Cape St. Claire Improvement Association, Inc. Community Newsletter

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QUARTERLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING TUESDAY JULY 24TH AT 7:30 PM

President's Message

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Capers,

I hope that everyone is enjoying the first few weeks of summer. I traditionally would take this opportunity to write a message recapping the month's events and providing reminders to residents about the rules of the beaches and parks, the necessity for stickers to avoid being towed and other community policies. Last month, I used this space as a reminder and memorial for two men who were the foundation of the community for many years and reminding Capers the building blocks that have been laid by those who have lived here for much or all our 69 year history. I was all ready to return to the providing summer updates and reminders for this July/ August issue, until the mass shooting incident at the Capital Gazette Offices on the afternoon of June 28th. I texted Mary Lamb that night and let her know to scrap my president's message and I would write something in tribute to the 5 employees of the Capital who senselessly lost their lives.

As a resident of the Annapolis Area for thirty plus years, I grew up reading the Capital Newspaper. As my parents would attest, I spent many an evening as a child of 8 or 9 years of age laying on the floor of the family room with the sports section, just memorizing numbers and reading articles on the local high school teams and professional teams, especially the Orioles tracking Cal Ripken, my favorite player.

As time went on, I often read the local news, which we all know was a priority for the Capital. A splash of National news with abundance of focus on what was happening here in Annapolis and Anne Arundel County. The essence of local news can be mundane and sometimes pedestrian, but often the silly and quirky things of life are what make life the most interesting. The Capital has a long history of

bringing those local events, happenings and good deeds by local citizens to life.

With the loss yesterday (I am writing this on Friday, June 29th, 2018), we say goodbye to Gerald Fischman, Robert Hiassen, John McNamara, Rebecca Smith and Wendi Winters. I had the pleasure of meeting 4 of the 5 in the past, especially the past 5years while serving as President of the Association. I have met a number of other local reporters Pat Furgurson, Phil Davis, Maureen Thomas and a few others covering different topics about the community whether it be the Strawberry Festival, 4th of July Parade, a candidates night, a public information meeting on Cape St. Claire Road, or maybe a local issue they needed a quote for to complete an article.

The person that communicated with me the most, during my time as President, was long time fellow Caper, Wendi Winters. Though she recently moved from the Cape to Edgewater according to news reports, she has spent most of her journalism career writing Teen of the Week, Home of the Week and Around the Broadneck columns for the Capital. As a family, my mother Barbara in particular, has known Wendi as she raised 4 children and was a Girl Scout Leader in the Cape.

Being that Wendi was the daughter of a Naval Academy Grad, she was very proud of her connection. She served as the Class President of the Class of 1940 for a number

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Board In Brief CSCIA Board Of Governors Monthly Meeting JUNE 11, 2018

President Breeden called the meeting to order at 7:33 P.M. He thanked the Governors for their help on the Strawberry Festival parade float, noting that it was the Association's first float in 25 years. He also thanked the beach attendants and the groundskeepers for their help, along with our town manager and the entire Strawberry Festival committee. He noted there has been a lot of activity at the beaches and parks. Budget Committee member Dave Toy mentioned that he will be moving and President Breeden thanked him for his service and wished him well. He welcomed our guest, Becky Benner.

The minutes of May 14, 2018 were approved unanimously.

The Profit & Loss statement (P&L) of April 30 were approved unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Treasurer: Governor Zadera noted that invoices that need to be paid before June 30 need to be sent in. The issue with the Comptroller's office over our improper FEIN number is being resolved. The next budget meeting is scheduled for July 17.

Membership: Governor Fairchild said the volunteer opportunity page, https://www.cscia.org/volunteer is up and running.

Events: Governor Fairchild said planning for July 4 is in full swing and there are lots of opportunities for volunteers to help.

Building: Governor Roche there are 25 building applications as of now and no variance requests. He said there will be a hearing on Wednesday regarding the county's denial of a request to fill in a stream on Poplar Tree, and he would like the Board to show our opposition to the appeal of that decision.

Budget: Committee member Toy said that requests for next year's funding need to start coming in.

Beaches & Parks: Governor Macindoe said that Boy Scouts are looking for possible Eagle Scout projects. Bat houses and replacing fence at Deep Creek were mentioned.

Town Manager: Town manager Anderson said he has been dealing with drainage and overgrown grass issues, along with a lot of pier work. He hired another beach attendant and mentioned that a member of the grounds crew might be leaving.

Covenants: Governor Layman said grass on Chestnut has been mowed and he has made 5 311 grass reports and a grading report.

Technology: Governor Szczytko created a playground poll on the website, updated the mosquito spraying schedule and exempt areas, updated the Strawberry Festival web page, and posted the new Caper.

