

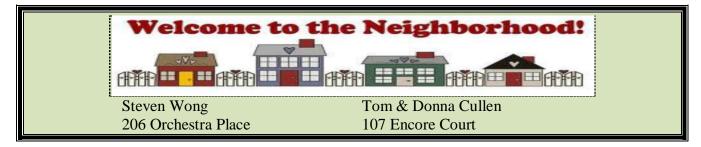
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# Symphony Village's Newsletter

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<u>Mission Statement</u>: To enhance the quality of life and promote a harmonious community through the timely publication of accurate information about residents, events, and activities in and around Symphony Village.



#### HOA BOARD of DIRECTORS

## Musings From The Board

It seems now that SV is totally built-out, the need for Clubhouse space has grown significantly. In order for Management to adequately handle the requests, as an interim approach, everyone needing room for a meeting, etc., must sign up at the front desk according to a new format:

- Standing Committees -- Operations, Landscape & Irrigation, Budget & Finance, Covenants, Lifestyle, Publications & Communications and the large long-term committees of Outreach and Sneakers -- will be able to book their meeting times for the year.
- Major one-time events such as Soup Night, Artisan's Fair, Novemberfest, etc., can also sign up for their preferred date in 2017.

• Others can only sign up for room use on a quarterly basis (i.e., three months) and must renew for each subsequent three-month period.

Again, this is an interim policy; the Board will be discussing it further based on feedback. We hope that this will help in the management of both the meeting rooms and Master Calendar. Camilla and Cindy will be glad to help you. Thank you for your cooperation.

#### New Board Members Elected-by Sue Canfield

Two new Board members were elected at the annual meeting on Wednesday, December 7. Dave Peterson is the new President of the Board, and Pat Fox will be the new Secretary. Scott Page was also appointed to the Board for the position of Vice President to fill the vacancy that Mark Somerville from Caruso vacated. Also, leaving the Board is Robert Joy who chose not to run again. Thank you, Robert, for a job well done! Congratulations to all!

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

# Covenants Committee - Chris Pariseau, Chairman; Irene Hoffman, Vice Chair

I want to thank the community for all their cooperation with the Covenants Committee and its members. It has been a busy year. We answered over 100 exterior modification requests. That is about nine requests per month. The members that make up this Committee are all volunteers that are helping to keep our community looking nice and maintaining the standards of the community. Each request received by this Committee requires a visit from a Committee member who reviews the request with the homeowner to ensure the homeowner understands the requirements for the project. So, if you have a chance, thank the Committee members who are working hard to keep Symphony Village looking beautiful. As the Committee Chair, I personally want to thank the Committee members for their hard work and efforts over the past year: Irene Hoffman, Howard Fox, Joyce Brown, Robert Hardy, Vicky and Dan Kober, Gerry Walls, Kathy Mizer, and Dave Gallop.

We are always looking for new members; please consider joining this very active Committee.

Wishing everyone in Symphony Village a Happy Holiday.

# Lifestyle Committee - VinnyVolpicelli, Chair; Randy Officer, Vice Chair;

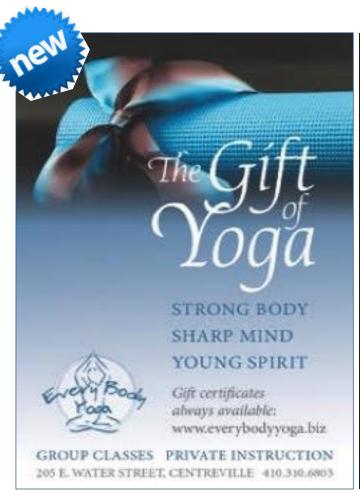
Pat Fox, Correspondent

- <u>Holiday Happy Hour</u> Saturday, December 17, at 6 p.m.
   Hosted by the Lifestyle Committee. The Sweet Adelines return for a 6:30 performance in the front lobby. We will pass the hat! There will also be visits from surprise guests!
- Northbrook Youth Choir Concert Friday, December 23, at 5:30 p.m. Clubhouse Concert Hall.
- <u>New Year's Eve Party</u> Saturday, December 31, at 9:30 p.m.

