

Cape St. Claire Improvement Association, Inc. Community Newsletter

JUNE 2017

President's Message

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Dear Capers,

Happy Birthday Capers!

Many of you probably don't know, but June 14th, 1949 was the date that Cape St. Claire was officially founded. The Riverbay Company platted the community of Cape St. Claire incorporating their previous attempt of selling lots in a community named Persimmon Point. On June 14, 1949 the Riverbay Company officially created the Cape St. Claire Club to manage the affairs of the community. The first Board of Governors meeting of the Cape St. Claire Club was held on June 30th, 1949. Later the Cape St. Claire Club was renamed in 1959 to the Cape St. Claire Improvement Association, Inc. As we enjoy the summer months of what was originally designed as a summer retreat & rental beach community for those in Baltimore and Washington DC, join us in celebrating the growth and success of one of the largest Covenanted Communities in Anne Arundel County and Maryland. We are now more than 2,300 homes with nearly 8,000 residents including a successful shopping center giving our big community a small town feel. So when you come to the Strawberry Festival on June 3rd or join us for the 4th of July Parade, celebrate the success of 68 years of our community, Cape St. Claire.

Hopefully the weather improves in June versus May, where we saw a very rainy & gray month. The Beaches and Parks will get busier with schools ending earlier this year, we expect to see more people earlier in the season, weather permitting of course. As in the past a few quick reminders about parking at our beaches and parks and policies which are posted at each park.

- Please make sure you have stickers on your vehicles or your guest pass hanging from the rear view mirror.
- If you need an additional sticker, stop by the Office at the Clubhouse and pick up one up for an additional \$5.00. We allow up to 5 vehicles to have a sticker per home (not lots).

- Remember also that you cannot use your guest pass for trailering at the Deep Creek Boat Ramp from May 26th to September 3rd on a Friday, Saturday and Sunday.
- You should review with all family members the CSCIA Policies for use of Beaches & Parks and if you are having a party of more than 20 please fill out an application to hold a party. If you need a refresher, everything can be found on our website too! https:// cscia.org/cscia-services/beaches/beaches-parksrules-regulations/
- Please be respectful to our Beach Attendants as they are there to help ensuring our residents and their guests use the park and have a safe & fun time.
 If you have concerns at the park while an attendant is on duty, please let them know so they can reach out to the appropriate Board Members or Employees of the Association.
- Lastly, please remember to keep you dogs leashed at all times at the Beach and Parks. We follow the Anne Arundel County Code regarding the leash laws.
- Two other major committees that pick-up in activity and inquiries this time of year are the Building and Covenants Committees. If you believe someone is building outside of either the County Code or CSCIA Building Codes within the community, or notice junk, debris, unkempt yards or unusual activity you

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can inquire via email or register a complaint directly on our website. You can email covenants@cscia.org, building@cscia.org or visit the website and fill out our online notification form: https://cscia.org/covenants-and-zoning-concerns/

Please remember that while we have Covenants deeded to each property, which were written in 1949 and are governed under the HOA Act of Maryland Title 11B of the Real Property Code of Maryland, they are only enforceable to the extent possible via local, state and federal laws today. Upon receipt of a complaint, we must first determine the validity, then if justified we identify which agency at the local or state level is responsible for enforcement (ex. Public Works, Zoning, Inspections & Permits, or Health Department are the typical County agencies we work with, along with Police or Fire in some instances). We then have to follow the protocol and legal avenues, through those agencies at the County or State level in an attempt to enforce our Covenants. We often consult our Community Legal Counsel for better advice and direction on more complicated and involved legal issues. For many in the community, often there is confusion as to what our Covenants say, who is responsible, the process

for enforcement, in particular the timeframe as to when things can happen, it's not quick typically and takes time to navigate and enforce as allowable through the legal system. If you have questions regarding an inquiry, feel free to follow-up and the appropriate committee member should be able to follow up with you and provide you additional information. If you are interested in learning more and to be on a committee, let us know, we would be happy to see more volunteers.

If you are interested in participating & helping the Events Committee on the 4th of July, with the parade, BBQ Contest or Kids games, please email events@cscia.org for more information.

Finally, by the time read this, I hope the Strawberry Festival was a successful, safe and fun day for everyone! It really is a "homecoming" of sorts for both Old and New Capers with a 50 year plus tradition in our community! I hope to see you around the Community this summer!

