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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.

### Welcome to the Neighborhood!



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#### SAVE THE DATE FEBRUARY WELCOME NIGHT

Welcome Night will be held on **Monday, February 25.**

Letters will be sent to all new families who have moved here in the past six months.

Any residents who have not been to a Welcome Night are urged to attend.

More information in the February *Libretto*.

#### SAVE THE DATES SYMPHONY VILLAGE OUTREACH

January 18	<i>Card Party</i>	9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.
February 13	<i>Sip and Paint</i>	7 – 9 p.m.
April 3	<i>QAC Spelling Bee</i>	6:30 – 9 p.m.

# COMMITTEE REPORTS







## CERT NEWS—JOHN OLSON, CERT COORDINATOR

### CLUBHOUSE EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT

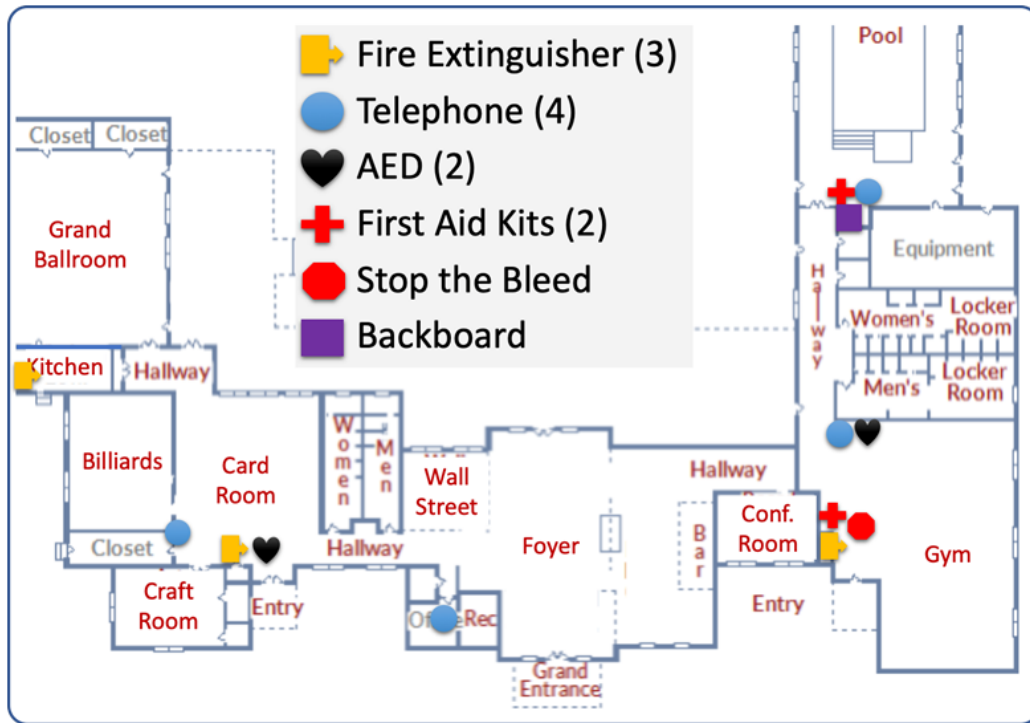


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In a crisis would you know where emergency equipment is located in the Clubhouse? The next time you are there, familiarize yourself with what available and where it is. Here is a list for your reference:

<p><b>AEDs (2)</b> An AED, or automated external defibrillator, is used to help those experiencing sudden cardiac arrest. It's a sophisticated, yet easy-to-use, medical device that can analyze the heart's rhythm and, if necessary, deliver an electrical shock, or defibrillation, to help the heart re-establish an effective rhythm. There are two AEDs in the Clubhouse located:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In the Gym next to the telephone</li><li>• In the Card Room next to the outside door</li></ul>	 A red Philips Heartstart AED in its carrying case. The case has a white heart with a lightning bolt symbol and the text "HEARTSTART" and "PHILIPS".
<p><b>BACKBOARD</b> A backboard is a stiff board on which an injured person and especially one with neck or spinal injuries is placed and immobilized in order to prevent further injury during transport. A backboard is located:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In the Indoor Pool area in the alcove with the telephone</li></ul>	 A long, narrow, orange backboard with white dashed lines along its edges.
<p><b>BLEEDING CONTROL</b> Uncontrolled bleeding is the number one cause of preventable death from trauma. There is a Stop the Bleed kit located:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In the Gym on the counter next to the first aid kit</li></ul>	 A red rectangular kit with a white label that says "BLEEDING CONTROL KIT" and "SAVE A LIFE". The website "WWW.ALLEEDSSTOPBLEED.ORG" is also visible.
<p><b>FIRE EXTINGUISHERS (3)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In the Gym next to the outside door</li><li>• In the Card Room next to the outside door</li><li>• In the Kitchen next to the outside door</li></ul>	 A red fire extinguisher with a black handle and a silver nozzle.
<p><b>FIRST AID KITS (2)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In the Gym on the counter</li><li>• In the Indoor Pool area in the alcove with the telephone</li></ul>	 A red and white first aid kit with a white cross on a red background.
<p><b>TELEPHONES (4)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In the Card Room close to the Craft Room door</li><li>• In the Gym next to the AED</li><li>• In the Indoor Pool area in the alcove</li><li>• In the Manager's office</li></ul>	 A red telephone handset icon inside a red circle.

The floor plan summarizes the Clubhouse emergency equipment locations:



Bob Nilsson, member of the HOA Board, and Board liaison to the Expansion Committee, recently received this letter from Torchio Architects, the architects for the Clubhouse addition. As the letter states, the company made a donation in Symphony Village's honor to Lifetime Wells International, an organization that drills wells for peoples in need. This is quite impressive.



Dear Bob:

As we approach the year end, we like to look back at the year and marvel at the many blessings God has given us. This year is no exception. We have been blessed with many interesting and exciting projects with great clients like you.

As a token of our appreciation, we are making a donation to Lifetime Wells International in your honor. Lifetime Wells International is led by our friend Kenny Wood of Denton, Maryland. Since September, 2006, they have drilled over 1,300 wells in Ghana and 600 wells in Tanzania. Their efforts have provided clean water to over 1,000,000 people who were previously getting their water from disease carrying sources. Please take a look at their website: <http://www.lifetimewellsinternational.org>. Theirs is an incredible story and truly inspirational.

Thank you for letting us serve you this year. On behalf of our staff and our consultants, we wish you a Merry Christmas and joyous and prosperous New Year.

Sincerely,

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## WHAT'S ALL THE NOISE OUT THERE?

**BILL WELLS**  
**LANDSCAPE & TREE COMMITTEE**

What was all that noise out there? Why do some of our trees now have holes excavated around their trunks?

As I am sure many of you have noticed, our spruce, white pine, and some maple trees have been having issues. Almost all are the result of the trees having been planted too deep or having their roots buried under several inches of soil and mulch. This condition can be seen throughout the Village. If a tree looks like a telephone pole (that is, you cannot see roots spreading out from the trunk as it enters the soil), or there is soil and mulch piled high against the trunk, then the tree is under considerable health issues. Unfortunately, many landscape companies do not plant trees correctly. These conditions can lead to trunk and root decay, and an entryway for pathogens, girdling roots, softened tree bark, suffocated feeder roots, or other serious concerns appearing after planting. Unfortunately, these issues happen well after warranties have expired.

In an effort to help save some of our trees, the Landscape Committee together with the HOA Board and SV Management contracted Bartlett Tree Experts to perform root excavation on a select group. You may have seen the Bartlett truck pulling a generator around the Village over the last few weeks. The white pines and spruces along Symphony Boulevard were chosen because they were still healthy enough to recover from years of being improperly planted. The red maple trees on Harmony between Symphony Way and Bravo were also included because this past summer they were losing their crowns (leaves at the top of the tree) and beginning to succumb to scale infestation. Both conditions are the result of poor planting.

The excavations (holes near the tree trunks) were performed by one of Bartlett's certified arborists using an air spade. This method allowed the arborist to safely remove soil from

the base of a tree and around its roots, without significant damage. The air spade uses high-pressure air, provided by a generator, through a hose to blow the excess soil and mulch from a trunk or roots. The arborist was then able to examine the condition of the roots, trunk, and expose the root flare. In many cases girdling roots were cut out, trunk decay was eliminated, and the root flare was finally exposed (a good thing). This action should dramatically reduce the stress the trees have been undergoing and improve their overall health.