  Celebrate "The New Year" No charge! Bring desserts & snacks.

  Please sign up in the Activities Book so we have enough bubbly.
- <u>Lifestyle Meeting</u> Monday, January 2, at 7 p.m. New Members Welcome!
- <u>Happy Hour</u> Friday, January 6, at 6 p.m. Hosted by Karen & Brad Kram and Dale & Linda Butler
- <u>Happy Hour</u> Saturday, January 21, at 6 p.m. Hosted by Judy & Larry Webster







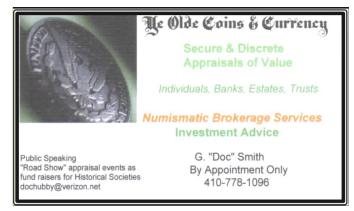
#### New Year's Eve Party

Come and ring in the New Year with friends and neighbors! There will be hats and champagne for everyone. The fun starts at 9:30 p.m. and goes until 1 a.m. when the security alarm goes on. Bring your pj's if you want to stay later! Please sign up in the Activities Book so Skip has enough champagne on hand and bring a snack or a dessert to share.

## **2017 Happy Hours Available For Hosting**

THINK ABOUT HOSTING A HAPPY HOUR IN 2017. SIGN UP NOW IN THE ACTIVITIES BOOK.

To keep the fun rolling, Lifestyle Committee members will be asking folks who attend these functions to please agree to host future happy hours! Happy Hour hosts and hostesses drink for free and don't have to bring food! This is a very easy assignment and a great way to meet fellow residents. Please review the sheet in the Activities Book which includes the step-by- step guide. You can select a theme if you wish which we will advertise. You will greet people as they arrive, enjoy yourself through the evening, and help with simple clean-up at the end. If interested, please sign up in



the Activities Book or contact Carolyn Harty or Zina Lichaa to register. Lifestyle Committee members are always there and can help.

#### **Events in the Planning Stage**

- Residents' Arm Chair International Travelogues
- 2017 New York City Trips to Ellis Island and/or the 9-11 Museum & Memorial
- Annapolis Historic Trolley Tours
- Happy Hour Residents' Art Exhibit
- MGM-National Harbor
- More Happy Hour Birthday Parties
- More Theatre Events
- Your Idea Contact Lifestyle Member



## Outreach - Bea Trotta, President

Outreach would like to sincerely thank all the residents of Symphony Village for their ongoing support of the various events we sponsored throughout the year. Your support has made it possible for Outreach to support many nonprofit organizations within Queen Anne's County such as the UM Shore Emergency Center at Queenstown; Camp New Dawn/Hospice; Crossroads Community, Inc., Dental Program; and Our Haven Shelter. The list goes on and on.

The nonprofit organizations we support are very appreciative of our contributions. Outreach could not do this without your generosity of time, financial support, and overall interest in helping those who are in serious need.

Again, our sincere thanks to all, and we look forward to your ongoing support so that the good work may continue.

#### Food Drive a Success — Loretta Quigley

Over 2,250 items were delivered to the Queen Anne's County Social Services Food Pantry on

November 21, exceeding our goal of 2,100. Your "army" of food collectors queued up in the circle at the Clubhouse on their way to caravan to Social Services. It was an impressive sight! Upon arriving, Social Services employees



were ready for us with carts and wagons and helping hands to help move all the boxes into the conference room where employees would immediately begin sorting in time for pre-Thanksgiving distribution. Outreach could not have done this without each and every one of you who donated goods and time! *Thank you!* 

#### SV Outreach Vehicle Donation Program—"Car Donating Is Easy"



The Outreach Committee began a fundraising venture with <u>Car Donating is Easy</u> (CARS) about a year ago. When you donate a vehicle, you support Symphony Village Outreach. Cars aren't the only vehicle that you can donate - motorcycles, boats, RVs, even quads are accepted. Donated items are auctioned and the net revenue received, after a small percentage of administrative expenses are deducted, will be sent to Outreach to support the organization's charitable programs servicing Queen Anne's County.

