



Cape St. Claire Improvement Association, Inc. Community Newsletter

OCTOBER 2017

QUARTERLY MEETING TUESDAY OCTOBER 24TH AT 7:30 PM

President's Message

OCTOBER 2017



Capers,

Fall is officially upon us at this point, school is in full swing and our lives for the most part resume to a pace in which for many creates anxiety and stress. This is where we all have to take a step back and realize how fortunate we are to live in a community that is abound with opportunities, activities and natural beauty of our picturesque environment centered around the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries.

We are also fortunate having dedicated volunteers, not just with the Cape St. Claire Improvement Association, but with our schools, sports, music programs, non-profits and other extracurricular activities in our community. Meriam Webster's Dictionary defines a volunteer as "person who voluntarily undertakes or expresses a willingness to undertake a service"

There are many of you who give your time and service to benefit families others than yours, and I thank you all for your contributions to our community. While it may feel it is not noticed sometimes and certainly can be thankless position, I would like to thank each and every one that does that little something to give back.

If you are reading this and you have recently been feeling like you would like to step into assisting with different activities in our community, I encourage you to reach out to the PTO's, CSC Fire Company, Goshen Farm, Cape Conservation Corps, or even the Cape Garden Club. There are many other groups that could use a helping hand at events and/ or planning for future projects.

We too at the CSCIA need help though. While many of the above organizations partner with us for different

activities & projects, we are need of more helping hands. The CSCIA Board of Governors (BOG) currently is operating with eight elected members, down from full strength at nine members and far below the twelve maximum Governors we could be operating at. We have not had a full twelve Governors since the beginning of 2014. So if you are interested in learning more about our community, participating and helping plan for our future and making sure that the many community assets we have continued to be maintained and improved for the future, then consider running for the CSCIA Board of Governors this January.

Anyone interested in considering volunteering for the Board of Governors, please reach out to me directly at President@cscia.org for information regarding this position. I'd be happy to discuss the time commitments, responsibilities and roles that we have on the Board of Governor.

Hopefully, I will see you at one of many events around the community this fall.

**Best Wishes,
Beau Breeden
President CSCIA**

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Board In Brief *CSCIA Board Of Governors Monthly Meeting*

SEPTEMBER 11, 2017

President Breeden called the meeting to order at 7:33 P.M. He thanked all for coming and noted that we had a good end of summer, and that beach attendants would still be working weekends through September. He recognized tonight's guests, Doug Norton, Becky Benner, and David and Jabe Nekula.

David Nekula, a candidate for Eagle Scout, presented his idea for a project that involves making wooden containers for the recycling cans at our various beaches and parks. These would prevent them from blowing over and spreading debris during storms and high winds. He showed the Board a prototype and discussed his fund raising efforts and asked the Board about any possible CSCIA funding. The Board thanked him for his efforts and said they would discuss it.

The minutes of August 14, 2017 were approved with two minor corrections.

The July 31, 2017 P&L statement was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Cape Clean Up: Governor Lamb said it is scheduled for October 20 and 21. Details will be in the September and October Capers. Anyone who would like to volunteer to help is welcome.

Halloween Happenings: Governor Lamb said the event is scheduled for October 28. Details and registration forms will be published in the September and October Capers.

Breakfast with Santa: Governor Lamb said the event is scheduled for December 16. Details and Registration Forms will be published in the October and November Capers.

Signboard: Governor Lamb is working with Mealey Signs to have the signboard replaced and the entrance sign repaired. The new signboard will be shorter with a covering on the face. We will be visiting a few sites to review possibilities.

Caper: Governor Lamb said submissions to the September Caper were more on time, and the absolute cut-off date is the 15th of every month. She said lots of people want to advertise in it, and it was noted that the Caper has already earned 33% of its yearly revenue in the first month of the fiscal year.

Technology: Governor Szczytko updated the website with the new Caper and spent time dealing with hackers.