Best Wishes, Beau Breeden President CSCIA



We met with Mona LaCovey of Re/Max, and placed our house on the market on January 18. We received an offer 19 days later and went to settlement on March 10. We had no idea the process would be that fast. Now we're in Florida close to our daughter, granddaughter, and son-in-law "living the life." Thank you, Mona and Re/Max, for helping to make this happen.



The Harberts





Happy Father's Day June 18th

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Notice from the Maryland Department of Agriculture about Mosquito Control...



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Larry Hogan, Governor Boyd Rutherford, Lt. Governor Joseph Bartenfelder, Secretary James P. Eichhorst, Deputy Secretary The Wayne A. Cawley, Jr. Building 50 Harry S. Truman Parkway Annapolis, Maryland 21401 Internet: www.mda.maryland.gov

410.841.5870 Baltimore/Washington 410.841.5835 Fax 800.492.5590 Toll Free

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 2017 season
- Spraying can occur anytime between 7:00 PM and 2:30 AM
 - The spray program will begin on May 31.
 - Spraying will not begin until the community has been notified and we have received the Community Notification Verification Form
 - October 3 is the estimated last day of spraying for 2017
- 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/plants-

pests/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, mosquito.control@maryland.gov
 - For information on the products used: http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Pages/mc product labels material safety data sheets.aspx

Board In Brief CSCIA Board Of Governors Monthly Meeting MAY 8, 2017

President Breeden called the meeting to order at 7:32 P.M. He noted that we are entering our busy summer season. He said the Board will once again have a table at the Strawberry Festival and was looking for board members to take shifts at the table and help with other Festival duties. He then introduced a Boy Scout from Troop 783 who is going to present his idea for an Eagle Scout project.

The Scout explained the requirements and purpose of an Eagle Scout project and said that his idea was to add two picnic tables to the Main Beach area. He would schedule them to go in this summer and would maintain them for two years. There was some discussion of funding and his estimate of a total material cost of \$600 to \$800. The Board suggested that before he asks the CSCIA for any contributions he should check local businesses for reduced costs or outright donation of materials. The Board agreed it was a worthwhile project and that funding would be discussed later.

The minutes of the April 10, 2017 Board of Governors meeting were approved.

The Profit and Loss Statement (P&L) of March 31, 2017 was approved

COMMITTEE REPORTS

President Breeden commented that he would like to revive the habit of Governors submitting email reports ahead of the meeting.

Beaches & Parks: Governor Macindoe has met with the Cape Conservation Corps about upcoming and possible projects. He said the DNR cancelled the recent scheduled phragmite burn at Lake Claire. There is a chopping party scheduled instead, for May 13 and 14 from 9 to 11 A.M. He mentioned dealing with the phragmites at the inlet to the Little Magothy. He also mentioned an invasive olive tree in one of our ROWs that neighbors want cut down, and a commemorative bench to be placed in an area along Lake Claire Drive. He mentioned possibilities of dealing with water runoff at Deep Creek and at Little Magothy Beach. He said that there are three other possible Eagle Scout projects in the works, including bat houses and wood corrals for our recycling cans, and the possibility of something at Goshen Farm.

Technology: Governor Szczytko has been working on the Strawberry Festival page, the piers database, and my.cscis.org, along with putting the Caper on line.

Buildings: Governor Zadera said Annapolis Copy came today and took files away for scanning. He said the electronic versions of what forms he has digitized are going well.

Membership: Governor Fairchild noted the good turnout at the April membership meeting.

Events: Governor Fairchild said July 4th plans are moving along.

Covenants: Governor Roche said there about 27 open issues, mostly dealing with pools and grass. Governor Breeden noted

that we got a thank you note from a resident for dealing with trash in a yard near her.

Clubhouse: Governor Lamb thanked the Garden Club for the new Clubhouse plantings. She is getting estimates for kitchen and bathroom renovations.

Caper: Governor Lamb reported the Caper is fully funded for the year and there are lots of advertisers wanting to get in. July/ August will be a local coupon issue.

Signboard: Governor Lamb said the BLOA will be contributing to a new signboard. Placement and electricity need to be worked out. Governor Breeden mentioned that the entrance sign needs to be moved and replaced.

Strawberry Festival: Governor Lamb said it was mentioned in the Severna Park Voice, and that Bay Weekly will be running something about it. The shuttle buses, donated by Chesapeake Charter, will also be in the parade. There is a vendors' meeting next week. The Overlook will be used as a children's entertainment area.

