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YOU AND YOUR GUESTS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED!



Apple Still Life
by Charles County Artist Vicki Marckel

Charles County Arts Alliance

Annual Grantee and Membership Gala
Saturday, November 21, 2015
6:00 - 9:00 pm

Historic Old Waldorf School
3074 Crain Highway, Waldorf, MD

TICKETS: \$30 - Advance Purchase Only, by November 18

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Join us as we celebrate the arts and award nearly \$45,000 in grants to Charles County nonprofits and schools to enhance their arts programming in the year ahead! Enjoy light fare, hot apple cider, wine, dessert by Gerard, a Silent Auction, and dancing to music by Greg Nichols, pianist.

Each year the entire arts community of Charles County comes together for one night at this Gala for reconnecting, networking, warm fellowship, and fun! Our Gala is also a charity fundraising event. The Silent Auction will offer an outstanding selection of donated items, with all proceeds benefiting the Student Arts Scholarship Program.

Tickets are \$30 per person and must be purchased in advance by noon, November 18. You can mail a check to CCAA, P.O. Box 697, White Plains, MD 20695, or stop by the CCAA office (located in the United Way House) at 10250 La Plata Road, La Plata, between the hours of 9:00 am and 2:00 pm, Monday through Friday, to pay in person. To pay with PayPal, click on the button above or go to <http://charlescountyarts.org>. Ten dollars of the ticket cost is tax-deductible.

For more information, contact the CCAA Office at 301-392-5900 or info@charlescountyarts.org

See you at the Gala!

Arts Alliance "Call for Artists" for the Winter Art Show

at Waldorf West Library



Deadline to Submit is **November 16, 2015!**

Theme is "Artists Choice"

The Charles County Arts Alliance is now accepting submissions for the Winter Art Show, a multi-media public exhibit, to be held at the Waldorf West Library, 10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf, MD, from January 9 to April 2, 2016. The Library consists of four separate gallery spaces on two floors.

Local artists are invited to submit a maximum of two works of art on any subject, to the Charles County Arts Alliance for consideration (there is no submission fee). Artwork entries must be submitted electronically as digital images (jpegs) attached to an email sent to waldorfwestgallery@gmail.com.

The email must include:

- Artist's name
- Artist's mailing address
- Artist's email address
- Artist's phone number
- Artist's biography (half-page max, in MS-Word)
- Artist's headshot (jpeg)
- Title of artwork
- Medium/materials used
- Size/dimensions
- Year created
- Price, if applicable

Artists who have previously shown in the gallery are invited to submit new work for consideration. Selections will be made by the Gallery Committee and the artists will be notified at a later date in December. All artwork must be wired and ready to hang.

On Saturday, January 16, 2016, a "Meet the Artists" Public Reception will be held from 2:00 to 4:00 pm, at the Waldorf West Library's Main Gallery, to honor all the artists participating in the winter show.

For more information about the Gallery, contact the CCAA Office at 301-392-5900, or info@charlescountyarts.org.

Arts Alliance Student Arts Scholarship Application Program is Now Open!

Deadline to Apply is March 4, 2016

Each year the Charles County Arts Alliance (CCAA) awards \$1,000 scholarships to one outstanding graduating senior from each high school in Charles County to further his or her study of the arts (performing, visual or literary) at a four-year college or university.

Applications are available for downloading by going to the CCAA website at <http://charlescountyarts.org/program/scholarships>. Charles County Public School Seniors



may also see their high schools' College and Career Advisors for a copy of the application.

The completed application and all required documentation must be received in the CCAA office by noon March 4, 2016. Mailing address is PO Box 697, White Plains, MD 20695; physical location is 10250 La Plata Road (Rt. 488), La Plata, MD 20646.

For more information, contact scholarship.ccaa@gmail.com or call the CCAA office at 301-392-5900, or info@charlescountyarts.org.

