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Symphony Village's Newsletter

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MISSION STATEMENT: 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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223 Harmony Way*

*David & Patricia Lightfoot
207 Encore Court*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Covenants Committee

The Covenants Committee has completed a survey of solar panel installations from 2014 to present. We were looking to see if the solar panel installations were installed according to the requirements as stated in the architectural guidelines. A majority of the installations were completed in accordance with the guidelines. Several homes that had solar panel installations will require "screening" to hide some of the **auxiliary equipment**. Those residents will be receiving a letter from the Covenants Committee advising them what they will need to do.

We encourage people to review the Architectural Guidelines very carefully when they are planning any projects for their homes. The Architectural Guidelines are there to help you understand what is required for these projects. If you ever have any questions about what is needed for any project, please contact the Covenants Committee for further clarification.

Lifestyle – *Vinny Volpicelli, Chair; Randy Officer, Vice Chair; & Pat Fox, Correspondent*

- **Jimmy Buffett Happy Hour/Swim Party – Saturday, August 20, 6 – 9 p.m.** hosted by Vinny Volpicelli and Mary Jo Keefe. Enjoy the festivities including extended pool hours starting at 6 p.m. Please bring Jimmy Buffet island-themed food; *Margaritas* will be the special drink of the night. Prizes will be offered for the best-flowered shirts, the best-dressed couple, and the best Jimmy Buffet look-alikes!
- **Ice Cream Social – Sunday, August 21, 2 – 3:30 p.m.** Join us for an old fashion Ice-Cream Social at the Clubhouse. The *Commerce Street Creamery* will be catering this event. The price is \$5.80 for a 6-oz. cup with toppings (price is the same for adults & children). Ice cream flavors include vanilla,

chocolate mint chip, salted caramel, and cookies 'n cream with various self-serve toppings! Please sign up in advance in the Activities Book and pay by check for the number of tickets you wish to purchase. Payment is needed in advance. Tickets will be issued on the day of the event to those who have paid. You will need a ticket in order to be served. Second helpings require another ticket!

- **Happy Hour – Friday, September 2, 6 – 8 p.m.,** hosted by LuAnn and Pete Sackrider
- **Labor Day Picnic – Sunday, September 4, noon – 4 p.m.** Food served 1 – 3 p.m. (see *Libretto* Labor Day Picnic article for cost and sign-up details)
- **Lifestyle Meeting – Monday – September 12, – 7 p.m.**

Happy Birthday Happy Hour

A very successful and fun July and August babies Happy Birthday Happy Hour and Pool Party hosted by Zina Lichaa on August 5 with cake by Nancie Cameron was the *happening place to be* earlier this month! **Thanks to both Zina and Nancie for a wonderful, well-planned Happy Hour!**



More great times like this are in our future!

Come up with an idea and join us at a Lifestyle meeting to talk about how to turn your dreams into reality! We look forward to another *brainiac Trivial Pursuit* game hosted by Donna Donaldson. If you did not participate in the past, come to the next **Trivial Pursuit** event and join a group of well-educated people puzzle over questions for ages 7 and above and, **get them wrong!** Or, have Donna blurt out the answer! Come and enjoy a fun-filled afternoon for everyone.

NEW YORK CITY TRIPS:

- **October 8,** Ellis Island, Statue of Liberty, Memorial (not Museum) 9 – 11, Little Italy for dinner on your own. \$105 pp.
- **November 5,** 9/11 Memorial Museum, Little Italy for dinner on your own. \$115 pp.
- **December 2 –** Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular – 11:30 a.m. Matinee - \$149 pp.
Invite family, friends, and kids to go also. Time to shop and have a late lunch/early dinner on your own.

All of these trips depart at 7 a.m. from the SV Clubhouse. A bagel and juice breakfast will be served. Bring your own hot drink. All shows are matinees with Orchestra seating. Return time is approximately 10 p.m.

HAPPY HOURS AVAILABLE FOR HOSTING:

All happy hours hosting positions have been taken for 2016! Thanks everyone! Please remember to volunteer for 2017.