If you happen to see the treated red maples along Harmony, you will notice a hole around the root. Look closely and you will see the root flare. That root flare should be even with the sidewalk. It's too late to dig them up and replant them; however, later this year the tree beds will be evened out so there will be a gentle cupping rather than a hole. If we were successful, we should see an overall improvement in the health of these trees this year.

These actions are but a few that Landscape is pursuing to improve the health and visual aesthetics of the Village trees. If you are interested in learning more or contributing, please consider joining the Landscape Committee. We are always looking for new talent and fresh ideas.



*When trees look like telephone poles, they are either planted too deeply or mulched too deeply. Either way, it is not good for the tree!*  
Photo: Sandy Feather, Penn State



*Girdling roots resulting from the tree planted too deep.*



**MARY JO VOLPICELLI, CHAIR**  
**SUSAN RAYNER, COMMUNICATIONS**

2018 was quite a year for Symphony Village's Lifestyle Events. We had 23 Happy Hours, some with great themes such as Motown, Sock Hop, Frank Sinatra, Jimmy Buffet Island Party, to name a few. We had four Movie Nights (***Book Club, Tag, Crazy Rich Asians, Mission Impossible***). These movies are at the Clubhouse for you to borrow.

Jim Arnts was named Man of the Year for all of the great work he does for the Lifestyle Committee.



We had two very successful Yard Sales, one in the spring, one in the fall. We added two new events, the Dog Show and the revived Preakness Party. Dance classes also started this year, both line and ballroom.

Four Birthday celebrations were held, complete with gifts, necklaces, and a specialty cake made by Zina Lichaa.



Two picnics were held, Opus Café was restarted for the warmer months, Game Days were held during the expansion project, Super Bowl was super at the Clubhouse, and we haven't even named all the events held by the Lifestyle Committee or other Committees in the community. Is Symphony Village an Active Adult Community or what?

Bridging the 2018 – 2019 gap was a fantastic New Year's Eve party. Everyone attending said it was the best we've ever held. The DJ

worked magic with the acoustics in the ballroom with music loud enough for dancing but quiet in spots for conversation. Due to Atlantic Broadband's extended service to include the ballroom, our NYE Countdown from Times Square was held right in the ballroom—no running around looking for TVs. Hats, Noisemakers, and a Champagne Toast topped off the evening.

Our first Happy Hour in 2019 offered a re-gifting segment. Many participated, and the gifts were all unique. No stealing was allowed so I bet we will see a lot of new things at the local consignment shops, but not the much loved handbag that Pat Fox picked up.



Our movie this month is ***First Man*** with Ryan Gosling. We have been waiting for this movie to be released. As a new tradition, and as long as the Lifestyle Committee can afford it, the movie and popcorn are free. The new time for Movie Night is 6:30 p.m. Please set your calendar for January 26.

Upcoming in February is Super Bowl Sunday, February 3. Times, cost, and refreshment details will be published in eBlasts and on Nextdoor ECHOES.

Positions selected for the Committee:

Mary Jo Volpicelli remains Chair; Susan Rayner remains Communications person and adds Vice Chair; Kathryn Buckheit, Secretary; Joe Sikes, Treasurer; Zina Lichaa remains Co-Manager with Carolyn Harty for Happy Hours and adds Art Director; Members-at-Large include Ellen Leavy, Jim Buckheit, Janet Leister, Laura Bittinger, Kerri Giuriceo, and Annie Mulcahy; Seasonal Members include Jan Withers and Joyce Ordun.

It is not too late to join the Lifestyle Committee. We are a fun-loving, party-planning group of guys and gals who meet the first Monday of the month at 7 p.m. We are looking for residents who like to plan and

execute events. If you are new to the community and want to meet like-minded people, this is your Committee. If you don't want to join the Committee, but have a great idea for an event, call one of us.

We are also looking for Hosts for Happy Hours in 2019. No theme necessary, just meet and greet at the door, see that the tables are set with buffet needs, and oversee the cleanup at the end of the evening. We would also like to start a Speaker's Series. If you know a great speaker, or have an interest and would like us to find a speaker, please let us know.

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### **OUTREACH COLLECTION OF ALUMINUM PULL TABS CONTINUES IN 2019**

Your SV Outreach team continues to collect aluminum pull tabs (only the tabs that are 100% aluminum, not the cans or containers) from all sorts of canned goods: pet food, soda, beer, veggies, fruits, meats, fish, and many others. Won't you join us? It's easy to collect these in a simple container or plastic zip-lock type bag.