Each donor will receive a letter from CARS noting your charitable donation that can be used as a tax deduction. Family and friends living in other states can also donate in the name of Symphony Village Outreach. The CARS organization makes donating easy. You can go to the above website or call CARS toll free at 877-537-5277 to start the

process. CARS then handles everything, including pick up.



# The Eighth Annual Symphony Village Card and Game Party

To benefit: "The Friends of the Queen Anne's County Library"

Thursday, January 19 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the SV Clubhouse

**\$30 Donation per person** (80% tax deductible) **Includes morning coffee & tea, lunch, and door prizes.** 

#### 50/50 Raffle

Reserve a table on the sign-up sheets in the Activities Book (under <u>Outreach</u>) at the Clubhouse.

When your table is complete, please note this on sign-up sheet.

(Deadline Friday, January 13)

Payment by check is due at sign up.

If you need help getting a group together, contact:

Lauren Rose at 443-262-8238 or <a href="mailto:swartz.lauren@gmail.com">swartz.lauren@gmail.com</a>.

Other questions, please call Carlene Cooke at 443-262-8146 or carlene.cooke@gmail.com.

Bring your own cards and games for your game of choice.

(Bridge, canasta, poker, scrabble, mahjongg, etc.) If you cannot attend the event but would like to support the Activities of the Outreach Program with a donation, please bring a check to Cindy in the Clubhouse, or mail to SVOPI, Box 642, Centreville, MD 21617. (This donation is 100% deductible.)

Please make all checks payable to **SV Outreach Program, Inc.** or **SVOPI**. SV OUTREACH PROGRAM, INC. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization





# Publication & Communication - Carol Hodges, Chair; Linda Blume, Vice Chair

#### **Update Directory**

Please verify your Symphony Village online Directory information and update any information that does not appear as you want it. The Committee attempts to update any known information for new or moved residents, but they do not have any capability to monitor email addresses or phone numbers that may have changed. To update your information, you can enter your changes <u>online</u>. If you have any changes or additions to the eBlasts, you can enter that information at the <u>Website</u>.

#### Thank You

We want to thank all of you who are reading the *Libretto* online. Of course we recognize that some of you do not have computers and are welcome to get a hard copy. An advantage of reading online is that the links in the ads and articles will take you to the different websites.

# Sneakers - Linda Farrar, Chair; Bea Trotta, Correspondent

# Holiday Giving Tree

A big "*Thank You*" is extended to all the residents of Symphony Village for their generosity in supporting our eight adopted families this year. Your overwhelming response will enable those children, who are in extreme need, to enjoy a happier and brighter holiday this year and even find a gift from Santa under the tree.

#### **Centreville Elementary School Chorus**

The Centreville School Chorus will be performing at the Clubhouse for the residents of Symphony Village on Friday, December 16, at 10 a.m. This performance is to thank the residents of Symphony Village for their generous support throughout the year. Come and enjoy this lovely performance as these young singers raise their voices in song.

# **Kennard Elementary School Book Giveaway**

Sign-up sheets are in the Activities Book at the Clubhouse for the December 22 book giveaway at Kennard Elementary School. If you have a couple of hours to share, please sign up to help.

#### **Next Meeting**

Sneakers will take a break from its regular monthly meeting for the winter. Please look for the date of our next meeting in early spring. All residents are welcome to join.



#### **CLUBS**

#### Bird Club - Linda Blume



Have you seen a hawk hunting at your backyard bird feeders? It's probably a Cooper's Hawk, and I began to see one (or more than one — who can tell?) in November in my yard. He/she (it's hard to tell them apart visually) will swoop in suddenly and scatter all the birds, hoping to catch one, but there are a <u>lot</u> more misses than successes. The hawk will follow birds into my blue spruce trees, and is known for diving into trees and bushes while hunting. After the first scattering, the hawk often returns to perch like a statue on a shepherd's hook, I think hoping to catch some unsuspecting little bird who returns to the feeders too soon.

