

Cape St. Claire Improvement Association, Inc. Community Newsletter

OCTOBER 2016

President's Message

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Dear Capers,

We are moving quickly into fall.

I want to take this month's message as an opportunity to update you on what the Board of Governors has been working on, especially as we move into the last quarter of 2016 and continue our planning for 2017 and beyond. So here is a brief update on our some of committees and what they are working on.

Beaches and Parks – The CSCIA staff and other volunteers continue the upkeep and improvement of our beaches and parks. Phase III of the Main Beach Walkway Project was completed in May before the Strawberry Festival. We are working on a three phase clearing of invasive species along the Main Beach, while addressing other similar needs at Lake Claire and Little Magothy Parks. The Lake Claire Fishing & Crab Pier was extended for the third time since 1989 to allow for better accessibility to all residents. The Beaches Capital Improvement & Restoration Planning continues. We held a public meeting on proposed suggested plans in July and will be meeting with regulators in October for a preapplication walkthrough of projects. We will continue to update the community when we have new information.

Budget – Elected committee members Michael Buchet, David Toy, Russ Harada along with Governor Myers and I have been meeting and discussing the Fiscal Year budget for 2018, which was presented to the Board of Governors in September and will be voted on in October. The Board will then present the Budget to the membership at our October Meeting this fall and it will be voted on in January at the Annual Meeting or via paper ballot. Michael, David & Russ have volunteered their time to tackle some tough issues and planning topics along the way.

Building – Governor Zadera has been busy with the many submissions of CSCIA Building Permits this year. We have had 54 application through mid-September,

which is up from all of 2015 where we had 53 for the year. This role includes a lot of conversation with County regarding permitting, inspections and environmental controls. Please remember before you building a new home, addition, fence, shed, etc., you should check the CSCIA Building codes, available online via our website or email building@cscia.org.

Clubhouse – Governor Lamb continues to improve the Clubhouse. The Clubhouse floors were updated along with the main room and it is looking great! It has been very well received from renters of the Clubhouse. We continue the planning for more substantial interior renovations to the kitchen and bathrooms that will update our building's infrastructure to meet codes and accessibility for all in the future.

Covenants – The Covenants Committee has received 57 complaints year to date. In 2016, we received 61 in total. We continue to work with the County Zoning Enforcement, Inspections, Permits and Health Department on a variety of complaints in the Community related to untagged vehicles, weeded lots, junk & debris and permitted use activities in a residential area.

Erosion – Governor Vaccaro continues to work on erosion issues on CSCIA properties, restoration efforts of Lake Claire, and fighting invasive species with the help of the Cape Conservation Corps.

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Board In Brief CSCIA Board Of Governors Monthly Meeting SEPTEMBER 12, 2016

President Breeden called the meeting to order at 7:29 P.M. and thanked all for attending. He commended the beach attendants for a great job this summer and noted that we had a somewhat quiet August. He said the Lake Claire crabbing pier work is finished and we will be discussing Cape St. Claire road work, the Green Holly study, a St. Andrews project and the budget.

A resident of 1222 Riverbay Road appeared to ask for a variance, regarding a retaining wall and stairs that were put in without proper permits. The Board said they would discuss the matter in closed session and get back to the owner.

The minutes of August 8, 2016 were approved with one abstention.

The Profit and Loss statement of July 31, 2016 was approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Technology: Governor Szczytko said the beach restoration site is on line.

Clubhouse: Governor Lamb said that rentals are steady.

Caper: Governor Lamb said advertising contracts and payments are being returned.

Halloween Happenings: Governor Lamb said admission will be a non-perishable food item to benefit My Brother's Pantry. The event is Saturday, October 29.

Cape Clean Up: Governor Lamb said the event went well. She doesn't know how much longer the county will provide the service but we will continue to submit our request.

Buildings: Governor Zadera said there is a community meeting scheduled for September 21 from 6 to 8 P.M. regarding the construction of 3 houses at 1020, 1018, and 1016 Lake Claire Drive. He has comments regarding a hearing about 984 Hillendale to discuss in closed session. He added that he has been holding onto our application requests until the proper county permits have been submitted.

Erosion Control: Governor Vaccaro said there is a volunteer day scheduled for Sunday to mulch the paths at 1036 Lake Claire Drive. She is working on setting up dates to plant grasses on Lake Claire beach to prevent winter erosion. She said she is diverting some of the Little Magothy swale money to refurbish the rain garden there, as swale work needs to wait on the county to address its runoff problem. She noted the CCC Harvest Bash is on November 4th at the Clubhouse.

Treasurer: Governor Myers mentioned that work on the budget is continuing.