Events: Governor Fairchild said people have suggested having a community picnic.

Membership: Governor Fairchild had nothing new to report.

Building: Governor Zadera said there are 51 current building applications. There was discussion regarding several properties under review.

Beaches and Parks: Governor Macindoe noted the great job the beach attendants did this summer and added that there was a Boy Scout overnighter and clean up of the Main Beach. He said that Brad Hill had offered to have Youth Sailing help clean up and clear brush at Lake Claire.

Covenants: Governor Roche said there has been only one recent complaint and it wasn't even a covenants issue. There was some discussion about a property that has been a long-standing problem and about speeding on some roads.

Budget: Committee member Toy said the Budget Committee will meet in two days at his house.

Treasurer: Governor Myers said we are just beginning the fiscal year and expenses are proceeding as expected. She noted that the Caper has already earned 33% of its expected revenues for the year, which is astounding. She added that we are still awaiting the number of tax units from the county.

BCC: Governor Breeden said the next quarterly meeting will be at the Clubhouse on October 19 at 7:30 P.M. with an overview of the general development plan.

BLOA: Governor Breeden said that Whimsicality's grand opening was a success.

Roads: Governor Breeden has requested a study of Blue Ridge. He also noted that there was a traffic and speed counter on Cape St. Claire Road and there is a possibility of installing a flashing speed warning sign there.

Security: Governor Breeden said it has been a quiet month.

OLD BUSINESS

A motion was made and passed to allow the CSCIA to contribute up to \$850 toward the cost of the Eagle Scout project building containers for the recycling bins. Governor Myers added that it might be nice to feature photos of the Scouts and their projects on the Clubhouse walls, as well as noting them in the Caper.

There was discussion of modifying the building application form and our approval of applications versus the county's approval.

Governor Breeden said our attorney is forwarding us the final contract with Biohabitats for our signatures. The attorney is also dealing with county and state regarding establishing Shore Erosion Control District to allow us to get better financing.

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NEW BUSINESS

There was discussion regarding problems with the new trash collection contractors. Governor Breeden has been in contact with Constituent Services about this.

In response to a question from Governor Roche, Governor Breeden noted that there has been spraying for invasives at Little Magothy Beach.

There was a lengthy discussion about the proposed budget, dealing with ways to make up any shortfalls and possible re-allocation of income and expenses to balance the budget. There was also some discussion of where a town manager's office might go, and the increase in the technology budget needed to provide that person with a computer, phone, and other necessities.

COMMENTS

Becky Benner noted that the Garden Club has returned to regular monthly meetings, with the next one at the Clubhouse on October 3 at 7 P.M. She also reminded us of the Goshen Farm open house on Saturday from 10 to 4, featuring school children making reef balls and also a raptor display.

Doug Norton commented on how complicated it is to run the CSCIA and thanked the Board members for their service.

Governor Breeden reminded all that nominations for the Board need to be in the November and December Capers.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:32 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

WE  your Referrals

Mona is a Treasure!

Being a first time home buyer is nothing less than intimidating. We were so fortunate to have Mona to guide us through this process to make it less daunting. Mona's patience with our million questions put us at ease, as well as her knowledge and confidence throughout the entire process. Mona is an excellent negotiator and we were very lucky to have her on our side. Mona is a real treasure and we would recommend her to anyone.



David & Beckie Kinner



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“The end of the summer is not the end of the world. Here’s to October...” -- A.A. Milne

In the garden, for sure, there is much truth to that quote, as you can see as you move around Cape St. Claire. Of course, there are many varieties of lovely plants in bloom, and beautiful fountain grasses too. If you walk by the Clubhouse, for instance, you might see Members of our club weeding and dead-heading amidst mounds of blue asters and peach mums blooming in the newly planted flower beds flanking the front doors. But there is also, if you look closely, great beauty in the fading landscape – colorful leaves, berries & fruits, clusters of drying flower stalks and seed heads, evergreen shrubs that are acting as a backdrop for the drama in play – it all adds up to part of the cycle of seasons that we are so fortunate to enjoy. And who doesn’t enjoy a brisk walk in the crisp air, watching birds collecting seeds from those seed heads?