We give these to our local chapter of the Shriners, who in turn uses the money gained from recycling to transport ill children from Delmarva to Shriners Hospitals at no charge to the families.

This is an easy way to help make a difference. Please join us and deposit your collection in the basket in the Craft Room at the Clubhouse. Many thanks to those of you who have continued to participate for several years now. Last year, regionally, over a half million pounds of tabs were collected.

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### **ARTISAN GUILD**

**SUE CANFIELD**

I hope you are enjoying the New Show, *Not Just...Fiber Arts*. We are excited about having a new medium on the walls. There are many talented artists in Symphony Village. If you have ideas to share or a medium that has not been represented, please email me so we can address the issue.

We want to let you know about our **Paint and Sip Night!** On February 13 from 7 – 9 p.m., Jim Mahla and his wife Pat are coming to offer a fun night of painting with friends from Symphony Village. They provide everything needed to create a masterpiece for our homes. Jim will also supply stencils for the detailed sections if you need them.

SV Outreach is sponsoring this event. The cost is \$40 with \$10 of that donated to Outreach. It should be lots of fun! Sign up at the Clubhouse (soon so we know what supplies are needed).

We are considering a class with Collage Artist Laura Laird in late February or early March. Check her website to see if you are interested. <http://www.lauralairdartist.com/>

If you have ideas for us or classes that we might bring to Symphony Village, please let us know. Maybe we can help! [suecanfield20@gmail.com](mailto:suecanfield20@gmail.com)

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### **JANUARY WORD SCRAMBLE**

Unscramble these words that relate to January:

1. THO HLACCEOOT
2. CCEIIL
3. CEI
4. ICCRRAOPN
5. LOCD
6. WNE SE'RYA ADY
7. FOWL NOMO
8. ANGTRE
9. QRAISUUA
10. NAMIRT HLEUTR GIKN DYA

Don't peek...answers later in newsletter

## PUBLICATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS

CAROL HODGES, CHAIR  
LINDA BLUME, VICE-CHAIR

### NEIGHBORS TO NOTE

The *Libretto* includes articles about neighbors who have interesting profiles. Maybe you might like to recommend someone to be included. To do so, go to the SV Website Dashboard and select the Neighbor to Note Nomination Form and fill it out. That individual may be the Neighbor of Note in a future *Libretto*. SV has many interesting residents. Let's hear about them!

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## CLUBS AND CLASSES

### BIRD CLUB

LINDA BLUME

The [4th Annual Winter Delmarva Birding Weekend](#) will be held January 25 – 27. Field trips are scheduled at a variety of locales on Delmarva, and participants will see waterfowl, seabirds, shorebirds, raptors, and maybe even seals. Trips are both on land and on the water. The website has a complete list of offerings with details, including registration information.



The 22nd Annual [Great Backyard Bird Count](#) will be held February 15 – 18. You can participate for as little as 15 minutes during the four-day event or for however long you wish. You just observe birds in your yard, at a local park, or wildlife center, etc., and record your observations on the website. You can also access everyone's results online.



## BOCCE BANTER

DON RIZZO

### A CHRISTMAS GIFT TO REMEMBER

Considering the weather, you can understand why our bocce activities are limited this time of year. However, let me tell you a bocce, or should I say, a Christmas Story.

One of our Symphony Village residents, who shall remain anonymous to protect his sanity, had an exciting Christmas this year. His devoted wife was in a quandary about a Christmas gift for her hard-to-please spouse; but, knowing his infatuation with bocce, she thought a personalized set of bocce balls would please him to no end. She turned to Balls-R-Us, who she knew had bocce balls available in colors of the season, red and green. They also could be personalized with the logo of his favorite sports team, college, political party, casino, or even fashion designer. I will not say which she chose to further protect his identity.

To enhance the surprise factor, she cleverly had the balls delivered to a neighbor's house the week before the big day. Then, just after midnight on Christmas Eve, while her lucky husband slept with visions of sugar plums dancing in his head, she dropped the balls into his Supp-Hose stockings that were hung by the fireplace with care, in hopes that Santa would soon be there. Oh, Oh! Big mistake! The heavy balls sunk to the bottom of the stockings with a thud, stretching them and making them thereafter unusable—unless, of course, her husband had played in the NBA.

