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Cape St. Claire Improvement Association, Inc. Community Newsletter

October 2009

CSC Quarterly Meeting October 27th 7:30 pm

Notice MEMBERSHIP MEETING October 27th, 7:30pm Clubhouse

At all meetings of the Association, the presence of 25 members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. If there are insufficient members present to establish a quorum at the time a membership meeting is to be held, a substitute meeting may be called under the following procedure:

- A. A majority of the members present calls for the substitute meeting. Then,
- B. The presiding officer shall set a date falling within 30 days for a substitute meeting of members; and
- C. Notice of this substitute meeting shall be given 10 days or more in advance to all members of the Association, and shall include the following information;
 1. the time, place and purpose of the meeting; and
 2. a statement explaining that at the substitute meeting the members present constitute a quorum.
- D. All absentee published ballots not counted for lack of a quorum at a membership meeting shall be counted at the substitute meeting.

closely with the group to add additional eyes and ears to the existing Security Patrol. As I see it, Community Watch will have the following benefits; The data they collect will help identify trouble spots and allow the Security Patrol to direct more attention to those areas. The data will also supplement the data available from the county police, because every call does not result in an incident report. It will give us a better idea of the type and frequency incidents that do not make. Finally, it will get the word out that while the Cape is a great place to live and normally very welcoming, we will not tolerate illegal activity that denigrates the quality of life in the community.

There is a saying, "When all is said and done, usually more is said than done." Do not let this be the case with Community Watch. Take control of your street and sign up.

the CSCIA Board of Governors and the Broadneck Council of Communities will continue to fight for the following: limiting the size of the development, forcing an acceptable buffer between the development and homes in the Cape, and ensuring that Koch Homes, Inc. (KHI) complies with every zoning requirement. We cannot stop this development, only limit its impact.

For those of you who may not have heard or read, the Assisted Living Bill # 45-09 was unanimously passed by the County Council. Thanks to a timely

Dates to Remember:

Oct. 23 GFPS Halloween Ball
Oct. 24 Halloween Happenings
Oct. 27 Quarterly Meeting
Oct. 30 Trick or Treat at shopping center

PRESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

Crime Prevention

Elsewhere in this issue of *The Caper* is an article on the Community Watch Group that has started here in the Cape. Look for the article and please consider signing up. The Community Watch is an independent organization and not part of the Cape St. Claire Improvement Association. However, the Board of Governors will work

Deep Creek Village

A special exception hearing, Case no. 2009-0044-S (AD 3,CD 5), for KHI - Deep Creek Village was held on Thursday, September 24, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. at the Arundel Center. The hearing occurred after I wrote this column and after *The Caper* deadline. All I can report is that

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POLICY FOR ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS

All submissions for *The Caper* must be received by the editor by the 12th of the prior month. Submissions should be emailed as Microsoft Word attachments (PC only) to: **capereditor@cscia.org**, or dropped off (on disc or CD) at the Clubhouse. Articles must be submitted electronically. DO NOT submit as inline text of email. All articles should be clearly labeled with the 1) submitter's name, 2) phone number, 3) article file-name (s), 4) software product and 5) version used. Please keep a backup copy of each file and do not submit disks containing extraneous files. After *The Caper* processes each article, the submitter's disk can be picked up at the CSCIA office during regular hours. *The Caper* Staff and the Cape St. Claire Improvement Association reserve the right to refuse any article, letter or advertising that it deems inflammatory, in poor taste or inappropriate.

meeting with Cathy Vitale to explain the concerns of both the Broadneck Council of Communities and the CSCIA, she offered an amendment to the bill which placed some restrictions on locating assisted living developments in the critical areas. The effect of the amendment has resulted in KHI agreeing to downsize the Assisted Living Unit to a three-story building to 100 units from 160+ units. KHI has submitted new plans, and we are waiting to see Planning and Zoning and the Critical Area Commission's review of the plans. We will try to provide an article providing a complete update in the next issue of *The Caper*.