Treasurer: Governor Myers said that the DNR legal department has told her that we do not need to create a shore erosion control district in order to get longer interest-free loans for our beach restoration project.

BCC: Governor Breeden said the quarterly meeting discussed the Bay Bridge, the Severn River bridge work, and Sandy Point issues.

BLOA: Governor Breeden said they are still working on setting up an SCBD.

Piers: Governor Breeden thanked Governor Szczytko for his work on the piers database. He said about 30 people had been cleared from the wait list and a lot of people had been moved. We will be sending letters out regarding the new \$100 wait list fee. The Piers Committee meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7 P.M. in the Clubhouse. He said the morning of May 20 will be a work day to get rid of the old bubbler hose, which the Garden Club has offered to take. He added that Piers will end up about \$40,000 to \$50,000 in the black for fall projects.

Security: Governor Breeden said there have been several minor issues.

OLD BUSINESS:

Governor Szczytko went over some of the problems he's encountering in trying to get the piers database to sync up with existing lot and block and address information.

Governor Breeden mentioned that he'd sent emails to all regarding a town manager job description and he would like to be able to present something to the membership at the July meeting.

Governor Breeden appointed Governor Sczcytko as the Board's representative to the Cape Conservation Corps.

Governor Breeden suggested that perhaps we could approve \$300 of funding to the Eagle Scout project if the Scout cannot

get other funding or donated materials. Governor Macindoe will suggest that all the Scouts presenting projects look for donations and materials.

After a brief discussion, it was decided to donate \$250 towards the Touch-A-Truck event.

Governor Breeden noted the next meeting with Biohabitats is May 19 at 2 P.M. in the Cox Meeting Room.

It was decided that we might restore and save the old Coca Cola school crossing sign that was found during the guardhouse move.

Governor Breeden led a discussion regarding the County's desire to deal with storm water mitigation on property that we own.

COMMENTS:

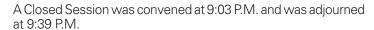
Budget Committee member Toy said there was nothing new to report.

A representative of the Garden Club said the Clubhouse planting was 90% complete, with some mulching yet to be done to prevent splash back. She also added that the 30th annual plant sale will be taking place next Saturday from 8 A.M. until 2 P.M. in the Clubhouse field.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned to a Closed Session at 8:59 P.M.

CLOSED SESSION:



MEMBERS PRESENT:

Governors Breeden, Fairchild, Lamb, Macindoe, Myers, Roche, Szczytko, and Zadera were present, as were Budget Committee member Toy and Administrative Assistant Coble.









** GARDEN CLUB ***

I thought it was going to be a safe bet to open this article with the words, "Happy Spring!", but right now the temperature is about 45 and it's been cold, windy and/or rainy for the past four days! And it's May! I think May and March have been reversed and I hope we soon get to the "lamb" part! Still, the neighborhood is looking lovely; every year it gets more difficult to choose winners for Yard of the Month, although you can view the May winners below. By this time, we hope we will have had a successful plant sale and that lots of people came out to browse and blab and buy. It's the neighborliness that's the most fun and we hope that all the plants are comfy and cozy in their new homes. Thanks to everyone who took part and, once again, special thanks to Amy Juras (the House Huntress) and Dianne Chick (Decor8tor Chick)..... whom, together donated our brand new Garden Club aprons!

Also, be sure to take a look at all the new plantings around the Clubhouse. Members of the Garden Club removed almost all of the old landscaping and replaced it with new trees, shrubs and lovely flowering plants that will return year after year. I think you'll be amazed by how beautiful it all looks. Thanks to all who were able to lend a hand!

Our next (and final) meeting of the season will take place at the Cape Club house on Tuesday, June 6th, at 7pm. We will have a guest, Barbara Ellis, speaking on Six Principles for Moving Your Garden toward Sustainability. Barbara is the former publications director at the American Horticultural Society and

author of "Chesapeake Gardening & Landscaping: the Essential Green Guide." All are welcome to attend to learn about this important topic.

On Saturday, June 10, club members will meet for their Secret Garden tour and pot luck. It's a fun chance to see behind the scenes of some of the tantalizing gardens whose front yards we often admire!

The club has a two-month hiatus and will meet again the first Tuesday in September. We always welcome new members, so please come and check us out. Also, take a look at our blog: capegardenclub@wordpress.com.

