The Village In Howard Newsletter

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THE 2018 TVIH FUN-RAISER WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!!

Many thanks to the eighty-four members and guests who attended the sold-out dinner/show event on October 27. The total funds raised reached approximately \$4,000, a record for TVIH.

Before the party, the online sale on our website went smoothly. Forty-four items, donated by local businesses and our own members, netted \$1,515. We have listed the names of these business donors on our website. Please thank them if you go shopping or dining at these stores and restaurants.

The auction of three donated vacation getaways totaled \$725, a major contribution to the TVIH General Fund.

We especially want to thank the ten off-Broadway stars of the TVIH Players for their 1960's skits, songs and dance. Their performance was a highlight of the evening! Many thanks to the fifteen volunteers who began planning this event in April and managed to pull everything together flawlessly. Their work included registration, food, decorations, photo booth, setup and cleanup. Our Board members donated the delicious desserts.

Stefani Lyngard and Joy Cheung were voted the best-costumed guests (see photo) and the winner of the 50/50 raffle drawing was John Salkeld. It takes a Village to carry out a successful fundraising event. We did it together – CONGRATULATIONS!

Scroll to the end of this newsletter to see more photos of the event.





YOU DO NOT WANT TO MISS the TVIH Annual Meeting & Holiday Gathering!

Once a year, and only once, we ask the entire TVIH Membership to gather to learn about our accomplishments, challenges and future plans for TVIH. On Thursday, December 6 at 6:30 PM at Amherst House, the commu-

nity center in Kings Contrivance, we will do some business, enjoy our community, and celebrate the holiday season with wonderful desserts, a few surprises and catching up with fellow members. We have rented this large space hoping YOU will be there! Registration is necessary, so do it today. Click www.thevillageinhoward.org, log in and register as with any event or by calling the office (443-367-9043.) Mark your calendar now for December 6 at 6:30 PM!

NEED A RIDE TO THE ANNUAL MEETING?

If you are coming to the annual meeting on December 6 and need a ride, let us know. We have a limited number of seats on the Senior Shuttle available. Full members will receive priority; however, we will try to accommodate associate members too. The bus is filling fast. To reserve your place, email shailman@comcast.net

A TVIH RESOURCE for YOU

Several members have asked for an upgrade to our Membership Directory (found on the website home page under RESOURCES tab) and only accessible to TVIH members. We will be adding each member's address, one preferred phone number and email address. Members have requested this so they can contact a new friend, send a note or coordinate participation at a TVIH activity. Your information needs to be current; so if you have moved, changed emails etc. since joining, please forward your current details to membership@ thevillageinhoward.org. If you wish to opt out and only have your name listed, please state that through membership@ thevillaginhoward.org or it will be included. Deadline to opt-out is Nov. 21.

Wishing you a very HAPPY THANKSGIVING! May this day be a beautiful reminder of the wonderful things in life.

We would like to remind you that the TVIH Center will be closed on Thanksgiving Day and Friday, November 23.



HEADS UP!

For the first time since our official launch in January '15, the Board has determined that membership fees need to be raised to accommodate rising costs. Fortunately, because so many members contribute their time and expertise we are able to maintain lower costs and a bare bones budget of \$63,500. All new members and those that renew after 12/31/18 will pay:

Individual: ASSOCIATE	\$165
Individual: FULL	\$385
2 Member Household:A SSOCIATE	\$275
2 Member Household: FULL	\$495

UPCOMING HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

HOLIDAY SEASON IN BRANDYWINE

Brandywine Valley has an extensive array of holiday related events: Brandywine Museum; Hagley Museum; Longwood Gardens and Winterthur. Join us on December 12/13 to see these sights and for an overnight stay at the Inn of Mendenhall. The website has all the details.