This month is a great time for dividing or planting not only perennials, but also spring-blooming bulbs like daffodils, crocus, and tulips, before the hard cold begins. Plants have a chance to become established without the heat of the summer to beat them down. They can relax and go dormant during the coldest months. Hey, many of us feel the same way – it’s a treat to go a little dormant after working in the garden all summer. ☺



A variety of chrysanthemums make a colorful autumn garden

Congratulations to our September Yard of the Month Winners!

- Area 1 Jose Maldonado, 1114 Little Magothy View
- Area 2 Fernando and Anacleta Deguia, 1073 Sun Valley Drive
- Area 3 Joe and Purdy Holoski, 1164 Glenwood Dale
- Area 4 Ed Feen, 1204 Southview Drive
- Area 5 Roy & Becky Benner, 1206 Green Holly Drive

And just a reminder that the Cape St Claire Garden Club meets the **first Tuesday of each month**. Anyone is welcome to attend and bring a friend or neighbor. You may get a lot of good tips and meet some really nice people.

On **Tuesday, October 3rd, at 7:00 p.m.** at the Clubhouse, we’ll hear speaker Dr. Gary Van Velsir share a photo slideshow of Maryland Orchids. Our October meeting also includes a Seed and Cutting Exchange, where attendees trade cuttings from coleus & sweet potato vine and seeds from four o’clocks, hyacinth bean vine, & dianthus, among others. Then on **Sunday, October 22nd**, we’ll have our annual Harvest Dinner. This is where we honor all of our Yard of the Month winners with a wonderful potluck dinner and plant raffle. **Tuesday, November 7th**, brings our annual Arranging Garden Materials workshop, followed by our Evergreen Wreath-Making Workshop and a fun gift exchange on **Tuesday, November 29th**.

More details about our meetings, along with photos, can be found on our blog capegardenclub.wordpress.com – check it out! Our club is pretty active throughout the year and we always welcome new members. Have a happy Halloween, fellow Capers, and enjoy the autumn!



2017 CAPE CLEAN-UP

Friday, October 20th & Saturday, October 21st
Corner of Broadview and Cape St. Claire Road

Anne Arundel County Waste Management has graciously offered Cape Residents a weekend in October for our 2017 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 Automobiles
- Trailers
- Gas and Propone Tanks
- Oil Drums or Tanks
- Liquids
- Hazardous Waste
- Boats
- Tires
- Paints
- Refrigerators
- Air Conditioners

If you should have any questions about the clean-up please Contact
Mary Lamb at 410-757-0593



NEWS FROM HISTORIC GOSHEN FARM AND EDUCATIONAL CENTER

Don't Miss The Annual Harvest Pasta Dinner – October 14, 2017, 5:00 – 7:30 PM!

This family-oriented dinner will be held at Gloria Dei! Lutheran Church in Arnold, Maryland and all proceeds go toward the restoration and preservation of the Historic Goshen Farm and Educational Center located near Cape St. Claire. It will feature home-made sauce prepared from organically grown tomatoes by members of the Goshen Farm Sharing Garden, home-made meatballs in the traditional Italian style, spaghetti squash for the gluten intolerant, soda, iced tea, water, coffee, and home-made desserts. Wine will be available at extra cost. Visit our web site for more about the event and Goshen Farm. www.goshenfarm.org

Annual Wine Tasting a Huge Success

Thanks to Bella's Liquors, our Annual Wine Tasting raised almost \$5,000 to support Goshen Farm's restoration, preservation, and education efforts. On a warm and sunny late-August afternoon, about 100 guests sipped wine, enjoyed the culinary presentation of Chef Art Lewis of Culinary Art, and enjoyed the smooth sounds of the Jazz Perpetrators. Thanks to the generous donations from the following local business, the Silent Auction raised a record amount of money. Please support these businesses.

