CALENDAR

INFORMATION WELCOME

To submit information, mail to Calendar, The Star Democrat, P.O. Box 600, Easton, MD 21601, fax to 410-770-4019, or email to eastoned-it@chespub.com. Clubs and organizations must be nonprofit. Meetings NOT open to the public WILL NOT be published. Deadline is TWO WEEKS before the event. Include telephone number with area code. Events are published as space allows.

TODAY

FIRST STEP STORYTIME: ages under 2, 9:30 to 10:15 a.m.; ages 2 to 3, 10:45 to 11:30 a.m., Talbot County Library, Easton. Register: 410-822-1626 or www toflorg

1626 or www.tcfl.org.

MEETING: Mothers of Preschoolers,
9:30 to 11:30 a.m., Zion U.M. Church,
Cambridge. Refreshments, activities
and free childcare. Info: 410-228-4910.

PROGRAM: "Hearts A' Bursting," 10 to
11:15 a.m., Adkins Arboretum, Ridgely.
Features crafts for ages 3 to 5. Snacks
provided. Register: 410-634-2847, ext.

CREEPY CRAWLERS PROGRAM: "Traveling Seeds," 10 to 11 a.m., Chesapeake Bay Environmental Center, Grasonville. For ages 2 to 5. Register: 410-827-6694.

BEGINNERS PAINTING CLASS, 10 a.m., Talbot Senior Center, Easton. Info: 410-822-2869.

NEWCOMERS MEETING, 10 to 11:30 a.m., St. Michaels Museum. Museum tour and Frederick Douglass Walk. Info: 410-745-6073.

TODDLER TIME, 10:30 to 11 a.m., Dorchester County Library, Cambridge. Nursery rhymes, songs, board books and fingerplays for ages 1 to 3. Register: 410-228-7331.

THE NEWCOMERS CLUB, 10:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., St. Michaels Community Center. Info: 410-745-0564.

STORYTIME, 11 a.m., Caroline County Library, Greensboro. Stories, songs and crafts for newborns to age 5 with an adult. Info: 410-482-2173.

TOURS & RIDES, beginning at 2 p.m., Easton Airport. Features a B-24, B-17, B-25 and a P-51. Info: 410-770-8055. **PERFORMANCE:** Senior Serenaders, 2:30 p.m., Caroline Nursing Home, Denton. Info: 410-754-9754.

TEEN READ WEEK PROGRAM: "Bite into Something Delicious," 4 p.m., Dorchester County Library, Cambridge. Make cupcakes and cookies. Register: 410-228-7331.

LECTURE: "Why Social Investing? The Point, the Pitfalls and the Possibilities," 4:30 p.m., Norman James Theatre, Washington College, Chestertown. Presented by Richard D. Wolff, Ph.D. **FLOOR CLOTH CLASS**, 6:30 to 9 p.m., Academy Art Museum, Easton. Register: 410-822-2787.

DANCE LESSONS: swing at 7 p.m.; cha-cha at 8 p.m., Academy Art Museum, Easton. Led by Amanda Showell-Cook. Register: 410-819-

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 15

NEW VOLUNTEER TRAINING, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Talbot Hospice House, Easton. Beginning of 18-hour training. Info: 410-822-6681 or www.talbothos-

LINE DANCING, 9 a.m., Easton Fire Dept. Info: 410-822-2869.

PARENT & TOT YOGA, 9:15 to 10:15 a.m., Evergreen Cove, Easton. For ages 2 to 4 with an adult. Register: 410-819-3395 or www.evergreencove.org.

DELMARVA DISCUSSION: "The Colonial Life," 10 a.m. to noon, Dorchester County Library, Cambridge. Book is "Men of Little Faith: The Anti-Federalists on the Nature of Representative Government" by Cecilia M. Kenyon. Info: 410-228-7331.

DROP IN STORYTIME, 10 to 10:30 a.m., Hurlock Library; 10:30 to 11 a.m., Cambridge Library. Fingerplays, puppets and activities for ages 3 to 5. **STORYTIME** for newborns to age 5 with an adult, 10:15 and 11 a.m., Caroline County Library, Denton. Stories, songs and crafts. Info: 410-479-1343

479-1343. **STORYTIME**, 10:30 a.m., Queen Anne's County Library, Centreville. Includes stories, songs and crafts for ages 5 and under. Info: 410-758-0980. **SENIOR GATHERING**, 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., St. Michaels Community Center. Info: 410-745-6073.

MEETING: Queen Anne's County Community Partnerships for Children and Families Board, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., QAC Board of Education, Centreville. Register: 410-758-6677.

PROGRAMS: "Lunch Time Group Walks," noon to 1 p.m.; "The Cause of Suffering and the End of Suffering," 7 to 9 p.m., Evergreen Cove, Easton. Register: 410-819-3395 or www.ever greencove.org.

MEDICARE PRESENTATION, 12:15 p.m., Stevensville, Centreville and Grasonville senior centers. Info: 410-604-3801 or 410-758-3900 or 410-827-6010.

