

The Caper

Cape St. Claire Improvement Association, Inc. Community Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 2018

President's Message

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Dear Capers,

I am writing this the first week of August (I'm leaving for a cross country trip for 18 days and will forget otherwise to take care of this important task) meaning there maybe things missed during the past month that I don't address or recognize in this particular message. My September message written each year since 2014 is a summary of the summer and maybe some "things to note" for the fall schedule. I will highlight these later on, but I would like to put out a big list of kudos and thank-you to Board Members, current & past, Budget Committee members, employees and other noted volunteers in our community and organizations.

I will start with the other eight members of the current Board of Governors. Each of these individuals sacrifices time from their families, jobs, and free time to help lead the community and make Cape St. Claire a wonderful place to live. We have numerous community assets, foremost our beaches and parks, clubhouse, piers and boat ramp that require constant attention, maintenance and organization. Our Board also runs a number of events, produces the Caper, and coordinates the signboard and our website information. Multiple members of the Board work with County or State Officials to advocate on behalf of residents of Cape St. Claire. Some members also coordinate activities with Cape Recognized Groups who help improve our community as a whole.

The eight members who serve as volunteers in order of their time elected to the Board of Governors are Mary Lamb, Bill Szczytko, Jerome Zadera, Cheri Fairchild, Neil Macindoe, Jeff Roche, Matt Layman, & Lisa Schmidt. I want to thank all of them for their continued efforts and their families for the support in the many events and activities they each are committed to each month representing the CSCIA.

Next, I would like to highlight the efforts of three recent former members of the Board of Governors, who I believe

were influential in the progress on projects we are pursuing around the community, especially the Capital Projects involving the Main Beach & Lake Claire Beach, which we have been working on for 5 plus years. This includes comprehensive environmental projects that have been ongoing since before I was on the Board of Governors and have continued the last 6 years that I have served on the Board. First would be Jennifer Vaccaro, who wrote and managed a grant from the State of Maryland that applied nearly \$100,000 of funds directly to working to improve the health of Lake Claire and its surrounding properties. She secured the grant before her time on the Board, continued her dedicated work during her 4 years on the Board and was a founding member of Friends of Lake Claire, which you better know these days as Cape Conservation Corps, which again she help cofound. Next, Scott Dembowski, who served as President in 2013 and for three months in 2016, but also as Beaches and Parks Chair for 4 of the 5 years he was on the board. He worked hard improving the appearance of our beaches, and had a direct influence in advocating for funds for that purpose (the Main Beach Walkway Project). He worked with volunteers like Jennifer to begin restoring the health of our properties, through the Friends of Lake Claire. This collaboration, and his volunteer efforts in general, restarted the efforts of Frank Newman, the Beaches and Parks Chair who worked from 2007-2009 on the long-term effects of erosion on our Main Beach & Lake Claire Beach. Lastly, I would like to thank Dawn Myers, who served on the Board from 2013 to 2018. She served

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Board In Brief *CSCIA Board Of Governors Monthly Meeting*

AUGUST 13, 2018

President Breeden called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. He thanked all for coming and noted that beach attendance was good last month even with all the rain. He said the storms and dam release washed up lots of debris on our beaches and thanked our maintenance crew, Youth Sailing, members of the community for helping clean it all up, as well as our Town Manager for coordinating the efforts. It cost us \$2,000 to \$3,000 for paid help with dumpsters and cleanup towards the inlet. He mentioned he will be out of town for 3 weeks beginning late August.

Guests were Becky Benner and Kim Maller. Ms. Maller was here to discuss an application for a building variance, which she and the Board went over. She was told that a decision would be made in Closed Session and the Board would notify her of its decision.

The minutes of July 9, 2018 were approved after 3 corrections were made.

The Profit & Loss statement (P&L) of June 30, 2018 was approved after some discussion about several items in the budget.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Clubhouse: Governor Lamb is working with the contractor regarding dates to begin the bathroom renovations, which will most likely be late October.

