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January-February 2015

Davidsonville Green Expo

Saturday, March 14, 2015, 10:00-2:00

Davidsonville Elementary School

DACA will give away 400 trees--bald cypress, redbud, Siberian crabapple, and willow oak-- to the first 400 arrivals at the Expo.

Pinnacle Promotions will provide re-usable grocery bags for attendees to carry away their purchases and free handouts from the exhibitors.

Killarney House will sponsor the poster contest and will offer gift certificates to three winners: \$50 for first place, \$25 for second and third places, for meals to be served at the restaurant on Central Avenue. Go to www.daca-md.org or www.davidsonvillemaryland.org and click on Green Expo 2015; scroll down to the word Form under the gray box; click on it to see the flyer with the contest rules.

Read about the Composters and the Tiny House on page 5.

Calling all kids!

Make a poster that shows how we, you, and your parents can help make our environment cleaner for all of us, especially for your future, starting right in your own backyard, in Davidsonville, Anne Arundel County, Maryland, and the whole world! Bring your poster to the Expo before noon on March 14 to be judged.



The 2014 winning poster, created by Lainagail Greason, a seventh grader at Central Middle School.

DACA members and news

Many thanks to George Picot for his gift membership for Joe Call; and thanks to Joe Call for this contribution to DACA.

Welcome also new member Michael Roberts and thanks to Tom Angelis for this gift membership as well as for his contribution to DACA.

Thanks also to Bob and Anne Bradshaw, and to Cynthia Parker for their contributions in addition to their dues.

Thanks and farewell to Nick Kemp, a DACA board member since June 2012. Nick resigned from the board in December, having served as DACA's liaison to the DFRC. You don't have to be on the board to serve.

Thank you for all the work and time you put into this for all of us!
~CarolAnn~

Great job on the newsletter! How much would it cost to be a Life Member? Bob Bradshaw

Thank you Bob, for all you do and for your kind words. Life membership started years ago when someone contributed \$100. We were so surprised that we offered life membership, and that has been the standard I use. We

didn't expect to last 20 years [20 x \$5 = \$100], and we're already past 40. Gail

Thanks for another informative publication, packed with so much news. The news about Brandywine certainly lays to rest a lot of worries, and I notice some repairs have been made to the Patuxent River Road on which these large trucks travel. The decision to put traffic lights at Governor Bridge and Rte 424 intersection is long overdue, but at last...

Green [Expo] Day sounds like a growing Davidsonville holiday, and your promotion of it is fantastic. See you there! Elizabeth

I'm so glad we're getting the real traffic light at Gov. Bridge. It's insane that it wasn't done years ago. M.S.

In memoriam
Nancy Bassford
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Maryland Farm Bureau dedicates state headquarters in Davidsonville

On December 30th, farm owner/operators from all over the state converged on Davidsonville for the official opening of the Maryland Farm Bureau’s new headquarters on Davidsonville Road. More than 100 Farm Bureau members and state representatives filled the small meeting room in the former Ruritan Club building. The Ruritan’s large meeting room was converted to offices for a staff of ten. Valerie Connelly is the Executive Director of the Farm Bureau.

MFB President Chuck Fry introduced the dignitaries and invited each to give a few words.

Senator Ed Reilly presented a citation of congratulations to MFB President Chuck Fry. He pointed out that rural Davidsonville is the geographical center of Maryland, the best possible location for the state organization for farmers. Councilman Jerry Walker also presented a congratulatory citation to the bureau and spoke briefly of his role in helping the farm bureau meet the zoning requirements for an office building in this RA zone.

DACA members Margie and Bobby Chase were instrumental in connecting the Ruritan Club and the Farm Bureau to make possible the purchase of the property. Sixteen-year-old Jordan Mister of Calvert County, Miss Maryland Agriculture 2014, and her court provided a youthful contrast in appearance to the mostly

middle-aged and older farmers.

Chuck Fry announced Pat Langenfelter, who placed the highest bid for the privilege of giving the meeting room its new name, the Kent Room. President Fry invited members to participate in the Buy-a-Brick campaign to raise funds to pay off their mortgage. At \$125 each, the bricks engraved with the donor’s name or farm name, will be laid in the place of the concrete walk at the front door.



After the speeches, they filed outside to the flag pole and ran up an American flag that flew over the US Capitol, sent by US Congresswoman Donna Edwards.