BCC: Governor Breeden said there was a meeting to discuss ideas for alleviating traffic problems next summer with regard to Sandy Point. There were extra officers on duty over Labor Day.

BLOA: Governor Breeden said they are beginning the SCBD process and investigating what work needs to be done prior to hooking up to county water.

Roads: Governor Breeden said EDC is off the Cape St. Claire Road project and new contractors are finishing up the work. EDC still has to deal with and replace 3 trees that were killed during their work. He also mentioned the latest Green Holly traffic study.

Security: Governor Breeden said there has been a rash of commercial vehicle break-ins. Otherwise; things have been quiet on the beaches and parks.

Beaches and Parks: Governor Breeden said the beach attendants are done for the year and noted what a valuable asset they are to the community.

Piers: Governor Breeden said that quite a few slips are opening up. Bids are out for raising the Lake Claire pier. There were some electrical problems at Little Magothy pier that have been fixed, the lock has been replaced and new keys have been issued.

Budget: Chairman Buchet passed out the cover letter for the Caper that explains the budget. He noted the increase in the cap as well as the assessment and the line item for a town manager. The budget will be presented at the October Quarterly Membership meeting and the community can weigh in and start thinking about the choices that need to be made. Governor Breeden thanked the committee and Governor Myers for the work they have put in.

OLD BUSINESS

Governor Lamb said the Strawberry Festival is considering putting together welcome baskets for new residents. There was discussion of what would go in the baskets and how they would be distributed.

Governor Lamb said the Magothy River association crab fest will be held at the Clubhouse on October 2. They want to leave their compost containers here from Friday through Monday. Governor Vaccaro will look into this concept and provide the board with more information.

Governor Breeden passed out maps showing the results of the Green Holly traffic study. They detailed usage, speeds, and patterns and offered some possible solutions for dealing with the problems.

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NEW BUSINESS

The Goshen Farm open house is Saturday, September 17 from noon to 5 P.M.

St. Andrews by the Bay will be redoing their parking lots and is looking for grants to install rain gardens and retention areas to prevent runoff into Cat Branch creek, which feeds into the Little Magothy River. They are looking for letters of support. Governor Breeden will write one on behalf of the CSCIA.

COMMENTS

Budget Chair Buchet commented that when we start allowing groups of people to obey the rules and time constraints of our facilities, it opens up all sorts of problems. He also thanked President Breeden on behalf of the Budget Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned to a closed session at 8:47 P.M.

CLOSED SESSION:

A closed session was convened at 8:48 P.M. and adjourned at 9:48 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Governors Breeden, Lamb, Myers, Szczytko, Vaccaro, and Zadera were present, as was Adminstrative Assistant Coble and Budget Committee chair Buchet and Member Toy.



Piers – The Piers Committee has done a wonderful job this year of improving many things around the piers and our 225 slips. We were at 100% rentals this summers, maximized revenues, and reviewed cost savings opportunities. The Deep Creek Large Pier was renovated and looks really good. We are now planning the work to be done on the Lake Claire Pier & Little Magothy Pier.

Roads – As you know I have taken on the role of communicator for the better part of the last two and half years as a liaison between the County and our residents. The reality of the road project is it didn't get done in nine months as originally planned for by the County and Contractor as we now enter the 31st month of work. The County is in the process of changing contractors for some of the final items and hopefully we will see the promised final striping of the roads in October for both traffic and safety reasons. We also have been in a yearlong study of Green Holly Drive, its interesting streets and issues the community deals with, especially sight lines. The Study Group will discuss the options the County has proposed in October and move forward from there.

Personnel – Leslie Coble continues to do an outstanding job in her second year as Community Administrator for the CSCIA. She has really settled into the position and things have run very well here in 2016. I also want to commend both Dottie Ballard, Richards Steinbock for the job they have done in working for the CSCIA. Lastly, our beach attendants had a great 2016 season and were highly effective in assisting residents as needed and being a deterrent during prime beach season in reducing non-resident access to our beaches, parks and piers.

Technology – Governor Szczytko continues to move the Association into the 21st Century with our technology capabilities. We have upgraded systems, printers, scanners and have begun the important process of getting electronic copies of many of our records, which will be a multi-year project in itself.

As you can see, we have a lot of ongoing projects, some small and some large, we have been having more conversations regarding our "vision and direction" for Cape St. Claire. Long range planning can be difficult with a volunteer Board of Governors, who serve three year terms as Governors. The time, commitment and efforts of the 5 other Governors should be appreciated by all. I am proud of what we have accomplished in maintaining and improving our community.

We have a lot of projects in the pipeline and we need the help of the broader community. So if you are interested in running for the Board of Governors, Budget Committee or want to volunteer for a specific project and want more information as to what it entails and what type of commitment can be expected, please contact me at President@CSCIA.org .

