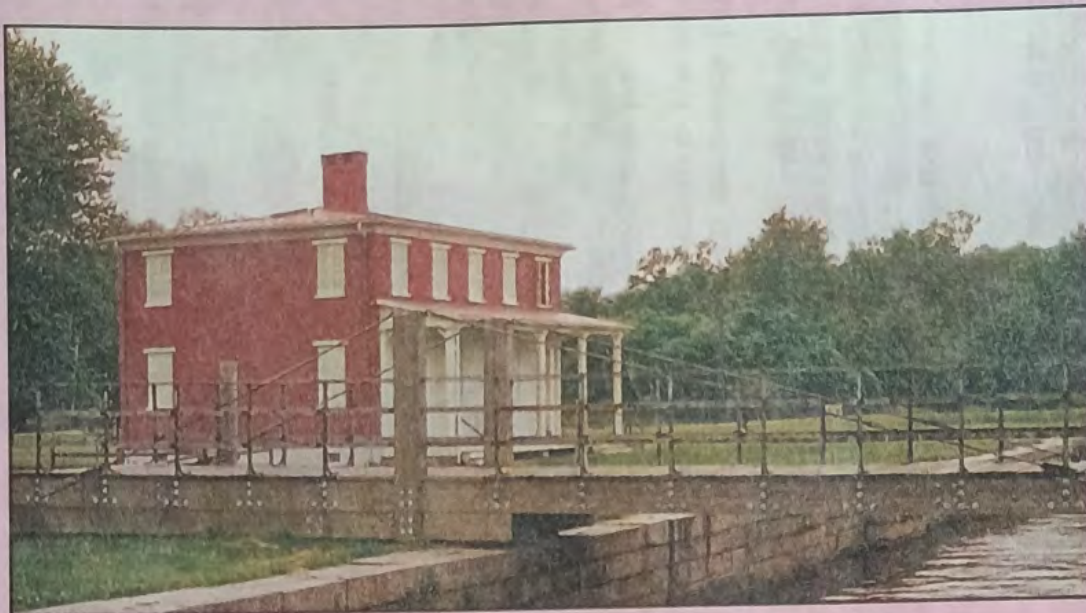
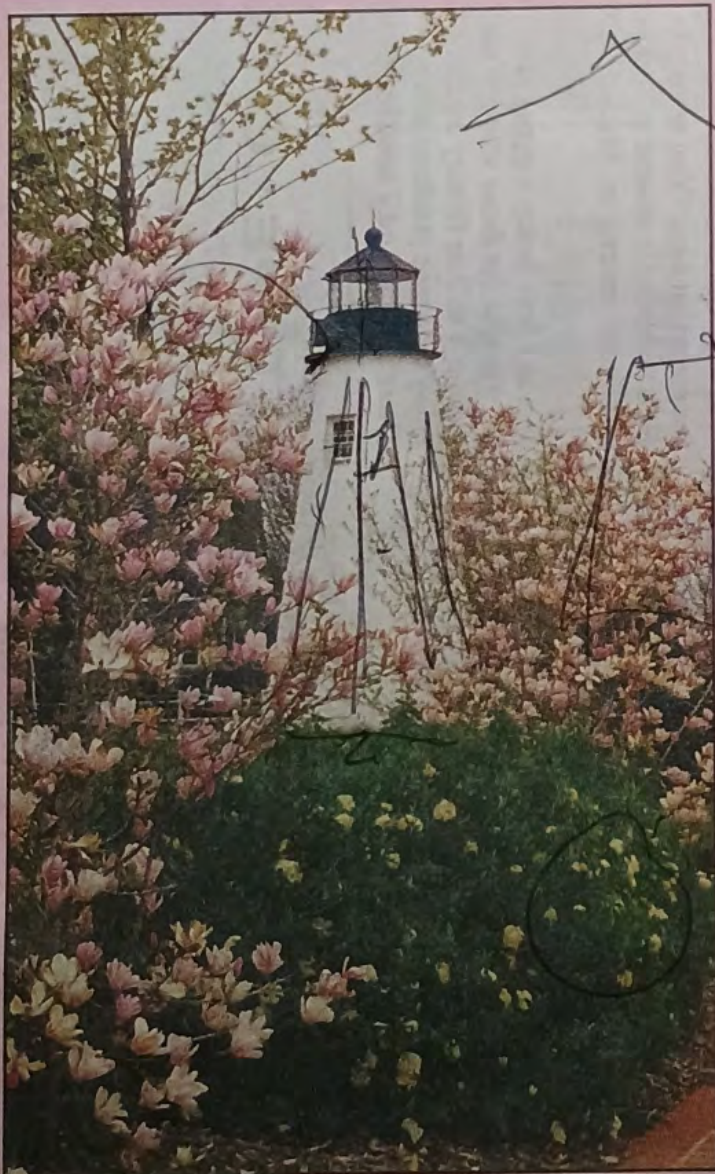


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## Welcome to the Havre de Grace Experience

It's been a sad week for I'm completing this edition the week of the Columbine School Tragedy. I'm going to take this opportunity to ask each of you to consider what community means to you. As you contemplate community, ask what it is that draws you to visit small cities and towns across America.

Community. To many it speaks of a controllable smallness where one doesn't have to feel so alone amidst thousands. But as we've seen, that's not always the case. We also know small towns can be very cruel in their prejudices and bigotry. Sometimes it's more hurtful for the very reason that there are not as many places to hide.

For the past two years I've been without a car. Yep, the entire paper has been accomplished by one silly, slightly graying lady walking her way all around town. But a unique lesson has come from this circumstance. That lesson?

We don't listen to one another very well.

For all the talk about gun control, metal detectors, good or bad parenting, schooling, etc., I think learning to listen would help all of us - everywhere. When was the last time a friend mentioned feeling badly and you were ready with a prescription of some sort. Or even better, one of those lame comments about 'feeling better tomorrow?' Or did you tell them about the latest therapy, herb, or worry if they should be on medications for depression?

But did you listen? Too often, the answer is no. Or at least no longer than the break or lunch hour period. Then it was bustle off to our next project. Why don't we listen? I suppose that in many ways our lives are too busy. Too busy? Too busy to be human? What is the busy all about?

I can tell story after story where I took a moment to actually respond to a comment made by someone along my walking path. More often than not it would lead to a genuine hurt or concern. Nope. I couldn't always fix it. In many instances it wasn't even my place. But I could listen, make eye contact, respond to what they were saying and leave them with the feeling that someone cared. And, of course, a smile.

No, I'm not talking about the 'have a good day' phrase. I'm talking about taking five or ten minutes and just respond to what the person says, trying to leave them with encouragement and, most importantly, recognition that they were heard. It's uncomfortable listening to another's pain. And even harder if we don't really relate to where they are.

One human need that we all strive for is the feeling of visibility. Just as a child who will actually hurt itself in a temper tantrum if it results in the attention it so desperately craves. So, too, will a teenager or an adult

exhibit truly negative behavior if they believe that is the only way someone will notice them.

I've always enjoyed being a bit different and feisty. But I had a loving family that supported my behavior if I wasn't harming myself or anyone else. Some of that behavior is part of learning who we are. But when we look down on another human being, making them feel less than human long enough, we may actually create self-fulfilling image. By making him or her invisible, they become exactly what we say about them.

Now, I'm rambling. Let me bring this full circle. One of the wonderful characteristics of a small city or town is that we can know one another more easily. Let's smile at each other more and really mean it when we say, "Hi," or "Good morning." Let's make eye contact for a moment that says "You are not invisible to me." And let's teach those around us that there is room for 'different' among us. My way is not the only way.

