

# KEYNOTES



DECEMBER 2018-JANUARY 2019

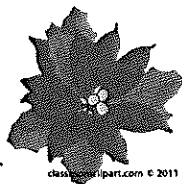
## LOOKING FOR NON-EATING AND NON-SHOPPING ACTIVITIES AROUND THE HOLIDAYS?

We are fortunate to have a couple of beautiful spots right in our own backyard!

### The Rawlings Conservatory in Druid Hill Park

Opened in 1888, the historical Rawlings Conservatory is one of Baltimore's most beautiful structures. It features five district greenhouse rooms, one 1/2 acre garden with many flower beds and a kaleidoscope of colors all year round. This year, Wednesday-Sunday, December 1-30 (Visit with Santa is on 12/2), check out the gorgeous Holiday Poinsettia Display and Sale.

Poinsettias are the signature holiday flower. No longer is red the main attraction. There are also orange, pink with splashes of white, and variegated as well. Specifically, Winter Rose, Ruby Frost, Ice Punch, Gold Rush, Polar Bear, and Red Glitter are just a few of the spectacular varieties of poinsettias that are on display, complete with a grand decorated tree.



### Cylburn Arboretum

The first two weekends in December is their annual Holiday Open house where you can enjoy the lovely winter gardens and visit the Mansion dressed in holiday finery.

In addition, there is a Wreath-making Workshop Wednesday, December 5 from 6:30-9:00 pm and again on Saturday, December 8 from 9:00-11:00 am. Check their website for prices and details.

## **Hello and Welcome!**

Thank you to all who filled out the forms for email blasts and activity choices. The response has been excellent, but for those who haven't responded, there is still time to be sure you stay informed. We will soon be replacing the roof at the Village Club. When that project is complete, we will begin to schedule regular programs and special events. However, some may happen between issues of Keynotes, and we would like to be able to inform you of what is going on through email.

In the meantime, the weather is getting colder, the guys already have plows attached to their trucks, our reindeer are out, and it is time to snuggle in. I hope you enjoy the holidays, and we look forward to seeing you soon!

I can be reached by phone at 410-323-1257 or by email at [clubhouse@villagemanagement.net](mailto:clubhouse@villagemanagement.net).

Or just stop in to say hello!

Marjie



## IMPORTANT DATES

Dec. 3	First Day of Hannukah
Dec. 25	Christmas
Dec. 26	Kwanzaa
Jan. 1	New Year's Day
Jan. 21	MLK, Jr. Day

**PLEASE NOTE: Village Management Office hours : Mon.-Thurs. 8:30 am.-5pm and on Fri. 8:30 am- 3 pm Club-house hours are 10 am-3 pm Monday-Friday**

## HAPPENINGS-HERE...

### IN THE VILLAGE

#### **November 24- Small Business Saturday**

Visit each boutique to celebrate shopping locally and take advantage of special offers, promotions, and treats!

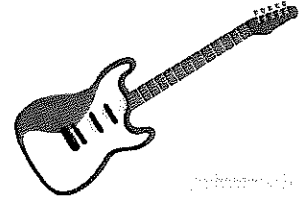
#### **December 8- Holiday Hoopla**

A day of family fun! Enjoy selfies with Santa, listen to Carolers, participate in holiday crafts for the kids, enjoy holiday treats, and take advantage of special deals from boutiques!



## AT THE VILLAGE SQUARE CAFÉ

**Enjoy Dinner and Live Music  
Every Saturday 6:00-  
7:30**



- 12/1 Jack Landstre(Folk/Funk)
- 12/8 Vagabond Motel: Ramirez/ Gehl, Louden (Americana Folk Rock)
- 12/15 Terry & Vicki (Folk-Rock Fusion)
- 12/22 Ridge Runners: Abigail, Behak & Grace (Indie Folk)
- 12/29 Lauren Weiner & Julie Riffle (Folk/Country)
- 1/5 The Powell Younger Project (R&B/ Soul/Blues)
- 1/12 Mark & Judy (Guitar/Violin)

**And Open Mic Night 2nd & 4th  
Thursday from 6:00-  
8:00. Show off your  
talent!**



## FARMERS MARKET

The Farmers Market is closed for the season. See you in the spring!