PERFORMING ARTS (top)

Maurice J. McDonough High School

The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe

Thursday, Friday, November 5, 6, 6:30 pm

Saturday, November 7, 2:00 and 6:30 pm

7165 Marshall Corner Road, Pomfret

Tickets: \$10 Adults, \$8 Students/Senior Citizens, \$7 Children under 6 Years



Based on the *Chronicles of Narnia* by C.S. Lewis, the production is a classic tale of good versus evil and is set in the magical land of Narnia. Featured are the travels of Aslan, the great lion, and his struggle with the White Witch, who wants to rule over Narnia.

Aslan comes across four children who inadvertently wander from an old wardrobe into the exciting, never-to-be-forgotten Narnia and enlists their help in deterring the White Witch. For more information, call 301-934-2944.

Grace Brethren Church

Grace Ole Opry

Friday, Saturday, November 6, 7, 7:00 - 10:00 pm

13000 Zekiah Drive, Waldorf

Free Admission, Offering Taken



Enjoy two evenings of music with a blend of Christmas, gospel and folk themes! Groups include Crossroads, Sonrise, New Life Grass, Bluegrass Gospel Express, Steve Potter Band, Bob Stone and the Virginia Gospel Singers, The Flea Bops, Band of Brothers and Cedar Run. Comedy with "Minnie Pearl" and old time radio commercials will take

you back to the years when the family gathered around the radio for an

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evening of entertainment. For more information, visit <http://www.gracewaldorf.org>.

Port Tobacco Players at Indian Head Center for the Arts ART

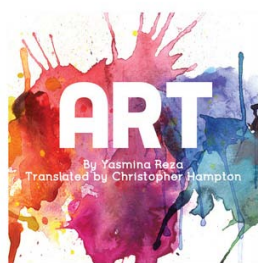
Friday, Saturday, November 6, 7, 13, 14, 20 and 21, 8:00 pm

Black Box Theater at the Indian Head Center for the Arts

4185 Indian Head Highway, Indian Head

Tickets: \$15 Adult, \$12 Student/Senior (60+)

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



Serge has bought a painting for \$200,000. Marc hates it. Yvan tries to keep the peace. As the trio debates the painting's artistic value, the argument goes from philosophical to personal, and a 15-year friendship is suddenly put to the test. Wickedly funny and emotionally frank, the Tony Award-winning "Art" is a piercing exploration of the singular aspects of modern life. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-932-6819, or

visit <http://www.ptplayers.com>.

Port Tobacco Players and Cosmic Symphony

Crazy for You: The Concert

Saturday, November 7, 7:00 pm

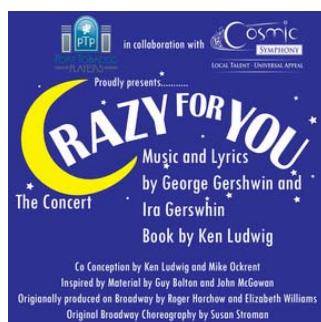
Sunday, November 8, 3:00 pm

Port Tobacco Players Theatre

508 Charles Street, La Plata

Tickets: \$15 Adult, \$12 Senior

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



Two of Southern Maryland's best arts organizations have combined forces for an exclusive, two-night-only concert production of "Crazy For You." The Cosmic Symphony brings their gifts to Ira and George Gershwin's music, while actors from the Port Tobacco Players bring Ken Ludwig's zany madcap, sweetly romantic script to life - all while using minimal costumes and props. Well-to-do Bobby Child is being pressured into joining the family business,

but all he wants to do is dance. When business takes him to a suffering Nevada town, he finds not only the girl of his dreams, but a way to make his own dream a reality. Beloved songs like "They Can't Take That Away From Me," "Nice Work if You Can Get It" and "Someone to Watch Over Me" shine in this banter-filled comedy. "Crazy For You: The Concert" will be a unique performance that all area arts lovers will absolutely not want to miss. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-932-6819, or visit <http://www.ptplayers.com>.