Sharp-shinned hawks also call SV their hunting territory in the winter, and it's not easy to tell them apart. Sharp-shinned is generally smaller (9"-15") than Cooper's (14"-20"). Several years ago, I saw them both perched

on my shepherd's hooks at the same time, and the size difference, if you've ever seen them together, is quite noticeable.

If you like to watch bird feeding stations in other parts of the country, Cornell Lab of Ornithology shows one in <a href="Ithaca">Ithaca</a>, <a href="New York">New York</a> and one in <a href="Ontario">Ontario</a>. A pond camera in Ithaca is also on that website.

## **Bocce Banter –** Jack Walsh



The Symphony Village travel bocce team received and then put on display in the Clubhouse, the coveted **Ye Olde Chestertown Bocce League trophy** at the annual soup supper and holiday lighting fete. The team was undefeated (10 - 0) while winning the Fall Bocce League held at Chestertown's Riverside Wilmer Park. Receiving the trophy are (left to right) Jack Walsh, Zina Lichaa, Karen Kram, and Joseph Lichaa. Absent were Allan Levin, Laura Rocco, and Don Rizzo who were called to leadership positions in the Florida Bocce instructional league.

The as yet unnamed trophy, though privately referred to as **Chestiboc**, is a traveling victory

monument similar to hockey's Stanley Cup, though duller, smaller, and lighter. The team name is inscribed on the trophy. It will remain at Symphony Village until, nay, if, another team wins the spring tournament. Meanwhile, Chestiboc will be passed among teammates.

# Dining In - Debi and Bill Wells

New to Symphony Village? Want to meet your neighbors and make new friends? Then, join us on January 22 as a dinner Guest in someone else's home or Host a dinner in your home. Either way, it's an informal, relaxed, and delicious way to spend a few hours and you'll have plenty of help. It's as easy as signing up in the Activities Book at our Clubhouse (by January 17 for the January 22 dinner).



A leisurely and enjoyable part of life is having a shared meal with neighbors. The benefits of **Dining** In can be: increased happiness, learning what's going on in Symphony Village, eating healthier, and adding joy to your life with new acquaintances. You can also choose the alternative: stay home, bake another piece of chicken, have the same veggies, and *not* make new friends. Or, you can go to a movie, gobble down a huge tub of yummy buttery popcorn, call it dinner; then, get mad at yourself the next morning (and, again, make no new friends) . . . You choose!

<u>Guests:</u> Prepare a side dish, dessert, or appetizer (as requested by your **Host**) and bring your own beverage. Helping to clean up is always welcomed!

Hosts: Being a
Host/Hostess is a fun
way to extend
friendship to your
neighbors. Just decide
how many you can
seat comfortably:
four, five, six, seven,
or more people (let us
know when you
signup). Then, decide
your main entrée
(chicken, burgers,
salmon, etc.), the
choice is yours. Last



step, contact the guests (who have signed up to participate) to ask them to bring a side dish, appetizer, or dessert, and remind them to bring their own beverage.

It is absolutely this easy. If you want more details, please review **Dining In** in the Activities Book in the Wall Street Room of the Clubhouse, or call Bill or Debi Wells (443-262-8248). We are glad to talk with you and will help to facilitate monthly. Again, Sunday, January 22, at 6 p.m. is the next **Dining In**. Please sign up by Tuesday, January 17. We hope you participate in January or a future month!

## Lunch Bunch -



The next Lunch Bunch is scheduled for Luisa's Cucina Italiana in Chestertown on Thursday, January 5, at 12:30 p.m. Luisa's is located at 849 Washington Avenue, a five-minute ride from downtown Chestertown and a half-mile from Washington College. You may want to enjoy a stroll through the shops in the heart of Chestertown before or after lunch. Luisa's menu reflects the best of Italian cooking along with a wide variety of menu items. Remember to sign up in the **Activities Book** at the

Clubhouse. Please call Bea Trotta at 410-758-0332 or Marge Strano at 410-758-2511 if you have a question, need directions, or need a ride. *Everyone is invited!* 

