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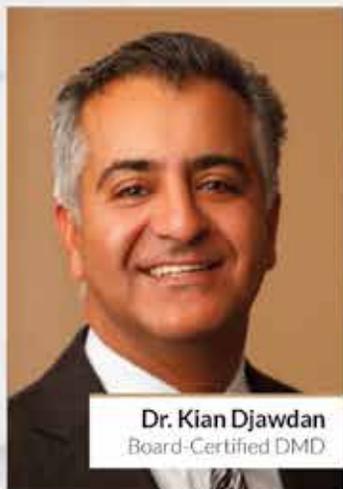
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The Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum has recently broken ground on its new Welcome Center, marking the start of Phase II of its Master Plan campus upgrades.

CBMM TO BEGIN NEXT PHASE OF MASTER PLAN UPGRADES

The Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum is pleased to announce that it has broken ground on its new Welcome Center—a major milestone marking the start of Phase II of its ongoing Master Plan campus upgrades.

Opening in Fall 2023, this new, fully ADA accessible building will house CBMM's Welcome Center, Museum Store, and two exhibition spaces.

"This new building will immensely enhance the guest experience at CBMM and provide an even warmer welcome to campus," said Kristen Groenaway, CBMM's President & CEO. "Our Master Plan is designed to create increased space for CBMM's core museum offerings—including exhibitions, education, and in the shipyard—and we can't wait for you to see it!"

CBMM's Master Plan also includes a Phase III focus on utilization of outdoor space, with

a family-friendly maritime theme adventure playground, and an expansion of Shipyard facilities, designed to showcase the ever-expanding range of shipyard education, boatbuilding, and exhibitions.

Three phases make up the Master Plan, with the scope and timeline expected to take seven to 10 years, contingent upon funding. Funding sources will come from individual donations and naming opportunities, grants, and operations. You too can support CBMM's efforts to enhance campus and create better public offerings by donating to The Annual Fund. Visit cbmm.org/donate to learn how.

The Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum is a non-profit educational organization dedicated to preserving and exploring the history, environment, and culture of the entire Chesapeake Bay region, and making this resource available to all.

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■ HOW MUCH CAN'T I SEE BECAUSE OF CONSTRUCTION?

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■ WHY A NEW WELCOME CENTER?

CBMM's current Welcome Center has outlived its useful life, is costly to maintain, and does not support the intended guest orientation. This new, fully ADA accessible building will immensely enhance the guest experience at CBMM. The Master Plan is designed to create increased space for CBMM's core museum offerings—including exhibitions, education, and in the shipyard—and we can't wait for you to see it!

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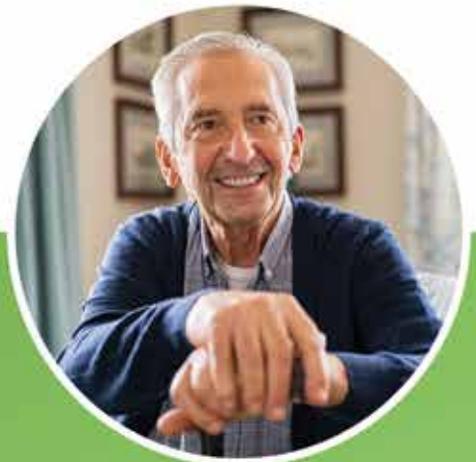
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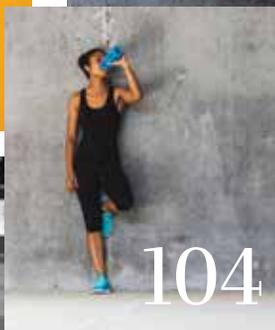
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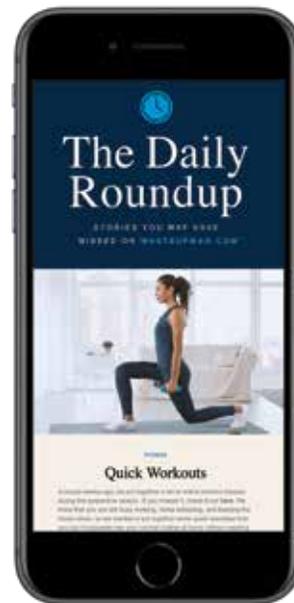
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Comparing, contrasting, and confirming our favorite vendors, services, and places against the preferences of friends, family, neighbors, and, even, complete strangers is nothing new. It’s capitalism playing out at the most basic and fun level. We want to know what others think about where the best scoop of ice cream can be found. And we want to be right about where we’d choose to go (it feels good to spend your money where your mouth is).

What’s Up? Media and you, our readers, have been doing this social experiment long before Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Yelp, or Nextdoor gave us instant, random, and not-so-trustworthy feedback to the question. For nearly 20 years, we’ve organized the annual Best of Eastern Shore voting and awards. And we thank you for participating in one of the largest group-think projects of the Chesapeake Bay region. Collectively, about 25,000 ballots were cast in this year’s campaign, which have been vetted and tabulated to bring you the *most complete* list of Best of Eastern Shore winners we’ve ever printed.

In this issue, more than 150 businesses have won Best Of honors, categorized in Food & Dining, Health & Beauty, Home & Design, and Retail & Professional Services—a testament to the quantity and quality of top tier vendors servicing our communities. You’ll find out who has the best ice cream in this month’s feature...and oh-so-much more!

Traditionally, the June issue heralds the summer season, celebrating the Best Of winners, but also showcasing our region’s hallmark events, activities, recreation, excursions, and environment. There are many can’t-miss festivals and performances written into “Out on the Towne,” as well as destination dining options in our annual “Waterfront & Al Fresco Dining Guide.” We let our daydreams run wild in “From Bay to Beach,” our showcase home of the month—a Delaware oceanfront that Jimmy Buffet would be envious of. We also meet with several next-generation leaders that have taken the helm of three renowned environmental organizations—Chesapeake Bay Foundation, ShoreRivers, and Severn River Association—to discuss the most pressing issues affecting our precious watershed.

What’s *best* for the Bay? Well, that’s a bit more difficult to pin down versus who has the best crabcake. But in this issue, we do *our best* to answer both. Enjoy and cheers to the start of summer!

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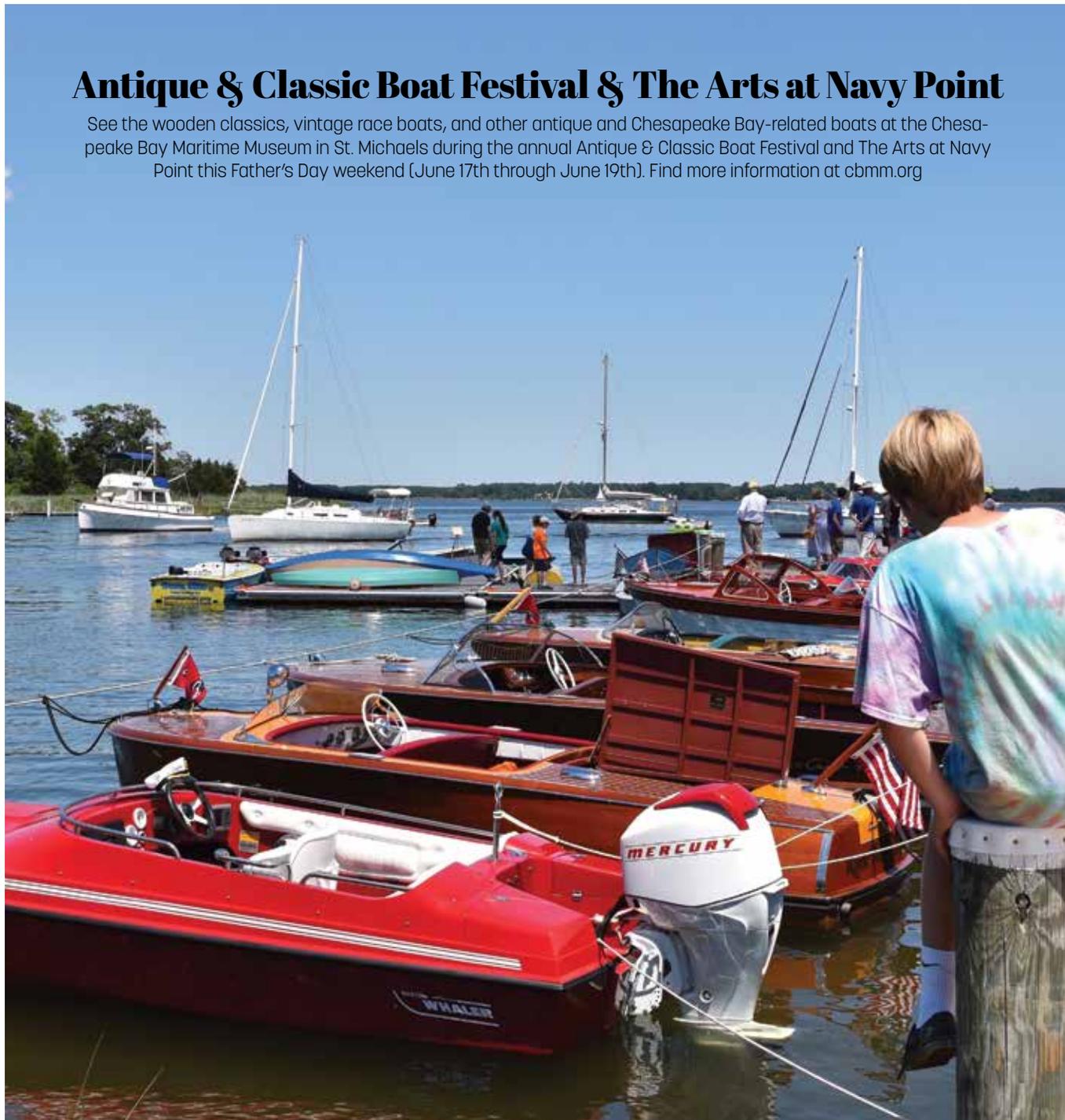
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See the wooden classics, vintage race boats, and other antique and Chesapeake Bay-related boats at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum in St. Michaels during the annual Antique & Classic Boat Festival and The Arts at Navy Point this Father's Day weekend (June 17th through June 19th). Find more information at cbmm.org





↑ Casey Cares Rockfish Tournament

Join Casey Cares Foundation in Stevensville for the 5th Annual Casey Cares Foundation Rockfish Tournament. The Tournament will be on June 10th, based at the Inn at the Chesapeake Bay Beach Club. The competition to catch the biggest rockfish is for a terrific cause. Casey Cares helps families with critically ill children and forms lifelong memories. Find more information and register for the tournament at caseycares.org.



Solstice Celebration

ShoreRivers has hosted a Summer Solstice Celebration for nearly a decade under a big tent on the banks of the Chester River. Last year, there were multiple expeditions to celebrate the summer and this year ShoreRivers is doing both. Celebrate the event on June 25th from 6 to 10 p.m. at The Hodson Boathouse in Chestertown. There will be plenty of live music, dancing, cocktails, food, and great company. Find more information at shorerivers.org/event/solsticecelebration.

TOUR DE TALBOT ↓

Talbot Thrive is hosting Tour de Talbot this year on June 4th. Talbot Thrive is a new nonprofit dedicated to healthy and safe outdoor mobility for everyone. Riders will leave from the Easton Firehall at 7 a.m. and can choose from a 30-, 40-, or 62.5-mile ride. Following the tour will be the first ever Thrive Expo from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Find more information at tourdetalbot.org.



6th Annual Chesapeake Bay Motoring Festival

The 6th Annual Chesapeake Bay Motoring Festival is coming back to Maryland's Eastern Shore on June 4th and 5th on the beautiful waterfront lawn of the Kent Island Yacht Club in Chester. This event will showcase grand classic motoring, antique and classic speed boats, yachts, and more. Enjoy Cars and Coffee, Motoring Tours, and a waterfront Cocktail Reception on June 4th to get ready for show day on June 5th. Find more information at chesapeakebaymotoringfestival.org.



↑ ST. MICHAELS BREW FESTIVAL

Tickets are still on sale for St. Michaels Brew Festival. The festival will start on June 4th at noon and there will be plenty of hand-picked local beers flowing all day. In addition to local craft beer, there will be plenty of entertainment and local cuisine to enjoy as well as handmade art. Find more information at stmichaelsbrewfest.com.

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Visit downtown Centreville for the fifth Drink-Maryland: Centreville. Maryland Wineries Association and the Town of Centreville are hosting this event to celebrate all things Maryland-made. This open-air market-style event will be downtown on June 18th from noon to 5 p.m. Let's celebrate all things Maryland together. Find more information on the DrinkMaryland Facebook page.

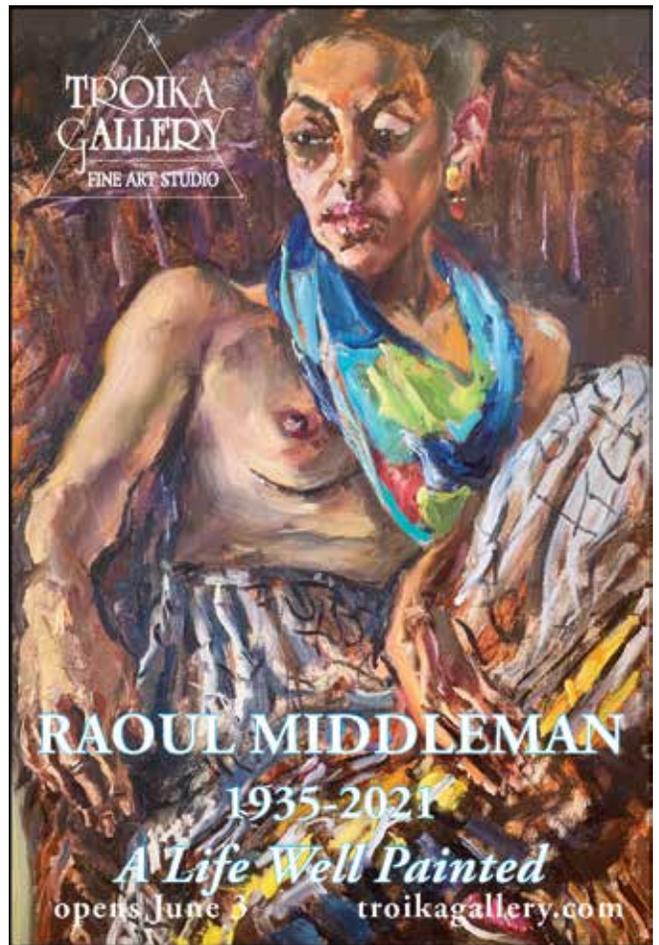


CHESAPEAKE CHILDREN'S BOOK FESTIVAL

The Talbot County free library is hosting their Seventh Annual Chesapeake Children's Book Festival on June 11th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Easton. This book festival will kick off the TCFL Summer Reading Program for 2022 and will feature author/illustrator Bryan Collier and author Carole Boston Weatherford. Find more information and the most up to date schedule at chesapeakechildrensbookfestival.com

↑ National Music Festival

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↑ Bands in the Sand

Each summer, a sell-out crowd gathers on the beach to support Chesapeake Bay Foundation at Bands in the Sand. Enjoy live music, local cuisine, and cold drinks at this fundraiser on June 11th from 5:30 to 10 p.m. at the Philip Merrill Environmental Center in Annapolis. This event has raised more than \$3.54 million towards saving the Bay since 2006. Find more information at cbf.org.

ANNAPOLIS DECOY SHOW

The Annapolis Elks Lodge hosts the Potomac Decoy Collectors Association for their 2022 Annapolis Decoy Show on June 5th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be plenty of antique duck decoys, contemporary carvings, hunting and fishing items, sporting art, oyster cans, books, and plenty of other special exhibits. Find more information at elks622.com.

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↑ Tidewater Rotary Bowling Fundraiser

The second annual Tidewater Rotary Bowling Fundraiser was held on Monday, April 4, at Easton Bowl. After postponing for two years, club members were eager to come back together to relaunch the fundraiser and invite the community to come out and support Talbot Humane. Lanes were sponsored by more than 20 local businesses and organizations. Approximately 125 bowlers participated in the festivities of the evening. Participants enjoyed 20 frames of bowling, food and drinks provided by Easton Bowl, and raffles. Bowlers and their guests made additional donations and fundraising contributions during the event. The Tidewater Rotary Club event netted approximately \$6,000 in total donations. Proceeds will support Talbot Humane's mission to service animals and their owners of the Midshore with compassion, transparency and thoughtfulness. "It was great to see two community-based organizations like Tidewater Rotary and Talbot Humane come together, join forces, and raise money for the shelter," Tidewater Rotary Club President Chuck Lennon said. Learn more at tidewaterrotary.org.



MARYLAND DOVE LAUNCHES

Nearly three years after beginning the largest construction project they had ever taken on, shipwrights at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum in St. Michaels completed construction of the *Maryland Dove* this spring. "I am incredibly proud of my team and what they've accomplished," said CBMM's lead shipwright, Joe Connor, who has served as the construction manager on the project since its inception. "We have assembled some of the most talented shipwrights I've ever worked with, and we're all looking forward to seeing the ship sail away." A major milestone in the project happened in CBMM's working Shipyard on March 28, when the roughly 94,000-pound ship was hoisted by crane and placed in the Miles River—touching water for the first time in its new life. It was the largest vessel launched in St. Michaels since 1904, and a spectacle to behold.

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Kendal Moxey

Queen Anne's County High School Basketball, Volleyball, Track & Field

By Tom Worgo

If Queen Anne's County High Girls Basketball Coach Mike Kern had a message for opponents last season it would have probably been something like: "Good luck stopping our star center Kendal Moxey." The 6-foot-4 Moxey intimidated rivals and dominated them on the court.

Moxey was in a league of her own. Kern couldn't remember a time when teams slowed her down. The proof? She averaged 25.6 points and 16.6 rebounds this past winter on her way to becoming the Bayside Conference Player of the Year for

the second time. And she finished her career with 40 straight double-doubles over two seasons.

"She has the size and she is fast," Kern says. "She is the first one down the court and if we have a fast break, she is there ready to score. She dominated every game this year. She is really special. You get a player like her once every 20 years."

Moxey, a Centreville resident, said she would like to play Division I basketball. She has an interest in playing at one of the two schools that have already accepted her: Towson and Coastal Carolina universities. She's also considering Chesapeake College, where she could keep improving her skills and get noticed more by colleges.

Chesapeake Women's Basketball Coach Gwen Barnes has seen Moxey play several times. The two have a good relationship. "You don't see players like her often," Barnes says. "She is a Division I college player all the way. She can write her own ticket."

She set the school record for career points with 1,168. "She was able to do that in three years—everybody else had four seasons," Queen Anne's County Athletic Director Dan Miler says. "She lost a season because of Covid. That shows that she is just an incredible basketball player. There's a big gap between her and the other players. She controlled games."

The 18-year-old Moxey is the third Queen Anne's girls' basketball player to surpass the

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1,000-point mark. "I think a thousand points meant more to me," says Moxey, comparing it to her career point's record. "When I hit one thousand, it felt really good because I hit a 3-pointer."

