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Welcome to the Havre de Grace Experience

The Year 2000 has brought a lot of exciting events to our City. The most unusual is the creation of a pilot series for television titled, "The Young Americans." Not only does it have the potential to truly put us on the map, it has literally changed the 'faces' of our community. Building 'faces' that is.

The most obvious is the new town square at the intersection of Washington Street and Congress Avenue. Although right now it is only made of painted bricks and plastic forms, a lot of us are hoping that folks like it so much it will become a permanent fixture.

Then you'll notice the new gas station at the same intersection. Of course, it's been a long time since gas was 24¢ a gallon and I'm sure there are many of our readers who don't even remember. But it certainly stirs those memory cells buried deep in the minds of many of us.

Then there are the storefronts that have been given new life. The **Havre de Grace Ritz** every now and then is *remodeled* and becomes the inside of the gas station for filming. Across the street **Elections** has an awesome awning and facade that tells us we have a *Friendly's™* ready to serve you. They, too, go through a transformation inside when a particular scene is filmed there. Again, these are only sets for the production, but they sure help our community see ourselves in a new way.

I've personally decided that if a community brought in a production company to design 'sets' before



Transformation – the Havre de Grace Ritz becomes a 50s gas station.

changing the local texture, they would be able to get the majority of its citizens to support it. After all, a picture is worth a thousand words, right? Well, imagine how effective a *facade* could be to helping us see someone's vision!

The most interesting concept is how quickly they created the transformations. Oh, if only changes could happen so fast once a decision was made in real life!

I'd like to mention that the production crews have been friendly and courteous. We've not heard any of

those nasty 4-letter words that are all too common today from folks on the street. What a pleasant change.

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Phil
Phil Barker, Mayor



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11TH Annual Maritime Festival

Tydings Memorial Park - 10am to 5pm.
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SEPTEMBER 16, 2000

HdG Corn Festival

Tydings Memorial Park, 9am-6pm.
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Havre de Grace Independence Day Carnival

Tydings Memorial Park

OCTOBER 10, 2000

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SEPTEMBER 9-10, 2000

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Please note that these events are highlighted for the Celebration 2000, please see the Calendar of Events in the center spread for ALL events taking place throughout the year in Havre de Grace.

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Of course, not everyone is happy. There are those who get upset at inconveniences such as when the filming goes on late into the night or there is a traffic pattern change. Nor do I need to remind you that nothing is ever without its downside. But all in all, this production has brought new vision to our community if nothing more than a look at our potential.

The new year's events certainly don't stop there. We had an exciting weekend of multi-events (same concept as multi-tasking) on May 5-6-7. The Decoy Museum had their 19th Annual Wildlife Art and Sportmen's Festival for the three days. While the Susquehanna Museum at the Lockhouse offered a 2-day re-enactment of the War of 1812, Steppingstone Museum offered "Historical Crafts Workshops" on Saturday and a "Civil War Living History Day" that Sunday. The Harco Stamp Club even offered a commemorative cache for the occasion at the



Happy Birthday, George
from your friends in the 'hood'

Maritime Museum for Havre de Grace's part in the War of 1812. Add to that the energy of more than a dozen bands placed throughout the downtown area on Saturday evening from 5-8 pm and you have a weekend that has had everyone talking

As you continue through the pages of *Lockhouse to Lighthouse*, you'll find a number of articles about our history, our events, and our community. It's a great town with a lot to offer. From restaurants and antiques to museums and parks, from festivals to riverboat cruises to an afternoon on one of the few remaining working dredge boats, there is much to do here.

We hope if this is your first time here, that you'll return again and again. If you're one of the folks who does return over and over, we say *thank you and welcome!*

Before closing I thought I'd add a piece of local flavor. Since living here (four years), I've learned about neighborhoods and friends. Here's a photo of a birthday greeting for one of the folks in my 'hood.' Be sure to extend a late birthday greeting to George Wagner at **Bahoukas** when you're strolling up Franklin Street between **MacGregor's** and **Crazy Swede** Restaurants. We had a lot of fun with this 'surprise' for George!

Have a wonderful visit to our city. Enjoy snippets of all that we have to offer and return for more. We love it here. And we're glad you share in our enthusiasm.

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Ellie Mencer, editor

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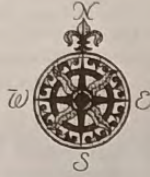
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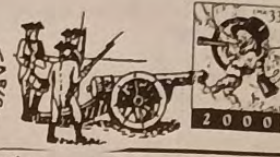
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"Only once," she responds.

"Do you like ferris wheels?"

"Nope," she says, looking me right in the eye.

Then Steve Rogers motions for her to get into the student seat of the plane. He begins his brief run-down of the few trappings on the plane, reminds her again of the lifejacket and seat belt, adjusts her headset, and motions to me that they're ready to take off.

Steve, owner and operator of UltraFlight UltraFun, maintains his calm, giving a slight sense of confidence to his new student. She grins cautiously and waves. The engine revs and the plane heads out



Carla takes direction seriously.

into the Bay. Within a few short minutes I watch them move across the water and lift off.

They're gone.

I can only wait for Steve to circle over my apartment building and let me know they'll be returning. All the while I wonder if I'll be brave enough this year to trust this slightly built man with the patience of Job. I've seen him do this over and over. And I know that everyone gets out with this look of ... well, joy! I don't know any other appropriate word.

Oh, there it is. I hear the motor of the ultralight overhead. I rush in and grab my camera to meet them at the pier behind MacGregor's and Tidewater Grille.

