CAMBRIDGE Main Street NEWS from DOWNTOWN



July 8, 5–9 p.m. Taste of Cambridge Crab Cook-Off

How many ways can you eat crab? Find out during this delicious competition among Dorchester County restaurants. Plus lots more fun for the family. Cannery Way and Race Street. Stores will be open late. While you're at it, don't miss the opening of John Root Hopkins' show of all original primitives at Joie de Vivre, 410 Race Street, 5-8 p.m. Plus more work from local artists at Upstairs@447, 447 Race Street. And pick up a free sample of Eastern Shore Tea Company tea (while supplies last) at Never on Tuesday bookstore, 527 Poplar Street, where you can also enter the monthly drawing for a free book.

July 10, 5:30–7 p.m. Main Street Board of Directors Meeting

For board members only.

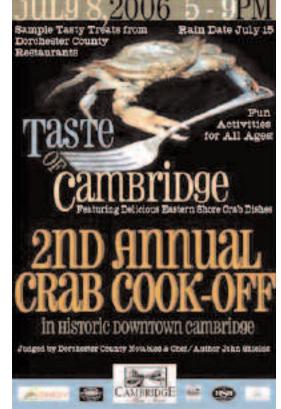
August 12, 5–9 p.m. Beat the Heat Second Saturday

Break up the dog days and nights of summer with some fun downtown. Stores will be open late. JULY 2006

Taste of Cambridge returns on July 8

Downtown Cambridge will turn into crab heaven on Saturday, July 8, during the second annual Taste of Cambridge Crab Cook-Off, 5-9 p.m. Restaurants will compete for top honors. Judges include chef and author John Shields, along with Don Bradley, Russ Brinsfield, Caroline Cline, Rev. Keith Cornish, Bob Herbert, and Melvin Jews. You can be part of the popular vote starting at 5 p.m. for \$15. (Winners announced at 8:30 p.m.) There are also contests galore: hula hoop at 5:45 p.m.; professional crab picking at 6 p.m., Lego-building at 6:45 p.m., watermelon-eating at 7:30 p.m., pie eating at 8 p.m., and limbo at 8:45 p.m. Crab Cook-Off restaurants include:

Blue Point Debbie's Deli & Cafe Island Grille Old Salty's Cambridge Grill Snappers Crab Boy Portside Kay's at the Airport Ocean Odyssey Madison Canning House Cafe



Cambridge Main Street earns national accreditation

After working hard to meet the 10 standards set forth by the National Main Street Center, Cambridge Main Street has earned national accreditation. While it doesn't change the way we do business, it's a nice feather in our cap.

Also, new board members were elected during Cambridge Main Street's annual meeting and open house June 22. Welcome to Jim Duffy, Fred Findlen, Brett Summers, and Sheila Woods. Dave Harp is the new president.

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NEWS BITS: Congratulations to Joy Staniforth and her **Joie de Vivre Gallery**, nominated a top Maryland retailer by *NICHE* magazine. . . . **Pizza Ziya**, with great specialty pizzas, 19 different hoagies, and more, is now open at 411 Academy Street (call 410.221.8585 for free delivery) . . . Check your mailbox soon for the next issue of the **Shorelines** newsletter.