty & Margo Wagner, Co-Vice Chairs; Correspondent, Pat Fox*

Special September 25 Happy Hour



SPECIAL HAPPY HOUR
TO FORM A TRI-STATE CLUB
New Jersey, New York, Connecticut!

- FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 25, 2015
- 6 p.m. –???
- BRING APPETIZER OR DESSERT
- WEAR YOUR TRI-STATE CLOTHING
- BRING YOUR REGIONAL CUISINE

On Friday, September 25, a number of neighbors are setting up a special Happy Hour. **It is open to the whole community**, with a special focus on whether there is interest in setting up a Tri-State Club. Many SV residents originated from or lived in this region at some point during their lives. It would be fun to share stories and have the opportunity to organize a trip to a Tri-State centric activity. We will have a sign-up sheet in the Activities Book to keep track of the number of attendees and insure that we have enough libations at the bar! Put this date on your calendar!

Remember to wear your Tri-State clothing—ball caps, t-shirts, letter jackets!!!

Happy Hour – Saturday, September 19, 6-8 p.m.

Special Happy Hour—Tri-State Friday, September 25, 6-8 p.m.

Happy Hour—Friday, October 2, 6-8 p.m.

Happy Hour—Saturday, October 17, 6-8 p.m.

Next Meeting—Lifestyle Committee –Monday, October 5, at 7 p.m.

Fall Yard Sale—The SV Fall Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday, September 26, from 8 a.m.—noon. A registration fee of \$5 will cover advertising costs and get you a balloon for easy identification of your home! The sign-up sheet is in the Activities Book. The sign-up deadline is Thursday, September 24.

A Unique Theatre Experience!—On Sunday, September 27, a Peter’s Alley Theatre production of “Educating Rita,” directed by Lee and Alan Ettman’s daughter, Aly Ettman, will open with a 3 p.m. matinee. The play will be at the *Theatre on The Run* in Arlington, VA. The theatre is in Shirlington, home to a number of nice restaurants where residents can have lunch before

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curtain time. The total price, including ticket and bus transportation, is \$50 per person for those who have already signed up. Theatregoers will leave SV at 11 a.m. and return by 7 p.m.

At this writing, the bus is full. However, there will be a waiting list for those still interested in attending and Lee will try to make transportation arrangements to accommodate everyone. The theatre ticket price alone is \$20 if you travel on your own. Please look for the waitlist sign-up sheet in the Activities Book.

Suicide Bridge Fall Paddle Boat Ride & Luncheon—While the sign-up deadline has passed for the two-hour Paddle Boat ride and lunch from Suicide Bridge Restaurant in Hurlock, MD, there may still be seats available on Saturday, October 3! Please call Suicide Bridge to see if seats are open for this lunch cruise and make your reservation. Make sure you say you are with Symphony Village for this special senior price and seat placement (we all want to sit together). Once you have made your reservation and pre-paid (all major credit cards are accepted), please sign up at the Clubhouse in case carpooling is needed. The trip will run from 12:30—2:30 p.m.

The senior cost will be \$36 and includes a chicken and crab cake platter, one vegetable, a dessert, soft drinks, tax, and tip. Alcoholic beverages are available for an extra charge. Transportation will be on your own or carpooling with your neighbors. [Suicide Bridge Restaurant, 6304 Suicide Bridge Rd, Hurlock, MD 21643](http://www.suicide-bridge-restaurant.com)
www.suicide-bridge-restaurant.com 410-943-4689

Antiques Road Show—A free second Antiques Road Show is scheduled for Saturday, November 14, from noon to 3:30 p.m. **Please note: Residents can bring only two items per household.** A sign-up sheet has been added to the Activities Book.



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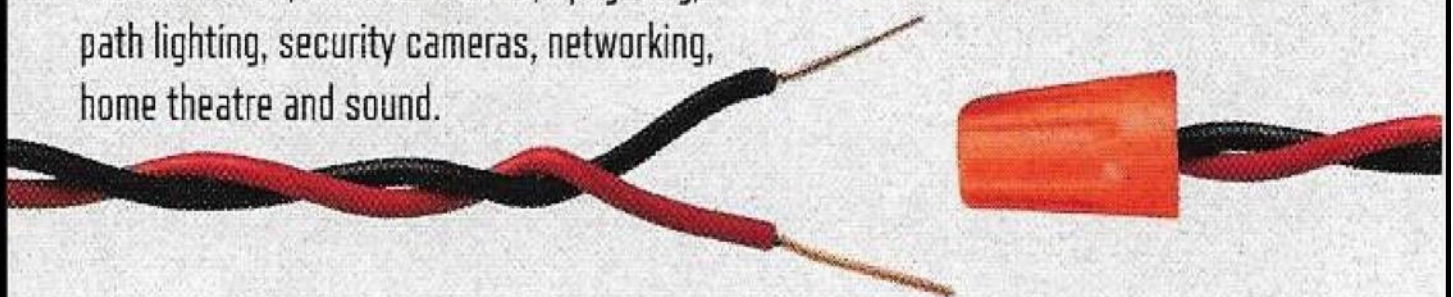
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The New York City Trip - 9-11 Museum or Ellis Island—While the 9-11 Museum trip is still scheduled for Saturday, October 10, you now have a choice to go to Ellis Island instead. The bus will drop participants off at either the 9-11 Museum or the ferry to Ellis Island. You can still sign up for the trip. Please see the Activities Book. For the price of \$105 per person you get a bagel breakfast, transportation, and admission to the Museum or Ellis Island. Dinner is on your own in Little Italy. Please contact Dominick Mancinelli with any questions.