Trespassing on Community Property

The Board of Governors has implemented a policy to help

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protect community property. Rather than towing, which has been problematic in the past, we have asked our Security Patrol to issue trespass citations to individuals who are on community property, both beaches and parking areas, illegally. We have held off fully implementing this policy until it could be announced in *The Caper*. The notice appears in this issue.

Building and Covenants

We have had some incredible reports of building activities that simply boggle the mind. The most notable is the construction of a fence on the county right of way, which will probably have to be torn down and moved. Please, before you undertake any construction of any kind, check with the CSCIA office to see if a CSCIA permit is required and if plans must be submitted. Also check with the county. Remember that our covenants and county rules do not always agree, and our covenants take precedence over the county when it comes to setbacks and other requirements.

Two Last Reminders

The quarterly meeting of the CSCIA will be held at the clubhouse on October 27th at 7:30 PM. Also, there will be at least four vacancies on the BOG to be filled during the elections next January. Two members of the BOG are not running for re-election. They represent over 20 years of collective BOG experience. Two seats are open because of mid-term resignations. If you are interested in running for the BOG, please contact our Nominating Com-

mittee Chair whose e-mail address is Nominating2009@cscia.org.

If you want to know more about the BOG and its operations, feel free to contact me at president2009@cscia.org.

Board of Governors Meeting

Due to the Columbus Day holiday, the October monthly meeting of the Board of Governors has been changed from Monday, October 12 to Monday, October 19, 7:30 pm in the Cox room of the Cape St. Claire clubhouse.

BOARD IN BRIEF

The CSCIA Board of Governors met for its monthly meeting on September 14, 2009 at the Cape St. Claire Clubhouse at 7:30 P.M. in the Cox Meeting Room. President Biondi provided opening remarks and presented the agenda for the meeting.

Attendance: Governors Berley, Biondi, Campbell, Daly, Gallagher, Gardner, Lamb, Maltz, Mooneyhan and Newman were present. Governor Berley was absent. Budget Committee members Ritenour and Buchet were also present.

President's Remarks:

President Biondi reported that

efforts by some Cape residents to formalize a Cape St. Claire Community Watch group have come to fruition. The group met with the police and received their guidelines. They currently have two block captains and will divide the Cape into four areas for patrol. An article will be placed in the Caper to announce the Community Watch and to recruit additional block captains. This Community Watch is an independent group; currently not a part of the CSCIA.

Minutes and Profit & Loss Statements:

A motion was made to approve the amended August 10, 2009 CSCIA Monthly BOG meeting minutes. This motion was seconded and unanimously ap-

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A motion was made to approve the July 31, 2009 Profit & Loss Statements. This motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

Committee Reports:

Beaches & Parks – Governor Newman

- The Lake Claire three-level dinghy racks were reduced to two levels to improve their appearance and were moved to the side of the road. Kudos was given to the scouts for completing this project.
- The re-planking effort of the Lake Claire crab/fish pier is complete, including adding some length at the beginning of the pier to allow easier access.

The plan is to also re-plank the Main Beach overlook in the next few weeks.

Caper – Governor Maltz is coordinating with Governor Mooneyhan, the Membership Committee Chair, to publish an article in the Caper seeking nominations for the CSCIA Board of Governors.

...President Biondi asked for another article announcing the newly approved Main Beach gate hours (Open at 6:00 AM and Closed at 10:00 PM) and the stricter enforcement of trespassing.

Clubhouse – Governor Lamb reported that the recent Cape Cleanup was a success.

Closed Session Meeting: A motion was made and approved to enter into a Closed Session Meeting at 9:00 PM for the purpose of discussing legal and personnel issues. The Closed Session Meeting ended at 9:20 PM.

New Business:

The October 2009 CSCIA Monthly BOG meeting was re-scheduled for October 19, 2009.

Governor Newman, the Beaches & Parks Committee Chair, distributed handouts to the BOG for review. He described them as an initial effort to identify possible solutions and estimated costs to contain the beach erosion and sand movement problem at the Lake Claire beach area. Proposed solutions include stone breakwaters, a beach containment groin/skirt, beach sand replenishment and marsh grass plantings.

