

# DDC Driving Lines September 2014



## DDC Meeting Schedule

DDC Board meetings are open to all members, and members may request to speak on a subject, but can not vote.

**September 4**

**Conference Call  
6:00pm**

**Call in 877-216-  
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**October 2**

**Conference Call  
6:00pm**

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**November 6**

**Conference Call  
6:00pm**

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## Upcoming DDC EVENTS

Bonnie Forgacs Drive/Play date Sept 7 Sunday,  
Sept 13 Rain Date, Denton, MD. Details inside.



Linda Thomas and her halfingers and a carriage full of happy campers from Camp Colwell

## September Newsletter Contributors

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ley did offer her property if the decision is to purchase a shed.

Camp Colwell was another success. 8 turnouts arrived so all children and adults had an opportunity to enjoy a ride in a carriage. Lunch was served and everyone was very pleased with our participation.

Frances Baker's drive was a huge success. A note will be included in this newsletter.

**New Business:**

Jane Bailey suggested a trophy committee be formed and offered to chair the committee. This was approved by the BOD. She will work with Anna Klumpp to organize the trophies currently in circulation.

John reported that the State and Federal Tax forms are complete.

Respectfully submitted

Martha MacDonald

**August BOD Minutes**

8/7/2014 Board of Directors meeting

Present: Sherry Harris, Nobel Cahall, Donna Hurst, Carol Seiler, John Bolinski, Anna Klumpp, Martha MacDonald

Absent: Joan Smith

Secretary's minutes approved as printed

Treasurer's report: to be reviewed at next meeting but at this time the checking account had \$4217.22 and the CD was at \$7,977.45 for a total of \$12, 194.67. Sherry will confirm the payment of \$275 for the rental of the show grounds.

Old Business: the bank issues have been resolved and John is now able to write checks for the DDC.

The following groups require payment: Tuckahoe Equestrian Center (room reservation), Jane Bailey (trophy) Silver Spurs and John Bolinski who paid the insurance premium from his own account until the bank issues were resolved.

The trailer committee had not met yet, so discussion was tabled until their recommendations are heard. Jane Bai-

**DDC’s Treasurer’s Report**

SUBMITTED BY JOHN BOLINSKI

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# Members helping each other have fun and be safe

by Frances Baker

In spite of threatening rainy weather members and guests turned out in full force on Saturday morning, August the 2nd after a night of pouring rain, cloudy skies and drizzling rain all morning. They came anyway and like marching ants on a mission they kept coming. Some brought their trailers and horses, parking all around the barn. Some came without their horses but brought their relatives and friends. Cell phones came out of pockets and everyone kept searching the doppler weather to see if there was going to be a break in the weather. In the meantime everyone was happily chatting away, introducing our new member and her family and re-introducing members we hadn't seen in a while. No one seemed to mind waiting.



In the meantime our program chair was unable to come, but had left a short video presentation on Nutter Marvel and the Return Day Parade for us to see so everyone started filing in the tack room to start the program and discussion. We had our own discussion on the parade. But people still kept coming so we



set up a couple of overflow tables in the barn aisle and started lunch. We had previously decided that the weather was looking better after lunch. We had all agreed on that one. And of course everyone brought lots of desserts so lunch and the chatting continued. As the skies outside were clearing, we started harnessing up. There were more people than carriages. 33 people total and 8 carriages. To help out, we broke our four in hand team up into two pairs so we could have an extra carriage. My groom, Hannah Beck, drove my wheeler pair to our big wagonette break. I drove the leaders with our everyday wagonette.

Bill Walls was ready first so he and his wife, Mimi, took new member Tammy Carpenter out with them as well as her son RT. George Parris is a long time club member and the only other local driver. Most came a long distance. I was ready next so I took my friend, Pat Roth and Michael Lawrence's friend, the other Michael and Phoebe Drury.

We could not find Michael Lawrence at first, but finally located him helping Barbara Belden put her horse to her vehicle. Hannah was next with the Carpenter family....daughter and two friends, one visiting from Minnesota.