SUMMER PICNIC TEAM MEETING - LABOR DAY PICNIC

Twenty days to the Labor Day Picnic. Where did the summer go? We have 36 members of the 2016 Symphony Village Picnic Team ready to set up, decorate, meet and greet, make desserts, work the bar, clean up, and take down so that the day is enjoyable for the expected crowd of over 200 residents and guests. We have one final planning meeting on **Wednesday, August 17**, at 7 p.m. You are welcome. We are ready; remember, the picnic is open to everyone. If you are purchasing a catered Adam's Taphouse and Grill meal, please sign up and make the check payable to SVHOA. Please sign up by **Monday, August 29**.

You can also come, watch, and train for next year. Put the date on your calendar. Contact Skip at skornmeyer@msn.com or 443-386-6553 if you have any questions.

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Operations & Maintenance - Pat Fox, Chair; Dominick Mancinelli, Vice Chair; & Jinny Guy, Secretary

There has been a flurry of maintenance activity in the Village over the last few months. The inventory of cracked or heaved sidewalk sections has been replaced. New concrete sections intersecting the outdoor pool walkways and the pool deck have been poured to replace flagstone slabs and eliminate tripping hazards. The Clubhouse gutters have been cleaned and a gutter capacity analysis has been completed; the drainage system has been deemed adequate for the building size and design. The Gazebo fan has been replaced with an outdoor unit.

In addition, a new double oven and stove was installed in the kitchen. Worn pool table felt covers have been replaced in the Billiard Room.

The malfunctioning treadmills in the gym were fixed at no charge. Users are advised not to let their feet/heels drag on the moving belt when they are getting on or off. Go directly from the metal running board to the belt.

The Clubhouse had a thorough two-day deep cleaning by an outside service that tackled every nook and cranny throughout the building. The indoor pool and poolroom also had a detailed cleaning that included the walls and ceiling.

Shrubs that have seen better days were removed from the rear yard and the indoor poolroom. Remember to please keep your plants at home – the Community has plenty.

A leak into the Craft Room from the front window has been repaired. Tyvek wrap was added under the siding for better weatherproofing. Exposed wiring in the Gatehouse was fixed. The bar floor was treated with colored stain that did a good job covering up nicks and scratches.

The Transition Subcommittee has been dutifully combing SV to find any issues that must be addressed by Caruso Developers before they exit the community. The subcommittee is reviewing the *new section* that has not been completed or turned over to the town addressing incomplete items from the 2010 Transition Report after first phases and the Clubhouse were turned over to Centreville and the SVHOA.

Special Storage Committee Update — Pat Fox, Chair; & Joe Brown, Vice Chair

For the last several months, the Special Storage Committee has been gathering information to assist in making a recommendation to the HOA Board for a preferred firm to provide architectural services. These professional services would include the development of conceptual designs and costs to expand the Clubhouse to provide storage space and a possible ballroom expansion. A proposal was developed outlining our project goals and details; architectural firms with related experience were identified, and proposals sent to them; a pre-proposal meeting was held to brief interested firms and give them the opportunity to ask questions. Submitted proposals were reviewed and interviews held. The hiring recommendation—unanimously approved by the full committee—has been drafted and submitted to the Board. A request for a Special Board Meeting to approve a conceptual design and cost estimating contract has been requested within the next month as the next Board meeting isn't scheduled until October.

Outreach — Bea Trotta, President

Artisans' Fair



Outreach's 6th Artisans' Fair will be on **Saturday, September 17, 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.** We hope that you have already marked the date on your calendar! As in years past, we will be having a bake sale of mini-quick-breads and muffins, and the lunch option will include cookies or a brownie for dessert. *Calling All Bakers:* If you can help with the breads or muffins or cookies or brownies, please let Willie DiLaura (443-262-8062) know as soon as possible. Willie will give all bakers further details when

the date is closer. Thank you for your help!

Bingo is back!



Join in the fun! Come play bingo, sponsored by Outreach. The first Bingo Night of the new season is on Friday,

September 9 at 7 p.m. The jackpot is \$50—you need to fill your card with 50 numbers in order to win the jackpot. There are many other opportunities to win throughout the evening. See you there!

Publications & Communications -

Carol Hodges, Chair; & Linda Blume, Vice Chair

If you are a member of a local non-profit group, the P&C Committee will publicize your group's fundraising events here in Symphony Village. Just send details to *Libretto* editors Carol Hodges, Brenda Stoltz, and Marge Strano and to Linda Blume who writes "Centreville Events" in the *Libretto* and Weekend Local Events. Please remember the *Libretto* deadline of the 10th of every month.