Caper: Governor Lamb is working on the September issue and trying to balance ads with articles.

Signboard: Governor Lamb said the permit for the signboard was issued last week and the contractor will begin construction next week. The old sign board will stay up until the new one is installed.

Community Clean-up: Governor Lamb said it is scheduled for September 7 and 8. Times will be on the Facebook page.

Halloween Happenings: Governor Lamb said trick or treating will be at the shopping center on October 25 from 5:30 to 6:30 P.M., and Halloween Happenings will be Saturday, October 27 starting at 10 A.M. Details will be in the September and October Caper issues.

Technology: Governor Szczytko updated the CSCIA site and the Caper.

Town Manager: Ryan Anderson thanked Youth sailing and the Cape crew for the beach clean-up efforts. He noted the permits for the new playgrounds are in, with building slated to start in mid October. We are still waiting for Lights and a gate at Little Magothy pier.

Events: Governor Fairchild is working on a sign up for Board members to help with the Community Clean-up.

Beaches and Parks: Governor Macindoe noted that Youth Sailing is done. He mentioned that Scott Powers did a great job organizing the beach attendant schedule.

Budget: Committee chair Buchet said there is a meeting tomorrow night at the Moore's.

Covenants: Governor Layman said there are 3 outstanding issues.

Building: Governor Roche said there have been 37 applications this year.

Treasurer: Governor Zadera received the BLOA share of taxes and is waiting on the Office of Finance spread sheet so he can submit our financial statement to the county.

Broadneck Council of Communities: Governor Breeden said there have been discussions with the county about the General Development plan and storm water management issues. They continue to deal with various agencies regarding Bay Bridge traffic and Sandy Point closings. They are also working with Queen Anne's county as they suffer from the same problems westbound and are working to change the law that allows eastern shore counties to veto any new bridge crossings. Residents can post opinions and comments at <http://www.baycrossingstudy.com>. Candidates' nights are scheduled at the Clubhouse on October 4 and 18.

Business Lot Owners Association: Governor Breeden said their petition for an SCBD has been filed and they are working on engineering plans to repair pipe and hook up water.

Piers: Governor Breeden said Jenn Williams has been a great help in dealing with piers business. We are still waiting on lights and gates and survived the recent rains and debris. There are still a handful of slips available.

Security: Governor Breeden said it's been relatively quiet and he stressed locking homes and vehicles and calling 911 if necessary.

Personnel: Governor Breeden noted that Ryan Anderson's probationary period is over and he is doing a great job as Town Manager. He thanked Administrative Assistant Coble for helping to get him up and running.

Events: Governor Fairchild noted that Beach Yoga is now an officially recognized Cape organization.

OLD BUSINESS

Governor Szczytko discussed setting up my.cscia.org and the issues involved in our setting up something from scratch versus purchasing a ready-made program that would meet most or all our needs. He will look into it further.

Governor Breeden said that permits for our beach work in areas 1 and 2 (Main Beach and Lake Claire) have been sent in. Letters will be sent to all abutters and they will have a period to comment. He also said he wants to meet with Biohabitats, Greenvest, and the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay to work on grant writing.

Governor Breeden said we are probably 2 years away from getting county water to the shopping center.

NEW BUSINESS

Governor Breeden said there is a meeting at the library at 7 P.M. on Thursday to discuss the Cat Branch Creek stormwater work.

There was some discussion regarding the water retention in the new step pools at Gaul's Field. It will be unclear just how well they are working until all the trees and plants are replanted in the fall.

Governor Fairchild mentioned that since we now have a Town Manager we might want to look into joining the Community

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Associations Institute.

Administrative Assistant Coble noted that West Nile virus has been found in Linthicum.

Governor Roche noted that the county a variance for a non-residential sign at 1223 Hampton was denied.

Governor Breeden had discussions with the president of the Swim Club regarding their failing septic system and the cost of connecting to county sewer lines.

