

Town of Oxford

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Current Business of the Oxford Commissioners:

The Commissioners have taken the first step to possibly acquire the Mews building for the purpose of salvaging the façade and providing a viable use within the Historic Commercial District. Informational Meetings were scheduled in order to receive comments from the public regarding the possible acquisition, the first was held on June 23rd and the next is scheduled for July 11 at the Oxford Community Center at 2 pm. All are welcome to come for open discussion with the Commissioners.

The HISTORIC COMMERCIAL DISTRICT WORKGROUP has been established and they held their first meeting in June with discussions surrounding the possible acquisition of the Mews building. Future discussions will involve revitalization of the area, including current and future opportunities to stabilize and improve the commercial structures and businesses within Oxford.

WATER & SEWER The upgrades to the Wastewater Treatment Plant are nearing the final design stage, and once design has finalized, they will go out for Construction Bids with anticipated completion of the new system in 2017. The Town was able to secure nearly 80% of the construction cost in grant funds, which will keep the debt service as low as possible. As in previous years, the Commissioners have been increasing the Sewer rates at the start of the fiscal year in order to reach a rate that will support the new operating cost and debt service. The Water Treatment System incorporated an Arsenic Reduction System several years ago and again the Commissioners have been increasing the Water rates to cover the additional operating cost and debt service. The 7% increase which began with the July usage will be reflected in the October 1st bill. All residential bills include a fixed water and sewer charge which does not change from bill to bill, along with a usage rate for water and sewer which includes the first 9000 gallons. After the first 9000 gallons an additional per thousand gallon rate is added. Please contact the office if you have any questions regarding the billing structure or your individual bill.



The Oxford Commissioners will hold a 2nd

INFORMATIONAL MEETING

JULY 11, 2015 - AT 2 PM

At the Community Center!

They will give an update on the acquisition process for this property, discuss possibilities for the property after acquisition and allow for open discussion.

The Commissioners are seeking public input regarding this important historic property.

Please put this date on your calendar.



OXFORD COMMUNITY CENTER



What's happening....

Family Movie Monday @ OCC Monday, July 13 Big Hero 6 (PG:102min)
FREE! Come enjoy a great movie on the big screen in cool air conditioning. Free snacks! Bring your own blanket or camp chairs (some chairs available). Doors open at 6:45pm.

Zentangle for Kids Saturday, July 18, 10am-12pm

This is a great opportunity for children to share a fun activity with an adult! Zentangle is an easy to learn, relaxing, and fun way to create beautiful images using repetitive patterns from nature. There are no right or wrong strokes; you don't have to be an artist to be creative! In this introductory class, learn the basic strokes for zentangle art. Simple patterns taken from nature are broken down into simple strokes, then taught one step at a time. You will leave with 1-2 completed paper tiles, and patterns to experiment with at home. Taught by certified Zentangle instructor Sue Green. Oxford Community Center. Age 8 and up. \$15 registration fee per participant, plus \$5 for a Zentangle starter kit paid at time of class. Limited class size. Please pre-register at OCC #410-226-5904.

Family Movie Monday @ OCC Monday, July 20 ~ Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian (PG:105min)
FREE! Come enjoy a great movie on the big screen in cool air conditioning. Free snacks! Bring your own blanket or camp chairs (some chairs available). Doors open at 6:45pm.

SummerFest @ OCC Sunday, July 26th. 5pm.

Come join your 21654 neighbors for this FREE community event and potluck dinner at the Oxford Community Center! Festivities include live music, a community art project, a delicious homemade meal, and family-friendly fun. We look forward to sharing smiles and stories with you!

For more information, please contact the Oxford Community Center at 410-226-5904, email oxfordcc@verizon.net, visit their website at www.oxfordcc.org or their Facebook page at Oxford Community Center, Inc. *If you aren't already on the OCC email list and would like to receive our weekly event calendar, call (410-226-5904) or email oxfordcc@verizon.net to be added to the list.*

Call us too if you are interested in volunteering or serving on any of our various committees. We'd love to have you join us!

The Tred Avon Players Presents "Merrily We Roll Along"

The Tred Avon Players will present Stephen Sondheim's rollicking musical comedy "Merrily We Roll Along," beginning Thursday, August 6, at the Oxford Community Center. The play, directed by TAP's Talley Wilford, is based on the 1934 play of the same name by George S. Kaufman and Moss Hart. Sondheim's original Broadway production won a Tony for original score and two Drama Desk awards for outstanding lyrics and music.

