

Cape St. Claire Improvement Association, Inc. Community Newsletter

JUNE 2016

QUARTERLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING TUESDAY JULY 26TH AT 7:30 PM

President's Message

JUNE 2016

Capers,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Memorial Day Weekend! We as a community are fortunate to live in a place where we can enjoy beautiful beaches, parks and piers on the Chesapeake Bay. The sacrifice of so many service men and women over the years should not be forgotten, but their memories should be celebrated with your family, friends and community that those who gave the ultimate sacrifice to provide us with the freedom and independence. I hope you had the opportunity to do so over the holiday weekend!

There is only one word that comes to mind regarding May this year, "Rain". We either broke or came close to all the consecutive days for rain and most days in the month. Many of the projects we had scheduled did not get completed on time due to weather. That doesn't mean it wasn't a busy month though. With schools letting out in just a few weeks, summer will be in full swing and we at the CSCIA will be at our busiest! Let's quickly review some happenings in the community.

First the most obvious, Phase III of the Main Beach Walkway Improvements, which is the final phase planned for this project, which started in May 2014, with subsequent additions in May 2015 & 2016. The pervious paver walkway extension began April 27th and finished in just 8 days, despite the weather. Phase III was an extension of the walkway to meet the beach. We replaced the 60 year old cinder block wall and the 60 year old concrete paths with a new 60ft long sitting wall and a new entrance with steps to the beach. If you haven't seen it yet, swing by and check it out! Also swing by after dark to see the recessed LED lighting in the wall. I want to thank former Governor Dembowski for all his work over the last three years in planning this project. I believe the entire project really enhances what is already one of the most picturesque places on the Chesapeake Bay.

Governor Lamb, our Clubhouse Committee Chair has been quite busy giving the Clubhouse some much needed TLC. The floors have been updated, we added wainscoting and higher chair rail to help with look and durability of the clubhouse walls. The interior of the Clubhouse will also get a fresh coat of paint. Again I believe the improvements really enhance our clubhouse and will show well for our community events, private parties and wedding rentals this summer!

The extension of the Lake Claire Fishing Pier has been moved from late May to early June due to weather delays. We will announce via our Facebook page details when we have them. Lastly, you will notice some clean-up of the natural areas on the Main Beach. We are working the County and our contractors regarding the removal of the dead trees, thinning & removal of invasive plants and will replant with native plants to help stabilize and improve the natural areas. This will be done in phases to ensure we comply with all Critical Area permitting requirements.

With June comes summer and with that we all know that the first Saturday in June was the Strawberry Festival, a 50 plus year tradition in Cape St. Claire. This year was no different, the Strawberry Festival Committee coordinated a fun filled day at the Main Beach and Clubhouse. New this year are the Berry Buses and Bus Stops, many of you

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Board In Brief CSCIA Board Of Governors Monthly Meeting

MAY 9, 2016

President Breeden called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. and thanked all for attending. He noted that it has been a busy past month with the transitioning of the BOG and catching up on projects. He said the Main Beach wall is done and the Lake Claire crabbing pier extension will be done before Memorial Day.

The minutes of April 11, 2016 were approved unanimously with two corrections.

The Profit & Loss Final Statement of March 31, 2016 was approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Technology: Governor Szczytko said there has been a lot of work done on the Strawberry Festival page, including the Berry Bus stops, and that the current Caper is now on line.

Clubhouse: Governor Lamb said the new flooring is installed and she plans to extend it to the Cox Meeting Room. New trim and beadboard wainscoting will be going up in the Main Room.

Caper: Governor Lamb said the Caper was a bit late this month waiting for final articles for the Strawberry Festival. She said the Berry Bus is getting a lot of positive response.

Strawberry Festival: Governor Lamb said plans are going well.

Signboard: Governor Lamb noted that the signboard really needs to be replaced. There was discussion of styles and funding. She also noted that new lights will be installed on Cape St Claire Road from Walnut Ridge to the center of the parking lot.

Erosion Control: Governor Vaccaro mentioned last month's workday planting grasses at Lake Claire to hold the sand, and scattering seed over the old phragmites area. There will be a tour on Sunday, May 15 of current and future restoration sites. She also noted the CCC's participation at the Goshen Farm Open House.

Budget: Chairman Buchet noted that the committee met last month and will be meeting on June 16. He noted that as we lose volunteers to help with projects, we need to budget more for hired help, and also noted that riparian rights letters have to go out next fiscal year, at some cost to us.