Now for the May Yard of the Month Winners:

Area 1 Linda and Don Droneburg 1138 Little Magothy View

Area 2 The Branndemartes 1096 Crestview Drive

Area 3 Janet & Bill Roper 1153 Latrobe Drive

Area 4 The O'Neals 973 Mt Holly Drive

Area 5 Carol Cardarelli

792 Rolling View Drive

Congratulations to you for your gorgeous yards!

SUBMITTED BY JEANNE KLINGLER



CAPE'NESS NUTRITION & FITNESS

We meet Thursday mornings at the Broadneck Baptist Church. Winners of our last weight loss challenge were Colleen, Donna, & Elizabeth. Our next session will begin Thursday, June 1st. Anyone interested in losing weight *before* the 4th of July holiday are encouraged to join us (any Thursday – the sooner, the better). Our summer challenge will begin after July 4th and be mostly online to facilitate summer vacations, but still keep everyone on track. We are meeting Thursday mornings at 10am at the Broadneck Baptist Church in Cape St. Claire – located at 1257 Hilltop Dr, right across from Graul's Market. Call Laura at (443) 569-9082 for more information. We look forward to seeing you at our next class.

I encourage everyone to use the AACC pool this month as it will only be available until June 30th. The college plans on demolishing the pool. For pool hours, check http://www.aacc.edu/resources/campus-amenities/olson-swimming-pool/. To help save the pool, please consider writing to the AACC college board of directors and your representatives.

Cape St. Claire is a great place for fitness. Our Cape St. Claire community has ultimate Frisbee Thursdays at 6:30 pm behind the tennis courts at Broadneck High School. Check Facebook's Cape St. Claire's Ultimate Frisbee Club if weather is iffy. Looking forward to seeing you next Thursday.





We meet every Sunday at 9:30am for Catholic mass at the Cape St. Claire Clubhouse. We recently celebrated Fr. Innocent's doctorate degree and Fr. Borge's 50th year anniversary as a Jesuit. On Sunday, April 23rd, Fr. Innocent gave a brilliant presentation on the history of Rwanda. Fr. Innocent will be with us on June 18th before he heads to Rwanda for his next assignment. Please feel free to join us any Sunday. Please check our website, www.epiphanycommunity.org for the mass and priest schedule as the summer season sometimes results in a shortage of priests that may affect the mass schedule. Looking forward to seeing you next Sunday.

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THANK YOU from the Garden Club to The House Huntress Amy Juras and The Decor8r Chick Dianne Chick for our beautiful new aprons. Please join us in appreciating these two Cape businesswomen who generously give back to our community!



THANK YOU to the CSCIA for supporting us year after year as we host our annual plant sale. Thanks also to our generous donors: Cape ACE for sponsoring our *Hometown Habitat* screening, and Green Valley Market, The Blue Rooster, Dunkin' Donuts, Graul's, and Trader Joe's for

providing refreshments for our screening attendees and the volunteers at our plant sale. It is so wonderful to live in such a supportive and giving community!!! Most importantly, **THANK YOU, CAPERS**, for supporting our plant sale year after year. Your patronage is so appreciated – enjoy your gardens this summer!

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Garden Club

We are so pleased to hear such positive feedback from the CSCIA Governors and the wider community about our work on the Clubhouse planting beds. Thanks for all the thumbs-ups and kind words from our neighbors as you walked by while we were digging and planting – your smiles and appreciation made our work lighter! The plants are already putting out flowers and new growth and we're jazzed to see it growing in so nicely. Please stop by and take a look as you enjoy the Strawberry Festival!





Fairwinds Marina Marine Store & Parts Assistant Manager

Interested in the boating industry? Do you know the ins and outs of outboard motors and would like to apply that knowledge in a retail setting? Come join the crew at Fairwinds Marina at their Marine Store, where you will use your expertise and customer service to help boaters find the parts they need to keep their engines running, and the gear they want to enjoy their day out on the water.