Clubhouse: Governor Lamb said work is proceeding to make the bathrooms handicap accessible, at which point they will become 2 family bathrooms rather than men's and women's.

Caper: Governor Lamb said June Capers are on the way and ad contracts for FY 19 have been mailed.

Signboard: Governor Lamb is still working with Sign Crafters in Annapolis. There was discussion regarding the design and cost, along with the BLOA contribution.

Strawberry Festival: Governor Lamb noted the 60th Anniversary Festival was a huge success and thanked the Board members and their families for their help and support.

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Community Clean-up: Governor Lamb reminded all it is scheduled for September 7 and 8, and there are volunteer opportunities on https://www.cscia.org/volunteer.

Administrative Assistant: Administrative Assistant Coble noted that it's been quite busy in the office.

Broadneck Council of Communities (BCC): Governor Breeden said the last of our 3 candidate nights will be Thursday, June 14 at 7:30 P.M. We have had over 100 people each event, which is the largest turnout in the county, and has impressed the candidates.

Business Men and Lot Owners Association (BLOA): The petition for their SCBD is in its final stages.

Beaches & Parks: Governor Breeden said the season is in full swing and beach attendants are working daily. They did a good job during the Strawberry Festival. Groundskeepers have been very busy in May. We are in the final stages of selecting new playground equipment this month for the Main Beach and Deep Creek.

Personnel: Governor Breeden said we have been able to hand over a lot of the day to day oversight over various projects to the town manager. He also said we will begin using a new updated employee handbook, which will make our policies in line with new laws and codes passed by the General Assembly this year.

Piers: Governor Breeden said we are still placing new slip offers and have moved through the move list. Lake Claire pier and Deep Creek bulkhead both passed inspection. Lake Claire pier has new ladders and life rings and will be getting a new gate later this summer. Work on Little Magothy pier continues and we hope to have slip holders back in by the week of June 25.

Roads: Governor Breeden said we are meeting with traffic engineering and police about several problematic intersections and streets. He said we should look for more enforcement and awareness campaigns throughout the summer.

Security: Governor Breeden said that activity has picked up with the summer hours. He reminded all to lock vehicles and homes and keep an eye out for each other. He added that almost all fireworks are illegal in Maryland and cannot be used if they leave the ground. And he noted that noise ordinance laws limit loud noises, such as construction, chain saws, etc. to the hours between 7 A.M. and 10 P.M.

OLD BUSINESS

Town manager Anderson is working with the town accountant to get penalties related to our EIN issue dismissed.

Governor Breeden said mosquito spraying will begin soon. All information, including exempt areas, is on the CSCIA website. He noted that residents can petition the county to remove exempt areas.

Governor Breeden had no update from Biohabitats or Greenvest.

Governor Breeden noted the winners of the playground poll. The Main Beach winner was number 12 in that poll, and the deep Creek winner was number 5 in that poll. Both are from Playground Specialists and will cost around \$70,000 installed. We will be in touch with the company this week.

Governor Breeden said the work at the Graul's Park stream area is moving along.

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Governor Breeden mentioned that the 20 year old pump out machine at Deep Creek is no longer operational. A new one will cost about \$6,600 and we look into getting one later in the summer.

The tree planting that's part of the Cape St. Claire road project has been delayed.

COMMENTS

Becky Benner said that, even with the rain, the Garden Club grossed over \$12,000 at the plant sale.

She thanked the Board for allowing the club to use the field. She said the next club meeting will be September 4.

She also reminded us that the Goshen Farm summer concert series start June 22 at 6:30 P.M. and will take place every 2 weeks through September 7. Bring dinner and enjoy the music.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Governors Breeden, Fairchild, Lamb, Layman, Macindoe, Roche, Schmidt, Szczytko and Zadera were present. Also present were Budget Committee member Toy, Town Manager Anderson, and Administrative Assistant Coble.





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of years. She played a role of keeping families updated on the happenings at the Academy, and those who remain alive informed about classmates passing. I being the son of 1968 USNA grad and my mother spending 21 years of her career as reference Librarian at Nimitz, the USNA was an easy common topic for us to discuss, other than what's happening in the Cape. Wendi would usually give updates on how many classmates were still living, and she often spoke about attending services for those who had recently passed. A few years ago Wendi hosted the 75th Reunion and I remember her noting how the attendance had fallen and just two from the class were healthy enough to make it, noting this would probably be the final reunion. Her USNA ties were so strong that several of her kids who grew up in the Cape, attended the Academy and now serve in the US Navy out in the fleet. I know Wendi was a "Proud Navy Mom".

Wendi was in my opinion a free spirit, who at 6ft tall with very curly hair, often with a splash of color, was easy to pick out in the crowd. I saw her at many events around the area. Two or three years ago, we ran into each other at the top of the Nordstrom Parking Garage, both there to watch the Blue Angles Show over Annapolis. She had her camera and had the opportunity to take pictures of the fly overs and approaches. I go there because it's easy to get in and out with traffic and gives you decent 360 view of the jets, Wendi was there to get an alternative look at the jets other than traditional Severn River shots we typically see in the newspaper.