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**SNEAKERS
ANNOUNCEMENT**



**Sneakers Inaugural Novemberfest Winetasting
Saturday, November 5, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
at the Clubhouse.**

**Tickets go on sale Monday, September 12
\$25/person
Only 150 Tickets will be sold.**

Charity event to benefit the QAC Public School Students.

Since the summer is rapidly slipping by, it isn't too early to mark your calendar for the Sneakers Novemberfest Winetasting.

Crow Vineyard will be the featured winery at the event. In addition, there will be other wine tastings, local craft beers, and various liquor tastings arranged by Draper Bros Liquor Store. Our signature hors d'oeuvres will be on the menu, several gift baskets will be auctioned off, and restaurant gift certificate raffles will also be held.

Tickets will be sold at the Clubhouse on **Monday, September 12**, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. and again

from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. so that you can sign up for and purchase your tickets. Remember, tickets must be paid for at the time of sign-up, with no exceptions. Checks should be made payable to Symphony Sneakers.

If you are not available to purchase your tickets on September 12, perhaps you can coordinate with a friend or neighbor to sign you up and purchase your ticket. For any tickets remaining after September 12, there will be a sign-up sheet at the Clubhouse. You can place your check in the Symphony Village Cash Box. Please follow the instructions closely on the sign-up sheet by placing one person's name on each line.

We hope you will join us for a fun-filled evening.

Next Meeting

Sneakers next meeting will be held on **Wednesday, September 14, at 2 p.m.** at the Clubhouse. New members are always welcome.

Summertime Safety From SV CERT

by Debi Wells

August in Symphony Village is hard to beat with our beautifully maintained outdoor and indoor pools, shade trees, and close proximity to a number of beaches. But, for some of us, the heat and sun can be a concern if precautions are not taken. Here are some tips to make sure everyone continues to have a relaxing and safe summer.

Know your neighbors! Yes, communication plays an important role in insuring safety in summer or any



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season. Get to know your neighbors and check on them occasionally to make sure they're okay. The friendship that can result is a bonus!

Stay hydrated! Seniors are more susceptible to dehydration than younger folks because we lose the ability to conserve water as we age. We can become less aware of thirst and have difficulty adjusting to temperature changes. Remember to drink water often, especially if you're spending time with friends at the pool.

Check your meds! Talk with your doctor to be sure increased temperatures won't affect your medications.

Wear the right stuff! We all know this, right? But do you do it? Dress for the weather, natural fabrics (think cotton) are cooler than synthetic fibers. And, stock your summer wardrobe with loose-fitting clothing to feel cooler and more comfy.

Protect your eyes! Vision loss is common among our age group. Don't help Mother Nature by exposing yourself to more sun than necessary. Wear sunglasses with UV ray protection.

Guard against hyperthermia! Be cautious about high body temperature, hyperthermia. Heat stroke is an advanced form of hyperthermia. If you feel the onset of hyperthermia, cool your body. Warning signs of hyperthermia can include:

- Feeling overheated (body temperature greater than 104 degrees)
- A change in behavior (being confused, agitated, or grouchy)
- Dry, flushed skin (more pink or red coloring than normal)
- Nausea and vomiting (no explanation needed here!)
- Headache
- Heavy breathing or a rapid pulse
- Not sweating, even if it's hot out
- Fainting

Wear sunscreen! What do you tell your children and grandchildren? Yes, wear sunscreen ... and do it for yourself. As our skin ages and becomes thinner (ugh, an awful thought) put that sunscreen on for the protection we need now more than ever.

Wear a hat! Especially if you have light colored hair (and are more sensitive to the sun) and if you have distant memories of a full head of hair ... protect that scalp!

Exercise smart! Wear the proper clothing if you're outside and consider exercising earlier in the morning or later in the evening. Try not to exercise outside when the sun is at its strongest, between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

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Kudos to George & Mary Drake! from the Symphony Village Community Emergency Response Team (SV CERT)

A huge round of applause and appreciation goes to George and Mary Drake who, this past summer, updated the Symphony Village Community Emergency Response Team (SV CERT) Plan. As you know, the SV CERT Plan is designed to prepare and protect our community in the event of a disaster before official emergency personnel arrive. The Drake's many hours of meticulous and thorough groundwork and planning have resulted in a detailed and current plan for our community to help our neighbors and assist the Queen Anne's County Emergency Management team in the event of a disaster.