Church Hill Theatre—The production of *Wait Until Dark* is being performed on Friday, November 13, at 8 p.m. Folks can contact the Church Hill Theatre directly to purchase tickets by calling 410-556-6003 or through the [Church Hill Theatre Website](#). Seating is first-come, first-served basis. The Theatre address is 103 Walnut Street in Church Hill. We will have a sign-up sheet in the Activities Book to accommodate carpooling and dinner. We can all reconvene at the Clubhouse afterwards for an *apre*-theatre happy hour!

Radio City Music Hall Trip—The Radio City Music Hall show is set for Thursday, December 10. The \$105 per person price includes a bagel breakfast and time to shop or explore NYC after the 3 p.m. matinee.

Need Hosts for Happy Hours - Free Drinks and Food!—Happy Hour hosts and hostesses will now be able to drink for free and will not need to bring food! What a deal! Donna will give you a wild ride home in the golf cart if you imbibe too much. This is a very easy assignment and a great way to meet fellow residents. Please review the sheet in the Activities Book that includes the step-by-step guide. We will advertise any theme that you select. You will greet people as they arrive, enjoy yourself through the evening, and help with simple cleanup at the end. If interested, please sign up in the Activities Book or contact Carolyn Harty or Margo Wagner to register. Lifestyle Committee members are always there and can help.



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Happy Hour Bartenders!—We are always looking for bartenders to help out at Happy Hours. Receive On-the-Job Training while you enjoy serving your fellow residents. Please sign up in the Activities Book to bartend for a shift! Feel free to call Skip Kornmeyer or Donna Donaldson at 443-262-8090 for details.

Flu Shots Scheduled—The schedule for the fall flu shots at the Clubhouse is as follows:



Thursday September 17 9 – noon & 2 – 4 p.m.
 Wednesday September 30 6 – 8 p.m.
 Wednesday October 14 9 – noon. & 2 – 4 p.m.

Please sign up at the Clubhouse.

Getting the shot is not only healthy and wise but it also makes you eligible for a 20% discount on all front-end goods, with the exception of medical supplies, at Edwards Pharmacy. The discount is valid for one year.

Lunch Bunch—Thursday, October 1—*The October Lunch Bunch at the Harbor Grill & Crab Deck has been rescheduled to October 1 since the previously scheduled date coincides with the Annapolis Boat Show. The parking will be very difficult and expensive on that day. The date has been changed from October 8 to October 1. Please change the date on your calendar.*



The Harbor Grill & Crab Deck is located at 12 Dock Street in Annapolis.



Hopefully, we will have a beautiful fall day to walk through the streets of downtown Annapolis after lunch and enjoy great food, good company, and a panoramic view of Annapolis and the Severn River. This restaurant is in the heart of Annapolis and on the water near the shopping district. Remember to sign up in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse. Please call Bea Trotta at 410-758-0332 or Marge Strano at 410-758-2511 (Cell 609-221-6378) if you have a question or need a ride.



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OPERATIONS COMMITTEE—*Ed Frey, Chair, Vice Chair Dominick Mancinelli, Correspondent Pat Fox*

Recent Approvals:

- Clubhouse Drainage Project—The HOA Board reconsidered the Clubhouse Drainage Project referred back to them by the Operations Committee. The Board approved the contract and work is scheduled to commence in late September—early October. The sidewalk will be closed to the Clubhouse while construction is taking place and will reopen after 5 p.m. each day. The community will be notified when this detour will be in effect. Residents will be able to walk to the street end of the parking lot and come up the circular driveway to the front door.
- Auxiliary Storage Building—A budget amount not to exceed \$20,000 was approved by the HOA Board to be used to purchase and install an auxiliary storage building adjacent to the rear of the Clubhouse. A Request for Proposal is currently being circulated to possible vendors for pricing. The preferred vendor recommended by the Operations Committee will to be presented to the Board in the near future.
- Pool Operator—the Board, at a no-cost increase, approved the two-year contract option for pool operator Anchor Aquatics.
- The Board approved a contract to purchase and install 42 new street trees in the community. The arborist hired this year identified trees that could not be saved. These trees have been marked with red tags. The arborist evaluated all street trees in SV and worked with our landscaping company to treat other trees that were insect infested but still salvageable and others that merely had to be pruned. He also developed a three-year tree maintenance plan.
- The Board recently approved an expenditure of \$5,000 to complete sidewalk repairs, broken curbs, and other repairs where needed in the community.
- Cracks and separations in the asphalt surface of the main parking lot at the Clubhouse have been patched.