Wendi was dedicated to her profession, she loved finding the good in local events and people and highlighting those in her articles. She cared about the Broadneck Area and Cape St. Claire and was a journalist advocate for many organizations in the area, such as the Improvement Association, Goshen Farms, Broadneck Council, and local Boy & Girl Scout Troops. Wendi hosted an annual P.R. Bazaar, which I attended several times. It was an informative two evening session that helped the energetic volunteers of the area learn how to write better articles, how to connect with the right departments at local media outlets and help focus the topics of how to connect with the public in promoting events and sharing our organizations purpose. It goes to the heart of what I saw in Wendi, a journalist, trying to help everyday people get the word out on what's important in their world in her own unique way.

This last sentence really sums up Wendi's professional career and the Capital Newspaper, a local paper, written by local people who are skilled journalist, who highlight the National News of the day, but focus on what make the Annapolis Area and Anne Arundel County a special place to live.

On behalf of the Cape St. Claire Improvement Association and all us Capers, I express my heartfelt sorrow to the family, friends, and co-workers on the loss of Gerald Fischman, Rob Hiassen, John McNamara, Rebecca Smith and Wendi Winters. I would like to extend a debt of gratitude to all who have worked or currently work at the Capital in helping promote the good and common things of daily life here on the Shores of the Chesapeake. Finally, to those at the Capital who pushed through, did their jobs in order to publish the daily newspaper in honor of their fallen co-workers, when local and national news become one senseless and tragic story, in true Navy Fashion, given we are a Navy Town and we lost one great "Navy Mom", Bravo Zulu!

This summer as we process our grief on the loss of these good people to our community and town, please remember, we can all strive to be better and kinder neighbors, friends, and family. Consider small improvements daily and random acts of kindness for those around you. It's these things that everyday people, like you and me, can do to make the world just a little better.

With sincere sympathy, Beau Breeden

President CSCIA



EPIPHANY COMMUNITY

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We celebrate Catholic mass every Sunday morning at the Cape St. Claire Clubhouse at 9:30 am. We'd love to see you there. Nominations and elections are taking place in the next few weeks for 3 new board members. We look forward every week to meeting new people.

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A Message from The Town Manager



Capers,

I've been onboard for nearly two months now and I can honestly say I am loving every minute of it! As you have probably noticed, we have several ongoing projects taking place throughout our neighborhood. If you ever have any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to me.

A slight drop off has been noticed at the bottom of the Deep Creek Boat Ramp. This is usually caused by boats being "power loaded" during the recovery/retrieving process. The recommended and preferred method is to winch the boat onto the trailer.

Propeller wash can erode the sediment just beyond the ramp surface, creating a large hole. The eroded sediment is deposited behind the propeller, creating a mound. Trailer tires can get stuck in these holes, and boats can run aground on the mound.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q31WI7Ten5o

https://www.boat-ed.com/maryland/studyGuide/Do-Not-Power-Load-Your-Boat/1010210 2_700140389/

Unfortunately, even after a second opinion, we were unable to save the Southern Red Oak Tree behind the community signboard. This tree was in rapid decline and diagnosed with an ambrosia beetle infestation as well as a fungal infection. Luckily the guard shack and sign board were not damaged during the removal.

The Stormwater Outfall Restoration Management Project at Cape St Claire Park is moving along quickly. The finished project will look very similar to the step pool conveyance system behind the firehouse grounds.

Lake Claire Boating Pier passed its final inspection and is fully operational. A security gate will be installed in the near future. All of our piers just underwent their yearly fire extinguisher inspection.

Little Magothy Pier is complete except for electricity and lighting. A security gate will be installed after final inspection. The parking lot will also get fresh gravel. The oyster nursery will be operational after electricity is restored as well.

New playgrounds are coming to Main Beach and Deep Creek in October.

It was great seeing everyone at the Independence Day Parade and 4th of July Celebration!

Cheers,

Ryan Anderson

Cape St Claire Town Manager
TownManager@cscia.org
443.510.3116



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.

NEWS FROM



HISTORIC GOSHEN FARM AND EDUCATIONAL CENTER

Summer Acoustic Concert Series

Unfortunately, the first concert was rained out and rescheduled for a week later. But Michael Kelly and Patchwurk put on a great show and started the series on the right note. The next concert will feature Glenn Daniel and Tim Kurtzberg on August 10th.