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Thursday, November 12 and 19, 7:30 pm
 Friday, November 13, 8:00 pm
 Saturday, November 14, 8:00 pm
 Friday, November 20, 8:00 pm
 Saturday, November 21, 2:00 pm
 La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre
 8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata
 Tickets: \$15 Adults, \$12 Military/Seniors/Youth



This is the classic tale of Oliver Twist, an orphan boy who is thrown out of the workhouse and struggles to find a better life. Along his journey, he is sold to an undertaker, made to join Fagin's gang of pick-pockets, taken in by a rich benefactor, and has a run-in with the villain Bill Sikes. For more information, call the Box Office at 301-934-7828, or visit <http://www.csmd.edu/community/the-arts/index.html>.

The Newtowne Players Auditions

A Few Good Men

Friday, November 13, 6:30 pm
 Tuesday, November 17, 6:30 pm
 Callbacks: Thursday, November 19, 6:30 pm
 The Three Notch Theatre
 21744 South Coral Drive, Lexington Park



Synopsis: During the summer of 1986, two Marines are on trial for complicity in the death of a fellow Marine at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Auditions will consist of cold readings from the script. All actors/actresses must be willing to alter their hair so it appears to be in accordance with military regulations. For more details and descriptions of the characters,

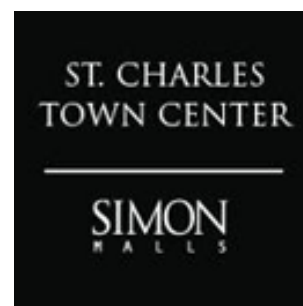
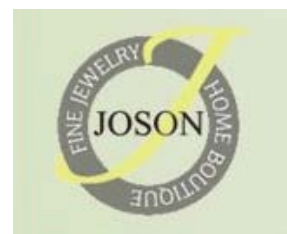
go to <http://www.newtowneplayers.org>.
 Performance dates are April 15 - May 1, 2016.
 Address questions to Thom Esposito

at espotj@verizon.net.

St. Charles High School

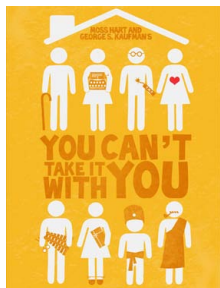
You Can't Take It With You

Friday, Saturday, November 13, 14, 7:00 pm
 Sunday, November 15, 2:00 pm
 5305 Piney Church Road, Waldorf
 Tickets: \$8 General Admission, \$6 Students



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The comedy is based on the antics of a few New York City families as they cross paths during a whirlwind of events. One of the main characters, Alice Sycamore, works for Tony Kirby and is in love with him. Kirby is vice president of his father's powerful company and comes from a rich and reserved family. Although their families have yet to meet, Tony proposes to Alice and she accepts but warns him that her family is anarchic and eccentric. They arrange for their parents to meet but Tony

arrives a day earlier, causing the families to clash upon meeting and jeopardizing Alice and Tony's engagement. For more information, call 301-753-2090.

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Auditions

Ages 14 and Up

Monday, Tuesday, November 16, 17, 6:00 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Center Theatre

8730 Mitchell Road, La Plata



Open Auditions for:

- **Before It Hits Home** (Main Stage)
- **The Little Prince** (Children's Theatre)
- **My First Time** (Cause Theatre)

Performances take place between January 28 and February 27, 2016. Prepare a one-minute monologue. For more information, contact the Box Office at 301-934-7828, or visit <http://www.csmd.edu/community/index.html>.

North Point High School

Father Knows Best

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, November 19, 20, 21, 7:00 pm

2500 Davis Road, Waldorf

Tickets: \$8 General Admission, \$5 Students/Senior Citizens



The production is based off the radio and television comedy series and features the Andersons, a middle class family that lives in the Midwest. Featured are Jim Anderson, the "father" of the production, and his wife, Margaret. The Andersons have three children: Betty, Bud and Kathy. The play follows the Anderson family as they encounter daily life. For more information, call 301-753-1759.