OUTREACH – *Bea Trotta, President*

5th Artisans' Fair



The Outreach Artisans' Fair will be held on **Saturday, September 19**, 9:30 a.m. through 3 p.m. at the Clubhouse. With 32 artisans this year, including SV's own Judy Brown, Nancie Cameron, George Drake, Harriett Goodmuth, Jack Hennessey, Pat Kindle, Amy Marotta, Teri Nudo, Dave Peterson, Luann Sackrider, and Julie Tompkins this Fair promises to be the biggest and best one yet with a variety of goods to be offered! You are sure to find something of interest to you. Please plan to “come on over” to see the fabulous items on sale and to partake of the tasty lunch which will be available! There will also be a yummy variety of resident-made mini-quick breads for sale. There will be three raffle items (a fabulous handmade “Hydrangea Kaleidoscope” quilt, a basket of wine and assorted munchies, and a Lenox French Perle Cold Beverage Dispenser). There will also be a door prize—no purchase required. Just walk in the front door!

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Café Press Fundraiser



The Outreach Committee has just kicked off a new fundraising venture in cooperation with Café Press—an online shop for clothing and gifts. These items have the colorful new SV Outreach logo printed on them! For every item sold, SVOPI receives funds to help support the Committee's donations to non-profits in Queen Anne's County. Please go to the Café Press website, www.cafepress.com/symphonyvillageoutreach, to place your orders for your choice of t-shirts, sweat shirts, ball caps, pj's, clothes, aprons, and even a shirt for Fido. There are also a variety of gift items including drink ware, bags, teddy bears, keychains, etc. Remember Christmas and Chanukah are fast approaching. Start your shopping now, show your Symphony Village pride, and help Outreach raise funds for their many charitable donations!

Caregivers Support Group

Are You a Caregiver to Someone?—*Marilyn Williams*



Many of us are or have been responsible for the care of a family member or will be in the near future. This group is a forum for sharing our experiences, concerns, and the knowledge we have gained from being caregivers ourselves. We meet every other Monday, at 1 p.m. in Marilyn Williams' home. If you have been given the responsibility of caring for someone, we welcome you to this group where you will find support as well as friendship as we travel this road together. All discussion is strictly confidential. Please call and join us. Please call Marilyn Williams at 410-758-3422.

Fourth SV Nametag Campaign is Underway

Outreach was going to wait until the SV “build out” is complete to have another nametag ordering campaign; however, so many Villagers have asked about ordering nametags that we decided to start our new campaign on October 1 and run it through November 15. So... do you need a SV nametag? The nametag design will be the same as in the past—gold with black lettering and the Clubhouse logo on the left side, 1.25” x 3” with a choice of magnet or pin back. Use the easy-order envelope to place your order (envelopes are available in the Wall Street Room at the Clubhouse), filling out all the information requested. Since the cost of materials and labor has gone up since the last order, the new price will be \$12.50 for each tag ordered. Please place your check (made out to SVOPI) or cold, hard cash in the envelope and bring it to the Clubhouse. The magnetic back is the most popular choice; however, if you have a pacemaker, you must order a pin back. Allow 4-6 weeks for delivery after November 15. If you have any questions, please contact Loretta Quigley. We need a minimum of 51 orders to get this pricing. So, order yours today!

PUBLICATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS—*Carol Hodges, Chair;* *Linda Blume, Vice Chair*

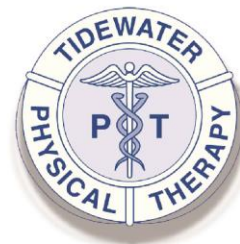
Committee Minutes

Are you curious to see what happens in the various committees? Read the minutes of the committee meetings

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posted on the [SV Website](#) on the HOA Board page. You will be required to enter the password when you click on *Committee Minutes*. Perhaps, after reading the minutes, you may decide that you would like to join a committee.

Clubhouse Bulletin Boards

The bulletin boards in the Arts and Crafts Room have been reorganized and cleaned up. See article, *Symphony Village Craft Room*, on page 10 for more information.

SNEAKERS—*Linda Farrar, President*

11th Annual Silent Auction

Sneakers 11th Annual Silent Auction is rapidly approaching. If you haven't already done so, please mark your calendar for Saturday, November 7, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

During this fun-filled evening, you will be able to bid on items such as themed gift baskets, restaurant gift certificates, tickets to events, raffle items, and much more. You will also be provided with tasty sandwiches, sumptuous hors d'oeuvres, and delicious desserts. We continue to welcome your contributions of basket items, gift certificates, tickets to sporting and cultural events, professional services, vacation properties, fishing charters, and donations of your skills to assist others (for example, computer skills).

Please contact Amy Marotta (443-262-8807), Terri O'Connell (443-928-3368), or Helena Joy (410-758-6532) if you have new/unused items to donate. The cutoff date for donations is September 30.

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All Symphony Village residents are invited to attend the Silent Auction. In a few weeks, you will receive an invitation. Once you receive your invitation, look for the sign-up sheet in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse. A modest fee for a wonderful selection of food and beverages will be charged to attend.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 23 at 3 p.m. in the Clubhouse. All residents are welcome to join us.

CLUBS AND CLASSES

Bird Club – *Linda Blume*



The Bird Club will hold a Fall Picnic on **Thursday, October 22**, noon, at the Picnic Pavilion at the Clubhouse. Everyone in SV who is interested in wild birds is cordially invited to attend. Picnic fare and water will be provided. Please sign up in the Activities Book.