August 24th is Member Appreciation Night and will feature The Biondi Family Band and Dirk and the Truth. Members will have a chance to win one of two t-shirts, purchase pizza slices on a buy one, get one free basis, and half-price soft drinks. So get out those folding chairs, blankets, and coolers and get ready for some delightful evenings of fun and music. The series will wrap up on September 7th with Ben Fisher and Patchwurk.

For changes in schedule, cancelations, and other up to the minute information, check our Face Book page (https://www.facebook.com/goshenfarm.org/) or sign up for email notifications at president@goshenfam.org.

Annual Wine Tasting and Silent Auction

The Annual Wine Tasting and Silent Auction sponsored by Bella's Liquors, it will be held at the home of Val Sullivan on August 18th from 4:00 until 7:00 pm. Once again the featured entertainment will be the Jazz Perpetrators, that wonderful group that provided the music for Java & Jazz. By the time this issue of the Caper is out, we should have completed collecting items for the auction. We will try to put a list of items and donors up on our website by August 4th so check us out at www.goshenfarm.org. If you would like to donate something for the auction, please contact Sharon Biondi at secretary@goshenfarm.org.

Kayak Raffle Another Huge Success.

The Caper deadline fell right before the Kayak Raffle drawing, so the winner cannot be announced. However, it can be reported that the raffle raised over \$2,500 for continuing the work of the Goshen Farm Preservation Society. The raffle's success was the result of team work. Thank you to all of you who generously purchased tickets and a huge thank you to **Hague Quality Water of Maryland** for donating the kayaks and paddles.

By the time you read this issue, the winner should be posted on our website and will have appeared on our Face Book page.

Pollinator Garden is Now Complete

Thanks to the help from students at the Harbour School, members of the Sharing Garden, and members of the Society, the Pollinator Garden and Monarch Waystation has been completed. The purchase of the plants was made

possible by a grant from the Four Rivers Garden Club and the final product is both beautiful and an important environmental feature at Goshen Farm. Thank you all.

Goshen Farm Honors Diane Velozo, Third Grade Teacher at Cape Elementary.

On June 7th, five members of the Goshen Farm Board of Directors attended a retirement reception at Cape Elementary and presented Diane Velozo with a certificate of appreciation. Diane was one of the first teachers to recognize the value of Goshen Farm as an educational resource and build visits to the farm and the use of a Sharing Garden plot into her instruction. We will miss Diane, but we are sure we will more third-graders during the coming school year. Best of luck to her in her retirement!

Educational Center Wraps up the School Year

Once again, Goshen Farm worked closely with the Anne Arundel County Public Schools' (AACPS) **Enclave Program**. Two days a week, students would come to the farm to learn about planting and tending vegetables, invasive species, help with maintaining the trails and a host of other activities. Enclave students-days at Goshen Farm totaled 168 days over the school year.

During the school year Board Members, Terry Brandon and Roy Benner, also worked with students from **South River High School** in building a very sophisticated aquaponics project. The project included adding on to the hoop house to provide space to house the project..

Goshen Farm also participated in the **Cape Elementary STEM** night, distributing a hundred beet plants to students and discussing nutrition and growing vegetables.

Support of the Environmental Literacy Program and the Enviro Club at **Broadneck High School**, overseen by Michelle Weisgerber and Matt Bem respectively, continued thoughout the school year.

Last but not least, Goshen Farm once again worked with two interns from the **Performing and Visual Arts Magnet Program** and hosted one **Capstone** project.

End of year conferences with several teachers and program facilitators were held to discuss next year's activities.

Save the Dates

The Goshen Farm Fall Open House is scheduled for September 15th and the Annual Harvest Pasta Dinner is scheduled for October 13th. Details for both events will be forthcoming on the Society's website (www.goshenfarm.org), our Face Book page, and in gentle email reminders sent to members.

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Goshen Farm Preservation Society Annual Wine Tasting & Silent Auction



When: August 18, 2018

4:00 until 7:00 PM

Where: 1504 Stacy Lane

Annapolis, MD 21409

Free parking behind Bay Area Insurance, 818 E. College Pky

Suggested Donation: \$20.00

Checks may be made payable to GFPS, Inc. or purchased on-line at www.goshenfarm.org

Join us for a lovely afternoon of wonderful wines hand selected by Bella's Liquors and a delightful assortment of tasty hors d'oeuvres.

Music by the incomparable Jazz Perpetrators (Music so good, it's a crime). Jazz and swing music at its best.

Bid on a varied list of auction items. You will be sure to find something that peaks your interest!

All proceeds go to the support and restoration of the Historic Goshen Farm & Educational Center.