- Bay Hills Deli
- Down Time Charters
- O'Loughlin's Restaurant
- The Bead Lady
- Franklin's Toys
- Pizza Hut
- The Biondi Family
- George's Family Restaurant
- Port Tack Ltd.
- Blue Rooster Café
- Gordon Biersch
- Richards Tree Care
- Soul Restaurant
- Graul's Market
- River Bay Roadhouse
- Broadneck Grill
- Healing Hands Massage Therapy
- Romilo's Restaurant

- Café Mezzanotte
- Hauck's Menswear
- Spizzico Italian Kitchen
- Cantler's Riverside Restaurant
- Larry Jennings
- The Great American Carwash
- Cape Ace Hardware
- The Manz Family
- The Lawn Mower Guys LLC
- Cape Hair Scene
- Kentmorr Restaurant
- The Toy Family
- Cape Auto
- Mercado and Associates, Inc.
- Valentine Bauer, D.D.S., P.A.
- Chesapeake Holistic Health
- Murray Family
- Whimsicality

Free Summer Concert Series

Thanks to GFPS Board Member, Scott Powers, Goshen Farm hosted a Summer Acoustic Concert Series. On five Friday nights over the summer, friends and neighbors gathered at the farm with their chairs and blankets to enjoy a couple of hours of great music. With his background in playing the local music scene for many years, Scott was able to recruit some very high caliber talent, all of who agreed to play for donations. Goshen Farm would like to thank the following groups and individuals who offered their talent: Loose Ties, Patchwerk, Tim Kurtzberg, Michael Kelly, Ben Fisher, Help Wanted featuring Thomas Wiley, Glenn Daniel, Dave Green, Dirk Schwenk and The Truth Band, Mike Johnson, and Old Eastern. August 25th's Member Appreciation Night was particularly well attended and members enjoyed free cookies and kid's toys, a free tee-shirt raffle, and discounted pizza from Vizzini's. A big thanks to Vizzini's for providing the pizza at a deep discount.

*Goshen Farm Preservation Society
presents its*

Annual Harvest Spaghetti Dinner

October 14, 2017 - 5:00 to 7:30 p.m.



This family-oriented dinner will be held at Gloria Dei! Lutheran Church located at 461 College Parkway, Arnold, Maryland. It will feature home-made sauce prepared from organically grown tomatoes by members of the Sharing Garden, home-made meatballs in the traditional Italian style, spaghetti squash for the gluten intolerant, soda, iced-tea, water, coffee, and home -made desserts. Wine will be available at extra cost.

Suggested donation—Adults: \$10.00 and Children: 10 and under: \$5:00.

A special thanks to all of the Sharing Garden gardeners who contributed tomatoes, vegetables, and their precious time to make this event possible.

GET DIRTY  **EAT FRESH**

Goshen Sharing Garden, a place to have your own garden space



St. Margaret's Church Holiday Bazaar

**The Women's Guild at St. Margaret's Church
on the Broadneck Peninsula
(1601 Pleasant Plains Rd.)
will host its annual Holiday Bazaar
from 9:00 to 2:00
in both the Parish
and Fellowship Halls on Sat., Nov. 18th.**

There will be local crafters and vendors with door prizes provided.
Get a jump start on your holiday shopping. Items include jewelry,
baskets, home decorative items, photography, hand painted plates
and glassware,

hand made knitted items and much, much more.

There will also be an "Up-Scale White Elephant Sale".

There will be morning refreshments as well as lunch for sale.
The ladies will have baked goods for sale and items to be raffled.

*The proceeds will help with the missions of St. Margaret's
Women's Guild
such as Santa's helpers (the purchase of gifts) for local children,
YMCA's Battered Women's Program, as well as other community
outreach programs.*

Free admission.

