

TOP BILLING

PARTY ON THE BAY

The beauty and bounty of the Chesapeake Bay will be celebrated this weekend with parties scattered along the Maryland shoreline as part of the state's Party on the Bay.

The events include:

■ The sixth annual Bay Feet at North Beach. Billed as a "day of old fashioned family fun," the event will include ethnic food concessions, arts and crafts, children's games and an antique car display. The festival will be held between 2nd and 7th streets on the waterfront. Call 855-6661.

■ The Seafood and Fishing Feast at the Sheraton Inner Harbor Hotel in Baltimore. From noon to 2 p.m. tomorrow, visitors are invited to "fish" for pollutants of the bay — oil cans, trash bags, etc. — from a pool. Prizes will be awarded. Foods and exhibits of the bay region will also be offered. Call 962-8300.

... BEST OF THE REST

■ Havre de Grace will host its 33rd Annual Power Boat Regatta on the Susquehanna River near the historical Lock House tomorrow and Sunday. The hydroplane races begin at noon both days. Admission is \$4 for adults, \$2 for children 6 to 16, and free for children under six. Call 575-6997 or 272-1521.

■ The Laurel Lions Club will hold its annual Auto Show tomorrow, featuring over 700 classic, antique, custom and specialty cars, as well as an auto flea market. Hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Laurel Racetrack. Call 725-3442.

THEATER OPENING

Annapolis Summer Garden Theatre, Compromise Street near City Dock, begins a monthlong run of the comedy "Come Blow Your Horn" by Neil Simon this weekend.

Performances are at 8:45 p.m. tonight, tomorrow and Sunday. The show continues Thursdays through Sundays.

Prices are \$9 on Thursdays and Sundays, \$10 on Fridays and Saturdays.

A special rate of \$7 may be arranged for groups on Thursdays and Sundays.

For information, call 266-0809.



LONG STRIDERS

The Annapolis Striders will host the Annapolis Run Sunday — the fourth largest 10-mile run in the nation.

The event, which has attracted 3,300 registrants, will start at 7:45 a.m. at the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium.

The runners will pass through Admiral Heights, down Rowe Boulevard and Main Street to City Dock, cross the Naval Academy to the Severn River Bridge, loop along Route 648 and return across the bridge to the stadium.

The best viewing points will be along Main Street and City Dock, where the runners are expected to pass shortly before 8 a.m.

Another recommended viewing point will be the last 1/4-mile loop and finish at the stadium. Sit in the west stands and be sure to arrive by 8:30 a.m.

The race, now in its 14th year, has attracted runners from 21 states and will be staffed by 400 volunteers.

Sorry, no race day entries will be taken. For information, call 263-1165.

MUSICAL OFFERINGS

A three-day reunion of members of the former Annapolis Soul Choir will feature a free public concert at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow at Holy Temple Church, 319 Bestgate Road.

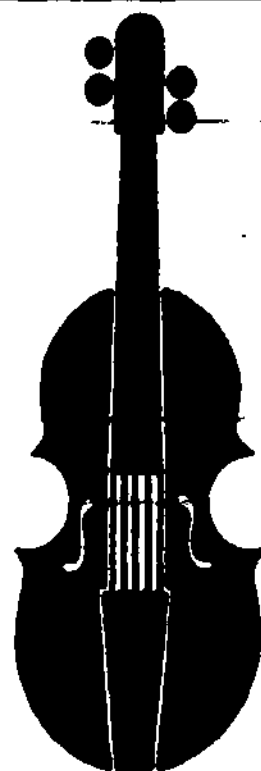
The choir's director, Jacky Scott, will return to Annapolis to direct the reunion concert. Scott now lives in Houston, Texas.

The Soul Choir sang concerts in Annapolis for about three years in the mid-1970s. Originally organized for students at Annapolis Senior High School, the choir's membership ultimately included 72 young people from throughout the local area.

For more information on the reunion, call 263-0468.

■ The Paradise City Jazz Band from Massachusetts will play the final free concert of the Starlight Summer Concert Series at Annapolis City Dock from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday. No alcoholic beverages will be permitted. Call 280-1247 for information.

■ The First U.S. Army Band's Jazz Ensemble will play a free outdoor concert at 7 p.m. Sunday at



the Bayside Amphitheatre of Downs Park, located at the end of Mountain Road, Pasadena. Parking will be charged: \$3 for county residents, \$6 for out-of-county residents. Call 437-7650.

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STATE FAIR DAYS

The hot air balloon race will be among the opening day events tomorrow at the 100th Maryland State Fair, which runs through Sept. 4 at the state fairgrounds, Timonium.

The 10-day festival includes home arts and agricultural demonstrations, livestock presentations, midway rides, live entertainment and horse racing.

Highlights this weekend include

- Thoroughbred racing, 1 p.m. tomorrow and Sunday
- Hot air balloon race, 6 p.m. tomorrow
- Square dance exhibition, 7:30 p.m. tomorrow
- Fleece to shawl competition, 11 a.m. Sunday
- Maryland Farm Queen Contest, 7 p.m. Sunday

Events begin around 9 a.m. and the midway opens at 11 a.m. both days.

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