

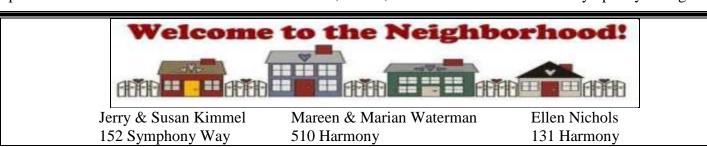
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# LIBRETTO

October, 2015 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.



# HOA Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, October 30, 10 a.m. at the Clubhouse

#### **TRIVIA** by David Gallop

- 1. What is the Maryland state cat?
- 2. State exercise?
- 3. State folk dance?
- 4. State nickname?
- 5. State tree?

# **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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

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

**Lifestyle Committee Meeting – Monday, November 2** – 7 p.m.

**Sneakers Auction** – **Saturday, November 7** – *No Happy Hour on November 6.* 

**Antiques Appraisal with Todd Peenstra – Saturday, November 14** – noon - 3:30 p.m.

**Happy Hour** – **Saturday, November 21** – 6 - 8 p.m.

**Happy Hour** – **Friday, December 4** – 6 - 8 p.m.

#### Suicide Bridge Fall Paddle Boat Ride & Luncheon

Unfortunately, the Suicide Bridge Luncheon Cruise was canceled due to the recent hurricane. It will be rescheduled in the spring when the cruises start again. Watch for announcements!

#### **Church Hill Theatre**



The production of *Wait Until Dark* is being performed on Friday, November 13, at 8 p.m. The price is \$18 a ticket. Folks can contact the Church Hill Theatre directly to purchase tickets by calling 410-556-6003 or through their website <u>churchhilltheatre.org</u>. Seating is first-come, first-served. Their address is 103 Walnut Street in Church Hill. We will have a sign-up sheet in the Activities Book so we know who is going for carpooling (or dinner) purposes. We can all reconvene at the Clubhouse afterwards for an after-theatre happy hour!

#### U.S. Air Force Band - Free Concert



**Wednesday, November 11**, at 7 p.m.

Chesapeake College is hosting a U.S. Air Force Band Free Concert. Location: Todd Performing Arts Center. Tickets are available at the door only.





#### **Antiques Road Show**

A free second Antiques Road Show is scheduled for Saturday, November 14, from noon-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.

#### **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. A sign-up sheet will be available in the near future with a deadline of September 10 to make your reservation.

#### **Honoring Symphony Village Committee Volunteers**

One of our lovely new SV couples has suggested that they would like to set up a happy hour to honor all of the hard-working volunteers on our committees. Zina and Joseph Lichaa will be organizing this function for Friday, January 8, 2016. Stay tuned for the details, and thank you Zina and Joseph! We appreciate your appreciation!

#### **Holiday Events**

- Holiday Party in the planning stage secret Santa gift exchange, caroling at the piano. Eggnog as the special drink!
- New Year's Eve \$10 per person. DJ Grandmaster Randy Officer from 9:30 1 a.m. Champagne toast!
   Noise makers & hats! Snacks and desserts!

#### **Theatre Events in Planning Stage**

- Chesapeake College events, including Baltimore Symphony
- Toby's Dinner Theatre, Columbia, MD
- Peter's Alley Productions, Shirlington, VA

#### **Astronomy Club Being Organized**

Committee member Larry Rayner is setting up an Astronomy Club. More details to come. Larry is also posting activities on Nextdoor ECHOES

#### Need Hosts for Happy Hours – Free Drinks and Food!

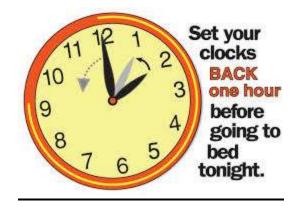
To keep the fun rolling, Lifestyle Committee members will be asking folks who attend these functions to please agree to host future Happy Hours! Also, Happy Hour hosts and hostesses will now be able to drink for free and don't have to bring food!

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









On November 1

#### **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 do a shift! Feel free to call Skip Kornmeyer or Donna Donaldson at 443-262-8090 for details.