Well, bottom line is that our good friend still wears the Supp-Hose, which now are waist high and more resemble panty hose; and he walks with a bit of an unusual gait these days; but he is closer to his wife now than ever before. For she has given him...a Christmas Gift To Remember.

Happy New Year from all of your bocce friends and...may the New Year Let the Good Times Roll!



*Don and Robin Downey, Lorie Andersen-Petrie, Tom Baker, Lloyd McAtee, Karen Kram, George Drake, Ray Goodmuth, Pat Scheirer, Bill Rowley, Victor Kleppinger, Tom Meringolo, Steve Quigley*

### **CYCLISTS 12<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL *I RODE MY BIKE EVERY DAY THIS YEAR***

Fifteen hardy cyclists showed up on New Year's Day for the 12<sup>th</sup> annual *I rode my bike every day this year* ride. Following a sunny and fun ride, everyone was treated to Nancie Cameron's world-famous baked goodies and hot chocolate at the Clubhouse bar. Any weight lost during cycling was quickly gained back. Please contact Lloyd McAtee if you are interested in cycling with your neighbors. Not pictured are Michelle and Mark Land, who were riding their 4-wheeled bicycle.



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## KNITTERS

The Monday Knitters have a project making Happy Hat Wigs for children with cancer.

All Villagers are welcome—no experience necessary—on-the-job training provided. We meet the second Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Craft Room.

If you crochet and would like to make the base hat at home, the pattern and yarn can be provided. Please contact Maggie Kovack at 443-262-8017 or [navy98mom@atlanticbb.net](mailto:navy98mom@atlanticbb.net) if you are interested so we can have enough supplies available for everyone. We will meet on January 23 at 10 a.m. in the Craft Room.



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## READING FOR FUN

### JOE SIKES – DECEMBER 2018 REVIEW

The SV Book Club met on December 18 to review *Missing, Presumed* by Susie Steiner. Attendees were Joe Sikes, Jan Withers, Mary Jo Volpicelli, Susan Goldberg, Bob Nilsson, Kathryn and Jim Buckheit, Cathy Olson, Lee Ettman, and Mary Drake.



The book provided the Club a chance to try and unravel a “whodunit” that was recommended to us by Kathryn and Jim Buckheit. All agreed that it successfully scratched our itch as it told the story of a missing young woman in Cambridgeshire, England. The author lays breadcrumbs throughout the book as detectives try to find what happened to Edith Hind. Not many of us solved the mystery before the end of the book...except the CHEATERS!

Our discussion of the book quickly focused, not on the story, but rather the character development. The author provides a rich and varied cast of characters, starting with Detective Inspector Manon Bradshaw. This book is the author’s first featuring this character and has been followed by a second

novel. Since many of us are addicted to various BBC crime dramas, I couldn’t help but see Manon as the future star of a new series (*Manon?*). She is a middle-aged woman who is a first-rate detective, but whose personal life is in a shambles. The character is in the mold of DI Alec Hardy (*Broadchurch*) or DCI Kurt Wallander (*Wallander*).

Ms. Steiner fills out the cast of characters with the affable partner Davy, upper class parents of the missing girl, and various career criminals linked to the missing girl by her volunteer work at a local prison. Desperately seeking a man in her life, Manon runs through a series of failed relationships while working away at the high-profile case. Eventually events occur that lead to solving the case but, in an interesting twist, Manon bonds with a teenage boy who becomes homeless when his older brother (and only family) is murdered. Spoiler Alert...This character shows up in the second book. If it eventually turns into a TV show, I hope I didn’t ruin it for you.

The Club scored the book as a 6.4 out of 10, which is about our average score historically. Upcoming Book Club meetings will be held at 7 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Clubhouse. Everyone is welcome. In fact, I talked to an interested party who is not busy after the new year and was seeking new uses for his unique reading light. Maybe Rudolph will show up in January!



Joe Sikes and Rudolph

Meeting dates and books we plan to review:

January 15

*News of the World* by Paulette Jiles

February 19

*A Mind Unraveled* by Kurt Eichenwald

March 19

*Behold the Dreamers* by Imbolo Mbue

April 16 – *Educated* by Tara Westover

**NEIGHBORS TO NOTE:  
DO YOU KNOW THE NAME OF THIS  
NEIGHBOR—THE RESIDENT?**

**DEBI WELLS, P&C STAFF**

If you know the name of this mystery resident, enter the free-drink lottery on February 1 at Happy Hour! The resident's name will be revealed after the winner is chosen!

