

Galesville Tidings

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Maryland Day 2009—Sunday, March 29

On Sunday, March 29, 2009 you can rediscover Maryland history in your own backyard with family and friends in the Four Rivers Heritage Area, with this free, fun-filled festival highlighting our region's unique heritage.

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.

Galesville Heritage Society and many other local cultural and heritage sites will open their doors to offer special FREE activities and tours for the whole family. We welcome you to come to the Galesville Heritage Museum to hear about quilting and see lovely displays of quilts or, stroll

through downtown Annapolis or take a drive to Historic London Town and other locales in beautiful South County for exciting and educational tours, art exhibits, kids' activities, and more. This event is held rain or shine!

Maryland Day 2009 is a collaborative event sponsored by Four Rivers: The Heritage Area of Annapolis, London Town & South County. Whether you like historic sites, cultural activities, natural resources and conservation, or all of the above, Four Rivers Heritage Area has it all.

There is something for every member of the family to enjoy during this annual celebration of all things "Maryland." So come out on March 29th to say goodbye to winter and discover what is waiting for you – right here in your own backyard!

Visit www.marylandday.org for more details

Maryland Day—Homecoming in Galesville

The museum will be busy starting in March to get ready for "Maryland Day" to be held Sunday, March 29, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM. Everyone is invited to come to the museum on this special day.

Galesville Heritage Society will feature Galesville native, Grace Hays, a talented quilter. Grace will demonstrate some of the aspects of this wonderful fiber art, as well

show some of her creations. Mary Ruth Tereshinski will also show some of her Grandmother's quilts.

If you want to catch up on past "happenings" come and explore the many scrapbooks which have been lovingly maintained by the ever-busy committee. Their slogan, "If it's not in the scrapbook, it didn't happen." says it all.

Membership

Welcome to our new member: Hardesty & Sons we hope you enjoy your membership with us as we continue to grow.

President's Message

As incoming President, I look forward to working with the Board and Committees to further the purpose of GHS. I have lived in Galesville since the late 1970's, a relative newcomer compared to many here, who count their family's residency in generations rather than years. Although a long-time member of GHS, I have not been very active. I was reminded, however, that I was actually the Society's first treasurer!

After meeting recently with several current and former officers, presiding over the January board meeting and attending some committee meetings, I am pleased to find a dedicated group of volunteers in place, willing to put forth the effort required to further the Society's purpose.

New to the Board this year are: Jeff Beard, Bill Dudley, Julie Wechler, Beth West, and Laura Mae Zang. I thank them for stepping forward to help guide GHS and I look forward to working with everyone.

Bill Whitman

Galesville Heritage Society, Inc. Officers & Board Members 2009

Officers:

President: Bill Whitman
Vice President: Tom Tucker
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Betsy Derrick
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Roberta Cassard
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Board Members:

Regina Bacon, Jeff Beard, Susie Cosden, John Cox, Bill Dudley, Dean Hall, Gertrude Makell, Diane Nowak-Waring, Julie Wechler, Beth West, Dorothy Whitman, Laura Mae Zang

Quarterly Dinner Meeting—Galesville Memorial Hall

The first quarterly dinner meeting for 2009 will be held March 10, be sure you make your reservation by March 6th, by calling Dee Dixon, 410-867-3622, or emailing her at deejdixon@yahoo.com.

In honor of St. Patrick's Day, the menu will be corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, salad and dessert. The price is \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. If you made a reservation and do not attend or cancel you will be billed.

It is important that our count for attendance be as accurate as possible both for our cooks and table seating.

The special dinner speaker will be Jeff Beard, one of

GHS' newest Board members. Jeff's illustrated presentation is titled "Nautical Fashion – Sailor Style." He will show the development of nautical fashions from their beginning in 1846 when Queen Victoria first dressed Prince Edward in a sailor suit, through the 20th Century, right up to the red, white and navy designs of the present day. There will be an emphasis on many of the 20th Century designers such as Coco Chanel and Yves Saint Laurent.

Jeff is working on his PhD in architecture with a minor in the history of technology, so he considers himself an "amateur historian." However, both his mother and his mother-in-law worked in

the fashion industry, so he has drawn upon their experiences and wealth of information. The first time he did this presentation on nautical fashions was at a National Boating History Symposium. Although a slight majority of the history will be about women's fashions, Jeff believes with the photos and images he'll be showing, "The visual delight should be enjoyed by anyone who appreciates beauty."