# **OPERATIONS** -- Ed Frey, Chair, Dominick Mancinelli, Vice Chair, and Pat Fox, Correspondent Clubhouse Drainage Improvement Project



The Clubhouse drainage improvement was completed on October 8. This project is a result of an engineered solution to increase safety by addressing the icing and ponding that occurred on the sidewalk last year. The grass was basically higher than the sidewalk, so any ice/snow melt ran down onto the sidewalk and froze. Ice melt only addressed it temporarily. There is a newly sloped section, or bowl, in the front lawn between the sidewalk and planting bed. This guides the water into a catch basin placed deep into the ground for



disbursement of the runoff; you will note the grate at the surface. For the sod to thrive, we need to keep it watered for the next two weeks and restrict any walking or mowing until it starts to integrate with the soil. Thanks for your understanding and here's to plans for a much better winter environment than last year!



#### **Pub Tables**

The four counter-height pub tables approved for purchase by the Board have arrived. You can see them in the billiard room. Glass rounds are on order and will be used to protect the surface. We also expect the chairs to be delivered shortly. Soon you can enjoy them in the bar area – a welcome addition!

#### **OUTREACH** – Bea Trotta, President

#### **Outreach Fall Happy Hour**



Come join Outreach for their Fall Happy Hour on **Friday, October 30,** at 6 p.m. in the Clubhouse. Sheehy Lexus will be sponsoring this event and will bring a couple of new cars for interested residents to try out. Sheehy will match bar proceeds for the evening and provide light hors d'oeuvres. Please sign up in the Activities Book in the Clubhouse. Proceeds will be used to provide support to local social services in Queen Anne's County. We look forward to seeing you there.

#### Artisans' Fair



Outreach's 5<sup>th</sup> Artisans' Fair was a wonderful day for browsing through all the fabulous creations offered by the 32 vendors who participated. Thanks to all the Villagers who attended the Fair and supported the participants. Thanks to all the members of the Outreach Committee for your dedication to making the event a success. Outreach wishes to thank Loretta Quigley for chairing the event, Linda Gardner for Clubhouse space layout, Nancie Cameron for all the lunch preparations, Willie DiLaura for overseeing the mini-bake sale and the

baked goods for lunch, and Marge Strano for all the signage. And <u>many</u> thanks go to all the Villagers who baked brownies and mini-quick breads for the bake sale.

Visitor Harrytt Wallace-Boulster won the "Hydrangea Kaleidoscope" quilt donated by Alice B. Washburn; SV's own Marge Strano won the Basket of Wine and Assorted Munchies donated by Loretta Quigley; SV's own Sue Canfield won the Lenox French Perle Cold Beverage Dispenser donated by Marge Strano; and SV's own Maggie Kovack won the \$25 Gift Certificate to Acme Markets door prize donated by Jane Romany.



Proceeds from the Artisans' Fair go into Outreach's general fund coffers and are used to support other non-profit organizations in Queen Anne's County. THANK YOU ALL! (For more pictures go to the <u>Daily Bulletin</u>.)





#### 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Food Drive Slated for November

Start watching those grocery sales as Symphony Village Outreach prepares for its 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Food Drive for Social Services slated for **November 11 - 15**. We hope to beat last year's total of 2,014 items and deliver the goods in time for distribution for Thanksgiving.

We will be looking for boxed goods such as cereals, pastas and grains, and canned goods such as soups, vegetables, fruits, tuna, meats, peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, etc. No outdated pantry items, please!

Neighbors who are generously offering their time and home as collection sites are the following:

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Mary & Bob Ciesielski	227 Concerto	Carlene & Jim Cook	225 Opera
Larry & Carol Hodges	141 Encore	Carol & Mel Porosoff	133 Orchestra
Teri & Jerry Nudo	106 Harmony	Linda Blume	224 Orchestra
Scott & Rosemary Page	227 Harmony	Betty & Lloyd McAtee	321 Overture
Sue & Dave Peterson	635 Harmony	Joan & Jack Hennessey	146 Sonata
Willie & John DiLaura	843 Harmony	Kathy & Tom McManus	137 Symphony

#### YOU DO NOT NEED TO LIVE ON THE STREET WITH THE HOUSE YOU SELECT!

Anyone purchasing items in advance (catching a great sale!) may store them at Linda Blume's house, 224 Orchestra Place. Any questions? Please call Loretta Quigley at 410-758-6775 or email her at <a href="lorettaquigley@yahoo.com">lorettaquigley@yahoo.com</a>.