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Southern Maryland Christian Academy

The Ash Girl

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, November 19, 20, 21, 7:00 pm

Advance Tickets: \$7 Adult, \$5 Student

At the Door: \$9 Adult, \$7 Student

9805 Faith Baptist Church Road, White Plains

Refreshments Available for Purchase



When an invitation to The Ball arrives at the Ash girl's house from Prince Amir, she can't bring herself to believe that she, like her sisters, can go. With her mother dead and her father away, she must learn to fight the monsters that have slithered and insinuated their way into her heart and mind. In this wondrous drama, playwright Timberlake Wertenbaker

explores the beauty and terror inherent in growing up. For more information and to order tickets, call 301-870-2550.

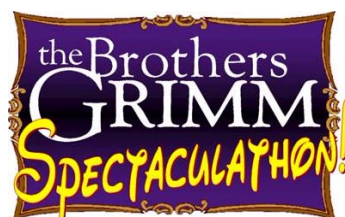
Thomas Stone High School

The Brothers Grimm Spectaculathon

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, November 19, 20, 21, 7:00 pm

3785 Leonardtown Road, Waldorf

Tickets: \$7 General Admission, \$5 Students/Senior Citizens



The performance is a spin on the fairy tales of the Brothers Grimm, as the actors will combine several classics such as *Snow White*, *Cinderella*, and *Hansel and Gretel* with obscure stories such as *The Girl Without Hands*. As part of the show, student actors will encourage audience participation to enhance the

performance. For more information, call 301-645-2601.

Westlake High School

The Love of Three Oranges

Thursday, Friday, Saturday, November 19, 20, 21, 7:00 pm

3300 Middletown Road, Waldorf

Tickets: \$8 Adults, \$6 Students/Senior Citizens



The show is about Prince Tartaglia, who is cursed by an evil witch to search for and fall in love with three large oranges. Along his journey, the prince discovers love, friendship, and laughter when he encounters wizards, monarchs, and a wild narrator who isn't sure how far removed from the story she truly is. For more information, call 301-645-8857.

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The CCAA is an IRS 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization. All membership dues and donations are 100 percent tax deductible.

A Christmas Carol

November 27 - December 20

Friday, Saturday, 8:00 pm

Sunday, 3:00 pm

508 Charles Street, La Plata

Tickets: \$18 Adult, \$15 Senior (60+)/Youth (to 18)/Military

[Buy Tickets Now!](#)



As miserly old Ebenezer Scrooge falls asleep in his dingy quarters on Christmas Eve, three ghosts appear, each revealing to Scrooge the wrong doings of his life and what will happen if he continues in his evil ways. He is racked with fear and remorse and sets out on Christmas Day to bless with his newfound generosity all those whom he has neglected and abused. Charles Dickens' timeless tale of "grinchiness" transformed into generosity returns to PTP. This adaptation with musical elements will be the highlight of your holiday season. Get your tickets now - Holiday shows will sell out! For more information, call the Box Office at 301-932-6819, or

visit <http://www.ptplayers.com>.

VISUAL ARTS (top)

Town of La Plata

Shop La Plata Celebration on Small Business Saturday

Holi-Pop Gallery "Call for Artists"

Deadline to Submit: November 6, 11:59 pm

Reception: November 28, Gallery Runs Through January 2, 2016

317 Charles Street, La Plata

Registration Fee: \$10 (for three entries)

Click [HERE](#) for the Registration Form



Are you an artist living in Calvert, Charles or St. Mary's Counties? Would you like to be considered for the Holi-Pop Gallery? If so, download, fill out and email an entry form to Holi.gallery@gmail.com. After you submit your form, make sure to pay the nominal entry fee (\$10 for three entries) using the PayPal button on their website. Accepted artists will be notified on

or before November 13, 2015, and will be required to help staff the gallery and/or assist in set-up and take down. Artists will receive 100% of the sales of their work. No commission will be taken by Holi-Pop Gallery or its representatives. For more information and to pay using PayPal, go to <http://egilesart.wix.com/holi-pop-gallery>.