The Maryland Farm Bureau will offer five \$2,000 scholarships to high school seniors starting college in the fall of 2015 or to full time college students at any community college or four-year institution. Applicants or their parents/guardians must be members of the Maryland Farm Bureau. Three scholarships will be offered to agricultural curriculum majors and two to non-agricultural or agricultural curriculum majors. Applicants will include an essay on “How do you plan to use your college education to benefit agriculture?” Visit www.mdfarmbureau.com for more information.

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How DACA makes a difference

Green Expo is a community fair of exhibits by businesses and non-profit groups that promote environmental awareness. DACA seeks to educate all ages about what we can do to improve our community.

Although I grew up in Davidsonville and moved back to raise my family here, I learned most about DACA when I first attended the Green Expo in 2010. It was and is a family-friendly event where I became acquainted with many neighbors, and I departed with

some native trees to plant on my property. I learned a lot about geothermal energy and eventually installed a system in my home. Several Davidsonville residents learned about our watershed issues and have since installed rain gardens and rain barrels. A good number have installed solar panels, which have become increasingly popular here. DACA aims to make the Expo a community event that increases awareness about environmental issues. The Expo is free and all are welcome!

The 2015 Green Expo will highlight the Sustainafest Tiny House, a 210 square-foot home built by local middle and high school students with some outside help. The Tiny House demonstrates the latest in sustainable building materials and green technology, including solar electricity, rainwater filtration and innovative interior design to maximize space and efficiency. A poster contest for students, free face painting and native trees, as well as a free recycling service for your old electronics are some of the highlights of the upcoming event.

More information is available at www.davidsonvillemaryland.org.

Chris Asher, DACA President

(Written for Davidsonville Country Living magazine)



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Composters at Green Expo

You will enjoy the music of the Reichwein Family Trio in their personas as the Composters as they perform at Green Expo 2015.

The Composters are delighted to be asked to play again at Green Expo, the occasion for which they created this band, The members, Jenn (bass and vocals) and Larry Byrne (guitar, mandolin and vocals), and Pete Reichwein (dobro, mandolin and vocals), normally call themselves The Befuddlers. You can see and hear them perform each month at 49 West in Annapolis.

No style of music is unheard of in their repertoire, from Blues to Bluegrass, Beatles to Nora Jones, Brazilian to Irish and more. They can get your toes tapping or make you laugh, and they will entertain you during your lunch break in between visiting the many exhibits to teach how to promote a greener Mother Earth. Stop and sit for a spell and enjoy the music! *Bobbi Reichwein*



SustainaFest Tiny House for Green Expo



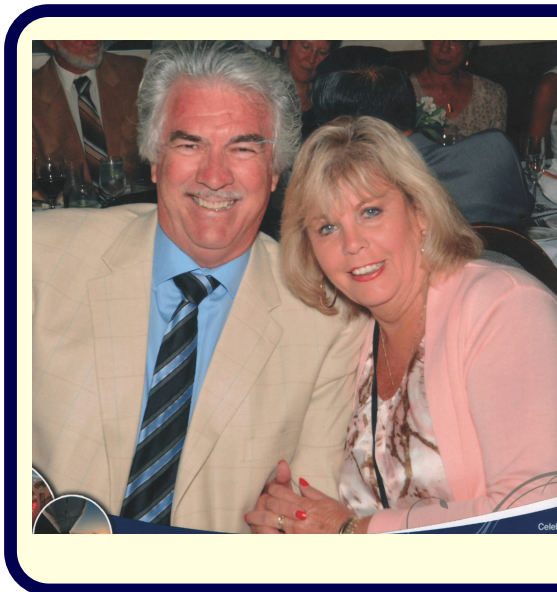
SustainaFest is a Maryland based 501(c)(3) non profit that leverages arts and entertainment to educate our community on social, environmental and economic sustainability. We use our Student Sustainability Lab to bring educational resources, such as films and speakers, to schools in the Maryland and DC areas. Through this program, we are working with K through college schools on issues ranging from sustainable shelter and homelessness, to watersheds and food systems. At the end of the year, we work with schools on our capstone projects. Last summer's project was to build a Tiny House. With more than 50 middle and high schoolers, educators, military veterans and volunteers, we built a super efficient 210 square foot Tiny House. In 2015 we are expanding into new subject matter as well as new schools.