#### **Fourth SV Name Tag Campaign**

Outreach's SV name tag campaign is underway and will continue until **November 15**. Name tags will be the same as in the past - gold with black lettering with the Clubhouse logo on the left side, 1.25" x 3", with choice of magnet or pin back. Use the easy-order envelope to place your order (envelopes are available at the Clubhouse), and fill out all the information requested. The cost of materials and labor has gone up since the last order, so the price this year is \$12.50 for each tag ordered. Please place your check (made out to SVOPI) in the envelope (or we, of course, accept cold hard cash) and bring it to the Clubhouse. The magnetic back is the most popular, but 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 51 orders or more to get this pricing, so order yours today!





#### **Bingo**



Over fifty residents participated in the Bingo Night held in September and 53 attended in October. So Bingo will continue to be held on a monthly basis, generally on the second Friday of each month. The October jackpot of \$225 was won by Ron Brown (congrats!); so in November, the jackpot will be \$50 with 50 numbers being called. Additional volunteers are needed to act as callers. If interested, please contact Marilyn Williams.

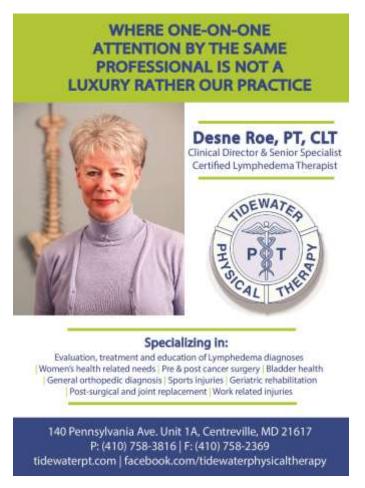
Café Press



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 nonprofits in Queen Anne's County. Please go to the Café Press website, <a href="Café Press Outreach">Café Press Outreach</a>, to place your orders for your choice of t-shirts, sweat shirts, ball caps, pajamas, clothes, aprons, and even a shirt for Fido. There

are also a variety of gift items including drink ware, bags, teddy bears, key chains, 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!





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

#### **New Residents from Resales**

Please help the Welcome Committee. There are lots of resales of late. Your eyes are necessary to help us recognize a new resident. If you see someone moving into a resale, please contact Eileen Rowley at 410-758-0358. You can also recommend that they visit the Clubhouse to fill out a Directory Form if they haven't already done so.

#### Recipes, Restaurant Reviews, and Travel Articles

The committee is always looking for new recipes, restaurant reviews, and travel articles. Please feel free to submit them. If you taste something fantastic at Happy Hour or another event, ask for the recipe for the *Libretto*. If you experience an enjoyable time on your travels (both extended and short day trips), submit an article for the *Libretto*.

#### **Committee Meetings**

Residents are always welcome to attend the meeting on the first Monday of the month. The next meeting is November 2 at 2 p.m.

#### **Late Edition**

The November edition of the *Libretto* will be issued on November 16 because November 15 is on a Sunday. Sorry in advance for any inconvenience.



#### **SNEAKERS**— Linda Farrar, President

# **Sneakers 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Silent Auction**

This year's Silent Auction is just a few weeks away---Saturday, November 7, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. By now, you should have received your invitation in the mail. All Symphony Village residents are invited to attend.

The sign-up sheet is in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse. We request that you sign up and drop off your donation check in the amount of \$10/person, payable to Sneakers, at the Clubhouse by Friday, October 23. For this modest fee, you will have a fun-filled evening and enjoy tasty sandwiches, sumptuous hors d'oeuvres, and delicious desserts.

There will be great items for you to bid on, such as themed gift baskets, restaurant gift certificates, tickets to sporting and cultural events, raffle items, and much more.

Remember to bring your return address labels to place on your raffle tickets. By doing so, you will expedite the completion of ticket information on the reverse side of the ticket.

#### So, Who Is Sneakers?

Since our auction last November, our community has grown significantly and perhaps you don't know what Sneakers is all about. As our charter states, we support families and children of Centreville schools as identified by the school counselors.

We began 11 years ago by adopting one family that had very limited resources and were sending their children to school in flip flops or shoes without soles in winter. We were asked to supply sneakers for this family, thus our name. We then began adopting families every year for Christmas, providing predominately clothing and a few toys, always including a pair of sneakers. These families are those that are not aided by social services. As time passed, the schools' guidance counselors brought other needs to our attention.

