



Welcome to our community's well-supported and anticipated annual fund-raising activity, Choose It! Choose one of these events, handmade items or services donated by Museum supporters and local businesses and use it to entertain your family and friends or enhance your home or lifestyle — while supporting all the great programs the Captain Avery Museum provides to the community all year round.

How does it work? Choose one or more items from the list below. Then, on Saturday, October 14, beginning at 12:30 p.m., you can purchase the item(s) of your choice. Sign-ups are on a first-come basis.

- After you have made your selections head to the cashier's table to pay and receive your purchase certificate.
- Proxies are permitted, even welcomed. So, if you can't come on October 14, just arrange with a friend to make your purchase.

BELOW IS WHAT IS AVAILABLE THUS FAR.

CHECK BACK ON OUR WEBSITE! ADDITIONAL OFFERINGS WILL BE ADDED THROUGH THE BEGINNING OF OCTOBER.

**WE NEED MORE HOSTS! IF YOU ARE INTERESTED,
PLEASE CALL Kathy Rotondaro (410.867.3948)**

1. "Delizioso" Italian Dinner.....\$85

Opportunities: 14

Date/Time: Saturday, May 4, 2024; 5:00 pm

Place: Donor's home, Shady Side

Donors: Kathy Rotondaro

Enjoy drinks and aperitivos on the deck, then sit down to a professionally prepared 4-course gourmet Italian dinner with Italian aperitivos, wines, espresso and liqueurs in a charming waterfront setting.

2. Gingerbread House Making for Kids.....\$20

Opportunities: 20 (for ages 4 -10)

Date/Time: Saturday, December 16, 2023, 1:00 pm

Place: Captain Avery Museum

Donor: Pat Freiberg

Participants will be given all the materials (aka: candy) to decorate small, constructed houses that stand 6 ½" high and sit on an 8" round base. A perfect holiday activity for children!

3. Dinner at Mary's Mount \$95

Opportunities: 10

Date/Time: Saturday, April 13, 2024; 6:00 pm

Place: Mary's Mount, Harwood

Donor: Fendi Clagett

Privately owned, the tidewater telescoping house on Mary's Mount was built for Colonel Richard Harwood in 1771 and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. It boasts magnificent double brick chimneys with pent (which provides warming closets between the two chimneys) and is surrounded by 311 acres in agricultural preservation. Tour the house, sip "shrub" on the verandah and dine by candlelight.

4. Consultation by Petro Design Group.....\$350

Donor: Kathleen Litchfield

#Opportunities: 1

Date/Time/Place: To be arranged with purchaser

Donor: Kathleen Litchfield, Owner of Petro Design/Build Group

Includes a site visit and analysis with Kathleen Litchfield, Master Watershed Steward of the Chesapeake Bay, a conceptual plan design and a list of recommendations and budgets.
Value \$400

5. Learn to Play Bridge!.....\$90

Opportunities:5

Date/Time/Place: To be arranged with purchaser

Donor: John Wakeman-Linn

An American Contract Bridge League (ACBL) Certified Best Practices Bridge Instructor will provide 5 60-minute Beginning Bridge lessons to 4-8 people, at a location to be mutually agreed upon. Value \$100

6. Take Me Out to the Airport.....\$100/round trip

Opportunities 8 (maximum 4 people/round trip)

Date: To be arranged with purchaser

Time: Pick up no earlier than 7 am and no later than 8pm

Place: Your home and EITHER BWI airport or Washington Reagan Airport

Donors: Virginia Hennings, Pat Freiberg, Elaina and Sean Uhl, Kathleen Litchfield

Need a ride to the airport? Give us at least two weeks' notice and we'll provide door to door service for up to four people. To take advantage of this offer, your home must be in South Anne Arundel County. May not be available Nov. 25 – Dec. 1 or Dec. 23 – 31.

7. House in Maine: One week for up to ten people\$2500

Opportunities: 1

Dates available: Oct. 15, 2023 - May 23, 2024 (except Nov. 18-27, 2023);
Oct. 1, 2024 – May 23, 2025 (except Nov. 24 – Dec. 2, 2025)

Place: Donors' home, Southport, Maine

Donor: Kathy Rotondaro

Stay in a stunning vacation home in Southport, Maine for one week. Enjoy beautiful sunsets in this oceanfront four-bedroom, four-bath home with TV room/playroom, patio and screened porch, all facing the roaring, crashing ocean waves. Located 5 miles from Boothbay Harbor in a very private location in the Newagen Colony which includes an Inn and dining room, wooded and waterfront trails, tennis courts and a pool (in season). Private Master bedroom suite, 4 TV's, and Bose audio system on the first floor. All linens provided. Southport is 67 miles north of the Portland airport and is a convenient spot for excursions to other mid-coast locations, such as the Pemaquid peninsula, Rockland and Camden.