Building: Governor Zadera said he continues to work on things as they come in. There was some discussion of county versus covenant setback requirements.

Treasurer: Governor Myers said all is normal.

Events: Governor Myers said the July 4 parade permit has been submitted and she is looking for help in running the event.

Piers: Governor Breeden said all but 1 slip have been rented with some subleases coming up and 20 to 25 people have moved off the wait list.

BCC: Governor Breeden said they have been working on Bill 2316 dealing with peer review of Planning and Zoning.

Beaches and Parks: Governor Breeden said the floating gardens are in place at Deep Creek, the Main Beach project is largely complete, and beach attendants have been hired.

BLOA: Governor Breeden said that SB 141 and HB 602 will be signed by the Governor tomorrow.

Covenants: Governor Breeden said 2016 remains busy.

Mosquito Control: Governor Breeden noted that we are signed up for spraying.

Roads: Governor Breeden said CSC Road is in the final stages of paving, with several issues still to be wrapped up. Once the entire project is certified as complete the water will be turned on.

Security: Governor Breeden said the rain has helped keep activity down.

OLD BUSINESS:

Governor Breeden said that he will be looking over restoration sites with Biohabitats tomorrow.

There was discussion of Broadneck Grill's request to install several sidewalk tables. The County has said it would issue permits as all ADA requirements will have been met. The BOG voted unanimously to allow the tables.

Governor Szczytko will get projected scanning costs to the Budget Committee.

Governor Breeden said towing signs are up at the shopping center lot and an abandoned vehicle has been towed.

NEW BUSINESS:

It was noted that beach grass planting to offset the wall construction needs to be done before the Strawberry Festival.

Administrative Assistant Coble said our auditor has finished going through the books.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned to a Closed Session at 8:14 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Governors Breeden, Lamb, Myers, Szczytko, Vaccaro, and Zadera. Governor Small was absent. Also present were Budget Committee chairman Buchet and member Toy, along with Administrative Assistant Coble.

** GARDEN CLUB ***

Happy Summer, Capers!

After a very wet spring, it seems we are finally getting that dose of sunny vitamin D that we have all been longing for! Everything is looking lush and colorful. The Garden Club is finishing up its regular meeting schedule for the summer with its Secret Garden tour and family picnic. But our Yard of the Month committee will still be diligently judging the beautiful yards in the Cape and awarding the prized sign to one household each out of five areas. If your yard is chosen, you will receive the sign and a letter plus an invitation to our annual Harvest Dinner, which takes place in October. You can check out this year's and past years' winners at our blog, gardenclub@wordpress.com.

Also, kudos to the many Garden Club volunteers that maintain some of the common areas in the Cape. These areas include the medians at both entrances, the memorial garden off the bike path near the library, the rain garden at the Cape Clubhouse and, sometimes, the lily gardens at the library. If you see someone weeding and/or planting, be sure to give a friendly wave! And along those lines, the club would like to thank Elizabeth Wnoroska who has taken care of the median and surrounds at Green Holly for

over twenty years! She has made this beautiful garden what it is and it's going to be hard to fill her garden clogs as she retires this spring. As you enter the Cape, take a look at what resulted from her years of toil; it is greatly appreciated and reminds us of how fortunate we are to live in a beautiful community with volunteers that are willing to take on these tasks and others.

And, congratulations to Yard of the Month winners for May:

Area 1: Lisa Malone

1062 Park Circle

Area 2: Charlie & Kathy Potts

1043 Oak Tree Road

Area 3: Robert & Regina Souhrada

1028 Lake Claire Drive

Area 4: The Watkins Family

1196 Southview Drive

Area 5: The Lewandowskis

722 Fairway Drive

SUBMITTED BY JEANNE KLINGLER



caught a free ride to the Strawberry Festival from more than a dozen pick up points in the Cape.

July 4th we will be having another parade, games and competitions at the Main Beach and Clubhouse. The Events Committee is busy planning for this day too! Please consider joining in the fun to celebrate our Independence Day. You can get more information in this month's Caper or by emailing events@cscia.org.

Be on the lookout for service projects and clean up days throughout the summer in coordination with our friends, the Cape Conservation Corps. With good weather comes high activity at our community properties. We need the help of volunteers to help throughout the summer. Contact parks@cscia.org or erosion@csci.org for details regarding different needs for both short term and long term projects.