COMMENTS

Becky Benner mentioned the Clubhouse plantings achieving Baywise certification. Monthly Garden Club meetings begin on September 4 at 7 P.M. She noted the Goshen Farm wine tasting and silent auction on Saturday, August 18 from 4 to 7 P.M. at 1504 Stacy Lane in Arnold. There is a \$20 per person requested donation. There will be an outdoor concert at Goshen Farm on August 24 and they will go through September due to the recent rainouts. The Goshen Farm Open House is on September 15 from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. and the harvest pasta dinner at Gloria Dei

church is on October 13 from 5 to 7:30 P.M.

Governor Roche offered congratulations to Governor Breeden for his upcoming award from the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay Watershed, to be awarded on September 13 from 6 to 8 P.M. at the Belcher Pavilion rooftop. Governor Breeden thanked the community and the Board for making that possible and said that it was a group award.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned to a closed session at 8:48 P.M.

CLOSED SESSION

A Closed Session was convened at 8:52 P.M. and was adjourned at 9:37 P.M. The board discussed the variance request from Kim Maller and it passed unanimously.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Governors Breeden, Fairchild, Lamb, Layman, Macindoe, Roche, Szczytko, and Zadera were present. As were Town Manager Anderson, Budget Committee chair Buchet, and Administrative Assistant Coble. Governor Schmidt was absent.

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as our Treasurer for all 6 years on the Board and provided an immense amount of knowledge and worked directly with multiple governmental agencies, understanding the codes of Maryland and Anne Arundel County, which helped the Board better serve the residents. Dawn's behind-the-scenes efforts to fund the future Beach Projects went unnoticed to the public eye, so to speak, but I can tell you from experience, we would have nowhere near the number of funding requests or current budget allocations without her knowledge of resources available to the Association. These three individuals all had a tremendous impact on the Board and on the residents of Cape St. Claire, and I believe that going forward, we shouldn't forget how all these projects, that hopefully come to fruition sooner rather than later as we enter our permitting timeframe with Maryland Department of Environment (MDE) this fall, will improve the quality of life for our residents for generations to come.

A big thanks to the three separately elected volunteers of our Budget Committee, who work with Board, listen to Community wants and needs and help prepare the annual budget for both the Association and the Special Community Benefit District we vote on annually. I want to thank Michael Buchet, David Toy and Charlie Moore for their efforts.

The summer would not have been as smooth without the addition of our new Town Manager, Ryan Anderson, who stepped in at the beginning of May and took over many of the day to day operations that Board members typically handle, including working with the Association's employees, their schedules and personnel issues. Ryan has been able to perform the very important task of helping advocate during traditional business hours with County or State agencies, when traditional Board Members are working and not able to. I look forward to Ryan continuing his role as an asset to the Board and I believe in time, and a little more seasoning, the community will benefit greatly from this full-time position. We really can't accomplish much without the dedication of Leslie Coble to our community as our Community Administrator. Leslie is the backbone of the Association, ensuring the behind-the-scenes tasks and operations run smoothly. I appreciate her dedication to helping me in my role as President. Next, the Groundkeepers & Beach Attendants are key during the summer. We continue to see record use of our beaches and parks by residents and their guests. We have had to expand the hours in order to keep up with demand and all our workers stepped up to meet the needs of the community. I would personally like to thank our new Piers Administrative Assistant, Jen Williams, for her efforts since January to help with contracts, slip moves, subleases, etc. I have served as Piers Chairman or Co-Chair for the last 4 years, and knew little of the hours it takes to manage all aspects of our 227 community slips prior to taking on the task and have literally run out of steam. Her help in administrative tasks helps me to still have time for boat checks, emergency issues and coordinating work when necessary. Lastly, the secondary police we hire to patrol

the community parks most evenings and to help lock up at closing time have been professional and have helped minimize incidents with their presence in the neighborhood.