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Within a few minutes you hear the plane roaring in. The splashdown takes just a second and they're passing by the pier headed for their docking area. And Carla waves, gives me a thumbs up, and yep, grins from ear to ear. I've seen that very same look dozens of times in the past year.

I catch up with them as they leave the plane. And what do I hear? Carla's asking about future lessons! I knew it. I knew it. It's an addiction. And in one short half hour lesson, she's sick.

On our walk up the hill I ask her a few questions. "How did it feel taking off?"

"If I'd had my eyes closed, I wouldn't have known when we left the water," she answers enthusiastically.

I also learn that she actually handled the controls the last few minutes. (Steve, by the way, says that women are much easier to instruct and have a softer



Is that a look of confidence, or just bravado???

touch with the plane.) She's seriously ready to take lessons for a pilot's license.

"Was there anything that was really scary?"

"Well," she answers hesitantly. "As we were heading in for the landing, Steve explains that you can come in quite fast if you want. I've got one hand holding this bar (for security) and find myself leaning back into my seat as I watch the dock seeming to grow right before my eyes. It feels like it's about to eat us."

Carla explains that getting your bearings is the hardest part. But the view is spectacular. She was able to locate her stores, the Crazy Swede, name the streets and more.

Yep, she's gonna do it again! And with that, she gives me a wave as she heads back to her store. But I notice that her step is just a bit lighter.

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Offering a variety of items including, crabcakes, New England Cod Fishcakes, British fish & chips, and Carolina Barbecue, you'll also still be able to purchase a great hot dog, sausage or fish sandwich, or French fries and a burger. Bobby will be using National Hebrew Products. Pre-packaged ice cream items will be offered if there's still room for a little dessert. The assorted beverages will include Pepsi products, 'truly' fresh lemonade or sun-brewed iced tea. Of course, *the Fishermen's Coffee* will always be ready for you! For those of you who just can't resist supporting your favorite duck, 'duck food' will be available for purchase. Bobby also wants you to know that he supports the local community restaurants and says, "Those interested in full dinners, our city offers many fine eateries." And yes, he'll even give you directions!

The really unique part of this exciting spot is that there will be live music Monday through Friday from 6-8 p.m. offering something for everyone including: classical, folk, blue grass, country western, ethnic music and Bobby Griffin's very own Amateur Hour. Saturdays and Sundays from 1-4 p.m. you'll hear a wide variety of American music including blues and jazz. Possible artists to be featured during the summer include: Sherri Lyn Robbins, Dr. David Jaffe, Token, Roger Girke & the Twisters, Brad Newsome, I'm not Sally and others.

It's important to note that in June and July, the Friday music programs will be scheduled from 5-7 p.m. so as not to conflict with the Arts Commission "Concerts in the Park" series. Or, as Bobby says, "We will be dark!" (I guess that's theater talk for the "stage will be closed.")

Also on Saturdays and Sundays, between the music programs, Bobby plans to have a treat for the kids. This is still in the scheduling phase but, for sure, Don - the magician, will be checking for that coin behind your ear!

Starting the 2nd week of June, beginning around 8 p.m., old movies will be shown. This should be a lot of fun and give you one more great reason to stay around just a little longer and enjoy the evening on the Bay.

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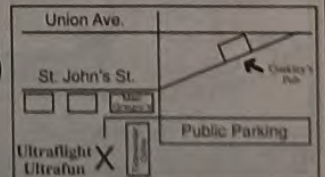
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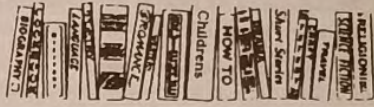
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Farmers Market - Pennington Avenue (near City Police Station) 9 am to noon. Info call 410-939-3303

Havre de Grace Decoy Museum - foot of Giles Street at the Bay. Open Mon - Sun, 11-4 pm and by special appointment. Call 410-939-3739

Havre de Grace Maritime Museum - Lafayette Street. Call 410-939-4800

Lantern Queen Riverboat Cruises - foot of Congress St. Call 410-287-7217 or 1-888-937-3740

Skipjack Martha Lewis (Chesapeake Heritage Conservancy) Public Discovery Cruises - foot of Congress St. (Public Cruises usually leave from the Concord Point Lighthouse Pier). Call 410-939-4078

Steppingstone Farm Museum - 461 Quaker Bottom Road (off Rte. 155 just outside of HdG). Call 410-939-2299

Susquehanna Museum at the Lockhouse - North Park (just off Erie Street). Call 410-939-5780.

Introductory Ultraflight Float Flying - located behind Tidewater Grille. Call 1-877-FOR-A-FLY or check out www.forafly.com

May 20 **RING JOUSTING TOURNAMENT** at Steppingstone Museum, 461 Quaker Bottom Road from noon to 5 pm. Sponsored by the *Amateur Jousting Club of MD, Inc.* FEE Also a skit, crafts, tours and food. Bring the kids, join in the fun. Info call 410-939-2299 or 1-888-419-1762

May 20-21 **Intro to Kayaking - Kayaks for the Beach**
10 am to 4 pm at 500 Warren Street. Info call 410-939-9500 or 1-877-KAYAKS1

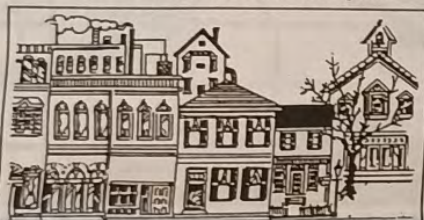
May 20-21 **11th Annual MARITIME FESTIVAL**
10 am to 5 pm at Tydings Park. FREE admission. Info call 410-939-4800 or 410-939-0208

