



LIBRETTO

by George Drake

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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.

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HOA

Symphony Village Board of Directors Action Items – May 31, 2019– *Pat Fox, Vice President*

- **Indoor Pool Roof:** Approved a motion per the recommendation of the Operations Committee to accept the proposal from Structures Unlimited to repair the weather finish on the indoor pool roof for \$16,650 (not including state and local taxes), with a 50% deposit due at signing of the contract and 50% upon completion, no later than June 1, 2020. The motion carried with one abstention.
- **Irrigation:** Approved a motion to appropriate \$20,000 to upgrade pumps 1, 2, 3 in the same way Pump 4 was done with the cost coming from Irrigation Repair budget line item. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Budget Procedure:** Approved a motion to adopt the Budget Procedure as recommended by the Budget & Finance Committee, which will provide uniformity in how the budget is drafted each year; the document will become Appendix I of the Terms of Reference. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Covenants Terms of Reference:** Approved a motion to accept changes recommended by the Covenants Committee to its Terms of Reference, which clarifies language and procedures. The motion was carried unanimously.

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- **2018 Audit:** Approved a motion upon the recommendation of the Budget & Finance Committee to accept the 2018 audit as presented, that it be signed by the President, and to send documentation the auditor requested. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Auditor Engagement Letter:** Approved a motion to sign the engagement letter from the current accounting firm to handle the 2019 and 2020 audit and tax services at a cost of \$5,550. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Outdoor Pool Lighting & Access Requirements:** Approved a motion to accept the proposal from Atlantic Security to install panic bars (required by the State) and electronic card readers on the two pool gates and also to approve card readers to be installed on the following doors: Concert Hall (Copland Room), Card Room, and Indoor Pool for a total cost of \$16,944. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Wrought Iron Fencing:** Approved a motion per the Operations Committee's recommendation to authorize management to get proposals to have the community area metal fences painted and repaired as necessary. The motion carried unanimously.
- **Parking Lot Asphalt Assessment and RFP:** Approved a motion per the Operations Committee's recommendation to authorize management to get proposals from two to three asphalt paving companies to examine the two Clubhouse parking lots and the asphalt path leading to the community bridge and provide recommendations and costs for repair and sealing. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Sidewalk & Curb Issue:** Approved a motion per the Operations Committee's recommendation to provide \$7,500 for sidewalk repair for areas that are tripping hazards (3/4" or higher) as identified by the 2019 Sidewalk Survey; there will be no tree root cutting; however, one tree on Encore Court will be researched by an arborist to determine if it is a candidate. The motion was carried unanimously.

- **Parking Block/Stopppers for Handicap Spaces:** Rejected a motion based on the Operation Committee’s recommendation to authorize management to purchase and install composite parking space car stops at six handicapped spots to keep cars from encroaching onto the sidewalk at an amount not to exceed \$700. The motion did not carry with a vote of 0 for and 4 against.
- **Pool Furniture:** Approved a motion that as a first step to refurbishing the Outdoor Pool Furniture to send one set of furniture to be refurbished to determine the quality of the work prior to contracting for all the furniture to be done. The motion carried unanimously.
- **Nominating Committee:** Approved a motion to create a 2019 Nominating Committee with Bob Nilsson being the Board liaison. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Erosion Prevention:** Approved a motion to add mulch to the berm behind Overture this year and to task the Landscape Committee with developing a long-term plan for other berms, banks, and bare spots in the community. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Display Cases for Concert Hall:** Approved a motion to accept the recommendation from the Artisan’s Guild to accept the donation of two display cases to showcase three-dimensional artwork, and that the cases would be placed in two corners of the Concert Hall. The motion was carried with one nay vote.
- **Tree Pad Removal:** Approved a motion to accept the Landscape and Irrigation Committee’s recommendation to remove 36 vacant tree pads and seed the areas at a cost of \$3,105 and work to be done by Complete Landscaping. The motion was carried unanimously.
- **Tree Removal:** Approved a motion to accept the Landscape and Irrigation Committee’s recommendation to remove five dead trees at a cost of \$1,500 (tree pads from four will be removed; fifth one will not have tree pad removed as a tree may be replanted there). The motion was carried unanimously.
- **CD:** Approved a motion based on Budget & Finance Committee’s recommendation to roll over the CD at Kansas State Bank that matured on **June 11** to a three-year CD at Kansas State Bank at a rate of 2.72%. The motion was carried unanimously.



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COMMITTEE REPORTS

ARTISANS' GUILD — Sue Canfield, Chair; Peggy Decker, Vice-Chair

Our new show is coming! VACATIONS! We have all been on a memorable vacation and have taken many pictures that are still on our phones, computers, and cameras. Now is the time to find your favorite picture and paint it or print it out and frame it or print it on a canvas to share with your neighbors to make them jealous. We also have two new display cabinets! Consider placing your 3-D artwork in these. We will accept glass, ceramics, jewelry, and wood or metal.