Finally, I want to recognize a few key people that I have witnessed working tirelessly on behalf of Cape Recognized Organizations that better our standard of living in Cape St. Claire. In no particular order I would like to recognize: Lou Biondi in his role as President of Goshen Farm and their efforts to continue to save 22 acres of land from eventual development; Becky Benner for her dual roles with the Cape Garden Club and Goshen Farm, always keeping the Board abreast of upcoming activities; Larry Jennings for his roles with Cape Garden Club, Goshen Farm and Cape Conservation Corps; Brad Knopf for his tireless efforts over the years with the Community Oyster Nursey in conjunction with Magothy River Association's partnership with Marylanders Grow Oysters. Brad has also coordinated for years Stream Clean Ups in the Little Magothy Watershed. Brad is an asset to our community in a number of direct volunteer efforts with Cape Conservation Corps, especially regarding efforts regarding runoff from development on the Peninsula and in the County. Finally, I want to recognize Pat Lynch for her efforts through the Broadneck Council of Communities that work with State and County officials on numerous issues that impact our quality of life daily here on the Broadneck Peninsula.

I mentioned I would briefly touch on business items:

- Work to replace the playgrounds at the Main Beach & Deep Creek should commence sometime this fall.
- Piers Projects for 2018 are coming to a close.
- Budget Presentation for Fiscal Year 2020 is at the October Membership Meeting.
- We expect to have Candidates Nights on October 4th and 18th, with more details to follow.

There are numerous others I am likely forgetting, and it is not my intention to leave people out, the numerous Capers who give time and effort to better this community with a variety of school, after-school, sports, music, dance or civic organizations here locally. It's good to know we live in an area where so many people chip in to help. While we have a good core group of volunteers with the Association, we are always looking for new people interested in helping make Cape St. Claire a great place to live. If interested in joining the Board of Governors in 2019, email me at President@CSCIA.org to discuss further.

Enjoy the end of the summer. I'm driving to San Francisco and back over 18 days, and I hope your vacations were great this year as you prepare for the more traditional school and work schedules most of us live from September to June.

Best Wishes,
Beau Breeden
President CSCIA

A Message from The Town Manager



Capers,

And just like that, Summer begins to turn into Fall....

First, I would like take this opportunity to thank all of our community beach attendants for their hard work throughout the summer. They braved this summer's crazy weather to ensure that our beaches, parks, and boat ramp were safe for all Cape residents. We look forward to many of them coming back next season.

While some of our younger Capers may not be as excited as some Cape parents, school begins this month! I encourage everyone to slow down and be more aware of your surroundings. Take your time while driving through our neighborhood streets. We are all so blessed to live in a community that advocates walking and biking. Let's keep everyone safe — Please SLOW DOWN, make complete stops, and look both ways!!!

- Vegetation will be planted in our Regenerative Step Pool Storm Conveyance Systems to complete both county stormwater outfall restoration management projects behind the Firehouse and Cape St Claire Park.
- Little Magothy Pier is awaiting final inspection. Security access gates will go in at Little Magothy Pier and Lake Claire pier this month.
- Playground construction is expected to begin next month at Main Beach and Deep Creek.

I look forward to seeing everyone at Cape Clean-Up, Halloween Happenings, and our quarterly membership meeting in October.

Cheers,

Ryan Anderson

Cape St Claire Town Manager

TownManager@cscia.org

443.510.3116

COMMUNITY SIGNBOARD

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

Fall Open House, "Explore Goshen Farm Day," to be Held September 15th

Goshen Farm's Fall Open House, "Explore Goshen Farm Day," occurs Saturday, September 15th, from 10:00am until 4:00pm.

Gather family and friends and come to Goshen Farm, 1420 Cape St. Claire Road, Annapolis 21409. Tour and be intrigued by the configuration of the Farm House built in 1783; visit the newly created and planted Pollinator Garden & Monarch Waystation (funded by the Four Rivers Garden Club) which feature several hundred native plants; reflect in the Henson-Hall Slave Garden about the produce grown by enslaved people who lived and labored on the property; check the Hoop House for tomatoes slated for the October Harvest Pasta Dinner sauce; admire the variety of vegetables growing in the Sharing Garden; learn the pleasures of beekeeping; and understand the composition and maintenance of soil health.

