

The Villager

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DACA's Traditional Tree Giveaway

March 23, 2019

11:00 ~ 1:00 pm

*Come to DES to pick up your free trees,
your gift from DACA*

In the coming spring, DACA will reprise its very first green event — the tree seedling giveaway — on March 23, 2019, in the parking lot of Davidsonville Elementary School, distributing trees to anyone who comes by. DACA's president Chris Asher ordered redbuds, silver maple, sycamore, and white oaks, 100 of each.

Boy Scout Troop 454, joined by the new Girl Scout Troop #2018, will perform the flag ceremony and will remain at the school to collect your tattered flags for respectful disposal. Senator Reilly will address the Scouts about the relevance of citizenship.

LOTS OF TREES!

Bud Reaves, Anne Arundel County Forestry Department, will join DACA in the parking lot to distribute trees provided by the County for our tree visitors.

AND MORE! BRING OLD SHOES

Melissa Stanton will represent Soles4Souls (soles4souls.org), collecting shoes in any condition to be repaired and made usable for people in impoverished communities. Clean out your closet and bring the shoes you won't wear—well used, hardly used at all, or brand new—all are welcome.



Green Expo Lives in 2019!

Homestead Gardens will host DACA's Green Expo on March 23 at their store on Central Avenue. Come to DACA's tree giveaway at DES for the Scouts' flag ceremony at 11:00, then drive down to Homestead Gardens where the Green Expo will be open until 4:00 pm. They invited Gail Enright to be the Honorary Chair, which means all the work

will be carried out by Homestead Gardens staff. Those who wish to apply as exhibitors are invited to call Pam Cole Finlay at 240-447-2378.

DACA's ANNUAL MEETING

Thursday, JUNE 6, 7:30 pm at DFRC

As always, DACA invites DACA members to volunteer to serve on the Board of Directors. This is a three-year term and members can serve more than one term—no term limits. We value experience! Three members now hold the term that will end in June 2019; a total of six slots will be open. If you wish to test it for a year or two, there are vacancies in the terms to June 2020 and 2021. More information will come in future issues.

This space left vacant for addressees who receive the Villager through the USPS.

DACA people

Many thanks to Faith and Gerry Bange for their generous gift to DACA in addition to continuing their membership since 1986! And to Joe Dickey and Martha Blaxall for their support of DACA in addition to renewing their dues.

What a great publication. Very informative.
J. M. Slaughter

Scholarship money available

Many thanks to Tom and Kris Angelis for continuing their support of DACA's Scholarship endowment. For the second year, Tom sent a generous gift to the scholarship fund. Potential donors are invited to make contributions to sweeten this pot, which DACA will offer to applicants for educational purposes, not limited to formal education. To apply for funds, write to DACA, PO Box 222, Davidsonville, MD 21035, stating how you will use this help to further and improve your educational purposes. In 2018, the DACA Board approved using funds from the scholarship to match prize money for winners of the Green Expo poster contest. Tell us how you would like to see it used in 2019!

In Memoriam
Deepest sympathy to the family of
John Bushee
September 14, 1934 ~ November 24, 2018
DACA member 2003

In Memoriam
Deepest sympathy to the family of
Barbara Miller
July 11, 1937 ~ November 29, 2018
DACA member 1994 ~ 2012

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Deepest sympathy to the family of
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Member vote at Annual Meeting to amend DACA Bylaws

Several years ago, DACA lost a lawsuit and had to pay court costs shared with three other organizations. As a result, the board and general membership approved limiting DACA's interests to "the geographical area known as Davidsonville" as described below in Article III of the Bylaws. Given DACA's decision last year to expand its area of interest to include more of South County, it is past time to strike that limitation from the Bylaws. Proposed language can be changed to "areas of concern in neighboring South County" or similar wording. The DACA Board will discuss and prepare approved language to be presented and voted on at DACA's Annual Meeting on June 6.

ARTICLE III: PURPOSES

The purposes of this association shall be

- A. To consider and deal by all lawful means with common problems involved in matters pertaining to land and natural resource utilization in the geographical area known as Davidsonville and to secure cooperative action in advancing common purposes of the members of the association.
- B. To do anything necessary and proper for the accomplishment of any purposes set forth in the statement of principles adopted by the founders of this association.
- C. This association is organized and operated for the above stated purposes exclusively, and for other nonprofit purposes, and no part of any net earnings shall enure to the benefit of any private member.

