

July 2023

Harford Heritage News

250th Anniversary of Founding of Harford County—2023 to March 2024

200th Anniversary of Lafayette's Tour of America— 2024



Harford 250 Ice Cream Collaboration Launches

Harford County's creameries are coming together to create an ice cream dedicated to the county's 250th anniversary. The name of the ice cream, Come Taste My Ma & Pa

Tracks parallels the efforts of Harford County's breweries with their Harford 250 dedicated beer, Come See About My Pale Ale. Each creamery along Harford's Ice Cream Trail will produce its own ice cream flavor with their version of the ice cream, Come Taste My Ma & Pa Tracks. The ice cream name reflects the Harford County origin of the Supremes song "Come See About Me," first recorded by Nella Dodds of Havre de Grace, and adds a nod to the historic Ma & Pa Railroad, nicknamed "The Milky Way".



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The creameries located along Harford's Ice Cream Trail are participating in this sweet dedication, which will be publicly launched on July 16, National Ice Cream Day. Visit each creamery along the trail to see the different variations of the ice cream.

Harford 250 Night at the Ball Park - Sports Through the Decades

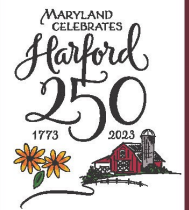
Tickets are on sale now! Experience Harford County sports like never before. The Harford 250 committee is thrilled to host a *Night at the Ballpark at Ripken Stadium* celebrating the stellar achievements of the county's local athletes and honoring the rich sports history of Harford County. Come cheer on the Ironbirds as they play their rivals, the Wilmington Blue Rocks, on Saturday, August 19 at 7 pm.

Enjoy exhibits showcasing Harford's many sports highlights throughout the decades and meet some of the stars who brought so much excitement and joy to the county with their athleticism and talent. And, of course, be sure to stick around after the game for a spectacular fireworks display! For details or to purchase tickets, visit www.harford250.org.



HARFORD 250 NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK

Harford County has a lot of sport history to be proud of. Experience the thrill of the game like never before with Harford 250 at a historic fireworks night!



RIPKEN STADIUM | AUGUST 19TH

DID YOU KNOW...



In 1951, Bill Brown of Bel Air won gold as part of the 4 x 400 relay team and silver in the 800 meter run at the Pan Am Games.



Havre de Grace sisters Brionna and Stephanie Jones currently play for the Connecticut Suns in the WNBA.



The Harford Community College Men's Lacrosse team won the NJCAA Championship **THIS YEAR!**

GET YOUR TICKET TODAY

Harford 250 is thrilled to bring together sports fans and history lovers alike to swap stories, trade trivia, and celebrate a roster of past and present Harford sports champions.

Cheer on the Aberdeen Ironbirds as they play their rival, the Wilmington Blue Rocks. Enjoy historical displays and help us honor a showcase of local sports greats. Be sure to stick around after the game for a spectacular fireworks display!



WWW.HARFORD250.ORG

Joyful June Success!

Waterfront adventures



Pride of Baltimore II

The Harford 250 Summer of Fun began with the June 2-5 visit from the *Pride of Baltimore* to Havre de Grace. The *Maryland Dove*, followed on June 24-25. Thousands of visitors admired the ships and learned about their role in history. HarfordTV has posted a fabulous video is posted on their Facebook page.



The Maryland Dove

Agrarian Heritage

Over 300 guests gathered to see 61 Harford Legacy Farms receive plaques and recognition on Saturday, June 10, at the Equestrian Center. The Farmers and Community Partnership of Harford County in cooperation with the Farm Bureau, Harford Land Trust, the Soil Conservation District and the Harford Agricultural Land Presentation Board spent over a year identifying the farm families who have been part of the county's agricultural community for more than 100 years. Other farms that may qualify for the recognition should contact Harford Land Trust.



Upper Bay Juneteenth Festival



The Hosanna School Museum's 7th Annual Upper Bay Juneteenth Festival was a remarkable experience. Jamsquad gave away free refurbished bicycles, while N-Step Forward focused on developing life-skills. The Transition to Freedom Concert was a poetic and musical journey through the African American experience. The African Dancers, Keur Khaleyti had everyone on their feet dancing. Janice Greene's portrayal of Harriet Tubman was simply amazing, and costumed interpreters brought Josiah Henson and Edmonia Highgate to life. It was an unforgettable event that truly captured the spirit of Juneteenth.