June 1 **"DIAMONDS IN THE ROUGH" Women's Golf Tournament** - 8:30 am at Bulle Rock Golf Course. Benefit Boys & Girls Clubs of Harford County. Info call 410-272-8222 ext. 10

June 2 **Harford Co. HOSPICE REGATTA**
The first of an annual event takes place at Hutchins Park (foot of Congress Ave.) Sailboat races start at 6:15 pm with dinner, entertainment with music by the *Johnson Brothers*" and raffles going from 7 to 10 pm. Join us for a great time! Tickets \$25 Call 410-939-8424 or 410-877-3518

June 2 **CONCERT IN THE PARK** - presented by the **Arts Commission** - begins at 7:30 pm at Tydings Park. "*Chester County Concert Band*" FREE Info call 410-273-9523 (Rain location: HdG High School on Juniata Street)

June 2-3-4 **"CHARLIE BROWN"** presented by the **Tidewater Players, Inc.** Fri. & Sat. 8 pm/Sun at 3 pm at the Opera House, 121 N. Union Avenue. Info or tickets call: 410-939-5204 or 410-939-0430



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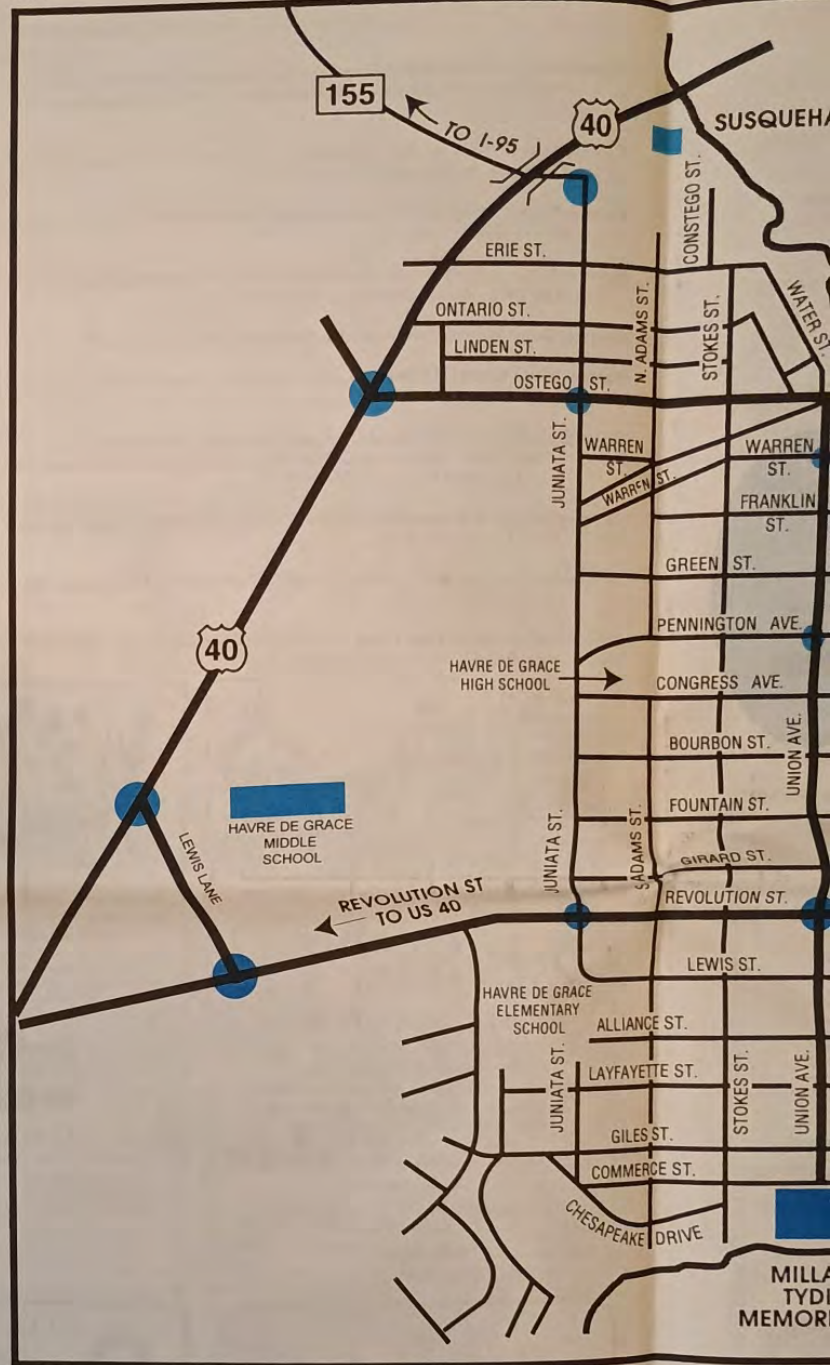
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- June 2-3-4** **SPRING USED BOOK SALE** – Friends of the Library. For location call: 410-939-6700
- June 9** **CONCERT IN THE PARK** – presented by the Arts Commission – begins at 7:30 pm at Tydings Park. "The Fairmont Quartet" offering a variety of classical styles & selections. FREE. Info call 410-273-9523 (Rain location: HdG High School on Juniata Street)
- June 9-10-11** **"CHARLIE BROWN"** presented by the Tidewater Players, Inc. Fri. & Sat. 8 pm/Sun at 3 pm at the Opera House, 121 N. Union Avenue. Info or tickets call: 410-939-5204 or 410-939-0430
- June 10** **Intro to ULTRAFLIGHT FLOAT FLYING** – 11 am to dark (behind Tidewater Grille) Info call 410-688-1027 or 1-877-FOR-A-FLY
- June 10-11** **SPRING USED BOOK SALE** – Friends of the Library. For location call: 410-939-6700
- June 10-11** **Intro to Kayaking – KAYAKS FOR THE BEACH** 10 am to 4 pm at 500 Warren Street. Info call 410-939-9500 or 1-877-KAYAKS1
- June 11** **SCOTTISH FESTIVAL at Steppingstone Museum**, 461 Quaker Bottom Road, HdG. Noon til 5 pm. FEE. Info call 410-939-2299 or 1-888-419-1762
- June 16** **CONCERT IN THE PARK** – presented by the Arts Commission – begins at 7:30 pm at Tydings Park. "Port of Call" a Baltimore vocal group offering "Barber Shop" – that classic American art form. FREE. Info call 410-273-9523 (Rain location: HdG High School on Juniata Street)
- June 16-17** **"CHARLIE BROWN"** presented by the Tidewater Players, Inc. Fri. & Sat. 8 pm at the Opera House, 121 N. Union Avenue. Info or tickets call: 410-939-5204 or 410-939-0430