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Shortly after the November 6 election, Steuart Pittman named Janet Owens and Chris Trumbauer to serve as his transition team to the county's new administration. Seven transition committees and their chairs are (1) Safe Communities, co-chaired by Roger Simonds and Ed Bergin; (2) Healthy Communities, chaired by Lisa Hillman, former vice president of Anne Arundel Medical Center; (3) Thriving Communities, chaired by Christina Pompa; (4) Empowered Communities, chaired by Pete Smith, former County Council member for District 1; (5) Sustainable Communities, chaired by Kate Fritz, former executive director of the South River Federation; (6) Educated Communities, chaired by Stacy Korbelak, former president of the AA Board of Education; and (7) Responsive Government, chaired by Jerry Walker, former Council member for District 7.

Current appointments: Jerry Walker, Director of Economic Development; Chris Trumbauer, Policy and Legislative Adviser; Douglas Hollman, Administrative Hearing Officer; Michael Lofton, Chair of the Water Access Commission. Brian Riddle is Chair of the Soil Conservation District Board of Supervisors. James Kitchin is the Community Constituent representative for Council District 7.

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A Thank You To Dad by Regan Owens

The hardest person to find a Christmas gift for is my dad, Rod Owens. He has everything he wants and at this point in his life he doesn't really need anything. He won't wear fancy clothes or use new electronics, he doesn't like household items because they take up space and require upkeep. He already has all the tools, owns all the tractors, fishing poles, and hunting gear. Eventually you just have to forgo any surprises and ask him what he wants, to which he responds the same every year, "I don't want anything, get me socks." Well, I've been getting this man socks for 20 years and he doesn't have any more room in the drawer for them anyway.

So what do you give this great dad of mine? You give him something he rarely gets, has never had enough of, and won't ever ask for: Recognition. My father has been running a business for 35 plus years, during which he survived two recessions and never laid off a single loyal employee. Along with my mother, he raised four children, now aged between 21 and 41 years, and he did so in one of the houses he built. I learned more from my dad than from a formal education. My dad is the type of man that people have to consult about everything. If you need advice on anything, you go to Rod Owens. If

you're going to get married, start a business, build a rocket, go through open-heart surgery, change a tire, get approved for a mortgage, fix a leak, buy a tractor, dance with a woman for the first time, go on a long-distance road trip, or do any number of things, no matter who you are or what it is you are doing, my dad is the guy you talk to first. He is one of those men who shake a hand and make the recipient stand up straighter.

I have had the pleasure of having Rod Owens as my father while knowing that the world holds him in as high regard as I do. My dad never complains, he never leaves you hanging, he's there from the beginning to the end, and you can count on him all the time. After a while you can start to forget how lucky you are just to spend time with him. So I'm writing today to say thank you, Dad, and I love you. You taught me about Jesus Christ, and your actions and your words have surely been an example of a real man who honors God, family, and country. Merry Christmas, you tough son of a gun.

Love, Regan

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Mount Airy neighbors' questions about Mount Airy Center's proposal for certification for institutional use

The Mount Airy Center, 869 Mount Airy Road, applied to the County Office of Planning and Zoning for certification for a designation as Institutional Use for Religious Purposes. Residents of Mount Airy Road, Meadowoods, and Royale Glen are concerned that Institutional Use, as described in the application, may bring unwanted change to their neighborhood. After a series of public and private meetings in November, they requested a discussion with representatives of the Mount Airy Center to answer their questions.

On December 9, DACA members Brian Stanton, Bridget and James Blake, and Malcolm Rice-Wolfe had a cordial meeting at the Center with MAC representatives Marty and Ann Sherman, George Madison, and Gerard Helminiak, where they raised the following issues:

- Preserving Davidsonville's rural and residential character
- Noise and traffic
- Landscaping
- Safety
- Transparency

One more consideration is shown on page 7

After the meeting, Mr. Sherman responded with the following message on December 11:

Hi all,

I wanted to thank you for initiating the meeting on Sunday. We want to be good neighbors who are hearing your concerns about the use of the house. The following is what I took away from the meeting:

Concern about the house/property becoming a 'mega-church' - We have no plans to become a mega-church. Our meetings have always been on a small scale; no more than 10-25 people at a time. If we have larger gatherings they happen only a couple of times a year.