College of Southern Maryland

Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery

Marcia Wolfson Ray

In Translation

Now through November 6

La Plata Fine Arts Center, 8730 Mitchell Road

Gallery Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 am - 9:00 pm; Saturday, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm



Marcia Wolfson Ray looks to nature for both the ideas for her work and the materials. She uses dog fennel, phragmites, hibiscus, pine bark, bamboo and marsh elder in the construction of her sculptures. Ray hopes to convey her own relationship with the natural world through her work, taking advantage of the light, temperature and season. The sun, rain, snow all manifest their influences on the pieces.

For more information, go to <http://www.csmd.edu/community/index.html>.

Mattawoman Creek Art Center

Smallwood State Park

5565 Upham Place, Marbury, MD 20658

The Gallery is open Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays,
11:00 am - 4:00 pm

For more information about events, workshops and discounts for early registration, call 301-743-5159 or go to www.mattawomanart.org. Click [here](#) to download the fall programs brochure.

MCAC Workshop

Painting Wine Glasses Plus. . .

Sunday, November 8, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Fee: \$45 Members / \$55 Nonmembers

Instructors: Norma Baretincic & Nancy Owens



An afternoon of wine, dine and paint for the ladies. Join them for heavy hors d'oeuvres, wine and conversation while learning how to paint your own wine glasses. You will have lots of examples of patterns to paint on your four glasses that are yours to keep or give as gifts. All materials supplied. Class size is limited to 10. (All levels)

MCAC

Holiday Tea Party

Sunday, November 22, 2015

1:00 - 4:00 pm

Free Admission!



Bring your friends and join MCAC for their Holiday Salon Show Tea Party. Teas, sandwiches, pastries and other treats will be served. Artworks will be available for purchase, just in time for Christmas gifts!

MCAC FRIDAY OPEN STUDIO

Fridays, Now through December 11

11:00 am - 3:00 pm



Come create: paint, draw, take photos, sculpt, knit, quilt, etc. Bring your own materials and your lunch. Bring your friends (both members and nonmembers). Share ideas and techniques. Critique each other's work. Enjoy the creative process!

MCAC HOLIDAY SALON

Multimedia Holiday Art Show

Now through December 13

Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays

11:00 am to 4:00 pm



All the artworks are available for purchase!

National Gallery of Art

Programs in American Sign Language and Assistive Listening Devices

Tours on Sundays, November 8, and December 13

West Building, 6th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW,

Washington, DC (use the Constitution Avenue or Madison Drive entrances for easiest access to the Rotunda)



The tours take place on the second Sunday of every month and last about an hour. Meet the guide in the Rotunda of the West Building for the public tour. The program is interpreted into spoken English. Assistive listening devices are available for use on any public tour with 3 weeks' advance notice.

To plan your trip and view hours

and maps, go to www.nga.gov and click on [Visit](#). For more information, go to www.nga.gov and click on [Calendar](#) or contact Lorena Baines at access@nga.gov or 202-842-6905.

Southern MD Decorative Painters

Thanks and Giving Paint Project

Saturday, November 14, 11:30 am

Charlotte Hall Library

37600 New Market Road, Charlotte Hall

A business meeting will be followed by painting a project together. The project is *Thanks and Giving*, designed by Sandy Leflore. Guests are always welcome. Contact LearnToPaint@outlook.com for



supplies information if you would like to paint on the date of your visit. For more information, call Garnett Joy at 301-884-2835.