"Merrily We Roll Along" tells the unconventional story of a trio of friends -- a composer, his lyricist and the woman who loved him for 20 years -- and the diverse path each takes as they navigate the rocky road to success.

Opening night on August 6 at 7 p.m. is "Thrifty Thursday," featuring two-for-one tickets. The other performances are scheduled for Fridays and Saturdays, August 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22 at 8 p.m., and Sunday matinees August 9, 16, 23 at 2 p.m.

For reservations and information visit www.tredavonplayers.org or call 410-226-0061.

TAP sets auditions for "Lives Interrupted" The Tred Avon Players will hold auditions for "Lives Interrupted," directed by Alex Handy, at the Art Academy in Easton on Tuesday, July 21, and Thursday, July 23, at 7 p.m., and Sunday, July 26, at 1 p.m. Seeking actors for all parts including performers to play Tuskegee Airmen and the women who loved them. The Art Academy is located at 106 South Street. First presented by TAP in 2010 to standing-room-only audiences, this acclaimed musical revenue returns as a glorious tribute to the tragedy and triumph of the World War II era. The original script was written by a TAP collaboration of Betty Dorbin, Steve Clyburn, David Foster, Robyn Mendelsohn and Handy with musical direction by Marcia Gilliam and choreography by Debbie Beasley.

Dates for performances are Fridays and Saturdays, Oct. 23, 24, 30 and 31 at 8 p.m. and Nov. 6, 7 and 11 (Veteran's Day) also at 8 p.m., and Sunday matinees Oct. 25 and Nov. 1 at 2 p.m. "Thirty Thursday," featuring two-for-one tickets Oct. 22 at 8 p.m.

For further information contact Alex@handygroup.net or call (410) 822-5408.



Time to start thinking about OXFORD DAY 2016!



Another April has gone by and with it another Oxford Day, the 21st. But please do not let it be the last. For the day to continue, we need an overall chairman and a parade organizer for 2016. The basic organization is in place, the finances are sound and there are many volunteers willing to help. It is just time for new faces and new ideas to add spark to the Day. Oxford has so many capable and talented people that it should not be difficult to find a new chair or co-chairs. If you are interested, we would love to hear from you. Send an email to info@oxfordday.org or call Pam Baker at 410-200-0902 for more information. Operators are standing by to take your call!

The Sea Captain's Lady is now open Friday through Monday 10a-4p for the rest of the summer season, through September. The Treasure Chest is still open six days a week 10-4p, closed Tuesdays.



PIT BEEF sale sponsored by the Hugh Gregory Gallagher Theatre is July 10 from 11-2 in the Acme/Admiral Cleaner's parking lot in Easton. Includes sandwich, drink and chips for \$8. We will deliver for orders of five or more. Pre-sales begin June 29, please contact 443-786-2782. Enjoy a delicious lunch and support HGGT.

During the 25th Anniversary of the signing of the America's with Disabilities Act, Hugh Gregory Gallagher Theatre will present "With Love" a performance of stories from people with disabilities, their families and friends. The Avalon Theater will host the event on Wednesday, July 29 at 7pm. Tickets are \$10.00.

The Oxford Library

Library elections:

On June 17, at the Annual Meeting, the following officers were elected to the Library Board:

President Sally Fronk
Vice-Pres. Barbara Hartshorn
Secretary Rebecca Gaffney
Treasurer Pam Baker



Board Members Dana Davis and Donna Patchett.

Other Board members are: Evelyn Leszczynski, Cammy Pasarella, Dorothy Fenwick, Pam Kettinger, Beth Trujillo, Phyllis Gaiti (Past President)

New in the library: Favorite and best seller authors have penned recent books. Look for their titles on our Rental shelf.

Fiction:	Stephen King	Greg Iles
	Kate Atkinson	Nelson DeMille
	Jeff Shaara	Elin Hilderbrand
	Toni Morrison	
Non-fiction:	David McCullough	Tom Brokaw
	David Brooks	

And a new author, Elena Delbanco, has written quite an upbeat novel about a Stradivarius cello. Check it out.