PRE-SCHOOL STORYTIME, 2 to 3 p.m., Talbot County Library, Easton. For ages 3 to 5. Register: 410-822-1626. TOURS & RIDES, beginning at 2 p.m., Easton Airport. Features a B-24, B-17, B-25 and a P-51. Info: 410-770-8055. BEGINNING CHESS for ages 8 and up, 3 to 4:30 p.m., St. Michaels Community Center. Info: 410-745-

BINGO, doors open at 5 p.m., bingo at 7, Hurlock Vol. Fire Co. Info: 410-943-3110

Women who light the dark

Photojournalist documents women's issues

By COURTNEY FEROLI
Assistant Community Editor

WYE MILLS — Photojournalist Paola Gianturco makes statements through photographs. In a presentation held recently at Chesapeake College in Wye Mills, Gianturco focused on "Women Who Light the Dark," based on her book of the same name that documents the lives of women through pictures and stories.

"Women all over the world deal with issues that make their lives dark," Gianturco said. "Many of the women in these countries don't have access to resources to help them deal with these issues so they use their imaginations. Their imaginations light the dark."

Gianturco said imaginations provide creative solutions for women to deal with the social, economic and health problems they face every day.

"Women are learning to express their feelings through dance or poetry," Gianturco said. "I've documented women's lives in 40 countries. It's encouraging to see positive changes frequently occur with imagination and help from grassroots groups as the only resources."

Valerie Lamont, president of the Women & Girls Fund, believes Gianturco accurately presented the roles of grassroots groups.

"Paola Gianturco's beautiful photography and inspiring narrative underscores how powerful and effective grass roots efforts can be in eliminating endemic problems facing women, girls and families throughout the world," Lamont said.

During her presentation, Gianturco told stories about a variety of issues

that grassroots groups and imaginations try to help.

"AIDS is a problem in Africa ... the Romani people of Slovakia suffer from discrimination ... Cambodian women deal with sex trafficking," Gianturco said. "Women across the world are experiencing the same issues we do on the Eastern Shore and across the country. We have to keep creating hope and possibility for the world."

Gianturco began documenting women's experiences in 1995.

"I accrued a lot of frequent flier miles from working in business so I decided to use them," Gianturco said. "When I was looking for places to visit I wanted to have geographic and issue diversity. I did a year's worth of research before choosing places."

Gianturco's presentation was the second lecture in the Women & Girls Fund's speaker series benefiting the Fund. The Fund provides grants to non-profit organizations dealing with the needs of women, girls and families on the Mid-Shore. Grants are funded through a permanent endowment housed at the Mid-Shore Community Foundation.

"The Women & Girls Fund believes in the power of pooled resources and works to support non-profit organizations which address many of the same problems here on the Mid-Shore," Lamont said. "Ms. Gianturco's presentation demonstrated how we are all connected and how we can make a difference wherever we are."

Gianturco said she has always been interested in women's issues.

"I was president of the first woman



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Acclaimed photojournalist Paola Gianturco speaks Tuesday evening in a benefit for the Women and Girls Fund of the Mid-Shore.

run ad company, on the board for women's rights and I taught women and leadership classes," Gianturco said. "I can understand women's issues from my own experiences. My dream is to inspire people to help understand each other. We are different and the same and we should understand how."

Harrison Street Books will donate a portion of the sales from "Women Who Light the Dark" to the Women & Girls Fund. Gianturco will donate all royalties from the book to the Global Fund for Women.

"They support women all over the world," Gianturco said. "I like what they do and how they do it. The Global Fund treats everyone the same. A woman who saved for months to donate a dollar is written in the same size print as someone who has donated thousands."

Through all her experiences, Gianturco knows there is hope.

"I feel privileged to do the work that I do," Gianturco said. "Seeing how these women work together to help each other is amazing. In a world full of bad news, it's heartening to know the good news that exists."

For more information about "Women Who Light the Dark" and Paola Gianturco, visit www.women-wholightthedark.com. For more information on the Women & Girls Fund, call 410-770-8347 or visit www.womenandgirlsfund.org.



Chesapeake Center raises money for breast cancer research

Chesapeake Center Inc. staff and consumers raised \$260 for breast cancer research Oct. 3. Each year, the Chesapeake Center collects donations for the Lee National Denim Day project and wear jeans to work to support the cause. For details, call 410-822-4122 or go to www.chesapeakecen ter.org.



EPD presents gang awareness training

Detective Milton Orellano, center, of the Easton Police Department, recently presented a Gang Awareness Training at the CASA of Talbot County Office in Easton for CASA volunteers. For details, call 410-822-2866 or visit www.casaoftalbot.org.

SHORELINES Kids program

cambridge — The Sailwinds Family Center in Cambridge will hold a "Children in the Middle," program from 5:15 to 6:15 p.m. beginning Tuesday,

Oct. 21.

The five-week program is designed to help children adjust to parental separation and divorce. call the Sailwinds Family Center at 410-901-9500.

Fundraiser set Oct. 23

Free Caroline Coalition in partnership with the Caroline Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a trivia game fundraiser from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 23, at the Choptank River Yacht Club in Denton. Cost is \$8 per person or \$35 for a five-member team. To register, call Karen Bishop at 410-479-3501.

Broadneck HS 1988 reunion

BROADNECK — Broadneck Senior High School class of 1988 will hold its 20year reunion the weekend of Oct. 25 and 26.

On Saturday, Oct. 25 at 9 a.m. there will be a tour of Broadneck High School. From 7 to 11 p.m. there will be a party at Ulmstead Barn in Arnold. Tickets are \$50 in advance and \$60 at the door.

On Sunday, Oct. 26 from noon to 2 p.m. a family picnic will be held at Shore Acres Club House in Arnold. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$3 for children. Food and drinks will be provided.

For details, visit www.broadneckclass of88.com.



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Food from Krystal Q will be available to purchase at the show