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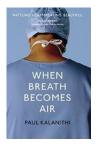
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# Reading For Fun Book Club - Jack Hennessey



At our December 15 meeting, we discussed the book *When Breath Becomes Air*, by Paul Kalanithi. The story follows the life of the author who decides to become a medical doctor after first obtaining a Master's Degree in English Literature. In fact, he does finish medical school and decides to specialize in neurosurgery. His wife is also a doctor. Then Paul is diagnosed with terminal cancer. Together, they make a painstaking decision to start a family! They are blessed with the birth of a baby girl, Katie. All readers agreed that the tears started to flow when a dying Paul is cuddling Katie on his chest and holding his wife's hand. (I have tears in my eyes as I am

recounting this.) This book is highly recommended reading! Read it yourself to learn the ending of this true tale!

The Book Club will be on vacation for the month of December.

Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah to all.





# Social Singles— Carol Donnelly

Social Singles had a holiday celebration on December 11. Our group has enjoyed many great events this year as well as many new friendships and good memories. We are looking forward to the new year. Weather permitting, we will meet the second Tuesday, January 10, at the Clubhouse.

My special thanks to Joyce Brown, my co-chair, and Annie May Price, my good neighbor, both of whom are always there with a helping hand.

Happy Holidays to all! Safe travels!

# Gazebo Garden - Jack Hennessey



In our last report, we listed the team of workers who cleared the Gazebo flower beds. We want to congratulate Scott Page, the team leader, on his appointment to the SV Board. The grounds committee is still working on the plans for the future of the garden.

We have received many favorable comments on the artistic lighting of the gazebo. We did get one comment that we do not keep the lights

on long enough; so, we added one hour to the display time.

The date for the Christmas sing-a-long has been set. All residents are invited to gather at the Gazebo on Tuesday, December 20, at 6 p.m. Song sheets for the ten recommended Christmas favorites, starting with Jingle Bells and ending with Silent Night, will be provided.

Jack and Dan Battista will remove the decorations after New Year's Day and store them until next year.

# Quilters



The Symphony Village Quilters held their annual Christmas lunch and party on December 8. It was an enjoyable time complete with a tasty lunch and delicious desserts, games, and a fun Christmas gift exchange.

Pictured are the quilters:

Kneeling: Joan Hennessey, Cindy Backer, Courtney Pilgrim

Standing left to right: Linda Farrar, Karen King, Marilyn Williams, Lauren Rose, Peggy Dedrick, Carlene Cooke, Mary Lewis, Betty Gingerich, Amy Marotta, Sue Peterson, Pat Kindle, and Dottie Mazzocchi.

If you like to sew or quilt and would be interested in joining the group, the next meeting is Tuesday, January 3, 2017 in the Craft Room at the Clubhouse!

#### NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

# **Centreville Planning Commission**

What's Coming to Town . . . by Pat Fox

I have recently been appointed to the Centreville Planning Commission and am kicking off a column to let SV residents know about proposals and plans that have been approved by the Commission. I'll report only on those submittals whose next step is getting final town approvals leading to building permits so you will know what is coming!

- **Auto Zone** a motor vehicle parts store will be constructed on the lot to the north of McDonald's on 213. This is for parts only no auto repair or maintenance will be conducted.
- **Dunkin Donuts** will be building a new store on northbound 213 at Laser Drive. Laser Drive is the "road to nowhere" before you reach the Food Lion shopping center. This will be relocation from their current site on the other side of Centreville. The franchise owner is considering including a Baskin Robbins outlet in the store as well. Even Commission members were begging him for this saying there isn't anywhere for ice cream after 3 p.m.!
- The State of Maryland reduced the speed limit on 213 in the vicinity of Taylor Mill Road from 50 to 45 mph. SV had supported the Town of Centreville with a petition asking for a speed reduction to encourage safer driving. The State was actually motivated to make this change because of the proposed retail development described above!