Bocce Banter at the Labor Day Picnic Bocce Tournament--*Don Rizzo*

The bright sun and cloudless blue sky served as a further stamp of approval of the delicious buffet, cold drinks, and warmth of friends greeting friends at the Symphony Village Labor Day Picnic on Sunday, September 6. What more could we ask for? **Some competitive Bocce, that's what!!**

And that's what we got! Early in the afternoon an "Introduction to Bocce" session was offered by Don Rizzo at our recently renovated Bocce Courts. As our Villagers and guests filtered to the courts, the filter turned into three separate waves of bocce novices eager to learn about this much touted game of the ages—and learn they did as we shall see.



A feeling of anticipation permeated the air as the crowd grew and anxious teams eyed one another as they assembled for the Annual Symphony Village Labor Day Bocce Tournament. The prize at stake? Your names on a trophy. That's all you say? Well, there are the decades of respect and admiration from your SV neighbors that come with it. No sponsorship deals like the pro's you say? Well, Nike and Bud Light weren't interested, but we haven't heard back yet from Depends and Metamucil. Let's face it, folks, the real prize is being able to bring your children and grandchildren to the Clubhouse and "stumble" across the trophy feigning surprise that your name was on it.

So that's the pot of gold and that's why the last minute anxiety in the player's guts and the increasing anticipation from the swelling crowd. Oh, "Ain't the beer cold!" as the Oriole announcer used to say.

After an afternoon of gladiator type action, Steve and AJ Guy, heavy favorites due to their runner-up finish from the July 4th tournament, qualified for the championship match. Their opponents were Allan Levin, a past two time champion himself, who was paired with Margo Wagner, a novice who just that afternoon completed the "Introduction To Bocce" session previously mentioned. Interestingly, at this point, Margo had already proven her worth to her team by scoring the two winning points in their Semi-Final Match against George Drake and Royce Holm.



There were the last minute instructions, the coin toss, the silent prayers, a slight interruption while the crowd was admonished for throwing confetti on the courts, and then—commence the rolling!

The Levin/Wagner's jumped to an early 5-2 lead but the Guy Team, recovering from their apparent stage fright, crept to a 7-6 advantage. The newbie, Margo, again showed she learns well by throwing a two pointer capturing the advantage 8-7. Then, drawing from all his past experience, Allan Levin tossed a three pointer to seal the deal by an 11-7 score. After a moment of stunned silence, the crowd rose in unison to show their

appreciation for both teams thrilling performances.

Final results: First Place: Levin/Wagner Second Place: The Guy Team Third Place: Drake/Holm

Overheard: Allan Levin was so proud to win a gold medal that he was going to have it bronzed.

Special Thanks To Steve Guy

For the second tournament in a row Steve Guy's team finished as runner-up. At the July 4th Tournament he and his wife, Jinny, also finished in second place. However, Steve has finished in first place by providing his expertise in preventing possible accidents at the Bocce Courts by donating his professional skill and many hours of hard work in constructing the ball racks at the bocce

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courts. Thank you, Steve! Undoubtedly, you have helped our residents avoid slipping on the courts and possible injury.

Advancing Bocce

If you are interested in advancing the sport of Bocce within the SV community, you are invited to attend a meeting at the Clubhouse (date to be announced). We're looking for suggestions regarding the best use of our three bocce courts. Are you interested in League Play? Do you prefer Teams or Individuals? Do you have a preference of day or time to play? Join us!

Also, if you are interested in learning more about Bocce or scheduling an "Introduction To Bocce" session, contact Don Rizzo at 443-262-8192 or join us at the courts any Wednesday at 4 p.m.

Let the good times roll!!

BRIDGE CLASSES TO BEGIN!



Tom Love will conduct a class to teach people with little or no bridge experience how to play the game. This will be a five-week course beginning on Wednesday, October 14. A minimum of six people is needed to run this class. Residents can sign up at the Clubhouse in the Activities Book located in the Wall Street Room.

Dining In—Jinny Guy



September *Dining In* will be on Sunday, September 27, at 6 p.m. Below is a description of this fun event; I encourage everyone to take part! Watch for the sign-up sheet in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse. *Dining In* is a Symphony Village social event that allows residents to meet and mingle with other residents in small to medium sized groups at someone's home for dinner, usually on Sunday evenings at 6. It is not limited to couples!

The host(s) will provide a main course and non-alcoholic beverages. Guests will bring an appetizer, or salad, or side dish or dessert (one per household) and any alcohol they desire. A sign-up sheet will be placed in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse two weeks prior to the gathering. Guests are asked to sign up, putting each name (couples) on a separate line and to indicate what they will bring. The sign-up sheet also asks that those wishing to host indicate the number they can best accommodate including themselves (that is, the number of places you can set). The deadline for signing up will be noon on the Thursday prior to the gathering. After that time, if there is to be more than one host home, I will assign attendees to hosts keeping couples together. Hosts will then confirm with their guests.

TWO IMPORTANT NOTES: 1. If this appeals to you, please don't stay home just because you are single. 2. You never have to host unless you want to. Y'all COME!