Stewards Will

Second Habitat Hero Winners

Rod & Trish have been in the Cape for over 32 years and during that time they have created a safe haven for wildlife to flourish in their yard. They do not use pesticides, they compost, and mulch and leave stems and leaves standing. They also provide food, water, and shelter for songbirds and other visiting wildlife. There is a beautiful patch of the native fern Onoclea sensibilis thriving. Read all about their yard at our website http://capeconservationcorps.org/habitat-heroes/



Habitat Hero Nominations

We are continuing to look for the next Habitat Hero. Submit to admin@capeconservationcorps.org See our website for more information http://capeconservationcorps.org/habitat-heroes/

Upcoming Events

The Second Annual Native Fall Festival and Plant Sale will be Saturday September 22th 9am-12pm in the field behind the Clubhouse. We will have native plants, including shrubs and trees at super low prices. We will have many experts on hand such as Master Gardeners, Master Naturalists, and Water Shed Stewards. Cape resident and landscape designer Chris Pax will be leading a tour of the plants and giving suggestions for which plants will work well together and in the which conditions. Author Nancy Lawson, *The Humane Gardener*, will be on hand to talk about what are good host plants and ways to co-exist with the wildlife to your yard. The native plants will be selected on the conditions of the Cape!

Save the Date

Friday November 2nd 7:00-10:00 for 4th Annual Harvest Bash. Good friends, food & drinks and good music!

Planting your Autumn Garden By: Stacey Wildberger

Typically when we think about gardening and adding new plants we think Spring but Fall is an optimal time to plant as well (shameless plug coming). Cape Conservation Corps will be hosting our 2nd Annual Fall Native Plant Sale and Festival September 22nd at the field behind the clubhouse. We will have many types of plants such as ferns, groundcovers, shrubs, and herbaceous plants, many for fall blooms and foliage.

Fall is an ideal time to plant as it gives a whole season to establish their roots without the stress of heat and drought and the worry of holding onto their leaves and flowers. They are able to concentrate on growing stronger through underground growth.

It is important to have something blooming in all seasons starting with spring for early pollinators. A few good examples of plants to plant in the fall for early blooming would be *Baptisia sp.*, False Indigo, *Zizia aurea*- golden Alexander, *Geranium maculatum*- wild geranium and one of my early favorite (and the hummingbirds) is *Aquilegia Canadensis*-Eastern Red Columbine. Baptisia Australis is a beautiful almost shrub like plant with spikes of purple blooms, golden

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Alexander makes a wonderful green mulch with its evergreen foliage, and the wild geraniums are a breathe of freshness in the early spring.

The summer months our gardens are lighting up with colorful blooms filled with pollinators. Plant some *Echinacea* coneflowers this fall to entice many species of butterflies, native bees and colorful flies. *Phlox Paniculata*- Tall Garden Phlox will add a beautiful pop of color in the summer as well as attract butterflies. I talk about the monarch butterflies quite often and their requirement for milkweed as the host plant for their eggs, fall is a great time to add one (or all!) of the three varieties of native milkweed, *Asclepias tuberosa, syriaca and Incarnata*--Butterfly weed, Common Milkweed and Swamp Milkweed.

When I think of fall flowers I always think of yellow of *Solidago* Goldenrod and purple *Asters* blooming together. Pick some of each of these pollinator plants and the monarchs will be able to fuel up for their long migration. There are also many native grasses that put on fall color show. Consider *Panicum*- switchgrass, *Sorghastrum nutans*- Indiangrass, and *Schizachyrium scoparium*- Little Bluestem for an explosion of autumn color.

If you leave the leaves and stems standing throughout the winter (that's right save yourself the chore of cutting the grasses, and perennials) you will be rewarded with a garden full of Winter Interest, and you will be providing habitat for overwintering insects, and food sources for songbirds as they pick through the leaf litter and stalks.

In addition to being a great time to plant you can divide many of the perennials you have growing in your yard and share them with friends or make new garden beds right in your own yards.

Here are a few plants to consider for fall division and transplanting: Iris, Sedges, Wild Ginger, Spiderwort, Alumroot, Purple Coneflower, Wild Bergamot, Coreopsis, False Goatsbeard, Woodland Stonecrop, Pussytoes, Mountain Mint, Solomon's seal, Golden Ragwort, Mistflower, Black-Eyed Susan, and Phlox.

There are two ways to dig and divide the plants:

- 1. Dig the entire plant out
- 2. Cut it in $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{3}$, or $\frac{1}{2}$ depending on the size of the root mass
- 3. Transplant each portion
- 4. Keep plants moist throughout

OR

- 1. Leave ½ the plant untouched in the ground
- 2. Dig around the other $\frac{1}{2}$
- 3. Start by cutting back the foliage
- 4. Use a shovel to cut around remaining plant
- 5. Remove and transplant into new location
- 6. Keep plant moist throughout

Not all plants can be divided; there are many plants that have a large or deep taproot. The bigger and older they are the more the taproot is firmly entrenched, the less likely you will be successful. Some plants that you should leave alone when dividing are milkweeds, coneflowers, compass plant and wild indigo.