Raptor's Eye returns to Goshen Farm for the Open House! Naturalist Liz Smith will present her magnificent native birds of prey, which are masters of the sky. Come see owls, hawks, falcons, and more; ask questions about the different birds, their lifestyles, and why they are part of the display; learn about the importance of raptors to us, our environment, and why we should save their and other wildlife's habitat.

Children's activities to enjoy, open spaces to roam, woodland paths to walk; people of all ages will enjoy the day's activities on the Farm.

Family, friends, fun, food = a fantastic day at the Farm!

Admission and parking is FREE; donations gladly accepted.

More details at <http://www.GoshenFarm.org>

Summer Acoustic Concert Series

Unfortunately, the first concert was rained out and rescheduled for a week later. But Michael Kelly and Patchwork put on a great show and started the series on the right note. Loose Ties and Mike Johnson's show went off without a hitch. Then The Allison Thoms Band and Tim Kurtzburg were rained out two Fridays in a row! Talk about bad luck. At the time this article was written we were trying to reschedule them sometime after Labor Day. Check our Face Book page for up to date information.

The August 24th Member Appreciation Night featured The Biondi Family Band and Dirk and the Truth. Members had 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. Again, this article was written before the last concert events. We will provide a full recap in the October Capar.

Speaking of October, mark your calendar for the **Goshen Farm Annual Harvest Pasta Dinner**, which will be held at Gloria Dei Church on October 13th from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. See our full page flyer in this issue of the Capar.

Annual Wine Tasting and Silent Auction

Talk about bad timing for our events and this issue of the Capar! This article was written before the Annual Wine Tasting & Silent Auction sponsored by Bella's Liquors and held on August 18th. We will give you a recap of the event in the next issue of the Capar. What we can report now is that the Silent Auction items were many and varied.

The Goshen Farm Preservation Society is both humbled and gratified by the level of community support that our annual Wine Tasting & Silent Auction has received over the years. First we would like to thank Val Sullivan and Bella's Liquors for providing a home for the Wine Tasting and donating everything we had at the event (except the band). In addition to the enormous generosity of Val, the following businesses and friends of Goshen Farm have donated items for our Silent Auction and most have given their support over the last five years.

Cape Ace Hardware – The Weaver Family – Healing Hands Massage Therapy Richard's Tree Care – Rite Aid Liquors – Hauk's Mensware – Valentine Bauer, DDS
The Blue Rooster Cafe – Cantler's Riverside restaurant
Soul Restaurant – Mercado and Associates, Inc.
O'Loughlin's Restaurant – Cape Hair Scene – Dancing Glass Stained Glass Mobiles Gordon Biersch – The Murray Family – Whimsicality – Deep Creek Restaurant
Spizzico Italian Kitchen Cape Auto Port Tack Liquors – Great American Carwash – Cathy Birkhead The Perry Family – Kentmoor Restaurant – Red, Hot & Blue
Lyon Distillery – The Bay Hills Deli The Broadneck Grill Franklin's Toys – Graul's Market – Green Valley Marketplace – The Murray Family – Color Nails & Spa – Riverbay Road House – The Toy Family – Louis & Sharon Biondi – Linda Beck. For a full list of items donated, visit our website, www.goshenfarm.org.

Historic Goshen Farm & Educational Center

Fall Open House



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1420 Cape St. Claire Road

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Be a part of local history!

Enter the Cape St. Claire CALENDAR PHOTO CONTEST

Recently taken a great photo of Cape St. Claire or the Chesapeake Bay? The 2019 Cape St. Claire Community Calendar is sponsoring a photo contest. The winning photo will be published on the front page of the 2019 calendar. A \$100.00 cash prize will also be awarded.