# **Meet The People Who Keep Our Village Running –**

• This message is for those new residents who have not yet been introduced to all of our Clubhouse staff. Be sure to come up and introduce yourselves to Camilla, Cindy, and Tim.

They keep our neighborhood running smoothly and can answer all of your questions – and, if they can't, they will try to find the answer.

- Camilla Gaines, General Manager gm@symphonyvillagehoa.com (center)
- **Cindy Clough**, Assistant General Manager agm@symphonyvillagehoa.com (right)
- **Tim Spangler**, Maintenance Technician (left)

Clubhouse phone for Camilla or Cindy: 410-758-8500





I would like to express my humble and extremely grateful thank you for all the well wishes, prayers, visits, cards, gifts, and special thoughts. I am getting stronger every day since the second surgery, and am finally back home. I am so very thankful to be living in such a caring and supportive community.

My sincere thanks, Teri Nudo **Water Aerobics** — Come on in and join the fun at water aerobics on video. We meet every Monday through Friday at 9 a.m. and splash around until 10 a.m. All are welcome—even the guys—and it's "free and warm."

(Photo by George Drake)



# Every "Leaf Litter" Helps By Betty McAtee



Image from premiumcoding.com

Late autumn brings much raking and blowing of fallen leaves <u>away</u> from our front and backyards. But did you know that leaf litter from trees and shrubs entering winter dormancy is Nature's **gift** and, if left undisturbed, will provide food and habitat for plants and creatures that make up the natural garden ecosystem?

Leaf litter becomes a "full of life" organic layer, supportive of a variety of wildlife. For example: (1) Earthworms, millipedes, and pill bugs feed on the dead leaves, forming detritus, tiny particles that, with the help of various soil bacteria and fungi, converts to nutrients for nearby trees, shrubs, and perennials.

(2) Insects consume the litter and are then consumed by predators (spiders, beetles, centipedes). Birds, turtles, and salamanders depend on these invertebrates for food and, in turn, are sustenance for larger birds, mammals, and reptiles. Such is the "web of life."

Leaf litter also acts as an insulating layer, protecting plants from winter's freezing temperatures, plus keeps the soil moist during winter dry spells. Leaf litter left on turf can be ground into tiny pieces using mulching mowers, and will break down into useable organic nutrients for the soil beneath the grass. A thin layer of fallen leaves beneath trees and shrubs provide the same benefits.

It's easy to create a "Winter Welcome" for the flora and fauna that inhabit your garden. A gardener's "fall clean-up" takes on a new face with leaf litter: a less barren landscape that will provide a protective garden covering, a safer winter habitat, and the ingredients for a healthier garden soil.

# Tenth Annual New Year's Day Bike Ride —

Mark your calendars for the 10th annual New Year's Day cycling event "I've ridden my bike every day this year." All SV bike riders are encouraged to meet at the **Clubhouse at 10 a.m., January 1, 2017**, and ride for as long as weather permits. Some cycle a few hundred feet and others have been known to ride for as much as five to ten miles within SV. Following the ride, all participants traditionally gather in the Clubhouse for hot chocolate and pastries served by Nancie Cameron. Each year it seems some bikers are more eager to return to the Clubhouse for Nancie's



delicious treats than rack up mileage and "bragging rights" for the New Year. Come join the camaraderie on New Year's Day.

**NOTE:** Helmets are required. (If you need a helmet, call Lloyd McAtee at 410-758- 2443). Ft. Row: Lloyd McAtee, George Drake, Nancie Cameron, Andrew Rowley, Pat Scheirer; Back Row: Don Cameron, Robert Rowley, Bill Rowley (photo by Brenda Stoltz)

#### RECIPE of the MONTH

# Hearty Vegetarian Lasagna (adapted from allrecipes.com)

From the Kitchen of Carol Hodges

# **Ingredients:**

- 1 (16 ounce) package lasagna noodles
- 1 8 ounce package of fresh mushrooms, sliced
- 3/4 cup chopped green pepper
- 3/4 cup chopped onion
- 3 garlic cloves minced
- 2 medium carrots shredded
- 1 medium zucchini shredded
- 4 tablespoons butter
- 1 package frozen chopped spinach thawed and drained
- 1 teaspoon oregano
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon dried basil
- 2 14-ounce cans diced tomatoes
- 1 8-ounce can tomato sauce
- 1 6-ounce can tomato paste
- 1 tablespoon dried parsley
- 1 24-ounce container low fat cottage cheese
- 2 eggs
- ½ cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 4 cups shredded mozzarella cheese