As always, I recommend leaving your leaves lay as natural mulch and foraging material for birds and overwintering insects as well as leaving the stalks and stems stand into late spring- again for overwintering insects as well as winter interest. If we re-think pretty and garden compassionately we can save ourselves many fall chores that are unnecessary and not good for the ecosystem. Happy Fall Gardening! See you at the Cape Conservations Corps' 2nd Annual Fall Native Plant Sale & Festival. September 22nd 9am-12pm.



"Summer afternoon—summer afternoon; to me those have always been the two most beautiful words in the English language."

— Henry James

It's hard to argue with that – especially around Cape St Claire. With all the rain we've had, everything is bursting with vitality – the colors of flowers and foliage seem so much brighter and crisper! As spring changes to summer, the last of the azaleas are joined by new beardstongue, lilies, roses, & hydrangeas. At the Clubhouse flower beds, which you might have noticed during the Strawberry Festival, the hibiscus and phlox are blooming away. We hope you stopped by our Garden Club booth to chat with some of our Members and to see our snazzy "Got Milkweed?" t-shirts – email *capegardenclub@gmail.com* if you'd like one to show your milkweed pride!

Thanks again to all you marvelous neighbors for supporting our annual Plant Sale fundraiser, and for visiting us after the sale for the leftovers! (Thanks to Blue Rooster Café, Dunkin' Donuts, Graul's, & Trader Joe's for donating breakfast and lunch for our hard-working volunteers.) We are delighted to announce that, due to our community's generous patronage, the Garden Club was able to donate 10 entire flats of pollinator plants to local Girl Scout Cadette Troop 2259 for planting in a new pollinator garden at Magothy Middle School. Congratulations to these activist girls for creating a garden to support pollinators!

At our June meeting, we had a wonderful presentation by Justen Garrity of Veteran Compost, whose rich compost we shared with customers at our Plant Sale. Justen entertained us with his fun and informative talk on carbon-nitrogen balance (3 to 1) and proper moisture (damp, not dripping) in our home compost piles. Afterward, Club Members shared their own methods – we learned about trench composting, worm factories, free composting bins from the county (410-222-6100), & the Master Gardeners' recurring compost workshops at Quiet Waters Park.

This summer, the Garden Club continues its Bay-Wise Challenge, with 4 more Members having recently received their Bay-Wise Certification.



By taking simple steps like mulching, mowing grass high, using rain barrels, and clearing debris from storm drains, Bay-Wise gardeners help precipitation soak in and reduce nutrient & waste runoff to keep our precious waterways healthy. Please visit *baywise.weebly.com* to learn more about becoming Bay-Wise!

We welcomed 2 more new Members to the Club at our June meeting, and look forward to them participating in our final event of the year: our Secret Garden Tour and pot luck lunch, which will take place on June 23rd. Garden Club Members will tour 3 beautiful Cape gardens. We all enjoy learning about what our neighbors have planted and seeing the gardening spaces they've created. We thank our kind hosts for opening their gardens to us!

The Cape is full of beautiful gardens, including these June Yard-of-the-Month winners, which you can admire as you drive around the Cape. Congratulations to those who nurture these lovely gardens!

Area 1: The Lesters, 1504 Cape St Claire Rd

Area 4: The Phelans, 1196 Latrobe Drive

Area 2: Maryelle Laverdiere, 1189 St George Dr

Area 5: Terry & Susan Brandon, 783 Rolling View Dr

Area 3: Joseph Nogal, 965 St. Johns

Our next Garden Club meeting is Tuesday, September 4th, 7:00pm at the Cape St Claire Clubhouse. We hope to see you there! You can see our "Got Milkweed?" t-shirt design and all our upcoming events at *capegardenclub.wordpress.com*. Happy summer, Capers!

-- Submitted by Jeanne Klingler

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"Oh, the summer night, Has a smile of light, And she sits on a sapphire throne." — Barry Cornwall

Ahh, the vicissitudes of the mid-Atlantic! Torrential rains followed by blazing heat followed by autumnal weather followed by blazing heat... and now we are kind of wishing for some more rain! Maybe my memory is failing, but I always thought the "crunchy grass season" tended more toward August! Surprisingly, things are mostly looking pretty good as I write, although newly planted items really *will* need a drink each day, as I discovered when I left my cucumber plant for a day and came back to find melty shreds. The coneflowers, black-eyed susans, joe-pye weed, and many varieties of lilies are now in their full glory! I've learned that you can't be lazy if you want to have a nice garden; there is year-round work!

The Garden Club doesn't meet in July-August, but our Members are out maintaining public beds in the Cape and awarding Yard of the Month to five Cape Gardens each month. This is no easy task, as there are usually many excellent contenders in each judging area. Rarely does a garden shine all summer long; some are superlative in May, while others come into their own in July. Some excel in color, others on tidiness, or design. We judges do our best and hope that you enjoy taking a look at the winning gardens. Congratulations to the July winners!