June 29 will be the date that we will collect your works of art. From 10 a.m.—noon, we will collect artwork for our new show. If you have art hanging in the Spring Show, you can collect it then also. Waivers and applications will be found on the Website. (Or contact me suecanfield20@gmail.com)

There are rules that need to be followed.

1. Your painting, photo, or fiber art needs to be able to hang on the system. It should be wired on the back or dowel.
2. You must take a picture of your piece and print it out. (It can be small.) Attach picture to application.
3. You must sign a waiver, (one per year.)

We will have an ART RECEPTION on Sunday, June 30, from 4 p.m.—6 p.m.

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COVENANTS – Debi Wells, Chair, ~~and Lillian Sheehan, Vice-Chair~~



While we, the Covenants Committee members, support the aesthetic harmony of the community by enforcing its *Architectural Requirements*, we rely heavily on each Symphony Village homeowner to have done the necessary work themselves to maintain an attractive exterior to their home and to follow the community's *Architectural Requirements* processes and obligations. **Residents, thank you for all you do!**

As most of us know, changes (permanent or temporary) to the exterior appearance of your home are subject to approval. The process is easy:

- (1) Complete an [Exterior Modification Form](#); ~~(please insert link here)~~;
- (2) Submit the Exterior Modification Form to the HOA General Manager one week prior to the monthly Covenants Committee meeting to allow review; and
- (3) Wait for receipt of the Covenants Committee decision letter, authored by the HOA General Manager.

All steps are necessary before the start of any exterior project!

The review process is *not* limited to major additions or alterations (i.e., adding a room, deck, or patio); instead, in Symphony Village it also *includes minor changes* (i.e., storm doors, replacing and removing trees, etc.).

If there is doubt as to whether or not a proposed exterior change is exempt from a Covenants Committee review and approval, homeowners are welcome to contact the Chair (Debi Wells; debwells2011@gmail.com) or Vice Chair (Lillian Sheehan; lilliansheehan@live.com) for clarification.

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Details about exterior modifications can be found in the community's [Architectural Requirements](#). This HOA document establishes the requirements for exterior modifications. So, what are some common exterior modification changes that require review and approval? Some of the most popular within Symphony Village include:

- Painting the exterior door and shutters of your home with a different *approved* color
- Redesigning or installing new garden beds and trees
- Adding a structure, such as a screened porch, railing, or steps
- Installing solar panels or a satellite antennae

For a complete list of all exterior changes requiring submittal of an Exterior Modification Form review and approval, please review the [Architectural Requirements](#).

Covenants Committee meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Concert Hall, unless announced otherwise. Guest residents and new members are welcome to attend.

Tuesday, June 25: Due date for Exterior Modification Forms to be reviewed at the July Covenants Committee meeting.

LANDSCAPE, IRRIGATION, and TREE COMMITTEE – Tom McManus, Chair, and Michael Norris, Vice-Chair

Two status reports on our irrigation system.



The work started on our pumping stations continues. We are nearing the completion of Phase 1, which is the upgrading of Pump #4, according to the Irrigation Consultant’s specifications. With this completion, we are able to begin our normal watering operations for the season. We believe we will upgrade the other three pumps during the season without prolonged disruption to our watering plans. We first want to ensure that Pump #4 works as designed.

Before we undertake the larger and more costly irrigation reconstruction component, which is the integration of all wells into a single pressurized and managed Irrigation System, members of the Board,

along with Management and the Irrigation team, will meet again with our Consultant and review all costs and benefits to ensure this investment and effort are in the best interest of the SV community. We expect to have this session in mid-summer. We will keep everyone informed of this progress.

The other item to report on here is the Irrigation Team’s intent to stop the “all night watering” cycles that we had in place in the past. Most experts advise that the favored time for watering lawns is during early morning hours. To accomplish this goal, we are splitting the 10 to 12-hour cycles, done three days a week, along with increased concurrent zone watering, down to 4-hour cycles, six days a week. We will separate watering the residences from the common areas. Each will still get watered three days per week and for the same amount of time. All irrigation will begin around 4 a.m. and be completed by 8 a.m. Nothing will change regarding the amount of water each zone receives, other than the times and days of each watering.

We again expect to publish schedules so that everyone will know what times and what days their property will get watered. We will leave Wednesdays open for mowing; and be flexible for changes due to weather.

So, if you are an early riser, you will begin to see sprinklers on and off throughout the community during the morning hours.

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Mary Jo Volpicelli, Chair, and Susan Raynor, Vice-Chair

Yeah! It's summer, the pool is open, the sun is shining (except when it's not), and the Lifestyle Committee is hoping to make this the best summer yet. We have some great new ideas, and hope that many will appeal to residents who want to get out, have fun, and make new friends. We are looking for piano players. We have a beautiful piano in our Clubhouse Foyer, but no one is playing. Please, if you play, play for us. We are also looking for a Computer Guru. If you know anyone who can give us lessons on the use of Microsoft or Apple Computers, let us know. We will contact them and follow through. Want us to sponsor an event? Send us your ideas. NOW LET'S GO!