NAACP Freedom 5K

The Harford County NAACP held its Juneteenth 5K on June 17 at the Ma and Pa Trail in Bel Air. More than 150 runners, walkers and volunteers showed up to support the event. The race started at 8:30am with warm up exercises led by the DJ. The winner was Nicholas Guarino who finished the race in approximately 22 minutes. Right behind him were second place winner Ella Swayne and in third Jason Guarino. Runners in the top 15 were: Dylan Jones (4th), Brinae Robinson (5th), Kye Lynch (6th), Josephina Whiteman (7th), P. Smith (8th), Patrick Smith (9th), Nina Field (10th), Eric Davis (11th), Chad Patrick (12th), Dillon Newport



Bel Air's Independence Day Festivities



Celebrating 250 Years
A PUBLIC ART PROJECT

PIECING TOGETHER Harford's History

Send us YOUR pieces of Harford County's history. Examples include a pebble from your driveway, a broken plate from a past celebration, or a lapel pin recognizing years of public service. The item does not need to be recognizable to anyone else, it just needs to symbolize your story!

Drop off items at ANY Harford County Public Library

 **ITEMS ARE DUE: OCTOBER 1, 2023**

 
@Harford250Celebration
@PiecefulDesignsMosaics

 **PIECING TOGETHER** 
Harford's History



What will **YOU** send in

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PIECING TOGETHER Harford's History

Tucked beside the Chesapeake Bay, Harford County has been home to farmers and miners, traversed by mariners and railroads, remembered for its military roles and American history contributions, and been culturally enriched by its athletes and artists. In all this time we have collected a lot of memories... and THINGS!

To memorialize this anniversary Lisa Scarbath, a mosaic artist, is creating a community-sourced, large-scale mosaic to be installed at Bynum Run Park in March 2024. The public art project will depict the history, personality, and culture of the county by incorporating material from the community into a piece of art for all to enjoy.

You are invited to be a part of this project by contributing a piece of your own Harford County history to be included in the mosaic. Examples include a pebble from your driveway, a broken plate from a past celebration, or a lapel pin recognizing years of public service. The item does not need to be recognizable to anyone else, it just needs to symbolize your story!



Need some inspiration?

Ellicott City worked with Pieceful Designs Mosaics to tell the story of their community. See what they sent in.

CONTACT WITH ANY QUESTIONS

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Frequently Asked Questions

WHAT do I send?

Be creative! Durable material such as rocks, ceramic, glass, and metal are the most desirable. Please do not send anything biodegradable (photos, flowers, paper, etc). Items sent may be cut, trimmed, or otherwise altered at the artist's discretion. The artist will try to use all the items that are sent, but inclusion is not guaranteed. Please be advised that pieces will become a permanent part of the mosaic artwork and will not be returned.

What SIZE should it be?

It can be as small as you like, but NO larger than your fist.

WHERE can I send/deliver my piece(s)?

Drop off: ANY Harford County Public Library
Mail or drop off: Lisa Scarbath, Howard County Center for the Arts, 8510 High Ridge Road, Ellicott City, MD 21043.

Drop off locations may be added and are subject to change. Follow us on Social Media or check www.harford250.org for the latest updates.

WHEN are items due?
OCTOBER 1, 2023

REMEMBERTO SHARE YOUR STORY!

You **MUST** include a sentence or two about the piece(s) you are sending! Stories will be published anonymously, but please include your contact information in case the artist has questions.



WE HOPE TO RENDER THESE ICONIC IMAGES OF HARFORD COUNTY IF ENOUGH MATERIALS ARE RECEIVED. We encourage you, your friends and neighbors to share your stories and fill in the missing pieces of our communities story!