Moxey had some memorable games in 2022 as Queen Anne's went a sterling 15-2. In a romp over North Dorchester, she finished with 26 points and 27 rebounds. Moxey also totaled 38 points and 20 rebounds in a win over St. Michael's.

"Teams were always double and tripling me," Moxey recalls. "I was a lot stronger than everyone else out there, so it was tough to stop me." Moxey showed significant improvement over her sophomore year when she averaged 16.9 points and 13.9 rebounds. "I would say I definitely got a lot stronger," explains Moxey, who earned Bayside Second-Team honors as a freshman. "My rebounding got better and I felt more confident down low and my footwork improved." Barnes says: "She has such a passion for the game. She works so hard."

Moxey stays busy with basketball for most of the year.

She played seven years combined of AAU for the Delaware Warriors and East Coast Thunder. "It made me love basketball more because I was playing year-round," Moxey says. "It gave me a better level of competition to play against and I got better coaching."

Moxey also competed in volleyball (three years) and track and field (two seasons) at Queen Anne's County. "Playing those two sports helped me with my foot work in basketball," she says.

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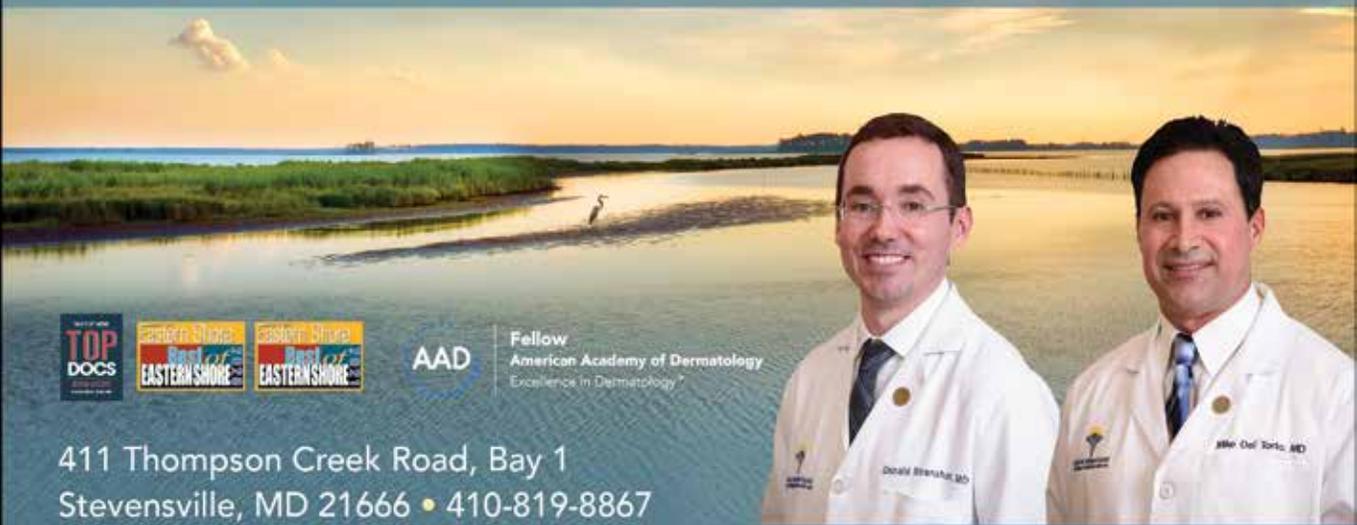
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A Mother's Story

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Four boys in five and a half years. Jordan, Andrew, Dillen, and Rob. As you can believe, there was never a dull moment in our house. Broken bones and stitches were the extents of our trauma. As a stay-at-home mom, I worked nonstop. My then-husband, the father of my children, was growing his own business and had an unpredictable schedule. It worked for us as a family, and we could spend quality time together. Jordan, my oldest, was always the leader, the one who set examples. A good thing, and he had good sense. Andrew was all boy – dirt and sports. Dillen was always serious. His second-grade teacher called him Chairman of the Board. Rob was his own person, very determined, and never took no for an answer. He taught himself to ride a two-wheeler at the age of three. It was fun having four boys who didn't look alike, with different personalities. Yet they got along beautifully.

Jordan was a unique child. The obstetrician who delivered him said he was going to be a calm person because his hands were relaxed, not clenched, at birth. He was a joy. And he did turn out to be a calm child. He was inquisitive. My parents gave him a remote-controlled car for Christmas one year, and he was more interested in how the control mechanism worked in the car than the car's movement. He went to an Episcopal nursery school at the age of three. One day he told us that Jesus was a zombie because he came back from the dead. We were blown away by this.

This level of intelligence, beauty, and curiosity continued throughout his short life. He wore polo shirts or Oxford cloth shirts to

school every day. He always wanted to look good. I am happy to say this trait rubbed off on his brothers. Academics came easy to him. He had a gifted IQ. He did television commercials when he was in junior high school. He received a varsity letter jacket in wrestling in tenth grade because of his point accumulation. He received a gold medal in the National Latin Exam in his 4th year of Latin. He was awarded a Presidential Scholarship to Tulane University. I was always impressed with how he could schmooze with people to get something he wanted or to meet anyone he sought out to meet. Jordan was truly a mother's dream.

His father and I separated and divorced during his mid-twenties. Jordan then seemed to be wandering around aimlessly. He was depressed. He couldn't keep a job. I thought he just needed this time to digest the divorce. It must be upsetting to think your home will no longer be there. He decided to move to Florida with his father. His father bought him a new car, rented him an apartment, and enabled him for several years. But Jordan continued to roam, had no goals, and was "lost." I heard he was dabbling in drugs, but I didn't know more than that. Why didn't I intervene at the first mention of this?

"I'm sorry, Mary Lou, but your oldest son has died." These are the most wrenching words I have ever heard. I was with a friend who was given the horrible task of telling me my son was dead. Carl, my husband, was working and unavailable to do the "honors." What? I just spoke to him the other day, and he wasn't sick. Whatever it was, it was sud-



den. "How?" While tears were pouring from my eyes, she told me it was a drug overdose.

Jordan was 29 when he died. The last time I saw him was two years before. It makes me sick to think I didn't have a chance to say goodbye. Our unknowing last get-together was in Florida. Jordan, Carl, and I had a fabulous dinner on the beach. It was the first and last time Jordan and Carl met. I have that last picture taken and look at it every day. I am grateful they had a chance to meet each other.

Only those who have experienced the death of a child – of any age can relate to the depth of this life turning point. Having made a life that is quickly and unexpectedly stripped from you, never to return, is surreal.

At his death, my Carl was (and still is) incredible. He held me for hours during my time of need and was always by my side. I could not have moved forward without him. But he was not Jordan's father and had only met Jordan once. I knew I would need ongoing help through this horrible journey. That same day Jordan died, I googled Talbot Hospice to see what services they had for me.

Support Groups. I ran the Multiple Sclerosis Support Group in Easton for several years and knew what to expect. Talbot Hospice had more than one group for me to choose from. I went to the "Loss of a Child" group. I also knew that Talbot Hospice's doors were open to all, even if the deceased loved one didn't receive their services. Everyone should know this! This service truly endorses their sincerity to

help and be there for all in the community, no matter who or where your loved one passed. There's no cost. As I said, a child is a child, no matter how old or young. I found the people to be warm, giving, supportive, and everything I needed. Everyone present lost children in so many ways, from stillborn to 60. I could cry, say whatever I wanted (four-letter words and all), laugh about "Jordanians," and share it all. Why didn't I intervene at the first mention of the "d" word? They helped me to understand that his death was not my fault. The comfort and support were there BECAUSE we all had that **one** thing in common: the loss of a child.

Jody Gunn, our support group leader, Talbot Hospice Grief and Spiritual Care Chaplain, has been instrumental in reviving the group after COVID. She has been proactive in getting regular in-person meetings back in place. We often talk about specific issues, such as how you handle your emotions during the holidays or how you talk to others about the death.

Jordan died four years ago. An hour doesn't go by without me thinking about him. Good, bad, happy, sad. I laugh, I cry, I talk to him (his ashes are sitting on a shelf in my tv room). He will always be with me, which is one reason the support group is still so helpful - even after four years. I really look forward to the meetings and love to see those I met during that first meeting. These people are a part of my healing and will be forever. It took eight months to get Jordan's autopsy report. Fentanyl. It was considered an accidental suicide. I happened to run into one support group member, Rob, at a doctor's office that day. I told him about Jordan's cause of death. I sobbed in front of all of those people in the waiting area, but I didn't care. The timing couldn't have been better to run into Rob, and I was able to share this news with someone who truly understood.

I have found it helpful, too, in reverse, to be there for people who have more recently lost a child and are where I was four years ago. Helping each other. The best help you can get is from those who have experienced the same thing.

The first year was very hard. Many people here didn't know Jordan had died since he was in Florida and had only lived in Talbot County for a short time. Or maybe they knew and didn't know what to say to me. I'll never know the answer to that. But this is where the support group was so helpful. What do you say to people? Do you bring it up? How do you respond? What happens if I start crying in public? They had all been through this too.

When people say the death of a dear friend or relative gets easier as time goes by - it doesn't. People use that line as an easy out. You learn what to expect based on the past. Birthdays, death dates, holidays. The pain is still there, just as strong, but others may not know it. He may be in a better place, but it doesn't change what happened on earth.

Jordan, I love you.



Do's & Don'ts

of helping someone grieve

DO...

Give me a hug. It gives me comfort and says it all with no words needed.

Talk about my child with me. I like to share memories. If I'm not in the mood to talk about my child, I'll tell you.

Bring me food! I don't always want to cook and often forget to eat.

Invite me to go out and do something. I don't want to stay in the house forever.

Call me. I'd like to hear from you. It gives you that chance to think about what to say before you call.

Cry with me. I feel that deep sense of sincerity.

DON'T...

Avoid me. I need to know there are people thinking about me.

Look at me with a blank stare if you don't know what to say. It makes me very uncomfortable.

Ignore me. I know that you know—but you want me to think you don't.

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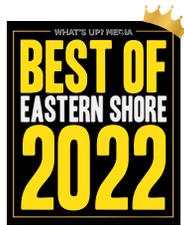


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Initial reservations

Initially, Paul wasn’t keen on yoga. But when his buddies Chris Jacobs, Brett Cheplowitz, and Ryan Morris, invited him to join them at Soul Society, he quickly changed his mind. “I had some reservations about doing yoga,” says Paul, “but after getting on my mat I realized I was more flexible than I thought, the speed at which my flexibility would increase was rapid, and there’s no judgement.”

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Ryan, a father of two young children, says yoga helps him connect to his family after a long day:

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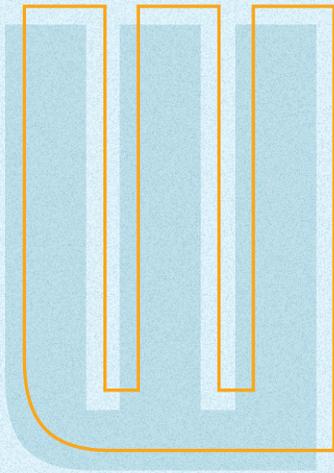
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WHEN WE WERE KIDS, we stood by the water's edge clutching small damp pebbles in our tiny hands. With a measure of tenacity and pluck, we lobbed the pebbles one by one into the water. Creating subtle ripple effects was the goal; each enlarging circle on the water fascinating and entertaining us.

Fast forward. We are now, as they say "adulting," on our waterways, and we're doing much more than tossing pebbles and watching the effects they make. Whether you are a bona fide sailor, weekend fisherman, or love a great sunset from the shoreline, you are most likely impacting the waterways of our precious Chesapeake Bay, and it's complex system of rivers and streams on both the Eastern and Western Shores of Maryland.

These impacts—our adult ripples—as it were, are fortunately monitored by a select group of individuals charged with not only evaluating the consequences of our cumulative, collective actions as we interact with our waterways in our daily lives but finding solutions to myriad issues that our "fascination" creates.

This year with the 50th anniversary of the passage of the landmark legislation known as the Clean Water Act, we thought to converse with a few individuals from this select group who advocate for our local waterways every day. Each has the distinction of being relatively new in their current position, creating a next generation of environmental advocacy on the Bay.

Jesse Iliff

SEVERN RIVER ASSOCIATION 3.0

"Severn River Association, 3.0." That's how the new executive director of the Severn River Association, Jesse Iliff, likes to think of the time ahead of him at SRA. We caught up with Iliff, who formerly served as the South, West, and Rhode river's riverkeeper at Arundel Rivers Federation for more than six years, during his first week of his executive directorship last March. Our discussion began with some historical perspective, but then shifted to topics such as the ever-present need to win over the hearts and minds of the citizenry when it comes to environmental responsibility and impact, the role the now 50-year-old Clean Water Act plays in the work they have yet to do, and his thoughts on what's currently working and what he most wants to address.

"The Severn River Association is the oldest watershed organization in the country. It was founded in 1911, and for over a century, it was an all-volunteer organization which had a number of impressive impacts on policy and on the river during that time," Iliff says. "But in the early 20-teens, the Board started to feel it was important to ramp up our impact, and they believed the best way to do that was to become a professional organization with paid staff, so I think of that first century as Severn River Association, 1.0."

To his mind, Severn River 2.0 was ushered in with the hiring of his predecessor, Tom Guay in 2017. (Guay remains very involved with the organization with roles in advocacy, restoration project management, and as a program officer.) This era was marked with the expansion of key programs, and the introduction of contractors who helped push specific projects.

"But fundraising was always a bit of a challenge," Iliff adds. "Thankfully, the Board has been re-energized in the past two years and fundraising has improved a lot."

All of which, leads Iliff to see his tenure as the beginning of "SRA 3.0." In addition to his work with Arundel Rivers, Iliff brings the weight of a law degree with an environmental concentration from University of Maryland's Carey School of Law to his new position. He is a Severn River native son, serves or has served with several vital related organizations, such as The Maryland Oyster Advisory Commission and the Maryland Commission on Climate, and is a self-described "eco-freako."

When it comes to action items in his new position, Iliff has already hit the ground running by providing expert testimony regarding several bills in front of the Maryland Legislature, which is a regular occurrence in his river-keeping roles, as is the always-pressing objective of winning over hearts and minds when it comes to galvanizing the citizenry in relation to issues that threaten our waterways. Regarding that, Iliff says, much of the work that riverkeepers do is helping people connect the dots from individual actions to larger impacts; and addressing complexities on both residential and commercial levels.



“In our environment, it’s complex because of the sheer number of people that you need to try and reach. Here, on the Western Shore, the Anne Arundel County area, it’s all about trying to win over hearts and minds,” Iliff explains. “They need to know that what they do on their property matters, and why it matters, what the impact is...how their own personal practices are cumulative.”

On the other hand, managing impacts from commercial and residential development are always a matter for concern.

“A lot of people might not know that many of the streams in Anne Arundel County are no longer just vectors for upland pollution, they are sources of pollution in and of themselves, because the increase in impervious surfaces from development has led to faster flowing water which erodes the streams within their banks,” Iliff says.

“Many of them have gotten so deeply cut into the flood plain that now every time it rains, like in a big thunderstorm, you’ll see the pulse of water come through, and chunks of the upstream river banks will just break off and fall in,” Iliff adds. “And then it just becomes like creamed coffee everywhere down stream of that break. So, a lot of them need intervention.”



Overall, clean water lawsuits and enforcement actions have dropped precipitously in the past decade and that’s not because the violations have stopped, it’s because the funding has been cut. Yet, Maryland’s general fund revenues have increased.”

—JESSE ILIFF

A DISTRESSING TREND

Along with managing the core issues that regularly affect the water quality of the Severn River, there is one particular matter that is becoming increasingly problematic to Iliff.

“Overall, clean water lawsuits and enforcement actions have dropped precipitously in the past decade and that’s not because the violations have stopped, it’s because the funding has been cut,” he explains. “Yet, Maryland’s general fund revenues have increased.”

Iliff is specifically referring to what he calls a “conscious policy decision to de-emphasize enforcement” among local law enforcement (City of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County) when infractions and violations are taking place on the water.

The buzz phrase in enforcement circles, says Iliff, is “compliance assistance.” This practice, he says, involves offenders caught in the act of an infraction on the water basically receiving a slap-on-the-wrist-type warning or a redirection to immediately correct an issue. The offenders are then given the opportunity to correct the offending action and are re-visited by law enforcement to see that they have done so. The problem is, offenders oftentimes do not correct their behavior or action, and generally they are still not forced to face any consequence as a result.

“I have always viewed ‘compliance assistance’ as a euphemism for free legal advice for polluters.”

Noting that this year marks the 50th anniversary of the Clean Water Act, an adapted piece of Federal legislation which passed in 1972, Iliff explains that there remains much to be done to accomplish the legislation’s primary goal of keeping defined pollutants out of our waterways.

“[The Act] predicted having done the work by 1985,” Iliff says. “The reason that hadn’t happened was probably shortsightedness, and perhaps a little bit of rose-colored glasses on behalf of Congress back in the early ’70s, but also in very large measure because it has been poorly enforced.”

Iliff cites some rather large and highly-publicized non-enforcement snafus concerning the Maryland Department of the Environment and waste water treatment plants in recent years as prime examples of what happens when enforcement officials look the other way.

“...All the best laws in the world are just a big stack of paper if there is no enforcement of those laws,” Iliff says. “That’s my main thing, honestly. That’s where I’ve carved out a reputation in the environmental community as someone who is singularly focused on enforcement.”

ROOM FOR OPTIMISM

At the time of our discussion, Iliff was awaiting word on the progress of a bill in the Maryland Legislature that would address his long-term commitment to oyster restoration on the Bay by providing the funding for a second, large-scale fish hatchery in Maryland.

“Right now, the only hatchery in the State is in the Horn Point Lab. There have been two times in the last four years where outfits like Severn River Association or Arundel Rivers Federation, or other nonprofits, have looked for oysters to plant. We’re ready to go. We’ve got volunteers. We’ve got boats. We got parts of the river where they will survive, but we haven’t been able to get baby oysters because there’s been shortages,” Iliff explains.

This significant piece of legislation is not only optimistic for what it will help provide, oyster habitats, it is noteworthy in the sense that it is a prime opportunity to see our elected officials working together on a bi-partisan basis in a time when it seems rare.

Senate Bill 830, sponsored by Democratic Senator Sarah Elfreth and co-sponsored across the aisle by Republican senators Jack Bailey and Adelaide Eckardt, was one of the recent pieces of legislation that Iliff testified on behalf of.

“If we get a doubling of capacity, then we’re going to have the ammo we need to fight for the oysters,” Iliff says. “The fact that this bill, and this is a big bill, \$30 million, not chump change, has bi-partisan support—that warms my heart.”

Annual Signature Event: **SHORERIVERS**

The banks of the Chester River will once again be the site of ShoreRivers annual Solstice Celebration on Saturday, June 25th, starting at 6 p.m. This premier fundraising event will cap off a week of daily experiential events known as the Solstice Exhibitions that were created to celebrate the rivers and ecosystems that ShoreRivers seeks to protect. The tented, fundraising event, which will be held at Washington College’s Hodson Boathouse in Chestertown, will feature live music, dinner, dancing, cocktails, and an exceptional live auction. For more details visit shorerivers.org/events.