Area 1: Michael Long, 1269 Swan Drive

Area 2: David DeVaughn, 1031 St Margaret's Drive

Area 3: Doreen & John Mullins, 1058 Lake Claire Drive

Area 4: Eileen Sullivan, 1013 Mt Holly Drive

Area 5: Kevin & Jean McLean, 1178 Green Holly

Drive

Congratulations to the 8 Members who took on our Club's 2018 Bay-Wise challenge, bringing our total now to 12 Member gardens certified Bay-Wise. Our Members report that getting Bay-Wise certified is an inspiring and fun process. You get to show off your garden to fellow plant-lovers and go over the checklist as it pertains to your garden. You're probably already doing many things that help reduce unfiltered runoff from entering the Bay, and getting certified can motivate us and our neighbors to do even more. Please visit baywise.weebly.com to learn more and even see the checklist of simple steps we can take in our yards to protect the Bay, such as mowing grass high, using a mulching mower, picking up pet waste daily, keeping storm drains clear, directing downspouts into flower beds, & planting groundcovers to decrease soil erosion.

Our Clubhouse Committee also received Bay-Wise certification for the Clubhouse beds, whose plants easily absorb the excess rain water from the roof gutters. Please stop by the Clubhouse anytime on your way to the beach to see the coneflowers, phlox, gayfeather, hibiscus, joe-pye weed & oriental lilies in full bloom. We are grateful to our Town Manager Ryan and the CSCIA for supporting our efforts to become Bay-Wise and to educate the public about the benefits of Bay-Wise Gardening.

Please join us on Tuesday, September 4th, 7pm at the Clubhouse, for *Sharing Garden*

Stories, a slideshow of photos from Members' gardens this summer: favorite plants, bugs & birds, what worked, what didn't. Then on Tuesday, October 2nd, 7pm, we'll have Michael Judd speaking about *Growing Edible Fungi* and also enjoy our annual Seed & Cutting Exchange. Please visit <u>capegardenclub.wordpress.com</u> anytime to see all our upcoming meetings.

-- Submitted by Jeanne Klingler

Boat Safety Summer Series

Mastering the Pivoting Turn

Here's how to perform this simple but useful maneuver on a boat with a single outboard or sterndrive. Stay controlled and steady in your maneuvers.

- 1. Bring your boat to a complete stop: Pause in neutral, shift into reverse idle. Look to the side so you can gauge your boat's movement. Once the boat stops, shift into neutral.
- 2. Note the wind direction and use it to help you. If possible, keep your boat to the upwind side. For example, if the wind is blowing west to east, put your boat on the west side of the fairway to account for drift. Now, turn the wheel all the way counterclockwise. Shift into reverse idle for 3 to 4 seconds then back to neutral so the stern goes left as the boat slowly reverses. Depending on how the wind is affecting you, you can leave the wheel turned and allow the rudder effect to continue turning your boat for a short period.
- 3. Now turn the wheel hard in the opposite direction (clockwise in this case). Then shift into forward idle for 3 to 4 seconds, then back to neutral. You'll notice the stern still goes to the left, but now the boat is moving a bit forward, continuing its clockwise rotation. Assess your movement. Allow the boat to continue to turn. If you need to, turn the wheel hard left (counterclockwise) once again, shift into reverse for 3 to 4 seconds, then back to neutral.
- 4. After three to four maneuvers, your boat should be rotated 180 degrees from where you started the pivot turn. Now put it in forward idle and get back on course. Resource: Steve Jacobs of Freedom Boat Club. Submitted by Freedom Boat Club of MD/DC @ Fairwinds Marina



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"Crossing Over" Safely Five Important Tips for Crossing Wakes

Let's talk about what you can do to safely cross the wake of another boat, as this knowledge will hopefully inspire greater confidence when you're at the helm and taking responsibility for the safety of your crew.

- 1. ALERT YOUR PASSENGERS! The minute you realize you will be crossing a wake, let your passengers know. Make sure they are all securely seated and aware.
- MOVE OUT AWAY FROM THE WAKE as is safely possible. The further you are away from the boat that is producing the wake, the smaller the wake becomes. Be sure to stay within the channel and be aware of other boat activity in the area.
- 3. PREPARE TO SLOW DOWN. If your boat is on plane, reduce your speed to where the boat just comes off plane. This will lift the bow up and help to create a "cushioned effect" on the wake. This "bow high" position also reduces the chance of "diving the bow" onto the second wave.
- 4. APPROACH THE WAKE AT A 45 DEGREE ANGLE. Do NOT turn into the wake, but continue heading parallel to the other boat. This allows the boat to "roll" a bit over the wake ... vs "jumping over" it. By staying parallel to the other boat, it also keeps you positioned correctly on your side of the channel.
- 5. ONCE YOU'VE CROSSED THE WAKE, re-accelerate to return the boat back on plane.