Want to know which of our residents has had the pleasure of working with Paul Wolfowitz (U.S. Deputy Secretary of Defense), Scooter Libby (adviser to Vice President Dick Cheney), Noel Longuemare (U.S. Principal Deputy Undersecretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology), Fran Harvey (19<sup>th</sup> U.S. Secretary of the Army), Dr. James Roche (20<sup>th</sup> Secretary of the Air Force) and many notable Admirals and Generals?

For years, this resident contracted all consultants for the fifth largest defense company in the world. This resident's

comment on that experience, "The more intelligent the person, the more respectful and considerate. All whom I worked with were extraordinary." This resident said nice is a baseline for anyone. This resident readily admitted their favorite consultant and the hardest to contract was Skunk Baxter of Doobie Brothers fame. Skunk played a mean guitar; more importantly, that interest led him to use recording technology that resulted in a military defense benefit. Think data compression algorithms and large-capacity storage devices. Best of all the resident says, he was quite funny.

Working in the defense industry, starting in 1972 at Westinghouse, which was later acquired by Northrop Grumman in 1996, this resident supported business planning and assisted in authoring the annual long-range strategic plan (a document detailing the company's current and future products) for almost 40 years. Because of that knowledge (of all company divisions, people, and

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technologies) and ability to team, this resident was asked to be one of a three-person unit to represent all of Northrop Grumman as ‘one-face’ to the military customer in Washington, DC—to support counter Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) technologies.

Wanting to know what the military needed, this resident read, researches, attended numerous nationwide conferences, and talked with many of our nation’s finest—after they had been impacted in Iraq and Afghanistan. “There’s no words for the courage and heroism our military display every day, and especially after suffering great harm. Not one—not *even* one—soldier ever told me they’d think twice about serving again.” Instead, all told the resident, “Everyone has challenges to overcome, mine are no different than yours.” This resident’s career was highlighted by the incredible people they worked with and awards won (i.e., the IABC Silver Inkwell Award) for doing what the resident liked best—working for the defense of their country and writing.

Growing up in a trailer park, this resident recalls that was fun. “I remember chasing tiny baby chicks all over the place with my sister (who also lives in Symphony Village). Luckily, the chicks were faster than us, not sure what we would’ve done with a chick had we caught it!”

The resident’s dad was a career officer in the Navy and was typically aboard destroyers, sometimes for nine months at a time, as these were long-endurance warships. The family moved every one to three years, wherever the Navy needed; however, always on the East Coast of the United States. Their last tour of duty was Maryland. Upon moving to the ‘Old Line State’ at 16, our resident recalls the most interesting living abode—a Quonset Hut. “I remember my dad telling me to be sure to close the door so the mosquitoes couldn’t get in.” The resident’s response: “The mosquitoes don’t want to get in!” Still, the resident enjoyed the beauty of the area and knew Maryland would always be home.

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Married at 18, this resident wed the love of his/her life 48 years ago this April. When they were young, it was decided one of them should graduate from college in order for their lives to be successful. While one attended ITT Business Institute, and took numerous college courses and other training, the other pursued an education in Forestry at NC State. As a result of the other earning a degree, our mystery resident moved to North Carolina while the other attended and graduated to achieve a career major.

For two years the mystery resident worked for the North Carolina Department of Natural Resources (DNR), assisting with EPA requirements to install sewer systems in every town in North Carolina. (The resident was told he/she was chosen for that job as a result of the experience at Westinghouse because he/she had assisted to initiate a new Top Secret submersible program.) The resident was on a team with 11 NC DNR employees and saw more sewage plants than they care to remember. While helping small towns progress was satisfying, the resident reflected on his/her favorite job growing up (before age 16) might have been sewing tobacco leaves on farms throughout New England during the summer. "It was hard physical work, but you really got to know your co-workers and it balanced my love of chocolate!"

When asked if the resident has any hobbies, this neighbor cheerfully admits to being an incurable volunteer to help those in need. "Begging is my forte," the resident admitted, "helping others is an enjoyable purpose." The resident has organized and executed numerous fundraisers and one—for the Chesapeake Hospice in Anne Arundel County—awarded the resident an Executive Citation for raising money to purchase equipment that would allow children to die in their own homes. "What could be more important?" the resident asked. Within our community, this resident is a member of CERT, Publications & Communications, the Covenants Committee, and continues to support volunteer activities to

benefit children and the homeless in Anne Arundel County.

