

Galesville Tidings

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In Remembrance

The Galesville Heritage Society sends it's condolences to the family of founding member, supporter and volunteer Dee Dixon. Dee was an inspiration to all and will be greatly missed.#

Maryland Day Weekend in the Four Rivers Heritage Area

Sponsored in part by the Four Rivers Heritage Area, the 10th Annual Maryland Day Celebration is being coordinated by the Chesapeake Children's Museum in partnership with a variety of participating museums, heritage sites and local businesses. Rediscover Maryland's history with family and friends during a fun-filled festival highlighting the uniqueness of the Four Rivers Heritage Area. This year, more than 20 locations in Anne Arundel County will be offering tours, events, concerts, games, and hands-on demonstrations for free or \$1 per person. Stroll through

downtown Annapolis or visit

Historic London Town and the southern Anne Arundel County countryside to enjoy educational tours, costumed reenactors, art exhibits, children's activities and more. Maryland's official birthday is March 25. It commemorates the formal founding of the colony of Maryland. On this day, settlers from England celebrated a Mass of Thanksgiving on St. Clement's Island in what is now St. Mary's County, Maryland.



Maryland Day Weekend in Galesville

Galesville Heritage Museum

Sunday, March 26 from 1–4 pm

Boat Building on the West River

From Native American dugout canoes to Steward's Shipyard in colonial times to 19th century log canoes and today's modern techniques, the West



River has been one of the centers of boat building in Maryland. Knowledgeable watermen and locals Eric Steinlein, Dean Hall, Peter Bell, Jr. and others will be here to answer your questions. Discover our heritage of boat building on the West River at the Galesville Heritage Museum.



Galesville Community Center

Sunday, March 26 from 1–4 pm

Family Tree Explosion: Discovering, Documenting, Preserving, Sharing and Celebrating Family Histories of Galesville.

These family trees will depict family names, relationships, origins, places of birth—especially those born in Maryland, occupations, home ownership, vital information, family ties, etc. Families have delved into their past histories, visiting and interviewing senior family members, searching for family records, photographs and heirlooms, and conducting research both at local repositories and online genealogy databases. Families are also taking updated portraits of multi-generations, which will also be unveiled on Maryland Day.

Mark Your Calendars 2017

For the following GHS Dinner Meetings and Events:

- Galesville Heritage Society Dinner, Tuesday, March 14, 6:30 pm
- Maryland Day Celebration, Sunday, March 26, 1-4 pm
- Galesville Heritage Museum opens for 2017 season, Sunday, April 23, 1-4 pm

Special Thanks

We send a special thanks to Karen & Brian Czarnowski for coordinating the very positive sale of the safe that was taking up much needed space in the rear room of the museum. Way to go!

Galesville Heritage Society. Officers & Board Members 2017

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Spring Dinner Meeting, Tuesday, March 14

**Tuesday, March 14
6:30 PM**

Galesville Memorial Hall

Please plan to join us for great food and company at our March Dinner Meeting on Tuesday, March 14th starting at 6:30 PM at Memorial Hall. The dinner menu will be: salad, Irish soda bread, corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, carrots and dessert. The price for the dinner is \$20 per person for members and \$25 for nonmembers.

Be sure you make your reservations by calling Dorothy Whitman at 410-867-4731 or emailing dewhitman@verizon.net by March 12.

The dinner speaker will be Tom Croghan, co-owner of the Vineyards at Dodon in Davidsonville. The title of his

the talk will be: *Why the Mid-Atlantic Will Rival Bordeaux and Burgundy as the World's Greatest Wine Regions.*

Growing up on a small farm in north central West Virginia, Tom grew to appreciate



Tom Croghan

the rhythms of nature, the joy of hard work, and the importance of place. He brings these early lessons, as well as those from a successful career in medicine, immunology and business, to create wines that reflect the unique soil and the site.

Dodon is a 550 acre working family farm, the largest in Anne Arundel County. It was purchased from Nicholas Carroll in 1725 by Dr. George

H. Steuart of Argaty, Perthshire, Scotland. Dodon produced the oronoco tobacco that was preferred on the European continent. Nine consecutive generations of Steuarts (now Pittmans) have since lived and worked at Dodon.

The vineyards were established in 2007. Using only grapes grown on the farm, the Dodon vineyards and wine-making techniques emphasize individual attention to each cluster and protect the quality of the fruit. Dodon wines can be purchased at dodonvineyards.com or at Mills Fine Wine & Spirits in Annapolis.



Membership March 2017

Galesville Heritage Society would like to welcome our new members. They are: Ed Allen, Jenni Brown, Chuck and Debbie Kay Dixon, Petey Kitzmiller, Pat and Dee Packett, Cel Petro, Bill and Marti Woodfield, Smith Brothers Inc, and West River Sailing Club. We all look forward to seeing you at our many upcoming events.

Thanks to all that have renewed their annual membership. You will be receiving your membership card and a seed packet in the mail. We also need to extend our sincere

appreciation to the many donations that have also been received.

The reminder postcards are in the mail, so look for them and submit your membership so we can keep you updated with the latest news and events sponsored by the Galesville Heritage Society.

If you have any questions concerning your membership, please contact:

Susie Cosden sscosden@gmail.com
410-353-3136

Cakes and Cookies and Pies, Oh my!

On Sunday, December 11, the Museum, decorated for the season, hosted the annual GHS Holiday Open House and Bake Sale. Visitors enjoyed warm cider and cookies with friends and neighbors and left with tasty treats. Many thanks to all those who attended and those who helped. Together we made a successful day.