A few housekeeping items:

- The beach attendants will be at the beaches and parks this year, please treat them with respect and provide them the information requested. Our beach attendants are Cape residents too, your neighbors and our program is to help keep our beaches and parks for residents and their quests!
- Review the Updated Beaches and Parks Policies for 2016. We have signs posted at the parks, so please read them. They can also be found at https://cscia.org/csciaservices/beaches/

- Please be sure to put your 2016 stickers on your vehicles or display your guest pass from your review view mirror. The towing company has begun making rounds and we are checking for valid stickers and passes, especially on the weekends! If you do not have your stickers & guest pass, please contact the office regarding paying your lot fees, late fees, and updating vehicle information.
- Remember the guest pass cannot be used for trailering at Deep Creek Boat Ramp from May 27th to September 4th on Friday, Saturday and Sunday's.
- If you have concerns regarding our Covenants, Building Codes, and County Zoning Codes or just inquiry as to our policies, please utilize our website for information and resources.
- Lastly, put the July 26th, 2016 CSCIA Quarterly Membership Meeting on your calendar now. You will want to come for the Biohabitats presentation for the possible solutions to help restore our beaches, protect our shorelines and help improve our waterways. Remember you can find information about many things going on in our community on our website www.cscia.org or the Cape St. Claire Improvement Association Facebook Page.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the 4th of July Parade or at one of the beaches & parks!

Best Wishes, Beau Breeden

President CSCIA

EPIPHANY COMMUNITY



We celebrate Catholic mass every Sunday at 9:30am at the Cape St. Claire Clubhouse. Please feel free to join us each and every Sunday morning! We all look forward to meeting new people this Sunday. The Strawberry Festival is just around the corner on June 4th – looking forward to seeing you there!





2016 CAPE CLEAN-UP

Friday, August 26th & Saturday, August 27th Corner of Broadview and Cape St. Claire Road



Anne Arundel County Waste Management has graciously offered Cape Residents a weekend in August for our 2016 Clean-Up. The Clean-UP will begin as soon as the County arrives on Friday (before Noon). We will make every effort to operate the Clean-Up until 4:30 PM on Friday, space permitting. On Saturday the Clean-up will begin at 7:30 AM and continue until approximately 1:30 PM, space permitting. In an effort to protect our environment and dispose of our trash properly, Anne Arundel County will be providing the clean-up with cans for recycling and 2 on-site Anne Arundel County Employees to assist the residents with the proper disposal of their TRASH. When you arrive at the clean-up you will be asked to dispose of your TRASH in the proper cans. Please keep this in mind as you load your vehicles. Try to keep your recyclables together (Glass, Cardboard, Paper, Metals etc...)

The following is a list of "unacceptable" materials:

Junk AutomobilesLiquidsPaintsTrailersHazardous WasteRefrigeratorsGas and Propone TanksBoatsAir ConditionersOil Drums or TanksTires

If you should have any questions about the clean-up please Contact

Mary Lamb at 410-757-0593



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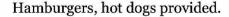
Sunday, June 19 5 p.m.





Sunday, June 5 11:15 a.m.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket & a dish to share.







Join us for regular worship services: Sundays @ 7:30, 9:00, & 11:15 a.m. Wednesdays @ 7:30 a.m.





www.st-margarets.org

PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR COMMUNITY

- Your Community's assigned spray Night is: Wednesday
 - Your community will only ever by sprayed on Wednesday nights during the 2016 season.
- Spraying can occur anytime between 7:00 PM and 2:30 AM
- > Driver training will occur from May 25-June 1. Your community might or might not be sprayed during this period.
 - May 25th is the earliest possible date that any community could be sprayed.
 - Regular service should commence by June 1.
 - Any spraying during the training period would only occur on your assigned spray night.
- Residents who do not wish their property to be sprayed may file and exemption. The exemption policy and form can be found on our website:

http://mda.maryland.gov/plantspests/Documents/MosquitoControlExemptionForm.pdf

- On your community's assigned spray night we suggest the following precautions
 - Stay indoors
 - Shut windows
 - Turn off window air conditioning units
 - Bring in pet dishes, children's toys, etc.
- > For Further information:
 - http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/pages/mosquito_control.aspx
 - mosquito.control@maryland.gov
 - 410-841-5870
 - For information on the products used: http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Pages/mc product labels material safety data sheets.aspx