Wet, Wild, Wednesdays are going on **Wednesdays** beginning at 5 p.m. While the pool is open all day, and our little ones are welcome up to 4:30 p.m., at 5 p.m. it's GAME ON. We are getting a pool volleyball set. We invite you to join in the games, or just come to swim until 11 p.m. We'll have boxed wine and cans of beer and hot dog cookouts. Send in your ideas, we're ready to PLAY.



The **Birthday Social Hour** is on **June 15**, at 6 p.m. If you were born in April, May, or June, this party is especially for you! Don't forget to sign up in the Wall Street Room.

In June, we have a hot dog cookout scheduled for **Wednesday, June 19**, beginning at 5:30 p.m. (a contribution jar will be out).

Then, on **Sunday, June 23**, our new **Bloody Sunday**, beginning at 11 a.m., will offer light classical music and a Bloody Mary Bar (with donation jar). Join us from 11 a.m.—2 p.m.

Mark Your Calendars



The **Symphony Village Luau** is returning on **Sunday, July 7**, from 5 —8 p.m. An eBlast will go out with all of the details. Our Buffet will consist of Kalua Pig (pulled pork), dirty rice, tropical salad, and pineapple upside down cake (if the dessert cooks in the Village will make us some). There will be entertainment, after the Buffet. The partying will continue until 8 p.m. Cost is \$12 per person, checks made out to SV HOA, memo Luau. Please sign up by Monday, July 1.

The Luau is replacing planned activities for the 4th of July. Of course, we will decorate for the holiday, but Lifestyle will not host an event. Regular Clubhouse and Pool hours will prevail; the only difference for July 4th is that our grandchildren can swim all day without the usual time restrictions.

Also in July, we will have a **Holistic Healing Seminar on Saturday, July 27**, from 10 a.m.—noon. Light refreshments will be served. Different professionals will showcase the

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Friday, August 9, we will have live music by Chris Sacks poolside, from 6—9 p.m. More info and cost will follow. If you'd like to check Chris out, he will be playing at Cascia Winery on June 20, from 7—9 p.m.

Sunday, September 1, we will celebrate Labor Day with a Picnic, poolside.

Saturday, September 28, Murder and Mayhem comes to the Village: our first Murder Mystery Dinner in a long time. An eBlast will go out shortly. Space is limited, so sign up early. The cost is \$40 per person and includes a light dinner and a juicy murder to solve.

Looking Back



Preakness Party

Janet Leister and Pat Carnes really got into the spirit at our Preakness Party. Janet won first prize for the Best Hat, Pat for the Best Fascinator! As usual, the betting was hot and heavy, the horses were neck and neck, and at the end of the race, one horse was declared the winner, and everyone scrambled to see whose randomly picked horse was Number One! We believe this party is a definite keeper. As long as the Preakness remains in Maryland, we Villagers will continue to don our hats and celebrate.

Our Garden Walk

Our Garden Walk, a new event for us, didn't seem to catch on this year. About 15 houses put out their ribbons. A lot of us are still flying them, saying "come into our garden." Please, if you'd like to welcome your neighbors, ribbons are still available throughout the summer.

Movie Night

Our final movie night of the season, **A Private War**, was held on **Saturday, May 25**. Please join us in the fall when Randy Officer selects more great movies for us to enjoy.

Memorial Day Picnic Survey

Did everyone enjoy our first picnic on Memorial Day? Let the Committee know what you want to keep or change, or any ideas you may have for improvement. Better yet, join the Committee!

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OUTREACH – Sue Canfield, President Pat Toole, Vice-President

BINGO: Was There or Wasn't There?



As the *Libretto* goes to press, the results of Bingo played on June 14 aren't yet known, so was there a Jackpot winner or wasn't there a Jackpot winner? You won't find the answer in this issue of the *Libretto*! Maybe scuttlebutt around the Village will give you the answer. We **do** know that Bingo will take a summer hiatus and return on **Friday, September 13**. Wonder what the Jackpot will be! Maybe \$375; maybe not... See you in September!

Outreach Plans Fall Tea and Fashion Show



The long awaited reprise of the Outreach Fall Tea and Fashion Show is scheduled for **Sunday, September 22**. The proceeds of this event help to fund the QAC non-profits with whom Outreach partners, and once again, we are hoping for your generous support and participation.

The event will be held from 2 - 5 p.m. at The Milestone, 9630 Technology Drive, Easton (near the airport). Foods will be traditional tea fare: scones with clotted cream and jam, tea sandwiches, sweet treats, and of course, pots of steaming tea. Fashions will once again be by Chico's with several of your neighbors and friends doing the modeling.

If you are looking for that perfect accessory or if you wish to update your look, contact Villager Harriett Goodmuth, 410-758-6596, for her creative fascinator designs. There will be prizes for most creative and most beautiful efforts!