You can access the [SV CERT](#) website through the SV Homepage. You're sure to be impressed by the wealth of safety and helpful tips described for SV homeowners. The [SV CERT Plan](#) is online within the [SV CERT](#) website. Again, it's a wealth of information worth your time to review and even print!

The Drakes continue to support SV CERT initiatives by obtaining CERT, CPR, AED, and other useful classes for SV residents who are interested in order to help and to organize monthly training and information meetings (the third Monday of each month at 3 p.m. in the SV Clubhouse).

George and Mary: Thank you for all you do for the SV CERT and our community!



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Sheriff Hofmann Presentation & Police Dog Demo

Don't miss this opportunity to attend an exciting presentation and a demonstration of the utilization of the department police dog to assist in catching an attacker and sniffing drugs. Mark your calendars for **Monday, September 19, at 3 p.m.** Bring your questions. Presentation brought to you by the SV CERT team.

Garage Door Opener – External, Digital

The Garage Door Opener featured in the July Libretto is now available at Price & Gannon, Ace Hardware, about \$35. (Chamberlain, KLIK2U). If you need help installing it, call George Drake, 410-758-8266, and a CERT person will install it.

CLUBS AND CLASSES

Bocce Banter - Don Rizzo

It's time to get prepared for the Symphony Village Labor Day Bocce Ball Tournament that will be held at the picnic on Sunday, September 4. If it's anything like prior tournaments, it should involve some exciting bocce action, so plan on joining us at the bocce courts at 2:30 p.m. If you don't have a partner, no need to worry, we will have plenty of willing participants anxious to share the glory.

If you would like to get in some pre-tournament practice, the courts and bocce balls are available for your rolling pleasure at any time. We have a dedicated group that meets at the courts on Wednesday at 6 p.m. and they welcome all comers—experienced or not—to join in the fun. If that time is not to your liking, we can establish another time. For example, we could plan an additional time on Saturday mornings at 10 a.m. or even Monday at 4 p.m. We can meet anytime the group prefers. And don't worry if you're new to bocce—Don Rizzo is available to introduce you to the game at your convenience whether you are just one person or a group. Call him at 443-262-8192 to arrange for a time to meet at the courts. *And, let the good times roll!*

Book Club - Jack Hennessey

At our July 19 meeting, we discussed the book *The Muralist*, by B. A. Shapiro. Lee Ettman, who led the animated discussion, recommended this novel. The author had previously written *The Art Forger*, a New York Times Best Seller, and it looks like this book will be another bestseller. The story is about abstract expressionist artists and how they changed the world. This book certainly changed my perspective on abstract art. The main character, Alizee Benoit, is one of the earliest abstract painters who mysteriously disappears amid the turmoil of the approaching WWII. Her great niece, Danielle Abrams, also an artist, goes to great lengths to trace her aunt's work. She successfully recruits Eleanor Roosevelt, First Lady, as a patron of the arts! The author cites Jackson Pollock, Mark Rothko, and Lee Krasner, three of the most successful abstract artists. One interesting fact thrown in is that Hitler had dictated that all abstract artists be thrown out of Europe! To my delight, the story has a happy ending.

On a scale of 1 to 10, this novel received a rating of 8.0.

The book to be reviewed at our August 16 meeting is *The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry*, by Gabrielle Zevin. A.J. is the owner of a bookstore on Alice Island, appropriately named Island Books. He loves books, but when his wife dies, he loses all interest in them. Then he finds that his prize possession, a valuable copy of the *Poems of Edgar A. Poe*, has been stolen. He is devastated! On closing the store one evening, he finds a two-year-old girl sitting on the floor, reading a book. There is a note left with the child. What is a middle age widower to do with her? The whole town, including the

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local Chief of Police, becomes involved. Read this novel to find out how the wisdom of all his books again becomes the lifeblood of A.J. Fikry! Another happy ending!