I hope everyone has a fun filled fall! I look forward to seeing many of you around the community at Halloween Happenings, volunteer work days or just out and about enjoying our beautiful community beaches and parks!

Best Wishes, Beau Breeden President CSCIA

Cape'Ness Nutrition & Fitness



Our summer online session is still in progress and will be ending soon. Our next session will begin on Oct 19th and 20th. The evening group will meet Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm and the morning group will meet Thursdays at 10 am. We discuss topics relating to weight loss and nutrition. New members are always welcome! Call Laura at (443) 569-9082 or (410) 757-1354 for more information.





A Club for the Community



(Reprinted from the July 2016 issue of SprintSheet, written by Emily Parks. SprintSheet.org)

The Yacht Club of Cape St. Claire (YCCSC) is a "club for the community," according to former club commodore, Jim Klemstine, whom I interviewed about the past, present, and future of the club.

Established in 1974, the club has always been close to Cape St. Claire's Youth Sailing program, which it still sponsors today. YCCSC seeks to provide a community connection between youth sailors and adults to help foster the kids' interest in sailing. Parents of youth sailors are also encouraged to join, in order to keep a "family generated atmosphere," Klemstine says.

Being a club focused on community and learning, members are not required to own boats. All a potential member must bring is an interest in boating activities. Club members who do own boats possess a blend of both sailboats and powerboats.

Not limited to those out on the water, YCCSC hosts five or six shore-based events a year. There is typically an open meeting in February that new or potential members are encouraged to attend. YCCSC also hosts events such as the sock-burning party in the spring complete with s'mores - or the annual October chili cook-off.

The most recent gathering was the Kick-Off Picnic celebrating the beginning of the Friday Night Races, which began May 27 and will go into September. The

website makes sure to mention that the races are "low key" and meant for the members to have fun and practice sailing. YCCSC also plans the occasional raft-up during the summer months. Almost all events are family-friendly.

Membership is not limited to members of Cape St. Claire, as one might think. The club accepts members from surrounding areas who have a Cape resident as their sponsor, as well as members of yacht clubs based in other communities.

According to Klemstine, YCCSC is "more of a word of mouth club". Many members - himself included - heard about the club through their friends, neighbors, or fellow boating enthusiasts. Membership typically ranges between 60 and 80 people. There is a wide variety of interests and experiences among the members, including those who have lived in other parts of the country, cruised in the Caribbean, and sailed across the Atlantic.

The club doesn't have its own private meeting place, and instead meets at the Cape St. Claire Clubhouse, a building used for a multitude of community activities. YCCSC shares its time at the clubhouse with the Youth Sailing meetings. With dues of just \$45 a year, the club is an affordable, family-friendly option for anyone interested in getting involved in boating.

yccsc.org



EPIPHANY COMMUNITY



We meet at 9:30 Sunday mornings at the Cape St. Claire Clubhouse. After a rough summer having difficulties finding priests, it looks promising for the rest of the year. On October 15th, we have our Day of Reflection at the Shrine of St. Anthony in Ellicott City beginning at 9am, with mass celebrated at 4pm, so we will not meet on Oct 16th. Looking forward to seeing you next Sunday at the Club House!

NEWS FROM

GOSHEN FARM PRESERVATION SOCIETY

Our Annual Harvest Pasta & Meatball Dinner is coming up! The dinner will be held at Gloria Dei! Lutheran Church at 461 College Parkway on October 15th from 5:00 until 7:30 PM. The dinner will feature home-made marinara sauce using organically grown tomatoes from Goshen Farm and genuine home-made Italian meatballs. None of that frozen in a bag stuff! Visit our website for more details (www.goshenfarm.org).

Kayak Raffle Tickets

We are down to just a few left so don't miss out. Go on line to our website and get yours today. Our two kayaks this year are Emotion Spitfire Sit on Top – 8 feet and two Sea Sense x-1 Kayak Paddles. Tickets to win the two kayaks are \$5.00 each and only 600 will be sold. The drawing will take place when all of the tickets are sold or at our Harvest Dinner on October 15th.

Another Feather in Our Cap

The Goshen Farm Preservation Society recently received the following letter via email. While the president of the Society was invited to attend the breakfast and accept the honor, the real "heavy lifting" in the educational area is done by many Board members, most notably Terry Brandon, Roy Benner, Bob Nestruck, David McCormick, Becky Benner, and Scott Powers. Thanks to their outreach and hard work, Goshen Farm has played host to almost 600 students since Dr. Arlotto's visit in April, 2015.