President's & Vice-President's Message

I'm standing in again for Mark, while he and Robin are enjoying their sailboat. This is my 3rd winter in Galesville and unquestionably my most favorite. I like snow as much as anybody, but we got hammered last year, so we deserve a break. Over the last few weeks, my crocuses reminded me that spring will be here soon. Many things are budding ahead of schedule: azalea, forsythia and other early bloomers will be adding some spring color in no time.

However, winter has opportunities to recognize things that make the Galesville area such a wonderful place to live. I'm sure long-term residents have stories from growing up and skating on the ice when Lerch Creek or other creeks would freeze or when the blizzards blew through and left feet of snow.

During my winters in this area, I've been impressed by how neighbor will help neighbor when the sidewalks need shoveling, or someone's drive entrance needs clearing. What's heartwarming is that we seldom have to ask for help, it just shows up. This is what community is all about, shared ownership or participation in the well-being of our neighbors. And when we lose one of our neighbors, the void remains only briefly, because generally someone steps up to ensure

that our community continues as a place much more than a collection of houses.

Our Heritage Society is the perfect example of how our community associates, participates, volunteers and displays some of the history and traditions that keep this area so special. It's not the hardships that bring out the good in our neighbors, rather it is the hardships that help us notice the good.

We had a full houses for our 2017 speaker series at the museum in January and February. Thanks to Cyrena Simons and John Colhoun for their presentations.

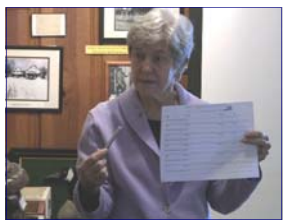
There are some changes happening at the museum. Our museum committee is formulating new ways to use the space; please tell us what you think. We are always looking for volunteers to be docents during our open season – there will be a Docent training set up soon.

In closing, Mark, the Board and I look forward to seeing everyone during our 2017 season. Get involved ... please join us, pay your dues and then you'll be able to plant the flower seeds we'll send as a "Thank-you!

*Jim Chandler, Vice President, for
Mark Steinlein, President*

Winter Speaker Series 2017 – well attended

Sunday, January 29, Master Gardener **Cyrena Simons** spoke about the relationship between our gardens and the health of the Bay. The museum was packed. Cyrena urged all of us to become involved with the Baywise Gardens program. She gave important facts for gardening in this watershed of the Chesapeake Bay and her slide presentation was lovely, as well as very informative.



Cyrena Simons

Sunday, February 26, **John Colhoun** gave a lecture on *Anne Arundel County – South of the South River*. His slide presentation included historic and significant sites in the southern part of Anne Arundel County. Mr. Colhoun is a well-known popular speaker on the history of Anne Arundel County, because of this the museum was packed with more than 50 attendees and a few late comers were turned away. We apologize for those who could not be accommodated.



John Colhoun

Galesville Heritage Museum Opens Sunday, April 23

Plan to take the time to visit and enjoy what has been collected for display on the history and heritage of our village and the surrounding areas. Learn about the rich and diverse history of Galesville and the surrounding area. Our library of books and oral histories tell many stories of the past and present. If you call the village or the surrounding area home, come and enjoy the heritage we enjoy.

The Museum is open on Sundays from 1– 4PM or for a special tour or appointment, email galesvillemuseum@gmail.com or call 410-867-4731. We look forward to seeing you.

Docent at the Museum

If you are interested in our community and its history, sign up to become a docent at the Galesville Heritage Museum. Docents are scheduled on Sundays from 1– 4PM from April 23 to November 5.

Very often, it's our docents who make the first impression on visitors who come to the Heritage Museum as their first stop in Galesville. Join us to share your knowledge and enthusiasm?

If you would like to be a docent email Karen Czarnowski, our docent coordinator, at kdrum12@yahoo.com or call 410-867-4731 for more information.

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Calendar

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| March 12– Deadline for Dinner Reservations | May 2 – Board Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall, 7:30 pm |
| March 14 – Dinner Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall, 6:30 pm | May 14 – Mothers’ Day |
| March 26 – Maryland Day Celebration, Galesville Heritage Museum, 1- 4 pm
Galesville Community Center, 1- 4 pm | May 29 – Memorial Day |
| March 28– Museum Meeting, Galesville Heritage Museum 7:30 pm | May 30 – Museum Meeting, Galesville Heritage Museum 7:30 pm |
| April 4 – Board Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall 7:30 pm | June 6 – Board Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall 7:30 pm |
| April 16 – Easter Sunday | June 11 – Deadline for Dinner Reservations |
| April 23 – Galesville Heritage Museum opens for 2017 season, 1—4 pm | June 13 – Dinner Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall, 6:30 pm |
| April 25 – Museum Meeting, Galesville Heritage Museum 7:30 pm | June 18 – Fathers’ Day |
| April 29 – Community Yard Sale, 8am—1 pm | June 27 – Museum Meeting, Galesville Heritage Museum 7:30 pm |

Galesville - Community Yard Sale Saturday, April 29, 8am to 1pm

Would you like to hold a yard sale at your house with the least effort on your part? Join us in a village-wide yard sale on the date above. All you have to do is:

Let WRIA Board member Becky Ruark know you are going to participate. Email or call her at: ramoon75@yahoo.com, 410-867-7183. Set up your sale in your yard or garage on the 29th.

West River Improvement Association will: advertise the sale -- on Craig’s List, Next Door Galesville and surrounding “Next Door” communities, and by placing signs at the intersection of Rtes. 468 & 255.

We’ll also provide customers with a map marking the houses that are having sales.

Sponsored by West River Improvement Association

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The Mission of the Galesville Heritage Society is to:

“promote an understanding of and appreciation for the history of the village of Galesville and its immediate environs, within its community and the general public. Its historical resources, educational outreach efforts, and the Galesville Heritage Museum serve as catalysts to collect, preserve, and research the area’s history and the Society encourages others to do the same.”