Concern about parking - There is no plan to expand the parking.

Concern about adding to traffic - Our traffic won't change from what it's been for the last two to three years. On a daily basis there are usually no more than 6-10 cars coming and going.

Concern about intern vetting process - we are looking into expanding our vetting process. We currently do require them to fill out an application with references and they are interviewed at least once if not more by two of our mentor team. They are usually students who've been coming to the National Student Leadership Forum over their college years so they become quite well known to us.

Please let me know if there are other concerns or questions that weren't addressed here. You are welcome to contact either myself or my assistant, Elaine Mitchem

Warmly, Marty Sherman



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The Board will meet in the Carol Parham Building, 2644 Riva Road on January 23 and February 20, in closed sessions at 5:30 pm followed by public sessions at 7:00. On February 6 and March 6, closed sessions will begin at 8:30 am followed by public sessions at 10:00.

People who wish to offer comment during the Public Comment portion of the meeting (for items not appearing on the agenda) must fill out cards before the Board establishes the agenda order in the early portion of its meeting. Those arriving after the agenda order has been approved, or who do not fill out cards to speak during the Public Comment portion may submit written testimony to the Board. Written testimony is accepted at any time. Testimony on agenda items will be heard when those items are before the Board. While those wishing to testify on agenda items must still fill out cards, an invitation to the audience will be made for these items.

AA County Public School Calendar

January 19 – Martin Luther King, Jr., birthday, schools closed
 January 29 – end of second marking period
 January 29 and 30 – two-hour early dismissal for elementary students.
 January 31 – schools closed for students, workday for teachers
 February 1 – beginning of third marking period
 February 8 – report cards
 February 18 – Presidents Day, schools closed

Start School Later, Anne Arundel County

2018 was a year of change in Anne Arundel County as we elected four members to the Board of Education for the first time. Districts 2, 3, and 6 will elect BOE representatives in 2020. The new Board members are already changing the dynamic of the Board by asking good questions and having more public discussions.

School start time was pushed back by only a few minutes last year. Better communication about transportation would ease the problems of too early school starts. SSL would encourage you to attend Board of Education meetings and send email to the board members to ask for a smartphone-based app that would allow students and families to know just when their school bus will arrive. Such an app would help reduce the back-to-school chaos caused by bus schedules, frequent road closures for accidents and other incidents, and winter weather delays. Many locations around the country, including next door in Prince George's County provide such apps. They use the GPS transmitter already installed on the buses associated with the route planning software. It is a good step towards technology integration and transparency. The cost of this item was not included in Superintendent George Arlotto's proposed budget.

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One more Mount Airy issue from notes by Malcolm Woolf at the December 9 meeting, from page 5

The key outstanding issue is how and when to memorialize these issues so that they convey with the property in perpetuity. We explained our desire to ensure that future owners of 869 Mt. Airy Road don't take advantage of the new "institutional use" designation to undermine this understanding. They said that they were open to making these commitments part of the deed and/or giving an easement to the immediate neighbors, subject to consultation with their lawyer.

DACA Business from the December Minutes

The sign is coming, so they say! Welcome to Davidsonville sign: Jeff Potts at Signs by Tomorrow said it should be done by Christmas (or soon thereafter). Brian Riddle said Homestead Gardens is ready to install it. Installation will require trimming some of the brushy growth on the hill at the curve in Davidsonville Road.

DACA Vice President Ed Woods follows, pursues, and keeps after the issues on our roads. He reported on specifics in December. He postponed revisiting SHA about the issue of the solid red arrow left turn signal from #424 to #50 eastbound ramp until the welcome

sign was approved by SHA. Now he is back on it, in the effort to get it changed back to a blinking arrow to allow a left turn after a stop so drivers are not forced to stare at an empty roadway when it is safe to turn to the ramp.

DACA member Ray Meyer telephoned BGE and the State Highway Administration numerous times about the missing street light at #424 and Rutland Road before contacting DACA. They passed him back and forth, both disclaiming responsibility. Ed is pursuing this.