For the elementary-age children, we have a Reading for Fun program where we give away new, age appropriate books two or three times a year. This usually occurs via a "Pastries for Parents" program, where parents join their children before school to select and read a book together, while enjoying juice and pastries. There are also all-school

book giveaways for holidays and end-of-the-school-year programs. These book giveaways have been highly successful and for many children these are the only books they own.

Our middle school involvement has primarily been to ensure that every sixth grader that wants to attend the week-long outdoor education program gets a scholarship to attend. This usually amounts to a couple of thousand dollars a year.



We also have been awarding college scholarships for students to attend Chesapeake Community College or other Maryland Schools. This past spring we offered \$4,000 to deserving students. These scholarships are for students who have been identified by the school counselors and, otherwise, would probably not be able to attend college. However, we don't just provide monetary help. SV residents volunteer in classrooms, help with special events, and support special needs that come up during the school year. Those of us who actively participate find this interaction with the community very rewarding. Everyone in Symphony Village is welcome and encouraged to be a part of Sneakers.

#### Kennard School and Centreville Elementary School Book Giveaway

There will be a book giveaway on Thursday and Friday, October 22 and 23, at Kennard Elementary School. Centreville Elementary School book giveaway will be held on Monday, October 26. Sign-up sheets are in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse. If you have a couple of hours to spare on any of these mornings, please sign up to help.

#### **Next Meeting**

You can look for our meeting times in the *Libretto*. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 14, at 3 p.m. in the Clubhouse. Hope to see you there.



## **CLUBS AND CLASSES**

#### Gazebo Garden Club and Victory Garden—by Jack Hennessey



Our recent report featuring one of our diligent workers has been well received, so we decided to continue in that mode. This month we welcome Ray "Gunga Din" Caffiero, who keeps our veggie garden watered during dry weather. This is no simple task. Ray trudges down the hill to our water source (Diane Briggs house), connects 175 feet of hose and waters all of the 12 veggie plots. When this is done, Ray drags the hose up the hill and coils it up, out of the way of the lawn mowers. I get tired just thinking about it! See you next year Ray!

All of the plants have been uprooted and moved to the mulch pile. Dave Peterson will do a fall tilling and do it again in the spring for planting on St. Patrick's Day.

The gazebo garden is essentially done, except for a few zinnias and two Mums next to the memorial stone. All of the other flowers have gone to seed, so they will be left to feed the birds until December.

The purple martin house has been cleaned and stored in the gazebo to be used as a centerpiece for our Christmas decorations, which we hope to install by Thanksgiving. Incidentally, the martins left early this year, about August 1. The caretakers of the other four martin houses (which the garden club helped to install) are encouraged to winterize their houses.

#### Lunch Bunch—by Marge Strano

The November Lunch Bunch is scheduled for The Narrows Restaurant on Thursday, November 5, at 12:30



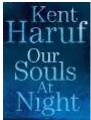
p.m. The newly remodeled Narrows Restaurant is located at 3023 Kent Narrows Way S in Grasonville. Enjoy scenic waterfront dining in a casual atmosphere.

Come join us and experience a wonderful lunch menu that includes an exceptional crab cake, a variety of salads, a Crab Omelet, a Narrow's Reuben, or perhaps a Grilled Chicken Pesto

Sandwich and much more. 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 if you have a question, need directions, or need a ride. All are invited! Phone for the Narrows is 410-827-8113.



# Reading for Fun Book Club -- by Jack Hennessey



The novel that we discussed at our September 15 meeting was *Our Souls At Night*, by Kent Haruf. The author died in 2014. He was a finalist for the National Book Award and The New Yorker Book Award.

The novel opens with a simple statement: "And then there was the day that Addie Moore made a call on Louis Waters." Both live alone since illness stole away both of their spouses. Addie knocks on Louis's door and after a few stuttering starts, Addie makes an outlandish proposal: "I'm lonely. I think you may be too. I wonder if you would come and sleep in the night with

me." Eventually, Louis takes her up on her offer. It's impossible to resist the thrill these two sweet people feel as they get to know each other night after night. They do this at the risk of scandalizing their adult children and the town busybodies. The book club members were not all satisfied with the conclusion. The novel received a rating of 8.3 on a scale of 1 to 10. (Anything 8.0 or higher is Very Good). Joan Hennessey recommended this book. It is a quick read, containing fewer than 200 pages.