- June 17-18** **SPRING USED BOOK SALE** – Friends of the Library. For location call: 410-939-6700
- June 23** **CONCERT IN THE PARK** – presented by the Arts Commission – begins at 7:30 pm at Tydings Park. *The Upper Chesapeake Chorus of the Sweet Adeline*'s is Harford County's award winning women's vocal group having performed at the White House in 1999. FREE. Info call 410-273-9523 (Rain location: HdG High School on Juniata Street)
- June 24** **Steppingstone's GOT the BLUES** – a classic blues festival from 2 til 8 pm. FEE. Enjoy the sounds of *Red Dog Band*, *Night Street* and the *Kelly Bell Band* on the wonderful grounds of the museum. For info call 410-939-2299 or 1-888-419-1762
- June 27 through July 1** **INDEPENDENCE CELEBRATION WEEK CARNIVAL** Tues. thru Thurs. 6 pm to 11 pm. Friday 6 pm to midnight. Saturday 2 pm to midnight. Call 410-939-4362 for information or Pay One Price specials (Tues thru Fri)
- July 1** **INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE, CONCERT & FIREWORKS.** Parade starts at 2 pm traveling along Union Avenue. The concert features *Gazze*, an energetic band offering a wide variety of music including the top 40s. This great program will start at 7 pm, breaking for the fireworks display at dusk, then continuing til 11 pm. Concert & fireworks at Tydings Park.
- July 7** **CONCERT IN THE PARK** – presented by the Arts Commission – begins at 7:30 pm at Tydings Park. The *Jeff Lawson Project* led by HdG native, Jeff, will be a night of Bluegrass and Old-time music at its best. World class musicians will enchant the audience. FREE. Info call 410-273-9523 (Rain location: HdG High School on Juniata Street)
- July 8** **Intro to ULTRAFLIGHT FLOAT FLYING** – 11 am to dark (behind Tidewater Grille) Info call 410-688-1027 or 1-877-FOR-A-FLY
- July 8** **JURIED ART SHOW RECEPTION** – 6 to 9 pm hosted by the Decoy Museum. For info call 410-939-4119.
- July 9-22** **10th INTERNATIONAL JURIED ART EXHIBITION** from 1-4 pm daily Decoy Museum – 2nd floor (elevator available) Info call 410-939-4119
- July 14** **CONCERT IN THE PARK** – presented by the Arts Commission – begins at 7:30 pm at Tydings Park. Featuring two ensembles – *Lisa Staudenecker* sings her songs with intense vocal quality – a real gift. And from Annapolis, MD the *Frank Cramblitt Band* will round out the evening with some of Annapolis' finest musicians. FREE. Info call 410-273-9523 (Rain location: HdG High School on Juniata Street)
- July 15** **7th Annual DECOY MUSEUM YARD SALE** on the museum grounds at 215 Giles St. from 8 am until 2 pm. Info call 410-939-3739



