



December Announcements

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Announcements/Reminders

Contests

Dec. 4th - Color & Monochrome Prints - On December 4th we will hold our Color and Monochrome Print contests. The theme is Open, so anything goes.

Dec. 11th - Digital Contest - On December 11th we will hold our Digital contests. Again the theme is Open.

Holidays

Dec. 25 - No Meeting on Christmas Day.

Jan. 1st - No Meeting on New Year's Day.



Nov. 29-Dec. 1 - Field Trip - Festival of Trees

The East Coast's Largest Holiday Extravaganza!

A three-day, family event featuring more than 800 uniquely decorated holiday trees, wreaths and gingerbread houses, live entertainment, over 100 gift boutiques and Santa himself. All gathered to support the children of Kennedy Krieger Institute.

More information and tickets available at festivaloftrees.kennedykrieger.org

Nov. 29 - Dec. 1, 2019
10AM - 8PM Friday & Saturday
10AM - 5PM Sunday

Maryland State Fairgrounds
The Cow Palace
2200 York Road
Timonium, Maryland 21093

Adults | \$16
Seniors | \$10
Kids | \$7

If you are attending or have any questions, please send an email to Michelle Barkdoll our field trip chairman at fieldtrips@arundelcameraclub.org.



Nov. 29 - Field Trip - Eagles at Conowingo Dam

On Black Friday November 29, club members will go to photograph [Eagles at Conowingo Dam](#). If you want the chance to photograph a bald eagle, winter at Conowingo dam is the place to be in Maryland. While there are resident eagles at the dam, many migrate south when it gets cold up north and the rivers and lakes freeze up. There are also lots of other birds that frequent the dam.

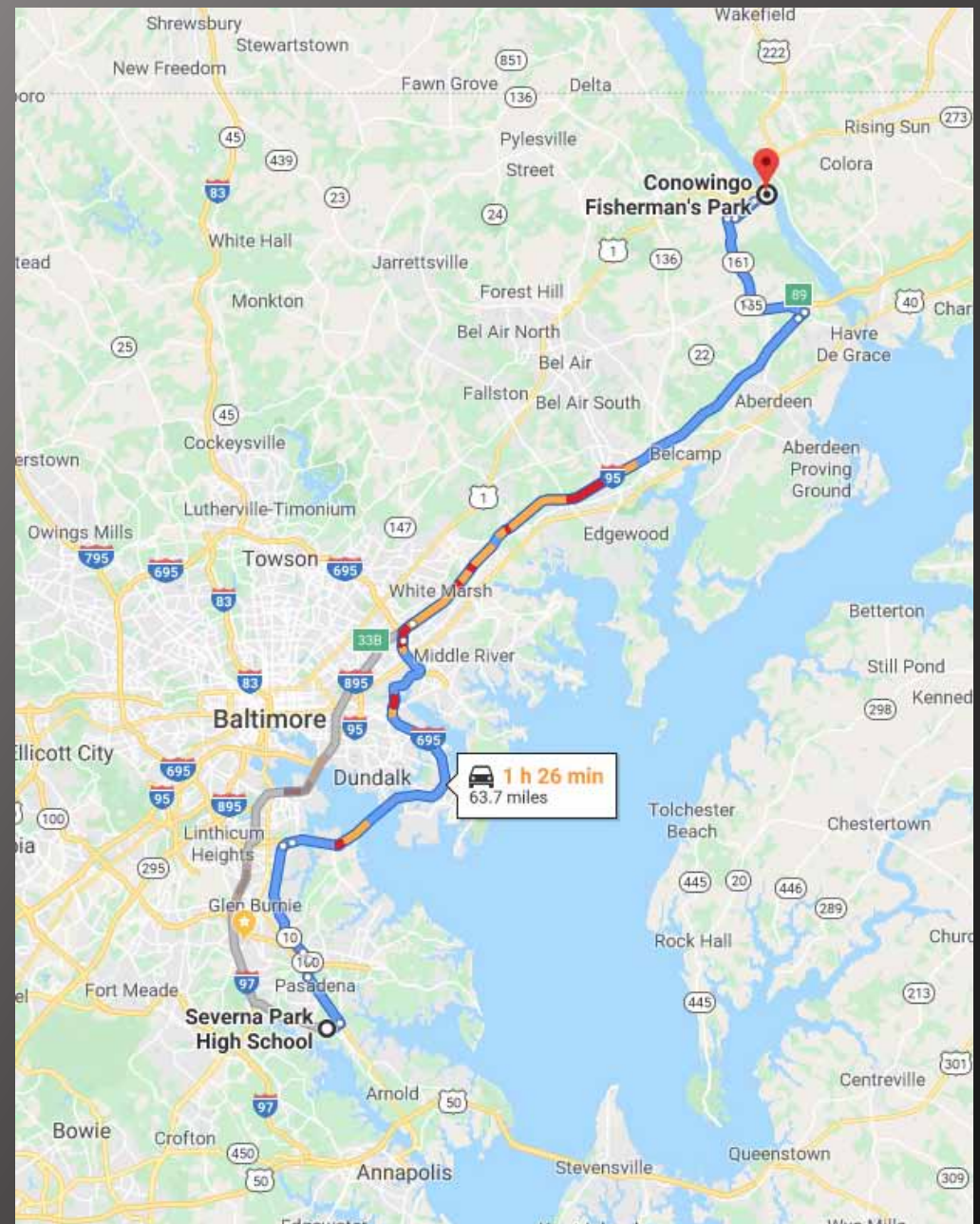
We will meet (weather permitting) at sunrise along the fence line across from the twin power towers. Sunrise will be at 7:04am and sunset at 4:44pm. The address is Address is: Conowingo Fisherman's Park, 2569 Shures Landing Road, Darlington, Maryland 21034. [Click here for directions.](#)