Raffles, including a 50/50, are planned, and door prizes will be awarded as well.

Please think about inviting friends, relatives, and young ladies (those beautiful granddaughters, nieces, grandnieces, etc.) from ages 8-17 to participate. Ticket prices are \$30 for adults and \$20 for young ladies. Ticket sales will begin July 15. Table requests will be honored, so please stipulate as desired. Ticket reminders will appear in the *Libretto*, ECHOES, and eBlasts.

For further information or any questions, please call Loretta Quigley (410-758-6775) or Linda Blume (410-758-3194). The Fall Tea and Fashion Show steering committee (Loretta Quigley, Linda Blume, Jane Romany, Marge Strano, Bea Trotta, and Sue Canfield) thank you.

SV Outreach Pull-Tab (Pop-Top) Campaign Continues! – Loretta Quigley



Did you know that over a million pounds of pull-tabs (pop-tops) are recycled by our nation's Shriners? Did you know that means almost \$70,000 to transport sick children to Shriners' hospitals for care at no charge to their families? **Did you know that you can be part of this wonderful project by collecting pull-tabs from soda, pet foods, fruits and vegetables, soups, meats, fish, etc.?**

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participate in this ongoing project. You can bring your pull-tabs on any day, in any month, and know how much you are helping others.

Keep collecting and a hearty thank you from your neighbors at Outreach!

PUBLICATIONS & COMMUNICATIONS – Carol Hodges, Chair; Linda Blume, Vice-Chair

Next Committee Meetings

Artisans Guild	1 p.m., July 11	Conference Room
Budget & Finance	10 a.m., June 27	Concert Hall
Covenants	10 a.m., July 2	Concert Hall
Landscape & Irrigation	9:30 a.m., June 18	Concert Hall
Lifestyle	7 p.m., July 1	Concert Hall
Operations	9:30 a.m., June 20	Concert Hall
Publication & Communications	No Meeting in July	Concert Hall
Outreach	3 p.m., June 26	Concert Hall
Sneakers	3 p.m., June 19	Concert Hall
Neighbor to Neighbor	7:15 p.m., June 19	Concert Hall
CERT	4 p.m., June 18	Concert Hall

(*) Before attending a Committee meeting, please check the [SV Master Calendar](#) to see if the date or time has changed.

SNEAKERS – Linda Farrar, Chair

Book Giveaways

Late May and early June was quite busy for Sneakers Volunteers as we gave all the elementary school children at Centreville, Kennard, Church Hill, and Sudlersville Elementary schools a free new book for their summer reading pleasure, thus promoting our Readers are Leaders program. As each child reads to us, it is amazing how well they read and the stories they tell us. It is very rewarding.

Ladies Social Hour

The June Ladies Social Hour will have a surprise from Sneakers. Janet O'Connor is in charge of the menu and will have a tasting preview of our Silent Auction food to taste and vote for your favorites. HOA dues tickets will be on sale.

HOA Dues Raffle tickets

Please look for frequent eBlasts for when we will be selling the HOA Dues Raffle. Remember, you can also leave a check made out to Symphony Sneakers in the lock box at the Clubhouse and we will check it once a week and deliver your ticket to you. The tickets are \$25 per ticket and if your ticket is drawn your 2020 HOA dues will be paid. Only 300 tickets will be sold.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be June 19 at 3. All are welcome to join us.

COMMITTEE SUMMARIES (CONTINUED)

Symphony Village CERT – John Olson, CERT Coordinator

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program educates individuals about disaster preparedness and trains and organizes teams of volunteers who support their communities during disasters. The CERT Program offers training in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, and disaster medical operations. With proper CERT training, you can help protect your family, neighbors, and co-workers if a disaster occurs.




The Symphony Village CERT was established in 2008 when 15 residents enrolled in a Queen Anne's County CERT class at Chesapeake College. It was the first and, until recently, the only CERT in Queen Anne's County. Over the past 11 years, over 50 SV residents have completed the CERT training, and there are currently 18 active members. With the addition of a full-time CERT member of the Queen Anne's County Department of Emergency Services (QAC/DES) in 2018, additional CERTs have been formed, and over 100 people throughout the county have been trained.

Since its establishment, Symphony Village CERT members have looked for ways to provide improvements and modifications to our community and homes to help ensure our safety and prevent accidents.


To help prepare for potential emergencies, the team has also conducted numerous activities and sponsored many informative presentations for the community.

If you are interested in finding out more, please come to the SV CERT-sponsored **July 5 Social Hour** at the Clubhouse. Also, check out the [SV CERT web pages](#).