Call Judy Hall at 410-757-4137 for more information.

Directions available at www.st-margarets.org.



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All are Welcome to Join us for Mass!
Saturdays at 5:00 p.m.
Sundays at 8:00, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.

We Invite and Welcome ALL in God's Name!

Who are you?

*Are you divorced? Single?
Married with kids, worrying for them
and committed to their welfare?
Are you a single parent struggling to
make ends meet?*



Who are you?

*Are you spiritual, but
haven't found a church home?
Are you searching? Are you overwhelmed?
Too busy and scattered? Wondering how you
can make a difference? Or how to raise your
kids with faith?*

Who are you?

*Are you lonely? A widow?
Disabled or sick?
Have you run out of luck?
Are you lost?*

Who are you?

*Are you a newcomer? An immigrant?
From another Christian tradition?
Without a church home of your own?
Are you full of doubt?*



**Well, whoever you are,
you are welcome here.
Christ is the host here.
Christ sets the table.
And Christ welcomes all.**

All people of goodwill are welcomed here!

If you've been away, you can come back. If you're searching, come and see. If you haven't been able to believe, look around you: the Body of Christ comes to Mass every day. Sinners are welcome. Saints, too.

**Come, join us at Mass this weekend!
Stop by our new WELCOME CENTER
in the lobby of our church building.**





CAPE'NESS NUTRITION & FITNESS

We are just finishing our summer session and will begin our next session on Oct. 12. We meet at the Broadneck Baptist church every Thursday morning at 10am. We discuss a different topic on nutrition and fitness each week and have a friendly competition to lose the most weight. The biggest losers win cash prizes. This session will end just before Thanksgiving and the next session will begin right afterwards. All are welcome to join in at any time. We also walk every morning at 6:10am, starting from the Cape St. Claire Clubhouse. Please call Laura at (443) 569-9082 for more information on the weight loss challenge, walking programs or getting healthy.



EPIPHANY COMMUNITY



Our first Blessing of the Animals, held September 24th, was a true blessing! The mass and blessing was held at the Cape St. Claire main beach. The animals along with their human counterparts enjoyed the service and each other! The weather was great and the mass was well attended. Epiphany Community celebrates Catholic mass every Sunday morning at 9:30am in the Cape St. Claire Clubhouse. All are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing more Cape St. Claire residents, along with residents from the surrounding area, soon.

WOMEN'S SUMMER BIBLES ON THE BEACH

Cape St. Claire Main Beach

Come study with some awesome ladies of the Cape - Shaun Niequist's *Present Over Perfect*: Leaving Behind Frantic for a Simple, More Soulful Way of Living

We will be meeting every other Monday, starting on 6/5 at the Main Beach - weather permitting.

We will meet at Cape St. Claire UMC if it rains.

Please contact Mia Riser (mlriser_serves@aol.com) if you are interested in attending.

All are welcome!