It will be cold. The low is forecast 28' with a high of 45'. So dress warmly. Bring a folding chair, bag lunch, hot drink, spare batteries, and the biggest lens you own. Hopefully a couple of club members will bring and share their big lenses.

Some Useful tips about Photography at Conowingo. Worth looking at if you are planning to go. [Click here for tips.](#)

Late breakfast/Lunch will be at Spready Oak Country Cafe - 1643 Conowingo Rd, Rising Sun, MD 21911.

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Eagle Photos from Conowingo Dam



Bob Webber



Cathy Hockel



Julie Bennett



Dawn Grannas



Mike Thomas

December 14 - Maryland Fire Museum

The Fire Museum of Maryland is one of the largest fire museums in America. Located at 1301 York Road, Lutherville, MD 21093 (Baltimore County), the Museum is a leading institution in preserving, restoring and interpreting the history of the urban fire service in the U.S.

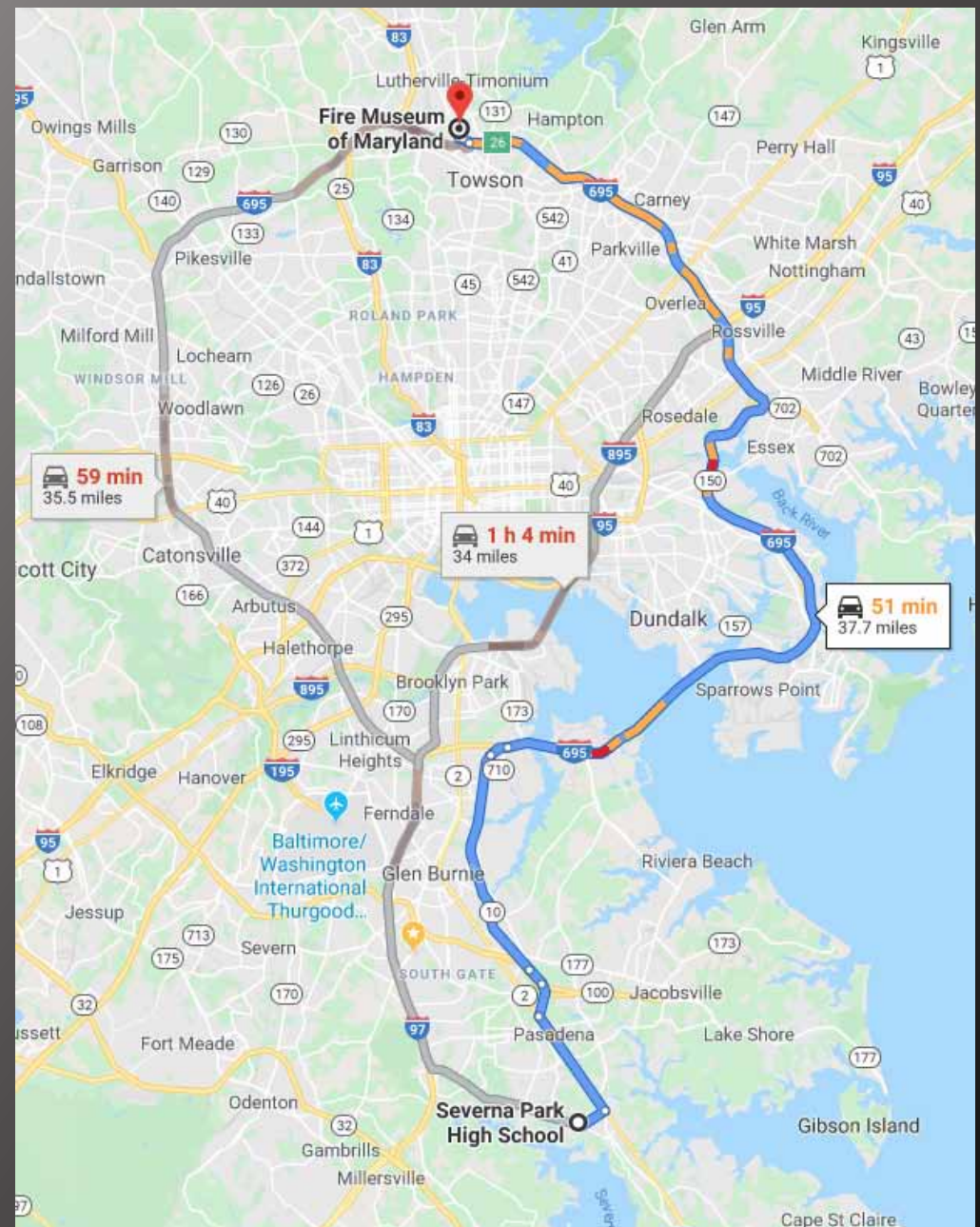
Holiday train gardens, or layouts, are a centuries-old tradition. South German immigrants are believed to be the first to set up Christmas Gardens, which were religious in nature and were in their homes. Usually it was a Manger scene or a crèche with a small fence around it.

