

EXPERIENCE THE WATERMAN'S STORY! FIELD TRIP OPPORTUNITIES



Students, taking part in a *Seasons of a Chesapeake Bay Waterman* field trip, talk with waterman John VanAlstine at Discovery Village in Shady Side.
Courtesy – Mary Madison, Maryland Watermen's Association

Annapolis Maritime Museum

Mailing Address: Post Office Box 3088,
Annapolis, MD 21403

Museum Location: 723 Second Street,
on the Eastport peninsula in Annapolis
410-295-0104

info@annapolismaritimemuseum.org

www.annapolismaritimemuseum.org



Hours of Operation: Saturdays, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Sundays, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

School Programs: Educational programs for all ages. Tours for elementary students explore how oysters and crabs are harvested and cooked, and feature the chance to examine live crabs and try hand-tonging. Older students can enjoy a movie on the Oyster Wars, tour the exhibit on Eastport's African-American community, and learn about the history of segregation in the school and workplace.

Permanent and on-going exhibits include:

- Eastport's African American Community – a 100 Year History
- Herb Sadler's Boat Shed
- Art Between the Creeks – featuring various Eastport artists
- Captain Phillip VanHorn Weems: The History of Navigation
- Coming soon – Oysters on the Half Shell – Oysters from birth to catch as part of the food chain, along with a small oyster reef behind the museum.

Driving Directions: From US Route 50, take Exit 24A. Follow Rowe Boulevard to College Avenue, turning right around Church Circle. Take Duke of Gloucester Street to the Spa Creek Bridge. Turn left at the first traffic light after crossing the Bridge. Go to Second Street, turn right on Second Street. Follow Second Street to Back Creek. The Museum is at 723 Second Street.

Note: The Annapolis Maritime Museum buildings sustained considerable damage from Hurricane Isabel in 2003. Reconstruction and repairs are in progress, with exhibits temporarily available in other locations. Please call the Museum for information regarding school programs and exhibits.

Captain Salem Avery House Museum

Shady Side Rural Heritage Society, Inc.

Mailing Address: Post Office Box 89, Shady Side, MD 20764

Museum Location: 1418 East West Shady Side Road,

Shady Side, MD 20764

410-867-4486

captainavery@prodigy.net

www.averyhouse.org



Hours of Operation:

Museum: Sundays, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m., March through December

Library: Mondays, 12:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Grounds and Outdoor Exhibits: open daily, dawn to dusk.

School Programs: *Seasons of a Chesapeake Bay Waterman* is a full-day field trip (in partnership with Discovery Village) for 3rd – 5th graders. Experience the Chesapeake Bay from a waterman's perspective! The field trip features hands-on activities, an historic house tour, the opportunity to talk with a working waterman, and a cruise on the West River.

The Captain Salem Avery House Museum, on the banks of the West River, is owned and operated by the Shady Side Rural Heritage Society, Inc. The Society is dedicated to preserving the heritage of southern Anne Arundel County, and to the education of the public regarding this history. The Society sponsors special events, Scout programs, school tours, and community festivals throughout the year.

The museum offers tours of the home of a 19th century buy boat captain, and highlights objects used by the watermen. A boat shed houses the *Edna Florence*, a 1930s wooden, locally-built workboat, and the exhibit "That's My Living – Following the Water." When the museum is closed, visitors are welcome to stroll the grounds and enjoy the outdoor exhibits where they may learn the stories of the people who worked and played on the Bay.

Driving Directions:

From US Route 50 East, take Exit 22 for Aris T. Allen Boulevard/Route 665. Take the exit for Route 2/Solomons Island Road towards Parole/Edgewater. Keep right on the ramp and merge onto Route 2 South. Take Route 2 South to Route 214 (Central Avenue). Turn left on Route 214 and take Route 214 East approximately 1.4 miles to Muddy Creek Road (Route 468). Turn right onto Muddy Creek Road (Route 468). Stay on this road approximately 11 miles. Muddy Creek Road will become Shady Side Road. Turn right onto East West Shady Side Road at the Shady Side ball fields. Follow East West Shady Side Road (it will bend left and then right) to the Captain Salem Avery House Museum and parking lot on your left.

Discovery Village

Where Science and Tradition Meet the Bay

Address and Location: 4800 Atwell Road, Shady Side, MD 20764

410-867-2100, extension 152

crew@discoveryvillage.net

www.discoveryvillage.net



Hours of Operation: Please call for information. Grounds open daily, dawn to dusk.