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

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

Photo submission deadline is Thursday, October 4, 2018. Photos must be submitted in a horizontal 8" x 10" format in either color or black and white. The subject matter must pertain to the Cape St. Claire area or the Chesapeake Bay. The winning photo will be selected by the CSCIA board of governors and will become property of the CSC Improvement Association. The winner will be announced in a following issue of *The Caper*. Photos that were not selected can be picked up at **Cape Ace Hardware** two weeks after the contest deadline. For questions, call Amy Podd at 443-623-3694.

2019 Cape St. Claire Calendar Photo Contest

Please tape this coupon to the back of each photo submitted. You may submit as many as 5 entries.

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I give permission to the 2019 CSC Community Calendar to publish my photo on the front page of the calendar if it is chosen as the winning photograph. The winning photo will become property of the CSC Improvement Association. I acknowledge that the CSCIA, A.P. Business Solutions, the 2019 CSC Community Calendar or Cape Ace Hardware will not be held liable for any damage, theft or loss of any photos I enter in the contest.

Signature: _____

*Goshen Farm Preservation Society
presents its*

Annual Harvest Spaghetti Dinner

October 13, 2018 - 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 and to the Irish Restaurant Company for their sponsorship of this event!

GET DIRTY  **EAT FRESH**

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

Well, it appears that summer is finally starting to wind down. I was giving a lot of thought to gardens and gardeners over the last few weeks as I drove around the neighborhood. I've been gardening for about twenty years but only seriously for the last ten or so. Early on, I would see a plant I liked, buy it, plant it where I thought it looked good, and tend it and watch as it progressed. Of course, I realized that plants have certain individual needs, but I didn't take those needs into account. Often, I'd choose a plant that needed a lot of sun and just sort of 'wish' it would grow well in the part shade in which I stuck it. Shockingly, that didn't work out too well! Swampy plants refused to grow in dry heat; things didn't bloom. Gosh, I thought, there must be some *actual science* involved in this process of gardening, imagine that! When you gaze at beautiful front yards, you come to realize that science *and* art play a part in their creation. The play of color and design are often a function of what can thrive where. As I became more aware of various practices, I challenged myself to try to make something attractive that would be happy and healthy in my yard. I have learned that plants can be divided and planted in other areas or shared with friends. *Entire plants can be moved!* Natives are wonderful in our gardens – they *like* our area and they support wildlife – and my view of what is beautiful has evolved over the years. So, while I'm not sure I would call myself a gardener, I do put a lot of hard work into my garden, which is fun and gratifying. It's a work in progress, always, and I love my yard even though it may not be to everyone's taste. As you look in our neighborhood, try to see what went into the evolution of the gardens; you will notice distinct personalities in each and every one. People garden for many varied reasons: colorful or fragrant flowers, the beauty of foliage contrast, visual interest in all seasons, healthy exercise, growing food – and all those reasons are wonderful!!

If you don't believe me, check out our August Yard of the Month winners:

- Area 1: The Jacksons, 1230 River Bay Rd
- Area 2: William Grap, 1038 St Margaret's Dr
- Area 3: John P Gourley, 969 Ridgeway Dr
- Area 4: Kari Banares, 1269 Summit Dr
- Area 5: Glendon Miller, 722 Broadmoor Rd

Our Members saw some beautiful & interesting gardens up-close on our Secret Gardens Tour in June. We are so grateful to the families who shared their gardens with us so we could all learn about designing a beautiful garden to catch run-off, building a lush garden oasis, and growing varieties of grapes and cherries in a small space, using wire trellises and espalier.



And the Cape St. Claire Garden Club is back to its regular schedule! Our meetings are the first Tuesday of each month, 7pm in the Clubhouse. At our September 4th meeting, Members will see a slideshow of photos from our own gardens, and each will share what worked well, what didn't, new plant combos, new projects, wildlife visitors, sights they saw while traveling, and more. Then, on **Tuesday, October 2nd at 7pm**, we'll have Michael Judd of Ecologia speaking on ***Growing Edible Fungi*** like mushrooms, right in your own yard. After the speaker, we'll also have our annual **Seed & Cutting Exchange**. We love welcoming new Members – we've been glad to welcome 10 already this year! So please bring a friend and join us, we'd love for you to take home some coleus cuttings and moneyplant seeds to try in your gardens.