The book for our October 20 meeting is *Unexpected Pleasures*, by Phyllis Naylor. If you plan to read this book, be sure to specify the author, because there are several books with the same name, but they are all sex novels!

We welcomed Kathy McManus as a new member of the book club. All residents are invited to attend meetings and to join the club.



#### **Social Singles** by Carol Donnelly



Six of our members recently had a great time at the Ram's Head Lobster Night. Pictured are Carol Donnelly, Sandy Allegra, Joyce Brown, Annie May Price, Anne Stafford, and Peggy Hungerford.

The group has a monthly meeting on the second Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m. at The Commerce Street Creamery. Singles are always welcome to come and help plan future events.

#### **Future Events**

#### October

- Free concert at Queen Anne's County Arts Council October 17
  - This Saturday, at the Centre for the Arts will host a concert featuring a blend of gospel and folk. Produced by local artist Littleton "Sunny" Fassett, the evening will intertwine the sounds of gospel, blues, and folk featuring well-known local acts and soloists. Concert goers will be treated to rotating performances by The Pam Ortiz Band, Andre Sisco, God's Wealth, Serenity, New Gospelites, Rebecca Pitre & Debbie Campbell, and T'Niya Dozier. This concert is presented by the Queen Anne's County Arts Council with the help of event sponsors Dr. and Mrs. Don Cameron. Doors open at 5:45 pm. Admission is free but donations are always welcome. Complimentary intermission refreshments and a cash bar will be available. **Carpool from the Clubhouse: 5 p.m.**
- Wednesday, October 28: Day trip to the Allenberry Resort Inn and Playhouse: *Sleuth*: a play by Anthony Shaffer. Cost of trip is \$78 per person. Ten of us have paid the \$20 deposit. Balance Due Sept. 23. Sponsored by the **Grasonville Senior Center** The event is a day trip departing at 7:30 a.m. from Grasonville and returning to Grasonville at 5:45 p.m. Trip is a GO!! We will meet in the parking lot at 6:45 a.m. to carpool to Grasonville.
- Sunday, November 1: Lives Interrupted: Oxford Community Center, 2 p.m. Originally presented in 2010 to SRO audiences, this acclaimed musical revue returns as a gloriously reminiscent tribute to the families and participants in World War II. Created by Betty Dorbin, Steve Clyburn, David Foster, and Alex Handy, produced by Robyn Mendelsohn, musical direction by Marcia Gilliam. Meet at Clubhouse to carpool: 12:45 p.m. Box office opens at 1 p.m. Sign up in the Activities Book in the Clubhouse.
- Thursday, November 5, 12:30 p.m.: Lunch Bunch at Narrows Restaurant: Sign up with Lunch Bunch in the Activities Book. Singles can carpool: Meet in Parking lot at noon.
- Tuesday, November 10, 10 a.m.: November meeting at The Commerce Street Creamery.
- Friday, November 13: Community Event: *Wait until Dark*. Sign up in Activities Book. Social Singles can carpool.
- Sunday, December 6, 4 7 p.m. Combined meeting and pot luck dinner: CAROL DONNELLY WILL HOST! Pot luck/wine/friendship.

- Saturday, December 12: Queen Anne's Chorale Members will carpool. Sign up in Activities Book.
- LOOKING AHEAD: Two of us have already signed up for *Beautiful: The Carole King Musical* in NYC: Sunday, May 22: \$160 Bus and show admission. Send your \$50 deposit to Grasonville Senior Center: P.O Box 147, Grasonville MD 21638. Sign-up sheet in Activities Book.

#### **CERT** by George Drake

#### **SV Emergency Information Form**

Because of two recent incidents in SV, the SV Emergency Information Form has been UPDATED to **include a space for your garage door keypad code and a second cell phone number.** Please add this code and number to your form or submit a new one (included as the last page in this *Libretto*). **Single?** It is strongly suggested that you complete the SV Emergency Information Form. This form is held in strict confidence in the SV Management Office and is used only in case of emergency. A blank form is included as the last page of this *Libretto*; return a completed form to the SV Management Office.

#### **Garage Door Wireless Keypad**



Image this – you need to get home to take your dog out, but you are tied up in Bay Bridge traffic. OR, you need your neighbor to turn up the heat hours before you get home. OR, you are in an emergency situation and need to give access to your home for emergency personnel or a neighbor. What you need is a wireless keypad installed outside of your garage door with a four-digit code that can be used by someone to help you!