Michelle Novack probably came the longest distance from the Western shore of Maryland with her steady mare, Libby. Michelle drove her new super long trailer over for the first time. She and Libby spent the weekend with me. I loaned them my faithful Kuhnle wagonette for the week end. Since it is a four wheel vehicle Michelle was able to take Nobel and Lois Cahall and Diane Savage with her. Luckily the vehicle fit Libby after a little of what we like to call Red Neck



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*Left: George and Mimi Walls*

*Middle: Michelle Novack and Rick and Diane Savage*

*Above: Barbara Belden and Sherman*

## Out and About News by Pao Lin Hatch

*Any news to share with your DDC members? Email or call Pao Lin, DDC Newsletter Editor.*

*A large group of DDC friends gathered for an impromptu 9 km drive at Fair Hill on a lovely August Saturday. The August weather was unreal and cool for the mid-Atlantic. As usual, a scrumptious tailgate was spread out by friends. A total of four carriages, 3 outriders and tons of passengers.*

*Frances Baker and her crew explored the lovely trails at*

*Acadia National Park in Maine. She took some gorgeous pictures and videos and would like to schedule a wintertime social to show to members and guests, what a great idea!*

*DDC member, Dr. Annie Renzetti has just been chosen to teach an upper level undergraduate level equine health and lameness course this fall at the University of Delaware*

*Inactive DDC member, Martha Duchnowski has been recognized by the American Driving Society as one of the 40 most*

*influential forces in our that association for her work with youth and new drivers.*

*ADS Nominations are currently underway. Mid-Atlantic Region Delegate– Heidi Ferguson is up for nomination for the post. Ms. Ferguson has served several years in this position.*

*The ADS Regional Drive is around the corner, deadlines are looming. If you intend to participate, you must be an ADS member and you must pre-register.*

### **December 6 Saturday**

### **Annual Meeting, Luncheon and Drive 10-5**



**Socialize at 10am -Meeting at 11- Lunch at 12**

**Drive afterwards 1:30 or stay and socialize if weather is unpleasant**

This will be our Holiday Party, Annual Meeting, Election of Officers and a Casual Drive event.

#### **This will be an informal DAYTIME EVENT**

Club business to be conducted efficiently and expeditiously, intended to fit everyone's busy holiday schedule and by allowing those members who need to leave early and those who wish to linger and socialize! Additionally, after lunch, a drive, at will event, will take place around the grounds of Tuckahoe State Park and nearby dirt roads. Those not driving, can relax and socialize with friends in the newly renovated facility at Tuckahoe Equestrian Center Clubhouse all afternoon until 5pm! Elves always needed!

**Chairs are Carol Seiler/Pao Lin Hatch (443) 466-5043 or Pao Lin at (240) 276-6180**

# COMING DDC EVENTS

**September 7**  
**Bonnie Forgacs**  
**Drive and Play**  
**Date and**  
**Covered Dish**

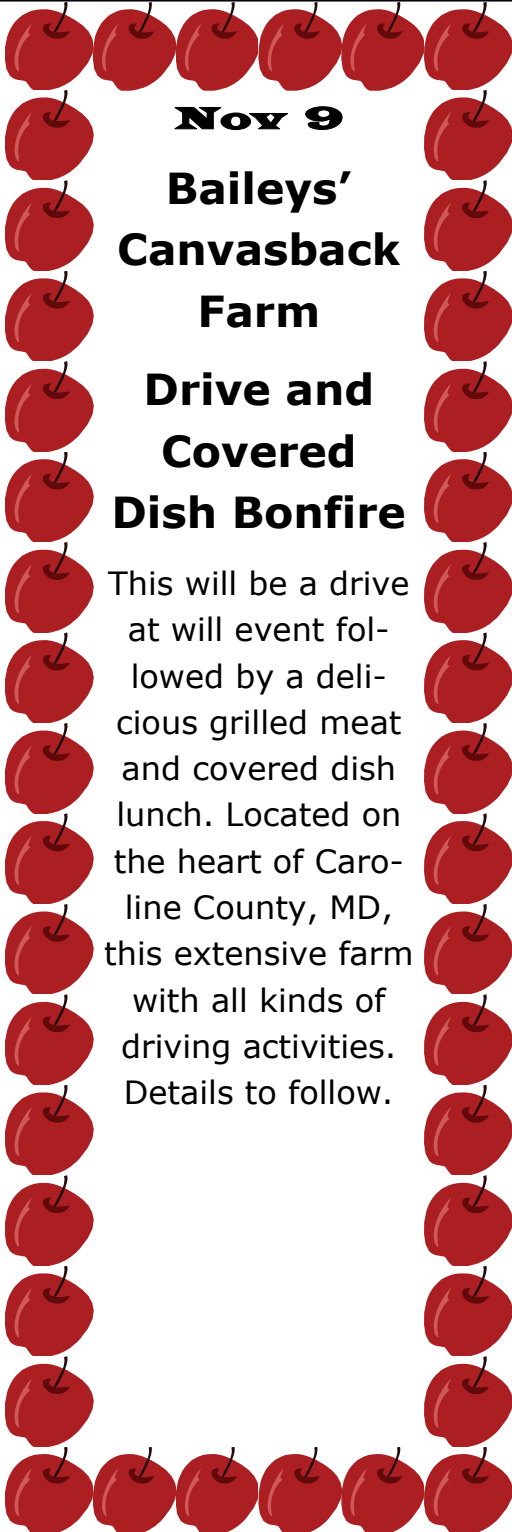
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**October 18**  
**Grassymeade**  
**Farm**  
**Pleasure Drive**  
**and Covered**  
**Dish**