Responsibilities Include:

- Field customer inquiries over the phone and in
- Use parts manager programs to locate and identify requested engine parts
- Maintain accurate record of inventory utilizing Quickbooks
- Assist customers in finding boat parts and accessories
- Maintaining security and safety throughout the store at all times
- Maintaining high standards of customer service and housekeeping
- Demonstrating an eagerness to be a team player and assist in other functions as assigned by the store management team
- Ring sales at register and provide prompt and expedient service
- Assist in order fulfillment for online and remote sales

Qualifications:

- Excellent administrative skills required
- Experience in marine industry or boating required

- Customer service experience preferred
- Communicate effectively with peers, customers and management
- Works well in a fast-paced retail environment
- Use basic math and computers effectively and accurately
- Demonstrate strong organizational skills
- Be punctual and at work as scheduled

Work Schedule

- This is a full time position.
- Weekend availability required.



HOW CAN I POST SOMETHING TO THE COMMUNITY SIGNBOARD?

The signboard can be rented for \$25 for 3 days or \$50.00 for a week. Check availability online at http://cacia.org.cacia-services/community-signboard and reserve your message by using the NEW online reservation form. Once your reservation is confirmed, please forward a check and a printed copy of your message to Leslie at the clubhouse. Message will be posted after 5pm on the first day of your reservation. All checks should be made payable to CSCIA.

If you need further information, please call Mary at 410-757-0593.



Broadneck Baptist Church

Worship – Sundays at 10:00 am (childcare provided)

Broadneck Baptist Church is a unique progressive Baptist community made up of people of all ages, ethnicities, backgrounds, and perspectives. This is a place where all are welcome!

Location in the Cape: 1257 Hilltop Drive, around the corner from Graul's.

Learn more about us at $\underline{www.broadneckbaptistchurch.orq}$. Reach pastor Abby Thornton Hailey at $\underline{Abby@broadneckbaptistchurch.orq}$

Summer 2017 Music and Arts Camp July 17-21:

Registration still open at www.broadneckbaptistchurch.org



Ongoing Community Conversations on Race:



We just have finished watching and discussing Henry Louis Gates's PBS series *Black America Since MLK:* And Still I Rise trying to gain a deeper understanding of African American history, exploring the injustices of our past and present so we can more faithfully live together in the future. **Don't miss our summer events** (possibly watching movies together) to experience community in an inclusive setting with interesting conversations about who we are, what race has got to do with it, and how we can grow through experiences with neighbors, who don't look like us. Dates and times TBA.

"Blogs" Worth a Look:

Pastor Abby is sharing thoughts, insights, images and background on sermon topics in her blog: http://broadneckbaptist.blogspot.com.

Stephen Price is a practicing psychotherapist, biblical theologian and Pastor at First Baptist Church Hyattsville, MD. He also is one of the amazing people who has been an interim pastor at Broadneck Baptist Church in the past. Find his postings at http://uncommonbaptistpastor.blogspot.com.



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Summer Faith Breaks



Tending the Garden of Your Heart

3 Thursdays, 9:00 - 11:15 a.m.

June 1 - Love, Joy, Peace
June 29 - Patience, Kindness, Generosity
July 27 - Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self Control

- ⇒ 9:00 a.m.: Daily Mass followed by Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel)
- ⇒ 9:45 a.m.: Coffee, Fellowship & Scripture-based Discussion (Adult Learning Center)

If you'd like to attend one, two or all of the sessions, please sign-up online at our parish website. Childcare is available with a reservation.

Questions? Contact Stephany at scrane@standrewbythebay.org.

"...the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self control..." Galatians 5:22-23

We'd Love to See You...

at Christ Our Anchor Presbyterian Church

Christ Our Anchor Presbyterian Church offers many educational, spiritual and musical opportunities.

Please contact the church office at 410-974-1713 or at coa21409@gmail.com for more information.



Tuesday Under the Trees Services Begin Tuesday, June 13th

Our church welcomes anyone who is interested to join us for brief worship services on Tuesday nights all summer long <u>in our outdoor area</u>. Bring your dog, wear your boat clothes, come as you are! Services begin at 7:00 PM and end with iced tea. All are welcome!

Soul Searchers 2017 Concert on Thursday, June 15th at 7:00 pm

Please plan to come and spend a great evening with a group of talented youth. They will be performing their 2017 Contemporary Christian Musical Drama, "Rescue 101" on Thursday, June 15th at 7:00 pm at Christ Our Anchor Presbyterian church. Admission is free and all are welcome to attend.

Parents of Young Children Group

Come enjoy the company of other parents, with young children, seeking fellowship. The primary goal of this group is to offer the opportunity for conversation and friendship. Coffee and a light breakfast will be provided. Please feel free to bring your little one or just yourself. Anyone from the community is welcome. You do not need to be affiliated with Christ Our Anchor. From 9:15 - 10:45 am on ...

