



## Chesapeake Bay Stewards E-Newsletter April 2017



### Our Mission

The mission of the Chesapeake Bay Trust is to promote public awareness and participation in the restoration and protection of the water quality and aquatic and land resources of the Chesapeake Bay region and other aquatic and land resources of the State. The Trust will engage residents of the region in programs that lead to actions that measurably improve local communities and increase resource stewardship.

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**What are your plans for Earth Day?** Earth Day in the Chesapeake Bay watershed is a good time to take action. You can plant a tree, participate in a cleanup, or attend one of the many events that take place around the region. Click [here](#) to explore the Chesapeake Bay Program's website to find an event or ideas on what you can do this year.

**It's time to get your camera out!** The Maryland Department of Natural Resources is accepting entries for its annual photo contest now through Aug. 31, 2017. Photographers – from novice to professional – can enter online or by mail for the chance to win cash and other prizes. Click [here](#) for more information.

**Spring is a great time to get outdoors and experience the Chesapeake.** Hike one of the [12 best hiking spots in Maryland](#), take a ferry to Smith Island or paddle on one of the Chesapeake's scenic rivers. Click [here](#) to plan your next Maryland outdoor adventure.

**Car dealerships in Maryland want to help improve the Chesapeake.** On April 1, over 130 dealerships in Maryland signed up to participate in the Trust's Just Ask! Bay Plate contest. For more information about the contest, click [here](#).

The Trust's **2017 Treasure the Chesapeake Celebration** scheduled for Thursday, May 4, 2017 in Baltimore is shaping up nicely. Sponsorships and tickets are still available. For more information, click [here](#).

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