This will be a drive at will event followed by a delicious grilled meat and covered dish lunch. Located on the beautiful Chester River, the Grassymeade farm in Chestertown is an event not to be missed.  
 Details to follow.

**Nov 9**  
**Baileys'**  
**Canvasback**  
**Farm**  
**Drive and**  
**Covered**  
**Dish Bonfire**

This will be a drive at will event followed by a delicious grilled meat and covered dish lunch. Located on the heart of Caroline County, MD, this extensive farm with all kinds of driving activities. Details to follow.





<b>Calendar of Events—DDC Items are in Bold</b>			
<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT NAME</b>	<b>CONTACT/RSVP</b>	<b>WHERE</b>
<b>7 Sept</b>	<b>Bonnie Forgacs Pleasure and Fun Day</b>	<b>Bonnie Forgacs has graciously offered her farm to members for a casual, drive at will, play date. Nice quiet roads for experienced drivers and a safe enclosure for newbies and green horses. Neg. Coggins Required to participate. Details in Newsletter. Covered Dish Appetizer/Salads/Desserts; Bonnie will provide main course and beverages. 8814 Fisher Rd, Denton, MD RSVP Attending to Bonnie (410) 479-9090 or cell (410) 463-1466</b>	<b>Denton, MD</b>
21 Sept	My Lady's Manor Pleasure Driving Show	Spring Valley Park, Winterstown, PA, (Fourth event of the Whip Challenge) Contact organizer Anne Council, acbirchhollow442@gmail.com, 717-993-8956 or secretary Pam Schneider, 717-776-9748, pjschn@aol.com	York County, PA
1-4 Oct	ADS Mid Atlantic Pleasure Driving Weekend	See American Driving Society Website for more information	Fair Hill, MD
<b>18 Oct</b>	<b>Grassymeade Pleasure Drive and Covered Dish</b>	<b>Pleasure Drive and covered dish at Grassymeade Farm. Please RSVP to Michael at (410) 810 2997 or email lawrencecompanyinc@gmail.com</b>	<b>Chestertown, MD</b>
<b>9 Nov</b>	<b>Chris and Jane Bailey Drive and Tailgate party</b>	<b>Fabulous fun at the great farm of the Baileys. If you missed this last year, you'd better not miss it again! Contact Jane for details (443)988-1395 andovermeadow@gmail.com</b>	<b>Sudlersville, MD</b>
6 November	Return Day Parade	Georgetown Historical Society, Election Return Day Parade, details to follow	Georgetown, DE
<b>December 6</b>	<b>Annual General Meeting/ Election of New Officers Luncheon and Drive</b>	<b>(CHANGE FROM PAST!!) SAVE THE DATE!! This will be a daytime event! Contact Carol Seiler (443) 466-5043 for details or to volunteer to help! Details to follow!</b>	<b>Tuckahoe Equestrian Center, Ridgely, MD</b>
<b>December 21</b>	<b>Winter NEWBIE JINGLE BELLS Drive</b>	<b>Load your cart/carriage with bells and jingle all the way down the road... Hosted by Pao Lin Hatch. (240) 274-6180. Details to follow</b>	<b>Location TBD</b>
<b>Jan tbd</b>	<b>Newbie Talk</b>	<b>A place to bring non-members and or new drivers to hear about driving and all the joys of this great pastime</b>	<b>Comegy Creek Farm, Chestertown, MD</b>



*Continued from P. 3 Bakers Drive*

Engineering on her traces by Rick Savage. Then she was ready to go. Michele's sister, Jeannie Richardson, came at the end of the day and Michele took Libby back out again for another short ride. We all owe a great deal to my husband, Wayne Baker, who stayed behind with Rick Savage to make sure everyone got off safely and returned the same way.