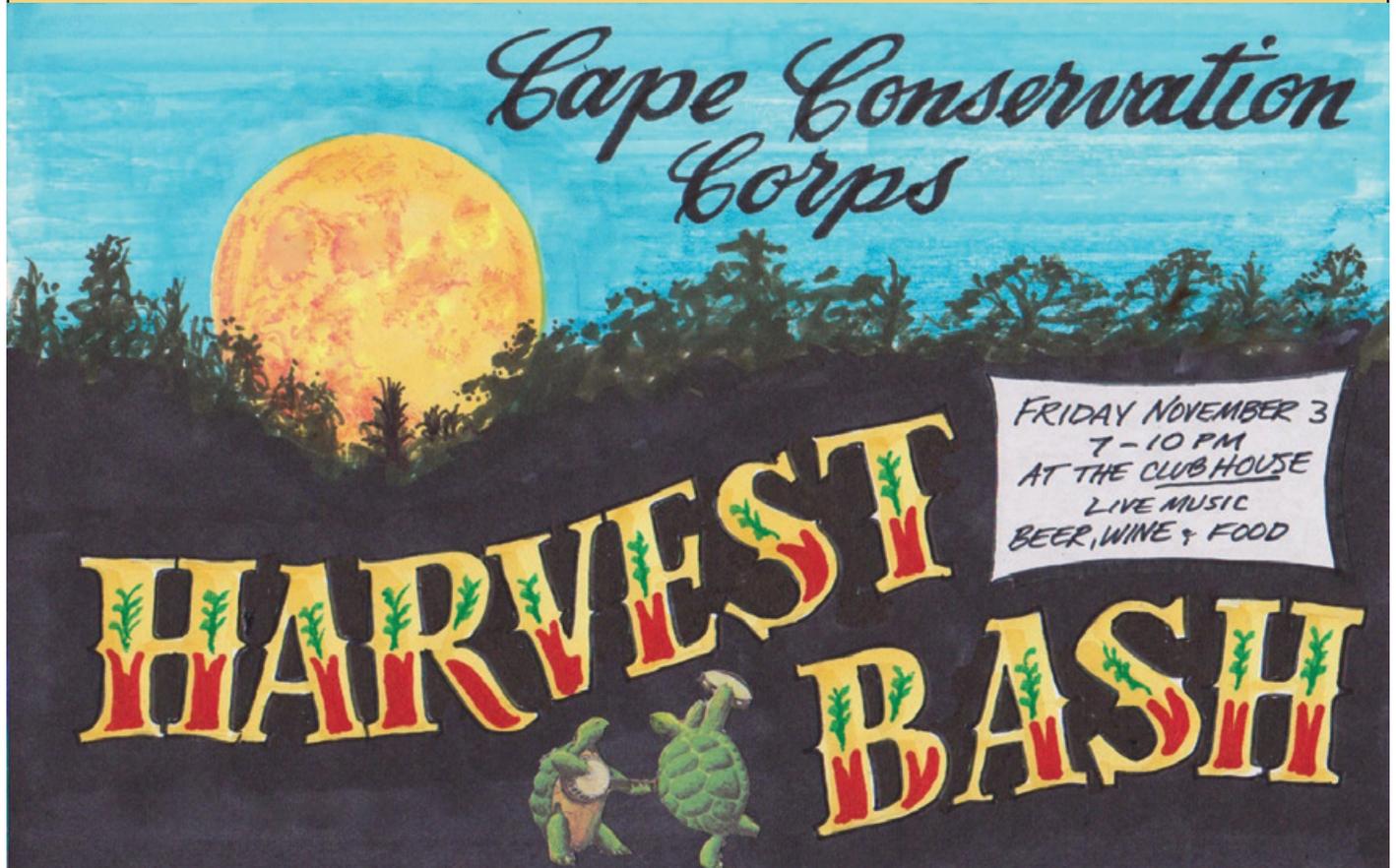
Anne Arundel County Launches 3-1-1 Customer Service Program - Call or Click for Quick Response

Citizens can access the new system by simply dialing 3-1-1 for all municipal services. Operators are available from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Please dial 9-1-1 for emergencies and medical assistance.

Citizens can also download the mobile app through the App Store (iPhone) and Google Play (Android). Only a simple signup process is required. Just hit the magnifying glass and search for "Arundel 311."

The mobile platform, through the See-Click-Fix application, allows citizens to report a lost pet, a pothole, a missed trash collection, traffic signs, illegal signs, and many other issues. Using your mobile device, you can take a picture, set a location, and receive updates on the response to your issue.