Isabel Hardesty

INSPIRING CLEAN WATER ACCESS FOR ALL

Somewhere in the thick of her robust academic career, Isabel Hardesty, understood more clearly that she wanted to take the endless curiosity she had for animals and her growing acumen in scientific research and method to a place where she felt it would do the most good.

“I just realized that I had a lot of peers in my scientific degree who were going on in academia to get their Ph.D.s, or they were going to be veterinarians, and I just realized I wanted to take the science and use it to make a change,” Hardesty says. “That my skills and my personality would be put to better use in a field where I would be working with other people, and convincing people to make changes in their lives, to preserve these animals, and the environment that I was so interested in.”

Now in her 11th year with ShoreRivers Organization in Easton, Hardesty moved into her most significant role, that of executive director, in 2021. She started out as policy director, spent four years as Chester Riverkeeper, and went on to assume the roles of regional, and then, deputy director.

The concern’s current iteration, she says, began in 2018, with the merger of its three legacy organizations: the Chester and Sassafras River Associations, and the Midshore Riverkeeper Conservancy that was founded by Hardesty’s father, Tim Junkin.

“We’ve been around for 35 years,” Hardesty says. “Our three legacy organizations were all founded at different times. The oldest one was founded in 1986, so we have had a presence on the Eastern Shore and established reputation and connections since ’86.”

Whether it’s policy or education related, and ShoreRivers has a deep foothold in both, behavioral change is at the core of her mission-driven work, a mission based on education, restoration, and advocacy.

“It’s all working with people and convincing people to do things differently in order to better protect and restore our environment. We need all the different components. We need the academic, the scientists, the researchers,” Hardesty explains. “We need to understand why these ecosystems and animals are important. But then, we need the people that can take that scientific knowledge and communicate it in a way that’s understandable, digestible, and inspiring to the non-scientific community.”

WHERE THE GREEN GRASS GROWS

When it comes to convincing residents to do things differently, the organization has put forth what might seem like some counter-intuitive messaging on the subject.

“What we’re trying to do, just as an example, with our River-Friendly Yards Program, which is really trying to reduce turf grass and the amount of fertilizer that we’re patting on our lawns; what we want is someone to look at their beautifully-mowed, mono-culture, bright-green, fertilized lawn—and feel guilty about it,” Hardesty explains.

Guilt in the hopes that residents will realize that chemical fertilizer use is bad for the river, she says, and that some better alternatives might be planting native plants or a garden, or letting growth, where manageable, become a meadow.

While this “If-my-lawn-looks-this-good, it’s-gotta-be-bad-for-the-environment” approach may sound “unnatural,” it may nonetheless be memorable enough to give at least some residents a pause to stop and re-assess what they are actually doing.

“That’s the changing of the minds, and changing people’s ideas of what’s beautiful in a lawn,” Hardesty says. “Because what we currently consider [to be] beautiful in a lawn, is really bad for our rivers and our water quality.”

LAND MEET SEA

Because Maryland’s Eastern Shore is a complex, majestic mix of the bucolic and the aquatic, it naturally presents some pretty distinct challenges for Waterkeepers, whose movement was built on the idea of citizens taking action against polluters.

“Row crop agriculture is the Eastern Shore’s primary land use, and, as such, is the primary source of pollution to our rivers,” Hardesty says. However, agriculturally-based pollutants aren’t something that Waterkeepers can necessarily address by traditional means like employing the citizen suit provision of the Clean Water Act, due to the “non-point” source nature of the pollutant release.

“So while many Waterkeepers around the country primarily fight industrial, point-source types of pollution using the Clean Water Act, many others, including ShoreRivers, take a different approach,” Hardesty says.

Through education in best practices and a series of ongoing agricultural restoration and research projects, ShoreRivers works with farmers to address the problem of nutrient and sediment loss that is an unfortunate and unintended consequence of agriculture.

“The best way to clean up our Eastern Shore rivers is to work collaboratively with our farming community to implement practices that are environmentally-friendly and that help meet a farmer’s bottom line.”

KNOW BETTER, DO BETTER

In the state of Maryland, high schoolers are required to pass a course in environmental study in order to graduate. The robust educational aspect of ShoreRivers mission enables kids from four Eastern Shore counties help meet that requirement.

“We come in with funding to do these programs and then we have the staff expertise to lead the programs,” Hardesty explains. “We provide in-classroom lessons, environmental lessons, and we also take children out on field trips; we get them out in the field doing hands-on things out in the environment that they normally don’t have the opportunity to do.”

“The best way to clean up our Eastern Shore rivers is to work collaboratively with our farming community to implement practices that are environmentally-friendly and that help meet a farmer’s bottom line.” –ISABEL HARDESTY



Getting to that next generation of kids so they can not only learn about the environment as a construct, but see and experience it as part of their daily lives is a crucial part of the ShoreRivers mission. And while more recent generations are better informed on environmental matters on an overall, global scale, Hardesty says, young people still struggle with what’s going on closer to home on the local level.

“We’ve got students who don’t know the name of the river they live on, or who have never been in a canoe, and we live on the Eastern Shore.”

Unfortunately, those problems, she says, are still often attributed to social-economic boundaries. Realistically, she knows there are many children who lack access to the wonderful waterways on the Eastern Shore and are unable to participate in water-related activities due to social-economic factors. They may also lack access to important information regarding their waterways, issues such as water quality, fishing warnings and advisories, and bacteria levels in the water, which is very concerning to Hardesty.

And so, she says, the organization will work for a future along the waterways that is more robust with general community engagement that is diverse.

“So it’s not just the same types of people at the table who are lending their voice in advocacy to these issues,” explains Hardesty, addressing the area’s historic Black and growing Hispanic communities. “And people in communities who have historically used our waterways and have been shut out from them, or communities who continue to use our waterways in the very few public spaces where they are able.”

Hardesty understands the challenges ahead and knows that continuing to ask the right questions is key. Are we communicating with our Black communities, with our Hispanic communities, with different socio-economic communities other than our normal choir? And how can we do that so that everyone can actually access our waterways and take advantage of living on the Eastern Shore with all these beautiful resources?

Hilary Falk

WHERE HUMANS & NATURE FLOURISH TOGETHER

Growing up in Baltimore City, Hilary Falk enjoyed a childhood highlighted by life-enriching and explorative experiences as the daughter of a photojournalist.

“My father worked for *The Baltimore Sun*,” Falk says. “He was the *Sunday Sun Magazine* photographer and at [my] very young age he took me out to see the Chesapeake Bay.”



She recalls fond memories of early morning and early evening excursions when the light on the water was at its best. “I had the pleasure of going on assignment with him and walking through salt marshes and traveling to Smith Island, and I knew then that I wanted to spend my life protecting the Bay.”

And protect the Bay she does, in her position as President and CEO of the Chesapeake Bay Foundation (CBF), one that she recently attained in January of this year.

Protecting the Bay is something she knows she cannot do on her own, as she explains how honored and humbled she is to be working with the team established by her esteemed predecessor. “Will Baker, who led the organization for over 45 years, built a strong and enduring organization, and has really built a team of smart and committed people. I feel privileged to be able to lead the team,” Falk says. “I think I have the best job in the world.”

BLUEPRINT 2025

Falk’s professional arch includes 13 years with the National Wildlife Association (NWA) as Chief Program Officer responsible for leading and integrating programs on both the national and regional level, while also serving as strategic advisor to its CEO. Prior to this role, she also held the positions of Vice President for Regional Conservation and Regional Executive Director for the Mid-Atlantic with NWA, and was Director of the Annapolis-based Choose Clean Water Coalition.

From its inception more than 50 years ago, CBF’s mission has operated with a science-based “blueprint” for the restoration of the Bay. Known as the Clean Water Blueprint, its initiatives to significantly decrease pollutants, shrink underwater dead zones, and return the Bay to the point where its waters are deemed fishable and swimmable are achieved by the year 2025.

Falk says her tenure at CBF begins as the organization enters a critical phase of implementation toward meeting those year 2025 goals.

“Formally, 2025 is the looming deadline to have all the programs and practice in place that will result in a restored Chesapeake Bay,” Falk explains. “For me, it’s also a moment to reflect on the past, celebrate the incredible work that has been accomplished, and recommit to the actions it will take to achieve clean water in local streams, rivers, and ultimately the Chesapeake Bay.”

To this point, Falk says, much has been accomplished. “There’s been an incredible amount of en-

ergy, investment, and world-renowned science that has gotten us nearer to saving the Bay than we have ever been.”

Falk points to a decrease over time in dead zones resulting in the rebound of certain species and a long-term trend in increasing acreage of underwater grasses as markers that restoration efforts are progressing.

“What we’re doing here is extraordinary, but I will say that we still have a long way to go,” Falk says. “While we’ve made all that progress, we still have some big challenges, including a lot of great work in Pennsylvania and with agricultural communities...and climate change is putting stress on an already stressed system.”

Falk does feel a fair amount of encouragement and optimism can be taken from the fact that they know what needs to be done, and with the right investment of State and Federal funds, agricultural practices that cause pollution can be addressed and reduced, and the challenges of climate change can be mitigated.

A political history of bi-partisan support for the restoration of the Bay, is also something she believes we can feel very good about.

“One of the wonderful things about the Bay restoration effort, is that it has a long history of bi-partisan support from the very beginning. In 1973, U.S. Senator Charles “Mac” Mathias, who was a Republican, took a boat trip on the Chesapeake Bay that led to the first study. And I think from that moment, we’ve seen bi-partisan support for the Chesapeake Bay,” Falk says.

She also notes that when President Obama took office, he signed an executive order dedicated to cleaning up the Chesapeake Bay, deeming it a “national treasure.”

“So, we have seen this with different presidents, different changes in leadership, and last year’s Federal infrastructure legislation, which supplies record funding for the Chesapeake Bay program, which is part of what the EPA passed with strong bi-partisan support in Congress. These are all great examples of a continued partnership across the watershed of both parties,” Falk says. “I think the Bay is a big unit. It has been that way and it always will be that way.”

“ Saving what is most important to us isn’t a matter of going back to an idealized time when nature flourished and there was little human interaction because we know that’s not the future. What’s important is creating a future where humans and nature flourish together.”

—HILARY FALK

RESILIENCY & THE NEXT CHAPTER

What some people may underestimate about the Bay is its resiliency, Falk says. That said, however, she reminds residents that each and every person has a role to play when it comes to clean water. And while we have thus far achieved a level of momentum with the clean-up effort that is quantifiable, we must continue to act on that momentum, by continuing to push for the resources necessary to achieve our clean water goals.

Falk strongly believes that the sense of pride that Marylanders feel about the Bay and how it resonates in their own lives via local streams and rivers, can help them connect in a real way to the effort, as well.

“I think that’s where people can do more, too, because cleaning up local streams and rivers will improve the community around those rivers, and I also think that some people see the Bay through that lens, as well.”

When it comes to that “finish line” type of thinking as it relates to successful restoration, Falk errs on the side of caution, and encourages collaboration.

“To really succeed in the next chapter restoring the Chesapeake Bay, we’re going to have to go beyond conservation’s historically narrow lens and the broader conservation community needs to re-center our efforts on the people who live here,” Falk explains.

“There is really an immense strength in the diversity of the communities that make up the almost 19 million residents of the Chesapeake Bay watershed. We really haven’t done enough to listen to those underrepresented and marginalized voices. And we need to ensure that the concerns of those on the front lines of environmental injustices are addressed.”

Continuing to hold governments at all levels accountable, and ourselves, will also be incredibly important to the mission of restoration, she says, because despite the incredible efforts and enormous progress made in different areas, many hard-fought-for resources, are still at risk.

Most importantly, Falk says, we need to recognize that no matter how much progress is made, the work will not just end in 2025, even though that date is top of mind.

“You know, it doesn’t stop when we reach a computer model or a new number,” Falk says, adding that we can no longer assume that all we need for a healthy Bay is enough oxygen.

“Saving what is most important to us isn’t a matter of going back to an idealized time when nature flourished and there was little human interaction, she says, because we know that’s not the future. What’s important is creating a future where humans and nature flourish together.”



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QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY

Big Bats Café

☀️ **Where:** 216 Saint Claire Place, Stevensville **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-604-1120 **Click:** bigbats.com **The Scoop:** Route for any team you want at this baseball-themed bar who doesn't pledge loyalty to any particular team. **Happy Hour:** Wednesday through Friday, 3-6 p.m.

The Big Owl Tiki Bar

🌴 🌊 ☀️ **Where:** 3015 Kent Narrow Way South, Grasonville **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-827-6523 **Click:** thebigowl.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Rockfish Tenders **Live Music:** Visit the website for a full list of live performers for the summer

Bridges Restaurant

🌴 🌊 ☀️ **Where:** 321 Wells Cove Road, Grasonville **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-827-0282 **Click:** bridgesrestaurant.net **Can't Miss Dish:** White Sausage pizza **Parking Situation:** Bridges offers first come first serve complimentary slips for free for boats up to 65' in length, 20' in width, and 6' draft. Overnight slips are available for \$25.

Café Sado

🌴 🌊 ☀️ **Where:** 205 Tackle Circle, Chester **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-604-1688 **Click:** cafesado.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Butternut Squash Dumpling **Wanting More:** Visit their second location at 870 High Street in Centreville

Doc's Riverside Grille

🌴 ☀️ **Where:** 511 Chesterfield Avenue, Centreville **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-758-1707 **Click:** docsriversidegrille.com **Weekly Specials:** Monday: \$2 domestic drafts, \$6 wings, Tuesday: Taco Tuesday and \$6 Burger Platter, Wednesday: Steak Night and \$15 bottle of wine, Thursday: Raw Oyster bar and Smoked Food Specials. **Happy Hour:** 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday

Fisherman's Crab Deck / Fisherman's Inn

🌴 🌊 ☀️ **Where:** 3116 Main Street, Grasonville **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-827-6666 (Crab Deck); 410-827-8807 (Inn) **Click:** crabdeck.com; fishermansinn.com **The Scoop:** The Crab Deck is exactly that; an expansive outdoor deck where crab picking is the calling card. Meanwhile the indoor Inn is finer dining in an upscale atmosphere. **Can't Miss Dish:** Crab Pretzel **Can't Miss Drink:** Nauti Mermaid **Seafood Market:** When visiting Fisherman's Crab Deck visit the seafood market open daily from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Sundays.

Harris Crab House & Seafood Restaurant

🌴 🌊 ☀️ **Where:** 433 Kent Narrow Way North, Grasonville **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-827-9500 **Click:** harriscrabhouse.com **Community Contributor:** Harris Crab House is an admirably eco-friendly restaurant by working with Oyster Recovery Partnership, a nonprofit dedicated

to restoring oysters in the Chesapeake Bay.

Libbey's Coastal Kitchen + Cocktails

🌴 🌊 ☀️ **Where:** 357 Pier One Road, Stevensville **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-604-0999 **Click:** libbeyscoastalkitchen.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Corn & Crab dip

The Jetty

🌴 🌊 ☀️ **Where:** 201 Wells Cove Road, Grasonville **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-827-4959 **Click:** jettydockbar.com **The Scoop:** Jump in the Jetty Bus which travels to and from Stevensville, Chester, Grasonville, Romancoke, and parts of Queenstown to join trivia night, karaoke, or any other of The Jetty's events. With a packed calendar, the Jetty is always the place to kick back with your Orange Crush. **Happy Hour:** 3 p.m.-7 p.m. Monday through Fridays

Kent Island Resort + 19TWENTY

🌴 🌊 ☀️ **Where:** 500 Kent Manor Drive, Stevensville **When:** Dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-643-5757 **Click:** kentislandresort.com **The Scoop:** Whether you're a guest of the Inn or otherwise, enjoy the elegant setting and beautiful view at Kent Island Resort as you indulge in a savory dinner.

Kentmorr Restaurant & Crab House

🌴 🌊 ☀️ **Where:** 910 Kentmorr Road, Stevensville **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-643-2263 **Click:** kentmorr.com **The Scoop:** Pick either the elegant dining room or the casual outdoor tiki bar, but either way

make sure to order the award-winning crab cakes at Kentmorr Restaurant & Crab House!

Knoxie's Table at The Inn

☀️ **Where:** 180 Pier One Road, Stevensville **When:** dinner, weekend brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 443-249-5777 **Click:** baybeachclub.com **The Scoop:** Located off the lobby of The Inn at Chesapeake Bay Beach Club is the warm, rustic farm to table, Knoxie's Table. The ingredients are from local farmers and watermen to make up classic dishes with a Chesapeake twist.

The Narrows

🌴 🌊 ☀️ **Where:** 3023 Kent Narrow Way South, Grasonville **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-827-8113 **Click:** thenarrows-restaurant.com **The Scoop:** Customers go crazy for The Narrows' award-winning crab cakes and cream of crab soup. If you can't make it to Grasonville, the restaurant will satisfy you craving by shipping both of them, along with their vegetable crab soup, overnight to anywhere in the U.S. **Happy Hour:** Sunday through Thursday, 3-6 p.m.

Red Eye's Dock Bar

🌴 🌊 ☀️ **Where:** 428 Kent Narrow Way North, Grasonville **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-827-3937 **Click:** redehydockbar.com **The Scoop:** If you're looking for some live music, chill atmosphere, and somewhere to bring your best furry friend, look no further! Red Eye's has all of that, and then some. Choose from their large food

and drink menu, sit back, and relax.

KENT COUNTY

98 Cannon Riverfront Grille

🌴 ☀️ **Where:** 98 Cannon Street, Chestertown **When:** Breakfast, lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Click:** 98cannon.com **Opening TBD:** On January 16th, 98 Cannon suffered severe damage due to an electrical fire. They are currently rebuilding so keep an eye on their website to see when they will reopen!

Amalfi Coast Italian + Wine Bar

Where: 401 Love Point Road, Stevensville **When:** Brunch, Lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 443-249-3426 **Click:** amalficoastki.com **Happy Hour:** Monday through Friday 3:30 - 6:30 p.m. **Pace Yourself:** Even though it is hard to limit yourself on Amalfi's delicious pasta, do your best to save room for dessert! Amalfi offers many desserts and dessert cocktails that will take your night to the next level.

Bay Wolf Restaurant

🌴 **Where:** 21270 Rock Hall Avenue, Rock Hall **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-639-2000 **Click:** baywolfrestaurant.com **The Scoop:** Austrian food meets the Eastern Shore at Bay Wolf Restaurant in Rock Hall. The restaurant, just a short walk from the local marina, serves Wiener Schnitzel, Chicken Marsala, fried Shrimp Almondine, and crab cakes. Be aware!! Make sure to save room for the Austrian Apple Strudel served with vanilla ice cream for dessert.

The Kitchen at The Imperial

🌴 ☀️ **Where:** 208 High Street, Chestertown **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-778-5000 **Click:** imperialchester-town.com **The Scoop:** Casual fine dining with award winning crab cakes, wine tastings, and a great cocktail menu in Chestertown. On Sundays, join the Bloody Mary Brunch starters and entrees

Harbor Shack

🌴 🌊 ☀️ **Where:** 20895 Bayside Avenue, Rock Hall **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-639-9996 **Click:** harborshack.net **The Scoop:** Relax this weekend at the waterfront Harbor Shack with live entertainment, food and drink specials, and a fun, casual, atmosphere with a view of Rock Hall Harbor.