Now here is a deal! You buy a wireless keypad garage door opener (Lowe's, \$39.95) and install it. It takes about 15 minutes to push some buttons and attach it with two screws. If you need help, your SV CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) will install the keypad for you. Call George Drake, 410-758-8266 for help. Hey, if you ALREADY have a wireless keypad, add the number on your SV Emergency Information Form AND give the number to your neighbors!

#### File of Life



IF Emergency Personnel (ambulance, fire, EMT, paramedic, CERT) come to your home, THIS is the first thing they look for – and THEY KNOW IT IS ON YOUR REFRIGERATOR. This is a personal form that YOU complete with your medical data – special conditions, problems, medications, pharmacy, blood type, medical conditions (checklist), allergies (checklist), insurance, and emergency contacts. This is the information YOUR EMT/Paramedic needs immediately to treat you. Get your personal

magnetic refrigerator holder and form from Eileen Rowley. (Call 410-758-0358 and leave a message.)

#### Check/Update your File of Life every 6 months!

#### Wanted: SV Residents with Current CPR/AED or CERT Certifications

If you have a **current** certification in CPR/AED through a CERT (Community Emergency Response Team), Red Cross, Fire/EMS/Paramedic, or other class, please send an e-mail with details (class attended, date, expiration date of certification) to GeorgeRDrake@yahoo.com. **If you are interested in becoming certified in CERT, please also email George.** 

#### **CERT Meeting**

A meeting of current and past members and persons interested in becoming CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) members for Symphony Village are invited to attend a meeting on Monday, October 26, at 7 p.m. in the Clubhouse. See you there. George Drake

## Next Dining In Sunday, October 25, at 6 p.m.

Dining In: We have a new chairperson! Victoria Weber has graciously agreed to take over organizing the Dining In evenings. We are in good hands and I look forward to seeing you at a Dining In evening soon....Jinny Guy

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

#### **Gratitude**



Lets Have a Big Party for Them in the Club House Early in 2016

As new neighbors, Joseph and I are elated that so many bright and generous people are taking such good care of Symphony Village. It amazes us how hard people work as volunteers. It is time for the beneficiaries of these volunteers' hard work to thank all of people who give SV such a great name in Centreville, who keep us financially sound, keep our village gorgeous, keep us safe, keep us informed, and plan wonderful social events. They need to be shown some gratitude for all their tireless efforts.

Wouldn't it be great to have a stepped up Happy Hour for them? The Lifestyle Committee said we could have the event on Friday, January 8, at the Clubhouse in lieu of their planned Happy Hour. Those of you who would like to show their appreciation by helping, please contact me -- Zina Lichaa, 347 Overture Way, 410-758-2220.

# **Clubhouse Holiday Decorating**

The Holliday Season is quickly approaching and preparations for decorating the Clubhouse are underway. In order to allow volunteers ample time for their personal Holiday preparations, we will decorate in mid-November. If you would like to be part of the decorating team, please call Joyce Ryan at 410-758-2136 or Jack Tominovich at 410-758-1897.

Dave Peterson, our "Light Man," will once again be assembling a crew to wrap the trees with lights. If you would like to be part of the crew, please call Dave at 443-262-8335.

Our annual "NIGHT OF LIGHTS AND POT LUCK SOUP SUPPER" will be held Tuesday, December 1. More information will be provided along with a sign-up sheet next month.

# **Library Red (and White)**



The Friends of the Queen Anne's County Library will hold a fundraiser, "Library Red (and White)," on **Friday, October 16**, 6 – 9 p.m., at Cascia Vineyards' Tasting Room and Patio (1200 Thompson Creek Road) in Stevensville. The event will feature Cascia wines and elegant finger foods. Raffles and a 50/50 will round out the night (proceeds will be used to support library programs). Admission at the door is \$50 per person. Registration may be completed on the Queen Anne County Library website at Friends of the Library.

# Paul T. Richards Dwner/Electrician paulsavandelectrical@gmail.com outdoor sound, outdoor theatre, uplighting, path lighting, security cameras, networking, home theatre and sound. 719-238-5523 605 Dean RD. Centreville, MD. 21617 Electrical license # RL-351

# Children's Halloween Party

Don't forget to sign up for the Grandchildren's Halloween Party to be held on Saturday, October 24. And if you have signed up but not yet paid, the cost is \$6; checks are made payable to the HOA. Deadline for sign ups is Monday, October 19.