Our mantra: WAKE UP and SLOW DOWN! Be safe and have fun. Submitted by Freedom Boat Club of MD/DC @ Fairwinds Marina



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 - The spray program will begin on May 30.
 - Spraying will not begin until the community has been notified and we have received the Community Notification Verification Form
 - October 2 is the estimated last day of spraying for 2018
- 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/Exemption%202018.pdf
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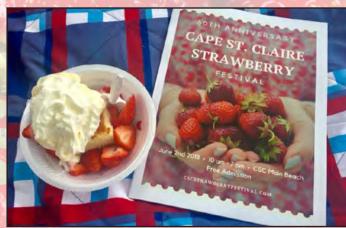
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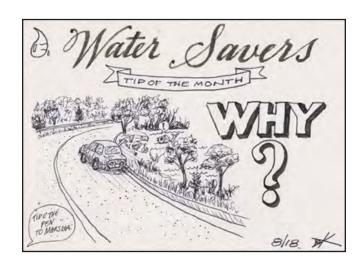
Anne Arundel County Waste Management has graciously offered Cape Residents a weekend in September for our 2018 Clean-Up. The Clean-UP will begin as soon as the County arrives on Friday (before Noon). We will make every effort to operate the Clean-Up until 4:30 PM on Friday, space permitting. On Saturday 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...)

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Prayer Group - Come join a small group of COA members and friends to pray about the world, our community, and the joys and concerns in our own lives. Each meeting includes a short Bible passage and discussion. Anyone is invited to come at any time. The Prayer Group meets from 3:30 - 5:00 pm. Upcoming meetings: August 20th.

Community Office Hours - Pastor Jessie will be available for impromptu visits, questions and conversation, every Thursday* from 8:00 to 10:00 am at the Blue Rooster Café in the Cape St. Claire Shopping Center. Drop in and get to know Pastor Jessie in a casual and enjoyable setting. *Pastor Jessie is not available on August 16th.

Support Local Families at the Farmer's Market Our church, and other local congregations, have joined to assist in support of a local Hispanic ministry and newly formed congregation, *Comunidad Presbiteriana La Trinidad*. We can best assist these families by supporting their stand at the Anne Arundel County Farmers' Market at 275 Harry S. Truman Parkway in Annapolis, Sundays, 10 am to 1 pm. AND Tuesdays, 7 am to 12 Noon. Please consider assisting these hard working families!



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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.

Youth Group - 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month, Fellowship Hall, 5-7pm



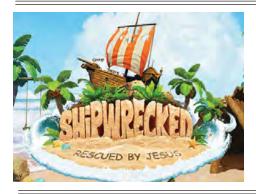
If you are looking for a church home, we would enjoy having you visit our community of faith and share God within our church family. We warmly invite all to join with our church family each Sunday at 9:00am in the Sanctuary as we create worship that is spiritually filled with signs and symbols, wonderful music, and fellowship where you can feel the Presence of God! Blessings to all!

Pastor Chris

Family Movie Night

Bring the whole family and join your neighbors each month for a free family movie, drinks, and popcorn.

August 17th - Moana September 21st - Trolls Gather at 6:30pm , Movie begins at 6:45pm



Sunday July 22nd-Thursday July 26th

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After a summer pause, we will be resuming with the start of school in September and would be greatly appreciative of your support once again.

This following list are items that the children love to get:

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For more information and to make donations, please contact the office at Cape St. Claire United Methodist Church at 410-757-4896, or email at office@capeumc.org or on the web at www.capeumc.org

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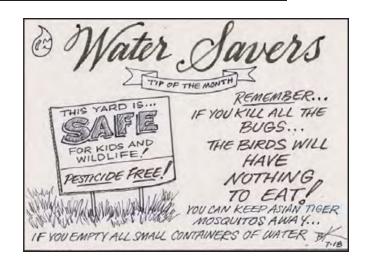
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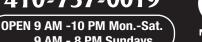
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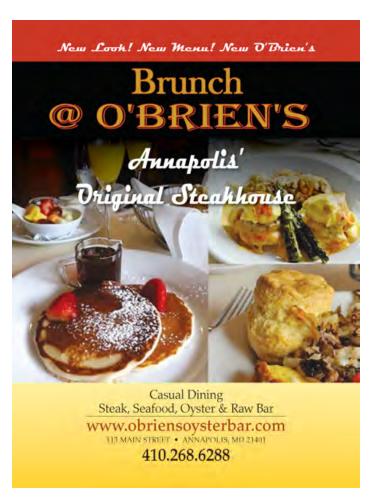
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