Just as I love being a gypsy and living a simple life. I am grateful for those who are willing to work the regular 9 to 5 or factory assembly lines so that I might enjoy the same products and services as everyone else. There is room and a need for each individual. Let us

begin to acknowledge every human being as having a place. Let's make everyone visible. Let's take a moment to hear when we listen - not just have a bandage to offer.

Havre de Grace is a diverse community that offers many gifts from our slower pace to the quiet places along the water, our unique shops to our many restaurants. But our best gift is still being small enough to appreciate and say, "Have a wonderful day," smile, and really mean it.

I welcome the visitors and tourists. I also send a warm hello to each and everyone of you in my community.

*I attended a Garden Stroll at the home of Harry and Shirley Graves. It is a fund raiser for the Susquehanna Museum. Harry has spent three decades of landscaping and gardening to create this spectacular 60' x 1000' retreat. He says he did it for the exercise. If so, he went about it like an addicted Marathon runner. Nice job, Harry and Shirley. I encourage everyone to attend next year. Spectacular!*

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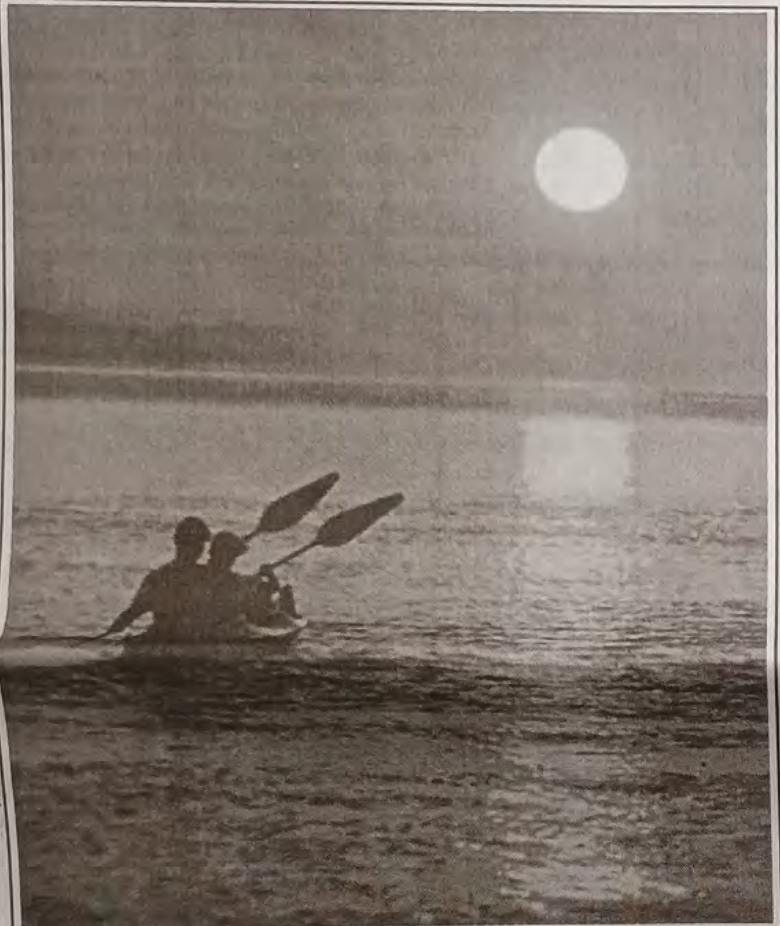
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We have some of the finest museums to be found anywhere that help to define our historic background. We're currently adding a Maritime Museum to go with our Decoy Museum, the Lighthouse Museum and our Susquehanna Museum at the Lockhouse — all places you don't want to miss.

Enjoy your stay in our City. Have a really great time. And don't forget to hurry back! We love having you here.

Sincerely,

Philip J. Barker  
Mayor

# Museum Updates

The Susquehanna Museum of Havre de Grace announces that in addition to being open from May through October on Saturdays and Sundays from 1 - 5 p.m., the Museum will also be open from Memorial Day to Labor Day on Fridays from 1 - 5 p.m. The gift shop will also be open on these days.

The Museum is excited about the opening of the trail just north of the Museum for walkers and hikers. It is a beautiful walk and nature enthusiasts will find the flora and fauna exciting to behold. You must be careful while walking because the path is still somewhat bumpy. Presently the trail is about a one to one and a half mile round trip. Part of the trail is the old railroad tracks that were used to haul materials when the Conowingo Dam was built in the 1920s.

The Lock House (Susquehanna Museum) will have a new heating and air-conditioning system installed in late Spring. We are excited about this because it not only will help visitors enjoy the museum in comfort and permit us to open on a regular basis in the very near future without worrying about weather, it will also help preserve our artifacts.

Memberships are always welcome. Beginning on July 1, 1999 the membership for the Susquehanna Museum will be:

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The Museum continues to work on restoring the Outlet Lock. This will require an additional \$100,000. More information on raising funds for the completion of this project will be available in the near future. We encourage community support and hope visitors will continue to stop in and monitor our progress.

The Maritime Museum grows more excited with each spring day. Last fall we wrote of their plans to construct a 6,000 sq. foot museum on the existing deck and add 1,200 sq. feet to the front of the deck. As you pass this structure you can view the progress. Dan Wusinich informs us that by June of this year the new building structure will be completed. In September the first exhibit of the Upper Chesapeake Bay Wooden Boat Building School will take place. He also noted that they plan a Grand Opening in the Spring of 2000.

Throughout the summer the Museum will find opportunities to open their doors for the public to take a peek inside at the work in progress. It is their intention to have the building open to the public for a couple hours on the first Saturday of May, June, July and August.

The Maritime Museum's vision of becoming the ultimate educational experience on the Chesapeake Bay and the Lower Susquehanna River, ready to educate all those who visit our "Window to the Bay," is now a work-in-process. As Cecil Hill, President of the Havre de Grace Maritime Museum, told us last year, "The Museum complements the other museums in Havre de Grace."

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## A Weekend Sampler

Every now and then if you've found yourself complaining about having nothing to do on a weekend, let me share with you the weekend of last September 12 and 13 in Havre de Grace.

It started with a walk across town to Tydings Park where the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Children's Arts Festival was taking place. With food, crafts, animals to pet and ponies to ride, there was a delightful selection of activities designed to entertain children and bring out lots of smiles and laughter. A project of the Arts Commission of Havre de Grace, supported every year by the Lozinak family and McDonald's, it was a bustling bundle of children. Whether a magician walking the grounds taking a quarter from behind a surprised child's ear, a monkey playing tricks, a costumed character receiving a huge hug from a toddler, a great puppet show entertaining dozens of families, or creating your very own scarecrow, there was certainly plenty to entertain all ages.



After several hours of enjoying the children, I headed to the lawn of the Bayou Condo and the Decoy Museum. The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Duck Fair offered its usual array of decoys from the very basic working decoy to the beautifully carved art decoy giving everyone's taste something to savor. There were vendors offering instruction and carving tools and supplies. A duck head carving contest caught my attention as I watched a half dozen serious fella's working quickly and meticulously at their craft.



Most intriguing was listening to the duck calls during the Duck Calling Contest. Now, I'm certainly not any aficionado of duck calling, but I did have to wonder if the winner was the one who managed to have all those ducks on the shore fly in! Wouldn't that have been something?

An interesting booth was that of elementary teacher, Corinne Litzenberg from Elkton, Maryland. She offers a series of wonderful "Flock Tales from the Flats." The series of books are excellent for second and third graders and as read-to books (also available at Vincenti Decoys at 353 Pennington Ave.). Well illustrated with wonderful stories explaining wildlife and early hunting on the flats, Litzenberg keeps a heritage of the area alive.