Osprey Point Restaurant

🌴 🌊 ☀️ **Where:** 20786 Rock Hall Avenue, Rock Hall **When:** dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-639-2194 **Click:** ospreypoint.com **The Scoop:** For all occasions, Osprey Point Restaurant can be the elegant waterfront dining you are looking for. Everything you are looking for is in one place, calamari, soups, salads, burger, and classic broiled crab cakes.

The Sandbar at Rolphs Wharf Marina

🌴 🌊 ☀️ **Where:** 1008 Rolphs Wharf Road, Chestertown **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-778-6347 **Click:** rolphswharfmarina.com/the-sandbar **The Scoop:** The outdoor beach bar at Rolphs offers the opportunity to take your shoes off and feel the sand between

your toes while drinking a cold beer or frozen margarita. And that view of the Chester River isn't too shabby either.

The Shanty Beach Bar at Tolchester Marina

Where: 21085 Tolchester Beach Road, Chestertown **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-778-1400 **Click:** tolchester-marina.com **The Scoop:** Offering respite from a day on the water, this beachy Bay-front bar has cold drinks, sandy shoreline, and live music throughout the summer season.

Waterman's Crab House Restaurant & Dock Bar

Where: 21055 W. Sharp Street, Rock Hall **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-639-2261 **Click:** waterman-scrabhouse.com **The Scoop:** Waterman's is a seafood market turned restaurant and dock bar serving the freshest blue crabs, rockfish, oysters, and other Chesapeake Bay delicacies in Rock Hall.

TALBOT COUNTY

Ava's Pizzeria & Wine Bar

Where: 409 S. Talbot Street, St. Michaels **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-745-3081 **Click:** avaspizzeria.com **Where to go:** There are three locations. The St. Michaels location is a short walk from the docks, but there is also a location in Cambridge and in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware. **Can't Miss Dish:** Ma's Meatball Sliders

Awful Arthur's Seafood Company

Where: 402 S. Talbot Street, St. Michaels **When:** lunch,

dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-745-3474 **Click:** awfularthursusa.com **The Scoop:** Inside of a historic home and just two blocks from the St. Michaels harbor. Awful Arthur's is a perfect spot for lunch or dinner year 'round; sit fireside in the winter and outside on the patio in the summer. **Can't Miss Dish:** Lobster Roll

Bistro St. Michaels

Where: 403 S. Talbot Street, St. Michaels **When:** dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-745-9111 **Click:** bistrostmichaels.com **The Scoop:** High quality, local ingredients make up traditional and modern culinary masterpieces at Bistro St. Michaels. Local seafood and free-range eggs are just a few of the fresh ingredients they put into their food. **Happy Hour:** 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Daily

Capsize OXMD

Where: 314 Tilghman Street, Oxford **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-226-5900 **Click:** capsizexamd.com **The Scoop:** Take in the Calm Waters of Town Creek at the relaxed and casual Capsize. Dine in the waterside dining room or grab a drink on the deck overlooking the Creek. Bring your dog for the 4-legged sailors' menu.

Carpenter Street Saloon

Where: 113 S. Talbot Street, St. Michaels **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-745-5111 **Click:** carpenterstreet-saloon.com **Night Life:** This casual restaurant offers live music throughout the week, pool tables, and other fun nightlife events throughout the year.

Enjoy their diverse menu as you catch up with your buddies at this friendly pub.

Characters Bridge Restaurant

Where: 6136 Tilghman Island Road, Tilghman Island **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-886-1060 **Click:** characters-bridgerestaurant.com **The Scoop:** With Shore classics, seafood, beef, and chicken dishes, Characters offers a robust menu and fine drinks. Guests can relax indoors or on the outside deck, and enjoy views of Knapps Narrows.

The Crab Claw

Where: 304 Burns Street, St. Michaels **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-745-2900 **Click:** thecrabclaw.com **The Scoop:** Once a clam and oyster shucking house for local catches, The Crab Claw is known for having great drinks and even better seafood. And because of its position on the water, you can sometimes catch a glimpse of watermen pulling up with the day's catches. The restaurant is still owned and operated by the original 1965 owners Bill and Sylvia Jones.

Crepes by the Bay

Where: 413 S. Talbot Street, St. Michaels **When:** breakfast, lunch **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-745-8429 **The Scoop:** Sweet or savory, breakfast, lunch or dessert, there is always a great choice at Crepes by the Bay. Don't forget to add some ice cream!

Doc's Sunset Grille

Where: 104 West Pier Street, Oxford **When:** lunch,

dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-226-5550 **Click:** docssunsetgrille.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Crabby Chicken Sandwich **The Scoop:** Located right on the Tred Avon River and facing West, Doc's Sunset Grille in Oxford, MD, is an amazing place to be for sunset. Being on the water also makes Doc's a great place to be, every day of the year. The view is always changing with the days and seasons.

Foxy's Harbor Grille

Where: 125 Mulberry Street, St. Michaels **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-745-4340 **Click:** foxysharborgrille.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Crab Pretzel **Happy Hour:** 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday

The Galley

Where: 305 S. Talbot Street, St. Michaels **When:** breakfast, lunch, Friday dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-200-8572 **Click:** thegalleysaintmichaels.com **The Scoop:** Located in the heart of historic downtown St. Michaels, The Galley is known for the best breakfast in the area made with fresh, delicious and high-quality ingredients. Check them out on Friday evenings, as they offer dinner and live music—a nice way to start your weekend.

Gina's Cafe

Where: 601 S. Talbot Street, St. Michaels **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-745-6400 **Click:** ginascafemd.com **The Scoop:** A southwest restaurant/ bar in the heart of St. Michaels, Gina's is the place to go for Mexican cuisine.





Harrison's Harbour Lights

📍🌊☀️ **Where:** 101 N. Harbor Road, St. Michaels **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-745-9001 **Click:** harbouirnn.com **The Scoop:** In season, enjoy the bay breezes on one of our outdoor decks. The Port Deck located on our ground floor next to our outdoor pool features a full bar, stone fireplace, heat lamps, fans, and a relaxing atmosphere for any occasion. Come upstairs to enjoy the River Deck—a completely open-air sun deck with the best views overlooking the historic harbor.

Latitude 38

📍 **Where:** 26342 Oxford Road, Oxford **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-226-5303 **Click:** latitude38.biz **The Scoop:** Let the fresh bay breeze run through your hair at the deck dining at Latitude 38. Get your upscale fare from steaks, crab cakes, and fresh fish. The restaurant also offers half entrees for light eaters.

Lowes Wharf Bayside Grill & Tiki Bar

📍🌊☀️ **Where:** 21651 Lowes Wharf Road, Sherwood **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-745-6684 **Click:** loweswharf.com **The Scoop:** The epitome of a hidden gem, Lowes Wharf is one of those places that's off the beaten path, but so worth the drive. Beautiful views, a sandy beach, fun activities, and a full bar and restaurant—you might just want to stay the night in the accompanying inn.

Marker Five

📍🌊☀️ **Where:** 6178 Tilghman Island Road, Tilghman **When:** lunch,

dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-886-1122 **Click:** markerfive.com **The Scoop:** Local seafood and house smoked meats are on the table at Marker Five in Tilghman/ This casual, waterfront restaurant makes everything from scratch and has over 30 beers on tap.

Pope's Tavern

📍 **Where:** 504 S. Morris Street, Oxford **When:** dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-226-5220 **Click:** oxfordinn.net **The Scoop:** At Pope's Tavern, indulge in the American bistro experience with seafood flair. Sit back and relax, and choose from a wide variety of spirits, wine, and beer for the ultimate dining experience. **Can't Miss Dish:** Linguini Carbonara

The Purser's Pub at the Inn at Perry Cabin

📍☀️ **Where:** 308 Watkins Lane, St. Michaels **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-745-2200 **Click:** innatperrycabin.com **The Scoop:** Enjoy a warm summer evening in the garden courtyard as you sip on a cocktail and indulge in some tasty Eastern Shore fare.

The Robert Morris Inn

📍☀️ **Where:** 314 N. Morris Street, Oxford **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner, weekend brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-226-5111 **Click:** robertmorrisinginn.com **The Scoop:** Located in one of the Eastern Shore's most historic towns, the Inn itself has an impressive history, dating back to 1710. Come visit this storied establishment and choose from fine dining, a casual tavern, lazy weekend brunch, or afternoon tea, all developed by award-winning chef Mark Salter.

St. Michaels Crab & Steak House

📍🌊☀️ **Where:** 305 Mulberry Street, St. Michaels **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-745-3737 **Click:** stmichaelscrabhouse.com **The Scoop:** Traditionally, St. Michaels Crab & Steak House has been an unloading dock for millions of oysters and crabs to be distributed from Boston to the Carolinas. Now turned restaurant, St. Michaels Crab & Steak House offers classic cuisine from land and sea with an entertaining view of the boats coming and going from the harbor. **Can't Miss Dish:** Crab Cake Sandwich

Stars at the Inn at Perry Cabin

📍☀️ **Where:** 308 Watkins Lane, St. Michaels **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner, afternoon tea **Cost:** \$\$\$ **Call:** 410-745-2200 **Click:** perrycabin.com **The Scoop:** Stars makes their daily specials based off of that morning's catch. All of their dishes are cooked with a light touch that unlocks the food's natural intensity.

DORCHESTER COUNTY

Bistro Poplar

📍 **Where:** 535 Poplar Street, Cambridge **When:** dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-228-4884 **Click:** bistropoplar.com **The Scoop:** Join Bistro Poplar for classic French fare in a traditional bistro atmosphere. Bistro Poplar incorporates French cuisine with a Mediterranean and Asian twist for a unique dining experience. Pair a delicious entrée with a hand-picked cocktail for the ultimate meal.

Carmela's Cucina

☀️ 🌟 **Where:** 400 Academy Street, Cambridge **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-221-8082 **The Scoop:** Taste a little bit of Italy in the heart of the Chesapeake Bay. Carmela's offers authentic Italian cuisine, often paired perfectly with a glass of wine or beer. **Don't Miss Out:** Make sure to keep checking their Facebook page for daily specials. Get there before they sell out!

Palm Beach Willies

🌴 🌊 🌟 **Where:** 638 Taylors Island Road, Taylors Island **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-221-5111 **Click:** pbwti.com **The Scoop:** Bring your car or boat to the locally run restaurant, bar and grill in Taylors Island. Look over Slaughter Creek with an ice-cold beer is a perfect way to spend your evening.

Portside Seafood Restaurant

🌴 🌊 🌟 **Where:** 201 Trenton Street, Cambridge **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-228-9007 **Click:** portsidemaryland.com **The Scoop:** An expansive upper deck overlooks Cambridge Creek, while diners indulge on a seafood-heavy menu. This warm, homey restaurant includes a wait staff that has been with the restaurant since the beginning. **Weekly Specials:** Mexican Mondays, Burger Tuesdays, Shrimp Day Thursdays, Nacho Day Friday

Snappers Waterfront Café

🌴 🌊 🌟 **Where:** 112 Commerce Street, Cambridge **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:**

410-228-0112 **Click:** snapperswaterfront-cafe.com **The Scoop:** If you didn't make your Caribbean vacation this year, just visit Snappers. This tiki bar was made to bring together both locals and tourists on the Eastern Shore. **Can't Miss Dish:** Jordan's Crabby Nachos, nachos smothered in crab dip

Suicide Bridge Restaurant

🌴 🌊 **Where:** 6304 Suicide Bridge Road, Hurlock **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-943-4689 **Click:** suicide-bridge-restaurant.com **The Scoop:** Look over Cabin Creek while you enjoy crab balls to stuffed flounder or hand cut steaks and Prime Rib. Grab a special drink from their cocktail menu to watch the wildlife of the Creek while you enjoy your meal. **Can't Miss Dish:** The Marylander: Crab imperial, tomato, and ham with imperial sauce on an English Muffin

DOWNTOWN ANNAPOLIS**Acme Bar and Grill**

🌴 **Where:** 163 Main Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night, weekend brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-280-6486 **Click:** acmegrill.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Wings, Wings, Wings! 19 flavors to choose from; have been voted Best Wings in Annapolis and Best Bartender in recent past! **Happy Hour:** 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. Monday through Friday

Armadillo's Bar & Grill

🌴 **Where:** 132 Dock Street, Annapolis **When:** dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-280-0028 **Click:** armadillosbarandgrill.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Fat Boy Fried Chicken

Buddy's Crabs & Ribs

🌴 🌊 **Where:** 100 Main Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch, late night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-626-1100 **Click:** buddysonline.com **Family Meal Deals:** Enjoy these family meals for two including ribs and crabcakes, snow crab legs and sides, or crabs, shrimp and more!

Sakura Café

🌴 🌟 **Where:** 105 Main Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-263-0785 **Click:** annapolisakuracafe.com **The Scoop:** Find sushi in Annapolis at Sakura Café with a modern interpretation of classic Japanese dishes.

Café Normandie

🌴 **Where:** 185 Main Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, weekend breakfast **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-263-3382 **Click:** cafenormandie.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Trout Almondine **Go Green:** The Annapolis Leader in Sustainability and Eco-Friendly, Green Practice's including recycled vegetable oil, composting, and bio-degradable materials.

Castlebay Irish Pub

🌴 **Where:** 193A Main Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch, late-night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-626-0165 **Click:** castlebayirishpub.com **Extra Excitement:** Check their Facebook page for live music throughout the summer.

Chick & Ruth's Delly

🌴 **Where:** 165 Main Street, Annapolis **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-269-6737 **Click:** chickandruths.com **The Challenge:** Step up to the plate with these

four challenges: Man v. Food Challenge: 6lb Shake and 1.5lb sandwich; 6lb milkshake; 3lb sandwich; 3lb cheeseburger. **Start of your Day:** Every morning, recite the Pledge to the Flag at 8:30 a.m. Monday through Friday and at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Dock Street Bar and Grill

🌴 **Where:** 136 Dock Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-268-7278 **Click:** dockstreetbar.net **Can't Miss Dish:** Crab Cake Dinner

DRY 85

🌴 **Where:** 193B Main Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 443-214-5171 **Click:** dry85.com **Weekly Special:** Bacon Brunch - Because everything is better with bacon. Sunday 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. **Happy Hour:** 3 p.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday

The Federal House Bar & Grill

🌴 🌟 **Where:** 22 Market Space, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-268-2576 **Click:** federalhouserestaurant.com **The Scoop:** Award-winning cream of crab soup and plenty of beer to try! Not only is there a human menu, but there is also a menu for your four-legged friend to get five-star treatment. **Bring a Friend:** The Federal House offers a Doggie Menu for your favorite furry friend.

Galway Bay

🌴 **Where:** 63 Maryland Avenue, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-263-8333 **Click:** galwaybaymd.

com **The Scoop:** 20+ years of award-winning Irish hospitality, even visited by Food Network's Guy Fieri for an episode of *Diners, Drive-Ins, and Dives*. **What Are We Drinking?:** Besides a full bar, Galway Bay has a large collection of Irish Whiskey with over 80 displayed Irish Whiskeys. This is the largest array in the state. **Happy Hour:** Monday through Friday, 3:30-6:30 p.m.

Harry Browne's

🌴 **Where:** 66 State Circle, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch, late-night lounge **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-263-4332 **Click:** harrybrownes.com **The Scoop:** Fine dining with a beautiful view of Annapolis and the State Circle landmark. Harry Browne's has a beautiful dining room as well as a laid-back bar lounge. **Can't Miss Dish:** Blue Angel Artisan Pizza

Harvest Wood Grill & Tap

🌴 **Where:** 26 Market Space, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, weekend brunch, late-night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-280-8686 **Click:** harvestwoodgrill.com **The Scoop:** A Wood-fire grill puts a perfect burgers and sandwiches to pair with classic and specialty cocktails and live music. **Happy Hour:** 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. Fridays

Iron Rooster

🌴 **Where:** 12 Market Space, Annapolis **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-990-1600 **Click:** ironroosterallday.com **Can't Miss Dessert:** Homemade Pop Tarts **RoosTart Kit:** Buy a kit online for a pack of 4 or

8 pop tarts to make in your own home! Even get them shipped!

Joss Café & Sushi Bar

🌴 **Where:** 195 Main Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-263-4688 **Click:** jossushi.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Crunchy Ebi Roll

Latitude 38

🌴 🌟 **Where:** 12 Dock Street, Annapolis **When:** Lunch, Dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 667-204-2282 **Click:** latitude38waterfront.com **Brunch Bonus:** Latitude 38 hosts a Sunday Brunch on from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Sunday mornings. Be sure not to miss the Macadamia Crusted French Toast or the Crab and Shrimp Omelet! **Happy Hour:** Daily 3-6 p.m.

Mason's Famous Lobster Rolls

🌴 **Where:** 188 Main Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-280-2254 **Click:** masonslobster.com **The Scoop:** A Maryland twist on a Maine classic, Mason's serves perfectly combined lobster rolls of all kind.

McGarvey's Saloon & Oyster Bar

🌴 🌟 **Where:** 8 Market Space, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-263-5700 **Click:** mcgarveysannapolis.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Oysters-check out the Raw Bar

Middleton Tavern

🌴 🌟 **Where:** 2 Market Space, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, brunch, late-night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-263-3323 **Click:** middletontavern.com **Can't Miss Drink:** Oyster Shooters **Annapolis**

Unplugged: Rediscover your roots on Wednesday nights at Middleton Tavern for "Annapolis Unplugged." The home-grown music series features the area's best talent. **Happy Hour:** 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. Monday through Friday

Nano Asian Dining
 📍 🌟 **Where:** 189A Main Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-267-6688 **Click:** nanoasian.com **The Scoop:** Visit the longest sushi bar in Annapolis, just two minutes from the Naval Academy to watch your sushi rolled right in front of you.

O'Brien's Oyster Bar & Seafood Tavern
 📍 🌟 **Where:** 113 Main Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-268-6288 **Click:** obriensoysterbar.com **Added Bonus:** If O'Brien's oyster bar isn't enough of a reason to come, visit to say hello to the ghosts who have been lingering in the building since 1774. **Happy Hour:** 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. Monday through Friday

Osteria 177
 📍 🌟 **Where:** 177 Main Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-267-7700 **Click:** osteria177.com **The Scoop:** Italian coastal specialties brought to Annapolis along with a wine list that will leave you craving more. **Now Only!:** Order fresh pasta or jarred sauce from Osteria 177 to go online.

Preserve
 📍 **Where:** 164 Main Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, weekend brunch **Cost:**

SS Call: 443-598-6920 **Click:** preserve-eats.com **The Scoop:** Farm-to-table, casual restaurant, Preserve brings American-Euro dishes to Annapolis which they pickle and ferment themselves. Along with their restaurant, Preserve also has a line of ferments available for purchase. **Happy Hour:** 3 p.m.-5 p.m. Daily **Coming Soon:** Preserve is in the process of opening a second restaurant "Garten" in Severna Park.