Last, and most importantly, this resident has one daughter, whom her parents adore and three amazing grandchildren that they are blessed to spend time with often, since they live close to Symphony Village in Severna Park.

If you think you know this resident's name, join us at the February 1 Happy Hour to write the mystery name (and yours) on a slip of paper to enter into the box for the free-drink lottery. If your correct answer is chosen, you'll win a free drink!

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## SOCIAL SINGLES

CAROL DONNELLY

Social Singles had its January dinner gathering on January 6, a festive time for all. Watch Nextdoor ECHOES for the next meeting. We are skipping February, but will meet again in March.

Several of our members have signed up for a Perillo tour to Southern Italy and Sicily in late September 2019. The tour is 13 days. We are hoping to fly to Boston and then directly to Naples. Trip cost is \$3,500. Guided tour, hotels, and some meals are included. Flight is additional. Our plans are finalizing Saturday, January 12. We will post to Nextdoor ECHOES our final dates. Perillo has confirmed that trips in September are filling fast.

Anyone (couples) interested is invited! Contact [carol.m.donnely@gmail.com](mailto:carol.m.donnely@gmail.com) for more information or Perillotours.com. Cheers.

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# NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

## AMERICAN LEGION JEFF DAVIS POST 18

The public is always welcome to attend Friday Night Dinners at the American Legion, and the Post especially appreciates SV participation! Dinners are 5:30 – 7 p.m. or until sold out. For more information, call the Post at 410-758-3584.



Upcoming dinners:

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| January 18  | Hot Roast Beef with Mashed Potatoes Dinner |
| January 25  | Fried Oyster Dinner                        |
| February 1  | Pot Roast with Mixed Vegetables Dinner     |
| February 8  | Spaghetti and Meatballs Dinner             |
| February 15 | Pork Roast with Sauerkraut Dinner          |

## UPCOMING CENTREVILLE EVENTS ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT COUNTRY BREAKFAST

The Goodwill Volunteer Fire Company in Centreville hosts an All-You-Can-Eat Country Breakfast on **Sunday, January 20, 7:30 – 11 a.m.** Tickets are \$10 for adults.

## QUEEN ANNE'S LECTURE SERIES: WILL HEMSLEY AND TILGHMAN HEMSLEY

The [Queen Anne's County Arts Council](#) presents a Queen Anne's Lecture Series presentation on **Saturday, January 26**, at the QAC Center for the Arts (206 S. Commerce Street) in Centreville. The subject on this date is Will Hemsley and Tilghman Hemsley. More details will be posted on the website when they are available.



## 9TH ANNUAL SMALL WORKS EXHIBIT

The [Queen Anne's County Arts Council](#) hosts the Small Works Exhibit **February 8 – March 16** at the Centre for the Arts (206 S. Commerce Street) in Centreville. Both 2D and 3D pieces will be on exhibit, with maximum size of 11"x11"x11". All media will be accepted for the show. During the exhibit, people will buy chances to win each display piece. The proceeds of the event benefit the Arts Council and the events, scholarships, and grants that the organization supports throughout the year.

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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Upcoming Events at the Centreville Branch of the QAC Library.

- **Saturday, January 19**, 10–10:30 a.m.: [Storytime for Grownups](#) (Free; preregister on the website)
- **Saturday, January 19**, 3–4 p.m.: [Crime and a Cuppa](#) (Free; preregister on the website)
- **Wednesday, January 30**, 6:30–7:30 p.m.: [Donuts for Grownups](#) (Free; preregister on the website)
- **Saturday, February 2**, 3:30–4 p.m.: [Storytime for Grownups](#) (Free; preregister on the website)
- **Monday, February 11**, 10:30 a.m. – noon: [Bob Ross Paint-along](#) (Free; preregister on the website)
- **Wednesday, February 13**, 5:30–7 p.m.: [Family Heritage Night](#) (Free; preregister on the website)

**ANSWERS TO  
JANUARY WORD SCRAMBLE**

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|------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Hot Chocolate | 6. New Year’s Day          |
| 2. Icicle        | 7. Wolf Moon               |
| 3. Ice           | 8. Garnet                  |
| 4. Capricorn     | 9. Aquarius                |
| 5. Cold          | 10. Martin Luther King Day |

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