Saturday evening I attended a reception for the photographer, Art Zilio, at *The Last Tango Art Gallery*, 200 N. Washington St. Owner Sharon Gallagher offered wine and cheese to guests and complemented this unique exhibit of photography with a group of



Guest photographer, Art Zilio with his wife, Linda.

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Ann Campbell and Andrew Conway share their talent at The Last Tango Gallery reception.



Tango dancers visiting from Philadelphia. Peter Castro of Port Deposit brought four pairs of amateur dancers to the area to expose us to the excitement of dancing the Tango. With a small corner of the street blocked off, the dancers entertained throughout the warm, summer evening, offering the opportunity to anyone who might want to try a step or two.

The dancers seductive steps to the rhythmic tango music seemed very apropos for the sensuous works of Art Zilio's photography, which can also be seen at his

## Spring/Summer 1999 A Weekend Sampler

Fine Art Photography Studio at 358 Pennington Avenue. Many of the photos, like the dance, were from Europe. The unique vantage point and play of light and shadow offered a distinctively wonderful perspective to scenes that otherwise might have seemed too familiar. Art's sensual nudes promote beauty as opposed to sex. His fashion shots offer real glamour, classy and tasteful, through the use of light and shadow rather than the all too familiar false glitz. The evening was a wonderful blend of beautiful photography, exciting dance, and sharing with friends.

Sunday morning offered another variety of activities. The Duck Fair was still going strong on Sunday. Downtown, several blocks of North Washington Street were blocked off for Septemberfest. There you could find crafts, sidewalk sales, a selection of foods, most shops open and the Chesapeake Wooden Boat Builders displaying a number of boats in various stages of construction or restoration.



from Lockhouse to Lighthouse

Felicia, granddaughter of Mr. & Mrs. Sam Arnone of Joppa enjoying Septemberfest.



Strolling past the booths it was easy to smile at a young child shyly twirling her bright and shiny new baton.

Some folks were getting directions from the tourism booth and several of the museums offered brochures and information. Of course, if you were brave enough you could have your blood pressure checked at the Upper Chesapeake Healthlink Care-a-Van (highly recommended before you ate those fries and pitbeef sandwiches).

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Bobby Griffin, a well-known singer in Havre de Grace, offered music for the event. His songs, as always, offered a little something for everyone from a touch of rock and roll, foot tappin' country melodies, to the beat of jazz that made you want to get up and dance.



In the same area a number of young skateboarders took turns demonstrating their skills (sheer nerve and lots of agility!). All sizes, ages and shapes, they most certainly were a talented group. This writer's only concern was that none wore protective helmets which probably didn't endear them to a number of concerned parents and others. But it was exciting to watch their energy and determination as they twisted, jumped and turned!

(l) Van Roy Rowe and artist Leon Kalas (r) sharing art pieces on the lawn of La Cle D'or Bed & Breakfast.



Just a couple blocks away, at the La Cle D'or Bed and Breakfast at 226 North Union, the art work of Leon Kalas of Greece and New York City was available for viewing and purchase in the front lawn of the guesthouse. Leon offered an eclectic collection from handmade Terra Cotta pins, oil paintings of faces, handmade Terra Cotta masks to thought provoking

collages. Leon was here with his long time friend, Van Roy Rowe of New York City. Both were most interesting to talk with whether discussing the artworks, travel or our community. Leon has recently purchased a home in Havre de Grace and plans to retire here.

The wonderful finale to this diverse weekend was the music of the *Sherri Lyn Robbins Trio*, the first of many scheduled lecturers and musicians to visit Washington Street Books and Antiques at 131 North Washington Street. The soft spoken Sherri Lyn sings with a feisty voice that surprises the listener. A mix of blues and folk with a style definitely her own, she shares the celebrations and trials of life with humor, sensitivity and strength. Drummer Kevin Gummer and her husband - guitarist, Bill Claytor completed the trio. This particular afternoon, Sherri Lyn's cousin, Vicki Campbell, played viola to add a bit more spice to an already exciting trio.



Interestingly, many of these activities were last minute improvisations. But then, that's really the joy of walking through Havre de Grace...you just never know what might be happening next!



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# Restaurant Guide

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Enjoy the diversity of art on display in the cozy setting of **Abbé's Gallery & Café** (located at 109 S. Washington St.) while savoring your choice of teas or Starbucks coffee and enjoying the company of friends. **Abbé's** menu offers a Southwestern and California cuisine including a new wrap sandwich, Chicken Pesto Burrito. Looking for something else? Try our new Tai and seafood dishes for dinner or maybe a marvelous dish like Blackened New Orleans Chicken over Pasta with Bleu Cheese Alfredo Sauce. Along with our own version of a "burger" and other selections, you might want to ask for Diablo's Delight - a wonderfully sinful dessert of cinnamon chips and vanilla ice cream with strawberries, bananas and walnut drizzled with chocolate sauce. On the mornings that **Abbé's** offers breakfast, you can consider a variety of eggs, simple and healthy fruit dishes, or wonderful pancakes or French toast. **Abbé's** caters to your needs on and off premises. They will cater large and small parties, business functions and weddings.

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Open from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Saturday, we still offer the great 99¢ menu board, breakfast combo meals for \$1.99, breakfast croissants and biscuits, and across the U.S. the Kids Meals have items from the Kids Choice Awards. So stop by Route 40 at Lewis Lane (near the Acme) and enjoy their new look and have a great meal.

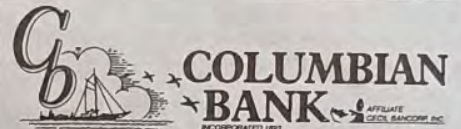
**Coakley's Pub** in its design captures the feeling of a turn of the century pub, deep in tradition and history. Located on the 400 block of Saint John Street in the historical section of downtown, **Coakley's Pub** offers an abundance of features for locals and tourists alike.

Open seven days a week, serving lunch and dinner, there is something for everyone at **Coakley's Pub**. Fresh seafood, steaks, pasta, crabcakes and Buffalo wings reflect just a small portion of our menu. A variety of soups, salads, appetizers are offered along with a children's menu. Our great food and reasonable prices are only complemented by our bright, friendly staff.

The building, which houses **Coakley's Pub**, was constructed in the early 1900s and has evolved from a shoe store, a gentlemen's club, Vigna's Italian Restaurant into **Coakley's** in 1997. It now features a working fire place, a gameroom for the entire family, smoking and non-smoking dining areas, and a copper top bar offering a large selection of microbrews.

Family dining including a children's menu are just a couple friendly touches at **The Crazy Swede Restaurant & Tavern**. The new owner, Ken Beyer, has added carpeting, tablecloth dining, and enclosed the bar area to allow for smoke-free dining. These amenities are only the beginning of the wonderful changes at the **Swede**.

During the summer months valet parking will be available on Saturdays and Sundays. Soon we plan to have the deck enclosed for year round use making Sunday Brunch even more popular. We offer a wine list to accommodate everyone's taste from house wines to French Premiere Grand Cru Classé wines. You'll certainly enjoy the fine



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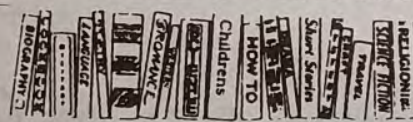
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The **Deli-Mart Restaurant** at 1123 Revolution Street is a sleeper. Offering family dining with a kids menu and everything from 'wings' to 'shells' - snacks to platters to dinners - salads to desserts, you're sure to find a favorite from our menu. Always check out the different daily specials along with **Deli-Mart** local favorites including curly, western or regular fries, soup and salad bar, our humungous chef salad, sodas, wine and beer. Or feel free to order out, pick up a video rental and head for your favorite living room or party. Offering 4 and 6 foot subs (obviously you should order ahead) or any of their menu items, we'll cater for luncheons, business get-togethers, weddings, etc.

