

# Galesville Tidings

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## Meet & Greet—March 30

*Come and visit the Galesville Heritage Museum on this special Maryland Day 2008!*

On Sunday, March 30, 2008 from noon to 5:00 PM you can discover Maryland history in your own backyard with family and friends in the Four Rivers Heritage Area. For the first time, Annapolis and southern Anne Arundel County will celebrate Maryland Day with a free festival highlighting regional history. Local cultural and heritage sites will open their doors to Marylanders and will feature special free activities and tours for the whole family.

Maryland Day commemorates the day weary English colonists disembarked from the ships Ark and Dove at St. Clement's Island in southern Maryland and celebrated their safe arrival in the new world with a service of thanksgiving. In 1916, the Maryland General Assembly authorized Maryland Day as a legal holiday devoted to Maryland history.

Four Rivers and the Historic Annapolis Foundation have partnered with regional heritage organizations and businesses to showcase the area's local history in commemoration of this momentous day.

The Galesville Heritage Museum will be open for visitors from 1:00 PM until 4:00 PM. In addition to tours of the museum, visitors can leaf through the many scrapbooks that contain photos, newspaper clippings and other memorabilia on Galesville and South County. There will be other spe-

cial displays including: selections from Norman Hazard's wooden duck decoys; a number of Bea Poulin's photographs of South County tobacco barns; an array of tools used for growing, harvesting and drying tobacco, and Revolutionary War era materials from Stewart's Shipyard. Accompanying these displays, will be the owners and local historians who will speak about the subjects and answer visitors' questions.

Besides the Galesville Heritage Museum, other participants will include:

*Annapolis Maritime Museum:* Eastport  
*Banneker-Douglass Museum:* Annapolis  
*Captain Salem Avery House Museum:* Shady Side

*Charles Carroll House:* Annapolis  
*Hammond-Harwood House:* Annapolis  
*Historic London Town and Gardens:* Edgewater

*HistoryQuest at the St. Clair Wright Center :* Annapolis

*Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts:* Annapolis

*Sands House:* Annapolis

*State House Visitor Center:* Annapolis

*William Paca House and Garden:* Annapolis

The event will be sponsored by Bay Weekly, the area's free go-to-guide for entertainment, arts, and services.

Mark your calendars now for a special day devoted to free, fun, and family-friendly activities commemorating Maryland's wonderful history!

### VOLUNTEERS

#### NEEDED

**Make a difference in our community. If you are interested in the history of Galesville call 410-867-2684 for more information.**

**Thank You**

## President's Letter

Happy Spring, welcome to warm weather, pretty flowers and neighbors you may not have seen for months. This year is off to a busy start. Our heritage is alive and well in spite of the dreadful losses the village has experienced over the recent months. The High's Store (formerly Dixon's Station) was the third fire - Miss Ida's, and Woodfield's Ice House were the first two.

Our village heritage is more than buildings; it is our people and its connection to the historical impact made by its residents, now and in years past. If we all accept the responsibility for the health of our village, its important link to the past and surrounding area and work toward preserving as much of what we have for the future then we can say we did our best. We need as many of you as possible to help GHS work at this. Call us if you want to help.

*Roberta*

### Galesville Heritage Society, Inc.

#### Officers & Board Members 2008

##### Officers:

President: Roberta Cassard

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## Sprint Dinner Meeting—Galesville Memorial Hall

The first quarterly dinner meeting for 2008 will be held on Tuesday, March 11 at the Galesville Memorial Hall starting at 6:30. In honor of St. Patrick's Day, the menu will be corned beef, cabbage, and potatoes, with a salad and dessert. The price for the dinner is \$15 per person.

Be sure you make your reservations with Dee Dixon, either by calling 410-867-3622 or emailing her - [dee-jdixon@yahoo.com](mailto:dee-jdixon@yahoo.com) by March 8. It is so important that our count for attendance be as accurate as pos-

sible both for our cooks and for table seating. If you make a reservation and do not attend or cancel, you will be billed.