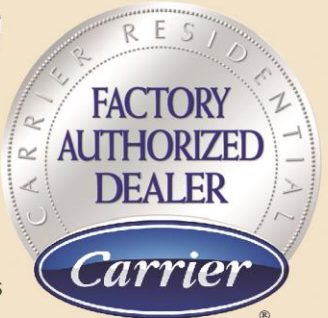
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Outreach — Sue Canfield, President

SV Outreach was created in order to support our neighbors in Symphony Village and to lend monetary support to civic organizations in Queen Anne's County. We raise money through various fundraising activities. Our major activities are our Annual Card and Game Party which is held in January, and our Artisans Fair which is held bi-annually. Our events enable us to help our community partners which include Hospice of Queen Anne's

County, Our Haven Shelter, Crossroads Community, QAC (Emergency Medical Services), Centreville Police Department, Centreville Food Bank, Girl and Boy Scouts, and Habitat for Humanity, as well as other smaller charities.

We have an upcoming Tea and Fashion Show on September 22, at the Milestone in Easton, and a dinner at Doc's in Centreville in October. We meet on the fourth Wednesday of each month in the Bernstein Room of the Clubhouse.

We are a 501(c)3 corporation and a Maryland nonprofit corporation.



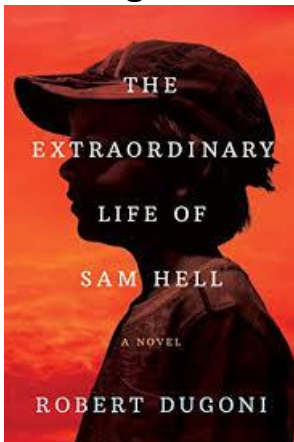
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CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

Reading for Fun Book Club — May Review — Joe Sikes



The SV Book Club met on April 16 to review *The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hell* by Robert Dugoni. Attendees were Joe Sikes, Jan Withers, Bob Nilsson, Kathryn & Jim Buckheit, Cathy Olson, Joanne Walker, Kathleen Sullivan, Peggy Decker, Mary Jo Volpicelli, and Susan Goldberg.

The title character of this story is born with an eye condition, known as ocular albinism that causes his pupils to be red. When his father first sees his son, he exclaims, "What the

Sam Hell!" The mother decides to name her son Samuel, and since the family surname is Hill, his lifelong "nom de eyeball" is born. His religious mother raises him to understand that his unique eyes are a gift from God and that he is destined for an extraordinary life.

As young Sam becomes school age, his parents seek to enroll him in their local parochial school but the principal, Sister Beatrice, refuses his application. She fears Sam will be a distraction since the other children already call him "devil boy." But Sam's mother is undeterred and pulls strings to have Sam enrolled over Sister Beatrice's objection. Sam enters first grade generally ostracized by his classmates and with his principal as an enemy.

But Sam is not alone as he quickly befriends two other outcasts. Ernie is the only black student and Mickie is the stereotypical tomboy. The three of them form an unbreakable bond that is carried throughout the book and their lives. Together, they deal with all obstacles thrown at them and Sam eventually accepts his red eyes not as



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a disability, but the unique trait that identifies him—and he achieves the amazing life his mother predicted for him.

When Sam enters high school, he lumps the student body into four main groups: jocks, nerds, dorks, and stoners. I asked the members of the Book Club to identify which group they belonged to in high school, after quickly self-identifying as a dork. My wife eagerly agreed. Nobody owned up to being a stoner, but most claimed partial membership in multiple groups. Bob Nilsson claimed some unlisted groups, but that is another story.

But then it hit me! I was asking this question of a Book Club for goodness sake. Being in a book club would have caused nerd to be tattooed on our foreheads during our high school years. But now, after many years of literacy, we proudly classify ourselves as "woke." We encourage everyone to come join us and share our wokeness!

The Club enjoyed reading about Sam Hell and gave the book a score of 8.3 out of 10, slightly above average for our club. I keep an updated list of our scores and books in the Activities Book in the Wall Street Room (under Book Club.)

Upcoming Book Club meetings will be held at 7 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Clubhouse. Meeting dates and associated books we plan to review are listed below.

June 18 -- *The Rent Collector* by Camron Wright

July 16 -- *The Last Palace* by Norman Eisen

Lunch Bunch – *Bea Trotta & Marge Strano*



Luisa's Cucina Italiana

The July Lunch Bunch has been scheduled for Luisa's Cucina Italiana on **Thursday, July 11**, at 12:30 p.m. Luisa's is located in Chestertown at 849 Washington Avenue. The menu reflects the very best of Italian cooking and so much more! The restaurant is a five-minute ride from downtown Chestertown.

Sign up online by using the [Lunch Bunch Sign-up Link](#). You can also go to the Symphony Village [Website](#), and click on **Dashboard**. Scroll down to the Lunch Bunch Icon near the bottom of the page.

As usual, you can sign up in the Clubs Activities Book at the Clubhouse. Please call Bea Trotta at 410-758-0332 or Marge Strano at 410-758-2511 if you need directions or a ride.