Ideal Family Vacation!

Occupancy Limit: 10



8. \$50.00 American Girl Gift Card.....\$40

Opportunities: 1

Donor: Peggy Oriani

Just in time for the holidays, this terrific stocking stuffer will help any American Girl fan add to her collection of American Girl books, clothes or accessories!! Gift card redeemable for products and services sold at American Girl stores, and online at americangirl.com.

- 9. Eastman Guitar.....\$450**
Opportunities: 1
Donor: Tim Finch
Handcrafted, this acoustic travel guitar is compact, lightweight, and has incredible sound. It was constructed with solid wood of mahogany, spruce and sapele. Value: \$550
- 10. Airplane Introductory Flight Lesson Certificate..... \$175**
Opportunities: 1
Date/Time: To be arranged with purchaser
Place: Bay Bridge Airport, 210 Airport Road, Stevensville, Md
Donor: Dan Meier
A one-hour flight lesson (about 45 minutes flying time) allows you (or your gift recipient) to take the controls of a small plane beside an FAA certified flight instructor and learn to fly! Flight time can be logged towards a pilot certificate should you choose to pursue additional training. Value: \$200
- 11. Gift Certificate to Pirates Cove.....\$45**
Opportunities: 1
Donor: Pirates Cove
Use this certificate and dine at Pirates Cove, a well-known waterfront eatery specializing in seafood, with a lounge, patio & seasonal tiki bar. Value \$50
- 12. Two Passes for the Annapolis Harbor Cruise.....\$35**
Opportunities: 1
Donor: Watermark Journey
Step aboard the classic Harbor Queen for a narrated cruise of the Annapolis Harbor and the banks of the U.S. Naval Academy. Hear the history of the Naval Academy, Annapolis' role as a historic seaport, the region's waterways, and catch a glimpse of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge. This cruise is an Annapolis tradition and fun for the whole family. Value: \$44
- 13. Dinner for Two at The Brickhouse.....\$90**
Opportunities: 1
Donor: Pete Litchfield
Enjoy a delicious meal at local favorite, The Brickhouse. Meal includes a bottle of wine, choice of one appetizer and two entrees from the menu. Value: \$100
- 14. Bird Lovers' Basket.....\$45**
Opportunities: 1
Donor: Virginia Hennings
Three feeders to enhance your bird watching fun. Items include thistle feeder with seed, suet feeder with suet, and a hummingbird feeder with nectar. Value: \$55
- 15. Christmas with the Celts.....\$80**
Opportunities: 1
Date/Time: Mon, Dec. 4, 2023/7:30 pm
Place: Rams Head on Stage
Donor: Virginia Hennings
Enjoy two tickets to this crowd-pleasing group: Christmas with the Celts performs a wonderful combination of timeless ancient Irish Christmas Carols and lively Irish dance with contemporary songs played with Irish instrumentation. Value: \$87
- 16. The Seldom Scene.....\$70**
Opportunities: 1
Date/Time: Dec. 30. 2023/8 pm
Place: Rams Head on Stage
Donor: Virginia Hennings
Two Tickets to the Seldom Scene, an American Bluegrass band that formed in 1971 in Bethesda, Md. Their shows include bluegrass versions of country music, rock and even pop. Value: \$80

17. The Good Deale Bluegrass & Eastman String Band.....\$40

Opportunities: 2

Date/Time: Sat., Jan. 20, 2024/8:00 pm

Place: Rams Head on Stage

Donor: Virginia Hennings

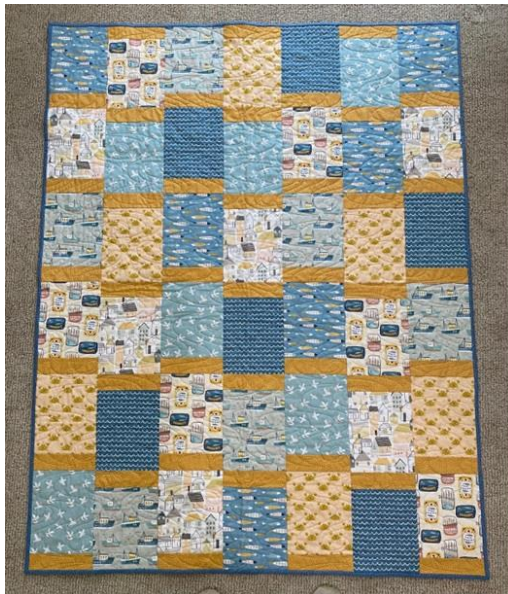
Two tickets to hear Tim and Savannah Finch, a favorite attraction at our annual Oyster Festival AND marking their 23rd year of performing at Rams Head. They perform a unique blending of bluegrass and Americana. Value: \$48

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18. By the Sea.....\$150

Donors: Tom and Prue Hoppin

Opportunities: 1



Fish, crabs, gulls, waves, and fishing boats! This 41" X 53" cotton lap quilt is perfect to throw over the back of a couch or chair and pull over yourself when chilled or when you want to dream of being on the water. Beautifully designed on BOTH front and back! Pieced by Prue Hoppin and quilted by Linda Buck.

