Patapsco Summit: a river unites us

Special thanks to Councilmen Tom Quirk and Jon Weinstein for their leadership in hosting the first Patapsco Summit. Approximately 50 people representing key stakeholder organizations came together on February 7 to begin a cross-county dialogue and offer their thoughts on opportunities that may lie ahead for heritage, environment, cultural and recreational resources for the Patapsco Valley Heritage Area. Another event is being planned for the fall.

**Points of discussion included:**

- cross-county, cross-community collaboration
- building a more robust Catonsville-Ellicott City heritage tourism corridor
- capturing undocumented history
- revitalization of Main Street communities
- repurposing of Catonsville Elementary School
- Route 1 as a corridor that unites Elkridge, St. Denis, Halethorpe and Relay,
- expanding the story of Benjamin Banneker to include Ellicott City
- bridge and trail connections that strengthen the National Road corridor
- residential stewardship
- environmental education, protection of habitat, invasive plant management,
- critical land acquisition, sustainability planning, & storm water management

**Partner Project**

*Making Peace at Patapsco: The Center on Conscience & War*

The Patapsco Valley State Park was home to 154 conscientious objectors from 1941 to 1942. With funding from the PVHA mini-grant program The Center on Conscience & War marked the 75th anniversary of this first Civilian Public Service Camp at Patapsco
MORE PARTNER NEWS:
Catonsville Rails to Trails: Plans Ramp Up for Catonsville Trail Connection

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**An Historic Moment...**
On the Factory Floor at C.R.Daniels

Founded in 1918 in New York the C.R. Daniels Company purchased a mill in Alberton, Maryland (later renamed Daniels) in 1940. During the late 1940s and early 1950s, in addition to other products, the company manufactured Dandux Sporting Goods equipment. Products included baseball gloves, padding and bases, basketballs, as well as football pads.

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**Spring Stream Clean Ups Are Beginning**

Join us for our first event of spring on **March 25, 2017, 10 am to 1 pm** at the Herbert Run branch at the Spring Grove Hospital Center in Catonsville. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.** [Details and schedule of other upcoming events](#)

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**Pic Pick...**

Spring is in the air and coming up through the ground. Share your photos of spring in the valley on social media using #PatapscoSpring. We'll share our favorites here and on Facebook.

WHAT IS THIS PLANT?

Be the first to send us the correct answer and we'll send you a PVHA sticker.

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**Of special note...**

- LEARN MORE about the conceptual Regional Patapsco Greenway Trail, a shared use pathway system that could connect the Inner Harbor, BWI Trail, Elkridge, Catonsville, Ellicott City, and Sykesville.
MARCH 29 at 7 pm at Howard County Library System Miller Branch.

- **NEW OFFICE SPACE** : Our staff is settling into new offices at 3748 Old Columbia Pike in Ellicott City along historic Tonge Row. Stop by next time you are in town!

- **SAVE THE DATE:** [Patapsco Heritage Greenway ANNUAL MEETING](#) featuring Civil War historian Ross Kimmel presenting "The Union Protects The Viaduct" MAY 3, 7pm at HCLS Miller Branch

- **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** for the Oella portion of [The Maryland House & Garden Pilgrimage](#) on Saturday, May 13, 2017. Please email [dhammert@gmail.com](mailto:dhammert@gmail.com) with contact info or call 410-902-7280 if you are interested.

- **BLOG FEATURE:** [Benefits of Composting With Tea](#)

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