In the mid 1800s, some people started adding small wooden trains around the outside of the fence that children could push around. During the Victorian Era, train sets were gradually becoming electrified, and they soon took their place in the gardens.

On Opening Day, get a photo taken with Santa in a Fire Chief's sleigh, from 11 am until 2 pm on Dec. 14th.

Adults	\$15
Seniors & Firefighters	\$13
Children (Ages 2-18)	\$7
Children (Under Age 2)	Free

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December 18 - Christmas Party

Greg and Cathy Hockel are hosting the Christmas Party this year. The address is 103 Longfellow Dr., Millersville, MD, 21108. Their phone is 443-618-0563. [Click here for directions.](#)

The club via our host will provide drinks, cups, plates, napkins, and utensils. It's pot luck so please bring a dish to share. It's Bring Your Own beer & wine.

As usual, we will have a White Elephant gift exchange with the party. Please bring a gift for the exchange under \$20.00. Everyone who brings a gift draws a number. The person who draws #1 then picks a gift, opens it, and shows it to the rest of the company. Then, in ascending numerical order, the participants choose to either pick and unwrap a new gift from the gift pile or "steal" a previously unwrapped gift. If a gift is "stolen", the person who had their gift taken from them gets to pick from the gift pile or "steal" a gift from someone else. The turn then passes to the next number (if a gift was chosen from the pile) or to the person who was just robbed (if a gift was stolen). Gifts can only be stolen two times (the third owner is the final owner), and a gift cannot be immediately re-stolen. When all the gifts have been opened, the game is over. Watch out for the coveted antique Pretty Neat Cosmetic Organizer.

If you signed up for the print exchange, don't forget to bring your gift print.



Christmas Party

Camera club folklore tells of a gift so bad that it has been re gifted at our Christmas party for ~30 years.

It disappears and is lost for years at a time, then suddenly reappears.

That gift is the Pretty Neat Cosmetic Organizer.

Did someone receive it last year? Will it reappear this year? Will you be the lucky recipient?

It's kind of like when people tell you it is good luck when a bird craps on you!



Wilbur Bevan the first recipient of the Pretty Neat Cosmetic Organizer



Pretty Neat Cosmetic Organizer in Original Box



Pretty Neat Cosmetic Organizer Sold for \$3.99 in 1983



Pretty Neat Cosmetic Organizer You have to see it to truly appreciate it!