Pusser's Caribbean Grille
 📍 🌊 🌟 **Where:** 80 Compromise Street, Annapolis **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner, Sunday buffet **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-626-0004 **Click:** pusser-sannapolis.com **Can't Miss Drink:** Pusser's Painkiller

Red Red Wine Bar
 📍 **Where:** 189B Main Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-990-1144 **Click:** redredwinebar.com **The Scoop:** Wine, cheese, and pizza oh my! Red Red Wine bar has plenty to choose from including preset wine flights in order for guests to find your new favorite wine. **Happy Hour:** 3 p.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday

Sofi's Crêpes
 📍 **Where:** 1 Craig Street, Annapolis **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-990-0929 **Click:** sofiscrapes.com **Can't Miss Dish:** The Kevin Bacon Crepe - Turkey, bacon, cheese, and tomatoes with thousand island sauce **The More the**

Merrier: Can't make it into town for one of Sofi's Crêpes? There is another location in Severna Park!

Vida Taco Bar
 📍 **Where:** 200 Main Street, Annapolis **When:** weekend lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 443-837-6521 **Click:** vidatacobar.com **The Scoop:** Plenty of tacos and quesadillas for everyone to enjoy. Pair with an amazing margarita or special Purple Drink which is a 50/50 mix of sangria and margarita.

UPTOWN ANNAPOLIS

49 West Coffeehouse, Winebar & Gallery
 📍 🌟 **Where:** 49 West Street, Annapolis **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-626-9796 **Click:** 49westcoffeehouse.com **The Scoop:** Art, music, coffee, and wine all come together in this coffeehouse on West Street. You cannot skip local, live jazz, folk, or bluegrass in "Annapolis's Living Room" with a Chai Latte or glass of pinot in hand.

Carpaccio Tuscan Kitchen
 📍 🌟 **Where:** 1 Park Place, Suite 10, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-268-6569 **Click:** carpacciatuscankitchen.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Vitello Annapolis **The Scoop:** Comfortable, yet sophisticated. Carpaccio Tuscan Kitchen & Wine Bar offers more than just a menu of authentic Italian specialties. Revel in our uptown ambiance indoors or al-fresco while you savor the perfectly portioned and exquisitely flavored pastas, pizzas, meats and seafood dishes.

Lemongrass
 📍 🌟 **Where:** 167 West Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-280-0086 **Click:** lemongrassannapolis.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Chesapeake Pad Thai

Level-A Small Plates Lounge
 📍 **Where:** 69 West Street, Annapolis **When:** dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-268-0003 **Click:** levelannapolis.com **Can't Miss (Small) Dish:** Tuna Tartare **Sustainability:** Level is the first restaurant in Annapolis to source as many ingredients as possible from a local and regional area farm. Visit their website for a full list of the farms they use on a daily basis.

Light House Bistro
 📍 **Where:** 202 West Street, Annapolis **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner, weekend brunch **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-424-0922; 443-221-6207 **Click:** lighthousebistro.org **Community Contributor:** Light House Bistro is not just running a business, here, giving people new lives. The Bistro gives people with employment barriers jobs as well as help developing resumes through the Light House Homeless Prevention Support Center's Building Employment Success Training Program.

Luna Blu
 📍 **Where:** 36 West Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-267-9950 **Click:** lunablufannapolis.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Crab Bruschetta **Monthly Dinner:** Each month, Luna Blu is hosting a virtual wine dinner to raise money for a local charity

Metropolitan Kitchen & Lounge
 📍 🌟 **Where:** 175 West Street, Annapolis **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-280-5160 **Click:** metropolitanannapolis.com **The Scoop:** Dine under the stars on the roof-top bar and enjoy a lamb burger or the fig and goat cheese flatbread for a perfect evening.

Miss Shirley's Cafe
 📍 **Where:** 1 Park Place, Annapolis **When:** breakfast, lunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-268-5171 **Click:** missshirleys.com **The Scoop:** Definitely a can't miss since it has been voted best breakfast in Maryland by Food Network Magazine and so many other awards since.

Rams Head Tavern
 📍 🌟 **Where:** 33 West Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-268-4545 **Click:** ramsheadtavern.com **The Scoop:** Rams Head has beer, sammies, and lobster rolls to be enjoyed by all.

Reynolds Tavern
 📍 **Where:** 7 Church Circle, Annapolis **When:** lunch, tea, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-295-9555 **Click:** reynoldstavern.org **The Scoop:** As one of the oldest taverns in Annapolis, Reynolds Tavern offers the classic tea and finger sandwiches or you can head out to the Beer Garden which features an everchanging draft list. Stay the night in a suite style room and wake up in the heart of Downtown Annapolis.

Sailor Oyster Bar
 🌟 **Where:** 196 West Street, Annapolis **When:** Dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:**

410-571-5449 **Click:** sailoroysterbar.com **Eat Out and Give Back:** Sailor Oyster Bar gives all oyster shells to the Oyster Recovery Partnership, a non-profit that is working to improve the health of the Chesapeake Bay.

Stan and Joe's Saloon
 📍 🌟 **Where:** 37 West Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-263-1993 **Click:** stanandjoessaloon.com **Weekly Specials:** Check out specials every day of the week on their website, including weekly Karaoke on Thursdays **Happy Hour:** 3 p.m.-7 p.m. Monday through Thursday

Trophy Room
 📍 🌟 **Where:** 126 West Street, Annapolis **When:** brunch, lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-263-7777 **Click:** graduatehotels.com/annapolis/restaurant/trrophy-room **The Scoop:** Located within Graduate Annapolis, Trophy Room offers nostalgia in American dishes with a youthful spin. For example, the Adult Capri Sun cocktail.

Tsunami
 📍 **Where:** 51 West Street, Annapolis **When:** dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-990-9868 **Click:** tsunamiannapolis.com **The Scoop:** This unique menu has an extravagant sushi menu as well as guilty pleasures like sriracha mac-n-cheese.

GREATER ANNAPOLIS

Cantler's Riverside Inn
 📍 🌊 🌟 **Where:** 458 Forest Beach Road, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-757-1311 **Click:** cantlers.com

The Scoop: Crab Cake, cream of crab soup, snow crabs, and soft-shell crab sandwich galore. Cantler's Riverside Inn is not any types of crab, no matter what your favorite way to eat it is.

Cooper's Hawk Winery & Restaurant

☀ **Where:** 1906 Towne Centre Boulevard, Suite 238, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 443-837-9989 **Click:** chwinery.com **The Layout:** Delicious restaurant with a selection of signature menu items paired perfectly with their own wine's upstairs. Tasting room including seven to eight different wines with no reservation necessary downstairs. **Happy Hour:** 2 p.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through Friday

Gordon Biersch

☀ **Where:** 1906 Towne Centre Boulevard, Suite 155, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-266-5965 **Click:** gordonbiersch.com **The Tap:** Gordon Biersch has an extensive beer menu featuring their own, house brewed beers from German lagers to American craft beers.

Severn Inn

🌊 ☀ **Where:** 1993 Baltimore Annapolis Boulevard, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$\$ **Call:** 410-349-4000 **Click:** severninn.com **The View:** Sit on the patio, or inside with floor to ceiling windows with a panoramic view of Annapolis and the Naval Academy at the Severn Inn. **Can't Miss Dish:** Crab Cakes

True Food Kitchen

☀ **Where:** 1906 Town Centre Blvd, Suite 110 **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 443-775-5179 **Click:** truefoodkitchen.com **The Scoop:** True Food Kitchen is the only restaurant fundamentally based on science which ensures all of its craveable dishes and drinks work to increase the longevity of our people and planet.

Tuscan Prime

☀ **Where:** 1905 Town Centre Blvd, Suite 100 **When:** dinner, weekend brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 443-572-4677 **Click:** tuscanprime.com **Happy Hour:** Sunday through Thursday, 4-7 p.m.

EASTPORT

Blackwall Hitch

🌲 ☀ **Where:** 400 Sixth Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-263-3454 **Click:** theblackwallhitchannapolis.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Braised Short Ribs **Happy Hour:** Monday through Friday 4-7 p.m.

Boatyard Bar & Grill

🌲 ☀ **Where:** 400 Fourth Street, Annapolis **When:** break-fast, lunch, dinner, late-night, weekend brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-216-6206 **Click:** boatyardbarandgrill.com **Can't Miss Drink:** Cherry Ginger Cobbler **Near and Far:** Everyone knows how great Boatyard's Crabcakes are so be sure to spread the love. Ship crabcakes to your family all over the country to show off what they do best.

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Bread and Butter Kitchen

📍 **Where:** 303 Second Street, Suite A, Annapolis **When:** breakfast, lunch **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-202-8680 **Click:** breadandbutterkitchen.com **The Scoop:** Bread and Butter offers a variety of classic breakfast and lunch favorites, from omelets and scones to egg, chicken, or tuna salad sandwiches. The ingredients in the kitchen come from local farmers, giving this eatery the freshest menu.

Carrol's Creek Café

📍 🌞 **Where:** 410 Severn Avenue, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-263-8102 **Click:** carrolscreek.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Sea Scallops **Allergy Friendly:** Carrol's Creek Café is fine dining for everyone, even if you have a nut allergy. Carrol's Creek's kitchen is completely peanut and tree nut free.

Chart House

📍 🌞 **Where:** 300 Second Street, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$\$ **Call:** 410-268-7166 **Click:** chart-house.com **Happy Hour:** Sunday through Friday, 4:30 - 7 p.m. **Drink and a Show:** Enjoy a tableside torched Apple Manhattan with Basil Hayden Toast bourbon, Berentzen Apple Liqueur, and Carpano Antica Sweet Vermouth infused with applewood smoke.

Davis' Pub

📍 🌞 **Where:** 400 Chester Avenue, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-268-7432 **Click:** davispub.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Crab Pretzel

Eastport Kitchen

📍 **Where:** 923 Chesapeake Avenue, Annapolis **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-990-0000 **Click:** eastportkitchen.com **The Scoop:** Whether you have a hankering for breakfast, lunch, or dinner, Eastport Kitchen has you covered! Check out their website for monthly dinner specials.

Leeward Market Café & Grocery

📍 **Where:** 601 Second Street, Annapolis **When:** breakfast, lunch **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 443-837-6122 **Click:** leewardmarketcafe.com **The Scoop:** Breakfast is served all day at this little Market with big taste. Relax there in the morning with their freshly brewed City Dock Coffee or join them for lunch and order one of their classic gourmet pizzas.

Lewnes' Steakhouse

📍 **Where:** 401 Fourth Street, Annapolis **When:** dinner **Cost:** \$\$\$ **Call:** 410-263-1617 **Click:** lewnessteakhouse.com **The Vino:** Lewnes' Steakhouse has won 12 years straight as Best of Award of Excellence for their wine list by the Wine Spectator.

O'Leary's Seafood

📍 **Where:** 310 Third Street, Annapolis **When:** dinner, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$\$ **Call:** 410-263-0884 **Click:** olearysseafood.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Crab Cakes **Can't Miss Drink:** Bicycles and Baskets: Deadwood Rye Whiskey, Pedro Ximenez Sherry, Aperol, lemon Juice, simple syrup. On the rocks

Ruth's Chris Steak-house

📍 🌞 **Where:** 301 Severn Avenue, Annapolis **When:** dinner **Cost:** \$\$\$ **Call:** 410-990-0033 **Click:** ruthschris-annapolis.com **The Scoop:** This widely-known steakhouse is renowned for its excellent cuts of meat, and also offers poultry and seafood options for those who don't love steak. The side dishes are ordered separately and come in portions large enough to share to be served with beautiful cocktails.

Vin 909 Winecafé

📍 🌞 **Where:** 909 Bay Ridge Avenue, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-990-1846 **Click:** vin909.com **The Scoop:** Vin 909 Wine café is built on family history, and passion for food, wine and beer. The name "Vin" means wine in French and also defines the vintage feel of our inviting setting in the eclectic neighborhood of Eastport. **Can't Miss Dish:** The Rock Star Pizza

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY

The Blackwall Barn & Lodge

🌞 **Where:** 329 Gambrills Road, Gambrills **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-317-2276 **Click:** barnandlodge.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Chicken and Waffles **Can't Miss Drink:** Mas-sive Mary

Broken Oar Bar & Grill

📍 🌞 **Where:** 864 Nabbs Creek Road, Glen Burnie **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:**

Call: 443-818-9070 **Click:** brokenoarbarandgrill.com **The Scoop:** An Oaresome place with a view and plenty of deals you can't miss. On top of happy hour, join Taco Tuesday, Wing Wednesday, Sushi Thursday, and Sunday Funday right on the water.

The Crab Shack (Crofton)

🌞 **Where:** 1260 MD-3, Crofton **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 443-302-2680 **Click:** thecrabshackmd.com **Happy Hour:** 3-7 p.m. **Daily Southern Spice:** Build your own Cajun Boil for dinner: pick your protein, butter type, spice level, and whatever extras you want for a perfect Cajun dinner.

The Crab Shack (Edgewater)

🌞 **Where:** 3111 Solomons Island Road, Edgewater **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 443-837-6279 **Click:** thecrabshackmd.com **Extra, Extra:** Enjoying the soup? Take a quart home. Don't skip out on the fries. The Crab Shack's Boardwalk French Fries are made fresh on site!

Donnelly's Dockside

📍 🌞 **Where:** 1050 Deep Creek Avenue, Arnold **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-757-4045 **Click:** donnellysdockside.com **The Scoop:** Pick your crabs with the views of Deep Creek with a cocktail in hand at Donnelly's Dockside, formally known as Deep Creek Restaurant. This beautiful view and amazing seafood is located just outside Annapolis.

Fat Boys Crab Shack

🌞 **Where:** 1581 Defense Highway, Gambrills **When:** lunch, dinner,

late-night **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-721-5252 **Click:** fatboyscrofton.com **Can't Miss App:** Hush Puppies

Founders Tavern & Grille

🌞 **Where:** 8125 Ritchie Highway, Pasadena **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-544-0076 **Click:** founderstavernandgrille.com **Can't Miss Drink:** Whiskey Flights - Founders has a long list of Whiskey flights available to make your own personalized flight **Can't Miss Dish:** Bacon & Bleu Burger

Fuji Japanese Steak-house, Hibachi, Sushi & Lava Bar

🌞 **Where:** 1406 S. Main Chapel Way, Gambrills **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-721-6880 **Click:** jcfuji.com **The Scoop:** This Crofton/Gambrills staple offers fresh sushi and other Japanese favorites. Sit down for an entertaining culinary show at the Hibachi table or dine al fresco with a cold cocktail and some friends.

The Hideaway

🌞 **Where:** 1439 Odenton Road, Odenton **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-874-7300 **Click:** hideawayodenton.com **The Scoop:** If you can find it then you will enjoy it. The Hideaway is a hidden gem now known for reputable barbecue that has sold out during peak times. Try out their award-winning wings, dry-rubbed in their own special signature seasonings. **Can't Miss Dish:** Pulled Pork **Happy Hour:** 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. Monday through Friday

Killarney House

🌞 **Where:** 584 West

Central Avenue, Davidsonville **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-798-8700 **Click:** killarneyhousepub.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Fish and Chips

Langways All American Sports Bar & Grill

🌞 **Where:** 1357 Defense Highway, Gambrills **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-721-4108 **Click:** langwayssportsbar.com **The Atmosphere:** Sit on the relaxed patio any day of the week for an ice-cold beer and sandwich.

Lures Bar & Grille

🌞 **Where:** 1397 Generals Highway, Crownsville **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-923-1606 **Click:** luresbarandgrille.com **The Scoop:** Lures, a casual bar with a nautical feel, specializes in regular customers, offering both a beer and wine club for repeaters. You can also sign up to receive its weekly newsletter with the latest happenings. Their beer list offers endless options.

Mother's Peninsula Grille

🌞 **Where:** 969 Ritchie Highway, Arnold **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-975-5950 **Click:** mothersgrille.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Pat Tillman Powerhouse **Happy Hour:** 3-6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday

Mike's Crab House

📍 🌞 **Where:** 3030 Riva Road, Riva **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-956-2784 **Click:** mikescrabhouse.com **Parking Situation:** No excuse to skip out on Mike's Crab House, if the parking lot

is full, boat dockage is free for patrons! **Can't Miss Dish:** Maryland Crab Soup

Newk's Eatery

☀ **Where:** 1360 Main Chapel Way, Gambrills **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 443-302-2734 **Click:** newks.com/location/gambrills-md **The Scoop:** Newk's may be a national chain, but they have soups, salads, and sandwiches that are so fresh and light, they can't be skipped over. Eat in or grab lunch to go at their quick Grab N-Go station.

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☀ **Where:** 1258 Bay Dale Drive, Arnold **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-349-0200 **Click:** oloughlinspub.com **Extra Special:** Monday Night Wing Night, Tuesday Steak and Taco night, Irish Night Wednesdays, #WineWednesday, Steam Platter Thursday, Beer Battered Friday, Prime rib Saturday, Rip off our Ribs Sunday **Happy Hour:** 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. Monday through Friday

Old Stein Inn

☀ **Where:** 1143 Central Avenue, Edgewater **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-798-6807 **Click:** oldstein-inn.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Old Stein Short Rib Sauerbraten **Beer Selection:** Not only does Old Stein Inn have an extensive craft beer menu, they also have an extensive German beer list. Visit to make a flight out of the 10 craft German beers they have on draft.

The Pier Oyster Bar & Grill

🌊 ☀ **Where:** 48 South River Road, Edgewater **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 443-837-6057 **Click:** thepier-waterfrontbarandgrill.com **The Scoop:** Find your beach at The Pier, a family-friendly sandy getaway with live music, beach-inspired food, and an upbeat atmosphere. **Music:** Ready for a night out with some live music? Visit their website for who is playing tonight.

The Point Crab House & Grill

🌊 ☀ **Where:** 700 Mill Creek Road, Arnold **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-544-5448 **Click:** thepoint-crabhouse.com **Can't Miss Dessert:** Nutty buddy Slider **Happy Hour:** 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. Monday through Friday

Querétaro

☀ **Where:** 1406 S. Main Chapel Way, Suite 110, Gambrills **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-721-1392 **Click:** queretaroinc.com **The Scoop:** Celebrate taco Tuesday every day at Querétaro in Gambrills with daily taco, fajita, burrito and so many other Mexican specials. Really hungry? Order tacos by the tray!

Rams Head Dockside

🌊 ☀ **Where:** 1702 Furnace Drive, Glen Burnie **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-590-2280 **Click:** ramsheaddockside.com **What's On Tap:** Rams Head Dockside features house drafts from their brewery, Fordham and Dominion Brewing in Dover, DE. They also offer nine rotating taps from over 100 bottles of beer from around

the world. **Happy Hour:** 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. Monday through Friday

Rams Head Roadhouse

☀ **Where:** 1773 Generals Highway, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-849-8058 **Click:** ramsheadroadhouse.com **Special Special!:** Enjoy \$5 burger night every Sunday. Burger night includes an 8 oz Angus beef patty with lettuce and tomato, chips, and a pickle starting at 5 p.m. **Happy Hour:** 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. Monday through Friday

Thai at Waugh Chapel

☀ **Where:** 1406 S. Main Chapel Way, Suite 102, Gambrills **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-415-1004 **Click:** thaitatwaughchapel.com **Can't Miss:** Thai food is comfort food whether it be a cold winter day or a beautiful summer day, but the best time to visit Thai at Waugh Chapel is during the Towne Centre's weekend outdoor concert series. Sit on their outdoor patio during a perfect warm evening, listen to music, and sip on a drink with some drunken noodles!