# **American Legion Jeff Davis Post 18**

• All residents of Symphony Village are welcome to attend the weekly **Friday Night Dinners** at the Legion Hall:

Friday, October 16: Legion Riders' Spaghetti & Meatballs Dinner, \$10

Friday, October 23: Auxiliary's Turkey Dinner, \$10 Friday, October 30: Fried Oyster Dinner, \$15

Friday, November 6: To Be Announced Friday, November 13: To Be Announced

• MPT Salutes Vietnam Veterans Traveling Exhibit: This exhibit is making its way around Maryland through June 2016 to celebrate the military service of Marylanders during the Vietnam War. The exhibit features both current-day and wartime images of 16 men and women along with their recollections of incidents



from the war. An artifact display includes items from the war. Jeff Davis Post 18 will host the exhibit **November 6 – 20** in the meeting hall: Monday – Saturday, 2 - 10 p.m.; Sunday, 2 - 8 p.m.

• <u>Veterans Day Ceremony</u>: Wednesday, November 11, 11 a.m.: Queen Anne's County Courthouse grounds: All citizens, not just veterans, are invited to attend this brief patriotic ceremony and all are invited back to the Post for a luncheon at noon.

#### **Queen Anne's Chorale - SAVE THE DATE!**

Mark your calendars now for the Queen Anne's Chorale's annual Holiday Concert entitled: "Feliz Navidad!" Robert Huntington, Artistic Director, has planned repertoire that celebrates the rich cultural heritage of Hispanic

and Caribbean Christmas music. Instrumentalists, soloists, the Chorale's Special Ensemble, and audience participation will round out this fun and lively program. The Chorale is accompanied by Cyndi Bidinotto-Slate.

Date: Saturday, December 12, 7 p.m.

**Location: The Todd Performing Arts Center,** 

**Chesapeake College** 

Tickets are \$15 for adults; children through high school are admitted free. Tickets can be purchased at the door or from a Chorale member. The venue is handicapped accessible. For more information please call 240-650-5540 or visit Queen Anne's Chorale.

The Queen Anne's Chorale is funded in part by the United Way of Queen Anne's County, and grants from the Queen Anne's County Center for the Arts and the Maryland State Arts Council, an agency dedicated to cultivating a vibrant cultural community where the arts thrive.

#### **Message from the Library**

Symphony Village residents with atlanticbb.net email addresses who aren't receiving library notices and the newsletter should contact the Library and provide an alternative email address for mailings. Emails to SVers have been blocked by Atlantic Broadband.



# **UPCOMING CENTREVILLE EVENTS**

#### **Pancakes in Pink**



Pancakes in Pink will be held on **Friday, October 16**, 7-9 a.m., on Courthouse Square in Centreville. Volunteers will serve up tasty pink pancakes and sausage in return for a donation. This is a fundraiser for Patrons in Pink. Call 443-262-2884 for more information.

#### **Paint Brush Party**



The QAC Arts Council will hold the next Paintbrush Party on **Friday, October 23**, 6-9 p.m., at the Centre for the Arts in Centreville. While sipping wine and listening to music, participants are guided step by step to create your own version of the evening's featured painting, "Tides Out" by Sarah Lyle. No art experience required. Party goers are provided with all the materials needed to complete a 16"x20" painting to take home. The cost is \$40 for Arts Council members

and \$45 for non-members. Reserve a spot by calling 410-758-2520. Past events have sold out, so make your plans early.

#### **Open House Sheriff's Office**



The QAC Office of the Sheriff (505 Railroad Avenue) in Centreville will hold an Open House on **Saturday, October 24**, 9 a.m. – noon. There will be K-9 demonstrations, office tours, a prescription round-up, giveaways, hot dogs, SWAT and MRAP, a scavenger hunt, and more.

#### **Top Chef Retreat**



A <u>Top Chef Retreat</u> will be held **October 27 – 28** at Camp Pecometh (136 Bookers Wharf Road) in Centreville. Sharpen your cooking skills, and learn techniques such as braising, searing, grilling, knife work, and bread baking. This program will focus on making and freezing fall favorites like soup and bread.