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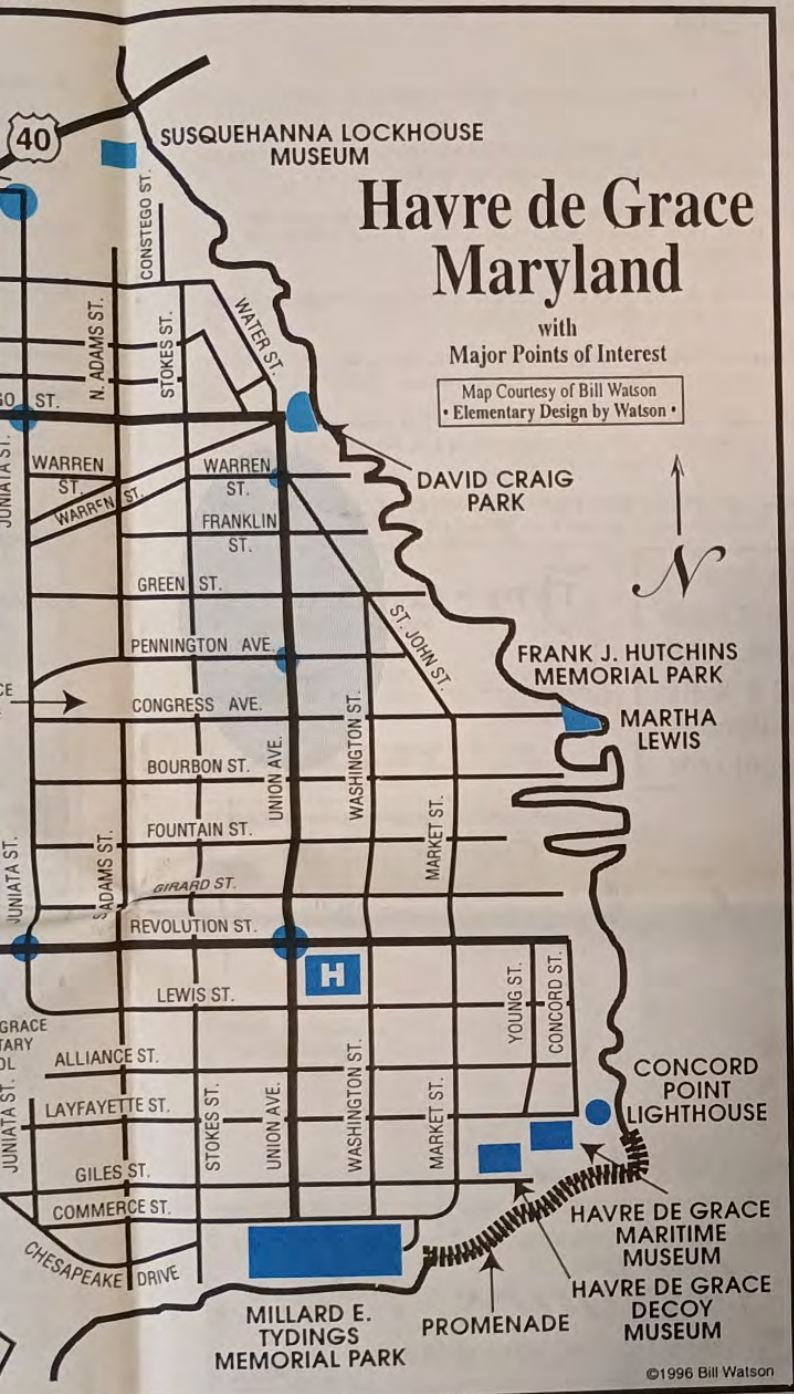
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- July 21** **CONCERT IN THE PARK** – presented by the Arts Commission – begins at 7:30 pm at Tydings Park. *Al Maniscalco* is one of the east coast's premier alto saxophone players. A Baltimore native with a Harford Co. connection – he teaches sax at Joe Noto's Music Land in Bel Air. This promises to be a great evening of jazz. FREE. Info call 410-273-9523 (Rain location: HdG High School on Juniota Street)
- July 28** **CONCERT IN THE PARK** – presented by the Arts Commission – begins at 7:30 pm at Tydings Park. This final presentation of the 2000 season brings the root sounds of *Rodger Girke and the Twisters* for some power packed American music. FREE. Info call 410-273-9523 (Rain location: HdG High School on Juniota Street)
- July 28-29-30** **"The CANTERVILLE GHOST"** presented by the Tidewater Players, Inc. Fri & Sat 8 pm, Sun. at 3 pm at the Opera House, 121 N. Union Avenue. Info or tickets call: 410-939-5204 or 410-939-0430
- July 31 OR August 1** **OYSTER ART with the Skipjack MARTHA LEWIS.** 10 am to 2 pm. Takes place at the dock and the pavilion of the HdG American Legion. Children's program ages 6-10. Must make reservations. FEE Call 410-939-4078 or 1-800-406-0766
- August 4-5** **POSTCARD SHOW** at the Community Building. FREE APPRAISALS Fri 10 am – 6 pm and Sat. 10 am – 4 pm. Info call 410-642-3521
- August 4-5-6** **"The CANTERVILLE GHOST"** presented by the Tidewater Players, Inc. Fri & Sat 8 pm, Sun. at 3 pm at the Opera House, 121 N. Union Avenue. Info or tickets call: 410-939-5204 or 410-939-0430
- August 5** **4th ANNUAL SPORTING CLAYS EVENT** sponsored by the Decoy Museum taking place at Alexander's Sporting Farms in Golts, MD. Call 410-939-3739 for info or to register to enter.
- August 12** **Intro to ULTRAFLOAT FLYING** – 11 am to dark (behind Tidewater Grille) Info call 410-688-1027 or 1-877-FOR-A-FLY
- August 12-13** **20th ANNUAL SEAFOOD FESTIVAL** at Tydings Park. Sat. from noon to 8 pm, Sun. noon to 6 pm. Seafood, crafts, entertainment, Upper Chesapeake Crabcake Contest, silent auction. Info call 410-939-1525.
- August 19-20** **27th ANNUAL HAVRE DE GRACE ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW** at Tydings Park from 10 am to 5 pm. Sponsored by the Soroptimist Int'l of Havre de Grace.
- August 26** **ANNUAL ANTIQUE STREET FEST** on Franklin Street in Havre de Grace 9 am to 5 pm. Info call 410-939-4882.
- September 9** **CHILDREN'S ART FESTIVAL** in Tydings Park, 10 am to 3 pm. Info call 410-939-2382 (Rain location: HdG High School Gym on Juniota Street)
- September 9** **Intro to ULTRAFLOAT FLYING** – 11 am to dark (behind Tidewater Grille) Info call 410-688-1027 or 1-877-FOR-A-FLY
- September 9-10** **INTRO to FALL & WINTER KAYAKING** at 500 Warren Street – 10 am to 4 pm, info call 410-939-9500 or 1-877-KAYAKS1
- September 9-10** **13th ANNUAL DUCK FAIR** at the Decoy Museum. Sat. 9 am – 5 pm and Sun. 10 am to 4 pm. Info call 410-939-3739
- September 10** **9th ANNUAL HAVRE de GRACE SEPTEMBERFEST** – Downtown from 10 am to 5 pm. Info call 410-939-9513 or 410-939-6500
- September 16** **4th ANNUAL LOCKHOUSE DAYS & SENIOR CITIZENS FESTIVAL** on the Susquehanna Museum grounds. Info call 410-939-5780
- September 16** **THE DOMINATOR, ADVENTURE RACING IN MD** – Susquehanna State Park. Info call 410-653-8288
- September 17** **ECO-CHALLENGE EVENT** at Steppingstone Museum, 461 Quaker Bottom Rd, HdG – in Susquehanna State Park. Noon to 5 pm. Sponsored by Cycle Across Maryland and MD DNR. FEE. Info call 410-939-2299 or 1-888-419-1762
- September 17** **THE DOMINATOR, ADVENTURE RACING IN MD** – Susquehanna State Park. Info call 410-653-8288
- September 23-24** **FALL HARVEST FESTIVAL & CRAFT SHOW** at Steppingstone Museum. 11 am to 5 pm. FEE Info call 410-939-2299 or 1-888-419-1762
- September 24** **4th ANNUAL AIDS WALK** – Tydings Park. Registration 8 am. Walk starts at 9 am. Info call 410-939-7440