## ...AND THERE

### ART

#### American Visionary Art Museum

##### **Parenting: An Art Without A Manual:**

The evolving role of parenting in the past, present and future is examined through art, humor, historic texts and firsthand testimony. 10/6/18-9/1/19. \$

#### Baltimore Museum of Art

##### **Mark Bradford: Tomorrow is Another Day**

Born out of the material nature of our world, Bradford's abstract exhibition evokes themes from his life, Greek mythology and the universe. Through 3/3. Free

#### Walters Art Museum

##### **Chinese Snuff Bottles**

Witness the exquisite artistry of nearly 250 Chinese snuff bottles, elegantly crafted from stone, glass, porcelain, ivory, lacquer, enamel and precious metals. Through 12/8. Free

### MUSIC

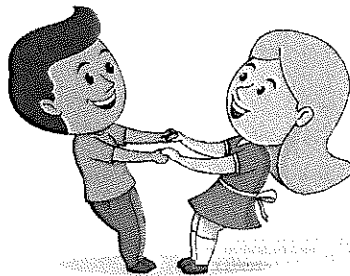
#### The Lyric **Dancing With the Stars-Live!**

1/10/19 \$

#### Myerhoff/ Strathmore

##### **Handels Messiah**

Always a favorite at holiday season!  
12/8-12/9 \$



### THEATER

#### Baltimore Center Stage

##### **A Wonder in My Soul**

Two best friends/beauty shop owners grapple with the pressures of crime and gentrification in this present-day production, based in the heart of Baltimore 11/29-12/23. \$

#### Everyman Theatre

##### **The Importance of Being Ernest**

Two women fall for the same man, but will wit or wisdom prevail? Prepare yourself for puns and laughs in this hilarious comedy about love and morality. 12/4/18-1/6/19. \$

#### The Hippodrome

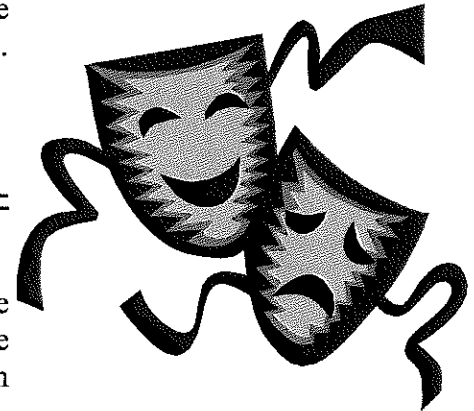
##### **Anastasia**

Stripped of some Disneyesque characteristics in favor of something more historically accurate, this production features new songs and an engaging narrative about fleeing the Russian Revolution and starting over in the Soviet Union 12/4-12/9. \$

#### Spotlighters Theatre

##### **Blithe Spirit**

Things go terribly awry during a séance when a man finds himself caught between his living wife and his former wife. 12/14-23/18 and 1/4-18/19. \$



## RULES...

### WINDSHIELD STICKERS

Please be sure your vehicle displays a windshield sticker. Contact your management office to obtain individual Association labels. Also for residents, gates at the south end are closed at 5:45 pm. The center gate is closed at 7:00 pm. The gatehouse drop gates are closed at 10 pm daily. You must have a sticker on your car to enter the property after 10 pm or you will be stopped to identify yourself.

### PARKING IN THE COMMERCIAL AREAS

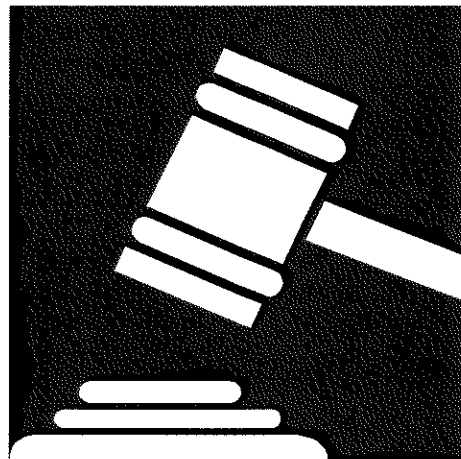
The parking lots that surround the commercial areas in Cross Keys are owned and operated by VCK Realty. The lots are designated for customers and patrons that visit the offices and retail center. They do not permit overnight parking on any of their lots. Residents must obtain permission to park on their lots if they are not a customer of their tenants. Most lots have a four-hour parking limit. Village Management cannot give authority to utilize any of the parking lots. For more information contact VCK Realty at 410-323-1000.

### PARKING IN THE CLUBHOUSE LOT

The clubhouse parking lot is the property of the Cross Keys Maintenance Corporation, not the property of any condominium in the Village. Residents of the Village can park in this lot only if they are using the clubhouse facilities, tennis court or the pool (in season). We appreciate your cooperation in this matter and remind those who violate this policy that their vehicles may be towed at the owner's expense.

