

Monthly Meetings and Programs

February

Date: February 22
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: La Plata Firehouse, 911 Washington Ave.
Presenter: Mary Beth Chandler
Program: **Plants for Winter Interest**
Coordinator: Mary Beth Chandler
Committee: Kathy Pedersen, Sharon Vaughan, Kathy Hettel,
Tom & Sue Lewis, Marcia Chewning

March

Date: March 22
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: La Plata Firehouse, 911 Washington Ave.
Presenter: Don Zimmer, painter and local historian
Program: **Three Stories from the Port Tobacco River in the
Mid-18th Century. -Trade, Quest for Religious
Freedom and the Slave Trade.**
Coordinator: Polly Zimmerman
Committee: Carol Raucheisen, Becky Hoffman, Jenny Lewis,
Liz Shifflette, Gingie Winkler, Debbie San Luis

April

Date: April 16 **(Note date and time change)**
Backup date is Friday, April 20, depending on bloom time.
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Location: 8232 Bayside Road, Chesapeake Beach, MD
Presenter: Charlotte Allison
Program: **Tulipmania** – by member request, we will re-visit Charlotte's Gardens when her 18,000 tulips are in bloom!
Coordinator: Barbara Buchanan
Committee: Diane Shisler, Gale Kladitis, Judy Thomason, Patti Faulkner, Leesa Myers

Details: BUS LEAVES AT 9:00 A.M. FROM LOWER LA PLATA WALMART PARKING LOT. Bring a bag lunch, drink, and chair. Make \$5 bus payment to Dianne Shisler. Bus is limited to members only unless we have space near the date.

May

Date: May 24 **(Note time change)**
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12 noon
Location: 7685 Chapel Point Rd., Port Tobacco, MD
Presenter: Lynn Wheeler, local naturalist and president of The Southern Maryland Audubon Society
Program: **New Port Tobacco River Park Nature Walk** – We will enjoy a LEISURELY walk on both the Eagle and Wetlands Trails, learning about native plants, wildlife, and birds of the area. It will be a slow walk and the total distance is less than one mile (.9 mile).
Coordinator: Denise DeLozier Grote
Committee: Terry Shelton-Thir, Karen Allison, Irene Poole, Sandy Mitchell, Sally Hopp

Details: Bring a bag lunch and drink. We will eat in the park and the committee will furnish dessert.

June

Date: June 21 (Note date and time change)
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Location: 8240 Riviera Place, Port Tobacco, MD
(home of Joyce Dean)
Presenter: Bill Moffett, retired Park Ranger
Program: **Ospreys Up Close!**
Coordinator: Linda Abbe
Committee: Millie Havrilla, Helen & Conrad Vanesse,
Mary & Schuster Vance, Ann Lines, Judy Crawford,
Elaine Lawton, Maggie Mahaffey
Details: **BRING A LAWN CHAIR**

July

Date: July 26 (Note time change)
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Tilghman Lake Park, La Plata
Program: **Hot Dog Social**
Coordinator: Cathy Cornette & Mary Grant
Committee: Rose Markham, Diane Wimberly,
Merle Mendis-Dennis, Sharon Suiter, Hargit Singh
Details: **SPOUSES AND SIGNIFICANT OTHERS INVITED!**

August

Date: August 23 **(Note time change)**
Time: **8:00 a.m.**
Location: 7835 Chapel Point Road, Port Tobacco, MD
Program: **Marsh Mallow Morning**
Coordinator: Carol Sprague & Mary Ann Wade
Committee: Jane Grove, Joan Fatula, Pauline Spurlock, Cindy Barnhart,
Betty Rowe, Gloria Groeger, Maureen Chiarizia, Sandy Hixon
Details: We will visit Carol Sprague's riverfront to enjoy the beauty of a sea of wild pink Marsh Mallows that only bloom in the early morning.

September

Date: September 27 **(Note time change)**
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Cheri Brady's home
15191 Potomac River Drive
Cobb Island, MD
Presenter: Mike Callahan, local naturalist, historian and teacher
With the Charles County Public Schools
Program: **Butterflies are Free**
Coordinator: Cheri Brady
Committee: Carol Flowers, Betty Hayes, Sherrie Zimmer,
Betty Ann Coombs, Barbara Evans, Janice Lackey-Waters,
Marian Bremmer, Elaine Miller, Sue Brewer
Details: At 6 p.m. we will tag Monarch butterflies and set them free for their long journey. At 7 p.m. Mike Callahan will teach us about Monarchs, followed by refreshments. CAR POOL and BRING A LAWN CHAIR.

October

Date: **Wednesday, October 17 (Note date/time change)**
Time: **10:00 a.m.**
Location: 22410 Aquasco Rd., Aquasco, MD
Program: **Villa de Alpacas Farm**
Coordinator: Debbie Chute
Committee: Cheryl Swartzwelder, Darlene Gardiner,
George & Kathy Miles, Mary Paesch

Details: Arrive at 10:00 a.m. for hot cider and snacks from our hostess. Tour historical home and millwork shop and visit the alpacas. Eat bag lunch with dessert from the committee. Then shop at the Alpaca Shop. BRING A BAG LUNCH AND DRINK. CAR POOL.