

THE HERITAGE

Mount Vernon is the place to be this 2010 holiday season and every season. Calendar Of Events

Atlantic Guitar Quartet
 Friday November 12 at 8:00 p.m.
 Doors open at 7:00 p.m.
 (pre-concert happy hour with complimentary lite fare)



This vibrant, young quartet distinguishes itself not just by its exquisite performances, but also by its repertoire choices that celebrate both some of the earliest composers of chamber music as well as works of those who are still living. They are truly a joy to discover.

Tickets: \$15, \$10 students, seniors, and ESB Club members.

Baltimore Concert Opera
 Friday December 3 – 7:00 p.m.
 6:00 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar
 6:30 Pre-Performance Lecture
 7:00 p.m. Downbeat

Sunday the 5th – 3:00 p.m.
 2:30 p.m. Pre-Performance Lecture
 3:00 p.m. Downbeat

Puccini's La Bohème



Baltimore Concert Opera presents opera that highlights the human voice. By removing the artifice that separates the audience from the performers, BCO creates an experience that is intimate and affordable. It captures the core essence of opera.

Tickets: \$65, \$45, \$35, and \$25. Buy in advance and receive complimentary hors d'oeuvres on Friday night only. Make an evening of it on Friday by enjoying the optional Dinner Buffet at \$37 (including tax and gratuity). Seating options are 5:00 and 5:30.



While you're taking in the season's concerts. . . . Take in the Stained-Glass Windows



While you're standing in the foyer, look up to the stained-glass window above the Mansion's two-story foyer. Little is known about the window other than Louis Comfort Tiffany was commissioned to design it by Mrs. Garrett. It's believed that Tiffany was influenced by his predecessor in the field of stained-glass, the New York artist, John La Farge. Tiffany titled it, "Standard Bearers." In the real, they are the Landsknechts, which is literal for "Servants of the Country." The figures are depictions of Swiss or German mercenary soldiers who served in the late 1400's or early 1500's. They were private armies



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The mission of the Garrett-Jacobs Mansion Endowment Fund is to preserve and restore the Mansion as a National Historic Landmark and to share the history, architectural and civic legacy of the Mansion for the benefit and education of the public.

Ballroom Restoration Update

Restoration of the Proscenium and Front Stage Woodwork has been completed in time for major events and parties scheduled for this Fall. The results, accomplished by artisans from Thomas Moore Studios, are fabulous. The gilded trim and reconstructed woodwork have resulted in a vibrant façade for this focal point of the Ballroom.

Soon to come will be refurbishment of the panels that are deteriorated on the remaining three elevations. A brilliant red fabric has been selected and ordered and will be installed after the panel surrounds have been cleaned and re-gilded. Work is scheduled to be completed in time for the annual Fire Ball in February.



Thanks to major donations received this Fall, planning is in place for a new audio-visual system and replacing the stage curtain.

While significant restoration remains including cleaning the paneling, conservation of ceiling and wall paintings, and refinishing the floor, this upcoming work will complete a significant portion of the restoration. ■

Take in the Stained-Glass Windows from page 1

used by various rulers in their wars all over continental Europe.

Formed up in a square of 4,000 men armed with halberds, matchlock arquebuses and 14-18 foot pikes, they often did not have to do much actual fighting. For those of us who do not know, a halberd was a combination spear and battle ax with a haft (handle) of five to seven feet long, used as a weapon. An arquebus was an early type of portable firearm that was either fired or slung from a tripod or placed on a forked rest. On the march, their baggage and artillery train included their wives and children among the camp followers.

The ensign was stationed in the center of the formation and carried the flag in one hand and a sword in the other. The flag was silk and displayed the emblem of the ruler such as the emperor, Maximilian I,

or the place from where they came such as the Swiss canton or the city-state of Nuremberg.

Landsknechts refused to wear uniforms and were known for their fantastic multi-colored costumes and feathered hats. The extremely large slit and puffed sleeves and upper halves of their hose actually had a practical purpose, serving as padding under their armor.

A special thank-you to John Carroll Weiss, Jr. who wrote the Landsknechts section.

This window is distinctive. If anyone knows why Mrs. Garrett-Jacobs might have commissioned the window or knows the window's history, please phone Jo Anne Sabas at 410-243-4242 or email Jo Anne at sabas@outdrs.net. ■

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Gilman Choral Group

Sponsored by The Women's Auxiliary
of the Engineering Society

Thursday December 9

Eggnog at 11:00 a.m.

Christmas Program directed by

Elizabeth Fink at 11:30

Holiday Luncheon at 12:30

Call Mrs. Richard Williams (Peggy)
at 410-321-8274 for Choral Group
reservations and Patti at the Club
410-539-6914 for all lunch reservations.

Concert Artists of Baltimore

Saturday December 11 – 1:00 p.m.

Sunday December 12 – 2:30 p.m.

Christmas Cheer at the Mansion

No holiday is more associated with music
than Christmas. Every year Concert
Artists of Baltimore includes fun, new
arrangements of traditional carols, along
with music you may not have heard
before. Christmas Cheer is one of CAB's
favorites both for the audience and the

performers. Make a
day of it by including
the optional champagne
buffet brunch before the
Sunday concert.