Gazebo Garden Club and Victory Garden—Jack Hennessey

We have received many favorable comments on our August report primarily written by Kathy McManus. Thank you, Kathy! For September we are featuring an interview with Dan Battista, one of our hardest working gardeners. Dan does not consider himself a writer, so we spoke to him at length about his participation in both the Gazebo Garden and the Victory Garden. Dan has two of the best cared for plots (out of the 20) in the Gazebo Garden. He has a wide variety of plants in his beds, but two of them are particularly noteworthy. There are three sunflowers—one with 30 flowers, a second with 22 flowers, and a third with 16 flowers. The biggest one is eight feet tall! Dan also has two Rose of Sharon bushes with over a hundred flowers between them. Dan also delivered about 25 loads of mulch from the parking lot to the Gazebo, and then had the excess mulch

transported to the Victory Garden. Dan's Victory Garden yielded many tomatoes, green beans, and lots of eggplants, which he shared with many residents. Next year we need about three more Dans!

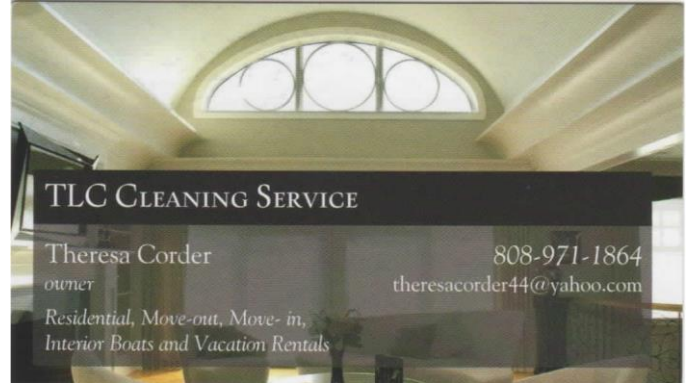
Our Victory gardeners, including Dan, shared many tomatoes, beans, squash, radishes, and leafy greens with appreciative residents. Next month the Victory Garden will be tilled and re-tilled, by Dave Peterson in time for our spring planting.

Golf—Rich Ryan



While recognizing that our "injured reserve" list has grown considerably this year, we are optimistic that we will be able to rally the troops for our end of season tournament. I have asked

the Blue Heron Golf Course to reserve for us the back nine holes for Tuesday, October 27. We would use our normal best ball scramble format and of course men and women are most welcome. The fee would be \$20 and tee time would be 10 a.m. We will also plan a luncheon following the tournament with non-players welcome.



Before we move further on with our plans, I would ask you to let me know if you plan on playing. To reserve the course we probably need at least 27/28 players. I need to have your answer in the next week. So please email me your answer. Question—please call me at 410-758-2136.

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Hallowe'en Fun is coming!



Once again we are happy to have a Grandchildren's Hallowe'en Party; it will be Saturday, October 24, from 2-4 at the Clubhouse for grandchildren ages 11 and under. There will be crafts, games, pictures, snacks, and a costume parade complete with 'trick or treating'.

Please sign up at the Clubhouse beginning September 14. The cost is \$6 per child. Grandparents must be in attendance. Deadline for signup is Monday, October 19. Any questions, please call Carlene Cooke, 443-262-8146 or Linda Farrar, 410-758-8744.

We need volunteers to help man the crafts and games. If you can help or if you have teenage grandchildren who would like to help (as part of their community services projects), please let Carlene or Linda know. It is a fun and easy way to spend a few hours!!

Social Singles—Carol Donnelly and Joyce Brown, Co-Chairs

MEETING SCHEDULE AND PLANNED EVENTS

Our next meetings for the Social Singles will be October 13 and November 10 at 10 a.m. at The Creamery. Beginning in October, our meetings will be the second Tuesday of the month. We had a great lunch at the Crab Deck in August. At each monthly meeting we will celebrate our birthday members! *See photo: Dorothea Turek, Annie Mae Price, Joyce Brown, Anita Dell, Anne Stafford, and Sandy Allegra. Carol Donnelly--photographer*
Read more....Schedule for the month on page 13!



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Social Singles Continued!

Future Trips and Coming Events

- *Noises Off*—Church Hill Theater—September 8 through 27 (Date to be decided). Check the Activities Book for the sign-up sheet.
- October 3—Sixth Annual Chesapeake Bay Wine Festival www.chesapeakebaywiefest.com, a public event at Kent Narrows. Great Fun Day! Singles carpool and sign up in the Activities Book.
- October 10—Catoctin Colorfest Craft Show, Thurmont, MD. Sandy Beane called and got the information. The Colorfest will be featuring over 300 artists from across the United States including glass blowing, broom making, woodturning, dulcimer crafting, and wood carving of flowers. Also, a wide selection of delicious food is available to satisfy everyone's appetite. Cost: \$40. Forms and information in Activities Book.
- October 28, Wednesday—Day trip to the Allenberry Resort Inn and Playhouse to see *Sleuth*, a play by Anthony Shaffer. (Thanks Dorthea!!) Cost of trip is \$78 per person. Ten of us have paid the \$20 deposit. Balance due September 23. Joyce made deposits and has deposit receipts and money due for each of you. Sponsored by the Grasonville Senior Center. Call 410-827-6010. This event is a day trip departing at 7:30 a.m. from Grasonville and returning to Grasonville 5:45 p.m.
- November—Happy Thanksgiving all!
- *Wait Until Dark*—Church Hill Theater—November 6 through 22.
- December 12, Queen Anne's Chorale—Members will carpool. Sign up in Activities Book.
- Sunday, December 6—CAROL DONNELLY WILL HOST! Potluck, wine, and friendship.