**FRIDAY NOVEMBER 3
CSC CLUBHOUSE
7 TO 10 PM**



**LIVE MUSIC FEATURING
3RD SUNDAY BAND
BEER! WINE! FUN FOODS!**

\$25 ADMISSION

**TICKETS AVAILABLE AT
CAPECONSERVATIONCORPS.ORG**





Upcoming Events

October 7th: Our first annual Native Plant Fest!
9am-noon: CSCIA corral (corner of Broadview & CSC Road)

Fall is for planting! Now is a great time to assess your garden and fill in the bare spots!
Perennials, grasses, ferns and shrubs at rock bottom prices!
Check out hourly speakers on lots of helpful topics!
Get your gardening questions answered by a Master Gardener!
Scan the QR code below to view the plant list and more details.



Scan for Harvest
Bash Tickets



Scan for Plant
Fest Info

November 3rd: Harvest Bash
7pm - 10pm at the CSC Clubhouse
Join us for our third annual FUNdraiser!
LIVE MUSIC
GREAT FOOD
BEER AND WINE
all included for \$25.00!

Tickets are limited: visit our website to purchase!

Top Overlooked Understory Trees to Consider

By: *Stacey Wildberger*

There are many plant layers to successful ecosystems-from the ground cover, herbaceous plants, shrubs, understory up to the tall canopy layer. Each level plays a vital role in the health of the ecosystem and biodiversity in the landscape, but the understory is an often overlooked layer in our home landscapes. We often plant lush gardens filled with flowering plants, a few ground cover plants, some shrubs and of course we all know Cape has plenty of canopy trees shading us!

The understory level is typically trees ranging in height from 15-49'. These understory trees play a vital role in creating a balanced ecosystem by providing food and shelter for much of our wildlife, including birds and small mammals. There are many native understory trees that have high wildlife value as well as providing beauty to your landscape throughout the seasons. There are the beautiful purple flowers in early spring from the Eastern Redbud, the vibrant yellows of the Spicebush and Paw-paw trees and the eye-catching fall display of yellows, reds, copper and deep purples.

Fall is the best time to plant, particularly these understory trees as they will have all winter to set strong roots without worrying about the heat and drought they face in the summer.

Here is a list 10 understory trees that will enhance your landscape and benefit wildlife.

***Cercis Canadensis* -Eastern Redbud** nothing says spring like the glorious purple blooms of the Redbud blooming along the roadways, parks and neighborhood streets. These early blooming trees offer an early source of nectar for foraging insects and bees. The leaves, seeds and blooms are utilized by songbirds, pollinators and mammals. Redbuds tolerate part-shade to shade, making an ideal specimen tree for many Cape yards.



Eastern Redbud

***Amelanchier Canadensis* -Eastern serviceberry** this wonderful tree provides 3 seasons of interest starting in early spring with beautiful white flowers of high value

suppress weeds and fertilize the soil. The leaves also provide much needed habitat for wildlife. The leaf litter provides food, shelter and nesting materials for frogs, toads, turtles, birds, mammals and invertebrates. There are several things you can do with the leaves rather than send them to the landfill.

Leave them where they fall, mulch over them with a mulching mower, rake them into your garden as mulch— shredding them into a finer texture so they will break down easier, combine them with grass clippings and other green material to make nutrient rich compost to spread in the garden in the spring. You can also use the leaves along with branches, and sticks to make brush piles to shelter neighborhood wildlife, and finally if you are like most of us in the Cape you probably have more than enough so share them with a friend or neighbor that isn't lucky enough to have an abundance of this free nutrient rich mulch!

Are you wondering why you did not see as many butterflies and other beneficial bugs in your yard this summer? It could be because your garden was too neat. We have a tendency to want to go and “tidy” up the garden in the fall by cutting down all the stems, but those stems house many overwintering bugs. It is best to let them stand through the winter and even late into spring to give insects time to emerge. If you must clean up in the spring try to leave 12-18” standing -once the new stems and leaves begin to emerge you won't see the brown stems from last year and the bugs will be able to make their way out. Leaving those stalks up also offers us an opportunity to enjoy the garden all year, winter interest is the beautiful display those spent flower and seed heads and stalks offer us. The winter sun reflecting off of them, or glistening in the soft snow. We can sit back and appreciate the deep red stems of a red dogwoods, dark browns of the herbaceous plants, pale yellows of switchgrass, dark, almost black inkberries, or the clean white bark of a paper birch. If we change the way we see “pretty” you will begin to see the beauty all around you. Our gardens should not just be what are aesthetically pleasing to us but what benefits the ecosystem as a whole.