2016 Strawberry Festival















June 2016



Cape St. Claire United Methodist Church

855 Chestnut Tree Drive Annapolis, Maryland 21409

Phone: 410-757-4896 Website - capeumc.org

Email: capeumc@verizon.net Pastor - Rev. Lys Cockrell

Worship Service - 9:00 AM on Sundays in the Sanctuary **Children's Sunday School** - 9:00 AM Sundays. Kindergarten through 5th grade. After the Children's message in our worship service, the teachers take the students to their classroom. There they learn the stories of the Bible and participate in fun activities and create crafts that reinforce the lessons.

Worship is our most profound activity. Together we seek God's presence and place ourselves in the position to receive the gift of His Spirit. Come, Worship with us and Share our Ministries and Activities.

Pastor's Note



As I write for this Caper, I am in the midst of many things as most of you are, It's the end of the school year, the close of our children's Sunday classes, the summer vacation for our choir (and many of our church members).and the time for our Annual Conference. In the tradition of the United Methodist Church, all ministers and their church delegates gather to fellowship, worship, and take care of the

"business" of the church. There is study and discussion - displaying and presenting - round-table chatting and voting - and wonderful preaching and singing.

This also is almost time for me to say good-bye to my congregation, my clergy friends, and this community. I have received a new appointment in the Baltimore Metropolitan district where I will serve a different church and different community. My prayer is that in some small way I have made a difference through my service to CSCUMC and that I will be able to do the same in my new appointment. My love for the Lord means so much to me and I want to serve Him as he calls me to - wherever and whenever. I still have a few weeks to continue ministry here and to enjoy all the relationships I have been blessed with. God is so good at all times - full of mercy and grace.

May we never forget that!

Blessings to All

Pastor Lys

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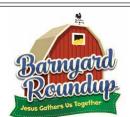


Women's Bibles on the Beach Study

Cape Main Beach
(meeting at CSCUMC if bad weather)
6/1, 6/15, 6/29, 7/13 & 8/3
(note the 3 week gap between 7/13 & 8/3 because of VBS)

We will be reading the book by Matthew Kelly called <u>Rediscover Jesus: An invitation</u>. As in the past, if you know you are going to miss a session, you can keep up on your own while you are away. We hope you will still join us.

Please order the book on your own. You do not have to read anything before the first session. There are several options on Amazon: hard copy, kindle version & paperbacks. The paperbacks are cheaper, but they are used so leave plenty of time for shipping since you will be dealing directly with the seller, etc. Please email Mia Riser (mlriser serves@aol.com) if you are interested or have questions.



Vacation Bible School

Sunday, July 24th through Thursday July 28th

Ages 3(potty trained) thru 5th grade
Dinner served at 5:30 each night (parent to attend with child)
Program: 6-8:30pm

VBS 2016 is "farm-tastic!" In Barnyard Roundup VBS, your children learn that Jesus gathers us together! They'll look into the Bible, God's Holy Word, and explore five Bible accounts where Jesus graciously gathers us together to be with Him with His abundant provision and saving protection, now and forever. Come along with us as we sing fun songs, do crazy crafts, eat yummy snacks, play awesome games, and more. Plus, you'll learn all about Jesus our Savior and how He gathers us together!

Can't wait to see you there!

Register now for Barnyard Roundup Vacation Bible School!

Register online at: https://vbsmate.com/events/capeumc/3194
or e-mail cscumcchildrensministries@gmail.com

Fill out the registration form online or email us for a registration form. Early Bird Registration is for those that attended VBS in July 2015 which will open on Monday, April 4th. Regular registration for open for all on Friday, April 15th. Please make checks payable to CSCUMC please mark your kid's names and VBS on the memo line. Checks or Cash are accepted in the Church Office M-TH 9am-2pm. Cost is \$15 per Child/ \$30 Max per Family.

Check us out on Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/Cape-St-Claire-United-Methodist-Church-Childrens-Ministries-1760119877552754/



Cape Kids Corner has been in the area since 1982 providing a quality program with flexible scheduling for parents. Nutritious snacks are provided and we work on social skills as well as academic to prepare our students for kindergarten.

Cape Kids' Corner has a few openings left for the summer and fall school year.

Please call to set up a tour.

Call 410-757-2271 or email: capekidscorner@gmail.com





Cape St. Claire's 5th Annual July 4th Celebration!