Wednesday, June 21st

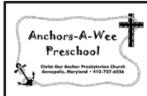
Wednesday, August 2nd

Wednesday, August 23rd

For more information, please contact the church office at 410-974-1713/coa21409@gmail.com.

Be sure to look for us at the Cape St. Claire Strawberry Festival. We will have a booth set up with fun children's crafts.

See you there!



Congratulations to all our students and their parents at Anchors-A-Wee for an awesome school year!

Thank you to our amazing teachers and staff for another great year!

Anchors-A-Wee Preschool

Mikaely Hentnick, Interim Director Hours: Monday - Friday 9 am - 3 pm

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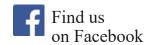
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SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

Sundays at 10:00 am Tuesdays at 7:00 pm





Upcoming Events

Stay tuned to our Facebook page and website for announcements about weeding dates!

Building Hometown Habitats By: Stacey Wildberger "What will it take to give our local animals what they need to survive and reproduce on our properties? NATIVE PLANTS, and lots of them" -Douglas Tallamy

Last month we hosted a screening of award winning director, Catherine Zimmerman's film *Hometown Habitat* along with the CSC Garden Club. The film shows several different areas of the country and how each of them has used native plants to restore habitat. We know that nature can no longer exist "somewhere out there" (Douglas Tallamy) because we have destroyed so much habitat through development. Nature is running out of

places to go. If we can turn our own backyards into usable habitat through the planting of native plants we can help bring nature home. Native flora and fauna have co-evolved together over millions of years and depend on each other for life services. Many insects are so specialized that they have only one host plant that they can lay their tiny eggs on. We can provide those in our own backyards.

Many people have a notion that native plants are messy or weedy but Europeans have used our native plants in formal gardens for centuries—they are their exotics. Another misconception people have is that they must use these non-native plants because insects won't damage them. If you let nature do her job the good bugs will take care of the pests. A non-native plant or shrub that has no insects on it is not supporting nature. The spicebush butterfly uses the spice bush tree as its host plant to lay its eggs on—it only takes 3 leaves to raise that caterpillar into a beautiful butterfly: you will never notice the 3 leaves that baby ate.

Doug Tallamy, professor of Entomology & Wildlife Ecology at the University of Delaware, author of *Bringing Nature Home* and narrator of the film we screened, *Hometown Habitat*, compared the native trees in his yard to the non-natives his neighbor grows to count the species of caterpillars each supports. What he found by looking at a 12' area, eye level on his native White oak tree was 233 caterpillars, 15 species and on his Black cherry he found 53 caterpillars, 10 species. When he observed the non-native Burning bush in his neighbors' yard there were 2 caterpillars, 1 species and the Callery pear had 1 caterpillar, 1 species. When he stepped back to assess the "damage" done by all those caterpillars on his beautiful white oak -he saw none!

One of the great wonders of spring is seeing new life forming. Many of us can witness this in our own backyards when birds choose our yard to set up their nest and mate. I know many of us set out feeders with seed to supplement the diets of the backyard birds, but seed only helps the adult birds. About 96% of all birds rely on insects to raise their young. Without resources such as the mighty oak, the black cherry, willow, birches, maples and poplar trees to host the caterpillars needed to feed those baby birds nesting in our yards, many will not survive to adulthood. It takes almost 9,000 caterpillars to raise a clutch of chickadees! An oak will support 534 species of caterpillars, the black cherry 456 and the willow 455!

There are so many wonderful native shrubs and trees to choose from that are not only beautiful but life giving to the creatures around us. When shopping this spring and fall please be mindful that big box stores and many nurseries are still selling **highly invasive** non-native plants. Look for native alternatives to use instead! Following is a list of common known invasives still being sold in nurseries that will kill off native plants, choke out trees and invade our natural spaces. Educate yourself before you buy! Avoid these plants:

Vines

- DON'T PLANT: Lonicera japonica (Japanese honeysuckle), a highly invasive vine that will twist around herbaceous plants and smother them.
- DO PLANT: Lonicera sempervirens a beautiful native honeysuckle and great hummingbird nectar
- DON'T PLANT: Wisteria sinensis (Chinese wisteria) that will girdle surrounding trees causing death.
- DO PLANT: Wisteria frutescens (American Wisteria) same beautiful flowers without the crazy spread!
- DON'T PLANT: Clematis ternifolia Sweet autumn clematis: highly aggressive
- DO PLANT: Clematis virginiana (virgin's bower) is a native clematis