Dining In – *Volunteer Position Available*

Dining-In is a neighborhood social program where residents meet for dinner in groups of 7-10 people, sharing the food cost and preparation. This is a great way to get to know your neighbors, whether you are single or a couple! Guests are randomly assigned to a host home and notified five days before the dinner. Dates will be announced and sign-up is in the Activities Book in the Clubhouse. This event is in need of a chairman. Residents with questions about this activity may call Debi Wells, 443-262-8248.

Bocce Banter – *Don Rizzo*

Memorial Day Bocce Tournament

As is our custom, the Memorial Day Bocce Tournament was held in conjunction with the SV Picnic which, apparently, as is also the custom, was not held on Memorial Day, but rather the day prior, **Sunday, May 26**. The forecast was cloudy with a chance of bocce balls and for once the weather pundits were right on the money. Speaking of money, the bookmakers had their hands full as the number of bocce players registering for this growing-in-popularity event hit a record high, making it difficult for bookmakers to accurately predict results and calculate odds. The single elimination, 11-point matches put even more pressure on the players for it was truly a "one and done" format meaning banishment in head-down shame upon the first loss no matter the

closeness of the match. However, as we have mentioned so many times, there are no losers in SV Bocce for the mere act of participating means the Good Times are rolling. However, we do feel some obligation to mention the winners were Bob Eaves and Bill Wells who played in some real nail biters to finish on top. Our winners must have some connection to the Blue Angels who had been in town for Commissioning Week at the Naval Academy and were kind enough to do a fly over the Village with wings tipping once they heard who won our Memorial Day Tournament. Go Navy! For more pictures of the event go to [SV Gallery](#).



Spring Bocce League

As you read this, we are mid-way through our five-week Spring Bocce League competition with Jack Walsh's team #5 in first place but only one game ahead of Tony Cipriano's team #4 and two games in front of Tom Cullen's team #2. These matches take place every Saturday at 9 a.m. with six very competitive teams vying for a chance to make the playoffs scheduled for the first weekend in July. Bring your coffee and a lawn chair on Saturday mornings and enjoy the action and some friendly kibitzing.

Wednesday Open Bocce

Come join us for our Wednesday Open Bocce, where all residents are invited to drop by the courts and play a little round robin bocce at the courts. Experienced or not, you are welcome to join us starting at 5:30 p.m. Special introduction to the game is available if you're new to the game. Relax and have some fun. Remember, bocce is one of the few sports that you can play while holding a cool drink in your hand.

SV Good Time Rollers In Chestertown League

Our SV entry in the Chestertown Ye Old Towne Bocce League is representing us in fine fashion. With 20 teams in the league and just a couple of weeks to go in the spring season, Captain Allan Levin's team is currently tied for third place and only one game behind the two teams tied for first place. In addition to Allan, the team consists of George Drake, Karen Kram, Joseph Lichaa, Don Rizzo, Laura Rocco, Linda Schmidt, and Carole and Jack Walsh. Good luck you Rollers!

Bocce Didn't Know That!

The early Egyptians played a form of bocce. Figures tossing a ball of polished stone have been recorded as early as 5200 B.C. While bocce today looks quite different, the unbroken thread of bocce's lineage is the common objective of trying to come as close to a

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fixed target as possible. From this, evolved the basic rules of bocce. From Egypt the game made its way to Greece around 800 B.C. The Romans learned the game from the Greeks and introduced it throughout the Empire. It is said the name bocce derives from the Vulgate Latin “bottia” meaning “boss.”

Those early Romans certainly knew how to—**Let the Good Times Roll!!**

Symphony Village Tennis — Larry Miller

The schedule for SV tennis is: **Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 9–11 a.m., Tuesday and Thursday, 3:30–5 p.m. and Saturday 9–10:30 a.m.**

Your help identifying residents interested in tennis, especially those new to Symphony Village, would be appreciated. See you on the courts.

Pickleball Play! – George Drake

The pickleball courts are alive with action with “meet-ups” at 9 a.m. on **Tuesdays and Thursdays** and 6:30 p.m. on **Wednesdays and Sundays**. So, if you have played before – or if you haven’t, come on out as we all improve our game. We alternate partners and will share pickleball paddles and knowledge with anyone willing to give it a try. Interested? Come on by and play or watch the fun! For further info, call George at 410-758-8266. (Of course you can always grab a partner and go to the courts at anytime for play or practice.)

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

Optical Galleria Art Exhibit



An Optical Galleria (111 W. Water Street) in Centreville is hosting an Art Exhibit by SV’s own **Gil Hoffman** through **June 26**. There will be a Wine and Cheese Reception on **Wednesday, June 26, 6–8 p.m.**

Gil has been photographing scenes in Symphony Village “from the beginning,” branching out to flowers and wildlife around Storm Management Pond #1. Gil also has taken photos on his mission trips to Costa Rica and scenes around the Town of Centreville. The photos in the Optical Galleria exhibit feature wildlife and Centreville scenes. Come out and see Gil’s amazing work on exhibit! You can also see Gil’s photography on the SV Website in the Gallery; photos change with the seasons.