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**Fortunato Brothers** at 103 N. Washington St. will be celebrating 10 years in the neighborhood offering just about any pizza combination your tastebuds might be craving.

Whether hungry for a quick munchie after a pleasant walk on the Promenade or you're famished and ready to eat a full meal, **Fortunato's** menu will not disappoint you. From garlic knots, wings, garlic bread and mozzarella sticks for appetizers, to seafood and chicken dinners, dozens of pasta dishes, salads (garden, Greek, antipasto to name a few), sandwiches, and hot or cold subs, you'll be glad you stopped in.

Of course you can order out or have it delivered, but you might not want to miss the tantalizing aroma and visions as you watch them prepare your favorite meal. Your family can definitely enjoy the reasonable priced, well portioned meals offered at **Fortunato Bros.**

The **Harbor Station Family Restaurant** on Route 40 is just the right place to eat.

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The **Harbor Station** offers an extensive menu including great homemade soups. We have smoking and non-smoking sections, a large variety of imported and domestic beers, and a great wine selection. Offering something to everyone, we think the **Harbor Station** is a hidden dream. With huge portions at a great price, we invite you to give us a try.

Peggy Brewer of the **Heritage Tea Room**, tucked nicely into Saint John Street (421 to be exact), creates 98% of everything she serves and offers a special space where you can actually celebrate a meal. The 3:30 p.m. teas (by reservation) offer 20 varieties of hot tea or coffee in an elegant, relaxed, take-your-time atmosphere served with sweets such as scones, madelaines, pecan tassies or shortbread and accented with unsweetened whipped cream and butter. Lunch seatings are at 11:30 and 1:30 offering a



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**MAY to OCTOBER**

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**Farmers Market** - Pennington Ave. (near City Police Station), 9 am to noon - Info call 410-939-3303

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**MAY 2 Civil War Living History Day** - Steppingstone Museum, noon to 5 pm, Info call 410-939-2299

**Harford County AMC Chapter Antique & Collectibles Show** - Swan Harbor Farm, 10 am to 5 pm - Info call 410-879-5015

**MAY 4 Ted Brown Does Beethoven** - HdG United Methodist Church - sponsored by the HdG Arts Commission - Info call 410-939-5425

**May 7-8-9 18th Annual Decoy, Wildlife Art & Sportsmen's Festival** - Havre de Grace Middle School, High School and Decoy Museum - Fri. 6 pm - 9 pm, Sat. 9 am to 5 pm, Sun. 9 am - 4 pm Info call 410-939-3739

**May 9 2-Hour Mother's Day Cruise - Lantern Queen Riverboat** - 2 - 4 pm/ \$30 per person. Includes dinner buffet. Reservations: 410-287-7217

**May 15-16 Starrk Moon Kayaks** - Open House, intro to kayaking and more - 10 am to 4 pm, Union & Warren Sts. Info call 410-939-9500

**May 29 Lockhouse Days** - Susquehanna Museum of HdG at the Lockhouse - 10 am to 3 pm, Info call: 410-939-5780

**May 31 Memorial Day Observance** - Tydings Park - 11 am. Info call 410-939-0234

**June 4 Concert in the Park** featuring **Chester County Concert Band**, sponsored by the HdG Arts Commission - Tydings Park - 7:30 pm. 65 completely volunteer musicians who have played at Longwood Gardens & Cape May Summer Concert Series. Info call 410-273-9523 (rain location TBA)

**June 4-5 Annual Spring Used Book Sale** - Sponsored by Friends of the Library - location TBA - 10 am to 3 pm. Info call 410-939-6700

**June 5 Concord Point Lighthouse Antique Show** - 9 am - 4 pm Info call 410-939-6112

**June 11 Concert in the Park** featuring **The Jamie Nocks Jazz Trio**, sponsored by the HdG Arts Commission - Tydings Park (rain location TBA) - 7:30 pm. A jazz quartet offering the standards and the "classics." Info call 410-273-9523

**June 12-13 Annual Spring Used Book Sale** - sponsored by the Friends of the Library - location TBA - 10 am to 3 pm - Info call 410-939-6700

**June 12-13 Starrk Moon Kayaks** - Open House, intro to kayaking and more - 10 am to 4 pm., Union & Warren Sts. Info call 410-939-9500

**June 13 Scottish Festival** - Steppingstone Museum - noon to 5 pm. Info call 410-939-2299

**June 14 3rd Annual Flag Day Celebration** - Susquehanna Museum of HdG at the Lockhouse. Info call: 410-939-5780

**June 18 Concert in the Park** featuring **The Sauri Power Pill**, sponsored by the HdG Arts Commission - Tydings Park (rain location TBA) - 7:30 pm. New from Washington, DC - come check it out. Info call 410-273-9523

**June 19 Harbor Lights Store Event '99** at Katydid's (208 N. Washington St.) - from 2 - 4 pm. Info call 410-939-9513

**June 19-20 Book Sale Annual Spring Used Book Sale** - sponsored by the Friends of the Library - location TBA - 10 am to 3 pm, Info call 410-939-6700

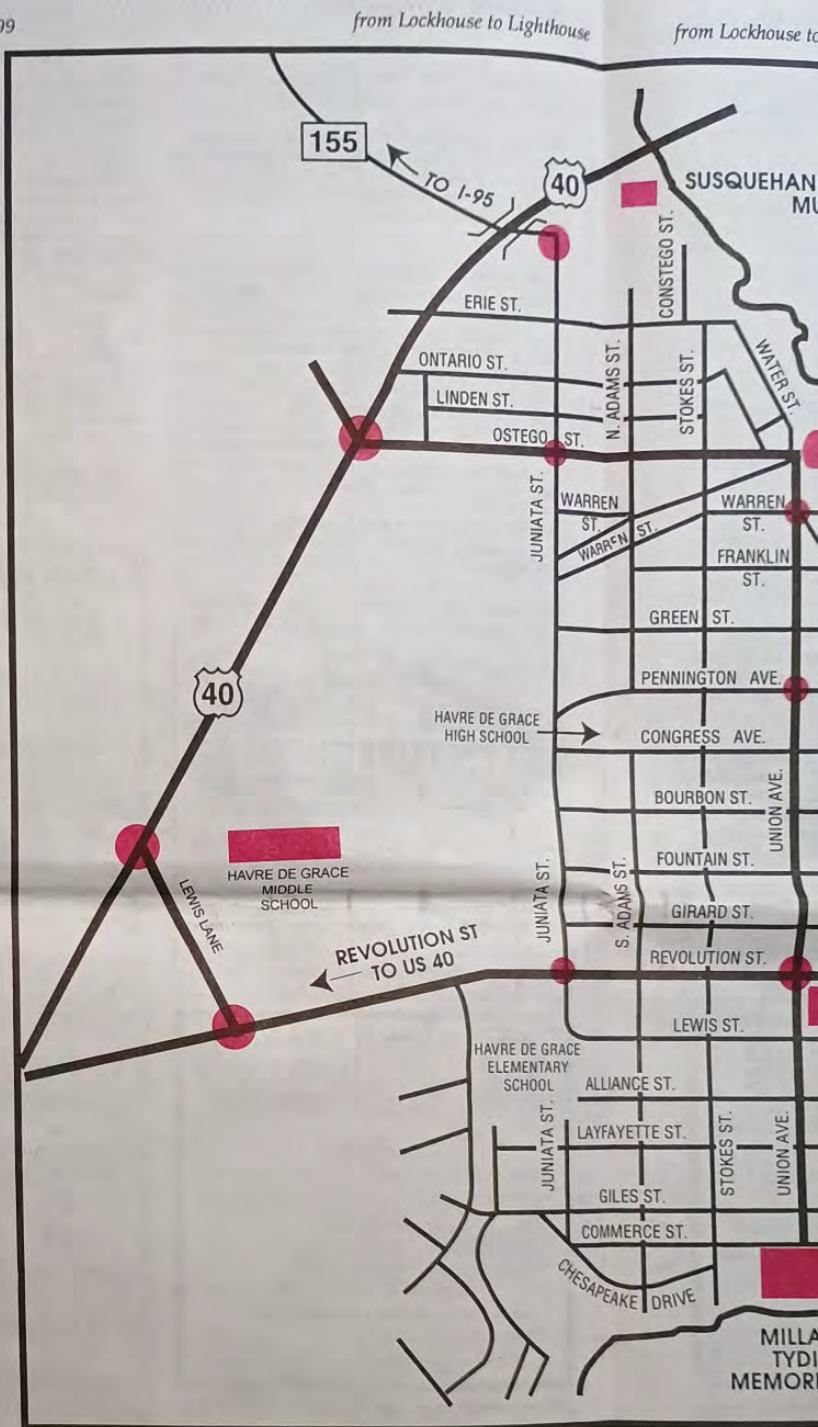
**June 19-20 10th Annual Maritime Festival** - Tydings Park - 10 am to 5 pm. Info call 410-939-4800

