

Galesville Tidings

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Jay Fleming
PHOTOGRAPHY

Almost St. Patrick's Day Dinner
March 12, Tuesday 6:30 PM
Galesville Memorial Hall
Guest speaker: Jay Fleming

This event will be filled with all your traditional favorites including delicious corned beef and cabbage, potatoes, carrots and of course, Irish soda bread. Don't forget to leave room for dessert!

The price for dinner is \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members.

Be sure you make your reservations by March 10, by contacting Dorothy Whitman 410-867-4731, or email her at dewhitman@verizon.net.

Spring Dinner Speaker



Jay Fleming

Photographer

We are pleased to welcome Annapolis photographer, Jay Fleming to Galesville as our dinner speaker. He will share his beautiful images and tell the story of his work on Chesapeake watermen. His work is widely recognized as some of the best in recording the lives and challenges of these seafarers. He committed months to learning about all aspects of the seafood industry, producing two books on the subject. He will be signing books at the event. It is an honor to welcome Jay to Galesville.



Mark Your Calendar:

Spring Dinner	Mar 12
GHS Maryland Day	Mar 24
GHS Spring Yard Clean Up	Mar 30
2024 Museum Opening	Apr 28

Keep up to date on information for events times and details via email and Facebook.

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Winter in Galesville

Winter Lecture Series

A gloomy Sunday afternoon in January was significantly brightened at the Galesville Heritage Society museum. Tom Croughan, founder of the Vineyards at Dodon Farm, talked about the history and processes of making wine in Maryland. The fascinating talk was followed by a festive winetasting.

In the second of the lecture series, our local Riverkeeper, Ellie Bassett spoke to another packed house on the more serious matter of water quality. She highlighted the problems and challenges along with what we can do to improve water quality in West River and the surrounding creeks. She inspired community members to get involved with the various projects of Arundel Rivers Federation.



Holiday Cheer

As always, the Galesville Heritage Society brought the warmth to the holiday season in the village. Although the carolers were rained out, there was plenty of holiday cheer during the museum during the Holiday Open House.



Join Us...



Maryland Day Celebration 2024

Chesapeake Crossroads Heritage Area
March 23 – 25

Galesville Heritage Museum

Date: Sunday, March 24

Time: 1 – 4 pm

GHS, a member of Chesapeake Crossroads, is participating with other regional heritage organizations to showcase the area's historical, cultural and natural heritage.

Visit the Galesville Heritage Museum and explore local and South County history. Learn about the people who built the framework for the Galesville village as we know it today, and who would lay the foundation for the surrounding area. Search through videos, photos, artifacts, and the enlightening "Stories of Stores" videos. Docents will be onsite to answer questions.

NEW - Oral History Snapshots -View the new addition to the museum's oral history collection. These snapshots will bring to life many facets of the Galesville's community early history and contribute to our understanding of how our present is linked to our past.

For information on all the participating heritage sites and their activities visit: www.marylandday.org.

Spring Yard Clean Up at the Museum

Dates Saturday, March 30th

Time: 10am

Where: Galesville Heritage Museum

Volunteers needed! The museum opens on April 28 and we need to get the grounds cleaned up, so we are ready to welcome visitors!

Get your hands dirty-it's fun!
All you have to do is show up.



~photo: Jan Montag

It's Time to Join GHS

The 2024 Galesville Heritage Society membership renewal notices were mailed in early January.

We are delighted to have had 103 members respond, which is roughly two thirds of last years' roster. It's never too late to join. Please return yours today! GHS especially welcomes our newest members: Galesville United Methodist Church, Laura Dixon, Andrew and Ashley Eden, William Nielson & Family and Tim and Allison Woodfield.

GHS truly appreciates the members' interest, participation and support. Galesville Heritage Society is THE organization for young and old, natives, long-time residents and newcomers. Its museum and functions are where friends and family meet, share stories, learn the lore (and lure) of the Galesville area, and perpetuate its remarkable history.

Join in the many and varied activities planned for the 2024 season. Bring a friend or tell a neighbor about us. If you have misplaced your mailing, there are forms on the Post Office bulletin board, or email Blacklm@mac.com

Spring is in the Air

Galesville Heritage Museum Opens Sunday, April 28

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. A new exciting exhibit is being planned for the annex building behind the museum. We will keep you posted on our progress.

The Museum is open on Sundays from 1- 4 pm or for a special tour or appointment, email galesvillemuseum@gmail.com or call 410-867-4731. Come and check out the museum, we look forward to seeing you.

Looking for Docents

Do you have an appreciation for Galesville's history? Consider volunteering to be a docent at the Galesville Heritage Museum. We are looking for friendly and polite individuals who have the time to commit, on a Sunday, to a three-hour shift sometime between May and October. You don't need to have extensive knowledge of the museum - just be a good host to the visitors! It's a pleasant duty, often neighbors just drop by to say hello, and sometimes will even bring you a snack. Join us and spend one or two Sunday afternoons giving back to the museum and to the community! Find out more by swinging by the museum on April 28, the first day of the 2024 season, museum is open from 1-4 pm.

If you are interested in being a docent, email the docent coordinator, Karen Czarnowski at kdrum12@yahoo.com.

Docent Training

Class will be held on Saturday, April 20, 10 am at the museum. If you are interested, email Karen at kdrum12@yahoo.com or call 410-867-4731 for more information.



Enhancing the Pathway to Memories

The brick pathway to the museum is scattered with personalized bricks that memorialize loved ones, celebrate friends and capture a memory. We are in the fourth phase of the sidewalk project now and offering an opportunity to purchase bricks once again.

Purchase a brick for \$100 and you can etch your own memory. Create three lines of text each 16 characters (including spaces). Contact Susie Cosden at sscosden@gmail.com or call 410-353-3136 for more information.

Come visit the museum on opening day, April 28, 1-4 pm. Walk along the pathway and get inspired by your own brick!

Community Corner

GHS wishes to make a correction to our last newsletter in which we neglected to thank Shirley Day for her contribution to the GHS.

We lost two longtime friends and supporters of the Galesville Heritage Society this winter. Lois Bird and Laura Mae Zang: their beautiful smiles and helping hands will be greatly missed.

Message from President



It's not COVID, must be a case of Spring fever that explains the restlessness, increased energy, and excitement that some are experiencing as we transition from winter.

As the days lengthen and the weather warms, this delightful phenomenon sweeps us into a state of rejuvenation and anticipation for the vibrant season ahead! And what a season it promises to be; with dinners, a picnic, cooking competitions, the best Independence Day Parade in South County and many other events it's going to be a memorable year.

Galesville is enjoying a Renaissance. Exciting things happening everywhere, from progress on the Galesville Market to new exhibits at the museum; there is a lot to get out and enjoy. And speaking of the museum, our Galesville Heritage Museum, is the wonderful repository of the culture, history, and lifestyles of the village ancestors. In other words,

In Galesville, where history unfolds,

A quaint museum its tales holds.

With artifacts and lore,

It beckons us to explore,

Preserving stories of those from before...

~GHS President: Jim Chandler



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.”