Bunco is at Symphony Village! - Debi Wells

In the July *Libretto* we initiated Bunco at Symphony Village. Thank you to all of the Bunco Babes who responded! We're starting to play on September 1 at the Clubhouse. If you would like to join us, please sign up in the Symphony Village Activities Book (located in the Wall Street Room of the Clubhouse). Information about how to play Bunco is also in the Activities Book. If you have questions or cannot get to the Clubhouse to sign up, just contact one of the Bunco Coordinators below:

Cathy Olson: 443-262-8458 or email: shop.5678@icloud.com

Debi Wells: 443-262-8248 or email: debwells2011@gmail.com



Gazebo Garden & Victory Garden Club - Jack Hennessey



Many thanks to the SV residents who have faithfully tended their garden plots. Next year the professional gardeners will take over. In the meantime, the black-eyed Susans have taken over most of the beds. All residents are invited to submit an estimate to Cindy of the number of Susans in bloom as of August 15. The closest estimator will be awarded a ticket for two free drinks at the bar. (Jack has the official count.) The purple martins have left early for South America, perhaps to view the Olympics. We look forward to their return in

2017. The gazebo martin house will be cleaned and stored in the gazebo and decorated as usual for Christmas. Will the resident who stored the lights for us over the summer please let me know who they are. We hope to have the gazebo decorated by Thanksgiving Day. We do have about two hundred tulip bulbs to be planted as soon as the frost hits.

Due to the unusually wet spring, the victory garden was never tilled. Jack hand tilled a small plot and harvested a few tomatoes, cucumbers, peppers, and onions. Many residents have successfully resorted to patio plants.

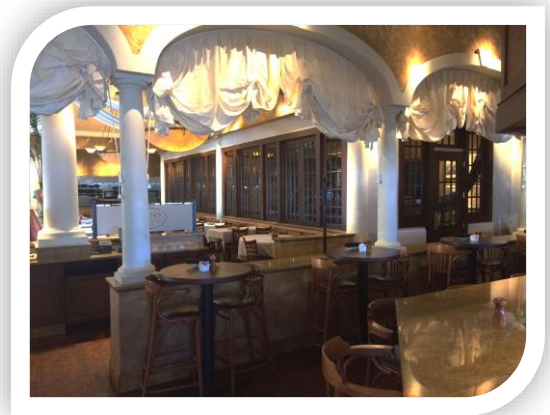
Congratulations!

Management has installed a new fan in the gazebo. Residents are free to use the gazebo at any time for a family picnic.

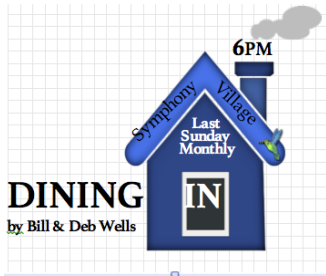
Lunch Bunch— *Bea Trotta, Marge Strano*

The September Lunch Bunch is scheduled for the **Brio Tuscan Grill, Thursday, September 8, at 12:30 p.m.** *Note that the Lunch Bunch will meet on the second Thursday in September.* The Brio Grill is located in the Annapolis Towne Center, at 305 Sail Place. We look forward to a wonderful lunch and a beautiful September day. The Annapolis Towne Center provides the opportunity to take a stroll or shop at many of your favorite retail stores. Remember to sign up in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse.

Please call Bea Trotta at 410-758-0332 (Cell 610-217-4754) or Marge Strano at 410-758-2511 (Cell 609-221-6378) if you have a question or need a ride.



Dining In *by Debi Wells*



Dining In is for *all* Symphony Village residents -- singles, couples, good cooks, and good cooks-in-training ... everyone is welcome to participate! It's a great way to meet your neighbors, have fun and interesting conversations, mingle, and enjoy new friends and foods.

Dining In is held monthly except during July and August.

How it works:

Dining In is a monthly dinner comprised of neighbors (**Guests**) getting together in another neighbor's (**Host's**) home for a meal together. It is held at 6 p.m. on the last Sunday of each month unless otherwise published in the *Libretto* and/or ECHOES.

Guests: Are volunteers! Each guest will prepare an appetizer, salad, side dish, or dessert (one per household if a couple is attending) and bring any alcoholic beverage they may want for dinner or want to bring to share with the group.

Hosts: Are volunteers! Each host is asked to seat 8-10 guests (including themselves) in their home, set a theme (or not!), contact your guests to coordinate the food item they will bring, and provide the main course, water, and non-alcoholic beverages.

How to participate:

Sign up: Each person is asked to write his or her name on the sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse Activities Book. Please indicate whether you would like to be a *Guest* or a *Host* in the appropriate column. Fill in the columns as appropriate (filling in the columns will let us know how many guests you can accommodate if you are a host, if you have allergies, and more).