For more information about our activities and upcoming events, please visit capegardenclub.wordpress.com anytime. We hope to see you at one of our meetings. Enjoy the tail end of summer, neighbors!

-- Submitted by Jeanne Klingler



<http://capeconservationcorps.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/Plant-List-2018.pdf>

Upcoming Events

2nd Annual Native Plant Sale and Fall Festival September 22nd 9am -12pm in the field behind the clubhouse 1223 River Bay Rd Annapolis—see the article below for details and visit our website for a complete plant list.

<http://capeconservationcorps.org/events/event/fall-native-plant-fest/>

Save the Date

Friday November 2nd 7:00-10:00 pm for 4th Annual Harvest Bash. Good friends, food & drinks and good music! Go to <http://capeconservationcorps.org/events/event/3rd-annual-harvest-bash/> to buy your tickets while they last!!

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/>

Native Fall Plant Sale & Festival By: Stacey Wildberger

Cape Conservation Corps is gearing up to bring you our 2nd Annual Native Fall Plant Sale & Festival. The event held September 22nd from 9am-12pm in the field behind the clubhouse (1223 River Bay Rd Annapolis) is all about providing an opportunity to easily add natives to our home landscapes at a low cost! It is often times difficult to locate true natives locally. Although there are several reasonably close locations such as Adkins Arboretum, Chesapeake Natives, and Herring Run nursery that offer wonderful native selections, CCC will be right in your own backyard. Our native plant selection committee tried to order plants that are best suited for our Cape yards—typically dry shade. We also tried to have a selection of fall blooming plants such as asters, goldenrod and turtle head as well as many plants offering gorgeous fall color such as cinnamon fern, pink muhly grass, switch grass, little bluestem, and shrubs that will display radiant autumn colors such as ninebark, Virginia sweet spire and bayberry.

As I discussed in the August article, fall is the best time of the year to plant and we will have so many wonderful options to choose from. All of our plants are native plants which mean they have co-evolved with the local fauna and therefore provide the best food source, host plant and shelter for them. There are many insects that can only lay their eggs on one type of plant, one that they have evolved with and without that host plant the species would be lost. We will have ferns, groundcovers, grasses, perennials and shrubs. Below is a sample of what we will (subject to availability) have at the sale.

Our selection of ferns includes the marginal wood fern, cinnamon fern and Christmas fern. Ferns are a great addition to a woodland area, shade garden or as shade border. All of these ferns will thrive in shade to part shade conditions, the cinnamon fern would prefer moist to wet conditions while the other two would be fine in the dryer areas of your yard.

If you are looking for grasses we will have 8 different ones to choose from. These ornamental native grasses will add fall and winter interest to your landscapes as well as provide seeds for birds and even turtles. If you are looking for grasses for those shady, dry areas we will have white-tinge sedge, Appalachian sedge and Pennsylvania sedge. If the shaded area is moister the creek sedge would work well. We also have several grasses for the sun such as pink muhlygrass, switchgrass 'North Wind', and little bluestem (these last two would work well in your rain garden!). Many of these grasses thrive in poor soil conditions.

One important layer we often neglect is the groundcover layer. Using plants as "green mulch" helps to retain water and control weeds. Weeds thrive in under planted areas but if you use plants in place of mulch you will have a beautiful green layer of weed suppressing plants. Our selection will include packera aurea, green and gold and a low growing shrub known as fragrant sumac that can be pinned down to encourage ground coverage. The green and gold will do best in part to full shade with average to moist soil, the golden ragwort and sumac can handle part shade to sun. One of my favorites is the golden ragwort for its amazing basal leaves that maintain their green throughout the winter and provide a rapid coverage.