Norman Hazard will be our guest speaker. He will relate stories about the Hazard Family, a longtime Galesville's family filled with industrious watermen and other colorful and resourceful people. Norman was born in the local area, but his family moved to Baltimore and began a contract painting company. In 1999, when Norman retired from this

business, he and his wife Joyce, returned to Galesville, where he took up the old family trade of crabbing, clamming and oystering, as a part-time pastime. Norman and his wife have also gotten involved as volunteers with various organizations in Galesville, including the Galesville Heritage Society.

Please plan to join your neighbors and friends for an evening of great food, conversation and history.



## African-American Community History Day

### "I DIG GALESVILLE"

Galesville Community Center Organization, Inc. in partnership with Kunte-Kinte/Alex Haley Foundation, Inc. held Community History Day, "I Dig Galesville" on Saturday, February 9, 2008 at Ebenezer A.M.E. Church. The event was organized to celebrate Black History Month and to capture some of the rich African-American history in Galesville.

The attendees, approximately 35 people shared their stories about growing up in Galesville, attending Galesville Rosenwald School and the Galesville Hot Sox. Many documents and pictures were scanned by volunteers with the Kunte-Kinte Alex-Haley Foundation as part of the project. Dates for monthly sessions are being confirmed to bring together Galesville elders

and youth ages 11 to 14 to collect more data, documentation and pictures for a booklet on local black history. Students will be invited to attend a second weeklong camp in June to compile some of the information. The African-American community has been inspired to share their past with others.

### Community Clean-up Program

Galesville Community Center Organization, Inc. is again coordinating The Community Clean Up Program. Anne Arundel County Department of Public Works will deliver dumpsters by noon on Monday, June 9, 2008 and they will be picked up by 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 11, 2008. Please assist us by adhering to the Community Clean Up Program Guidelines that will be posted on the dumpsters.

### Galesville Heritage Society Website

As of February 15, we have had 2,524 visitors to our Web site. For more information

on our programs, events and the heritage of Galesville, visit our Web site often: [www.galesvilleheritagesociety.org](http://www.galesvilleheritagesociety.org) and build up our visitorship.

## Galesville Heritage Museum

There has been a lot going on these past few months. The Museum is scheduled for inventory to take place on March 7th and house-cleaning on March 14th. When we open our doors March 30th for the Maryland Day "Meet and Greet," you will see several new displays, duck decoys and a really special boat model that have been added to the museum's collection.

As part of our Docent program, we will visit other heritage areas in the County to get a feel of what other museums and organizations are doing. This should prove very informative and interesting. The first will be April 23, at 2:00 PM. It will be a tour of the William Brown House at London Town in Edgewater. This is a free tour for our docents and will give us the opportunity to see what it was like in colonial times at an authentically restored, 17th century home and surrounding property on the South River.

There is a Docent Training/Refresher course scheduled for April 5th from 10:00 AM - 12:00 noon. If you are not now a docent and would like to join our happy group, please

call 410-867-2648. All that is required is for you to give the Museum three Sundays from 12:30 PM - 4:00 PM from April through to October. You will learn about our heritage and also and meet new friends that come to our museum.

### Special Announcement

When the museum opens on March 30th, we will be selling the popular GALESVILLE WINE GLASSES. Be sure to stop by and purchase some for yourself or for gifts.

### Help Wanted!!!

March is shaping up to be a very busy time. We are looking for anyone who is willing to help "do windows", curtains, dusting, etc. This year's Open House is part of the county-wide "Meet and Greet" and is scheduled to be held on March 30 and we should be "spit shine" ready but we need help. Supplies will be provided all we need is YOU. March 14<sup>th</sup> has been set aside for the cleaning, but if you can offer your services at a more convenient time for you, please call 410-867-2648. **WE NEED YOU!!!**

## December Wrap Up

### Holiday Decorating Winners

Congratulations to the Holiday Decorating Winners of 2007. There were notices about the winners in The Capital and at the Post Office. But, in case you missed those, here are the names of the Daytime winners: Ann Hewitt, Bill Bird, Peter Oleson, Peter Bell and Peter Baer. For their lights and decorations at night, the winners are: Buzz Winchester, Cov Scotten, Calvin Trott, Preston Hartge, Galesville United Methodist Church, Rever Sellman, LaShana Taylor, Al Archambo, Pat Packet and Tim Woodfield.