College of Southern Maryland
Tony Hungerford Memorial Art Gallery
Alexandra Silverthorne Group
Drift

November 16 - December 11

Gallery Talk and Reception: Tuesday, November 17, 2:30 pm

La Plata Fine Arts Center, 8730 Mitchell Road

Gallery Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 am - 9:00 pm; Saturday, 10:00 am - 6:00 pm



What happens when we focus less on our travel destinations and more on the actual act of journeying? How can photographers use the camera as a means of showing movement through landscape? This exhibit brings together the work of four photographers, Caleb Charland (Maine), Candace Gaudiani (California), E. Brady Robinson (Washington, DC), and Alexandra Silverthorne (Washington, DC), to explore these questions. While each photographer tackles the journey through landscape with different constraints and styles, the viewer is ultimately presented with a unified series that prompts consideration of movement whether through landscape or even activities of daily life. For more information, go to <http://www.csmd.edu/community/index.html>.

Maryland Federation of Art "Call for Artists"

Focal Point

6th Annual Open Juried Fine Art and Creative Photography Exhibition

Deadline to submit is November 19, 2015

Show Runs from January 29 to February 27, 2016

Circle Gallery, 18 State Circle, Annapolis, MD



Original 2D and 3D artwork crated in any form of photography (other than video) is eligible for entry. Juror is Richard Olsenius, former photo editor at National Geographic Magazine. For entry details go to <http://mdfedart.com/portfolio/56>. Contact info@mdfedart.org or 410-268-4566 with any questions.

National Gallery of Art

Picture This! Dress to Impress!

Tours for People with Low Vision or Who Are

Blind at the National Gallery of Art

Wednesday, November 25, and Saturday,

November 28, 1:00 pm

6th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW,

Washington, DC (use the Constitution Avenue or

Madison Drive entrances for easiest access to

the Rotunda)



Picture This tours incorporate vibrant verbal description with information about works of art. Tours meet at 1:00 pm in the Rotunda of the West Building of the National Gallery and last about an hour. Everyone is welcome! For more information or to receive web links to works that will be described on the tour in advance, contact Lorena Baines at access@nga.gov or 202-842-6905. Verbally described tours are also available by request with 3 weeks' notice by e-mailing access@nga.gov. For more information, go to www.nga.gov.

LITERARY ARTS [\(top\)](#)

College of Southern Maryland Connections

Three Local Poets

Neal Dwyer, Michael Glaser and Rachel Heinhorst

Friday, November 6, 7:30 pm

Leonardtown Campus, Building A, Auditorium

22950 Hollywood Road, Leonardtown

Tickets: \$3 in Advance, \$5 Day of the Event, \$3 with CSM Student ID



Neal Dwyer is a poet and a professor for the Languages and Literature Division at the College of Southern Maryland. Michael Glaser served as Poet Laureate of Maryland from 2004 - 2009, and is a professor

emeritus at St. Mary's College of Maryland, serves on the Board of the Maryland Humanities Council, and co-leads retreats which embrace the reading and writing of poetry as a means of self-reflection and personal growth. Rachel Heinhorst received her MFA from Goddard College in Vermont and currently teaches in the Language and Literature Division at the College of Southern Maryland. For more information, contact the Box Office at bxoffc@csmd.edu, 301-934-7828, or <http://www.csmd.edu/community/connections-literary-series/index.html>.

Life Journeys Writers Club

Nuts and Bolts Gathering

Saturday, November 21, 2:30 - 4:30 pm

Waldorf West Library

10405 O'Donnell Place, Waldorf



Enjoy great reads, join in the critiques and discussion, engage in literary networking and learn publishing news! For more information, contact Yvonne Medley at 301-7405-8972, or emeddle@aol.com

Charles County Library Schedule

For November/December 2015



Get a copy of the [November/December](#) brochure to see all the programs available at your local libraries. There are computer classes, book discussions, craft programs, preschool story times, games, writing classes, and lots of other activities for every interest and age! For more information, call 301-934-9001 or go to <http://www.ccplonline.org>.



The Charles County Public Library offers book discussion groups at all of their branches [and online too!](#) Click the [link](#) to sign up.