Dear Mr. Biondi:

It is my pleasure to inform you that you have been selected to be honored at the upcoming 21st Century Education Foundation's Superintendent's Breakfast being held on Tuesday, September 20, 2016. You were nominated by Michelle Weisgerber, Signature Program Facilitator for Broadneck High School.

On behalf of the 21st Century Education Foundation, I would like to invite you to the breakfast where you will have the opportunity to network with business

representatives and school system officials, meet some of our students and teachers, as well as be recognized for your partnership with Anne Arundel County Public Schools.

Congratulations on receiving this award and thank you for your service to our students and community!

Carol Ann McCurdy

Director of Partnerships, Development, & Marketing

Annual Wine Tasting

Our Annual Wine Tasting hosted by Bella's Liquors was the most successful we have ever had. If you didn't come, you missed one heck of a party. Almost 100 Goshen Farm supporters enjoyed a lovely mix of summer wines hand selected by Valerie Sullivan, wonderful music provided by the Jazz Perpetrators. and delightful cuisine served up by Chef Art Lewis. We would like to thank all of the wonderful businesses. that contributed items for the silent auction which brought in \$1,700 of the \$4,000 we raised. In the Cape they were Cape Ace Hardware, Blue Rooster Café, Broadneck Grill, River Bay Roadhouse, Graul's Market, Healing Hands Massage Therapy, Pizza Hut, The Lawn Mower Guys, LLC, The Living Room, and Whimsicality. Nearby they were Bay Hills Deli, Café Mezzanotte, Cantler's Riverside, Cape Auto, Cleo's Fine Oils & Vinegars, Culinary Arts Catering, Franklin's Toys, Kentmorr Restaurant, Mercado & Associates Jewelers, Molly Maids, O'Loughlin's Restaurant, Port Tack Liquors, Red, Hot & Blue, Spizzico Italian Kitchen, The Great American Carwash, and Dr. Valentine Bauer, DDS.

Please Join Us For Our



Annual Harvest Pasta Dinner

Saturday, October 15th

Gloria Dei! Lutheran Church

461 College Parkway, Arnold, MD 21012

5 until 7:30 pm

\$10 for adults \$5 for children 10 years or younger

Goshen Farm Preservation Society, Inc.

Homemade sauce made with fresh vegetables grown at the Goshen Farm Sharing Garden. All funds raised will go towards the restoration of Historical Goshen Farm, one of the few colonial-era farmsteads in Anne Arundel County.



** GARDEN CLUB ***

Hopefully, by the time you read this, the sweet, cool tang of Fall will have visited Cape St Claire at least once. It's been hot!!!! School will have started, late Summer bloomers will have begun to fade and gardeners will be thinking about what cool weather plants to grow and which bulbs to order for Spring blooming. So, as most of you know, gardening is a year-round endeavor that takes planning, patience and not a little trial and error - plus, some hard work! It's truly a joy to drive around the Cape and see the infinite variations among gardens here, from plant selection to yard art to garden structures. We try to highlight some of the carefully cultivated spaces by choosing Yard of the Month winners, but we also recognize that there are quite a few gems out there that are well worth a look-see! The Garden Club is gearing up for another great year of fun and friendship. Our meetings are the first Tuesday of each month at the clubhouse; we begin at 7:00 with chatting and munching on snacks provided by our members. Our first meeting of the year is on September 6. All are welcome! Here are some of the fun things we do: Harvest Dinner, wreathmaking and small gift exchange, speakers, day trips to beautiful gardens and shows, Secret Garden tours of Cape gardens, potluck and swim party, Anniversary Dinner, Plant Sale, maintaining various gardens around the Cape, exchanging plants and tips about plants and so much more. Dues are a staggering \$3.00 per year. DO consider joining us; it's a wonderful group of people

Oh, and check us out at gardenclub@wordpress.com. You'll see some pretty pictures there!

Here are the Yard of the Month Winners for August:

Area 1: Mr. & Mrs. Steve Bavis

1144 Riverview Drive

Area 2: Francis Presti

1172 St. George Drive

Area 3: Sue Curtis

1009 Lake Claire Drive

Area 4: Robert Thomas

1240 Mt Pleasant Dr

Area 5: Deedra Fenner

717 Fairway Drive

...and also for September:

Area 1: Ann & Jim Nawrocki

1433 Cape St Claire Road

Area 2: Robert Smith

1234 Hilltop Road

Area 3: Chris & Karen Kunkel

997 St. Margarets Road

Area 4: Greg & Alicia Hogan

1173 Hampton Road

Area 5: Glendon Miller

722 Broadmoor Drive

Congratulations to all!! SUBMITTED BY JEANNE KLINGLER



We'd Love to See You...