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October 6-7-8 FALL USED BOOK SALE by Friends of the Library, for location call 410-939-6700

October 7 FALL FIBER FEST at Steppingstone Museum. Noon to 5 pm. Info call 410-939-2299 or 1-888-419-1762

October 7-8 INTRO to FALL & WINTER KAYAKING at 500 Warren Street - 10 am to 4 pm, info call 410-939-9500 or 1-877-KAYAKS1

October 14-15 FALL USED BOOK SALE by Friends of the Library, for location call 410-939-6700

October 21-22 JACK RUSSELL NATIONAL TRIALS at Steppingstone Museum. FEE Info call 410-939-2299 or 1-888-419-1762

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October 22 MASQUERADE PARTY aboard the Skipjack MARTHA LEWIS at the Concord Point Lighthouse Pier. 4 - 6 pm FEE. Info call 410-939-4078 or 1-800-406-0766

October 30 DOWNTOWN HALLOWEEN PARADE from 6 pm to 7 pm. Sponsored by the Havre de Grace Parks & Recreation. Info call 410-939-3303

November 22 COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING WORKSHOP SERVICE at 7:30 pm. Historical displays of all Community Worship Centers in conjunction with the worship service. HdG United Methodist Church on N. Union Avenue. Info call 410-939-2464

November 23 THANKSGIVING DINNER given by S.M.I.L.E.S. at Havre de Grace High School (Congress & Juniata Sts) Info call 410-939-6600

November 26 - December 1 FESTIVAL of TREES at the Havre de Grace Community Center Info call 410-939-3303

December 1 GALA for FESTIVAL of TREES at the Havre de Grace Community Center from 6 pm to 10 pm. Info call 410-939-3303

December TIDEWATER PLAYERS presentation weekends at Old Opera House, 121 N. Union Avenue in Havre de Grace. Info call 410-939-5204 or 410-939-0430

December 9-10 CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE at Steppingstone Museum from noon to 4:30 pm. Info call 1-888-419-1762 or 410-939-2299

December 9-10 CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE at the Lockhouse Museum. Sat. from 9 am to 1 pm and Sunday from 4 - 8 pm. For info call 410-939-5780

December 10 28th ANNUAL CANDLELIGHT TOUR of historic homes, churches and businesses. Fee \$10. Businesses noon to 4 pm, Homes 4 to 8 pm. Info call 410-939-3947 or 410-939-3303

December 10 DECOY MUSEUM SALE & CARVER CELEBRATION at HdG Decoy Museum. 11 am until 8 pm. Info call 410-939-3739

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There's no doubt about it. Absolutely none. This has been an exciting season already for the various museums in our city. With the energy of the new millennium, it seems that everyone's been trying to add a little extra pizzazz to an already full schedule.

Skipjack MARTHA LEWIS Fundraiser

This event takes place the 3rd weekend of April each year. The only fundraiser for the skipjack, which is owned and operated by the Chesapeake Heritage Conservancy (a non profit organization), this year's event was another success. Selling 630 tickets to the 6th Annual Bull & Oyster Roast started a weekend of great fun. The Pride of Baltimore II added a bit of sizzle to a great welcome to the skipjack captains and crew attending the next day's 6th Annual Upper Chesapeake Susquahannock Invitational Skipjack Races and Earthday Celebration at Hutchins Park.



Wishing for some wind....
photo by Mike Buczykowski

Music, great food and lots of it, raffles, a live auction and lots of just plain fun made for a very pleasant evening. The following morning the various museums and guests filled the tent with a variety of shore and water exhibits and activities while waiting for the fog to lift. The fog and light rain hung in there causing the skipjack races to be cancelled due to no wind. But the day was well attended and those that visited had a good time.