Ed tours the Davidsonville Park and Ride lot from time to time and saw that it is being used as storage for commercial vehicles, maybe abandoned; some have been there for months; he saw one with tags expired in September 2017, one with West Virginia tags.

He is trying to learn purpose of the covered up detour signs at #50 and #424 and at Rutland Road and #450. He wants to let local drivers know which roads are to be closed, when, and why.

Regarding road realignment at Cambria, Bruce Stein said BGE has finished moving the power line poles; Verizon has not begun to move its underground cables, but they may be done by July, and then road construction can begin.

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AA County Immigration Screening Program

Anne Arundel County Executive Stuart Pittman held two town hall meetings to discuss his decision to end the County's 287(g) immigration screening program and to listen to residents' concerns about immigration. Police Chief Timothy Altomare and Acting Superintendent of Detention William Martin participated.

The first took place on January 14, in the Pascal Senior Activity Center in Glen Burnie; the second, at Southern High School, was on Wednesday, January 16.

The politicization of immigration policy has divided communities locally and all across America in recent months. These two meetings were an opportunity for county residents to express their concerns to the County Executive, the Chief of Police, and the Superintendent of Detention, who provided information on the role of county government in both local law enforcement and federal immigration enforcement.

Go to <https://www.aacounty.org/news-and-events/news-resources/report-on-the-impact.pdf> to see the report on the impacts of Federal 287(g) Program and ICE Detention Center in Anne Arundel County.

Dejah D. Williams, Office of the County Executive Transition & CECS Coordinator
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Rotary Club and All Hallows raise funds for Veterans at Homestead Gardens

All Hallows Parish's Youth Group raised more than \$1,000 in December for the Lights of Kindness service project, a competition cosponsored by the Rotary Club. They designed and trimmed a tree at Homestead Gardens to honor our nation's veterans. All of the proceeds raised by their tree went to benefit Fisher House, a worldwide charity headquartered in Maryland that provides housing for families of veterans so that they can stay near the hospital where their wounded loved one is receiving treatment.



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The Council is the final fiscal authority of the County, sitting in May in review of the proposed County Budget and adopting the final Budget. The Council office phone number is 410-222-1401.

Notice of each new issue of the Villager is sent by email to members of the County Council telling them to go to www.info@daca-md.org or to www.davidsonvillemaryland.org to open the web page to access the newsletters. The Council members' information can be found at www.aacounty.org/departments/county-council/councilmembers/index/html.

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The Villager would like to think that by the time you receive this issue, the following notice will be old news, in hope that the shutdown will have ended and the feds are back to work. In the meantime, we have this from the County Executive:

Federal Government Shutdown Assistance

Thousands of Anne Arundel County residents are stressed financially as a consequence of the federal government shutdown. I have asked our department heads to compile a list of services that they can provide to help, and on very short notice they have responded. More will be added in the coming days if necessary.

If you or your family are suffering as a result of this senseless shutdown, please know that county government, its employees, and the residents of this county want to help. Making Anne Arundel County The Best Place means standing with our neighbors when they are threatened, particularly when those neighbors are public servants.

If you have other suggestions for how we can help, please contact us.

County Executive Stuart Pittman

For more information, go to <http://www.aacounty.org/departments/county-executive/federal-government-shutdown-assistance/index.html> to see the areas where help may be needed: Animals, External Resources, Health & Wellness, Human Services, Legal, Library & Education, Recreation & Parks, Utilities & Bills.

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A zoning win for Davidsonville residents?

The owner of 1121 Double Gate Court applied to the Office of Planning and Zoning for a variance to allow lots with greater density than allowed on property on the south side of Double Gate. She wanted to subdivide her land and create an entrance to the back lot from Green Ash Road in Meadowood. Four Meadowoods homeowners attended the hearing on December 11 and testified in opposition to the subdivision and the Green Ash Road access to the lot. Kate Fox represented DACA and spoke against the subdivision of the lot. The Meadowoods residents had a petition signed by 23 homeowners voicing their strong objections. Planning and Zoning recommended to the hearing officer that the request be denied. After testimony concluded and before the hearing adjourned, the applicant proposed that in lieu of the subdivided lot driveway apron being attached to the Green Ash Road right of way, she was willing to provide an easement for a driveway through her lot back to Double Gate Road.