At Christ Our Anchor Presbyterian Church



Hello friends in Cape St. Claire! As happens every year, summer flew by so quickly and now we are gearing up for another school year my first as Pastor of this church!

We would love to welcome you and your families or neighbors if you'd like to check us out. We have two very different and unique services - a traditional service at 9:30 with a talented Choir and more liturgy and then a contemporary service at 11:00 with a full band a more informal style. BOTH services guarantee you a friendly welcome and genuine care.

Fall is a great time to get to know us because so much is going on here. There are lots of ways to meet new friends, learn about faith, and serve the community. Wherever you are on life's journey, whatever questions or doubts you may have, you are most welcome in our faith family!

Sincerely, Pastor Jessie

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IMPORTANT DATES

Every Sunday

Worship at 9:30 am and 11:00 am with Sunday School for adults between services and for children age 4 to 5th grade at the 11:00 service. Children of all ages welcome in worship!

Every Sunday beginning 9/18

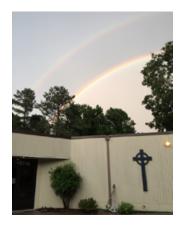
Youth Group for 6th-12th grade from 6:00-7:30 pm: anyone welcome from any church background! For more information email: coayouthgroup@gmail.com

Sunday 9/11/2016

15th Anniversary Remembrance Service for 9/11/2001 at both the 9:30 and 11:00 services

Sunday 9/18/2016

Blessing of the Backpacks for children who are back to school.



WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

9:30 am 11:00 am

Traditional Service Contemporary Service



Pastor Jessie Lowry

1281 Green Holly Drive Annapolis, MD 21409 www.christouranchorpc.org COA21409@gmail.com Phone: 410-974-1713



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 - Chris Broadwell

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.



Love One Another An election season check in

Christians and non-christians alike lose their footing when it comes to loving their neighbor during election season. So we need a time to remind ourselves, no matter where we stand on issues, to treat each other with respect and dignity. Join us at 9am on Sunday Mornings October 16 - November 4 for an introspective worship series that will help us "check ourselves before we wreck ourselves."

Blessings to All

Pastor Chris



Sunday School

Our Sunday School begins on Sunday, September 11 for 4 year olds -5^{th} grade. Families begin worship service together. After the children's special message, the teachers take them to their class where they learn a Bible story, sing songs, and do a craft or project. Families meet their children after the service concludes in their Sunday school room. A nursery is available for younger children.

We warmly invite you to join us!

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Our Women's Bible Breakfast for this month is on Saturday, October 15th. We will gather in our Fellowship Hall at 7:30am to enjoy breakfast together and learn about the disciples Simon and Andrew. If you would like to attend, please email Mia Riser at mlriser_serves@aol.com



Winter Relief Program

Nov. 14th to Nov. 21st

CSCUMC will be participating in Winter Relief from Monday 11/14 through Monday 11/21 by hosting homeless guests in our church. If you are interested in helping set up, making a meal, doing a load of laundry, or visiting with the guests, please contact Mia Riser

(mlriser_serves@aol.com)

This is a most humbling experience and makes you realize how truly blessed we are!





October 31st - 6:00 - 8pm

Cape St. Claire UMC Parking Lot (855 Chestnut Tree Drive)

Decorated trunks with treats for everyone!

While the children run from car to car
Parents can rest because they've walked so far
We'll have hot chocolate free for those that need a pick me up
Or perhaps hot cider is what you prefer in your cup?
We would love to see you!



HAY RIDES, PUMPKINS, FACE PAINTING, MOON BOUNCE, SCARECROW MAKING, CRAFTS AND MORE......

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29th

JOIN YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS FOR A HALLOWEEN EVENT IN THE CLUBHOUSE CORRAL (next to the clubhouse)

FROM 10 AM UNTIL 3 PM.

THIS EVENT HOSTED BY THE STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL COMMITTEE WILL BENEFIT "MY BROTHERS PANTRY" via Food Donations Admission to the event requires and the donation of non-perishable food items such as peanut butter and jelly, pasta sauce, cereal and canned meats. Please be generous as this organization provides food to the needy on the Broadneck Peninsula. Food donations will be collected at the event.

ADVANCED REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

| FAMILY NAME | PHONE # |
|--|----------------------------------|
| ADDRESS | |
| CHILDS NAME_ | AGE |
| CHILDS NAME | AGE |
| CHILDS NAME | AGE |
| # OF CHILDREN ATTENDING | _ |
| # OF SCARECROWS TO BE MADE | (see necessary supplies) |
| SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR EACH SCARECROW-1 | PAIR OF PANTS WITH BELT LOOPS, 1 |
| LONG SLEEVED SHIRT, 1 PAIR OF PANTY HO | OSE AND A STRAW HAT OR A BALL |
| CAP | |

REGISTRATION SHOULD BE MAILED ASAP AS SPACE IS LIMITED!!