One of the biggest questions I get asked is where can I go purchase native plants? The best answer to that question is **RIGHT HERE IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD!** Cape Conservation Corps is going to host their first ever Fall Native Plant Sale on October 7th from 9am-12pm- in the field behind the clubhouse. Not only will we have hand selected native plants for the soil and light conditions of Cape but they will be reasonably priced so you can easily afford to start that new garden or add to your existing gardens! We will also have on hand many local experts including Master Gardeners, Watershed Stewards and Master Naturalists to answer questions, offer advice and educate. The day will also include several guest speakers on a variety of topics.

There are also several Native Plant nurseries in the area you can visit this fall. Chesapeake Natives in Upper Marlboro, Adkins Arboretum in Ridgely (near Tuckahoe State Park), Herring Run Nursery in Baltimore.

“Our legacy won't be how pretty our gardens looked; our legacy will be how gardens and other managed spaces woke us to a revolution of belonging in this world, and a renaissance of ethical thinking that helped us evolve into our fullest potential as stewards of life and as gardeners of our own hearts” --Benjamin Vogt
www.monarchgardens.com

For more information about Cape Conservation Corps:

visit www.capeconservationcorps.org OR join our group on Facebook: Cape Conservation Corps

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Halloween Happenings

TRICK OR TREAT AT THE CAPE ST. CLAIRE SHOPPING CENTER

ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2017, 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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Halloween Happenings

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

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28th

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 \$5.00 per child 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 _____ X \$5.00 = _____ (Adults are free)

OF SCARECROWS TO BE MADE _____ (see necessary supplies)

SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR EACH SCARECROW-1 PAIR OF PANTS WITH BELT LOOPS, 1

LONG SLEEVED SHIRT, PANTY HOSE (1 pr) 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 to

Strawberry Festival C/O Mary Lamb-

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

CAPE COLLEGE COUNSELING

Anyone counting on merit aid--on grants and scholarships awarded regardless of need-- should take the following to heart.

- 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 complete 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 there 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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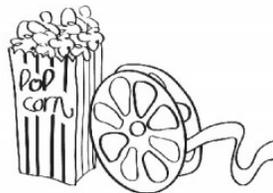


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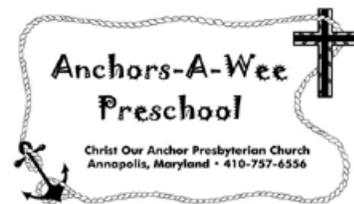
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| 1408 Cape St Claire Road | 4/3.5 | \$610,000 | \$15,000 | 111 |
| 717 Hillcrest Drive | 2/1 | \$260,000 | \$7,800 | 46 |
| 1140 Riverview Drive | 4/2.5 | \$300,000 | \$0 | 190 |
| 1171 Ramblewood Drive | 4/2 | \$359,900 | \$10,797 | 42 |
| 996 Highpoint Dive | 3/1 | \$285,000 | \$0 | 45 |
| 918 B Blue Ridge | 4/3 | \$410,000 | \$13,500 | 33 |
| 1175 Bayview Vista | 4/3 | \$379,000 | \$6,000 | 127 |
| 998 Hillendale Drive | 4/2.5 | \$520,000 | \$4,500 | 17 |
| 703 Mount Alban Drive | 4/2.5 | \$555,600 | \$10,000 | 201 |
| 1079 Broadview Drive | 4/3 | \$388,500 | \$10,000 | 92 |
| 1168 Gateway Drive | 4/3 | \$570,000 | \$3,000 | 19 |

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