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- Newspapers/Brown Paper Bags
- Magazines/Catalogs
- Telephone/Soft Cover Books
- Junk Mail/Envelopes (all types)
- Paper
- Paper Shredded (**must be in** a clear bag)
- Paperboard (cereal/tissue boxes)
- Cardboard
- Narrow-Neck Bottles (e.g.: milk jugs, bleach/detergent, shampoo bottles)
- Glass Bottles/Jars (any color)
- Metal Cans (tin/steel/aluminum)
- Plastics Numbered 1,2,4,5 or 7

Please make sure that your recyclables are not contaminated with trash. If they are, we will not be able to remove it! And **do not place in a plastic bag**. Nor place any plastic bags in your recycling container (e.g.: Walmart, grocery stores, etc.).

Chesapeake Waste Industries, P.O. Box 2695, Salisbury, MD 21802, 410-472-0099

Upcoming Events at the Centreville Branch of the QAC Library

- **Wednesday, June 19, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.:** [Reptile Wonders](#) (Family Event)
- **Wednesday, June 19, 6 – 8 p.m.:** [Family Paint Night](#) (Family Event) (Preregister on the website)
- **Friday, June 21, 2 – 4:30 p.m.:** [Friday Film – The Martian](#)
- **Saturday, June 22, 3 – 4 p.m.:** [Crime and a Cuppa](#) (Preregister on the website)
- **Tuesday, June 25, 6 – 7 p.m.:** [NASA Speaker](#) (Preregister opens on the website)
- **Wednesday, June 26, 6 – 7 p.m.:** [Local Author Leann Rhodes Visit and Book Signing](#) (Preregister on the website)
- **Thursday, June 27, 6 – 8 p.m.:** [Star Wars vs. Star Trek Trivia Night](#) (Preregister on the website)
- **Monday, July 1, 10:30 – noon:** [Crafty Adults Cafe](#) (Preregister on the website)
- **Saturday, July 6, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.:** [DIY Galaxy Bath Bombs](#) (Preregister on the website)
- **Wednesday, July 10, 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.:** [Beeswax Wrap DIY](#) (Preregister on the website)
- **Friday, July 12, 2 – 4 p.m.:** [Friday Film – Arrival](#)
- **Monday, July 15, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.:** [Monday Movie – “The Public”](#) (Preregister on the website)



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Unscramble these words that relate to June—*Linda Blume*

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| 5. ENMGII & RACENC | 10. TEFHAR AYD |

RESTAURANT REVIEW

Ocean Odyssey Restaurant, Cambridge, MD – by Kathleen Sullivan



The conveniently located Ocean Odyssey Restaurant on 316 Sunburst Highway (Route 50) in Cambridge, Maryland, promises great local seafood with a casual atmosphere and plenty of free parking. Since 1947, three generations of the Todd family have owned and operated this business, starting from the original wholesale seafood market and crab-picking house in nearby Crocherson, Maryland, at the southern tip of Dorchester County through the expansion to the full-service, seasonally opened Cambridge restaurant in 1986.

While the restaurant may look somewhat small, it has plenty of seating and is larger than some of the other seaside eateries found along the way, which offer little more than take-away service. Plus, there is a large picnic area for outside eating with umbrellas for shade. The outdoor painted mural on the side of the restaurant adds an artistic touch.

On a trip to the Harriet Tubman Museum, we decided to try lunch at Ocean Odyssey Restaurant after watching the documentary, *Maryland Crabs: Tradition & Taste*, on Maryland Public Television (MPT) in April as part of Chesapeake Bay Week, which mentioned the history of this fine restaurant. We ate inside the dining room where the décor had a style of times past, such as a relic sign indicating “The Pickin’ Room,” with a scattering of nautical paraphernalia. The interior was plain, yet very clean. We especially enjoyed our cheerful server with a bright smile and excellent service. My husband, Ed, asked for a sample of the Maryland Crab soup, and the server graciously provided a small portion at no cost. In addition, Ed ordered a mug of the Cream of Crab soup and the Oyster Po’ Boy sandwich. The oysters were large and fried perfectly. Of course, I had to taste the crab cake, and it was seasoned just right allowing the taste of the Maryland Blue Crab to prevail. The crab cake had lump meat galore, and it was one of the best crab cakes I have tasted. Needless to say, everything was delicious and there was nothing left to box in a doggie bag.



Other enticing menu selections we will taste on another trip are Cajun Fried Calamari, Beer Mussels, Oyster Bubba Fellers, and Choptank Sweet Oysters. There are a few chicken dishes if you are not a fan of seafood, such as grilled chicken sandwich and Nashville Hot Chicken platter. In addition, there is a weekend brunch on

Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The restaurant serves adult beverages with specialty drinks such as Bloody Mary, Fizzy Mint Julep, and Moscow Mule.

