

Gary Ditto's Newsletter



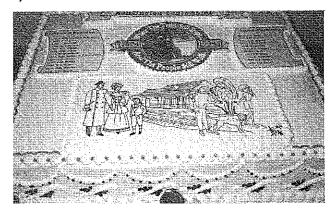
Fom all around Kensington, people flocked to the Kensington Community Center last May 7th to remember the Town's founding 100 years before and to celebrate the community of today. Some photo memories...

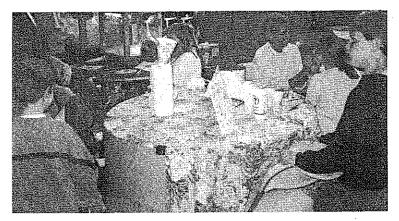
Above: Out for the evening, Victorian Style... John and Jean Thompson, heading for the Victorian Gala Dance Friday evening. John is a member of the Kensington Town Council, and Jean took most of the photographs for this article.

Below, left: Admiring the winning pies from the pie contest. A pecan pie won the grand prize; meringue and apple pies were close behind.

Below: Seven luscious layers and 100 pounds. The Centennial Cake depicted the train station then and now. A Victorian-era family out for a stroll on the left side and, on the right, John and Jean Thompson and their dog Bowser, who stroll around town today. On the top, a list of all the mayors since the town's founding. Many were even on hand for the celebration.





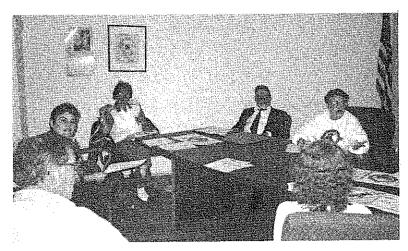




Left: Face painting was a major attraction for the children. The Community Center's main hall was filled with displays, food, and information from service organizations. Wandering musicians Matt Holsen, John Lyon & Friend, and Jack Stanton; the Sunshine Skiffle Band; and the Federal City Four Barbershop Quartet provided lively sounds throughout the day.

Below, left: T-Shirts with the Town's train symbol and Centennial slogan are still available at the Community Center as well as through some of Kensington's own shops—Keeley USA (which made them), Mail Boxes, Etc. (at Connecticut and Knowles), the Pink Cottage, and Vaculand.

Below: Hard at work planning the Centennial Celebration.... this fun-filled weekend, and many other Centennial Year Events to come, are the result of the hard work of dozens of volunteers, led by an industrious 11-member committee, some shown here at one of their many meetings. The committee members are Bonnie Birker, Ranelle Bruch, Madge Darnelle, Jack Gillespie, Shirley Gillespie, Juanell Glotzbach, Lawson Hickox, Julie O'Malley, Jim Morris, Jean Thompson, and John Thompson.





Summer's Sights and Sounds at Strathmore Hall

A stunning showcase for the visual, literary, and performing artists of our area, Strathmore Hall Arts Center will host more than a dozen free outdoor concerts and two major art displays this summer.

From mid-June through mid-July, the Center will feature a craft show. Later in July and for most of August, the 18th Annual Juried Arts Exhibition will be held at the mansion. Summer Sounds and Summer Serenades will be presented Wednesday and Thursday evenings through August 10, starting at 7:30 p.m. Parking is available for a nominal \$2.

June 29	Mama Jama	July 21	Nightwinds
June 30	Monumental Brass Quintet	July 27	Paul Hawkins and La Jazz
July 6	Bill Kirchen and Too Much Fun	July 28	Wind Works
July 7	Mid-Atlantic Chamber Orchestra	August 3	New St. George
July 13	Keter Betts Quartet	August 4	National Chamber Orchestra
July 14	Fairfax Symphony Orchestra	August 10	Peabody Ragtime Ensemble
July 20	Gross National Product	•	• -



More Centennial Events: On Labor Day, the traditional Kensington Labor Day Celebration, starting with the parade at 10 a.m. And in October, a special train trip in honor of the railroad that was so much a part of the Town's beginnings and is still going strong today.

Get Ready To Vote! Marian Fox of the League of Women Voters of Montgomery County notes that a Senate seat, Congressional Seats, Governor, County Executive, County Council, and School Board positions will all be on the ballot this fall. Dates to remember:

Aug. 5 Last day to register to vote in the primary
Sept. 13 Primary election

Sept. 26 Registration reopens after the primary.