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DACA support for local churches

On December 8, DACA sent the following letter to the eight churches located in Davidsonville: All Hallows Parish, Davidsonville United Methodist Church, Union Memorial United Methodist Church, Holy Family Church, South River Bible Church, Riva Trace Baptist Church, Chesapeake Christian Fellowship, and Grace Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

Dear _____:

Enclosed is a contribution to [your] church’s outreach program in the amount of \$125.00 from the Davidsonville Area Civic Association. We ask that this money be used to help Anne Arundel County residents who are in need.

Please acknowledge receipt of this gift. DACA is grateful to a generous, anonymous donor who enabled us to help the eight churches located in Davidsonville.

DACA appreciates the good work of your parishioners and we invite them to participate in Davidsonville community events.

Sincerely, [signed by Treasurer Bob Carobrese or Secretary Gail Enright, for the Executive Committee of DACA.]

All the churches have graciously thanked DACA.


We need you in DACA’s future

DACA will hold its annual meeting in June – it will be warm! The Bylaws allow for up to four members in each three-year term and we have three vacancies. We are seeking a volunteer now to fill out the term that will run until June 2017 and two for the term that will expire this June – a short, easy opportunity to learn how it works and warm up to a full three-year term that will run until June 2018. Officers serve in one-year terms and may continue without term limits – we are so grateful for the volunteers who serve. Although DACA is most visible at Green Expo time in March, the rest of the year is rather low-key and not terribly demanding until a hot issue arises. However, DACA is very important in the community; local government is familiar with it.

An amendment to the Bylaws will be introduced to change the term “Executive Committee” as now used to “Board of Directors.” “Executive Committee” in future will refer to the officers and “other designated members.” The purpose is to reflect the actual function and use of the term “the board.” It will require a Bylaws change to be brought before the general membership at the Annual Meeting for their approval.


Please plan now to attend the meeting on June 4, 2015.

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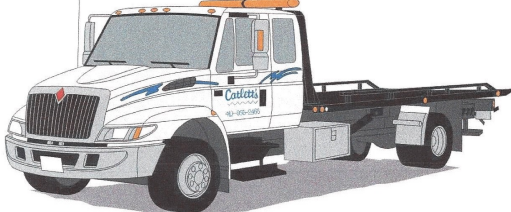
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School board nominations

The county school board has two vacancies; 35 candidates applied for those two slots. The Nominating Commission will meet January 13 and 15 in the Board of Education's board room on Riva Road. Among the candidates, Tricia Johnson of Davidsonville is running for the At-Large Seat; Tom Angelis of Davidsonville is a candidate for the open District 33 seat and the At-Large Seat. Both Tricia and Tom are former board members of DACA.

Public hearings to listen to the candidates answer questions from the Nominating Commission will be held Tuesday, January 13, and Thursday, January 15, but no public testimony will be heard. On Tuesday, January 27, general public testimony will be heard from proponents and opponents of the candidates. All meetings are held in the Board Room at the Board of Education's Parham Building, 2644 Riva Road in Annapolis. The Governor will select new board members from the list provided by the Board.

School closings

When school is closed for snow days, it takes 45 minutes to notify approximately 81,000 people. The decision to close school or delay opening must be made in the very early hours before daylight.

Schools will be closed January 19 for the Martin Luther King, Jr., holiday. Students will be dismissed two hours early for the remainder of the week during high school semester exams; January 23 is the end of the second marking period. Schools will be closed Monday and Tuesday, January 26 and 27, for teachers' Professional Development.

Absentee notification: Starting January 2015, parents will receive automated calls morning and evening when their children are absent, to give notice early in the day for safety purposes.

Please note that Debbie Oakes is the Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) elementary school representative for the South River Cluster, not including middle school as stated in the last Villager.



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Riva Road/Governor Bridge Road/Homewood Road Intersection

The intersection of Governor Bridge Road and Riva Road may be considered the only major intersection on Riva Road without a traffic signal. On the border between Davidsonville and Riva, it serves a lot of traffic between the two communities. Homewood Road, going into the community of Cambria, is also served by the intersection. Those familiar with the area will know the traffic on Riva Road does not stop; stop signs regulate traffic on Governor Bridge Road and Homewood Road.