Inn at Mendenhall Longwood Gardens Display

Brandywine Museum

ADOPT-a-FAMILY HOLIDAY DRIVE

As an outreach effort, The Village in
Howard will once again be supporting the
nonprofit HopeWorks Adopt-a-Family
Holiday Drive in making the holiday happy
for one of their clients. On November 16th,
HopeWorks (formerly the Domestic Violence



Center) will send us a holiday "wish list" for a family of 3-4 members. This "wish list" serves as suggestions for what the family would like and provides us a guide for gift purchases. Gift cards are always a welcome addition.

The "wish list" will be posted on our website Forum by November 19th. Here is how you can participate:

- Select an item from the "wish list."
- Email Mary (quickdraw4589@gmail.com) to let her know what item you have chosen to purchase. Doing this will help keep the list up-to-date and avoid repeats.
- Label your gift with a description of the intended recipient, such as "girl, age 9, sweater, size 10".
- Bring your unwrapped and labeled gift to the TVIH office by December 12th. We will have a drop-off box for each member of the family.

• A Gift Wrapping party will be held on Tuesday, December 13th at 3:00 at the TVIH Center.

Thank you for helping our community make this holiday season a truly wonderful one for a family in Howard County.

HOLIDAY COOKIE EXCHANGE

Let's start the Holiday Season with a big bang! Join TVIH members for a cookie exchange. Bring 2 dozen homemade cookies or candy packaged in groups of four in 6 plastic bags -one to share with the group, five to exchange with other attendees. Bring a written recipe (with all ingredients listed) so it can be displayed with the cookies (or candy) that you make. We will provide coffee and tea. Everyone will go home with five different kinds of cookies or candy to start your Holiday Season. *Registrations are due by November 30th*.

VOLUNTEER NEWS AND OPPORTUNITIES

ARE YOU A GOOD ORGANIZER?

The IT Committee needs a person who can apply their good organizational skills to the online documents in the TVIH website. You don't need to do the actual work of changing the website yourself (although that would be super); if you can just come up with a good organizational plan the committee can get the rearranging done. If this interests you, contact George Millican at geejayemm@gmail.com.

THE VILLAGE NEEDS YOU!

If you love the idea of aging in place, which the Village enables, we need your time and talent to continue to make it work.

We are in desperate need of more office volunteers and transportation volunteers.

- Office volunteers put in two to four 2-hour shifts per month in our office answering the phones, greeting visitors, and responding to e-mail and phone service requests. Comfort working on-line a must; training provided. Give it a try!
- Transportation volunteers respond to specific requests to take our Full Members to medical appointments, grocery shopping or to social events. Trips are generally in the Columbia-Ellicott City area and average 2.5 hours. You are free to accept or decline any trip you are asked to do. A clean driving record and willingness to check cell phone regularly are required.

For more information on either of these opportunities, contact shailman@comcast.net.

EVENTS OPEN TO ALL

Open to members and non-members. Join us to learn about the Village.

Happy Hour: Tuesday, November 6, 4:00p.m. to 6:00p.m. Glory Days Grill located at 10035 Baltimore National Pike, Ellicott City, MD 21042

Sneakers and Coffee: Tuesday, November Sneakers and Coffee: Meets every Saturday at Lake Kittamaqundi at the People Tree at 9:00a.m.

Lunch Bunch: Each Wednesday from 11:30a.m.-1:00p.m. For November, we will meet at Café Nordstrom in the Columbia Mall.

Monday Morning Meanderings: Meets every Monday from 10:00a.m. – 12:00p.m. at Lake Elkhorn dock.

Bridge Group: Meets every second and fourth Tuesday each month at 1:00p.m. at Wegman's in Columbia. If interested, contact Sarah Spence at (410)730-9269, online registration is not available.