Ground Covers

- DON'T PLANT: *Hedera helix* (English Ivy) will spread into the tree canopy blocking off sunlight to the host tree, *Euonymus fortune* (winter creeper) or *Vinca minor/major* (common periwinkle) will displace plants and seedlings, creeping into forest breaks.
- DO PLANT: Antennaria plantaginifoli (pussytoes), Asarum canadense (Wild ginger), Carex species (various sedges) Tradescantia virginiana (spider lily) and Packera aurea (Golden ragwort).

Grasses

- DON'T PLANT: *Phylloastachys* spp. (Bamboo) which will form tough, mat like structures choking out native flora and spreading into your neighbor's yard.
- DO PLANT: For screening, consider *Ilex opaca* (American Holly) or *Morella Pensylvanica* (Bayberry.)
- DON'T PLANT: *Miscanthus sinenesis*. It is an aggressive seeder that birds move into natural areas, crowding out important native grass species.
- DO PLANT: Panicum virgatum (switchgrass) OR Andropogon gerardi (big blue stem)

Shrubs

- DON'T PLANT: *Euonymus alatus* (Winged burning bush) is a highly invasive shrub that threatens a variety of habits by forming dense thickets displacing the native plants.
- DO PLANT: Fothergilla major (witch alder), Itea virginica (Virginia sweet spire), Aronia arburtifolia (red chokeberry), Aronia melanocarpa (black chokeberry) and many varieties of Viburnum provide equally beautiful if not MORE BEAUTIFUL fall color!
- DON'T PLANT: Nandina domestica nandian/sacred bamboo is a shade tolerant shrub which allows it to easily invade forest edges and interiors and is spread by birds eating their berries, which have been known to cause death to cedar waxwings.
- DO PLANT: Ilex Glabra (Inkberry), Ilex verticillata (Winterberry) and *Callicarpa americana* (Beautyberry) are beautiful shrubs that produce safe berries for all birds
- DON'T PLANT: Ligustrum sinese (Chinese privet) forms dense thickets
- DO PLANT: Morella pensylvanica (Bayberry), Ilex glabra (inkberry), Aronia arbutifolia (red chokeberry), Viburnum prunifolium (Black haw) all make great hedges.
- DON'T PLANT: *Elaegnus umbellate* (Autumn Olive) will out compete natives, create dense shade and interfere with natural plant succession.
- DO PLANT: Appropriate alternatives include the previously mentioned shrubs as well as *Aronia arbutifolia* (red chokeberry), *Itea virginica* (Virginia sweetspire).
- DON'T PLANT: Berbis Thumergii (Japanese Barberry) not only displaces native species but it can change the soil chemistry and is a GREAT TICK HABITAT! Spirea japonica (Japanese spirea)
- DO PLANT: Physocarpus opulifolius (ninebark) is a wonderful alternative providing purple leaf color

Trees

- DON'T PLANT: *Pyrus calleryana* (Callery pear) can be seen up and down the side of many highways and neighborhood streets because they spread like wildfire. It produces millions of seeds that are spread by the birds forming dense thickets of wasteland.
- DO PLANT: Amelanchier spp. (serviceberry) or Cornus florida (dogwood) are beautiful native trees with tremendous wildlife value.