On December 27, the hearing officer announced his decision against the subdivision. The owner may appeal the decision and she has until January 26 to decide. The residents of Meadowood say they will be ready if she does so.

Solar panels on Palomino Court?

The owner of 711 and 705 Palomino Court applied for a variance to allow solar energy panels on the 19.18 acre parcel at 705 Palomino Court, zoned RA, without a structure on that lot. The owner's residence is at 711 Palomino Court. The owner of the adjoining property at 805 Antietam Court plans to attend the zoning hearing on January 17 to learn more and to oppose it if it will have an adverse impact on her property. All three lots were subdivided many years ago from the original Idlewilde Farm on Davidsonville Road.

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Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) requests comments on General Development Plan background reports

Although the new County Executive has told the CAC that some changes will be made in its composition, specific details remain unknown. The CAC continues to evaluate the large amount of information on the County and the current GDP that has been assembled by County staff. Accurate and complete information of this type will be essential to preparation of the new GDP and Small Area Plans.

The Alliance for Livable Communities and Growth Action Network members of the CAC have asked that interested members of the two organizations assist them in their review of the seven GDP background reports drafted by County staff that are currently available at the County’s GDP website. The most recent of the reports, “Transportation,” has just become available. PowerPoint presentations for each report, which are posted on the ALC website, are also available for review and provide some supplementary information.

The CAC members asked that ALC and GAN members who review the background reports provide them with feedback in writing. ALC members who review reports and the accompanying presentations are asked to send

their feedback to Kim Brandt, who will pass it along to the CAC members.

- Issues that the background reports raise, include
- poor implementation of the 2009 GDP and the lack of a structure within the county government to foster implementation and accountability for action items;
 - the lack of a facility in each council district that can be used as a shelter for residents if needed; and
 - the lack of a Planning Commission and a Historic Preservation Commission to provide greater transparency and citizen involvement.

The CAC met on December 19.

Transition Committees for the new administration are listed on page 3 of this Villager.

A number of ALC steering committee members, including Ann Fligsten, Richard Falk, and Jon Korin, are serving on the Thriving Communities and Sustainable Communities transition committees that were set up by the new administration. Each committee will formulate a list of short-term and long-term recommendations by early February.

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November Waterbird Survey Results

Bird counters recorded 48 species of birds between 7:30 and 10:30 am within two miles, including 432 Canada Geese, 5 Tundra Swans, 11 Mallards, 163 American Black Ducks, 150 Northern Pintails, 1 Green-winged Teal, 2 Bufflehead ducks, 2 Pied-billed Grebes, 5 Great Blue Herons; 3 Black Vultures, 6 Turkey Vultures, 3 Northern Harriers; 1 Cooper's Hawk, 7 Bald Eagles; 2 Sora heard in the marsh repeatedly for 20 minutes; 6 clear views of Greater Yellowlegs in open marsh; 1 Bonaparte's Gull, 565 Laughing Gulls, 203 Ring-billed Gulls, 12 Herring Gulls; 2 Mourning Doves, 1 Belted Kingfisher, 1 Red-headed Woodpecker, 3 Red-bellied Woodpeckers; 1 Yellow-bellied Sapsucker, 2 Downy Woodpeckers, 1 Hairy Woodpecker, 1 Northern Flicker, 3 Blue Jays, 2 American Crows, 40 Fish Crows; 3 Carolina Chickadees, 3 Tufted Titmouses; 1 White-breasted Nuthatch; 3 Carolina Wrens, 3 Golden-crowned Kinglets; 3 Hermit Thrushes; 4 American Robins, 1 Gray Catbird, 4 Yellow-rumped Warblers, 1 Dark-eyed Junco, 20 White-throated Sparrows, 1 Song Sparrow, 1 Swamp Sparrow, 4 Eastern Towhees, 5 Northern Cardinals, 300 Red-winged Blackbirds, and 1 Rusty Blackbird..