Future 2016 Events in the Planning Stage

- Toby's Dinner Theater—Season will be posted on January 14. *South Pacific* starts on January 14. \$50—Group rates available.
- Longwood Gardens Trip—Possible overnight.
- Philadelphia Flower Show—March 5-13, 2016.
- American Cruise Lines—April, 2016. This is a great trip. Many dates available in April (after Easter).
 - A small ship on the Intercoastal Waterway
 - Historic South and Golden Isles Cruise
 - Eight-Day / Seven-Night Southeast Cruise
 - Departing from Charleston, SC
- September: Trip to Cape May--Found an amazing house that has nine bedrooms and ten bathrooms: available any time last two weeks in September! Possibly a three-day trip and a ride on the Lewes-Cape May Ferry.

Shoremens Softball—Joe Shanahan

Now our season is really over. After the regular season ended in August, we still had to play in a tournament. In the past couple of years, we would lose our first two games—that would put us out of competition. This year was very different. Because of the new players that joined us, we won our game in the first round. We then lost our second round game, which put us into the third round where we had to win two games (We did!) to advance to the finals. We finally lost to a vastly superior team in the final game to place second in our division tournament. Reaching this point in the tournament was a great accomplishment for a team that is only three

years old. To keep up the fun, we will be playing *Fall Ball* starting Monday, September 14, at 10 a.m. down at the 4-H field. *Fall Ball* is open to anyone who would like to try out his or her long-lost softball skills, exercise, and just have fun. We will have throwing, hitting and catching practice, for about 90 minutes. I will be in the parking lot at 9:45 a.m. for anyone who wants a ride or is not quite sure where the 4-H field is located. Hope to see some new faces. Any questions, please call Bob Ciesielski at 443-262-8305, or Joe at 443-262-8574.

Symphony Village Craft Room—*Carlene Cooke & Willie DiLaura*



Bulletin Boards—Are you looking for a cleaning service, home healthcare, or other local service? Check out the bulletin boards in the Clubhouse craft room. There are now three bulletin boards that have been divided into categories to make it easier to find the service in which you are interested. If you are going to add an item, please be sure it is an appropriate size. Help us keep these boards up-to-date by removing your items when they are no longer relevant.

Restaurant Menus—We would also like to create a binder of menus from local restaurants to be kept in the Wall Street Room. The next time you dine out, ask for a menu that can be placed in the binder to share with your neighbors.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Carlene Cooke or Willie DiLaura.

Reading for Fun Book Club—*Jack Hennessey*

The novel that we discussed at our August 18 meeting was *The Ship of Brides*, written by Jojo Noyes. This was her seventh book, all of which have been very successful. The story begins in 1946, shortly after the end of WWII. Many British and American servicemen have served in Australia during the war, and quite a few had married Australian women, some as young as 15 years old. After the war, the troops were sent back to Britain on a military vessel, no brides allowed! An aging aircraft carrier, *The Victoria*, has been assigned to reunite 600 Australian brides with their spouses—hence *The Ship of Brides*. The captain of the ship is on his final voyage, after 40 years at sea. It is not difficult to imagine the problems he faces, with 600 brides and an equal number of lustful sailors. The trip from Australia to Plymouth, England takes 42 days. There are many parties, and even a major fire resulting in an order to Abandon Ship! One bride even smuggles a dog on board. There was some disagreement among book club members as to who is the heroine of the story. On a scale of 1 to 10, the book received a rating of 8.1. For those readers who would like to read the book, it is important to read the prologue. Jack selected the book, and provided snacks—but apparently all book club members are on a diet. Perhaps you'd like to join!

Joan Hennessey recommended the book *Our Souls At Night* for our September 15 meeting. Kent Haruf, the author, died in November of 2013. He was a finalist for

An advertisement for Edwards Pharmacy. At the top, there is a graphic of a green bandage with white dots, containing the text "I got my FLU SHOT" in blue and white. Below this, it says "Have you?" in blue script. The main headline reads "FLU SHOTS HERE EVERY DAY" in bold blue letters, with "\$29.99 NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY" underneath. To the left, it says "plus the best gifts ever!" followed by a list of items: Sports Fans! We have Orioles & Ravens merchandise; Hallmark Gold Crown Store; Discounted Premium Yankee Candles; Large Selection of Outdoor Flags; Seasonal Merchandise & Gifts; Unique Jewelry; and One Hour Photo, Passports, Digital & Enlargements. To the right, it says "FULL SERVICE PHARMACY" in large red letters, with a "free! Delivery" logo and a yellow delivery van. At the bottom, there is a red and white logo for "EDWARDS Pharmacy" with the phone number "410-758-1715" and a Facebook icon. Below that, it says "102 S Commerce Street • Centreville, MD 21617 www.edwardspharmacy.com".

the *National Book Award*, *The LA Times Book Prize* and *The New Yorker Book Award*. The setting for this story is Holt, Colorado, home to all of Haruf's fiction. Addie Moore, a widow, asks Louis Waters, a widower to sleep with her, no sex involved. Both of their former spouses were casual acquaintances. Addie and Louis do spend some pleasant nights together. However, they do encounter some problems. This book is an easy read, less than 200 pages. The story does not have a happy ending—but don't despair—Jack is in the process of rewriting the last three chapters to provide what he always looks for—a happy ending!