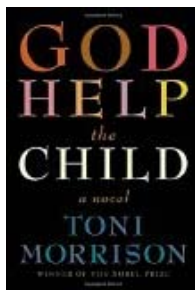


Adult Discussion Book Groups

Richard R. Clark Senior Center Book Discussion

Meets at 1:00 pm, on the first Thursday of each month at the Clark Senior Center, 1210 Charles Street, La Plata. For more information, call 301-934-9001.

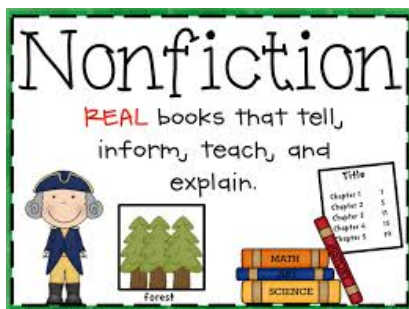
November 5: ***God Help the Child*** by Toni Morrison. *God Help the Child* weaves a tale about the way the sufferings of childhood can shape, and misshape, the life of the adult. At the center: a young woman who calls herself Bride, whose stunning blue-black skin is only one element of her beauty, her boldness and confidence, her success in life, but



which caused her light-skinned mother to deny her even the simplest forms of love. There is Booker, the man Bride loves, and loses to anger. Rain, the mysterious white child with whom she crosses paths. And finally, Bride's mother herself, Sweetness, who takes a lifetime to come to understand that "what you do to children matters. And they might never forget."

Waldorf Book Discussion Group

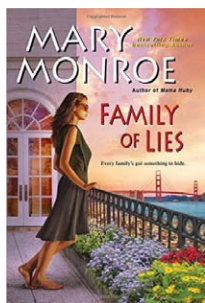
Meets on the first Saturday of every month from 9:30 - 10:30 am, at the P.D. Brown Memorial Library, 50 Village Street, Waldorf. To join, call 301-645-2864, and reserve a book with your library card.



November 7: Self-Selected Non-Fiction. Choose any non-fiction title and share your reactions with the group.

Writers of Color Book Club

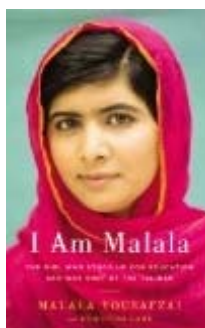
Meets every month on the second Thursday at 6:30 pm, at alternating locations. The November meeting will be held at the Potomac Branch Library, 3225 Ruth B. Swann Drive, Indian Head. For more information, call 301-375-7375.



November 12: **Family of Lies** by Mary Monroe. Secrets and deceit rule the lives of wealthy Vera Lomax and her husband's daughter, Sarah Cooper, as each battles to gain the fortune they think they deserve in this gritty story of a tumultuous family.

La Plata Library Book Discussion Group

Meets at 7:00 pm on the second Thursday of every month at the La Plata Library, 2 Garrett Avenue, La Plata. Call 301-934-9001, for more information.

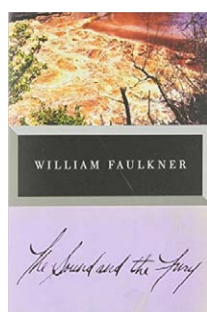


November 12: **I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up for Education and was Shot by the Taliban** by Malala Yousafzai. When the Taliban took control of the Swat Valley in Pakistan, one girl spoke out. Malala Yousafzai refused to be silenced and fought for her right to an education. On Tuesday, October 9, 2012, when she was fifteen, she was shot in the head at point-blank range while riding the bus home from school, and few expected her to survive. Instead, Malala's miraculous recovery has

taken her on an extraordinary journey from a remote valley in northern Pakistan to the halls of the United Nations in New York. At sixteen, she became a global symbol of peaceful protest and the youngest nominee ever for the Nobel Peace Prize.