**Tickets: \$25, \$22 (seniors), \$37
(optional brunch includes tax and
gratuity).**

Members of The Engineers Club can
purchase tickets and make their dining
reservations for Artists-in-Residence
through the Club. All others can contact
the groups directly to purchase their
tickets and make reservations.

Atlantic Guitar Quartet

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Baltimore Concert Opera

443-844-3496

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410-625-3525

It is fitting that the Mansion is being
used for superb performances in the
same manner as Mrs. Garrett-Jacobs. ■

The Advisory Council has two new members. . . .

Travers Nelson, Program
Manager, Design &
Construction at The Johns
Hopkins University and
Jeffrey Buchheit, Director
of the Baltimore National
Heritage Area. These two
new members were welcomed
to the Council at its annual
meeting in September. ■

Jo Anne Sabas, the Editor
invites all suggestions,
comments, and opinions.
She can be contacted by
letter through the address
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at sabas@outdrs.net, or
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Good weather, great crowd, and another stunning success...

The Fifth Annual Joint Board of Directors Golf Tournament Sponsored by N.H. Yates and Company, Inc.

The Garret-Jacobs Mansion Endowment Fund and the
Engineering Society of Baltimore (The Engineers
Club) held its Fifth Annual Joint Board of Directors Golf
Tournament on Monday, August 23 at the Country Club
of Maryland. This year the tournament almost filled out
with 108 golfers. The Tournament raised over **\$34,000**.
We thank all who contributed and volunteered their time.
Golfers resoundingly referred to this event as the best
of the season and each golfer enjoyed a \$100 shopping
spree in the Callaway golf tent!

Special sponsors included our Tournament Sponsor,
**N.H. Yates & Company with Constellation Energy;
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*Constellation Energy foursome: Michael Sullivan,
Greg Jarosinski, Michael Smith and Kevin Klages*

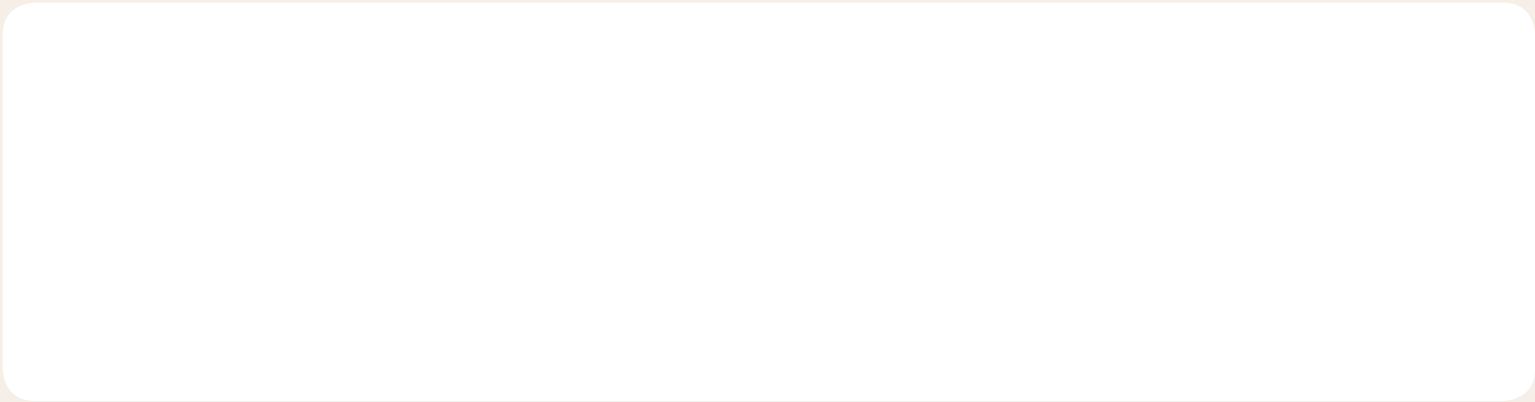
At the event's con-
clusion, **Bruce Vot-
ta**, who has chaired
the tournament com-
mittee since its incep-
tion, turned the reigns over to **John
Wardle** of Emcor Group, Inc. Next year is sure to sell
out; so mark your calendars for **Monday, August 22nd**.
Sign up for sponsorships and register your foursome
soon by contacting **J@esb.org**. ■

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Invite you to attend a Performance Series and an optional Sunday Brunch

**“From the Chesapeake to the Courts of Europe: Baltimore Women Who Married Royalty
(and some who lived to regret it. . .)”**

**Sunday February 6:
The Caton Sisters
at the Maryland Historical Society**

**Sunday March 6:
Mistress of Riversdale
at the Garrett-Jacobs Mansion**

\$30 for individual performances or \$25 for Members of the Maryland Historical Society and the Engineers Club of Maryland. Performances start at **2:00 pm**.

**For all reservations, discount information, and optional brunch seatings,
call Patti (the Engineers Club) at 410-539-6914.**

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Your Help is Needed to Help Preserve the Mansion**

Your support can help the trustees in their on-going effort to restore and preserve this landmark property, listed in the National Register as part of the Mount Vernon Place Historic District and documented in the Library of Congress as part of the Historic American Buildings Survey.

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