To the Oxford Residents:

On behalf of the Oxford Garden Club, please accept our sincere thanks for the support you extended to make the "Secret Gardens of Oxford" Tour such a huge success. Sharing the amazing diversity of your gardens always receives rave reviews. The time and effort that the homeowners put into each and every garden is greatly appreciated.

Others in the community participated by cleaning out their sheds to support the "Garden Shed" in the Oxford Park. This turned out to be an overwhelming successful addition to our fund raising event.

With the proceeds from the tour, OGC will be able to fulfill the objective in the next year, "To promote the knowledge of gardening and flower design, to participate in civic projects in order to conserve and beautify the community and to actively support all forms of conservation."

Without community effort and support, activities such as our garden tour would not be possible.

Thank you, Marybeth Guerrieri, Club President

Co-Chairs: Phyllis Gaiti, Susie Dial and Dodi Sutton



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the Clerk, OXFORD, MD 21654

Town Office Hours: Mon - Fri
9 AM to NOON / 1 PM to 4 PM
Please check the online Town calendar
for Holidays and closures.

You can reach us during regular operating hours at
410-226-5122 / Fax: 410-226-5597 or email us anytime:
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COMMUNITY GARDENS: We have had several reports
of bugs in certain plants and as we hear of issues, we
are trying to place helpful information at the town
office counter.

DOG PARK: Most of the work at the park has been
completed. We have created parking off Pier Street for
our visitors, please use this area when arriving by car
and assist us by making others aware.

The Town has an enforced leash law. Please
keep your dog on a leash until you have completely
entered the dog park and please keep all dogs away
from the garden area.

Please clean up after your dog inside and
outside of the park and remind other visitors of
the same.

OXFORD POLICE DEPT.

Please be aware of the recent
increase in phone and internet
SCAMS that utilize common
business practices to gather
your personal information for
exploitation! This includes calls purportedly from
government offices, utility companies and local
banks. Do not provide ANY personal
or financial information to any solici-
tation by phone or email. If you are
unsure of the validity of a request,
contact the office or business di-
rectly. Please report any suspicious communica-
tions to the Oxford Police Dept.



A NEW Oxford Directory

We are working away on the new
Oxford Directory, but there is still
time for additions and changes.
Please email any changes, additions, or corrections
to OxfordDirectory@gmail.com. There is also still
time to place an ad in the directory. It is a great
deal - a single ad runs for 3 years! For information
on ads please use the same email address
OxfordDirectory@gmail.com

The OXFORD MUSEUM

New reprint of "Oxford, the First Three Centuries" now available in museum -
\$40.00. A must for every Oxford resident.

Museum memberships expire June 30. Please return the forms you received by
mail. We are grateful for all of our members.

Douglas Hanks Oxford Preservation Awards were given to Dorothy Fenwick for
Lifetime Achievement in preserving the town and supporting its designation on the
National Registry of Historic Places, and Tommy Campbell and Dorette and Larry
Murray were honored for maintaining and preserving the Yankee Pedler (the
unique small skipjack in front of the Community Center). Congratulations to all!

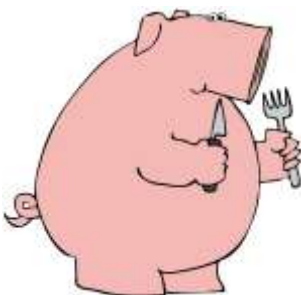
Welcome to new board members: Suzanne Litty, Gordon Graves, Earl Scheck, and
Kippy Requardt. New officers elected are: President Pat Jessup; Vice President
Beth Trujillo; Secretary Lisa Johnson; and Treasurer Bob Valliant. Thanks to all

Visit the Museum and see new exhibit on the Civil War
and WWI as a part of the continuing "Oxford at War"
series.

Mark your calendars for the ever-popular
Piga-Figa-Licious on Labor Day, September 7,
at noon! Fun, food, beverages, silent auction, music,

Highland Creamery, and more!

Call 410-226-0191 for further information.



Oxford Ladies Auxiliary



Join us
at the
weekly Farmer's Market at the
Oxford Community Center on
Wednesday afternoons from 3:30 to
5:30 pm. We will have fresh baked
goods and seasonal jams for sale.

Breakfast at the Fire House on the
Second Sunday of every Month!

Rummage Sale
Saturday, Sept 26 9 AM - Noon