Deadline to sign up: Each month the deadline to sign up will be noon the Wednesday prior to the dinner date. This will allow for coordination by the host with each guest.

Wait for confirmation: You will be contacted by your Dining In facilitators (Bill and Debi Wells) or your host a few days before the dinner.

Questions/Suggestions welcomed:

If you have any *questions or suggestions* please contact your **Dining In** facilitators:

Bill & Debi Wells – (Home) 443-262-8248 or (Email) debwells2011@gmail.com

The Joy of Music - Eleanor Streitman

The Joy of Music is coming back to Symphony Village! SV residents will once again have a wonderful opportunity to explore every aspect of music—from composers and different styles of music to the various instruments that make music possible. The *Joy of Music* classes will be held in the Clubhouse at 3 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. Mr. Bob Huntington, the Artistic Director of the Queen Anne's Chorale, will again teach the sessions. Possessed of a wonderful sense of humor and an encyclopedic knowledge of music, Bob makes each class a different delight! He talks (a little), we listen (to him and then to music), we laugh, and we learn! Each session costs only \$5 per person and usually lasts about an hour. So...come to the Clubhouse for the first class on Monday, September 12; the topic



will be “Organ 101.” Future topics include: 9/26 – “Castles & Dragons,” 10/10 – “Birds of a Feather,” 10/24 – “Songs from the Crypt,” 11/14 – “More Famous Quotes & Parodies,” and 11/28 – “Sleigh Ride.”

Please feel free to call Eleanor Strietman (443-262-8162) if you have any questions.

Social Singles - Carol Donnelly

Social Singles had their monthly meeting on **Tuesday, August 9**. Our membership continues to grow. If you are new to Symphony Village, join us and enjoy lots of activities each month!

Sunday, August 21—We have tickets reserved for the Tred Avon Players, Oxford for *A Man of No Importance*: Irish themes: Celtic Thunder and Riverdance. Meet at 12:30 p.m. in the Clubhouse parking lot to carpool. Dinner at Schooners after the theater. Sign up in the Activities Book.

Tuesday, September 13—Monthly meeting – 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, September 21—*Sister Act*: Holloway bus tour. Sign up in the Activities Book. We will be carpooling to Easton. Cost of the trip is \$89.

Contact Holloway Transit and Tours, Inc., to add your name to our reservation...bus leaves Easton at 9 a.m. Meet in the parking lot at 8:15 a.m.

Saturday—Tuesday, September 27-30—Cape May, La Mer Beachfront Inn. Three of us have committed to this trip to Cape May. You can call the hotel directly and reserve a room. We will make reservation for the Cape May/Lewis Ferry. Round trip is \$90.

Sunday, December 11 (SAVE THE DATE) 2nd annual holiday dinner at the home of Carol Donnelly. Sign-up sheet is pending.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Adult Spelling Bee: Anyone for a SV Team(s)?



As announced in the [July Libretto](#), the Friends of the Queen Anne’s County Library will hold an Adult Spelling Bee fundraiser on **Thursday, October 20, 6:30 – 9:30 p.m.** at Wye River Upper School (316 S. Commerce Street) in Centreville. Form a three-member team and register by contacting Kim Baklarz, kim@qaclibrary.org. This event is a fundraiser for Friends of the QAC Library, a non-profit organization that supports the QAC Library. Registration is \$200 per team. Costumes and team names are encouraged. For all the rules and a registration

form (which must be mailed in), go to [Bee Rules & Registration](#). Come out and root for your favorite team – spectators admitted free!

Commemorating 1776 Veterans by Honoring Today’s Veterans



The Queen Anne’s County Commissioners’ commemoration of the 240th Anniversary of 1776 continues with a very special event on **Saturday, August 27**. August 27 is the 240th anniversary of the Battle of Long Island, the day that Marylanders (including a substantial number from Queen Anne’s County) saved the new United States Army from annihilation by the British. Those men returning home were the first veterans.