Join us for an old-fashioned July 4th celebration right here in our wonderful community!

Staging for the parade will start at the Fire Department at 9:30 with the parade start time of 10:00AM. This year we will have prizes for the "Most Patriotic" float/entry and the "Most Creative" float/entry. Be sure to enter your group, team, family, etc.!

In addition to the parade, the festivities will continue at the Main Beach from 11:00AM to 2:00PM and will include games such as:

- Tug-of-War
- Sandcastle building contest
- Water balloon toss
- Spoon and egg races
- Watermelon eating contest

Also, the Cape's BBQ ribs contest will be back due to popular demand! We again want to find the best Backyard Ribs in Cape St. Claire!! We have some special guest judges who will sample and evaluate each entry and declare a winner! Start perfecting your rib recipes and enter your sample to win a special prize, and amazing bragging rights!

Please turn your entry forms in as soon as possible! Please visit our website at www.cscia.org and our official Facebook page for more information. Or feel free to contact the Events Committee at events.org.









Cape St. Claire's Best Backyard Ribber Application July 4th, 2016 We want to find the best Backyard Ribs in Cape St. Claire!!

- May cook on any type of cooker, except electric
- MUST FOLLOW Kansas City Barbecue Society Safety Guidelines and Rules (http://www.kcbs.us/pdf/2016_rules.pdf)
- Ribs must be turned in by: 12:00 pm at the Clubhouse
- Awards Ceremony: 1:00 pm at the Clubhouse

Team Name:		# of Assistants (4 maximum):				
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Release of Liability: The Cape St. Claire Improvement Association, or any officer or staff member of this organization will not under any circumstances be responsible for any loss sustained by any competitor or any other person by reason of theft, fire, water, accidents, injuries, or for any other reason, but will take reasonable care to protect competitors from any such loss. Each competitor agrees to assume sole responsibility for any damages they sustain and shall indemnify and hold forever blameless the Cape St. Claire Improvement Association for all alleged claims that might ensue from any cause whatsoever, including accidents or injuries to competitors, their employees, agents, representatives, invitees and guests. Further, I hereby grant full permission to the Cape St. Claire Improvement Association or any authorized agents to use any photographs, videos, recordings or any other record of this event for any legitimate purpose. Oath: I have agree to adhere to the safety regulations and general guidelines of the Kansas City Barbecue Society while participating in this event. I also affirm that I						
		rchase cooked ribs from anyone else.				
Signature of Head Cook/Pit Master:						
Date:						
events@cscia.org.		by contacting the Events Committee at tiverbay Road or email the form to				

events@cscia.org.

June 2016





2016 Cape St. Claire July 4th Parade

"Float" Entry

DECORATE YOUR "Float" and enter to be considered for awards for "Most Patriotic" and "Most Creative"!

Please fill out this form and email it to <u>events@cscia.org</u>. Or drop it off at the CSCIA Office at 1223 Riverbay Road.

Name/Title of Float Entry	
Point of Contact's	
Name	
Email	
Phone Number	
We agree to participate in the Cape St. Claire July agree to meet at the CSC Fire Hall at 9:30 AM on	, July 4, 2016 for the Parade and
Contest Presentation immediately following at the responsibility for my child's safety. I understand obikes are part of the float entry.	2 0
Signature	Date













2016 Cape St. Claire Fourth of July Celebration

VENDOR REGISTRATION FORM July 4, 2016

11:00 AM UNTIL 2:00 PM Main Beach PARADE BEGINS AT 10:00 AM at the Fire Department

VENDOR NAME
CONTACT PERSON_
ADDRESS
PHONE NUMBER
EMAIL ADDRESS
EVENTS, GAMES, FOODS, ETC. TO BE OFFERED INCLUDING PRICES
YES WE WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PARADE
PARADE ENTRY

**NOTE: all food vendors are responsible for obtaining a Special Event Temporary Food Service Permit. You can download the application from the CSCIA website. Questions: Please email Jennifer Klug Vaccaro or Dawn Myers at: events@cscia.org





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Super Summer!

Wondering how you're going to keep your kids engaged this summer? Never fear, **Broadneck Baptist Church** is here! Kids and adults of all ages are welcome at all activities unless otherwise noted. Please register for Music and Arts Camp at www.broadneckbaptistchurch.org, and for other events by visiting http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0948AFAD22A1F58-super



Tuesday, June 21 at 10:00am Breakfast on the Beach We'll go together to a local beach to share breakfast like Jesus did with his disciples in John 21. Then we'll have time to swim, relax, and play.