**June 20 2 Hour Father's Day Cruise - Lantern Queen Riverboat** 2 - 4 pm/ dinner buffet/\$30 per person. Reservations: 410-287-7217

**June 21 begins the Summer Reading Program** - call the HdG branch of the Harford Co. Public Library at 410-939-6700

**June 25 Concert in the Park** featuring **Bel Air Community Jazz Band**, sponsored by the HdG Arts Commission - Tydings Park (rain location TBA) - 7:30 pm. Info call 410-273-9523

**June 26 7th Annual Evening of Wine & Jazz** - sponsored by the Susquehanna Museum of HdG at the Lockhouse. Info call 410-939-9928



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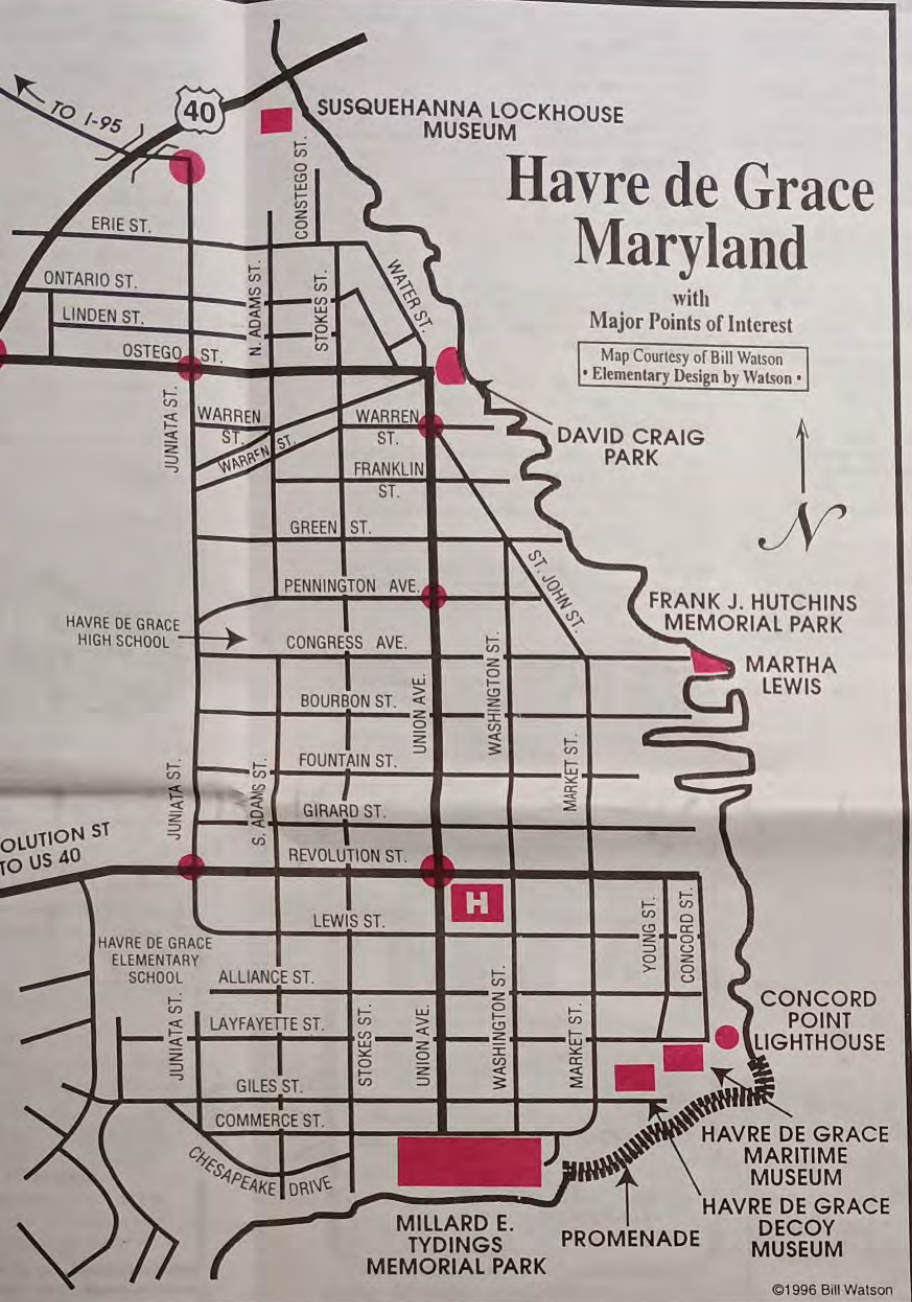
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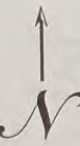
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**June 29 through July 4 - Independence Celebration Week Carnival**  
Tydings Park - evenings 7 pm. Info call 410-939-4362

**SUNDAY - July 4 - Independence Celebration Parade** - begins at Legion Sq. on Union Avenue - 2 pm proceeding to Tydings Park. Free Concert in Tydings Park - 6 pm. Fireworks at HdG City Yacht Basin beginning at dusk (set to music). Info call 410-939-4362

**July 4 Fireworks Cruise** - enjoy our finest fireworks aboard the Skipjack Martha Lewis. Reservations required. Call 800-406-0766 for info.

