



FOS Deeds & Needs

The Latest News from Friends of Onancock School – January 2010 – Number 15

For Your Calendar

- For 2010, Onancock School continues the tradition of getting together for art one Friday a month. While Onancock's regular Second Fridays hibernate, Onancock School will carry on with "**Winter Fridays**" on **January 8th, February 12th, and March 12th**, from 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Winter Fridays will feature most of our regular galleries and studios, plus music and refreshments to help you shake the winter blahs. Opening will be **The Eastern Shore Art League Gallery, Dragonfly Studio Gallery, Artisans Guild of the Eastern Shore, Dan Lawrence Studio, Elizabeth Hunt Pottery Studio, Elizabeth Lehmann Studio, Glass Expressions Stained Glass, P. Bose Schur Studio, The Quilt Studio, and Roberta Dean's Studio.**

In addition, artists and crafters who wish to participate are invited to join us by renting display space in our beautiful and warm Central Room or in the halls of the school. Use the handy form on the last page of this newsletter to reserve your space.

- The **Eastern Shore Art League Gallery** will be open during the winter on Friday and Saturday each month and for Winter Fridays. Come join some of the artists and have refreshments. Each artist changes out their work periodically. You never know when that special piece of art will be in the Gallery unless you visit often. For more information contact **Susan Levin** at **757 787-1248** or visit the web site: <http://esartleague.info>.



Deeds

- In late November, FOS installed some signage on the property. These signs are the first step toward properly labeling critical portions of the grounds to improve safety and security. Also, a set of "school rules" was developed and publicized to tenants. The rules are on the page 4 of this newsletter.



- Eagle Scout **Ryan Olmsted** of Onancock recently met with the FOS board to show off his plan for improvements to the Onancock School property. For his official Eagle Scout project, Ryan will be constructing and installing twelve wooden picnic tables, six bench seats for an outdoor classroom, and an enclosed informational kiosk for posting notices. The benches and kiosk will directly support the

Onancock Nature Path. The picnic tables will be placed on the south lawn and elsewhere on the grounds.

Work will begin in late February or early March, and is expected to be finished by the end of May. Ryan will be doing his own fund raising for this project, which is estimated to cost around \$4,000. In addition to seeking donations of materials, he will be holding benefit events and there will be opportunities for donors to name benches and tables after themselves or as memorials for loved ones. Watch *Deeds & Needs* and local papers for more information.

Needs

- Did we say **EVERYTHING**? The school can always use: cleaning supplies, paper towels, hand tools, cleaning implements (brooms, dustpans, vacuum cleaners), and paint brushes and rollers. Got something you think the school could use? Contact **Haydon Rochester** at **787-2097** or drop off on Wednesday mornings when the school office is open.
- Become a **member** of Friends of Onancock School. For a mere \$25 per year (individual) or \$45 (family), you can support the school project and receive discounts on event tickets and promotional items. Go to <http://www.onancockschool.org/membership.htm>.
- And, as always, if you can donate money to assist us with our heating, electric, and groundskeeping bills, please send your check to **Friends of Onancock School, P.O. Box 467, Onancock, VA 23417**. Contributions are greatly appreciated and tax deductible.

Board Meeting Report

The Board did not meet in December.

Subscription and FOS Office Information

FOS Deeds & Needs is an **E-MAIL** newsletter of the Friends of Onancock School. It is also posted on the FOS website at <http://www.onancockschool.org/>. E-mail reports of your deeds and needs to Haydon Rochester at **hrjr2@verizon.net**. Be sure to include all relevant dates, contact info, number of participants, and other details. To **subscribe** or **unsubscribe**, send an e-mail to **info@onancockschool.org**. Please include your name, postal address, phone number, and class year if you're an alum of Onancock School. Unfortunately, we cannot offer a printed, postal mail version of FOS Deeds & Needs at this time.

The FOS office at Onancock School, 6 College Ave., Onancock, VA, is open on Wednesdays from 9 am to noon. Call the office with your questions or comments at **757 302-1331**. If Karen is not in when you call, please leave a message.

Friends of Onancock School - Winter Friday Display Space Application

Return Application to:

FOS, P.O. Box 467, Onancock, VA 23417

Via email to info@onancockschool.org

Or return to the FOS office at the School

Please direct questions to the FOS Office 302-1331 or via email at info@onancockschool.org

January 8 ___

February 12 ___

March 12 ___

All spaces are \$ 25.00 for the specific day's event. Placement is based on order of application and as available, and payment is due with this application.

- Each assigned space is 10 ft in width and allows for wall hanging and/or table display.
- Central Room – Space allows tables/stands/shelves up to 30" in depth and not to exceed the 10 ft width.
- Hall Spaces – Space allows tables/stands/shelves up to 20 " in depth and not to exceed the 10 ft width.

Note: *Electrical outlets are available for limited lighting use. No other electrical equipment may be connected. You are responsible for any desired extension cords.*

Setup time will be from 9 a.m. on the day of the event. You are responsible for the removal of your property by 9:30 p.m. the day of the event.

Name _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Type of work to be displayed _____

Application Date _____ Payment _____

FOS Staff member _____

School Rules

These rules will be posted around school. Comments on the rules, and requests for additions, are always welcome. Send to **Haydon Rochester** at hrjr2@verizon.net.

Onancock School and its grounds are managed by the Friends of Onancock School for the benefit of all. School grounds are open from *sunrise until sunset only*. Visitors to the Onancock School property do so at their own risk.

Please observe the following rules:

- All buildings are off limits except to tenants and their guests, service personnel, and those attending events.
- Use of school grounds after dark is allowed only with prior permission or for an organized event.
- Onancock School and grounds are smoke free. No smoking please.
- Please put all trash in trash containers. Recycle bottles and cans using the containers provided (NE corner of the building and on the soccer field).
- Casual users (e.g., dog walkers) are always welcome, but may not interfere with organized events (e.g., soccer practice).
- Motor vehicles are not allowed on any grass surface unless previously authorized by Friends of Onancock School.
- No overnight parking of vehicles is allowed without permission.
- Skateboards, rollerblades, scooters, and other wheeled toys may be used only on paved, outdoor surfaces (i.e., not on steps, front porch, picnic tables, or inside any structure).
- Pets must be on a leash when children are using the field. Please clean up after your pet.
- No pets are allowed in the playground area or in Onancock Creek.
- Fireworks, open fires, alcoholic beverages, drugs, and weapons of any kind are not permitted except in connection with an authorized event. (Cooking in BBQ grills is permitted in the picnic area.)
- Use of the dock or any other access to Onancock Creek is prohibited unless previously authorized.
- Do not damage, deface, move, or remove any school property, historical artifact, or natural feature (plants or animals).
- Keep out of any closed space or structure (marked with sign, fence, tape, rope, or chain).

If you have questions about the use of school property, call Friends of Onancock School at 757 302-1331 or info@onancockschool.org.

WARNING: Onancock School and grounds are the property of the Town of Onancock and are monitored by video cameras, volunteer observers, and Town Police. Violators of the above rules may be prosecuted. If you see any criminal or dangerous activity in progress, or to report a fire or hazardous situation, dial 911 (school address is Onancock School, 6 College Ave., Onancock).