Also on the drive was Sherry Harris with Mary Schaffer. Donna Hurst with Mary and Glenn Everhart. Pao Lin Hatch with Carol Seiler. Barbara Belden and Bonnie F orgacs both driving solo.

We all headed down the clam shell road and into the corn literally as the corn was a good seven feet tall towering beside the road on either side of us making the road look more like a tunnel than a road. There were more puddles than I figured on, but the members all used them to puddle train their horses. The horses were glad to step over the puddles rather than fall into the tall corn.

My son, the farmer, appreciated that as well. As soon as we got into the woods and the woods trails everyone noticed a good ten degree temperature change and to everyone's surprise no flies. I guess the rain washed them away. We all followed the marked trails with no one getting very lost for long. All too quickly we were out of the woods and back to the trailers, horses hosed off and loaded for the return trips home. Another wonderful day of driving.

Thanks to all who participated. Thanks for all the good desserts that were left. *Oh my.*

Always

Frances Baker





# Camp Colwell *by Sherry Harris*

When we arrived at the Delaware National Guard Camp Colwell in Dewey Beach DE, a rather warm day of sunshine, blue skies and a good breeze off the ocean greeted us as we all unloaded our gear and horses. Most were ready by 10:00 which suited the young campers and their dedicated staff members who were eagerly lined up and ready to ride. There were six horse drawn carriages on hand participating in this drive. We lined up, loaded up, and took our charges for a slow ride around the camp. Over and over again we drove until everybody got at least one ride, taking some of the Councilors for a ride as well. We were busy until 11:30. Enquires flew about what were the horses names and what breeds were on hand. All happily answered with lots of petting opportunities available to the children. Most of these kids have never seen a horse up-close and this was a great experience for them. The organizers thoughtfully planned ahead and parked our trailers in the grass near a water hydrant with a hose. Horses and humans alike were all cleaned up by 12:00. Seven folks had time to stay and enjoy the delicious lunch provided in the Mess Hall. Col. Colwell was pleased to have us back again this year. The campers vote on the things they would like to keep for the following year and the horse and

carriage rides were a big hit. During lunch, the campers all give us a big thank you. One of the campers ran over and gave Donna a big hug. Our volunteers were Jane Ramsey, Dave Amous. Barbara Belden, Donna Hurst, Sherry Harris, Linda Thomas, Wayne Conner, Bonnie Forgacs and Deb Dawkins.





**MEMBERS**

DON'T FORGET TO SAVE AND SEND YOUR PROOFS OF PURCHASE FOR ALL TRIPLE CROWN LEGEND PRODUCTS.. DDC earns \$.25 for each proof of purchase submitted!.. For more information about this great fundraiser.

Check out <http://www.southernstates.com/Offers/Rewards-Programs/show-program.aspx>

**Delaware Equine Council**

meets on the 3rd Monday of each month The Delaware Equine Council's monthly meetings will now be held at the Harrington Fire Department conference room located at 20 Clark Street (Rt 14), just west of Route 13 in Harrington, DE. This is a great location with plenty of parking. The conference room has its own exterior entrance next to the community hall entrance. We will have a sign at the entrance to the conference room which will be visible from the main parking lot. For more information check <http://www.delawareequinecouncil.com> Or phone Stan Vonasek at 302-684-3966

*Sunshine Fund*

Our Sunshine Chair, Darlene sent a Condolence card to Frances Baker for the loss of her sister from her battle with cancer

A Birthday card was cheerfully sent to John Boline on his special day.

Got some news to share which needs recognition?

Send it to Darlene at [Maneship@Yahoo.com](mailto:Maneship@Yahoo.com)



Beautiful scenery from Acadia National Park, Maine  
From Frances and Wayne Baker's Trip in August.



**Dec 21**

**JINGLE BELLS NEWBIE DRIVE**

Details to follow but this drive will be focused on our new drivers to the club. It will be located at a public park and be a short leisurely lead drive.

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