PLEASE COMPLETE THE ABOVE REGISTRATION FORM AND RETURN

Mary Lamb- 1180 SUMMIT DRIVE – ANNAPOLIS, MD 21409 (410-757-0593)

2016 Halloween Happenings

It is often said that Cape St. Claire is a community with a "small town feel". This is evident by the number of new residents who have chosen our community to call home. Wonderful schools, an amazing shopping center, waterfront privileges, youth sports, youth clubs, great neighbors, an active caring community association and family oriented events are some of the reasons families call this place home. The CSC Strawberry Festival committee works very hard to bring children's events to the community and accommodate all residents who desire to participate.

- The Halloween Happenings is a FREE event offered to those who register. If you wish to attend this event please return your registration so that we can be sure that our Pumpkin Patch is fully stocked.
- Trick-or-Treating at the Shopping Center is an event organized by the Strawberry Festival committee but FULLY
 SPONSORED by your Shopping Center Merchants. Please take a few minutes and walk thru the shopping center and
 Thank your local businessmen and women displaying the "TRICK or TREAT HERE" sign for their generosity.
- Last but not least our final event for the year is the "BREAKFAST with SANTA" at the clubhouse. This months edition
 of the Caper includes the registration form for the breakfast. This event is approximately 8 weeks away and typically
 fills up very quickly. Although we will be including the registration in the November Caper also, we suggest you
 register early as there are many young children who have joined our community over the past year. We encourage
 you to take the time to join your neighbors and friends at our community events. The goal of the Strawberry Festival
 committee is to host family fun in this wonderful community with a "Small Town feel", Cape St. Claire.

TRICK OR TREAT AT THE CAPE ST. CLAIRE SHOPPING CENTER

On Thursday, october 27, 2016, join your friends and neighbors as they dress up and trick-or-treat at the Cape St. Claire shopping center. Trick-or-treating will begin at 5:30 pm and last until 6:30 pm or until the candy is gone!!! Look for the signs in the windows of the local merchants to identify those participating. As always do not forget to say thank you!!!!



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Sunday Services

7:30 a.m.—Rite I (spoken) 9:00 a.m.—Rite II (music) 11:15 a.m.—Rite II (music) Wednesday Prayer Service 7:30 a.m.

Join us!



Monday Nights

*Children's choirs
*Children's arts & crafts
*Acolyte practice
Fellowship Meal @ 6 p.m.
*Youth Groups

ST. MARGARET'S



2016-2017

David & Ginger Hildebrand Saturday, Oct. 15 — 7:30 p.m.

Our pets are a blessing to us,



···join us in blessing them

Bring your pet (or a photo of your pet) to A Blessing of the Animals



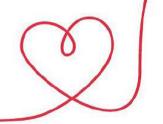
Sunday, Oct. 2 — 4:00 p.m.



Newcomers' Dinner— Sun., Oct. 16 — 6:00 p.m.

DONATE BLOOD.

SAVE A LIFE.



Sunday, Oct. 9

9 a.m. to 1 p.m.





SANTA IS COMING TO CAPE ST. CLAIRE FOR BREAKFAST

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY
BREAKFAST WITH SANTA AT CAPE ST. CLAIRE CLUBHOUSE
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10TH, 2016
8:30 AM AND 10:30 AM

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

FRUIT, DONUTS
BAGELS AND CREAM CHEESE
CEREAL, JUICE, COFFEE, TEA AND HOT CHOCOLATE
\$5.00 FOR CHILDREN AND \$6.00 FOR ADULTS
PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN CAMERA!!!

SEATING WILL BE LIMITED. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED. EACH CHILD WILL RECEIVE A GIFT AND A LETTER FROM SANTA. PLEASE DETACH THE FORM BELOW AND RETURN IT WITH PAYMENT TO 1180 SUMMIT DRIVE, ANNAPOLIS, MD 21409.