Yellowfin Steak & Fish House

🌊 ☀ **Where:** 2840 Solomons Island Road, Edgewater **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-573-1333 **Click:** yellowfinedgewater.com **The Scoop:** An extensive wine list pairs perfectly with seafood, steak, or sushi at Yellowfin Steak & Fish House. Watch the sunset on the South River and boats drive at the beautiful waterfront restaurant.

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Dockside Restaurant & Sports Bar

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Happy Harbor Restaurant and Bar

🌊 ☀ **Where:** 533 Deale Road, Deale **When:** lunch, dinner, late-night, weekend breakfast **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-867-0949 **Click:** happyharbordeale.com **The Scoop:** Come get happy at Happy Harbor

with a drink on the Doc Bar. Crab cakes, burgers and beyond are all available for a day on the water in Deale. **Happy Hour:** 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. everyday

Jesse Jay's

☀ **Where:** 5471 Muddy Creek Road, Churchton **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 240-903-8100 **Click:** jessejays.com **Truck:** Go online now to book Jesse Jay's Food Trailer to cater your next event or check their calendar to see when the truck is going to be near you!

Neptune's Seafood Pub

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Petie Greens Bar and Grill

☀ **Where:** 6103 Drum Point Road, Deale **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-867-1488 **Click:** petiegreens.com **The Scoop:** Enjoy delightful fare and great drinks in the heart of Deale. With live music and good vibes, Petie Greens is the place to be.

Pirates Cove Restaurant & Dock Bar

🌊 ☀ **Where:** 4817 Riverside Drive, Galesville **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-867-2300 **Click:** piratescovemd.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Crab

Imperial **Get Shucked:** Enjoy Oyster Night every Thursday at 6 p.m.

Skipper's Pier Restaurant & Dock Bar

🌊 ☀ **Where:** 6158 Drum Point Road, Deale **When:** dinner, weekend lunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-867-7110 **Click:** skipperspier.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Crab Crusted Oysters

South County Café

🌊 ☀ **Where:** 5960 Deale Churchton Road, Deale **When:** breakfast, lunch **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-867-6450 **Click:** southcountycfe.com **The Scoop:** Build your own sandwich or choose from one of South County Café's many specialty sandwiches for lunch or grab French toast or an omelet for breakfast at this country style café in Deale.

Stan and Joe's Riverside

🌊 ☀ **Where:** 4851 Riverside Drive, Galesville **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-867-7200 **Click:** snjriverside.com **Weekly Specials:** buy one pound of steamed shrimp get a half pound free on Mondays, half priced burgers on Tuesdays, buy one get one free steamed mussels on Wednesdays, pound and a half lobster dinner for \$22.95 on Thursdays, \$21.95 slow cooked prime rib on Fridays, \$0.75 oysters on Saturdays and Sunday brunch for 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. **Happy Hour:** 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. Monday through Friday



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 🌊 🍷 ☀️ **Where:** 8132 Bayside Road, Chesapeake Beach **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner, weekend breakfast buffet **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 301-855-0766 **Click:** traders-eagle.com **The Scoop:** For more than 50 years, Traders has been known for its steak and seafood entrees, along with a score of comfort food dishes available for dinner. The restaurant also features live entertainment on their outside deck bar Wednesday through Saturday, perfect to gather with a group of friends.

The Westlawn Inn
 🌱 **Where:** 9200 Chesapeake Avenue, North Beach **When:** dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-257-0001 **Click:** westlawninn.com **Can't Miss Dish:** Fried Red Tomato

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Where: 609 Taylor Avenue, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Click:** bellaitaliamd.com **The Scoop:** Simple Italian food made exactly the right way, using the best and freshest ingredients, served in a space where all are welcome. Come by, pull up a seat and see what happens when good food, good wine, and good people come together.

Harvest Thyme
Where: 1251 West Central Avenue, Davidsonville **When:** lunch, dinner, Sunday brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 443-203-6846 **Click:** harvestthymetavern.com **Save Room For:** Harvest Smash **Can't Miss Cocktail:** Campfire, a Harvest Thyme twist on an Old Fashioned **Happy Hour:** 4 p.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, All day Sunday

Hunan L'Rose
Where: 1131 Annapolis Road, Odenton **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$

Call: 410-672-2928 **The Scoop:** This longtime Odenton establishment has earned its renowned reputation for upscale Chinese cuisine.

Hunter's Tavern at Tidewater Inn
Where: 101 East Dover Street, Easton **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner, weekend brunch **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-822-4034 **Click:** tidewaterinn.com/hunters-tavern **Decanter Room:** Hunter's Tavern has a beautiful room with a long wooden table that seats up to 26 guests with extensive wine storage, dome ceiling, and an elegant chandelier. Enjoy private dining in the Decanter Room with groups of friends, coworkers, or family.

Main & Market
Where: 914 Bay Ridge Road, Annapolis **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-626-0388 **Click:** mainandmarket.com **The Scoop:** Main & Market has carved out its niche in the Annapolis area for more than two decades as a casual-yet-refined restaurant *and* premier caterer.

Mamma Roma
Where: 8743 Piney Orchard Parkway, Odenton **When:** lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$ **Call:** 410-695-0247 **Click:** mammaromas.com **The Scoop:** Classic Italian food is tucked into the corner of the Village Center in Odenton at Mamma Roma. Here, you will find a friendly atmosphere and a zest for Italian fare.

Mi Lindo Cancún Grill
Where: 2134 Forest Drive, Annapolis **When:** breakfast, lunch, dinner **Cost:** \$\$ **Call:** 410-571-0500 **Click:** lindocan-

grill.com **The Scoop:** This family-owned restaurant offers a large menu of traditional, authentic Mexican dishes inspired by Mayan culture. Top off your dinner with a tasty dessert, like Churros and Ice Cream. **Happy Hour:** 2 p.m.-7 p.m. Monday through Thursday

Nothing Bundt Cakes
Where: 1901 Annapolis Towne Centre Blvd, Annapolis **When:** Bakery **Cost:** \$ **Click:** nothingbundtcakes.com **Flavors:** Besides the regular carrot, vanilla and chocolate, you can get awesome new flavors like Pecan Praline, Marble, and lemon.

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RACE ACROSS AMERICA IS THE EPITOME OF TRANSCONTINENTAL CYCLING

It was eight o'clock on April 22, 1884, when Thomas Stevens started off on his "Penny Farthing" bike to travel across America. Along the way, on the old California Trail across the plains and the mountains, his big front-wheeled bicycle would astonish strangers who had never seen such a mechanical contraption. One hundred and three days later, on August 4, 1884, after following wagon trails, railways, canal towpaths, and public roads, Stevens arrived in Boston, Massachusetts. He was the first person to accomplish a transcontinental bike ride. The 3,700-mile trip was, according to *Harper's Magazine*, interrupted by 20 days of stoppage for wet weather.

Stevens would go on to bike around the world on his "Penny Farthing" high-wheeler, another first, ending in Yokohama, Japan, 13,500 miles later on December 17, 1886. He shared his stories of the people he met and the adventures he experienced with local bicycle clubs, and in letters with *Harper's* and in a book *Around the World on Bicycle*. He became known as the "Jules Verne of bicycling" for exploring the marvels of the world.

Since 1817, when Baron Karl von Drais invented the first two-wheeled vehicle, cycling had become a craze among wealthy and competitive-minded men. Englishman James Moore, riding a wooden bicycle with solid rubber tires would win the first bicycle (a term created by the French) race of 1,200 meters in Parc de Saint Cloud, Paris, on May 31, 1868. And from then on, bicycle clubs grew and flourished worldwide, establishing 100-mile century rides in timed trials. In 1890, the safety bicycle—the look we enjoy today—changed the nature of bike racing as well as leisurely fun.

In 1896, bicycling competition became a summer Olympic sport. In America, Marshall "Major" Taylor was setting seven world records in 1898 and 1899. Turning professional at age 18, his mile speed record lasted for 28 years. Nicknamed "the Worcester Whirlwind," Taylor is considered the greatest American sprinter of all time. He won the World Championship in 1899 for America, the second black athlete to win a world championship in any sport. In New York City, Madison Square Garden featured a six-day, nonstop race event on its indoor track. Taylor started, then dropped out after riding 1,732 miles. He would never do long-distance racing again. The winner of that event, Terry Hale, won the \$5,000 prize, going 1,910 miles around and around the track.

The interest in long-distance racing was set. In 1903, France initiated the Tour de France, now a 23-day internationally sanctioned race over hill and dale around France, and one of the most popular annual sporting events. The Tour de France is tame, however, when compared to the 3,000-mile nonstop Race Across America (RAAM).

RAAM is the world's toughest bicycle race. It starts in Oceanside, California, and ends in Annapolis, Maryland, each June. Along the route, it crosses 12 states, covers 170,000 vertical feet of climbs (that's five times the height of Mount Everest), and many weather changes. The route

crosses the Pacific coastal range, follows the deserts of the southwest around the Salton Sea (255 feet below sea level), through the Imperial Valley climbing to Flagstaff and through Monument Valley and the Four Corners, through the Rocky Mountains, and across 700 miles of Great Plains to the Appalachians and the Atlantic Coastal plains. The route between Cumberland and Hancock, Maryland, is described as the most difficult with endless up and down steep climbs and high humidity. Race officials meet the competing cyclists to escort them into Annapolis' City Dock, the finish line. The solo race record for this 3,000-mile journey is seven days, 15 hours, and 56 minutes. Racing teams have completed the journey in as short as five days, three hours, and 43 minutes—a far cry from that first 103-day transcontinental venture across America.

RAAM was founded in 1982 as the Great American Bike Race by John Marino. He was joined by three professional bicycle racers on the inaugural journey: Lon Haldeman, John Howard, and Michael Sherman. They left Santa Monica, California, and finished at the Empire State Building in NYC, with Haldeman the winner. Changing the name to Race Across America, this annual event was established, settling into its permanent route from Oceanside to Annapolis in 2008.

Securing the finish line in Annapolis confirmed in a resolution of the City Council sponsored by Mayor Ellen Moyer was the work of Steve Carr and Parker Jones, then owner of Capital Cycle. Fred Boethling, RAAM owner, was looking for a town with a strong environmental ethic. Annapolis had that reputation. Carr met and sold him on the city and then engaged the merchants around Dock Street, who would be impacted by the race with the loss of parking. By the time the resolution was introduced, it was approved unanimously with not a single public objection. Annapolis receives the racers and awards them at City Dock over five days, when racers arrive bit by bit.

Over the decade, approximately \$1.5M per year has been contributed to charities selected by the teams participating in this grueling event, which tests the endurance of body and soul. Support cars provide food, water, medical, and repair assistance for the 300 cyclists. About 50 percent of the solo racers drop out along the way.

Winners in the early years were Americans, but Europeans have captured the winning spots since becoming an internationally popular event. Participants must qualify with participation in other sanctioned events such as the Race Across Italy (482 miles), Race Around Denmark (994 miles), or the Race Across the West (930 miles). When arriving in Annapolis, participants enjoy the hospitality and restaurants of our colonial city, reminiscent of the European towns they left behind to race this event. This year's RAAM begins June 14 and the first finishers are expected to arrive in City Dock as early as June 18. So, mosey down to City Dock in Annapolis to greet and meet those who Race Across America by the seat of their pants on a bicycle not built for two.



Left: In the late-1800s through early-1900s, Madison Square Garden in New York (pictured here in 1908) was the site of many famed indoor cycling races. Right: Marshall "Major" Taylor (foreground) races Léon Hourlier in a race held at Buffalo, New York, in 1909. Taylor is considered greatest American sprinter of all time



Top: Prior to the start of the solo division of the 2011 Race Across America, the original four competitors from 1982 were recognized and given special awards. From left to right: Lon Haldeman, John Howard, Michael Shermer, and founder John Marino. Photo by Rick Kent. Right: The finish line of Race Across America at Annapolis' Susan Campbell Park at City Dock. Photo by Don Logan.



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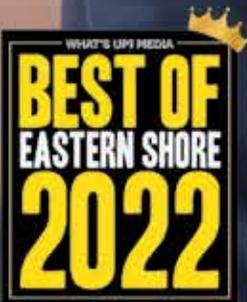
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From Bay



to Beach

building the better beach dream

Story by **LISA J. GOTTO** Photography by **DANA HOFF**

This month's feature home proves the point that sometimes mid-life has little, if anything, to do with downsizing at all. As popular a trend as it has been for some, for others, like Angie and Frank Ferrogine of Annapolis, life isn't really a beach unless your 10 grandchildren and four grown children have the space to enjoy quality family time while they're at the shore.

(If that last name sounds familiar, it may be because you own a particular type of car. Frank Ferrogine is the President and CEO of Volvo Cars Annapolis and Annapolis Subaru, and he and Angie are long-time Annapolis residents.) As much as they love their Naptown address, like many from our area, they also like to take advantage of the proximity we fortunately have to the Maryland and Delaware beaches.

Exacting Standards

Several years ago, however, they realized the beach home they owned in Maryland just couldn't handle having extended company for 20 people, which is the number their immediate family circle grows to when all the spouses and children are in the house.

"And we just loved that house, too," says Angie of the property they were forced to part with. "We had a home in Ocean City. We had outgrown the house. We have four grown children. They are all married and now we have 10 grandchildren. We needed to increase our space. Plus, we always wanted to live on Fenwick Island."

And so off to Delaware's narrow peninsula they went, with some exacting standards and a goal to create a place they would love as much as the home they were giving up.



To do this, they entrusted their goal to the team at Marnie's Custom Homes of Bethany Beach, Delaware, and its founder, Marnie Oursler. The Ferrogines had known Marnie from her work on a friend's home and liked what they saw. In the business since she was 22, Marnie comes from a long line of builders going back to her great grandfather.

Her custom homes team, now 15 years in the making, would need that creativity and acumen to take a tight parcel of land and build a home that would meet the requirements of a family who needed to forget about the beach home they had before.

For Two or 20

When designing any home, the owners' wish-list will denote the floorplan, explains Oursler. "That's a big conversation that we have to have with our clients initially." Generally, she says, this starts with a question such as, "What are you going to be doing in the house and when?"

The Ferrogines are boating enthusiasts, entertain at home regularly, and would need the home to be keenly functional for just two people sometimes, and then 20 or more, at others. This made the concept of traffic flow via intuitive design, paramount.

A purposeful, open-concept plan with a few tweaks was Job One when it came to the home's interior. In particular, the couple wanted to invert their primary living space so it would be situated on the second level to maximize the views.



“My husband and I wanted one-level living; even though we put it on the second floor.” Angie says. “But we have an elevator. So, basically if it’s just my husband and I, everything is there for us on that one level.”

While open-plan living remains highly popular for new builds and visually has a conceptual simplicity, it is usually anything but that for the conscientious builder.

“This one was difficult. We had [to put] a gigantic ridge beam up in the kitchen (second) level,” explains Oursler.

The ridge beam becomes a subliminal structure running along parallel lines with the kitchen and dining room, and then flows in the main living area on the second floor. The result is an enchanting beach dwelling, which Angie says she put a traditional, Nantucket spin on with the décor.

Creamy white walls meet with rich, dark walnut floors throughout the main living space providing the base for incredibly light, airy, and tranquil bayside living. Textures of basket weave, knotty rope, and ivory damask play with various watery blues throughout the space.

The kitchen is Angie’s personally designed domain suited to her love of cooking and her knowledge of how the room would work best for her. While many families enjoy a huge center island in the kitchen, Angie says that concept was a non-starter for her.

“I entertain a lot and I have a lot of family...and that never works. I cook a lot and I can’t have people standing around an island.” Instead, she chose a peninsula because it acts like a natural barrier, yet the area is still open for casual conversation and is communal. That peninsula and the rest of the counters are topped with luscious lattice Pental quartz paired with a backsplash above the range crafted of Carrera marble subway tiles with pencil molding surround.

For Angie, a kitchen is best stocked with bowls and dishes in large drawers. As a result, there are many layers of drawers in her kitchen and few above-counter cabinets. Like many stylish homeowners these days, the Ferrogines have a kitchen within a kitchen, or a separate workstation equipped with smaller appliances at the ready, keeping the kitchen counters free of clutter.

Along with the formal dining space off the kitchen, the entire floor serves as a grand area for entertaining because a lovely screened-in porch area flows from the living room. The set of doors that then open to the second level deck were designed with clever corner details that provide a sense of nostalgia for a bygone era.

The 4,900-square-foot residence would ultimately provide two-and-a-half levels of living with six bedrooms and five-and-a-half baths. The home’s lower level offers an additional living and recreation area, more bedrooms, and access to their personalized outdoor living area with an above-ground pool.

The Beach-Builder's Challenge

Probably the most concerning aspect of the entire design, was the homeowners desire to have a swimming pool as part of their outdoor living space. Excavating what is normally necessary for an in-ground pool in an area already surrounded by water (the home is situated on Lighthouse Cove in Little Assawoman Bay) is a structural non-starter. The homeowners were not keen on having an above-ground pool, however, and they wanted to make sure that their choice would be as safe as possible for their young grandchildren.

Thus, the pool was elevated above the flood base and a custom-made rectangular pre-form pool was dropped into a raised deck. Angie says it was much harder to come by a pre-form rectangular shape, but that was a must-have so they could have the piece-of-mind and the utility of an automatic pool cover. Mission accomplished. The Ferrogines now enjoy a spacious outdoor living area with their desired pool, an outdoor kitchen and bar, plenty of room for dining and entertaining, and outdoor showers, which were an integral part of the home's overall intuitive design. For utility, a mud room with cubbies just off the showers was added, keeping the guests from guessing where to go with wet clothes and keeping clutter to a minimum.

The patio and pool area opens into the family's recreation and additional living space, along with four guest bed-

rooms, so every one of their grown children has a place to stay with their spouse for extended family gatherings. A super special bunk room and a playroom for the children is creatively located behind a hidden bookcase wall on the primary level, along with tranquil, bayside owners' suite. Like the main living area, these second level rooms were designed with complementary details such as beamed ceilings. For extra texture, high-cathedral ceilings received a character-enhancing shiplap treatment.

The overall impression of the home is crisp, bright, and comforting, leaving the homeowners with a prevailing sense of ease and effortlessness.

The special considerations that provide that sense of ease and effortlessness on a year-round basis with a waterside vacation property, however, are anything but easy on the builder's side of the equation. Inside and out, the home would require an extra level of protection from the elements and a well-thought-out plan to maintain the home at peak efficiency no matter the weather.

One of the most challenging elements of a beach house is the HVAC—heating and cooling for big open floor plans on the water with a lot of solar gain. “We have very hot summers and very cold winters,” Oursler explains. “So how do you build a house with a lot of glass and a lot of steel that will heat and cool efficiently and that won't have a lot of air loss when the house is sealed up?”





Additionally, the weather must be accounted for, and everyone on this project got a dose of reality during the build, explains Angie. “A week before we settled on the property, we had Super Storm Sandy.” And while the homeowners were concerned about the impact, Angie says she felt better when Oursler appeared on-site in her waders ready to assess how their build withstood the storm. “We build to Hurricane 3 Level, with 110-mile-an-hour winds. So structurally we build, to that code and that wind rating,” Oursler says.