SV Tennis—Larry Miller



The heat has broken, and it is time to play more tennis at Symphony Village. See you on the courts.

SEPTEMBER TRIVIA QUESTIONS

1. Which Maryland congressional district did Ben Cardin represent before becoming a Senator?
2. Which recent Republican Governor of Maryland served in the U.S. House of Representatives before serving as Governor?
3. Who served as Maryland's First District U.S. Representative before Andy Harris?
4. How many terms can the Maryland Governor serve?
5. What is the Maryland Cabinet called?

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Conference for Seniors and Caregivers



The QAC Maryland Access Point office and its Inter-Agency Committee will host a free [Conference](#) for seniors, individuals with disabilities, and caregivers on **Thursday, October 8**, at the Department of Community Services building (104 Powell Street) in Centreville. The conference presentations will take place 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.; exhibitor tables providing information will be open 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. There will be presentations from local organizations assisting with long-term care needs and futures planning. Topics include:

Medical Chronic Care Management, Long Term Care Medicaid, MOLST/Advanced Directives, End of Life Planning, Outliving Your Money, Senior Safety, and Senior Fraud. Lunch is included. Pre-registration is required and space is limited. Register no later than **September 24** by contacting Annie Sparks, 410-758-1040, extension 2715, asparks@qac.org.

Library to be Open More Hours



Beginning on September 13, the [Queen Anne's County Library](#), both the Centreville and the Kent Island branches, will expand their hours to:

- Monday-Thursday 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.
- Friday -Saturday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- Sunday 1 – 4 p.m. (as a trial, September 13 – May 22, 2016)

“Trunk Show” for the Arts Online Auction and Launch Party



The [Queen Anne's County Centre for the Arts](#) will host the “Trunk Show” for the Arts Online Auction **September 20 – October 20**. Over a dozen wooden trunks beautifully decorated by local artists will be auctioned by online bids. The **Launch**

Party will be on **Saturday, September 19**, 5 – 7 p.m., at the Centre for the Arts (206 S. Commerce Street) in Centreville. All the trunks may be previewed, and attendees can place a bid or take advantage of the new “buy it now” option before the trunks are placed in sponsoring businesses for the month-long online auction. Tickets to the Launch Party are \$25 per person, and attendees will be treated to light fare, wine tasting by Crow Vineyards, and music by the Van Williamson Duo. Purchase tickets to the Launch Party by calling 410-758-2520. All proceeds benefit art programs in Queen Anne’s County.

Free Shred It Day



Cvach Financial Services (2977 4H Park Road, Suite 201) in Centreville will host *Shred It Day* on **Saturday, October 3**, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The event is open to both individuals and businesses and is free of charge to the public (donations will be accepted and donated to the Goodwill Volunteer Fire Company). For more information, call 443-262-8099.

A NITE AT THE RACES



On **Saturday, October 17**, Our Mother of Sorrows/St. Peter's Parish Outreach Ministry will hold "A Nite at The Races." A lite dinner, including wine, beer, and soda, starts at 6 p.m. followed by Post Time at 7 p.m. You will feel like you're at the track as you enjoy actual races shot on video. You can even buy and name a racehorse for only \$20 with a chance to win \$50. A \$20 donation is required for this evening of fun and food. To pay in advance, reserve your very own racehorse, or purchase an ad in the Racing Form, please call the office of OMOS at 410-758-6833. This fundraiser will benefit OMOS's Outreach Ministry and is targeted for much needed renovations to our Food Pantry that serves about 30 families twice a month.

The Outreach Ministry also provides:

- Financial help to avoid evictions, utility shut-offs, purchase medications, etc;
- Shelter for families and individuals who find themselves homeless;
- Backpacks for kids (giving weekend food to food-insecure children); and
- Holiday Food Baskets.

Baker's Alert!

Desserts are needed for the “**Dessert Wheel**” during the nite at the races—delicious desserts to win and take home. If you would like to help this worthy cause by baking something, please call Sue Canfield (860-806-4899) or Jane Romany (908-256-2481) for more information.



AARP Smart Driver Course—Refresh Your Driving Skills

The [AARP Smart Driver Course](#) is scheduled for Friday, **September 25**, and will run from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Symphony Village Clubhouse. You can sign up in the Activities Book. You will learn defensive driving techniques, safety strategies, new traffic laws, and rules of the road. The price to take the course runs \$20 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Make checks payable to *AARP*. Instructor: Andrea Parham, a SV resident.