# 5th Annual Centreville Day "Spooktacular"



If you are driving into downtown Centreville on **Friday, October 31**, don't be surprised if you run into some spooky characters and festively-face painted kids as the Town of Centreville will be hosting its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Centreville Day on

Halloween. This free family event will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Lawyers Row and the Court House green. There will be an interactive Kids Zone, final judging of the cookie contest, an Idol contest, pumpkin painting, pumpkin bowling, a moon bounce and slide, story time, a puppet show, face painting, a historical scavenger hunt, a community arts project, and many more games and activities. Business and civic groups will have display tables and food will be sold. The rain date is **Sunday, November 1**.

# Centreville Day: 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Scavenger Hunt



The Queen Anne's County Historical Society will host the  $3^{rd}$  Annual Scavenger Hunt on **Saturday, October 31**, noon – 2 p.m. Sign up will begin at Wright's Chance.

#### Centreville Day: Spooky House Tour



The Historical Society will also host the Spooky House Tour on **Saturday, October 31**, 6-8 p.m., at Tucker House (for both adults and children).

#### "Olde Tyme Radio Hour"



The "Olde Tyme Radio Hour" will take place on **Saturday, November 14**, 7 p.m., at Goodwill Volunteer Fire Company in Centreville. The evening features the award-winning quartet "Famous Janes" and The Harmony on the Bay Chorus and "Hot Pink" chorus quartet. For tickets or more information, call 410-699-1007.

# **Recipe of the Month** -- From the Kitchen of Pat Fox Mexican Chocolate Cookies

2 ¼ cups all-purpose flour ½ cup unsweetened cocoa powder 2 teaspoons cream of tartar 1 teaspoon baking soda

½ teaspoon coarse salt

1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter\*

1 % cups sugar

2 large eggs

2 teaspoon cinnamon

½ teaspoon chili powder (optional)



- Preheat oven to 400 degrees with racks in upper and lower thirds.
- In a medium bowl, sift together flour, cocoa powder, cream of tartar, baking soda, and salt.
- In a large bowl, using an electric mixer, beat butter and 1 ½ cups sugar on medium speed until light and fluffy, about 2 minutes. Scrape down side of bowl. Add eggs and beat to combine.
- With mixer on low, gradually add flour mixture and beat until combined.
- In a small bowl, combine ½ cup sugar (I kept this fairly close to the amount), cinnamon, and chili powder (if using).
- Using heaping tablespoons, form balls of dough and roll in cinnamon-sugar-chili powder mixture.
- Place about 3 inches apart on two parchment-lined cookie sheets.
- Bake until cookies are set in the center and begin to crack about 10 minutes, rotating sheets halfway through.
- Let cookies cool on cookie sheets on wire racks for 5 minutes and then transfer cookies to racks to cool completely.
- Store in an air-tight container up to 1 week. Makes 32 cookies.
  - \* Butter should be room temperature. I use 1 stick of butter and ½ cup olive oil.

#### Trivia Answers

- 1. Calico cat
- 2. Walking
- 3. Square dance
- 4. The Old Line State
- 5. White Oak

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#### SYMPHONY VILLAGE EMERGENCY INFORMATION FORM

In the event of severe weather problems, power failures, other possible disaster situations, or personal emergencies, the Symphony Village Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) members could be your first responders prior to the arrival of professional emergency response personnel. To help us as first responders, we are asking that you voluntarily complete this confidential Emergency Information Form and return it to the SV Management Office. A group of your Symphony Village neighbors have completed classes and are certified by Queen Anne's County as members of CERT

# IN AN EMERGENCY DIAL 911 FIRST.

All information given on this form will be held in strict confidence and will be used for emergencies only.

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#### What is CERT?

CERT training promotes a partnering effort between emergency services and the people that they serve. The goal is for emergency personnel to train members of neighborhoods, community organizations, or workplaces in basic response skills. CERT members are then integrated into the emergency response capability for their area.

If a disastrous event overwhelms or delays the community's professional response, CERT members can assist others by applying the basic response and organizational skills that they learned during training. These skills can help save and sustain lives following a disaster until help arrives. CERT skills also apply to daily emergencies.

Symphony Village CERT Mission Statement

The mission of the Symphony Village Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is two-fold:

- To prepare, protect, and assist our families, friends, and neighbors within Symphony Village in the event of a minor or major disaster before official emergency personnel can arrive
- To assist the Queen Anne's County Emergency Management organization, as requested Revised October 2015. htfoFormgrd2Update2015 indd