School Programs: *Seasons of a Chesapeake Bay Waterman* is a full-day field trip (in partnership with Captain Salem Avery House) for 3rd – 5th graders. Experience the Chesapeake Bay from a waterman’s perspective! The field trip features hands-on activities, an historic house tour, the opportunity to talk with a working waterman, and a cruise on the West River.

Discovery Village seeks to:

- Educate children with a life-time memory of the beauty, heritage, and ecology of the Bay
- Share with our community the Discovery Village peninsula for the first time in generations
- Preserve the dignity and maritime heritage of the Chesapeake watermen
- Create a first class facility for research and Bay restoration
- Forge a link between the past and future of our Bay.

Discovery Village is situated in the small town of Shady Side on a beautiful eight-acre peninsula nestled in Parrish Creek. It is surrounded by natural beauty. Discovery Village is the base station for a Chesapeake Bay Foundation oyster restoration project. CBF maintains a series of tanks along the waterfront to set oyster spat, and its new research vessel, the R/V *Patricia Campbell*, is docked at Discovery Village when not working on the Bay.

Parrish Creek borders Discovery Village on two sides and is the busiest working watermen’s creek on the western shore of the Bay. Discovery Village is committed to creating a viable working waterfront for local watermen who have plied their trade from this beautiful creek for generations. We believe that watermen represent the true values in America: hard work and integrity. Join us in August for the annual Blessing of the Fleet Festival!

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Dorchester Skipjack Committee

Operating the skipjack, *Nathan of Dorchester*

Mailing Address: 526 Poplar Street, Cambridge, MD 21613

Vessel Location: *Nathan* is docked at Long Wharf at the foot of High Street, Cambridge.

410-228-7141

info@skipjack-nathan.org

www.skipjack-nathan.org



Hours of Operation: April 15 – November 15, sunrise to sunset, weather permitting.

School Programs: Two- and three-hour educational trips for classes of all ages.

The *Nathan* acts as a Chesapeake Bay ambassador for the City of Cambridge and Dorchester County by attending festivals and special events.

We also offer :

- Charter trips for all occasions
- Two-hour public sailings on alternate Saturdays, beginning June through early September, departing at 4:00 p.m. from Long Wharf
- Educational video “Building the Last Skipjack — the *Nathan* of Dorchester” (Great as a pre-visit activity for groups sailing aboard the *Nathan*).

Come join us!

Driving Directions: Follow US Route 50 to Cambridge. At the traffic light at Maryland Avenue (at mile marker 80), head west. Follow Maryland Avenue across the lift bridge over Cambridge Creek; bear right onto Academy Street, which becomes Spring Street, to the traffic light at High Street. Turn right onto High Street and follow to Long Wharf at the Choptank River. Blue signs pointing the way to the *Nathan* are at the corners of Academy and High Streets.

Pickering Creek Audubon Center and Sanctuary

Mailing Address: 11450 Audubon Lane, Easton, MD 21601

Sanctuary Location: Near the City of Easton

on Pickering Creek

410-822-4903

mscallion@pickeringcreek.org

www.pickeringcreek.org



Hours of Operation: Office hours, Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.; Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Office is closed on Sunday, but visitors are welcome.

School Programs: Environmental, agriculture, and outdoor education for grades pre-K through college.

Pickering Creek Audubon Center, with over 400 acres of forest, fields, and shoreline, is a Chesapeake Audubon Sanctuary dedicated to community-based conservation of natural resources, and to the purpose of environmental education and outreach from the Eastern Shore of the Chesapeake Bay.

Our facilities provide students and visitors with a variety of activities, including:

- Farm to Bay Trail
- Fresh water pond
- One mile of shoreline
- Deep water pier
- Canoe fleet
- Children's Imagination Garden.

We offer programs for:

- Adults
- Children and families
- School groups, grades pre-K to 12
- Summer camps for grades 2 through 8.

Driving Directions: Follow US Route 50 East over the Bay Bridge, and continue on Route 50 towards Easton. Pass by Routes 213 and 404. At mile marker 58, turn right onto Route 662 (Route 662 crosses Route 50 in several places, so make sure you turn at mile marker 58). Follow Route 662 through the town of Longwoods, past a red school house, and turn right onto Sharp Road (the first turn after Rabbit Hill Road, on the left). Follow Sharp Road for 1.5 miles. Turn right onto the continuation of Sharp Road (there is a sign here for Sharp Road to Presquile Road), and follow for 1.25 miles. A Pickering Creek Audubon Center sign is on the right hand side. Turn right and follow the gravel driveway until the first turn. The Welcome Center is on the left.