**July 4 3 Hour Fireworks Cruise - Lanter Queen Riverboat** - 7 - 10 pm/dinner buffet/\$50 per person/cash bar. Reservations; 410-287-7217

**July 9 Concert in the Park** featuring *Trinidad & Tobago Band* sponsored by the HdG Arts Commission - Tydings Park (rain location TBA) - 7:30 pm. Offering great Caribbean Music. Info call 410-273-9523

**July 10 thru 24 National Juried Art Show** - sponsored by the HdG Arts Commission (location TBA)

**July 11 Children's Games Day (with Jousting Tournament)**  
Steppingstone Museum - noon to 5 pm. Ice cream eating contest, turtle races, frog jumping, seed spitting contests, entertainment, storytelling, crafts, face painting, food, museum tours. Info call: 410-939-2299

**July 16 Concert in the Park** featuring *Mambo Combo*, sponsored by the HdG Arts Commission - Tydings Park (rain location TBA) - 7:30 pm. You won't be able to resist their infectious style, certain to get your feet moving. Info call 410-273-9523

**July 17 5th Annual Decoy Museum Yard Sale** - Museum Grounds, 8 am to 2 pm. Info call 410-939-3739

**Riot Demo Day at Starrk Moon Kayaks** - 10 am to 4 pm, Union & Warren Sts. info call 410-939-9500

**July 23 Concert in the Park** featuring *The Bobby Griffin Band*, sponsored by the HdG Arts Commission - Tydings Park (rain location TBA) - 7:30 pm. Offering Blues & Swing from our very own local hero. Info call 410-273-9523

**July 30 Concert in the Park** -featuring the *Upper Chesapeake Community Band* - sponsored by the HdG Arts Commission - Tydings Park (rain location TBA) - 7:30 pm. Info call 410-273-9523

**July 31 Annual Sporting Clays Event** - 9:30 am to 3 pm. Info call 410-939-3739

**August 6-7 Post Card Show** - HdG Community Center, 10 am to 5 pm

**August 14 Fiber Fest** - Steppingstone Museum 10 am to 4 pm; presented by Warped Weavers Guild, Harford Co.; \$2 admission - embroidery, quilting, needlework to basketry & chair caning, spinning & weaving; demos, fun & educational. Info call 410-939-2299 or 1-888-419-1762

**Aug. 14-15 Seafood Festival** - Tydings Park - Sat. noon to 8 pm, Sun. noon to 8 pm. Seafood, crafts, entertainment, Upper Chesapeake Crabcake Contest, silent auction. Info call 410-939-1525

**August 2-3 Oyster Art & Skipjack Visit** - sponsored by Skipjack Martha Lewis - reservations required - children ages 7 to 12. Info call 410-939-1525

**August 21 Saturday Evening of Music** - downtown area, sponsored by the HdG Arts Commission. Info call 410-939-4441

**Aug. 21-22 36th Annual Arts & Crafts Show** - Tydings Park & City Yacht Basin - Sat. & Sun. 10 am to 5 pm. Info call: 410-939-9342

**August 28 Antique Fair** - Franklin Street, 10 am to 5 pm. Info call 410-939-3303

**Sept. 11 11th Annual Children's Arts Festival** - Tydings Park - 10 am to 3 pm. (Rain location, HdG High School gym). Info call 410-939-1090

**Starrk Moon Kayaks** - Open House, intro to fall & winter kayaking (hunting & fishing) and more - 10 am to 4 pm, Union & Warren Sts. Info call 410-939-9500

**Sept. 11-12 12th Annual Duck Fair** - Decoy Museum Grounds, Sat. 9 am - 5 pm; Sun. 10 am - 4 pm. Info call 410-939-3739

**Sept. 12 Septemberfest** - Street Fair in downtown HdG - 10 am to 5 pm Info call: 410-939-3303

**Sept. 18 2nd Annual Senior Citizens Reception & Concert** - Susquehanna Museum of HdG at the Lockhouse. Info call 410-939-4441

**Sept. 25-26 Fall Harvest Festival & Craft Show** - Steppingstone Museum - 11 am to 5 pm. Info call 410-939-2299 or 1-888-419-1762

**Sept. 26 C.C.F.A. Pacesetter Walk** (to benefit Crohns and Colitis Foundation) - Tydings Park, 9 am registration. Info call 410-435-3300

**Sept. 26 Annual Classic Car Show** - HdG High School - sponsored by S.M.I.L.E.S. - 10 am to 5 pm. Info call 410-939-6600

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- Oct. 16-17 Jack Russell Terrier National Trials** - Steppingstone Museum, noon to 5 pm. Info call 410-939-2299 or 1-888-419-1762
- October 30 Halloween Costume Parade** - downtown HdG, 7 pm. Info call 410-939-6724
- November 11 Veterans Day Observance** - Tydings Park. Info call 410-939-0234
- November 25 Thanksgiving Dinner** - given by S.M.I.L.E.S. - HdG High School. Info call 410-939-6600
- December 5 Christmas Tree Extravaganza** - Info call 410-939-3303
- Dec. 11-12 Christmas Boutique** - Susquehanna Museum of HdG at the Lockhouse. Info call 410-939-5780
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unique daily entrée. Again, not meant to be a fast food or quick lunch, but a lunch to be shared with a friend or two.

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For dinner choose from a wide variety of seafood, pasta and specialty dishes. In addition to the famous Crabcake Platter, the Chicken and Shrimp Alfredo and Applewood Smoked Porkchop entrées are customer favorites. You will be pleasantly surprised at the large portions and reasonable prices. Don't forget our great selection of gourmet cakes or 24 premium ices creams for dessert!

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**Java** offers more than 20 varieties of coffee - regular and decaffeinated. The "Milky Way" is the most popular drink (espresso with steamed milk, chocolate and caramel topped with whipped cream). Enjoy your coffee with a bagel, muffin, scone or cookie. For lunch you might like to try their Spinach Pie, Quiche or Cheese and Tomato Pie. Hot chocolate, fruit juices and English Teas including Fortnum & Mason and Jacksons are also available. Frozen Cappuccino and Nature Ice Drinks are available in Spring and Summer. On any pleasant day, you can enjoy the sidewalk café.

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"We also offer live and steamed crabs in season - cooked to order. We buy from Havre de Grace watermen who bring us quality hard-shells," says Joyce Nolen (or Juicy Joyce to those of us who know and love her).

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Whether you select a platter or just a sandwich, you'll be delighted. **Joyce's Juicy Burgers** is located at 811 Revolution Street. Give us a try—we're sure you'll be back!

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John Streets in historic Havre de Grace, **MacGregor's** quality food and service, casual atmosphere and unique appearance make it a favorite place to dine for the entire family.

Serving lunch, dinner, lite fare and Sunday brunch with great daily specials under the direction of award winning chef, Kevin Jones, you are guaranteed to have a wonderful dining experience. The menu is varied, dress is casual and reservations are suggested but not required. Large parties and children are welcome. See you at **MacGregor's!**

We, at the **Havre de Grace Ritz**, look forward to welcoming you to our quaint little pastry restaurant. While listening to the smooth sounds of the blues, jazz and big bands, we'll offer you a varying selection of unique desserts: tarts, cheesecakes, tortes, pastries, danish, scones, pies, ice creams and beverages. Our "Decadent Delights" truly do taste as good as they look!

During your visit to the **Ritz**, enjoy the wonderful watercolors by David E. Wells, a renowned local artist. Mr. Wells is noted for the realistic quality of light and shadow achieved in his works—works which range from architectural portraits, local water scenes and landscapes, to the documentation of historical sites as well as his true passion - vintage aircraft.

Our hallmark is "fine quality offered with attentive, yet unobtrusive, service." We hope you will make us a habit that you won't want to be without. You'll find us at 100 N. Washington Street.

The new owner of **Susquehanna Station Bar & Grille** is excited about showing off the changes and on-going renovations of the historic pub (since 1918) located at 414 St. John St. Open 7 days a week, you are encouraged to stop in and enjoy the clean, bright and friendly atmosphere while savoring a great overstuffed sandwich and maybe challenging your friends to a dart or pool game. You may also want to check out their ongoing leagues.

**Susquehanna Station** always offers seven beers on tap with 50 different types of beer available. You'll have a great time with Marty, Mary, Dan and Vinnie - some of the area's best bartenders. The kitchen is open until 10 p.m. and the prices are very reasonable.

Don't forget the entertainment and dancing every Friday and Saturday to the music presented by DJ Lisa from Havre de Grace or DJ Hangman from Fells Point and Ocean City. We know if you'll try us, you'll do us again! Welcome!