Upcoming Events



The Liriodendron Foundation
presents

FROM SCOTT'S PERSPECTIVE:

*Paintings of Harford County and the
surrounding area*

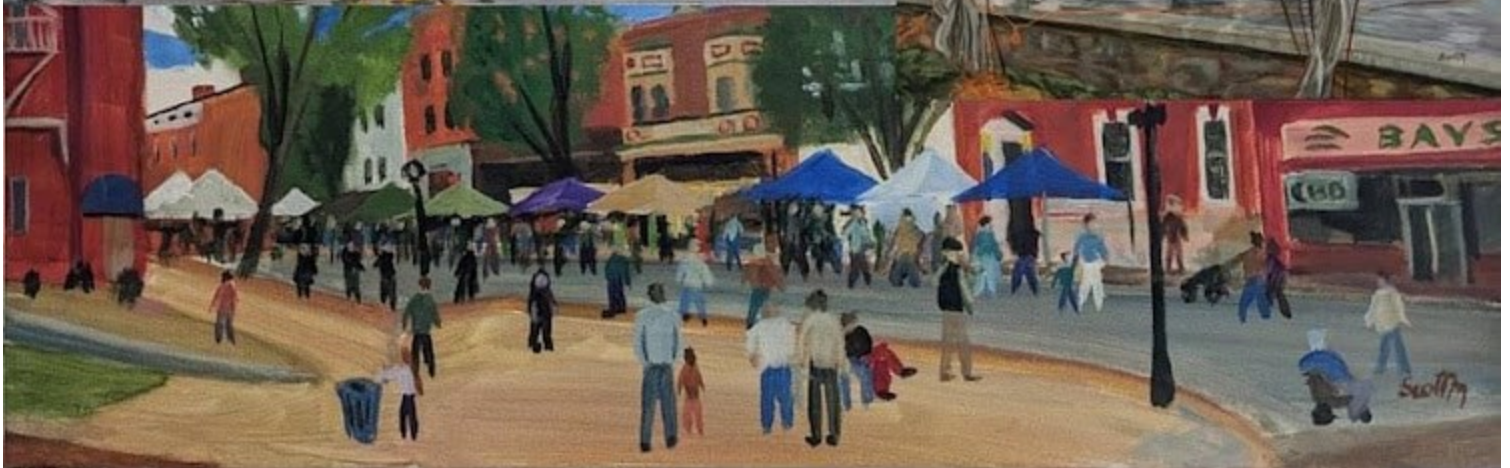
by

SCOTT McCLELLAND

Opening Sunday, July 9, 11 - 3

On view Wednesdays 1 - 6

through August 2



Arts Across Harford: 16 Days of Celebrating the Arts

September 15 - September 30, 2023

Arts organizations across Harford County are partnering together to create sixteen spectacular days of events in all disciplines. Attend one event, just a few or fill your calendar for the entire sixteen days!

In between events, experience our galleries or take advantage of touring our popular Barn Quilt or Mural Trails plus many additional pieces of public art located throughout the County. As state designated Arts & Entertainments Districts, both [Havre de Grace](#) and [Bel Air](#) boast collections of public art that are accessible with walks through their downtowns.

Arts Across Harford highlights the creativity of our community and features dance, live musical performances, plein air painters, gallery exhibits, theatre and so much more. We hope you will join us as we celebrate the arts in Harford County!

Harford County Arts Week

[EVENTS](#)



4-H • FFA

36th Annual HARFORD COUNTY FARM FAIR

Celebrate Harford County's Agricultural Heritage & Community

JULY 22-29, 2023

Saturday, July 22 • 8am - 6pm
Sunday, July 23 • 8am - 8pm
Monday-Thursday • July 24-27 • 2pm - 8pm
Friday, July 28 • 2pm - 10pm
Saturday, July 29 • 10am - 4pm

For More Information Scan Below



SCAN ME

Equestrian Center • 608 N. Tollgate Road, Bel Air, MD 21014
www.farmfair.org • 410-838-8663



Celebrating 125 Years at The Liriodendron

Summer Soirée

Friday,
August 25, 2023
6-9 PM

The Liriodendron Foundation

Liriodendron.com
HAKellyevent@liriodendron.com

The Chesapeake Bay Balloon Festival

Enjoy delicious food, artisans, live entertainment!

Cedar Lane Park, Bel Air, MD | August 4-6th |

Please note, tickets are not available for purchase at the event | <https://chesapeakebayballoonfestival.com/...>



Harford 250 Steering Committee

Chair: Carol Deibel Co-Chair: Jackie Seneschal

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Sharon Delgado, Private Citizen
Stephanie McKaughan, Darlington Community Council
Vicki Jones, NAACP

Harford County has always lain in the main stream of national life.

In a sense, its history is the record of our country, reduced in scale.

Senator William S. James



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