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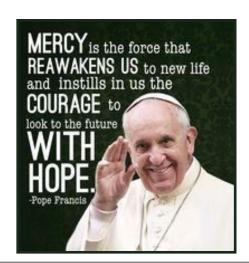
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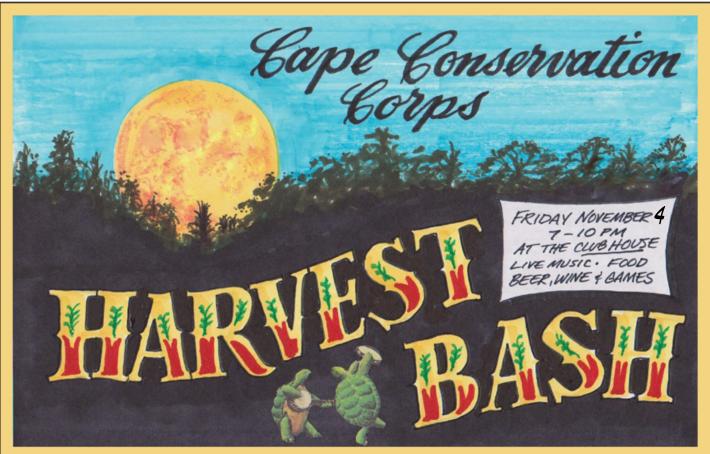
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Backyard Birding By: Stacey Wildberger

There are many reasons people choose to feed birds and create bird-friendly habitats in their own backyards: from aesthetics, connecting children with nature, and conservation, or just personal enjoyment of birds. While placing a few feeders around your yard is a good start, birds require more than just seed provided in a feeder. They need food, water, shelter and "greening".

Did you know that 96% of birds rely on insects to raise their young, and it takes more than 5,000 caterpillars to raise one

clutch of chickadees?! By growing native plants you can provide the needed food for adults as well as baby

birds. Where do all those caterpillars come from that are needed to feed birds' young? There are many native trees that support hundreds of species of caterpillars and other insects. Oaks support over 500 species of caterpillars, cherries and willows support over 450 species of caterpillars, and birches support over 400 species. Many native shrubs produce fruits that birds love, including blueberries, viburnums, chokeberry, hollies and winterberries.

Beautiful native herbaceous plants provide seeds for birds, including blazing star, goldenrod, black eyed-Susan and coneflower. Hummingbirds love the bee balm and the red cardinal flowers growing in my yard. Grasses such as Little Bluestem (*Schizachyrium scoparium*) provide seeds for many small birds. If you leave the plants standing through the winter you will not only have winter interest to look at but the birds will have a natural supply of seeds. The goldfinches have been all over my coneflowers already! By planting natives you are creating a biodiverse ecosystem supporting the natural foods birds depend on.





Of course bird feeders can offer supplemental feeding. There are many options, including tray/platforms feeders, hopper feeders, tubes, nyjer feeders to nut feeders. Nuts will attract a wide range of birds from ravens, crows, woodpeckers, towhees, juncos, chickadees and nuthatches. The bluebirds, towhees, grosbeaks, wrens and woodpeckers love the mealworms—dried ones work as well as love ones! Use a thistle feeder filled with nyjer to attract finches, pine siskins and redpolls. The majority of song birds will enjoy high quality seed mixes. Try to avoid

fillers such as red milo, wheat and dyed seeds, instead use sunflower seeds, white proso, millet or peanut hearts. Hummingbirds will be attracted to homemade nectar using 4 parts boiled water to 1 part sugar. Never use hummingbird food with red dye! Don't forget to

clean your feeders every couple of weeks. Use 9 parts water to 1 part bleach to disinfect the feeders and be sure to rake up old and discarded seed and avoid overcrowding of feeders to prevent the spread of diseases.

Water is another essential component to your backyard birding habitat both for bathing and drinking. The chickadees splashing in the water just look like they are having a great time. Bird baths should be less than 3" in depth and changed every 2-3 days to avoid mosquito breeding. Place them near shelter that they can access

to escape predators. Adding a heater to your bird bath will help birds in the winter when water is scarce.

The native plants mentioned above as a food source can also be used as shelter. The Eastern Red Cedar not only has berries that the elegant Cedar Wax Wing loves to eat but is a great place to nest and hide out in. Many birds nest in shrubs as well as using them to escape danger. Alders, Elderberry and Arborvitae are also excellent sources of shelter. You can also place nesting boxes in your yard for bluebirds, nuthatches, titmouse, owls and chickadees to raise their young. Leaving a "snag" (standing dead trees) not only provides food for woodpeckers but also provide shelter for cavity birds such as woodpeckers, wrens, and owls. There are other ways to encourage birds to nest in your yard such as offering nesting material they can use-strings, fluff, dry grasses, twigs, moss. Many of the materials will be readily available from the natives we have planted to start this habitat. Brush piles also offer a safe to place to nest or seek shelter in. I typically take the fallen limbs and twigs lying around the yard after a storm and make piles around or near feeding areas.