Therefore, to commemorate that incredible story of bravery, the Commissioners have proclaimed **Saturday, August 27, a Day of Service to Our Veterans.**

Veterans are asked to sign up with their service organizations, their American Legion, or Veterans of Foreign Wars. When veterans sign up, they should indicate what their needs are: help with household needs, yard needs, shopping, etc. If they have no such needs, perhaps they would simply like a visit from someone or a family, go to lunch, or have a picnic. We need to know what they would like on this, their day for service. Members of the public who wish to help by providing a veteran with a day of service should email their name, phone number, and address to mmrgsierrasadie@gmail.com. We will need the information to be able to match each member of the public with the nearest veteran who is in need of help. In many cases, simply spending the day with a veteran listening to his story, or going to breakfast or lunch with him is enough. At the same time, many of our veterans may need a little help around the house. Those who sign up should be prepared to help someone with household chores, mowing a lawn, and most of all, just listening.

There is no better way to celebrate the enormous effort that our early Queen Anne’s County men made to give us our freedom in 1776— an effort that included serious injury and imprisonment by the British for a year and a half or longer—than to honor our men and women today who have continued to protect our freedom! Thank a veteran on August 27 by giving a day of service to one of them!

Eagle Scout Project: Chesterfield Cemetery & Veterans



Local Boy Scout Troop 464 out of Ruthsburg serves young men throughout the local community. SV Outreach has contributed \$500 toward summer camp scholarships for scouts from QAC who otherwise would not be able to attend camp. The scouts have also helped several SV residents with varied tasks that they could not accomplish without help. One member of the Troop, Kelson Wright, is currently trying to achieve his Eagle Scout rank. For his project, he is going to be updating the local Chesterfield Cemetery database and making it available to the public. He will also place markers at the gravesites of all veterans buried in the Cemetery. Kelson writes that this project is very special to him because, “I don’t think veterans should serve our country only to be forgotten, no matter

how long ago they served.” To raise funds for the markers, Kelson has set up a campaign on [Go Fund Me](#), a personal fundraising website that helps people raise money for causes dear to them. His goal is to raise \$8,400. The markers can be purchased for \$30 each with an option to be recognized at the donor’s discretion. Donors who wish to be recognized in writing on the back of the marker for their contributions should send an email to Kelson at drnyanhooves@gmail.com with the Subject, “**Donor Recognition**,” and include the words to be written on the back of the marker.

Shop Maryland Tax Free Week



[Shop Maryland Tax Free Week](#) will be **Sunday, August 14 – Saturday, August 20**. Qualifying apparel and footwear, \$100 or less per item, are exempt from the state sales tax. Accessory items are not included. All the details on what is covered and what is exempt from tax are listed at [Taxable and Exempt Items](#). Go to the Tax Free Week website for all the details.

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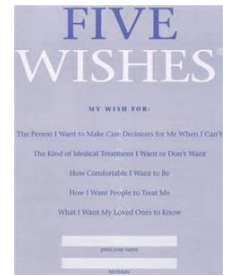
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Presentation: “Five Wishes: Changing the Way We Talk About and Plan for Care at the End of Life”

The Five Wishes program asks five questions:

- Who is the person I want to make care decisions for me when I can't?
- What kind of medical treatment do I want and what treatment do I not want?
- How comfortable do I want to be?
- How do I want people to treat me?
- What do I want my loved ones to know?



Villager Bob Hardy has arranged for Compass Regional Health personnel to visit SV on **Tuesday, September 13** to tell us about Five Wishes. There will be two presentations – the first at 10 a.m. – noon and a repeat at 6 – 8 p.m. We need to know approximately how many people will attend. Please sign up in the Activities Book or let Bob know if you plan to attend.

Queen Anne’s Chorale Announces the 2016-17 Season, Seeks New Members, and Begins Rehearsals



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The [Queen Anne's Chorale](#) begins rehearsals for the upcoming season on **Monday, September 12, 7 p.m.**, at the Centreville United Methodist Church (608 Church Hill Road). No audition is required, and singers of all levels and voice parts are invited to attend. A short reception will follow the rehearsal. (Note: New singers who miss the September 12 rehearsal will not have another chance to join the Chorale until the next “open” rehearsal on January 9, 2017.) The Chorale’s first concert, *Holiday Flourish*, will be on **Saturday, December 3**. The second concert, *Jukebox USA*, a musical hit parade of great pop standards accompanied by a combo, will be on **Saturday, April 29, 2017**. The audience will enjoy highlights from the Roaring ‘20s through the ‘60s. Both concerts will be at the Todd

Performing Arts Center at Chesapeake College at 7 p.m.