### RESIDENTIAL PARKING

All residents and their guests are asked to observe the “**assigned and reserved parking**” spaces in the associations. Parking in others’ “**assigned and reserved**” spaces could lead to that vehicle being towed at the owners expense.



## ...AND INFORMATION/ RECOMMENDATIONS

### FEEDING THE ANIMALS

Please refrain from feeding **any** animals (including our fox) that you encounter in the Village. If you insist on feeding the birds, please place the feeders away from the property. Management thanks you.



### SOLICITATION

**Solicitation is not permitted in Cross Keys and creates an opportunity for crime.** Anyone seeing a solicitor should report them to the gatehouse or management office immediately.

### WALKERS

Please be aware of the many cars that drive in and out of Cross Keys Village on a daily basis. Whenever possible, avoid the road and walk on the designated paths that wind throughout the community. Your safety is priority.

### LOST AND FOUND

Lost and Found is located at the Gatehouse. If you misplace anything while in the Village call (410) 435-2211 to see if it has been found.

### IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING

If you witness anyone displaying erratic behavior within the Village, please contact the police immediately. Once you have called the police, please contact the Gatehouse at 410-435-2211 to alert them that the police will be responding.

In the event you call 911 in an emergency, it is important that you notify the Gatehouse at (410) 435-2211 to further assist those responding to the call upon their arrival.



### DELIVERIES

Ordering a pizza? Something from Amazon? Please direct delivery people to go through the gatehouse entrance.



### DOG SCOOP DISPENSERS

If you have a dog, it is your responsibility to pick up after your pet. Dog scoop dispensers are located at five locations in the Village: Cross Keys Road near Goodlow House, Cross Keys Road in Dunns Grove, Hamlet Hill Road near Harper House entrance, South Gate Exit on Hamill Road, and South Hill near the bench. Drop the disposal bags in the trash cans at any of these locations, and they will be collected.

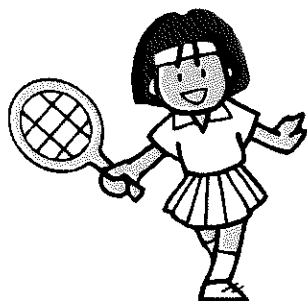


## TENNIS PLAYERS

There are 3 tennis courts at Cross Keys:  
COURT 1—VILLAGE CLUBHOUSE  
COURT 2—HAMILL COURT SIDE  
COURT 3—TENNIS BARN SIDE

And now we have PICKLEBALL on  
COURT 1.

We will see you on the courts in the  
Spring!



## WINTER ARTS FESTIVAL III

The first week of March 2019 has been set aside at the Clubhouse for the Third Annual Winter Arts Festival. Art work will be on display for viewing each day beginning March 4th, with culminating musical performances, readings, and other forms of art, on March 8th and 9th. Residents who wish to display artwork, such as paintings, drawings, photography, and sculpture should call Joan Earnshaw at 410-323-8212.



## GRATITUDE

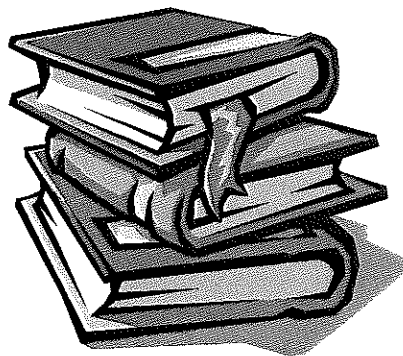
Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it.

## GARDEN CHORES TO DO BEFORE WINTER

- Empty all of your outdoor containers to keep them from cracking during the winter. Store them upside down.
- Hang a bucket over a hook in your toolshed or garage and use it to store hose nozzles and sprinkler attachments.
- On a mild day, run your garden hose up over a railing or over the shed to remove all the water. Then roll it up and put it away.
- Don't leave fallen leaves on the lawn.
- Scrub down and put away your tools. Some folks oil their tools with vegetable oil to avoid rust. (Source: Old Farmers' Almanac)

## THE CLUBHOUSE LIBRARY

Hunker down this winter with a good book! The library, located in the Clubhouse at the top of Hamlet Hill Road, has well stocked shelves of hardcover and paperback books. It is open from 10-3 on weekdays. Bring a book, take a book!