Skipjacks that took part in the weekend activities were: Nathan of Dorchester (Cambridge, MD),

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What do you think?

Kathryn and Nellie L. Byrd – both of Tilghman, MD, and the Martha Lewis. Paul Thomas also took part in his mini-skipjack Applegarth. There were two last minute cancellations, but everyone looks forward to an even better day next year. Of course, our new Capt. Mark Sanford was disappointed. He was really looking forward to the 'contest.' Hang in there, Capt. Mark, the year's not over yet!

Each of the area museums took part in the Earthday Celebration with many 'hands-on' activities for the kids. Add Vincent Leggett with his exhibit from the Blacks of the Chesapeake Foundation, the Upper Chesapeake Wooden Boat Builders, a most interesting exhibit from the Port of Baltimore, Starrk Moon Kayaks, and Seaworthy Small Ships with their model sailboat races, and you have the ingredients for a great day.

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Roast), Hess Hotels Group (sponsors of the Skipjack Races – rooms and prize money) and Vandiver Inn for guest rooms. There are dozens more to thank, but not enough room here. Truly a community activity.

Maritime Museum

The new building is the most obvious 'news' for the Maritime Museum. Although there is much to be completed inside, the building offers a great view of the area from its deck and windows. The current phase of construction is nearing its end. When completed, it will be a wonderful place for exhibits.



The Maritime Museum offers great views from its decks and will soon house the Upper Chesapeake Wooden Boat Builders School

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The Susquehanna Flats Environmental Center, an educational program of the Maritime Museum, began with a Sunrise Nature Walk along the Promenade on Saturday, April 15, 2000, kicking off the Earth Day festivities in and around Havre de Grace.

Their website is up and running. Check them out at www.SusFlats.org. Visit often for updates on their activities including soon-to-be-scheduled concerts and lectures.

One of their first public activities will be assisting the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service with the annual Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV) Hunt. The SAV beds of the Flats have been severely damaged by development in the watershed and pollution in the water. For some time now the USFWS and other agencies, assisted by hundreds of volunteers, have conducted an annual Bay-wide survey of SAV. Volunteers receive field guides and maps of SAV beds charted from aerial photographs and are asked to examine those areas to verify the existence, species and density of the SAV there. These reports are compiled into the annual survey.

This is one of the largest volunteer environmental science projects in the country. SFEC will be helping to coordinate volunteers in the Susquehanna tidewater community. Interested? Call 410-275-8091 and talk to Greg DeCowsky or e-mail: gdecowsky@SusFlats.org

May 20-21 is the Maritime Festival at Tydings Park. Don't miss this wonderful event from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Maritime Museum thanks the Harford County Cultural Advisory Board for their generous grant toward the various costs associated with staging this festival. (continued on page 17)

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Steppingstone Museum

April 29th was an exciting concert on a perfect, absolutely perfect, day. Opening at noon with music from area bands including Could Be Trouble, Thunder Rose, The Dallas Band and Detour, this fundraiser benefited the Harford and Cecil Counties' Food Banks. Over 3,000 people attended and waited patiently for the arrival of **John Michael Montgomery**.



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It was worth the wait. The audience screamed and clapped and sang along to their many favorites. John Michael was a warm and exciting performer and an awesome guitarist.

The concert was sponsored by 103.7 WXCX radio, Country Chrysler Plymouth-Dodge-Jeep and Jeff D'Ambrosio Chevy-Olds-GMC. Hopefully, Linda Noll, Executive Director of Steppingstone, will be willing to do another great concert. The museum, nestled on private property within the Susquehanna State Park, is the perfect place for concerts.

Weekend of May 5-7

This weekend was so full of activities that it was worth being late with this edition to include some photos. First of all, the 19th Annual Wildlife Art & Sportsmen's Festival opened Friday evening and continued through Sunday. With exhibits at the Decoy Museum, the Havre de Grace Middle and High Schools, there was barely enough time to enjoy the varied talents of so many fine artisans. With thousands coming into town to enjoy this annual festival, the additional programs just added the icing on the already delicious cake.

Steppingstone Museum offered historical crafts workshops on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Then on Sunday they had their Civil War Living History Day. With temperatures in the high 80s, those reenactors paid dearly for the history they love to portray. But they're always a welcome event with their living history encampment, drills, firing, artillery demonstrations, period music and dance. Even a visit from Abraham Lincoln adds to this interesting event. Add an Underground Railroad program, some storytelling and an ice cream social, well, what more could you ask for in one event!

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The British invade this home on Green Street (War of 1812 re-enactment) photo by ...Larry Smith



Greg Evans sounded a lot like Jimmy Buffet. Or maybe it was just his easy, laid back manner.

But the weekend doesn't end there. Saturday and Sunday there was a city-wide re-enactment of the May 3rd British attack on Havre de Grace during the War of 1812, complete with an unruly crowd upset with the pillaging and plundering of the shop (Teresa Yost Bennett's sculpture studio) at the corner of Green and St. John Streets. There was also an encampment at the Susquehanna Museum at the Lockhouse (sponsors of this event) the entire weekend.

Arts Commission Musical Mile

This most unique cultural weekend was rounded out with three hours on Saturday evening that offered 14 bands around the city. All the musicians were excellent. And there certainly was something for everyone. The only real flaw this author saw was trying to decide how to listen to more than one at the same time. Everyone in town and the surrounding area is hoping we'll have more of these events. Hats off to the Havre de Grace Arts Commission.