By the time Sandy hit the Delaware and Maryland beaches, it was recorded as Category 1 and 2 level, respectively, so while the home had some minor flooding issues, it withstood the worst of Sandy.

Creativity and modern engineering were key when it comes to keeping the home’s ceiling heights high, the views maximized, and the bulkheads minimized, all while constructing for HVAC efficiency and building strength.

The solutions involved very durable materials that can withstand the weather at the beach, which is much harsher, and insulate the home efficiently. Anti-corrosion hardware on anything on the exterior, high-density steel, cellular-based PVC, and composite materials that don’t expand or contract were key materials for this beach project.

Sunny Smiles Ahead

With all the elements accounted for, all the necessary safety features in place, and enough space to accommodate three generations, the Ferrogines are looking forward to many summers with their growing family in their Fenwick Island home, a place that Angie describes as livable and fun.

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Just Stop

SAY GOODBYE TO THESE OUTDATED HOME INTERIOR TRENDS

By Lisa J. Gotto

Dated, drab, done. Nothing good lasts forever, they say, and that goes for stale and uninspiring tenets and elements of interior design. While it is economically and sustainably prudent not to do a complete interior makeover every year, some design trends and décor items could be weighing down your home's style profile.



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Go-Away "Griege"

Too much of a monochromatic or play-it-safe neutral scheme can come off as cold and lifeless. While the "griege" (gray plus beige) hue remains highly popular as a foundation to build on, the concept of layering on the grays is so over. The most popular choice overall for hues in homes right now is a mossy green. Try layering in some accent pieces, such as eucalyptus, artwork, or pillows with this color before going all-out on this trend and see if you can be swayed from the "griege."

Scripted Goods ➡

Make a statement without saying a word, literally. Kitschy décor items embellished with one-word zingers or short phrases stating the obvious has reached its market saturation point. Instead of pillows that read "cozy home living," bring the cozy to the pillow itself with supple textures or subtle patterns. And if you really want something to read, try accessorizing with some vintage books. Fine literature never goes out of style and will always be a shelf staple.



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Subway Tiles ↴

Say it ain't so! Okay, so subway tiles are a classic and not so totally over, yet some experts convey their predictability (all white tiles stacked horizontally) will be their undoing. To keep it fresh and fun, these classic tiles are going vertical, glossy, getting new grout treatments, and taking on some pretty intense hues. And combining two or more of these elements is a sure-fire way to prevent predictability.



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↴ We're Down on the Farm

So, design experts are saying that the all-encompassing trend of modern farmhouse with its repurposed barn doors and updated Edison bulbs is on the backside of the curve when it comes to design vibes. While it may be starting to trend down, we can expect to see iterations of this look in homes for some time to come. In fact, the Country Chic aesthetic is said to be the close cousin of modern farmhouse, and is marked by the use of furnishings that stand out for their intense color.



↴ Faux Ferns

While there are some really great fakes out there when it comes to indoor greenery, some experts say for authenticity, only living, breathing plants should be infused into your interior environments. This is especially true if you are not a fastidious housekeeper with the Swifter, as these flourishes look flat not fab when they have a modicum of dust on their fronds. Don't have a green thumb, you say? Try artwork with a natural theme instead.



Living Outdoors

10 TIPS FOR ENTERTAINING IN THE GARDEN

By Janice F. Booth

Perhaps a silver lining to these endless months of the pandemic has been rediscovering the pleasures of spending more time living outdoors. No matter what season or what the weather conditions, we've all learned to adapt and prepare for time spent with family and friends on decks and porches. With that in mind, let me offer a few tips that might enhance your outdoor entertaining.

First a few suggestions to enhance your guests' comfort:

This might be the year to invest in something more than a new sun umbrella for your table—though a fresh umbrella is always a simple and useful improvement. How about a **Patio Awning** or a **Gazebo**? The awning may be a better option if your garden space is limited. It could be attached to the house or free-standing. The gazebo will probably require a contractor and permit, but once completed you have a perfect space for entertaining and a lovely feature to enhance your garden.

Review your **Lighting** outdoors. Your guests may not be familiar with your deck, patio, or garden walks; installing subtle lighting at steps and along paths may save someone from spilling their drink or twisting an ankle. Additionally, you may want to add some soft lighting near seating areas. Keep in mind that your neighbors may not wish to have their driveway or garbage cans lit too. So, plan your lighting with consideration for the homes nearby.

Re-exam your **Food Preparation and Serving Areas**. If you enjoy cooking on the patio or deck, it may be time to consider upgrading that barbecue grill or even installing a wet bar or simple sink and mini-frig. Those changes, too, will require permits, plumbers, and electricians, but think about the time you spend cooking outdoors and the fun it is to share that time with your family and guests. How about end tables or a more versatile dining table? Is it easy for your guests to comfortably sit down with food and drinks? It's a relatively minor pet peeve of mine, but it's embarrassing to be a guest at a picnic or barbecue and not know where to put my plate, flatware, and glass after I'm done eating. A small cabinet with plastic tubs can be labeled so guests can rid themselves of dirty dishes. You may want to consider relocating or adding convenient recycle bins and waste containers nearby, but not too close on those warm summer nights when the bins are a bit too fragrant.

For some of us, **Speakers for Outdoor Music** are an important part of entertaining. Fortunately, today's Bluetooth speaker options have cut the cord, so to speak, from haphazard extensions and additional equipment. Or consider installing weather-proof speakers in your outdoor entertainment area. Be careful, though, that you come up with a way to control which speakers are on and the volume, individually. You may not want all the speakers going all the time. Soft, background music while friends sit talking is lovely, but loud dance music may take the edge off the atmosphere in the conversation area. This is another time when you may want to think about the neighbors; your music may not be to their taste; and you don't want to keep your neighbors awake at night, particularly if they weren't invited to the party.

Deal with those pesky **Insects**. We're all familiar with citronella candles and torches, but they can be unpleasant additions to the aromas of burgers and ribs on the grill. Consider buying a few pedestal fans; the oscillating type work best. Place them adjacent to the conversation and eating areas; set them to oscillate, and let them do their thing. The moving air discourages insects from drawing near (and other pesky critters too). Additionally, be sure that the dirty-dishes tub and waste containers are away from the fans and main areas where your guests gather; you want to avoid drawing the bugs and odors to near your guests.



Consider, too, your family and guests' safety when entertaining outdoors:

Before we invite guests to our homes we've all learned to think about their health and safety. We may want **Invitations** to include guidance on health protocols since COVID is still an all-too-prominent part of daily life.

Masks: Do you want guests to wear masks, bring masks if they wish? Will you have masks available? Be sure your guests know what to expect.

Vaccinations: Clarify your expectations. If you do not know the status of your friends, you may want to state whether you want guests to come only if they've had all their vaccinations and a booster. Your guests will appreciate knowing the status of the folks they will be meeting.

Seating: Because you'll want to avoid any embarrassment for your guests who may-or-may-not think about social distancing, you can do that for them. Arrange socially distanced seating: chairs, couches, ottomans, and floor pillows so they are reasonably spaced. You're outdoors, but a cough, sneeze, or guffaw can still spread COVID bacteria. If you have fans, be sure they're set to provide air flow that doesn't send air into the faces of your guests.

Individual Service & Servers: Rather than buffet food and bowls of snacks set out for sharing, prepare individual trays or dishes "pre-loaded" with snacks, utensils, and any other serving pieces. It might be fun to decorate each guest's tray. Avoid group-cooking around the grill. Encourage family and friends to find comfy, safely-distanced seats and bring the food to them.



Powder Room Planning: Face it, there's always a bit of awkwardness around using the guest bathroom during a gathering. Be sure it will be obvious where the guest bathroom is located. Plan ahead to avoid a little line-up of guests waiting. Perhaps a flip-sign "Vacant/Occupied." In the bathroom, be sure to provide lots of hand-sanitizer, disposable guest towels (they could be terry towels with a clearly-marked laundry basket), and extra masks. You may want to occasionally wipe down door handles and sink faucets with wipes.

Your extra effort will be obvious to your guests. They will appreciate your consideration of their health and enjoyment. And, they'll happily accept your future invitations knowing you'll keep their comfort and safety uppermost in your planning.

The Gentleman's Farm

By Lisa J. Gotto

Taking its rightful place among the most historic homes on Maryland's Eastern Shore, this incredible estate offers more than 7,000 square-feet of exquisite living in its main home and the convenience of a separate, 1,400-square-foot guest cottage.

Located in Oxford on 200 acres, the property sits quietly at the head of Town Creek. Its scenic beauty includes 50 wooded acres which provide ample recreational pursuits for naturalists and a haven for numerous species of game.

"The Eastern Shore of Maryland enjoys a historic landscape with significant homes built by our founding fathers. Plimhimmon is no exception," says Coard Benson of Benson & Mangold Real Estate. "With

its origin dating to 1659, this property boasts a notably improved brick manor first built in the mid 1700s by Matthew Tilghman and completely restored and improved by the recent owners."

The tranquility of a robin's eggshell blue on the walls greets guests as they enter the home, as does the warm and charming look of the entry's original hardwood floors. From the foyer, guests can enter the home's gracious living room on the left. Throughout the home there is a wealth of gorgeous trim work and crown molding. A handsome Federal-style fireplace takes center stage in the living room, (one of many original restored fireplaces throughout the home), which also grants access to a lovely sunroom with a casual eating area and great views.





Primary Structure Built: 1767
Sold For: \$6,750,000
Original List Price: \$7,965,000
Bedrooms: 6
Baths: 4 Full, 2 Half
Living Space: 8,867 Sq. Ft.
vLot Size: 200 acres



Beneath the grand archway to right of the entry hall, the home expands to a formal dining room and then flows down the back hall to a gorgeous, large, country kitchen with wide plank slate tile floors, gorgeous bead board cabinetry, apron sink, and a center island with butcher block top to match the rest of the counters.

Juxtaposed along with every modern amenity prized by the 21st century homeowner, this room retains its original brick hearth with a rich, cherry wood mantel and an attractive dining area framed with large windows and upholstered bench seating—perfect for a cozy morning coffee.

This six-bedroom property has also been updated with a geothermal heating and cooling system, and offers the convenience of an elevator, an apartment over the garage in addition to the guest cottage, and a 90-foot pier with three-feet of water.

“Between the manor house, waterside guest cottage, the detached studio/garage, and historic barn converted with a workshop and office, Plimhimmon provides room for all to enjoy this retreat on Maryland’s Eastern Shore,” Benson states.

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Piece of Hazelwood History

By Lisa J. Gotto | Photography by Jim McKee of BroadView Interactive

Situated on a bluff overlooking the Choptank River, this romantic colonial residence once known as Hazelwood, has been in Governor Harry Hughes' family for several generations. Olde World grandeur abounds in this 4,500-square-foot home with its formal, four-column façade, stately front porch, and upper front balcony.

Once inside, guests can enter through its gorgeous set of wood entry doors with transom detail above. Walking along the home's original pine hardwood floors, they will notice the striking views of the Choptank River just ahead through the center hall.



Primary Structure Built: 1945
Sold For: \$975,000
Original List Price: \$999,000
Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 3 Full, 1 Half
Living Space: 4,496 Sq. Ft.
Lot Size: 7 acres



Features of high ceilings, a period staircase, beautiful trim woodwork, and crown molding make their distinctive mark upon entry. The home offers a large formal dining room with corner built-ins to the right of the foyer. An opulent living room with a central, wood-burning Federal-style fireplace with attractive built-ins on either side is located down the hall to the right. A huge, sunny eat-in kitchen provides plenty of counterspace, a butler's pantry, and a place to put one's own stamp on the home.

This home offers the convenience of an owner's suite with a charming, wood-burning fireplace with period detail on the main level. The recently updated suite bath has a large, modern vanity with a shining white granite countertop, new tile flooring, and a roomy, glass panel shower.

Three additional bedrooms are located on the home's second level. All of them feature the beautiful, original pine hardwood floors. Two additional full baths are located upstairs and both have been attractively updated with modern details.

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Outside, the home offers a huge front porch for rocking chairs and reading, and the well-maintained grounds are expansive. They include a lovely 20- by 30-foot waterside in-ground pool and patio, two waterside porches, and tranquil views out to the Choptank River. The private pier provides access for jon boat or kayak adventures on the water.

“It was a pleasure to play a role in the transition of this historical home to its new owner,” says Buyer’s Agent, Gary Marquardt. “And my buyer said she is more than honored to be its new custodian.”

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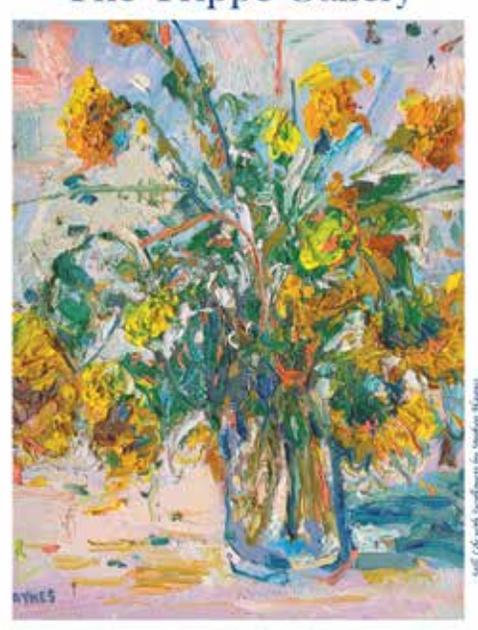
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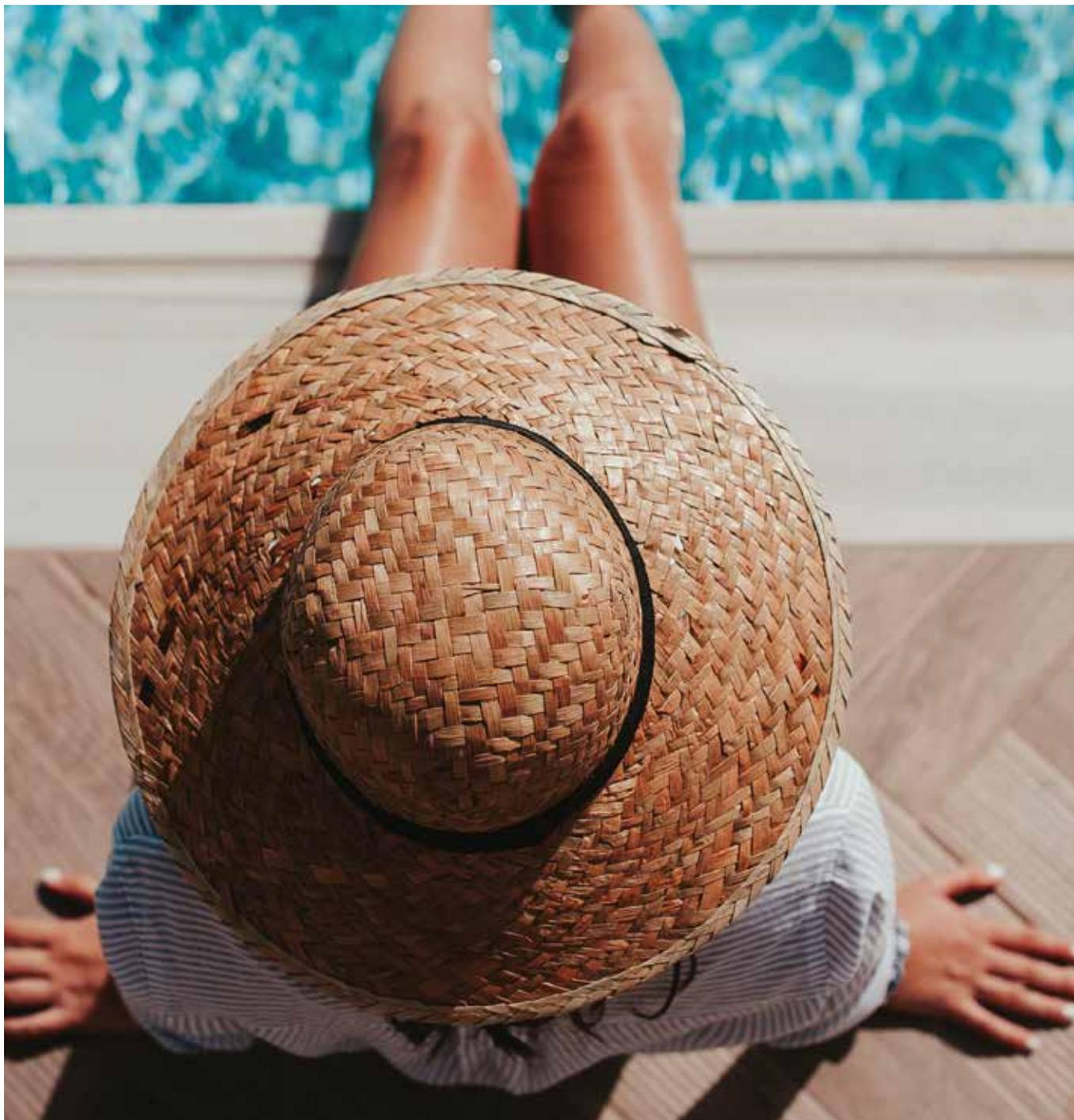
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Fresh Take

RHUBARB

By Dylan Roche

If spring has you craving something sweet and refreshing while still staying nutritionally sound, then consider adding rhubarb to your rotation of produce. This vegetable has a short season, usually peaking in April and lasting through June, but its fresh flavor is strong enough to leave a culinary impression you'll probably be thinking about all year long. Plus it's packed full of nutrients.

Native to China, rhubarb is a food you might think of as a fruit, even though it's, strictly speaking, a vegetable. While this might be partly because of its sweet taste, this misconception likely started in the 1940s when the U.S. Department of Agriculture classified it as fruit to avoid high tariffs set on vegetable imports (fruit was much more lightly tariffed).

You also might be surprised to know that rhubarb naturally has a sour taste when it's raw and unsweetened—think mouth-puckering levels of sourness you would experience if you bit into a lemon or lime! But when prepared, rhubarb takes on the balance of sweet and tart you'd get with a green apple. It's usually paired with strawberries, not only because they are in season around the same time but also because their flavors balance each other out, offering sweet-and-sour perfection.



Rhubarb gets its bright red color from flavonoids known as anthocyanins, the same found in other bold-colored foods like red onions, red grapes, plums, and black beans. These anthocyanins offer greater cancer-fighting antioxidant benefit than kale, and they can help reduce inflammation and even lower blood pressure.

Additionally, rhubarb is a great source of vitamin K, which strengthens your bones and improves blood clotting. Its high quantity of fiber is good for healthy digestion and lowering cholesterol, and it's a great source of plant-based calcium, which, like vitamin K, is important for strong bones. You'll also get healthy doses of vitamin C for immunity and vitamin A for healthy skin and eyes.