Adjournment: The September 14, 2009 CSCIA BOG Monthly meeting ended at 9:40 P.M. The next monthly CSCIA Board of Governors meeting is scheduled for **October 19, 2009 at 7:30 P.M.**



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Goshen Farm Halloween Ball

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Entertainment will be provided by local band "Freak'n'Fuzz", along with some special guests. They will be performing a variety of rock, rhythm & blues, as well as tracks from their latest cd "Ghostly Tales of Annapolis...and Beyond". A portion of the proceeds from sales of the cd will be donated to the preservation society. Jeff Archer (freak) and Scott Powers (Fuzz) have been performing individually for over 30 years, and formed the group in 2007. They regularly perform in the Baltimore/Annapolis area. Meet Freak'nFuzz at ghostlyfreaknfuzz.wordpress.com or myspace.com/freaknfuzz music.

We will have a Silent Auction, 50/50 and door prizes. Costumes are encouraged but not required. So come on out, meet your neighbors and bring your friends.

Tickets are \$20 each (\$35 per couple) for non-members, and \$15 each (or \$30 per couple) for GFPS members. Tickets will be available online at www.goshenfarm.org, by contacting any board member or in front of Gaul's on October 10th from 3-5 pm.

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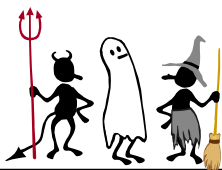
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Friday, October 30, 2009
5pm - 6:30 pm at the CSC Shopping Center. Look for the fliers in the windows of the participating merchants. And remember to say THANK YOU to our local business men and women for supporting this event!!!!



CSC Community Watch

If you talk to your neighbors or follow conversations on the Cape Google group, you have noticed the various complaints of vandalism, theft from cars or non-resident trespassing at the beaches. We have a solution that is easy and

effective: CSC Community Watch.

Please help us make the Cape safer and decrease crime by joining CSC Community Watch. We are incorporating the Anne Arundel County Police Operation ID as the foundation for our watch program. Operation ID brochure: <http://www1.dpscs.state.md.us/aboutdpscs/pct/ccpi/brochures/ident.pdf>

We have divided up the community into four sections. Each section will have a Block Captain.

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 2. East of Atlantis (border runs north/south along Ramblewood and West of Hampton Rd. and
 3. East of Hampton Rd and west of Cape St. Claire Rd.
 4. East of Cape St. Claire Rd.
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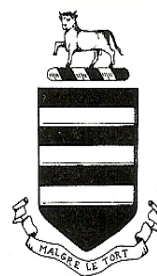
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3. Block Watchers: Acts as eyes and ears for section and their street; watches neighbors' homes; assists Block Captain; participates in Operation ID; calls 911 when they observe crime or trespassing at homes or on community property like the beaches.

We need at least four Block Captains, but every resident in the Cape can be a Block Watcher. Also, the police have reminded us that anyone who observes crime or trespassing can and should call 911.

Please email
cscwatch@gmail.com and confirm your participation as a Block Captain or Block Watcher. Please reply with your name, address, phone number and email.

Mike Robinson
CSC Community Watch
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Notice — Trespassing

The Board of Governors of the Cape St. Claire Improvement Association has authorized our Security Patrol and the Anne Arundel County Police to issue citations for trespassing to any individual who is on any community property, including all beaches, parks, and parking areas, illegally. This includes Cape residents who are on community property other than during the hours posted for use by residents. Non-residents may use community property only when accompanied by a resident of Cape St. Claire.

Calling All Candidates!!!

Help your community be the best in Anne Arundel County by volunteering to serve on the CSCIA Board!

There are four board seats available in January and we are looking for candidates for the CSCIA Budget committee as well.