Saturday, June 25 at 6:30pm Take Me Out to the Ballgame! Join us at the Bowie Baysox for Star Wars Night! We'll be wearing our Broadneck T-shirts & sitting in General Admission behind 3rd base.



July 11-15 9am-Noon Daily: Music and Arts Camp

A week of music, drama, art, movement, and creativity for all kids who've finished K-5.





Thursday, July 28 at 10am Celebrate Creation! Travel to Langdon Green group home to sing for residents, then to Quiet Waters Park to learn about & enjoy God's creation (bring bagged lunch).

Wednesday, August 10 at 10am God's Peaceable Kingdom Go to Kinderfarm Park to visit animals & talk about God's dreams for a world where even animals live together in peace! Bring a bagged lunch.





Sunday, August 21 at 10am Blessing of the Backpacks A time of blessing our kids in worship as they begin a new school year.

Sunday, September 4 at 11:30am Water, Water Everywhere Celebrate the end of summer! After worship is over we'll learn about how important water is in the Bible and celebrate the fun that is water through games for all ages. Pizza lunch (\$3/person); bring/wear clothes that can get WET!





Saturday, September 17 4:00-6:30pm Neighborhood Block Party Summer's over, but the fun is not! Join us for live music, food, and games and activities for kids.



Volunteer Opportunities

It's time to Spring into ACTION! Here are some upcoming ways you can participate in our community restoration efforts:

June 4th: Find us at the Strawberry Festival! We will be selling fresh oysters on the half-shell: 2 shucks for 3 bucks! Proceeds fund our upcoming project at Little Magothy Beach and maintenance of existing restoration areas. We will also have an oyster toss game with prizes for the kids!

June 11th: We will be focusing on removing invasive species. Mark your calendar for 9am-11am. We will meet in the pump house ravine, across from 1036 Lake Claire Drive.

July 16th: We will be focusing on removing invasive species. Mark your calendar for 9am-11am. We will meet in the pump house ravine, across from 1036 Lake Claire Drive.

April Beach Planting

Our volunteers had a gorgeous sunny morning for planting grasses at the Lake Claire beach on April 16th. The warm sun, cries of the osprey, sound of the waves and really FUN people made it a picture perfect way to spend a Saturday morning - and a lot less like work!

We planted two species along the newly placed sand dunes: Juncus effuses (smooth rush) and Chasmanthium latifolium (wild sea oats). These plants will put down dense root systems, and help to hold our new sand in place. Tread lightly around them so they have a chance to survive!

Please join us for our next volunteer date on June 11th!

Special Thanks

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Thank you to the CSC Garden Club for their generous donation of \$339.00! They raised this money through their plant auction, as well as the donations collected at their annual plant sale. We are so grateful for the support of the Garden Club's and for the support of all the generous individuals who made donations in exchange for compost and mosquito dunks!



Volunteers plant Juncus effuses - smooth rush along the new sand dune at Lake Claire



Our new President Marita Roos describes the work we have planned for the Little Magothy Beach

First Annual Eco-Tour a Success!

Thank you to all of the people who attended our first annual Eco-Tour! We had perfect weather and a good attendance as we toured around Cape St. Claire! Thank you to everyone who attended, and we hope to see you all again for the next one!

Act of Conservation by: Stacey Wildberger

Aldo Leopold is considered to be the father of wildlife conservation in this country. During his life time he had many roles including wildlife manager, hunter, advocate, visionary, philosopher and author. His creation of The Land Ethic created a new way of thinking and acting toward the land. He understood the importance of preserving our land in its natural state. He was a true visionary and his teachings and writings stand up today. During his time with the Forest Service he developed his concept of community; he saw the land as a living organism to which we all belong. Aldo Leopold's book, *Sand County Almanac*, is truly inspirational and a must read for any conservation minded citizen.

"We abuse land because we see it as a commodity belonging to us. When we see land as a community to which we belong, we may begin to use it with love and respect." — Aldo Leopold



Conservation is a state of harmony between man and land. As residents of a community we have an obligation to uphold the value of the land, preserve its integrity for future generations and protect the natural state for the native flora and fauna.