Since fall is the best time to plant we also have a great selection of fall flowering perennials for immediate color in addition to a great selection of plants that will provide spring and summer color next year. The combination of goldenrod (yellow) and the purple of the asters is not only beautiful and eye catching to us but it provides a welcome spot for migrating monarchs to stop and fuel up for their long journey. We will have a show stopping variety of goldenrod known as 'Fireworks' and two varieties of low growing asters-'October Skies' and 'Purple Dome'. Speaking of monarchs don't forget to stock up on milkweed (their host plant) for next year's butterflies. We will have swamp milkweed (pinkish-purple bloom) for sunny moister areas and butterfly weed (orange bloom) for sunny dry areas. Another host plant we will have is turtle head for the hard to find Baltimore checkerspot butterfly (the Maryland State butterfly). There is also a large selection of sun loving pollinator magnets such as bee balm, obedient plant, black eyed Susan's, coneflowers, Joe-Pye weed, NY ironweed, and phlox. Of course we added some pollinator friendly shade plants as well including white wood aster, "Lynn haven' carpet and a Heuchera 'Autumn Bride'.

Finally, we will have a great selection of shrubs. Many would be a great addition to a part shade to sunny raingarden such as inkberry, winterberry, witch hazel and itea would work in a shadier moist area. These shrubs will provide food for many song birds, winter interest and will even offer shelter or nesting areas and can act as a privacy fence. If you are looking for a native hydrangea, consider the oak leaf hydrangea with its attractive white changing to purplish/pink bloom. In addition to being a beautiful fall and winter interest shrub it will naturalize and form a beautiful hedge. Another attractive fall and winter shrub is the bayberry. Its fragrant leaves and showy fruit will attract birds as well.

In addition to these wonderful native plants we will have experts from Master Gardeners, Master Naturalist, and Watershed Stewards Academy on hand to answer your question and provide information about their programs. Cape St Claire landscape designer Chris Pax will be on hand to give a "tour" of the plants and will tell you which plants will work best together and in which conditions. Nancy Lawson, author (*The Humane Gardener*) wildlife blogger, and speaker (she was CCC's guest speaker in February) will be on hand as well to talk about gardening for wildlife and recommending host plants! Happy Planting!!

Please visit our website for a complete list of plants.

<http://capeconservationcorps.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/Plant-List-2018.pdf>



2018 CAPE CLEAN-UP

Friday, September 7th & Saturday, September 8th
Corner of Broadview and Cape St. Claire Road

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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 - 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
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2018 Halloween Happenings

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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



"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.
2. **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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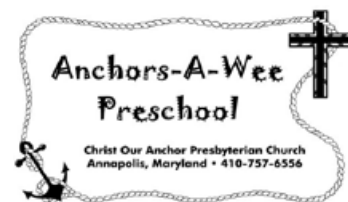
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All are welcome from newborns to seasoned adults. We invite you wherever you are to participate in the living out of God's story as we worship through music, prayer, community, and the hearing and teaching of God's word.

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Pastor Chris

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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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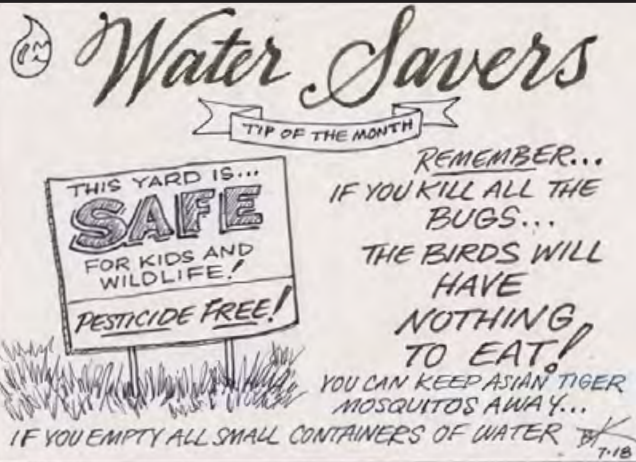
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