When you're incorporating rhubarb into your culinary repertoire, start by mastering a great strawberry rhubarb pie. But don't limit yourself—rhubarb is also great in savory recipes too. Here are some amazing ways to use rhubarb in the kitchen:

← Strawberry Rhubarb Pie

INGREDIENTS

1 cup white sugar
1/4 cup honey
1/4 teaspoon lemon
1/8 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup flour
4 cups fresh rhubarb, chopped
4 cups fresh strawberries, chopped
2 tablespoons butter, melted
1 large egg yolk
8 sheets phyllo dough (9x14 inches)

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. In a large mixing bowl, combine the sugar and flour, then stir in strawberries and rhubarb. Add lemon juice and

salt. Allow to sit for approximately 30 minutes. In a small bowl, combine melted butter and honey. In a 9-inch pie dish, lay out your first sheet of phyllo dough, allowing the edges to hang over the sides of the dish. Press the dough to the shape of the dish. Brush with the honey-butter mixture and layer a second sheet of dough. Repeat until you have 5 sheets. Add the strawberry-rhubarb filling into the pie dish. Cover with remaining three layers of phyllo dough and seal the edges with water. Brush the top of the pie with the egg yolk. Cut 2 small holes in the top to allow steam to vent. Bake for approximately 40 to 45 minutes. The pie's crust should be golden-brown. Allow to cool completely before serving.

Rhubarb Pilaf

INGREDIENTS

2 cups fresh rhubarb, chopped
1/4 cup almonds, toasted
1/4 cup sunflower seed kernels, toasted
2 tablespoons olive oil
1 cup red onion, chopped
2 cloves garlic, minced
1/2 cup red wine vinegar
1/2 cup raisins
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons honey or maple syrup
2 cups cooked wild rice

In a large skillet over medium heat, warm the oil and add onions and garlic. Allow to simmer until soft and fragrant. Add rhubarb and sauté for about 2-5 minutes until soft. Stir in red wine vinegar, raisins, cinnamon, salt, and honey or maple syrup. Allow to simmer for about 10 minutes until the mixture thickens. Stir in rice and top with toasted almonds and sunflower seeds. Serve warm.



↑ Rhubarb Relish

INGREDIENTS:

12 cups fresh rhubarb, chopped
1 medium onion, chopped
2 cups sugar
1 cup balsamic vinegar
1 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1 teaspoon ground cloves
1 teaspoon ground allspice
1/8 teaspoon paprika
1/8 teaspoon nutmeg

Combine all the ingredients in a large saucepan on the stovetop over high heat and stir until the vinegar starts to boil. Reduce the heat to low and allow the mixture to simmer for approximately 2 hours. Stir occasionally. Once the mixture starts to thicken, remove from the heat and allow to cool. Serve as a spread with fresh bread or as a garnish for grilled chicken. Relish can be refrigerated for about 3 weeks.



Expiration Dates

WHAT DO THEY REALLY MEAN?

By Dylan Roche

We've all been there—you pull something out of the fridge or pantry that you don't remember buying too long ago. But before you take the first sip or bite, your eye happens to fall on a little date stamped on the package. According to this, the food you're about to eat expired three days ago.

Or did it?

Spoiler alert (no pun intended): The date printed on a food's package doesn't necessarily indicate spoilage. Instead, you might have another few days, weeks, or even months to continue enjoying those foods without any health risks.

What Do These Dates Mean?

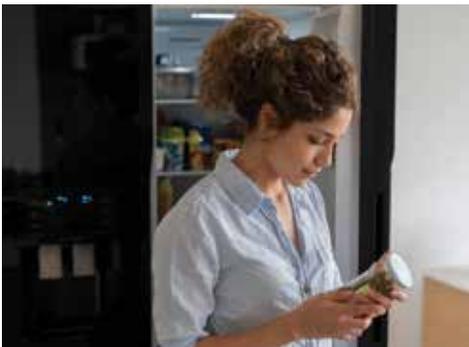
If you're like most people, you might assume that putting what are often referred to as "expiration dates" on food packaging is required by law. But dating is completely voluntary according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Although some states have regulations about what dates are required, there are no federal laws regulating this.

These dates are less about health and safety and more about quality control—hence why many manufacturers use them despite the fact that they don't have to.

Need a quick explanation on what these dates typically mean. Consider this:

SELL BY: This is the date the store will display the product for sale at full price.

BEST BEFORE OR USE BY: This is the date when the food product is at its peak quality and will have the best taste and most nutritive value.



Neither of these indicates safety. The big exception to this rule is infant formula. Because formula contains nutrients that are vital to an infant's health and development, and nutritive quality starts to diminish over time, expired infant formula could result in malnourishment that poses a serious risk.

What To Look for Instead

Instead of looking at the date on the package, use your senses to determine whether the food is still good. Spoilage can be perceived by things like odor, flavor, color, and texture. And sometimes you can see signs of spoilage even before the expiration dates passes, particularly if a food was improperly stored (such a refrigerated food that's kept out on the kitchen counter for too long).

Watch out for:

- Mold—this is always a surefire sign that food has gone bad.
- Significant color changes. Slight browning is normal on some fruits and vegetables that have been cut up before storage, but if a food has turned a completely different color, it has likely spoiled.
- Change in texture, such as softness or wrinkles.
- An unpleasant odor or taste.

Say No to (Expired) Drugs

While expiration dates on food is voluntary and often serves as only a guideline, the expiration dates on medicine should be heeded, as these dates are required by the Food & Drug Administration. When it comes to drugs, these are true expiration dates—they reflect how long a medicinal product remains strong, effective, and pure as long as it is stored properly. Medicine that is past its expiration date may be ineffective or not as strong, and in worst-case situations, it might result in unintended side effects.

The Bottom Line: The sniff test works when it comes to food—and relying strictly on the "sell by" or "best by" dates you see on packages could result in unnecessary food waste, which is bad for the environment and your wallet. Make decisions based on how the food looks, smells, feels, and tastes. But when it comes to medicine, avoid the expired stuff.

GENERAL SHELF LIFE

Need an idea on how good that kitchen staple is likely to last? Here's what the Cleveland Clinic advises when it comes to common foods you're putting away in your fridge or pantry.



Dried grain products (rice, pasta): 2 years



Milk: 7 days



Eggs: 3-5 weeks



Raw ground meat/poultry: 1-2 days



Lunch meat: 2 weeks (if unopened)

Tip: Store milk and eggs in the far back of your refrigerator where the temperature is the coldest.



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HOW HYDRATION AFFECTS YOUR EXERCISE PERFORMANCE

By **Dylan Roche**

The season of sweat is here—or at least, it will be soon. And if you're somebody who likes to exercise outside in the heat, it's important to remember that sweating equates to loss of fluid, and loss of fluid can mean decreased performance. If you want to get the most out of your workout, you need to stay hydrated.

Fluid plays many important roles in your body's processes. It's what allows your body to regulate its temperature and blood pressure. When your body has trouble with these regulations, it creates physical stress. And when your body is physically stressed, any kind of physical or mental activity becomes harder.

Although water is the best thing to drink to stay hydrated, some exercisers might be inclined to reach for a sports drink like Gatorade. These sports drinks are hydrating, but they might have a lot of stuff you don't necessarily need—namely, sugar. Additionally, their electrolyte content, which helps your body maintain fluid balance, is likely much greater than you need. If you're exercising intensely for more than 60 minutes, then replenishing these calories and electrolytes is beneficial; but if you're doing a short, easy workout, water will satisfy you just fine.

One way to measure your hydration levels is to check the color of your urine. If your urine is clear or light yellow, you're properly hydrated; on the other hand, if your urine is dark yellow or amber, this is a sign you're dehydrated.

You can also figure out how much water you've lost by weighing yourself before and after exercise. Every pound you've lost reflects about 16–24 ounces of water you need to replenish.

Want to stay hydrated for your workout? Here's what the American Council on Exercise recommends:

- Have 17-20 ounces of water about three hours beforehand
- Within a half-hour of your workout, have 8 ounces of water
- Every 10-20 minutes during your workout, have about 7-10 ounces of water
- After finishing your workout, have 8 ounces of water within 30 minutes

Making the Most of a Capsule Wardrobe

By Dylan Roche

Ever feel as if you have so many clothes and yet nothing to wear? Looking your best for any occasion suddenly becomes stressful, overwhelming, and sometimes even a little disappointing. The average American—whether man or woman—often has more clothing than they need, sometimes even hundreds of pieces.

But there's a fashion trend that's gaining more traction, especially as consumers put more of an emphasis on mental well-being and sustainability. That trend is the **capsule wardrobe**.

There are no hard-set rules about a capsule wardrobe, but the general idea is about paring your clothing collection down to just the essentials—and yes, essentials means *essential*. You keep a minimum number of pieces that you can easily mix and match for any occasion.

If you're a fashion-minded person, this might sound like a terrible idea. "Why would a person want to own as few clothes as possible?" you're wondering.



A capsule wardrobe actually offers a few mental health benefits. First of all, it makes getting dressed in the morning a lot easier: You have fewer choices you have to make when it comes to what you're wearing, so you're able to focus your mental energy on what matters. Secondly, a pared-down wardrobe means much less clutter in your closet and around your bedroom, and clutter is a well-known contributor to stress levels.

Plus, you're more likely to look your best. There's no holding onto clothes that only look kind of good on you on your best days. When you're investing in only a few pieces, you're able to focus on flattering favorites.

WHAT TO INCLUDE

If the idea of a capsule wardrobe sounds appealing but you don't even know what to include (or more importantly, what not to include), let this be a good starting point. Remember that there are no hard-and-fast rules:

Consider your lifestyle and what sort of dress codes you're frequently up against. If you work in a casual office, there's no sense in owning too much business attire. On the flip side, if you're always working and tend to change straight into loungewear as soon as you come home, you probably don't need as many casual outfits.

Try to limit yourself to 50 items maximum—this includes your shoes, formalwear, and accessories. Focus on items that are versatile and are easy to mix and match. The right pair of jeans could be dressed up for a casual day at the office, for a Saturday afternoon of running errands, or for a night out on the town.

Stick with colors and textures that are neutral. Black, gray, brown, tan, and blue usually pair well with just about anything. If there are specific colors you really like (maybe you love the color red), choose pieces that you know will be easy to mix and match.

Most people need about five outfits they can wear to work, two or three casual outfits, and one dressed-up outfit for a special occasion. You can easily achieve this with:

- 2-3 business slacks
- 1-2 pairs of jeans
- 2 button-down shirts or blouses
- 2-3 T-shirts
- 1 sweater
- Women could consider 2-3 dress or skirt options
- Men could consider 1-2 tie and/or blazer options

Remember to take good care of your clothes. Because you have fewer of them, you want to get the most life out of them that you can. Follow all laundering directions printed on the tag, and try to get as many wears out of something as possible between washes.



Microdermabrasion At Home

SHOULD YOU DO IT? (AND IF SO, HOW?)

By Dylan Roche

A healthy complexion isn't something that requires lots of invasive work—there are plenty of procedures and routines that can leave your skin refreshed and glowing without going beyond the surface. One such example is microdermabrasion, and while this minimally invasive procedure is something you should usually trust to the professionals, recent developments in market products provide new opportunities for you to do some level of microdermabrasion at home.

How exactly does microdermabrasion work? There are no peels, chemicals, or lasers involved, but it does require use of a special tool best handled by a board-certified expert. The tool plays a double role: It applies fine particles that are mildly abrasive enough to exfoliate your skin, then uses suction to remove these exfoliating particles along with any debris, such as dead skin cells.

This procedure increases the turnover of your skin cells and leaves you with a smoother, healthier complexion, one with reduced appearance of wrinkles, smaller pores, and better coloring.

The reason this kind of procedure is best left to professionals is twofold: For one thing, a dermatology office has access to the best resources, including microdermabrasion machines that are stronger and more effective than the kind you can buy for at-home use. For another thing, dermatologists can advise as to whether you're the right candidate for microdermabrasion or whether your skin is too sensitive for something of this level.

If you do opt to try microdermabrasion at home, there are several machines you could try, including the **Trophy Skin Microderm-MD** or the **Microderm GLO**. If you're not ready to make the investment in a machine, you can try applications like **Microderm-abrasion Age Defying Exfoliator by Dr. Brandt Skincare**, **MicroDermaabrasion Facial by Mad Hippie**, or **Micro Magic Microdermabrasion Scrub by Bliss**.

Whether you're using a machine or an application, start by giving your skin a good cleaning with warm water and facewash to remove any dirt, oil, and makeup. Dry your skin completely before undertaking the microdermabrasion. If you're using a tool, start at the lowest setting to see how your skin reacts. You don't want to go in too aggressively and irritate the skin, which can lead to worse complexion problems. Avoid moving the tool over any area of the skin multiple times. Once is sufficient, and a second time is the maximum you should do it.

After you've finished exfoliating, use a gentle toner to soothe your skin, followed by a facial cream to moisturize. Your skin might feel tight or dry for a few hours, and you may notice some redness. This is normal and will usually dissipate within 24 hours. Remember that even though microdermabrasion isn't as invasive as procedures using chemicals and lasers, it can be harsh on the skin if done improperly or when unnecessary. Consult with your dermatologist before you do any procedure by yourself at home.

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Newly-opened Libbey's Coastal Kitchen + Cocktails boasts some of the best outdoor dining views of the Chesapeake Bay in the region.

Savor the Chesapeake

Restaurant news and culinary trends throughout the Chesapeake Bay region

By Megan Kotelchuck

It is finally summer and if the beautiful weather and the kids being home doesn't make you a believer, then having the June issue of *What's Up?* magazine in your hands certainly should! The June issue is for dining, dining, dining! In addition to our Savor the Chesapeake column, the Summer Dining Guide 2022 is a can't miss feature.

On the Restaurant Scene...

After nearly two years of being closed, **Mangia Italian Grill & Sports Bar** has reopened its doors. Mangia originally closed in March of 2020 to help combat the spread of COVID-19 and undergo renovations. The Downtown Annapolis restaurant reopened at the end of February with a limited menu and new look. Because it was closed for so long, the owners must reacquire a liquor license, but that isn't stopping them from putting delicious food on the table. Mangia did their part to slow the spread, now it is time for you to do your part to support the restaurant and their staff.

Hemmingway's Restaurant in Stevensville was a landmark at the Bay Bridge Marina until they closed their doors at the end of October. The restaurant recently reopened and was rebranded as **Libbey's Coastal Kitchen + Cocktails**. Not only does Libbey's have some of the best views of the bay, it also focuses on high-quality service, food, and beverages. Libbey's uses fresh and local ingredients to continue the Eastern Shore tradition. Find more information and book your table today at libbeyscoastalkitchen.com.

How many whiskeys are enough whiskeys? Well, according to Chicken + Whiskey, the limit does not exist. **Chicken + Whiskey** opened its second location in the Columbia Mall and have even more in the works. The original location in Washington, D.C., and the Columbia location offer 99 whiskeys and South American rotisserie chicken, which has been brined for 12 hours and slow cooked over wood charcoal to 185 degrees. Find more information, a full menu, and complete list of the whiskeys carried at chickenandwhiskey.com.

Did you hear the rumor that had the whole town talking? On April Fools, **Chick & Ruth's Delly** posted a note to their followers on Facebook saying, "To our Annapolis family, these last 50+ years have been a delight, and it's sad to see our time go." They continued, saying "As per today, Chick & Ruth's will be moving from Annapolis, MD to Ocean City, MD. We loved every minute of our time in Annapolis, and we have so many cherished, beautiful memories at this little shop. Just know that you all will forever be in our hearts as we continue our journey into the future of Chick & Ruth's." Did you fall for the prank? Spoiler Alert: Chick & Ruth's continues to reside in Annapolis and keep its breakfast traditions alive.

St. Michaels Community Center has a new addition: Chef Sean Raspberry. Chef Raspberry's name may sound familiar because he has also worked at the Inn at Perry Cabin, Harrison's Harbour Lights, Bistro St. Michaels, and Out of the Fire. With his new role at SMCC, he will be expanding the culinary programs and create healthy, nutritious menus for SMCC's Community Café. At the same

time, Chef Raspberry will work with local chefs and food distribution programs to coordinate food donations, including fresh produce and cooked dishes. The Community Café has recently gone through rebranding and feature a new menu.

To help the restaurant industry in Annapolis, the City Council approved the continuation of **outdoor dining** through the middle of June. Originally, outdoor dining was a special exception permitted by the city to help businesses during the height of COVID-19, a state of emergency. The emergency expired on April 11th but was extended for another 60 days. The City Council has yet to come to a long-term answer for outdoor dining; some of the aldermen propose that business owners should pay a fee to convert their private parking into outdoor dining, while other aldermen believe the parking spaces are owned by the businesses and that they are free to do what they want with them. The proposed fee for business owners would go into the city's transportation fund. Stay tuned...

Baltimore's Minor League baseball team, the Aberdeen Ironbirds, have recently named **Ledo Pizza** the official pizza of the Ironbirds. Now through September 4th, the Maryland-based brand is offering fresh pizza at all home games for the Ironbirds. Ledo Pizza has already worked with the Baltimore Ravens and Maryland Terrapins. Ledo Pizza was founded in 1955 and opened their first restaurant in Adelphi and hasn't cut corners since. They now hold their headquarters in Annapolis.



Drink Up...

Looking for something to do this June? There are a couple events going on this month that you can't miss:

Kick off June with the **St. Michaels Brew Festival**. This festival will feature hand-picked craft beers on June 4th at locations throughout town, including Eastern Shore Brewing. This event will also have hand-made art, local cuisine, and plenty of local bands for you to dance the night away with. Find more information and get tickets at stmichaelsbrewfest.com.

DrinkMaryland: Centreville is back for the fifth year on June 18th in historic downtown Centreville. Maryland Wineries Association and the Town of Centreville is hosting the event to celebrate all things Maryland-made. There will be an afternoon of food, artisans, live music, friends, and Maryland crafted beverages on Lawyers Row & Broadway. Find more information and get tickets on the Eventbrite or Facebook page.

Hometown Hero...

When we think Maryland, one of the first things we think of is crabcakes, and there's an ingredient that goes hand in hand with that: Old Bay. Recently, McClintock Distilling in Frederick, Maryland, released the one and only, Old Bay Vodka. This vodka is made from corn and is distilled six times before it is flavored with McCormick + Company's Old Bay for the perfect balance of flavor and smoothness. The vodka has fresh celery and herbal notes followed by sweet, spice, and mild red pepper heat making it great for oyster shooters, bloody Mary's, and even pasta vodka sauce. Here are a few more drink recipes for Old Bay Vodka.



The Bay Cucumber-Mint Smash

Fresh Mint Leaves
Sliced Cucumber
1.5 ounces Old Bay Vodka
Juice of 1 Lime
Club Soda
Cucumber Spear for garnish

Muddle mint and sliced cucumber in small beverage glass. Fill glass with ice. Add Vodka, lime juice, and a splash of club soda. Garnish with cucumber spear. Optional: Rime glass with Old Bay Seasoning

Photo and recipe courtesy of Old Bay Vodka

The Bay Fizz

1.5 ounces
Old Bay Vodka
2 ounces
pineapple Juice
1 ounce Sour Mix
Soda water

Fill cocktail shaker with ice. All vodka, pineapple juice, and sour mix. Shake well. Strain into ice-filled rocks glass. Add soda water to fill. Garnish with fresh pineapple wedge.

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