Walgreens

Flu Shots Are Now Available

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Recipe of the Month

From the Kitchen of Pat Fox

AMISH CINNAMON BREAD--will make two loaves
No kneading, you just mix it up and bake it!

Batter:

1 cup butter, softened
2 cups sugar
2 eggs
2 cups buttermilk or homemade buttermilk—2 cups milk
plus 2 tablespoons vinegar or lemon juice
4 cups flour
2 teaspoons baking soda

Cinnamon/sugar mixture:

$\frac{2}{3}$ cups sugar
2 teaspoons cinnamon

Directions

Cream together butter, 2 cups of sugar, and eggs. Add milk, flour, and baking soda. Put $\frac{1}{2}$ of batter (or a little less) into greased loaf pans ($\frac{1}{4}$ in each pan). Mix in separate bowl the $\frac{2}{3}$ cup sugar and cinnamon.

Sprinkle $\frac{3}{4}$ of cinnamon mixture on top of the $\frac{1}{2}$ batter in each pan. Add remaining batter to pans; sprinkle with last of cinnamon topping. Swirl with a knife. Bake at 350 degrees for 45-50 min. or until toothpick tester come clean. Cool in pan for 20 minutes before removing from pan.

RESTAURANT REVIEW

Severn Inn—*Marge Strano*



The September Lunch Bunch enjoyed a wonderful outing at the **Severn Inn** located at 1993 Baltimore Annapolis

Bldv. on the eastern side of the Naval Academy Bridge. We had a delicious lunch and panoramic views of Annapolis and the Severn River. The restaurant is a ten-minute ride to downtown Annapolis. Go to the [Severn Inn](#) website for a tour of the restaurant. All of the dining areas are comfortable and spacious. The staff was both helpful and courteous. The Severn Inn serves lunch and dinner daily and a Sunday Brunch.

Their website bills itself as a Modern American Seafood House and boasts a Pub Menu, Brunch Menu, Lunch



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Menu, and Dinner Menu with an excellent array of seafood. An extensive wine list is available by the glass or bottle to complement your menu choices. The Pub Menu includes soups, salads, snacks, appetizers, sandwiches, and entrees. For starters, you can order a “No Filler” Crab Cake with Fried Green Tomatoes and Corn Salad. The Lunch Menu has a variety of interesting sandwiches, salads, and entrees to satisfy any palate and includes a Pastrami Rubeen for \$14 and a delicious Quiche Florentine for \$15. Fish Tacos and Creekstone Farm Burgers are on both the Pub Menu and the Lunch Menu. The American Artisan Cheese Plate has a beautiful presentation and a delectable assortment of cheeses including Brie, and Goat Cheese. The Sesame Udon Noodles can be served with optional Tempura Fried Shrimp.

The Dinner Menu includes some unusual items such as *Fried Local Blowfish Tails*, *Blackened Wahoo*, and *Swordfish* along with the usual menu items such as *Crab Cakes* and *Creekstone Filet Mignon*. An excellent selection of salads, soups, and vegetables complement the entrée selections. We look forward to dining at the Severn Inn for lunch or dinner in the very near future.

UPCOMING CENTREVILLE EVENT

10th Annual Corsica Watershed Awareness Day



[Corsica Watershed Awareness Day](#) will take place on **Saturday, September 19**, noon – 4 p.m., at Bloomfield Farm (200 Bloomfield Road) in Centreville. This free event for families includes environmental exhibits, children’s crafts and activities, ecotours/hayrides, live music, and food.

3rd Annual Historical Walk Downtown Centreville



Caroline County Habitat for Humanity will host a [Historical Walk](#) in downtown Centreville on **Sunday, September 20**, 1:30 p.m. (registration begins at 12:30 p.m.). The fee is \$25 per walker. Go to the website for all the details and to register.

Fall Chicken Barbecue



The Goodwill Volunteer Fire Company will host a Chicken Barbecue on **Wednesday, September 23**, at the firehouse in Centreville, 3:30 – 6 p.m. Tickets are \$8, and it is all carry-out. Members have tickets, and there may be some tickets available at the door. For information, call 410-758-1422.

Pet-a-Palooza



The Centreville Branch of the Queen Anne’s County Library will host Pet-a-Palooza on **Saturday, September 26**, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Featured will be pet-centered events: informative talks, police/drug dog demonstrations, silly pet trick contest (noon – 1 p.m.), and agility testing. There will also be a raffle, face painting, and more. There will be a pet food drive as well – please bring unopened, unexpired items. Local rescue groups will be present with dogs and cats looking for forever homes.

42nd Annual Artisan’s Festival



The Centreville Rotary Club will host the [Artisans' Festival](#) on **October 3 – 4** at the 4-H Park in Centreville. Over 70 artists will be exhibiting a wide range of talents and treasures. There will also be food, music, and big trucks. All proceeds benefit the Centreville Rotary Club projects.

To see a list of tourism and local attraction websites, press “Event Source Links” on the [Sources](#) page on the SV Website.

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Trivia Answers

- 1. Third 2. Robert Erhlich 3. Frank Kratovil 4. Two consecutive terms—may run again after a lapse of 4 years. 5. Governor's Executive Council*

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