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19. Sapele hand-Turned Bowl.....\$30

Opportunities: 1

Donors: Eric and Jan Wilson

Hand-carved by Eric Wilson, this exquisite bowl is 5.25" diameter and 2.5" deep.



20. Hand-Carved toy cars.....\$10/pair

Opportunities: 3

Donors: Eric and Jan Wilson

3 pairs of toy cars (walnut, oak, and maple), hand-carved by Eric Wilson. Each car is 3.5" long and 1.5" tall.



21. Six Antique Oyster Cans.....\$150

Opportunities: 1

Donor: Virginia Hennings

Six vintage, antique pint oyster cans from Central/Southern Maryland and the Eastern Shore of Virginia. Take a little piece of the Chesapeake Bay oystering history home to display and cherish for generations to come, including two from Leatherbury of Shady Side.



22. Evening Sail on the Chesapeake...\$75

Opportunities: 1

Donor: John Paul Rickett

Framed photograph by William Thayer



23. Scarlet Tide.....\$275

Opportunities: 1

Donor: John Paul Rickett

Framed, 2006 oil painting by Russian artist, Igor Medvede



24. The Cider Mill..... \$95

Opportunities: 1

Donor: John Paul Rickett

Limited edition serigraph by James Eric Mohn. Framed



25. The Pride of Baltimore off Thomas Point.....\$125

Opportunities: 1

Donor: John Paul Rickett

Framed serigraph by Bob Holland.



26. Giclee Print.....\$350

Opportunities: 1

Donors: John and Linda Derrick
Beautiful giclee on canvas of Annapolis Harbor by renowned Annapolis artist Bill Schmidt. Mr. Schmidt has received many national awards and his works have been selected for numerous exhibits and corporate and private collections.



ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES (ADDED AFTER BOOKLET WAS PRINTED)

27. Oyster Extravaganza\$75

Opportunities: 20

Date/Time: Sun., February 25, 2024; 4:30 pm

Place: Captain Avery Museum

Donor: Beth Denniston

Oysters—shooters, half shell, stew, Rockefeller, fried --all will be served in the 1850's home of oysterman Captain Salem Avery. Next century cookbooks called this offering a "binge." We are calling it an extravaganza. All will be served with choices of hard or soft drinks to enhance the oyster flavor as well as some side dishes, a traditional Maryland dessert and coffee or tea. Starting at twilight, with a great view of the wintery Chesapeake, "The world is your oyster" for only \$75 per person.

28. Drinkers' Delight.....\$25

Opportunities: 4

Donor: George's Mixes

Anyone who loves oyster shooters or Bloody Mary's, or both, will want this gift bag. It contains one bottle (750 ml) of Old Bay Flavored vodka and two bottles of George's Mild Bloody Mary Mix. (32 oz.) Value: \$37



29. Shady Side Waterfront Oasis.....\$900

Opportunities: 1

Donors: Evan Gilligan and Marc Dorman

Spend three nights in this beautifully designed 2+ bedroom waterfront home in a quiet Shady Side location, which features beautiful furnishings and a panoramic view of the West River. Original fine art, state-of-the-art media & luxe bedding envelope you in a modern, light-filled space. The outside is expansive. Lush lawn, gorgeous fire pit, modern sling lounge chairs, private bluestone patio, private kayak launch, hot tub and so much more await your retreat to Cottage at Silver Water. This house is ideal for 1-2 couples or a family. Dates to be arranged with donor subject to availability.



30. Attend all 8 Winter Luncheon Lectures \$125

of Opportunities: 4

Dates: Wednesdays, January 10, 17, 24, 31 and February 07, 14, 21, 28

Time: 11:30 am to 1:30 pm

Place: Captain Avery Museum

Donor: Anne Sparrough

Sign up for our popular (and always sold out) Winter Luncheon Series at a discounted price! Lectures begin at 11:30 followed by a serving of soup, bread, dessert, and tea and coffee. Perfect event on a cold winter's day. Visit our Winter Luncheon Series event page on the website for details about each lecture.

Value: \$175

31. Carbon Leaf.....\$70

Opportunities: 1

Date/Time: Sunday, Dec. 10, 2023/1 pm

Place: Rams Head on Stage

Donor: Rams Head on Stage

Two Tickets to Carbon Leaf, an indie folk rock staple. Their musical style drifts in and out of Americana, bluegrass, rock, folk, Celtic and pop traditions with ease, using an arsenal of instruments to define the band's lively stage presence. Value: \$80.