## **QAH NEWSLETTER**



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Greetings, everyone - We hope you're enjoying a few last lazy days of summer! We've had an incredibly busy and productive couple of months here at QAH, so we'd like to give you a quick update of where we are and what's in the works.

We had 2 very well-attended public presentations this summer. In fact, the reception we got confirms not only that our member-to-member model is well suited to Queen Anne's County, but that the timing for our efforts is right on the nose. We haven't even formally "launched" yet, but over 20 members have already signed up. (Just as a benchmark, that's more than some other Villages get in their entire first year of operations!)

Thanks to the support and encouragement of you early members (yes indeed, thank you!), we've been able to hit some critical developmental milestones, including:

- Acquiring important insurance coverage
- Upgrading our administrative software to help us make QAH work better for our members
- Working with a dynamite pro bono attorney to finalize our policies & other organizational issues
- Reaching out to agencies and organizations already making a positive difference in QAC to explore how we can best work together to enhance the lives of our County's seniors.

## What are we working on now?

- Getting our website up and running so that our members can access to all the benefits on offer. (Yes, we'll be providing some orientation to the mechanics as we get ready to launch.)
- Getting our program calendar topics, speakers, activities set up at least through the rest of 2018. We hope to have that ready to share by mid-September, with events starting soon after that. You can be sure we'll share that as soon as possible!
- Holding more public meetings (see attached flyer for details on September 28th and
  October 2nd meetings) to continue our outreach and connect with new members who want
  to be part of the QAH experience. Please contact someone you know who might be
  interested and encourage them to attend. Even better, bring them with you!
- Our efforts to connect with QAC agencies and organizations will continue as we develop a member-accessible directory of useful County resources.

We'll be in touch very soon about our next milestones. Your help can get us there even faster!

- This is your golden opportunity to help us set up our calendar of events including our SNAP chapters - and thereby help shape QAH's direction!
- If you have experience in marketing, publicity and communication, we could use your talents!
- Fundraising your thing? We'll always have a need for your involvement!

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with us to share your ideas and energy. QAH is <u>your</u> community, and we can't succeed without you. We look forward to hearing from you.

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Are you a senior who wants to "age in place," but are wondering how that might work out over time?

Are you a family member or friend of a senior, and you're wondering what their next stage might look like?

Then you'll want to come to this presentation

Kent Island Senior Center

891 Love Point Road Stevensville, MD 21666

Friday, September 28, 2018 at 11:00 am

Grasonville Senior Center

4802 Main Street Grasonville, MD 21638

Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at 11:00 am

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