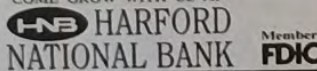
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The theme is *Celebrate Your Heritage*. All works of art will be judged by a panel of four artists. The three finalists will receive a ribbon of 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. The 1st place will also receive a prize of \$25.00. All three finalists will have the opportunity to have their winning piece exhibited at the Greco Art Gallery for one month beginning on the 4th of July weekend.

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The gallery's goal is to reach out to the community and encourage children in the arts, especially underprivileged and handicapped children.

Contact Leon Kalas at the Greco Art Gallery at 215 North Union or call: 410-942-1157.

The Picture Show

Teresa Yost Bennett, sculptor and gallery/frame shop partner, has remodeled her gallery. Don't miss browsing through her gallery and viewing traditional pieces, great sculpture and some wonderfully whimsical characters. The newly remodeled gallery offers a pleasant space for enjoying art. The Picture Show is located on the corner of Green and St. John Streets.

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
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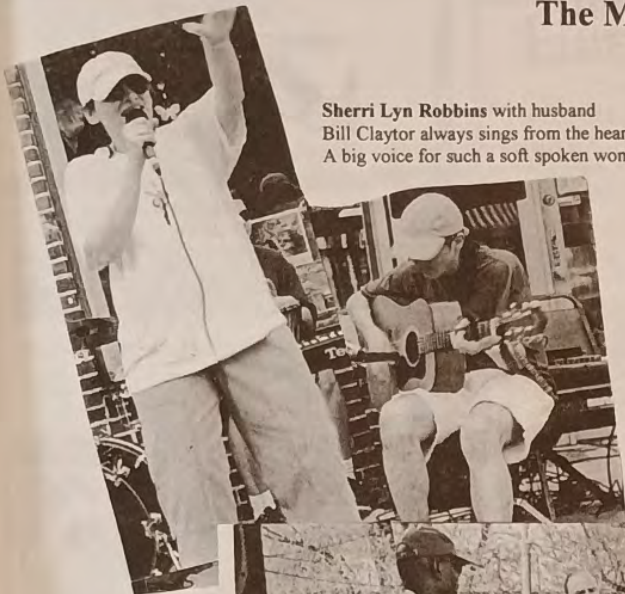
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The Banjo Dusters were as light with their humor as they were nimble of fingers



The Jamey Nocks band seemed fitting to be in front of the 'new' old gas station at the Ritz. Quite a crowd gathered to listen many familiar pieces.

This visitor mirrors the enjoyment we all felt listening to the great guitar and fine songs by Jack Fragomeni.



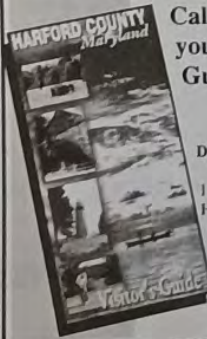
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The Havre de Grace Yacht Club is hosting the sailing race which will begin at 6:15 p.m and Scott Garceau of WMAR-TV is the event's honorary chairperson. Harford Hospice is a member of Upper Chesapeake/St. Joseph Home Care.

A catered cruise for sponsors aboard the Lantern Queen to view the sailboat race will start the evening. The public is invited to join sailors and sponsors for the dinner (catered by Jane Gagnon), with the "Johnson Brothers" scheduled to play at 7 p.m. Join us for a great evening of fun while supporting a most worthy cause.

Monies raised will benefit Hospice Programs, which care for terminally ill adults and children, usually in the comfort of their own homes. This care is offered to residents of Harford, Cecil and Baltimore counties, as well as Baltimore City, without regard to ability to pay.

So put on your toe-tappin' shoes, bring an appetite, and join your friends for an evening of fun. For information on the Hospice Programs or to purchase a \$25 ticket for the June 2nd Regatta, please contact the Upper Chesapeake Health Foundation at 410-877-3518. Or Call Ellie at 410-939-8424 for tickets.

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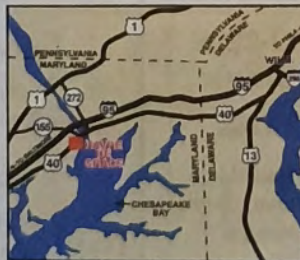
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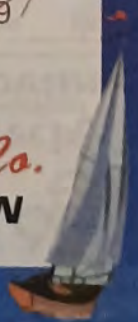
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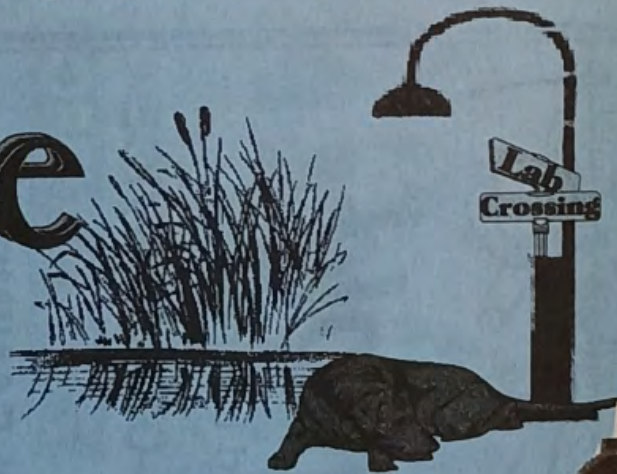
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