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- Grades matter most. And though high school may look like 8 semesters spread over 4 years, for the college-bound it's more like 6 semesters over 3. Think of our rising seniors who'll be applying early in the fall. First-semester grades won't appear on their transcripts until next February, well after the Early-Action notification date. Second-semester results won't be posted until well after the admissions deposit deadline of May 1. So the grades juniors are earning right now could well be the last set an admissions committee will see before deciding their fate. By this timetable, a sophomore's college transcript will be 2/3 compete come June, not 1/2. Now is the time, kids!
- Flexibility is key in the search for merit aid. "We're looking for a generous scholarship" and "We're not applying to any school more than 2 hours from our house," are inconsistent statements. Don't work against yourself by being arbitrary.
- Don't hem yourself in geographically. The Midwest is dotted with colleges that will start you off with a smaller
 price tag than their coastal competitors. So is the South. A reputable college counselor can help you find such
 places. Why not take a look and see what's out there?
- In the quest for merit aid, stay flexible on matters of size, make a visit, and see for yourself if the school could work. (You'd be surprised how a nice scholarship can shrink a school that seemed to big, or expand one that looked too small!)
- The reality is that financial aid works in ways that are counterintuitive. What looks more expensive may well turn out not to be so. What's the cost differential between a state school that runs 25K a year and makes no award, and a private college that costs 50K but comes up with 25K in aid? Suggestion: Try both types and see how you do.
- We may "know what we like", but it's also true that we like what we already know. There are fine schools out there you may not have heard of. Don't dismiss. Be open to possibility!
- College lists consisting of a bunch of hyper-selective schools accompanied by a single unwanted "safety" aren't helpful. Reach, don't flail. That ugly duckling you have no intention of attending provides no safety at all. In the end, Teddy Roosevelt had it right: "Keep your eyes on the stars, and your feet on the ground."
- Find some joy in the process. There are awesome schools out that are relative "bargains" in this crazy market. Please let me know if I can help you find one!

A retired AACPS teacher, Phil Greenfield is a college counselor based in Cape St. Claire. The Annapolis High School College Career Center was named in his honor. He can be contacted at 410-757-3583, or at jobcap@hotmail.com. Phil's website may be found at philip-greenfield.squarespace.com





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- Awards Ceremony: 12:30 pm at the Clubhouse

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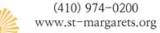
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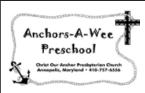
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The Soul Searchers 2017 Concert on Thursday, June 15th at 7:00 pm

Soul Searchers is made up of middle, high school and college age youth. Please plan to come and spend a great evening with a group of talented youth. The concert will be held at Christ Our Anchor Presbyterian church. Admission is free and all are welcome to attend.

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Children's Sunday School - May 28th will be the last day of this year's program. Our Sunday School will take a summer break and resume on September 10th.



We warmly invite all to join with our church family each Sunday for worship. Please visit our community of faith to share together the peace of Jesus!

Women's Summer Bibles on the Beach



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Family Movie Night

Please join your neighbors for our free Family Movie Night at 6:30 p.m. the third Friday each month through June 16. Popcorn and drinks provided. The movie series will include Big Hero 6, The BFG, Pete's Dragon, and Moana. Check out the events calendar at www.capeumc.org to see what movie we're showing next!

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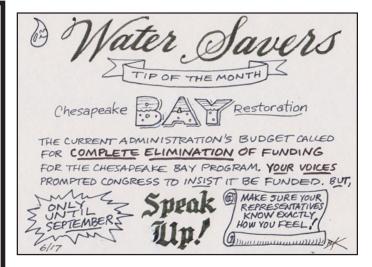
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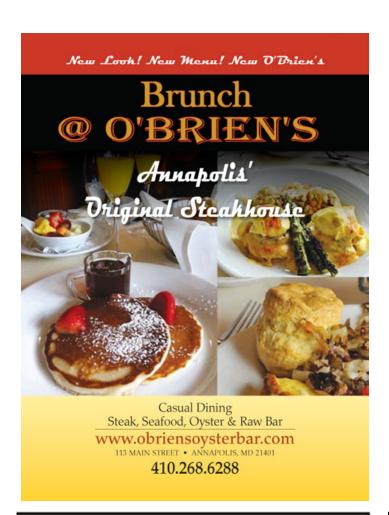
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1201 Highview Drive	4/2	\$285,000	\$8,000	10
1165 Hampton Road	4/2.5	\$529,900	\$10,000	114
1219 Summit Drive	4/2.5	\$415,000	\$12,450	81
1401 Greenway Drive	4/2	\$389,900	\$2,490	5
995 Round Top Drive	4/2	\$375,000	\$9,375	2
1245 Mount Pleasant Drive	4/2.5	\$404,500	\$10,000	53
1394 Greenway Drive	3/2	\$366,450	\$0	103
1129 Ramblewood Drive	3/2.5	\$470,000	\$9,400	152
1222 Plateau Place	5/3.5	\$549,000	\$5,750	11
1056 Sun Valley Drive	4/2.5	\$449,000	\$10,000	25
1203 Hilltop Drive	4/2	\$345,000	\$10,000	39
724 Hillcrest Drive	3/2	\$375,000	\$10,000	234
711 Fairway Drive	5/2	\$370,000	\$0	16

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