Located on the water's edge, **The Tidewater Grille Restaurant** boasts a fabulous view where fine dining and casual atmosphere meet for a wonderful experience. Whether you choose to be seated in the beautiful, stained glass, dining room or on the patio at the edge of the Susquehanna River, when food is this consistent and fabulous, it is impossible to go wrong!

From fresh fish to filet mignon, rack of lamb to seafood pastas, the menu boasts something for all palates. Ending with fresh Desserts by Rita and a cappuccino or espresso, **Tidewater Grille** will keep you returning, one superior meal after another. We invite you to join us for a great meal or a leisurely drink at the bar. **Tidewater Grille** is located in the heart of historic Havre de Grace at 300 Franklin Street. 410-939-3313/410-575-7045

When you want great food, low prices, at a nice place, make it **Vancherie's Family Restaurant**. Located at 419 N. Union Avenue, **Vancherie's** is a meeting place where neighbors tend to meet to catch up on what's happening. And, **Vancherie's** full menu is sure to please. Specialties include "real hamburgers" made in **Vancherie's** own kitchen.

Weekends you won't want to miss their tasty chipped beef and sausage gravy... all hand made, just like mom's. Tuesday night is traditionally "Italian Night" at **Vancherie's**. **Vancherie's** is still run by the local family who's been there for generations. Head on over to **Vancherie's**, open seven days a week for breakfast, lunch and dinner - with breakfast available all day.

Remember the old fashioned dipped cone or milk shakes at **Vancherie's** soda fountain. **Vancherie's** on Union Avenue in historic Havre de Grace looks forward to welcoming you to our community.

We encourage you not to forget the great places where you can purchase wonderful subs and sandwiches or deli items by the pound. Check out **Sam's Deli** (Erie Street near the Lockhouse), **WaWa's** on Revolution St. and the **Acme and Weis's** on Route 40. **The Seafood Dealer** (Rt. 40) offers homemade soups, steamed crabs, a variety of seafoods, plus crabcakes and sandwiches and Gulf Shrimp, seafood platters and salads by the pound. Most of all, don't forget our great neighborhood **Goll's Bakery** at 234 N. Washington.

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# A Glimpse of Life in Havre de Grace in the Early 1900s

This article shifts slightly from the water-oriented stories of past issues and focuses on the livery stable. Jane Currier Belbot of the Currier House Bed & Breakfast (800 So. Market Street) graciously shared a handful of the thousands of pieces of papers, receipts and photographs that were found in the house during renovations.

Jane's Aunt 'Honey' lives in Susquehanna Hills and remembers well life at the livery stable. She recalls being told that around 1892 the livery stable was located on Pearl Street. She thinks it was about that time it was moved to Franklin & Union for a short while. Then it was moved to Franklin & Stokes Street where the building still stands. It now houses F. Lamar Mergler Inc., an electrical contractor.

Jane's grandfather, O.R. Currier, operated the Havre de Grace Livery Stable until his death in 1939. The livery stabled 36 horses on a permanent basis. Fifteen horses were kept on the second floor with the office and tack room. The balance were kept on the first floor along with the large wagon that was used with the three Clydesdales.

Aunt 'Honey' remembers that there were two funeral hearses: a gray for younger people pulled by gray horses and a black one for older people pulled by black horses. They also had sleighs and buggies.

Honey also recalls that the hay was kept on the third floor. Now picture this: a pulley system was used to get the hay to the third floor. A horse was tied to the pulley



O.R. Currier resting outside the Havre de Grace Livery Stable.

system and had to walk all the way to the Presbyterian Church (more than half a block away) to be able to pull the hay high enough to get it into the third floor window! Next time you're out for a walk, go check it out for yourself.

The livery stable papers can really tell a great deal about the city's history. Moving loads of raw materials and finished goods to the canals, the wharf and the trains kept O.R. Currier well aware of what was happening in town. Receipts for lumber being delivered would tell when and whose house or building was being constructed.

The large wagon and Clydesdale horses would move heavy loads of building materials and pick up shipments from the Pennsylvania Railroad and also the wharf at the foot of Otsego Street. Tons of sand were being purchased here for delivery to the railroad and ships at the wharf. Another unique fact was that there are many receipts from Texaco, presumably kerosene oil for lamps, etc. since these were dated before automobiles.

Honey remembers that the Vandiver horses were kept at the livery. She also recalls that a large wagon was used to haul Havre de Grace people to Bel Air for jury duty, sporting events or any type of business. It was the only transportation before cars. Wow, that makes for a lengthy trip to go to the mall!

O.R. Currier rented out sleighs for races on Union Avenue and the water's edge when the ice was frozen.

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On the left is O.R. Currier with one of the livery horses and on the right is a view of the same building as it stands today.



Called the Union Avenue Sleigh Races, they were evidently well organized. He also rented buggies and horses to salesmen who came to town on the PA Railroad.

In 1918 the horses, wagons and trappings were all sold to Guilding Nitrate Company. The livery was changed to a gas station and storage company to be prepared for changing times. In the Currier B&B a picture hangs of the first gas pump at the station.

O.R. Currier was also the first chief of the Susquehanna Hose Company. Most likely the horses at the livery made him very important to the fire company. He held that position for fifteen years.

There's a great deal more to learn from the small pieces of information that Jane Currier Belbot shared with me. Consider these receipts:

- \$1.00 for 9 KWH of electricity used the month of May 1915
- \$17.15 for City Taxes in 1900 (tax on \$2900.00)
- 10 new horse shoes for a total of \$10.00
- 14925 gals. water consumed from June 27 to Sept. 25, 1915 @ 30¢ per thousand gallons = \$4.47
- A total of \$23.20 for carriage repairs and painting from June 24 to Nov. 17, 1915

We hope this gave you a small glimpse of life in Havre de Grace in the early 1900s. I look forward to offering more such vignettes in future issues.

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Our community continues to add wonderful new adventures while keeping our small town atmosphere. This time we'd like to mention some of the fun things you can do that you might not have thought about previously.

### Starrk Moon Kayaks...

has just arrived in Havre de Grace (located at the corner of Warren St. & Union Ave) and is already one of the hottest new spots in town. Operated by Brad Nelson and his family (mother, sister, daughters, nephew and wife, Jeannie plus friend, Dinver McClure) the other two locations are in Delta, Pa. and Fayetteville, WV. They've been working the paddle shop scene since 1988 in Delta and 1997 in Fayetteville (which offers extreme white water kayaking). All three shops are open year round.

Kathy Robinson, Dir. of Operations in Havre de Grace, works with her husband Stephen. They will enthusiastically talk you into giving a kayak a try. Kathy talked this editor into it. (So if you see a little yellow kayak without a paddler, please watch for the floating lifejacket and grab her!) Kathy explains that they'll have lots of experienced folks supporting their operation. Folks like Jeff Nelson - six years experience, Lindsey Blauvelt - 9 years, Hunter Robinson - 8 years (growing up in a kayak since the age of ten), Drew Hayes and Robert Fay, long-time paddlers from Delaware.

Besides the obvious sales of kayaks and gear, **Starrk Moon Kayaks** will also offer rentals, lessons (group and individual) and personalized tours for small and large groups. Because the Chesapeake Bay is not dependent on rainfall (as many of the rivers are), the kayaking season is much longer here. But their operation doesn't stop with

Kathy and Stephen Robinson showing off (my) kayak...



kayaks. The Havre de Grace location offers bike rentals and sales as well as snowboards in the winter.