We as individuals can make a difference by getting involved in projects in the community, including removal of invasive plants, planning and installing Monarch Waystations, planting native plants, shrubs and trees in the common areas of the Cape as well as in our own backyards to create biodiversity.

Please check the Cape Conservation Corps Website http://capeconservationcorps.org/ or join our Facebook page for upcoming opportunities to get involved.

No Time to Volunteer?

Please consider supporting our efforts with a financial contribution! Since we formally organized the Cape Conservation Corps last year, we have:

- Continued eradicating Phragmites at Lake Claire.
- Continued cleaning up invasive vegetation in the ravines that feed Lake Claire.
- Planted THOUSANDS of native trees, shrubs and perennials.
- Secured grant funding for erosion control at the Little Magothy Beach.

This year we plan to continue these projects, and hopefully implement the Little Magothy Beach project. In addition, we are planning for:

- Erosion control of all our beaches and shorelines, with anticipated implementation in 2017.
- Geotechnical study in preparation for reducing hot runoff at the Deep Creek boat ramp.

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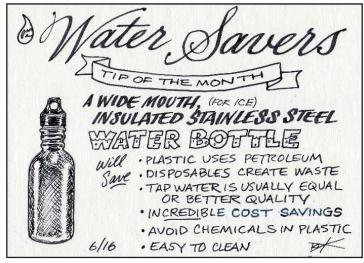
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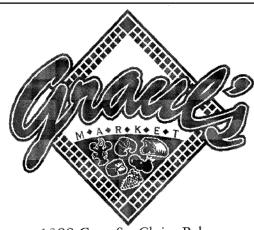
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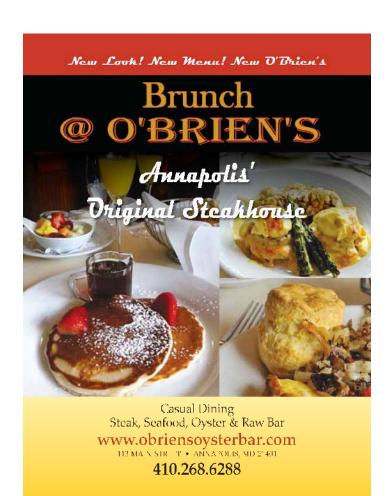
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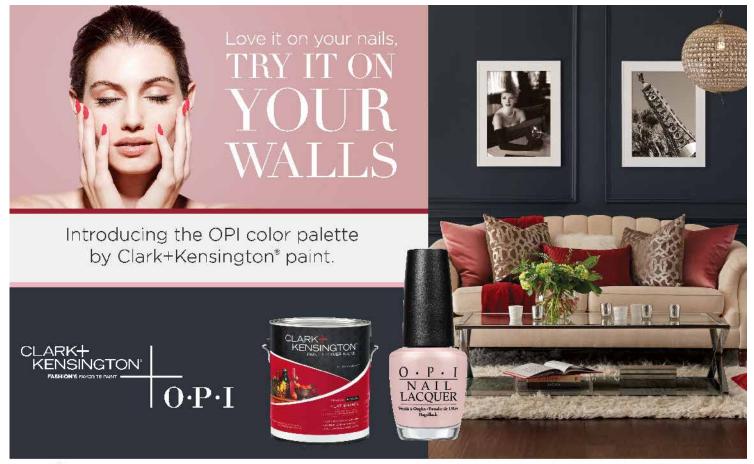
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1138 Ramblewood Drive	3/2/1	\$305,000	\$0	134
994 Round Top Drive	5/2	\$371,500	\$0	56
1208 Hilltop Drive	4/2/1	\$409,900	\$12,300	36
995 Round Top Drive	3/1	\$195,000	\$0	6
1063 Saint Margarets	4/2/1	\$563,850	\$10,000	200
992 Saint Johns Drive	5/2	\$385,000	\$5,000	27
972 Dogwood Tree Drive	3/2	\$199,500	\$0	177
1050 Broadview Drive	3/3	\$314,600	\$0	5
1014 Lake Claire Drive	3/2	\$300,000	\$5,000	281
958 Saint Johns Drive	4/2	\$370,000	\$9,515	13
1066 Broadview Drive	3/2	\$355,000	\$4,125	31
1213 Summit Drive	4/2	\$365,000	\$0	94
999 Round Top Drive	4/2	\$303,000	\$9,000	38

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