Thanks to everyone else who help decorate our village for the holiday season.

### Wagon of Christmas Carolers

A new event in December was the Wagonload of Carolers that went around the

village, pulled by a tractor driven by Bob "Santa" Brant. Thanks to Bob for his tractor and Francis Ray Moreland for the use of the wagon. It was cold but the group kept warm singing songs. Hot cider and homemade cookies also were worth the trip. We hope you join in the fun next December.

### December Dinner Meeting

Our December dinner meeting was very well attended. Dean Hall gave a great presentation on the Burning of Steward's Shipyard during the Revolutionary War. He and his wife, June, live there now under the name of Norman's Retreat. We all learned more about Anne Arundel County's part in the Revolutionary War - and especially how Chalk Point played a role in this particular battle. We hope Dean will share more of this exciting history at future dinner lectures.

### Volunteers Needed - NO MEETINGS TO ATTEND!

With a limited amount of time you can make a difference to the work at the museum and to the village of Galesville. Your help is greatly appreciated and needed.

#### Newspaper Clippings

#### Oral History Volunteer

#### Greeters and Docents

Coordinate educational and/or children projects at the museum.

Assist in fundraising opportunities and grant writing.

Write articles for quarterly newsletter.

#### Scrapbook production

If interested, please call Roberta at 410-867-2648.

## Grants

GHS has been awarded several grants, which have significantly impacted our museum. *Our appreciation and grateful acknowledgement to the following:*

**Cultural Arts Foundation of Anne Arundel County, Chesapeake Bay Gateways Network, Chesapeake Bay Trust, Four Rivers: The Heritage Area of Annapolis, London Town and South County, Unity Gardens and M&T Bank.**

## Galesville Heritage Society, Inc.

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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.”

## Calendar

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| March 4 – Board Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall<br>7:30 pm                 | April 1 – Board Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall<br>7:30 pm             |
| March 7 – Museum Inventory at Galesville Heritage<br>Museum, 10 am—12 noon   | April 5 – Docent Training at Galesville Heritage Museum<br>10 am—12 noon |
| March 8 – Scrapbook Meeting at Galesville Heritage<br>Museum, 10 am          | April 12 – Scrapbook Meeting at Galesville Heritage<br>Museum, 10 am     |
| March 8 – Deadline for Dinner Reservations                                   | April 30 – Museum meeting, Galesville Heritage Museum,<br>7:30 pm        |
| March 11 – Quarterly Dinner at Galesville Memorial Hall,<br>6:30 pm          | May 6 – Board Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall<br>7:30 pm               |
| March 14 – Museum Housecleaning at Galesville Heritage<br>Museum, 9:30 am    | May 10 – Scrapbook Meeting at Galesville Heritage<br>Museum, 10 am       |
| March 26 - Museum Meeting at Galesville Heritage Museum,<br>7:30 pm          | May 28 – Museum Meeting, Galesville Heritage Museum,<br>7:30 pm          |
| March 30 - Meet & Greet Open House at Galesville Heritage<br>Museum, 1— 4 pm |  |

## Membership

Welcome to our new members: Calpurnie S. Carter, Roberta Dorn, Stan & Becky Fredericks, Shirley & Jerald Jordan, Michael & Margaret Rauh, Carol Sue Sherbert, Kenneth & Jodell Shuart, John F. Smith, Sara Hourihan-Taylor, John, Julie and Carleigh Van Alstine.

By a rough count that brings the membership to 245, and 56 of these are NEW members. Thank you for joining, renewing your memberships and your generous donations.

Funds from membership pay for the ongoing expenses of the GHS Museum and grounds, as well as the variety of educational and community programs the Society sponsors.

Membership renewal notices and invitations to join went out in October. *If you haven't had a chance to send in your membership dues for 2008, please take a minute and do so today.* Individual memberships are \$15 and Family memberships are \$25. Please send to GHS, P.O. Box 373, Galesville, MD 20765.

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