**CKMC. VCK. VMI.** What are they and how do they differ? We know it can be confusing, so here it is:

CKMC (Cross Keys Maintenance Corporation) is the umbrella under which all eleven members are: Condo I, Dunns Grove, Fallswood I, Fallswood II, Goodlow House, Hamill Court, Harper House, Roland Green, Roland Mews, Radisson Hotel, and Ashkenazy (the retail areas). It includes all of the common areas such as lawns, trees, roads, street lighting, sidewalks, water and sewer lines, three swimming pools, the outdoor tennis courts, and the Clubhouse. CKMC is also responsible for security services at the Gatehouse and on the common community roads.

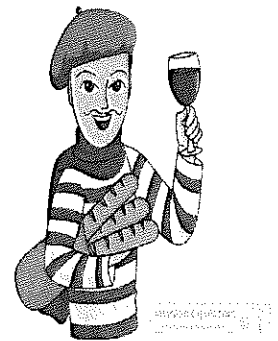
VCK (Village of Cross Keys) refers to the Shops at Cross Keys, the Quadrangle, Coppermine, and offices.


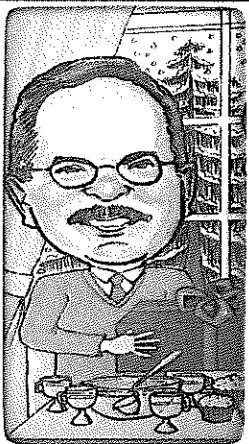


VMI (Village Maintenance, Inc.) is a privately owned corporation which provides management and maintenance services to CKMC and several Cross Keys condominium associations.

**TIPS ON WINE PAIRING**

You are preparing a delicious holiday meal. How do you select the right wine? There are many ways to arrive at the same result—a food and wine pairing that will make your holiday meal a sublime dining experience:

1. **Keep It Balanced.** You don't want to have a fastidiously prepared meal, full of nuances and delicate flavors overshadowed by a wine that is blaring its flavors at full volume.
2. **Match Weight and Intensity.** Select light-bodied wines to pair with lighter food, and full-bodied wines to go with heartier, more flavorful, rich and fattier dishes.
3. **Match Flavors.** Some food and wine pairings work well because their flavors match. An earthy pinot noir goes well with mushroom soup. The citrus taste of a sauvignon blanc does well with delicate flaky white fish.
4. **Opposites Attract.** Sometimes contrasting styles help elevate the flavors of both the wine and the food. For example, very spicy dishes often work best with sweet wines.
5. **Be Bold.** Don't be afraid to mix and match or make unconventional decisions. The best pairings create harmony and keep you craving another bite, then another sip.
6. **Enjoy.** Taste and keep tasting, but keep in mind that the choices we make surrounding food and wine should result in enjoyment and pleasure shared with family, friends and loved ones. (Bin 604/Jmore Magazine 11/2018)



		
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<p><b>I've Chosen CROSS KEYS = "a Lifestyle"</b></p>		
<p><i>Wishing all my Neighbors &amp; Real Estate Clients Happy Holidays &amp; Best Wishes for 2019</i></p>		
<p><b>COLDWELL BANKER</b> RESIDENTIAL BROKERAGE</p>		

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## CLUBHOUSE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### December

Friday	6th	Dunn's Grove Board Meeting	6:00 pm
Monday	10th	Fallswood II Annual Meeting	7:00 pm
Monday	17th	Roland Mews Annual Meeting	5:30 pm

### January

Wednesday	16th	Fallswood I Board Meeting	6:00 pm
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## CLASSIFIED ADS

**The following policies are in effect: classified ads will not automatically be re-run. If you wish to renew the ad, call the clubhouse at 410-323-1257 or email: [clubhouse@villagemanagement.net](mailto:clubhouse@villagemanagement.net) no later than the 15th of the month. There continues to be a four-line maximum length for ads.**

**WANTED:** Canasta Players for a Saturday afternoon game 1-4. Call Marjie at 410-371-2211

**FOR SALE:** 2013 Turbo-charged Jaguar XF. Luxury sport. 4500 Miles. \$25,000. Call Dawne at 443-955-1639.

**FOR RENT:** Sun-filled one bedroom condo with assigned parking. ALL UTILITIES INCLUDED. Condo comes with storage unit in the building. Great value! \$1200 per month. Available December 1, 2018. Please call or email Joel Goldman for more info: [jgoldman@homesale.com](mailto:jgoldman@homesale.com)/ 410-917-7753.

**FOR HIRE:** Floral business looking for part-time, retired, experienced drivers and floral designers. Call Chris at Flowers by Chris 410-727-3434.

### **DISCLAIMER**

**The services or products advertised in the Keynotes are not endorsed, recommended or warranted by the staff of Keynotes, the Cross Keys Maintenance Corporation or Village Management.**