Indian Head Senior Center Book Discussion Group

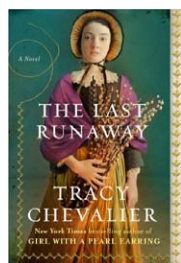
Meets on the fourth Wednesday of every month from 11:00 am - 12:00 noon, at the Senior Center, 100 Cornwallis Square, Indian Head. Note date changed for November! Call 301-375-7375 for more information or to place a copy of a book on hold.



November 18: ***The Sound and The Fury*** by William Faulkner. *The Sound and the Fury* is the tragedy of the Compson family, featuring some of the most memorable characters in literature: beautiful, rebellious Caddy; the manchild Benjy; haunted, neurotic Quentin; Jason, the brutal cynic; and Dilsey, their black servant. Their lives fragmented and harrowed by history and legacy, the character's voices and actions mesh to create what is arguably Faulkner's masterpiece and one of the greatest novels of the twentieth century.

Waldorf Senior Center Afternoon Book Club

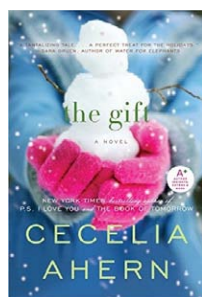
Meets on the first Wednesday of every month from 1:00 - 2:00 pm, at the Waldorf Senior Center, 3092 Crain Highway, Waldorf. For more information, call 301-638-4420.



December 4: ***The Last Runaway*** by Tracy Chevalier. Ohio 1850. For a modest English Quaker stranded far from home, life is a trial. Untethered from the moment she leaves England, fleeing personal disappointment, Honor Bright is forced by family tragedy to rely on strangers in an alien, untamed landscape. Drawn into the clandestine activities of the Underground Railroad, a network helping runaway slaves escape to freedom, Honor befriends two exceptional people who embody the startling power of defiance. Eventually she must decide if she too can act on what she believes in, whatever the personal cost.

Potomac Book Discussion

Meets on the second Saturday of each month from 10:30 am - noon, at the Potomac Branch Library, 3225 Ruth B. Swann Drive, Indian Head. For more information, call 301-375-7375. There is no November meeting.



December 12: ***The Gift*** by Cecelia Ahern. *The Gift* is a magical, fable-like Christmas story of Lou Sufferin, a successful executive frustrated by the fact that he spends more time in the office than with his doting wife and two young children

Nanjemoy Community Center



The Nanjemoy Community Center offers a wide variety of programs and services designed to fulfill the needs of the Nanjemoy community for all ages

from tots to senior adults. Get a copy of their November newsletter. For more activities and events, get a copy of the [November](#) issue of *The Scoop*, Charles County's Senior Center News.

The Center is located at 4375 Port Tobacco Road, Nanjemoy, MD 20662. For more information, call 301-246-9612, 301-753-1647, or click [here](#) to go to their website. The Center is open Monday and Wednesday - 8:30 am - 8:00 pm; Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday - 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.

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About the Charles County Arts Alliance, Inc.

The mission of the Charles County Arts Alliance (CCAA) is to stimulate, promote, encourage, and provide recognition of the arts and the creative spirit. Founded in 1987, the CCAA promotes ALL the arts in Charles County: music, visual art, drama, dance and literature.

The CCAA is the official arts council of Charles County and is recognized as such by the Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC), an agency of the Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED) of the State of Maryland. In this capacity, the CCAA serves as the "umbrella" organization for the arts community in Charles County. The CCAA promotes Charles County arts organizations and individuals, provides financial support to nonprofit organizations and the schools through its annual arts grant programs, sponsors the creation and presentation of new, diverse cultural activities and special events for the community, provides arts scholarships, and ensures the Charles County's underserved population, people with disabilities, residents with limited income, minorities, and senior citizens have access to the arts. The CCAA builds partnerships with local government, the business community and the educational community, in an effort to enhance the overall quality of life for the citizens of Charles County.

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