TVIH MONTHLY ACTIVITIES REQUIRING REGISTRATION

THERE ARE THREE WAYS TO REGISTER FOR AN EVENT:

- Visit the website at www.thevillageinhoward.org and sign in. After you have signed in, click on the "Calendar" tab for the activities for this month or for future months. Click on the activity you want to register for. If you are having difficulty registering on the website, please call the office at 443-367-9043.
- Call the TVIH Office at 443-367-9043 to register. If no one picks up, please leave a message and a volunteer will get back to you.
- Click this link to go directly to the website Calendar:

http://thevillageinhoward.clubexpress.com/content.aspx?page_id=2&club_id=855297&sl=504175908 Note: All events will take place at TVIH Center unless otherwise specified.

Bus Trip to DC & Guided Tours of Freer & Sackler Museums and the Smithsonian Castle

Thursday, November 1, 6:48AM until 4:00PM

Travel to DC and witness the power and grace of Asian art.

Renwick Gallery Exhibit – "No Spectators: The Art of Burning Man"

Monday, November 5, 7:50AM until 3:00PM

Both a cultural movement and an annual event, Burning Man remains one of the most influential phenomenon in contemporary American art and culture.

Elders' Wisdom Collective Ageism Part 2: Standing Our Ground and Plowing New Fields

Thursday, November 8, 11:30AM An open discussion and sharing of information related to aging.

Mahjong

Friday, November 9, 10:00AM -12:00PM Friday, November 23, 10:00AM-12:00PM

A tile-based game of skill, strategy and calculation involving a degree of chance.

International Red Grapes-Part 2

Sunday, November 11, 2:00PM-4:00PM

Sample six varietal red grape wines from around the world.

Columbia Jazz Band Presents: Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy, Songs of World War II

Slayton House in Wilde Lake Sunday, November 11, 3:00PM A multimedia event featuring the Columbia Jazz Band with photos and vintage newsreel footage.

Easy Yoga, Stretch and Guided Meditation

Tuesday, November 13, 12:30PM until 1:30PM

Easy yoga demonstrates postures and stretches followed by guided meditation and relaxation.

My 3 Cents

Wednesday, November 14 at 2:00PM until 4:00PM Open discussion. This month's topic is Free Speech – What, if any, are its limits?

The Village Readers

Thursday, November 15, 10:00AM until 11:30AM Our November selection is "The Great Alone" by Kristin Hannan.

Tour of Jewish Museum of MD & Exhibit

Herbert Bearman Campus, Baltimore Sunday, November 25, 10:00AM until 3:00PM Join other TVIH members for a private tour of the exhibit "Inescapable": The Life and Legacy of Harry Houdini.

TVIH Website and iPhone Workshop

Wednesday, November 28 at 10:00AM until 11:30AM Learn about navigating TVIH website using your devices. Bring your iPhone iPad or laptop.

Speakeasy, The **Conversation Workshop**

Sessions Two and Three Sponsored by Horizon Foundation

Thursday, November 29, 10:00AM until 12:30PM In this second session, participants will be given the tools to help have the conversation with their loved ones about their end of life wishes and issues with choosing a healthcare "agent." Consideration will be given to creating or updating current directives. Learn about an app called "My Directives Mobile." Each participant will receive a booklet that includes an Advance Directive. *Registration is required by November 21*.

Thursday, December 6, 10:00AM until 12:30PM

The third session of Speakeasy will focus on Advance Directives. Jessica Gorsky, an attorney who specializes in senior law matters, will be present to answer specific questions about Advance Directives and help individuals complete a more detailed Advance Directive, or collect the named agent form. Participants will have the opportunity to have their Advance Directive scanned into HCGH U.S. Living Registry and have an account. Registration is required by November 30.

Travel Club/Potluck

How to Prepare for Your Planetary Vacations Howard County Central Library

Thursday, November 29, 5:30PM until 8:30PM This presentation will describe the opportunities for

future travel in our solar system, the kind of weather you will experience and how best to prepare for this vacation of a lifetime.















SUPPORTER:





If you have problems with, or need information on: Membership, email membership@thevillageinhoward.org Volunteering, email volunteer@thevillageinhoward.org

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