Plan to join your neighbors and friends for this fun, nautical, springtime presentation.



Membership

We have heralded in the New Year and many have renewed their membership and other new friends have joined in support of the GHS. However, we so have some of our longtime members who have not renewed. One of the benefits of membership is a reduced fee for our quarterly dinners.

The cost of membership is only \$15 for a single member and \$25 for family. Please take the time now, to write a check and send in your dues. You may use your address portion of this newsletter to send along with your check.

If you have already joined or renewed, please invite others you know to do the same. The GHS programs and activities need the support of many, many people.

Just send your check and contact information to:

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PO Box 373
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Galesville Heritage Society Website

As of February 16, we have had 3,711 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 and build up our visitorship.

Museum

DOCENTS WANTED - If you are interested in our community and its history, sign up to be a docent at the museum. Share your enthusiasm with the visitors.

A training/refresher class will be held at the Museum on April 25, from 10:00 AM -12:00 Noon. Docents are scheduled in pairs on Sundays from 12:30 PM – 4 PM. Docents are requested to sign up for at least 3 Sundays from May to November. This works out to be about 10 hours over a seven-month period. Hours are great and the payback is the satisfaction you receive for knowing you are a valued part of preserving our community's heritage. In many cases you are the first impression visitors receive on their trip here.

Starting new this year the newsletter will carry a short "reminder" of the Docents on duty for the next few months to come. We hope this will help keep all our calendars on target. We realize emergencies arise and changes must be made but this gives us a good "starting" point.

May 3 - Chris & Tom Tucker

May 10 - Ginny Garguilo, Roberta Cassard

May 17- Ann Hewitt, Mary Ruth Tereshinski

May 24 -Virginia Wood, Jean Trott

May 31 - John Cornelius, Gertrude Makel

December Wrap-UP

Holiday House Tour

Many thanks to the homeowners, who opened their homes for the Holiday House Tour. Fifty-seven visitors came to our village and enjoyed the wonderful homes and the Galesville United Methodist Church all decked out for the holidays. It was a beautiful day and everyone had a great time. Thanks to: Jack & Barbara Smith, Stoney & Cyrena Simons, Bob Brant & Cathy Oliver, Ted & Mary McWaters, Preston & Jeanette Hartge, Bill Brewer & Collot Guerard, Bill & Lois Bird and Mary Todd & Buzz Winchester and the Galesville United Methodist Church.



Holiday Decorating

Congratulations to the Holiday Decorating Winners of 2008. Thanks to everyone else who help decorate our village for the holiday season.

Christmas Caroling

For our second year in a row, a Wagonload of Carolers went around the village, pulled by a tractor driven by Bob "Santa" Brant. Thanks to him 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 more will join in the fun in years to come.

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.

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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

March 3 – Board Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall 7:30 pm	April 7 – Board Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall 7:30 pm
March 6 – Deadline for Dinner Reservations	April 8 – Passover begins
March 10 – Quarterly Dinner Meeting at Galesville Memorial Hall, 6:30 pm	April 12 – Easter Sunday
March 14 – Scrapbook Meeting at Galesville Heritage Museum, 10 AM	April 22 – House Cleaning at Museum, 9 AM
March 18 – Inventory at Museum 10 am	April 25 – Docent Class, 10 AM
March 18 – Collections Meeting at Museum, 1:30 PM	April 29 – Museum Meeting, Galesville Heritage Museum, 7:30 pm
March 21– Oyster and Ham Dinner, Galesville Memorial Hall	May 5 – Board Meeting, Galesville Memorial Hall 7:30 pm
March 21– Museum Grounds Clean up	May 9 – Scrapbook Meeting at Galesville Heritage Museum, 10 AM
March 25 – Museum Meeting, Galesville Heritage Museum, 7:30 pm	May 10 – Mother’s Day
March 29 – Maryland Day at the Galesville Heritage Museum, 1—4 PM	May 25 – Memorial Day
	May 27 – Museum Meeting, Galesville Heritage Museum, 7:30 pm

Grounds Committee

To get our planting areas spruced up for Maryland Day, the Grounds committee invites all to come by on Saturday, March 21 to help us clean up the beds.

Our committee is also in need of donations of mulch and a wheelbarrow.

Please contact Regina Bacon 410-867 – 7404 if you can help with these donations or would like to help with clean-up.

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