For the residents of Cambria, the intersection can be difficult because Homewood Road and Governor Bridge Road are not aligned; Riva Road’s curves make visibility to the north difficult; to the south, Riva Road curves and rises, also making visibility difficult; finally, the speed of traffic following Riva Road can be a challenge. County Engineers also point out that the Riva Road lanes are not continuous, thus requiring drivers to make multiple lane shifts. In fact, when you are trying to turn left from the north on Riva Road to Homewood Road, ongoing traffic comes straight at you before turning slightly. The County also notes the “camber,” or slope, of the road is not correct.

We hope this will all change in the near future! Anne Arundel County Department of Public Works Project H529702 has been in funded to make sight distance and operational improvements to the intersection and vicinity. A traffic circle was considered but the idea was rejected. The present plan calls for a traffic signal with controlled left turn lanes at the intersection. Riva Road improvements, such as extending the existing



In DPW’s proposed plan, Riva Road runs from left [north] to right; Governors Bridge Road runs from west [bottom] and aligns with Homewood Road.

sidewalks from the north, are part of the plan as well as improvements at the Glen Isle Road intersection.

The residents of Cambria have been tracking this project for several years, meeting with the County DPW Traffic Engineering Division several times including a public briefing earlier this year. The design work and coordination with affected utilities has been completed. Most of the rights of way have been resolved. The remaining issue concerns a Forest Conservation Area on Governors Bridge Road, thus making uncertain the start date of construction, most recently expected early in 2015. We remain hopeful.

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Water usage in your own backyard

Homestead Gardens owns a large farm on Governors Bridge Road, and leases the property to Tidal Creek Growers to operate the nursery and greenhouses on the site. Permits were issued in 1999 to draw an average of 21,000 gallons per day from a spring-fed pond, plus an average of 5,000 gallons per day from a well in the Magothy aquifer, to provide irrigation for the nursery stock. The permits require semi-annual reports of water usage to the Maryland Department of the Environment.

In recent years, weather extremes have been shown both in droughts and in heavy storms; they did not cause the nursery to draw enough water to approach the upper limits of their permits, but they did warn the owners and operators that this could occur with the current permits. Therefore, in May 2014, Brian Riddle, the president of Homestead Gardens, applied for permits to allow a total average withdrawal of 121,000 gallons per day, mostly from the pond, with the Magothy well continuing as a back-up supply.

Water usage is governed by the Environment Article in the Code of Maryland Regulations, which requires that such water withdrawals not cause harm to neighboring properties. The nearest neighbors to the Homestead Gardens greenhouses are Robert Rossback to the west and north, Robert and Margie Chase to the north; the residents of Meredith Lane to the east; and residents of the former Willow Glen Farm and Bittersweet Hill on the south and west. A public meeting was held on October 28 by MDE to inform the neighbors of the permit applications.

During the meeting, Cynthia Latham of the Water Supply Program presented the results of the Program's technical evaluation which explained how the quantity needed was determined and why the permitted with-

drawal amount would not adversely affect the water resource nor neighboring users. Most private wells draw water from the Aquia aquifer, located above and separated from the Magothy aquifer by a clayey and silty formation of low permeability. Aquifers are recharged by precipitation; where they outcrop at the surface of the soil the recharge flows directly into the aquifer.

Homestead's Magothy well has been in use for 15 years and Homestead does not propose to increase the size of the well pump; the well will be available only as a back-up source in the worst case, such as a prolonged severe drought that would significantly lower the level of the pond. Irrigation water is used normally for a few days at a time with periods of rest in which water levels recover to pre-pumping levels. The Water Management Administration issued the requested permits to authorize an annual average of 100,000 gallons per day and a maximum daily withdrawal of 1,080,000 gallons per day from the pond; from the Magothy Aquifer the permit authorizes an annual average withdrawal from one well of 20,000 gallons per day and a daily average of 225,000 gallons per day during the month of maximum use (driest period). The water is to be used only for nursery irrigation.

Personnel of the Maryland Department of the Environment and the Water Supply Program found the requested amounts of withdrawals to be reasonable and highly unlikely to have any impact on the surrounding wells.