The deadline for submitting your nomination is November 15. Please contact nominating chair, Kathleen Mooneyhan, at nominating2009@cscia.org or drop off your contact information at the CSCIA office:
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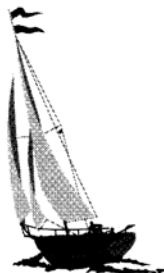
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Questions? Please contact laura.sherman@verizon.net or 410-626-7895



Garden Club

Congratulations to our summer Yard of the Month winners!

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August winners:

Area 1: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wajbel, 1057 Little Magothy View
Area 2: Ms. Susan McGaughey, 1318 Swan Drive
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Area 4: Ms. Becca Mobilo, 983 Mt. Holly Drive
Area 5: Mr. and Mrs. Roger Knox, 1393 Greenway Drive

September winners:

Area 1: Mr./ Mrs. Michael Maggio, 1313 Breezeway Drive
Area 2: Mr./ Mrs. Tim Geldmacher, 1127 Crestview Drive
Area 3: Mr./ Mrs. Greg Hogan, 1173 Hampton Road
Area 4: Mr./ Mrs. Jonathan Trask, 969 Mt. Holly Drive
Area 5: Mr./ Mrs. Tyrone Lewandowsky, 722 Fairway Drive

A special thank you from all of us in the Cape to Elizabeth Wnorowska, who does such

lovely work up-keeping Green Holly's traffic island garden and hillside landscape. She keeps them looking great even though the toughest summer weather. Thanks Elizabeth, for your tireless efforts at weeding, planting and watering. It really shows, and we so appreciate all your hard work on our behalf.

The Garden Club will meet on Tuesday, October 6th at 7pm in the clubhouse for our yearly cutting and seed exchange. Wandering jew, sweet potato vines, many varieties of coleus, morning glory, and hyacinth bean vines, are some of the varieties we have traded in the past. Please join us, and go home with some new plants for next summer!

The Garden Club will also host its annual Harvest Dinner on Sunday, October 25th, at which we will celebrate with our Yard of the Month winners another successful year in the garden. We'll


meet at 6 in the clubhouse. If you would like to join the club for either of these activities, please do! Any questions can be directed to Laura at 410-349-3390.

This autumn we hope to be building rain barrels and doing our annual wreath-making activity. We hope we'll see some new faces joining us for these fun activities.

Happy raking as the leaves fall!
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Our oyster spat (baby oysters) arrived late this season. Brad Knopf made new wire trays that the oysters seem to love. We would like to acknowledge two new volunteers, Doug and Madan Tsitouris. They worked hard to prepare our nursery for the arrival of oyster spat. If you happen to be at our Little Magothy dock site on a Tuesday you will meet this team. During the summer Bridgette Presti's son, Joseph, helped clean up our nursery.

We now have a "Floor Sucker" pump to help prime the main pump when needed. It will relieve carrying bucket after bucket of water to do the same job. Some of our members' backs have expressed thanks to the new pump.

Quoting from the Magothy River Association; "There has been a confirmed dark false mussel sighting in Forked Creek! Potentially this is good news for the Magothy River. We do not know if these new dark false mussel sightings will

lead up to the large number of mussels that made sections of the Magothy have "gin-clear water" a few years back. Not much is known about these small animals but MRA would like to learn more about them."

We are deploying 'splat plates' off the Little Magothy and Deep Creek piers to help the MRA determine if the dark false mussels are indeed coming back to the area. "Splat plates are ceramic tiles used to determine oyster setting and these ceramic tiles can also be used to determine the presence of dark false mussels." The tiles will be in the water for approximately one year.

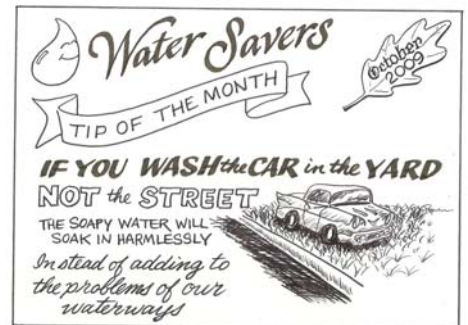
Saturday and Sunday September 12th & 13th was an oyster weekend. Brad Knopf spent both days handing out cages with oysters for, Md Grows Oysters (MGO). He started with two hundred and ninety six cages. Forty-three have not yet been picked-up. We are anticipating the Oyster Gardeners who did not pick-up there cages will do so soon.