Oct. 11 Last day to register to vote in the general election

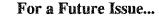
Nov. 8 General election

To help you get ready to vote, the Board of Elections has a new 24-hour, easy-to-remember number. Call 217-VOTE.

Coming This Fall—The **Kensington Centennial** Celebration Yearbook will be packed with photos, maps, and stories celebrating the area's history from its earliest days through Labor Day 1994. It will be published in November, in time for holiday giftgiving; all proceeds will be donated to support Centennial events and the photo library of the Kensington Historical Society. Through the end of July, the price, including tax and shipping, will be \$20.95. Starting August 1 the price will be \$23.95. To order copies, mail your check payable to Kensington Korners

Business District Association, 10590 Metropolitan Avenue, Kensington, Maryland 20895-2606.

More Good Book News! The renovations are done, and the official time has been set. The Kensington Park Library is now scheduled to re-open in mid-October, two weeks earlier than originally scheduled. "The community groups worked together wonderfully to ensure the reopening," notes Alvin Rivera, president of CISOKO, one of the groups working for this goal. Two other CISOKO officers are familiar faces to library users -even though both are now retired -Marie Rosche, former Head Librarian, and Barbara Widem, former Children's Librarian. The Library Advisory Committee (LAC), with the leadership of Everett Dutton and Jim Green, have also worked hard on this project. Thanks to you all and the many other volunteers, too!



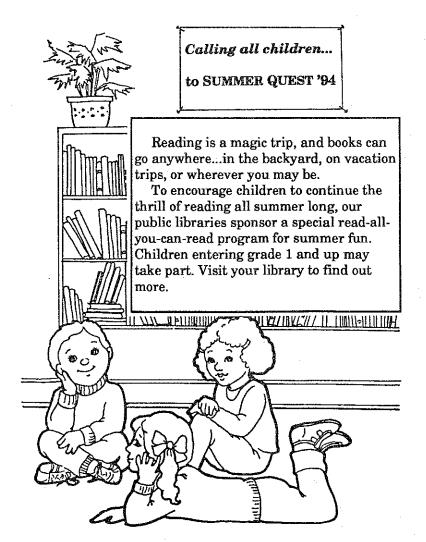
The Kensington area has a great variety of voluntary and nonprofit community organizations, some serving the immediate area, others serving the entire county. We are compiling a list of these groups for a future newsletter. Please call or send information about your organization if you would like it to be included.

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I very much enjoy living and working in this community. If you would like to discuss any aspect of real estate, please give me a call. I look forward to being of assistance to you.

-Gary Ditto



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10109 Lloyd Road, Potomac Spectacular Contemporary. Overlooks woods & swimming pool. Living Room w/ Cathedral Ceiling, Floor-to-ceiling glass, FP.

FOR SALE \$212,000



4306 Dresden Street, Kensington Adorable Rambler on Large Wooded Lot. 3 BR, 2 BA, Liv Rm w/FP, Rec Rm.

FOR RENT \$2,200 per month



9712 Elrod, Kensington Large Center Hall Colonial in Exc. Cond. Liv Rm w/ FP, Sep Din Rm, 3 BR, 2 1/2 + 1/2 BA, Den, Garage

UNDER CONTRACT



4509 Edgefield Road, Kensington Exceptional Quality. Large Brick Ranch w/ Swimming Pool. Liv Rm w/ FP, Sep Din Rm, TS Kit, Rec Rm, & More.

UNDER CONTRACT



9905 Connecticut Av., Kensington Country Home. Restored Wood Bungalow. New Kit, Liv Rm w/ FP, 4 BR, Garage, Large Yard.

SOLD \$179,900



10105 Ashwood Drive, Kensington Charming Cape w/ Enclosed Porch. 3 BR, 1 BA, Rec Rm.

UNDER CONTRACT



9814 Hill Street, Kensington Large Renovated Colonial w/ New Kitchen. First Floor Family Rm, 4 BR, 2 1/2 + 1/2 BA

UNDER CONTRACT



9914 Thornwood Road, Kensington Brick Rambler w/Wonderful Yard. Liv Rm w/ FP, 3 BR, 1.5 BA, Rec Rm.Heated Doghouse w/ Skylight.

UNDER CONTRACT



4403 Dresden Street, Kensington Built by John Walker. Huge Split Level. 5 BR, 3 1/2 BA, Rec Rm w/ FP

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