Artistic Director, Mr. Robert Huntington, begins his 14th year directing the 60-plus-voice ensemble. The Chorale continues to “engage, entertain, and educate” audiences at every concert thanks to Mr. Huntington’s carefully chosen repertoire and creative programming. Accompanist, Mrs. Cindy Bidinotto-Slate, brings a high level of expertise to the Chorale’s successful performances, as well.

In keeping with the Chorale’s mission statement of “presenting quality music to the community at large,” Community Outreach concerts are planned for the 2016-17 season, as well.

The Queen Anne’s Chorale is funded in part by the United Way of Queen Anne’s County and by grants from the Queen Anne’s Arts Council and the Maryland State Arts Council, an agency dedicated to cultivating a vibrant cultural community where the arts thrive. For more information, visit www.qachorale.org or call 410-758-3183.



Senior Time Begins at Our Mother of Sorrows Church

Our Mother of Sorrows Church (303 Chesterfield Avenue) in Centreville has begun to host “Senior Time” on the **second and fourth Fridays** of every month beginning at 9:30 a.m. in Corbaley Hall. The gathering is open to all seniors who would like to attend. There are baked goods in the morning, an occasional guest speaker, and then a light lunch at 11:30 a.m. All seniors are welcome!



Dinner With Friends-Written by Donald Margulies

Presented by Peter's Alley Theater Productions

Directed by Kristofer Kauff at the Theater on the RUN—Arlington, Virginia.

Featuring Aly B.Ettman and friends on **Sunday, September 18**—Lunch/Matinee.

\$52 pp—includes theater ticket/bus. Lunch *on your own* at nearby Shirlington Village; there are several restaurant choices. Bus leaves approximately 11 a.m.—returns approximately 6 p.m. with door-to-door service from the Clubhouse.

Payment deadline – **August 31**

Sign up in Activities Book at Clubhouse or call Lee Ettman. **Join us for a fun day!!!**



Recipe of the Month - From the Kitchen of Joan Hennessey

MISSION INN HONEY MUSTARD DRESSING

Ingredients

1 cup prepared mustard	10 oz. honey
Worcestershire sauce to taste	2 cups mayonnaise
Poppy seed to taste (2 T)	Lemon juice (1/2 lemon)
Tabasco to taste - 1 or 2 dashes	Small diced onion
5 oz. brown sugar	



Blend all ingredients together. (I use a Cuisinart.)

Makes one quart. Recipe may be halved.

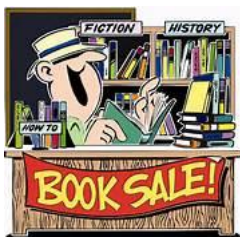
UPCOMING CENTREVILLE EVENTS

4th Annual End of Summer Social



The [End of Summer Social](#) will take place on **Thursday, August 25**, 5 – 8 p.m., at Commerce Street Creamery in Centreville. This is a fundraiser for Chesapeake Cats and Dogs' Tree of Life Pet Sanctuary. Join CCAD for dinner, desserts, drinks, fun, raffle baskets, a 50/50 raffle, and adoptable cats and dogs.

Friends of the QAC Library Annual Book Sale



The Friends of the QAC Library will hold a [Book Sale](#) on **Saturday, August 27**, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., at the Centreville Branch. Thousands of used books will be for sale including novels, coffee table books, cookbooks, travel books, biographies, histories, and children's books. DVDs and CDs will also be for sale for as little as 25 cents and no more than \$1 per title. Shoppers can also buy a bag of books for \$10 using a bag supplied by the Friends (while supplies last). All proceeds will be used to support library programming and enhance equipment at both branches of the library. The Kent Island Branch will have a similar selection of books as well on the same date, same time.

Sweet Arts Desserts & Dancing Extravaganza



The [Sweet Arts Desserts & Dancing Extravaganza](#) will take place on **Saturday, September 10, 6 – 10 p.m.**, at the 4-H Park in Centreville. Along with delicious food, drink, and a feast of sumptuous desserts, the Extravaganza features dancing to the six-piece band, 21 Horses. Tickets are \$50 per individual and \$90 per couple. All proceeds benefit the Queen Anne's County Child Advocacy Center. Go to the website for more information and to order tickets.

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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