Besides visiting various museums in Cambridge, a trip to the Blackwater National Wildlife Refuge or the beaches provides the ideal opportunity to visit this local favorite that is just over 34 miles from Symphony Village. In February 2019, the magazine *Coastal Living* named Ocean Odyssey Restaurant one of the “10 Best Crab Shacks on the Chesapeake Bay” and *Trip Advisor* ranks this restaurant with 4 of 5 stars from 202 reviewers indicating the average is “very good.” For more information, please view the [website](#), or call (410) 228-8633 for more information.

UPCOMING CENTREVILLE EVENTS

Father’s Day Cookout



American Legion Jeff Davis Post #18 in Centreville will host a Father’s Day Cookout on **Sunday, June 16**, noon – 4 p.m. There will be hamburgers, hot dogs, sides, and beer. Also, a Corn Hole Tournament. The cost is \$10 per person and the public is welcome!

Coffeehouse 206 Concert Series – Open Mic with Ric



[Queen Anne's County Centre for the Arts](#) (206 S. Commerce Street) presents Open Mic with Rick Strittmater on **Tuesday, June 18**, 6 – 8:30 p.m. Acoustic musicians, writers, and poets are welcome to share their original work on stage. Admission is free.

Crab Feast



American Legion Jeff Davis Post #18 in Centreville will host a Crab Feast on **Sunday, June 23**, 1 – 4 p.m. The feast includes crabs, corn on the cob, hot dogs, draft beer, and more. Tickets are \$40 per person and are available at the Legion. The public is welcome!

Hooked On Fishing



The QAC Department of Parks and Recreation and the Maryland Department of Natural Resources will host [Hooked on Fishing](#) on **Wednesday, June 26**, 8 – 10 a.m. at White Marsh Park in Centreville for ages 8 – 15. The program includes casting practice, angler ethics, catch and release, safety, fish identification, and fishing time for all youth participants. Equipment and bait will be provided. Please bring bug spray, sunscreen, closed-toed shoes, and clothing that can get wet or damaged. The cost is \$5 per youth participant. Registration spaces are limited; no onsite registration. No rain date. The program number is 190001-01.

Family Fun Day and Fireworks



The Town of Centreville will host [Family Fun Day and Fireworks](#) on **Sunday, June 30**, 6 – 10 p.m. Details will be posted on the website when available.

Dice Charity Ride and Picnic



Centreville Masonic Lodge #180 will host the Dice Charity Ride and Picnic on **Saturday, July 20**. The ride begins at the Chesapeake Heritage and Visitors Center (426 Piney Narrows Road) in Chester at noon, and the ride concludes at Conquest Beach (1000 Conquest Beach Road) in Centreville at 2 p.m. followed by a picnic. The menu will include grilled chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs, corn on the cob, pasta salad, baked beans, watermelon, and cake. All vehicles gladly accepted; event is rain or shine. Tickets **must** be purchased by **Wednesday, July 10** – call 410-490-4851. A

\$25 donation includes the drive, registration, and picnic; the \$10 passenger donation includes the drive and picnic; and the \$15 meal-only donation includes only the picnic.

Summer Movie Series



The Queen Anne’s County Department of Parks and Recreation will host a [Summer Movie Series](#) throughout the summer. Pack up the family plus chairs or blankets, snacks, and bug spray to enjoy a movie under the stars. Movies begin at dusk. On **Saturday, July 6**, the movie will be *Spiderman: Into the Spider-Verse* at White Marsh Park (200 Bloomfield Farm Lane) in Centreville.

2nd Annual Client Art Show



Crossroads Community, Inc. will host a [Client Art Show](#) on **July 13 – 20** at the Queen Anne’s County Centre for the Arts (206 S. Commerce Street) in Centreville. The opening reception will be **Saturday, July 13**, 5 – 7 p.m. with cocktails and heavy hors d’oeuvres; meet the artists and purchase their work.

Maryland Women in Agriculture Festival



The Maryland Museum of Women’s History presents the Maryland Women in Agriculture Festival on **Sunday, July 14**, at 200 Bloomfield Lane in Centreville. Women who own or co-own farms will be honorees. There will be fun for the entire family including speakers, food, live music, children’s activities, and more.

Discussion Series: The Life and Times of Benjamin Franklin



The Queen Anne’s County Legacy Foundation will host the third session of a discussion series, [The Life and Times of Benjamin Franklin](#), on **Monday, July 15**, 1 – 2:30 p.m., at the Centreville Branch of the Queen Anne’s County Library. Benjamin Franklin is one of history’s most fertile minds. He discovered electricity, invented printing, organized our first post office, and penned a constitution which would alter the course of the free world ... all in his free time. Come join in the discussion. You can preregister on the website; drop ins are also welcome. Free.

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

Word Scramble Answers:

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| 1. FIRST DAY OF SUMMER | 6. SWIMMING POOL |
| 2. ROSES | 7. COOKOUTS |
| 3. ALEXANDRITE, PEARL, & MOONSTONE | 8. STRAWBERRY MOON |
| 4. ICED TEA | 9. VACATIONS |
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