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Thanks to our local businesses and organizations who are sponsors for the Green Expo. Since the last issue of the Villager, we are delighted to add an old friend as a new sponsor. The **Davidsonville Ruritan Foundation**, which hosted the Green Expo in 2012 and 2013 at their club on Davidsonville Road, signed on as a sponsor to help cover the expenses of providing this event for the community. Another first time sponsor is the **Annapolis Woodworkers Guild**. Their exhibit will include hand crafted wood toys available to purchase. Welcome also, Lou Longo's **Eurosport Auto Care**, recently moved to Davidsonville. These organizations will join a very special group of generous supporters: Chris Asher of Merrill Lynch, ACE Home and Leisure, Ciminelli's Landscape Service, Homestead Gardens, Killarney House, Pinnacle Promotions, Renditions Golf Course, and Tilden Lawn Nursery.

We also welcome the Anne Arundel Bird Club, Anne Arundel Forestry Board, AA County Master Gardeners Composting Project, AA County Recreation and Parks, Arlington Echo Outdoor Education Center, Bay Wise Master Gardeners, Chesapeake Environmental Protection Association, Maryland Bluebird Society,

New Horizons Supported Services, Patuxent Riverkeeper, South River Federation, Sustainafest with its Tiny House, AA County Watershed Protection and Restoration, and Watershed Stewards.

Be ready for great food prepared by Bob Carobrese and Patty Brennan from A Little Taste of Italy; Shannon Sterner of Sterner's Art Corner will be our 2015 face painter. Welcome!


Girl Scouts will have cookies to sell and Davidsonville Elementary School's Green Club and science classes will show their accomplishments as well.

We are grateful to the new *Davidsonville Country Living* magazine for the publicity they are giving Green Expo in their February issue. Please read Chris Asher's article on page 4 of this *Villager*, then type Davidsonville Country Living magazine into your browser line.

Thank you Melissa Stanton! She has already updated the DACA web site to a new page for Green Expo 2015, where you click to access the general information flyer, the poster contest flyer, the exhibitor registration form, and the sponsor registration form. Go to www.daca-md.org, or simply type davidsonvillemaryland.org in your browser window. We'll be there and we hope to see you there! *Gail*

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Watershed Restoration Grant Program

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Capital staff writer Pat Furgurson wrote in the December 17 issue about the county's Watershed restoration grant program [a.k.a. "rain tax"]

Down in Shady Side, Joe Ports can't wait to apply for the county's new Watershed Restoration Grant Program announced last week. Ports is the restoration manager for the West/Rhode Riverkeeper; he is gearing up to convert a section of the parking lot at the Avalon Shores Volunteer Fire Department into a wetland. "We have a number of other projects in the works that we hope to be able to secure some funding for, too. This new grant program will help, especially since we won't have to compete for the funding against other people from across the state and watershed."

The new program is funded through the Watershed Protection and Restoration Program fee paid by property owners in the county. It will be administered through the Chesapeake Bay Trust, which has a lot of practice issuing grants for bay and watershed-friendly projects of various sizes. The program focuses on relatively smaller projects and on the community organizations who have taken, or are beginning to show, an interest in watershed restoration, from established river organizations to homeowner associations and churches.

Projects that are eligible include rain gardens; bio-retention areas; wetland or marsh creation or enhancement; stream restoration; and similar work. "The state-level legislation had a provision allowing for nonprofit grants to install these projects, and we incorporated it into the county legislation as well," said county Watershed Protection and Restoration Program manager Erik Michelsen. "It took some time to get the mechanics organized, but it has been a priority for the county to recognize and support nonprofits, many of whom are doing sizable projects already, to be partners in the overall restoration effort."

The program hopes to issue up to \$500,000 in grants this first cycle. The deadline for applications is February 27th. Decisions on the first crop of grantees should be announced by May. The Bay Trust will help administer the grants. "We have the infrastructure, the grant software and a technical review process already set up to help the county reach local community groups," said Jana Davis, the trust's executive director.

The trust has for years issued grants to organizations big and small for such projects. A stream bed restoration at Camp Letts is one recent trust-funded project. It fixed an area along the shore of the Rhode River that had been eroded by runoff from the camp's horse corral and barn area. *(Next page please)*

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Watershed Restoration Grant Program, *from page 12*

Michelsen and Davis underscored the opportunity the program creates to reach more community organizations. Many projects have been completed under the auspices of established environmental organizations like the South River Federation, Riverkeepers, the Severn River Association and others. Now they hope the grants will allow homeowners associations and other organizations to get involved in the effort to restore bay tributaries bit by bit.