Customer friendly is the key for this paddle shop

operation. They believe in suiting each person with the kayak that's right for the experience and the water they wish to navigate. You'll find them friendly, fun and informative. Whether you're just daydreaming about paddling along the shore to get closer to the herons or you're ready to test your skills with one of their 'wicked cool white water kayaks,' you'll definitely enjoy a visit to their shop. Check them out on the web at [www.starrkmoon.com](http://www.starrkmoon.com) or call 410-939-9500.

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In 1996 the **Lantern Queen** got hung up on a pile and sank at Penns Landing in Philadelphia. The present owner, Captain Morey, was salvage master and raised the **Lantern Queen** on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July 1996. He purchased the vessel in 1996 and along with his wife, Wendy, and their friends, she was restored to make her what she is today.

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- Friday *Moonlight Cruises* from 9 to 11 p.m. includes a full dinner buffet for \$25/person
- Sunday, May 9, 1999 - *Mother's Day Cruise* - 2 to 4 p.m. includes dinner buffet for \$30/person

- Sunday, June 20, 1999 - *Father's Day Cruise* - 2 to 4 p.m. includes dinner buffet for \$30/person
- Sunday, July 4, 1999 - *Fireworks Cruise* - 3-hour cruise from 7 to 10 p.m. includes cash bar plus dinner buffet for \$50/per person. Enjoy a wonderful evening following the Havre de Grace Independence Day Parade and watch the spectacular fireworks from the decks of the **Lantern Queen**.

## A-Tours, Inc.

Matthew Johnson has brought a wonderfully fun and educational program to our city. His "Classroom on Wheels" offers an excursion titled *Rumors and Tales of the Underground Railroad*. The motorcoach or van tour retraces the route used by slaves and indentured escaping through the area on their way to freedom. Matthew Johnson and others share their knowledge through storytelling along the way while stopping at various historic sites in the area.

Matthew Johnson has researched the oral histories passed down by his family and many friends. In accomplishing this task he has added to his own repertoire of stories and

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encouraged others to research their own oral histories. His tours are especially popular with area schools. Call **A-Tours, Inc.** at 410-939-1133 or 888-416-8687 to get a schedule or charter a tour.

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Steve and his wife, Cathi, can also get some unique photographs of area points of interest. Looking for a point of view not attainable any other way, call them. Their



Photo by Steve Rogers. The bridge is the Amtrak Bridge at the foot of Otsego Street. Look carefully, the inset shows the osprey nest.

ability to fly relatively low to the ground/water and at a slower speed than most aircraft, they might be able to get a spellbinding photograph that you'll cherish forever.

You'll probably catch Steve where he parks his craft behind the *Tidewater Grille*, located at the foot of Franklin Street. Weeknights he's usually there around 5:30 p.m. till sunset. Saturday and Sunday you'll catch him about 9 a.m. till sunset. Of, course, this all depends on weather. You might want to give him a call if you'd like to reserve some time with Steve. Call 1-877-FOR-FLY (367-2359) or 410-734-4433. Check out his website at [www.forafly.com](http://www.forafly.com).

### Skipjack Martha Lewis

If you love people, the outdoors, nature, or history; if you want to take part in an adventure with a purpose, the crew on the *Skipjack Martha Lewis* is looking for you. Of course if you love sailing (or want to learn), then it's THE place to volunteer. On the other hand if you're only here for a week or two, then you'll want to read the rest of this article to find out the many trips and projects available to you and contact the Martha Lewis at 410-939-4078 for possible reservations.

One of the few remaining working dredge boats that make up the Chesapeake Bay oyster fleet – the last to fish commercially, under sail, in the United States, the *Martha Lewis* is the Ambassador of Goodwill for the Upper Chesapeake Bay which means they frequently travel to races, festivals and other events. You can "learn and earn" points to take part in some of these longer trips by volunteering for the many other projects they offer.

From April through July they need help with Discovery Classroom, a 5 hr. experiential program where students take active part in a great learning experience. This program needs not only the obvious sailing crew, but teachers for the 5 environmental stations on the boat. Not to worry, there's a training course to help you. And you're actually leading the students as they do the experiments.

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Sailor or teacher scare you away but you still would love being involved with the **Martha Lewis**? Well, they need maintenance support, help with writing grants, publishing their newsletter, membership, fundraising, publicity or even covering a booth at various events. One day a month or three days a week, they need you!

So what do you say? If you're physically agile and have lots of enthusiasm, they can find a need you can fill on the boat. If you're a landlubber, then give them a hand with the many other areas that keep the **Martha Lewis** afloat. For instance, on August 3 & 4 they will offer the Oyster Art Program for youngsters ages 7-12. This program needs 10 volunteers to work with the youngsters. If you like art, they can use you on dry land, or if you prefer to teach or sail, they can use you on the boat.

The crew of the **Martha Lewis** offers two full-day training sessions and you must become a member of the Chesapeake Heritage Conservancy (individual: \$15 or family: \$25). This non-profit corporation develops and supervises programs that focus on historic preservation, maritime heritage, estuarine studies and conservation of the Chesapeake Bay and also owns, operates and maintains the **Skipjack Martha Lewis**. Then it's "Ships

ahoy!" for the adventure of a lifetime and to meet just plain fun folks. Call today to volunteer or to find out more about their sailing schedules for the public: 1-800-406-0766 or 410-939-4078 or visit their website at: [www.newmc.com/martha\\_lewis](http://www.newmc.com/martha_lewis)



**BaySail**  
We've written about **BaySail** in an earlier edition, but I'd like to include Kim Richard's operation in this column. **BaySail** is an excellent way to enjoy the Chesapeake.

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*The following was written by Caitlin Hiob when she was in the fifth grade (age 10) at Homestead Wakefield Elementary in Bel Air. The editor did not make any corrections in order to make the impact of this young person's efforts speak for itself.*

## My Favorite Place In Harford County Is...

H is for Havre de Grace my favorite place in Harford County.  
 A is for the Antique shop where you can browse.  
 V is for the View of Upper Chesapeake Bay you see from Sion Hill Mansion.  
 R is for all the Restraunt with fresh sea food.  
 E is for the Elobrate room at the Spencer Silver Mansion, Bed & Breakfast.

D is for the Decoy musams.  
 E is for the Episcopal Church that Abraham Lincoln prayed at.

G is for the grand Georgian home; Mt. Felix, built in the 1830s  
 R is for Running and walking people do on the Promenade.  
 A is for Awesome dock were my Uncle's sailboat is.  
 C is for the Concord Piont Light House.  
 E is for the Exciting time my family and I have there.

*Caitlin Hiob is now in the eighth grade (13 years old) at Bel Air Middle School. We thank her for sharing this piece with us and look forward to hearing from other young folks who love our community.*

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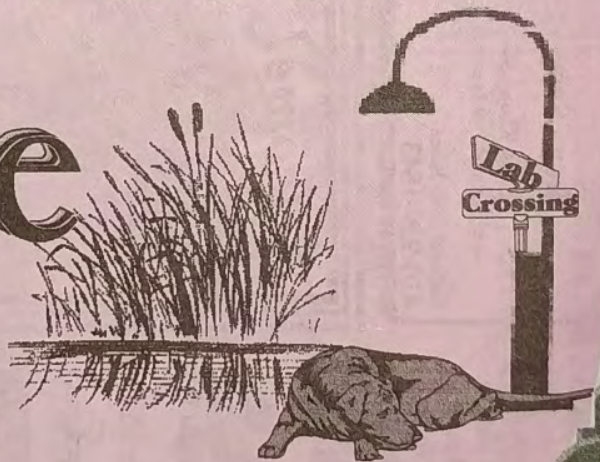
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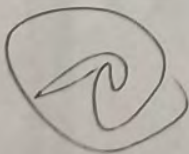
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