Once again, we thank Greg Young (G.Y.Plumbing) and Billy Pedone (Absolute Plumb-

ing) for their contributions. The last time they spent four hours trying to clean seventy-five feet of clogged pipes. And guess what was the main culprit - a large white perch, (three or four more and we could have had a fish fry). Greg's son Tommy helped refill the oyster tank with water. One of the many times he has helped his dad at the oyster nursery. Tommy is the top silverside fish catcher in the Cape.

We are always looking for volunteers, donations in time, materials and financial assistance to keep our oyster nursery running. Please contact Rick Danforth 410-349-0911 or Rene Burgan 410-757-2050 for more information.

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Frank P. Newman
CSCIA Chair for Beaches and Parks



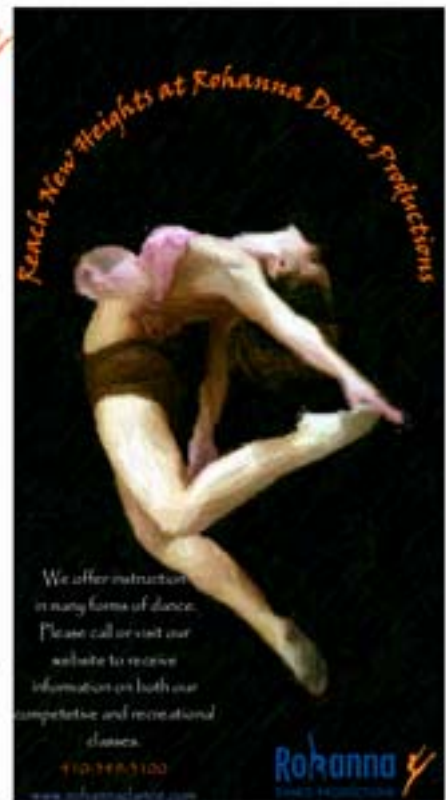
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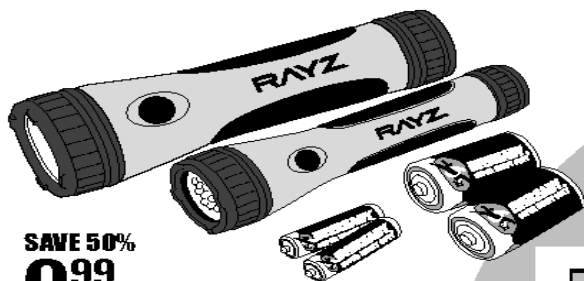
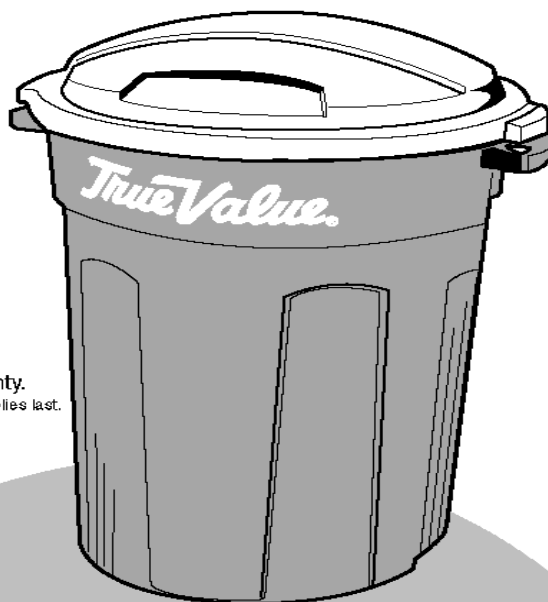


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