Kirk Mantay, the South River Federation's restoration manager, has several community projects in mind for possible county grants. And there is a series of projects still to do in Camp Woodlands, where some work has been completed. "Roadside ditches turning into bio-swales, living shoreline, swales, rain barrels, all helping to keep runoff out of Broad Creek," he said.

They hope to see results like those beginning to appear at the site of a larger-scale project completed this spring in the headwaters of Church Creek. "We've planted thousands of plants, shrubs and trees," Mantay said. "There are beavers everywhere. Songbirds are using the site, kingfishers abound; it is really exciting."



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Your Riverkeeper, Jeff Holland
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Art Exhibit at All Hallows Church

Anne Buffington will stage an exhibit of her artwork open to the public for two weeks from January 25 through February 8 including weekends, 9:30 until 2:30 in the Parish House at 3600 Solomons Island Road.

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Sometimes it seems like a new development is proposed every day. Often, these proposals are inconsistent with existing zoning, Small Area Plans and General Development Plans often require variances and special exemptions contrary to community interests. What can the average citizen or community do to protect their quality of life and the environment, and ensure that development follows the law?

The Magothy River Association (MRA) and the Chesapeake Legal Alliance (CLA) are co-sponsoring a presentation which will address these very issues.

Here is your opportunity to:

Find out how to get involved from the beginning to the end of proposed developments

Learn about the legal requirements for development. Become aware of legal tools citizens can use to influence decisions

Russ Stevenson will lead this presentation, including local examples where citizens have made a difference, followed by a question and answer period. Russ is Magothy River Association Vice President for Government Affairs and Chairman of Chesapeake Legal Alliance.

Please plan to be there! It is critically important to understand the development process in order to have an influence upon it.


So that we may plan for the number of attendees, please RSVP to www.info@chesapeakelegal.org.

Russ Stevenson is the lawyer working pro bono for DACA and other plaintiffs in the suit to prevent more commercial zoning in RA zones.

The Magothy River Association is a volunteer organization of community associations and individual members from across the Magothy River watershed. The MRA's purpose is to work at the grassroots level to influence both governmental and private decisions which affect the quality of life in the Magothy watershed; to take those actions individually and in community groups to improve the environment and water quality of our river; and to educate each other and the public as to needs and how they may be addressed in a diligent effort to preserve a natural habitat along the Magothy and its tributaries. It has common cause with the South River Federation, the Patuxent River Waterkeeper, and the West/Rhode Riverkeeper associations.

The Chesapeake Legal Alliance is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to using the law to improve the quality of the Chesapeake Bay. CLA coordinates a network of lawyers who volunteer their time and professional skills to representing environmental organizations, citizens' groups, and individuals in their efforts to improve the health of the Chesapeake and its watershed.

This information is provided by Ann Fligsten, Executive Director of Growth Action Network, of which DACA is a member. DACA also provided some funding for the zoning classification law suit.



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Soup and Science

Sunday, Feb 8; 12:00 - 3:00 pm
Sunday, Mar 8; 12:00 - 3:00 pm
 Ages: 16 and up. Fee: FREE with \$6 vehicle admission fee. Enjoy hearty homemade soup and fresh bread with fellow nature lovers at the Jug Bay Wetlands Sanctuary. Then sit back with a cup of coffee or tea and dessert and enjoy listening to our guest speaker.

Register online at www.friendsofjugbay.org

Skunk Cabbage Swamp Stomp

Sunday, Jan 18, 2015; 1:00 - 3:00 pm
 Ages: 8 and up. FREE with \$6 vehicle admission fee. Volunteer Siobhan Percey has been studying skunk cabbage and has learned a lot about this unusual wetland inhabitant. Join her for an off-trail adventure to visit this fascinating plant in bloom along swamp edges. Wear boots that can get wet.

Registration: Call 410-741-9330 or e-mail programs@jugbay.org

Londontowne Symphony Orchestra

January's Pops Concert Movie Music Live! on January 10 was very nice indeed, with selections from The Mission, Star Wars, The Wizard of Oz, The Pink Panther, Harry Potter, Lord of the Rings, The Red Violin, and a tribute to the Beatles.

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