#### **Directions**

- Lay the 2 layers of dry lasagna noodles in an 11 x 15 pan. Pour hot water over them while preparing the sauce.
- In a large saucepan, cook and stir mushrooms, green peppers, onion, garlic, carrots, and zucchini in butter until al dente. Stir in spinach, tomatoes, tomato sauce, tomato paste, oregano, salt and basil; bring to a boil. Reduce heat, and simmer 15 minutes.
- In a separate bowl, mix together cottage cheese, Parmesan, parsley, and eggs.
- Drain lasagna noodles, dry pan and spray with oil.
- Preheat oven to 350°. In the bottom of baking pan layer 1/2 each, lasagna noodles, cheese mix, sauce, and mozzarella.
- Repeat layering.
- Bake, uncovered, for 40 minutes. Let stand 15 minutes before serving.

Tip: Read reviews of the recipe at All Recipes.com for other suggestions.

#### LOCAL EVENTS

#### All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast - December



The Goodwill Volunteer Fire Company in Centreville will host an all-you-can-eat buffet breakfast, **Sunday**, **December 18**, 7:30 – 11 a.m., at the Fire Hall. Cost is \$8. These breakfasts are held the third Sunday of every month except in the summer.

#### **Painted Mason Jar Winter Craft**



The Queen Anne's County Library will host <u>Painted Mason Jar Winter Craft</u> on **Wednesday, December 28**, 6-7:30 p.m. at the Centreville Branch. This is the perfect winter décor to hold a candle or some flowers for your home. All materials provided; free. Pre-register on the website.

#### **Exhibit: "Small Works"**



The Queen Anne's County Arts Council will host an exhibit and sale, "Small Works," featuring small works of art, **January 6 – February 23**. Proceeds of the sale will go to the Arts Council for its programs, events, and shows. Expected media include photography, painting, ceramics, jewelry, drawing, digital works, textiles, sculpture, woodwork, watercolor, and more. During the exhibit, visitors will purchase chances to win the works on display.

## Cookie Exchange



The Queen Anne's County Library will host a <u>Cookie Exchange</u> on **Wednesday**, **January 11**, 6-7:30 p.m. at the Centreville Branch. The holidays may be over, but it's still baking season. Sign up (on the website), bring in a batch of your favorite cookies with the recipe, and swap with others.

#### Matinee Movie - "Florence Foster Jenkins



The <u>Matinee Movie</u> will be screened on **Friday, January 13**, 2 – 4 p.m., at the Centreville Branch of the QAC Public Library. Heiress Florence Foster Jenkins (Meryl Streep) longs to become an opera star in 1940s New York, despite possessing a horrible singing voice. With the help and encouragement of her husband (Hugh Grant) and a talented musician (Simon Helberg), she finds a very strange kind of success as a

performer and recording artist. Rebecca Ferguson and Nina Arianda co-star. Stephen Frears (Philomena) directed this biopic, which is based on the real-life socialite and opera singer of the same name. Run time 110 minutes; rating PG-13.

#### All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast - January



The Goodwill Volunteer Fire Company in Centreville will host an all-you-caneat buffet breakfast, **Sunday, January 15**, 7:30-11 a.m., at the fire hall. Cost is \$8. These breakfasts are held the third Sunday of every month except in the summer.

<u>Note</u>: To see a list of tourism and local attraction websites, press "Event Source Links" on the <u>Sources</u> page on the SV Website.

#### SPECIAL REMINDERS

**Bulk Pickup and Yard Waste**: 410-758-1180

<u>Trash Removal & Recycling</u>: 410-742-0099 (chesapeakewaste@verizon.net)