Birds need our help to stay safe in the habitats we have created for them. We can care for them by keeping our cats indoors, turning off the lights at night, eliminating pesticide use (encourage natural predators, reduce amount of lawn) and leave the leaves! Leaf litter is an important habitat for overwintering insects that the birds can use a valuable food source. The use of decals, screens or bird tape can help to decrease window collisions as well.

Backyard birding can be an enjoyable and relaxing hobby and a great way to connect kids to nature. I welcome the opportunity to sit and observe the birds with my kids so they can learn to appreciate the importance of nature and the birds' place in the ecosystem.

There are many great resources out there to help identify the birds you are seeing and hearing as well as learning more about their needs and record what birds you are seeing. Check out ebird, Lights out Baltimore, Project FeederWatch and Yard Map. Join our Facebook Group: Cape Birds, to share what you are seeing in your own backyard with fellow Cape Residents.

Happy Birding!

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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Each grant proposal requires detailed plans, budgets, permits, etc., that require professional costs.

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Recently taken a great photo of Cape St. Claire or the Chesapeake Bay? The 2017 Cape St. Claire Community Calendar is sponsoring a photo contest. The winning photo will be published on the front page of the 2017 calendar. A \$100.00 cash prize will also be awarded.

The photo contest is limited to Cape St. Claire residents, lot owners, and Cape St. Claire Shopping Center business employees or owners. There is no age limitation. Previous calendar contest winners may also enter photographs. Photos submitted for the previous contest may also be reentered. If your photo is selected, having a high quality digital copy of your photo on CD/DVD will be very helpful.

To enter, drop off your photos at Cape Ace Hardware in the Cape St. Claire Shopping Center.

Photo submission deadline is Thursday, October 6, 2016. Photos must be submitted in a horizontal 8" x 10" format in either color or black and white. The subject matter must pertain to the Cape St. Claire area or the Chesapeake Bay. The winning photo will be selected by the CSCIA board of governors and will become property of the CSC Improvement Association. The winner will be announced in a following issue of The Caper. Photos that were not selected can be picked up at Cape Ace Hardware two weeks after the contest deadline. For questions, call Amy Podd at 410-757-7295.

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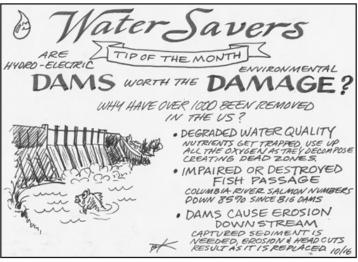
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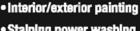
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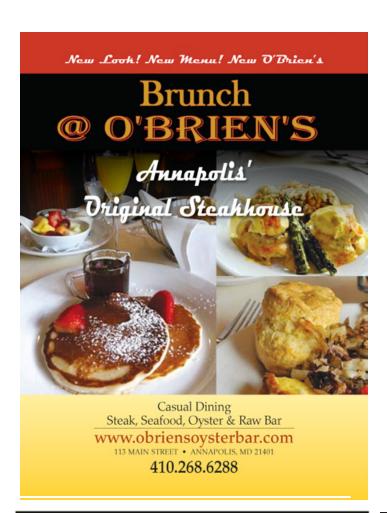
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| 1287 Cape St Claire Road | 4/3 | \$377,000 | \$8,425 | 6 |
| 1120 Crestview Drive | 3/2/1 | \$362,500 | \$9,100 | 28 |
| 1211 Ramblewood Drive | 3/2/1 | \$339,200 | \$9,458 | 4 |
| 842 Harbor View Terrace | 4/2 | \$462,000 | \$0 | 36 |
| 1229 Ramblewood Drive | 4/2/1 | \$345,000 | \$11,000 | 44 |
| 974 Highpoint Drive | 4/3 | \$380,000 | \$12,000 | 3 |
| 1266 Seabright Drive | 3/2 | \$345,000 | \$5,000 | 6 |
| 1021 St Charles Drive | 3/2 | \$349,900 | \$1,150 | 3 |
| 1149 Saint Catherine Drive | 3/2 | \$189,000 | \$0 | 3 |
| 1394 Greenway Drive | 3/2 | \$291,000 | \$0 | 73 |
| 714 Hillcrest Drive | 4/2/1 | \$539,874 | \$10,000 | 132 |
| 1201 Southview Drive | 2/1 | \$235,000 | \$7,000 | 52 |
| 1182 Ramblewood Drive | 3/3/1 | \$490,000 | \$0 | 6 |
| 1011 Mountain Top Drive | 4/2/1 | \$300,000 | \$8,000 | 7 |
| 1249 Mount Pleasant Drive | 3/2/1 | \$397,000 | \$0 | 21 |
| 968 Saint Margarets Drive | 3/2 | \$339,500 | \$10,185 | 6 |
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