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WATERSHED WATCH

ST. MARY'S RIVER WATERSHED ASSOCIATION

PO Box 94

St. Mary's City, MD 20686

May 19, 2016

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We are proud to have partnered with the Ridge Elementary School Rock and Roll Rockets robotics team and congratulate them on winning the top award in their division at the 2016 VEX World Championships this past month. The team received the design award due to their exceptional time management skills and knowledge of programming techniques. The Rockets also received a perfect score in their alliance match with China. In addition to competing at a world level, the team also completed a STEM research project about "How Oyster Reefs Can Save the Bay," which they presented to our board of directors. Their project earned them the title of "Stewards of the Bay," and our association is proud to be partnered with such bright young minds in saving the bay.

What will *YOU* do for your watershed?

There are numerous ways to positively impact our beloved river from collecting trash to arresting rainwater runoff *before* it reaches the river. With

the torrential downpours we have had (for what seems like the past month), now is the perfect time to have a rain garden and the perfect opportunity to make a difference! This natural water filtration system is not only aesthetically appealing, but also a big help in reducing runoff by catching storm water from your roof and/or driveway and filtering it through plant use and organic materials. And best of all—we have grant funding to assist you in designing and building your dream rain garden!



You must be within our watershed to qualify for our 50/50 cost share program. If you are interested, are unsure about your location qualifications, or have questions concerning a rain garden, please contact us at

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A River Affair

Sunday June 5, 2016 from 1
to 4 pm at the State House
Lawn, Historic St. Mary's
City

Join us for the sixth
anniversary celebration of the

St. Mary's River and our campaign for clean water. This event will feature heavy hors d'oeuvres and libations from local vendors.

Tickets are \$75 per person and can be purchased in advance by check or via [PayPal](#). All proceeds benefit the restoration of the St. Mary's River. For more information email us at meghan.m.webster@gmail.com or call at (301) 904-2387.



Upcoming Events:

- **SAVE THE DATE!**

A River Affair

1:00 to 4:00 June 5
Historic St. Mary's City
Buy your tickets now!

- **MGO Cage Collection**

May 22 to 29

- **DC Charter School Field Trip**

10:00 to noon May 23
SMCM Waterfront

- **LPES Field Trip**

9:00 to 2:00 May 27
SMCM Waterfront

- **GMHS STEM & CPCS Oyster Planting**

9:00 to noon May 28
SMCM Waterfront

- **CPCS Reef Ball Building**

8:45 to noon May 31
Chesapeake Public Charter School



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- **Tech Center Oyster Planting Field Trip**
9:00 to 2:00 June 2
SMCM Waterfront
- **CRABFEST**
10:00 to 8:00 June 11
Leonardtwn Fair Grounds
- **JUNETEENTH**
Noon to 8:00 June 18
John G. Lancaster Park



- 11:00 to 4:00 September 24
Historic St. Mary's City

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