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Patuxent Riverkeeper, Fred Tutman

With a New Year comes watershed/water quality challenges both old and new. We thank you for your loyal support, volunteerism, and commitment to preserving and advancing the grassroots cause for clean water. On behalf of the Board and staff of Patuxent Riverkeeper, please accept our sincerest wishes for a happy and safe New Year. Here are some selected flashbacks to the past year of activism and news on the normally quiet Patuxent. For details and more information, go to <http://paxriverkeeper.org>

Suddenly, last summer, Big Shark Story

Maryland waterman Larry "Boo" Powley accidentally caught a 310-pound, 8.6-foot long bull shark off Cedar Point in St. Mary's County.



Llama saved from Patuxent flooding

After more than four inches of rain fell in one weekend, first responders rescued numerous people from flooding. And in Howard County, a llama was rescued after the Patuxent River flooded a pasture. Howard County Fire and EMS officers helped the owner of the llama bring the animal to safety.



The wettest ever in 2018, an all time record! Smashing 1889 and 2003 for the biggest central Maryland precipitation year, 68.83 inches were recorded at BWI and reports of 80 cumulative inches in St. Mary's County and Anne Arundel County, breaking the 2003 precipitation record that was set by hurricane Isabel, the biggest in 140 years, coupled with the huge February 23 rain and Patuxent flood following the record 28 inch snow of February 15-18 in the Patuxent watershed.



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US Navy Commodores Saturday, January 26, 7:30 pm

The Malpass Brothers Tuesday, February 12, 7:30 pm

Sergei Teleshev Sunday, April 7, 3:00 pm

If you need transportation to attend the South County concerts, please notify us and SCCA will provide a guest pass for your driver. We welcome new subscribers and invite you to refer SCCA to your friends and neighbors.

For additional information, visit SCCA's website at www.southcountyconcerts.org. If you have any questions, please call 410-956-4881 or 301-789-3295.

Betty Knupp, Membership Chair

A girls' lacrosse team is looking for a practice field. Please call Chris Asher at 410-263-0166 if you know of space available.

DACA Scholarship funds available

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WORKING TOGETHER FOR A
NEW FOOD FUTURE

Christmas came early this year for local farmers and food-insecure Marylanders! On December 21st, Governor Hogan announced that the state will invest \$200,000 in the Farms and Families Grant Program to double farmers market purchases made by low-income families using their federal nutrition benefits. Now we are planning our next delivery: a big thank you note to Governor Hogan in appreciation for his support of the Farms and Families Program.

This grant program will directly invest in Maryland farmers, fight hunger, and bolster local economies—a wise investment, indeed!

This wouldn't have happened without your advocacy and a series of special deliveries. Over the past year, we delivered hundreds of messages from farmers, anti-hunger advocates, and people like YOU to the Hogan administration asking for funding. Thank you for your efforts—you have made the new year brighter for farmers and low-income families.

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Archbishop Spalding High School, Severn
Ivan Stefanovic, Balt Symphony Orchestra violinist
Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto
Sophia Anastasia, vocal soloist and
Archbishop Spalding graduate

RISING STARS

Saturday, March 9, 7:30 pm
Showcasing the winners of the LSO's
Sixth Annual Young Artist Competition
St. John's College Key Auditorium
Tickets: \$20 Adults, \$15 Seniors, Students free

THE PLANETS

Saturday, May 18, 7:30 pm
LSO with the Chesapeake Youth Symphony Orchestra,
Guest soloist John Astaire performs a modern
percussion concerto
St. John's College Key Auditorium
Tickets: \$20 Adults, \$15 Seniors, Students free

The LSO's Young Artist Competition Winners

In November the LSO held a competition among high-school-age musicians across Maryland. Three winners were selected, and they will perform with the orchestra on March 9, 2019, at St. John's College.

Flautist Vivian Yuan is a current twelfth grader in the International Baccalaureate program at Richard Montgomery High School.

Joseph Mostwin is a fifteen-year-old ninth grader who lives in Baltimore, Maryland, where he studies cello with Daniel Levitov at the Peabody Preparatory.

Pianist Amy Germer, 16, is a senior in the Poolesville High School, Montgomery County, magnet program.

William Bloomquist, Competition Director

Go to <http://lso-music.org> to purchase tickets, to sign up for our newsletter, and to donate.

Our mailing address is Londontowne Symphony Orchestra, PO Box 926, Edgewater, MD 21037.

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