

# The Caper

Cape St. Claire Improvement Association, Inc. Community Newsletter

## SEPTEMBER 2024

QUARTERLY MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22ND AT 7:30 PM

### President's Perspective

Capers,

As we bid a fond farewell to the sun-soaked days of summer, we find ourselves reflecting on the past few months with a mix of nostalgia and anticipation. It's been a season filled with laughter, adventure, and a few too many Rita or Kona Ice stops (we won't judge if you had one for breakfast).

This summer, our community truly came alive. From the lively summer jams to the serene ravine walks with a sprinkle of Goshen, August has been a testament to our collective spirit and zest for life. We saw families enjoying movie nights under the stars, kids learning to sail in the Magothy River, swim clubs hoping for Olympic dreams and neighbors coming together for events that have strengthened the bonds of our wonderful community.

We would also like to thank our beach attendants for a very successful year, they helped check in roughly 16,000 people over the summer season. If you take the number since Memorial Weekend that's almost (200) people a day. These members have toughed it out over the summer months to protect our beaches & parks and did a remarkable job, for some this was their first job. As we look into future beach replenishment projects, it's important to show those members of the community and supportive government officials who have been with us on this journey for almost a decade, we've done our part in maintaining the vision.

As summer gracefully makes way for autumn, we turn our thoughts to the upcoming school year. The back-to-school season is always a time of fresh beginnings and renewed energy. For parents, students, and educators alike, it's a time to set goals, embrace new challenges, and perhaps sharpen those pencils (we hear they have a magical way of making the school year go smoother).

Here's to a school year filled with:

- **Exciting New Opportunities:** Whether it's a new subject, a new sport, or a new club, we hope every student finds something to ignite their curiosity and passion.
- **Growth and Learning:** May this year be one of discovery and growth, where every challenge is met with perseverance and every success is celebrated with pride.
- **Community Support:** Remember, our community is here to support you every step of the way. From school events to tutoring resources, we are committed to helping our students thrive.

As we turn the page from summer to fall, let's embrace this new chapter with optimism and enthusiasm. Whether you're heading back to school or simply enjoying the cooler weather, we wish you all a fantastic start to the school year. Let's continue to support each other, celebrate our successes, and make this year one of our best yet.

Thank you for being an integral part of our vibrant community. Here's to new beginnings, fresh opportunities, and a school year that exceeds all expectations.

**Teamwork makes the dream work!**

*Jerome Zadera*

Jerome Zadera

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# **Board In Brief** *CSCIA Board Of Governors Monthly Meeting*

## **AUGUST 12, 2024**

In attendance in person: Govs. Joe Angel, Ed Hayes, Mary Lamb, Matt Layman, Neil Macindoe, Kim Pollock, Michele Shipley, Town Manager Frank Tewey, Budget Comm members Blake Morris and Charlie Shoul and guests Becky Benner, Kristen Hurff, Christy Pioro, and Stacy Wildberger. In attendance online: Pres. Jerome Zadera, Govs. Beau Breeden and Thor Harris.

Pres. Zadera was online and called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. He asked for a moment of silence for Byron Toney, longtime resident of Cape St Claire who was a founding member and past Pres. of the Garden Club. He asked Gov. Lamb to run the meeting in person.

### **VARIANCE HEARING**

Town Mgr Tewey introduced the variance request for a fence already installed. Mr. Tewey mailed a letter informing the residents of the rules and process. They explained that the fence was installed because of an aggressive dog in a neighboring yard. It was made best side in because of lack of access next to the neighbor's existing fence. The top remains level, with the fence height changing on the sloped yard. No plats were available from the county, so the fence line placement was agreed upon with the neighbor on that side. After a survey was done, it was discovered that the fence is on the neighboring property. That neighbor has written a letter stating they have no issue with it remaining. The owners reported behaviors they find concerning by the neighbor with the dog. Required paperwork has been submitted and the owners apologized for not knowing the procedure. Mr. Tewey will contact them with the closed session decision.

### **MINUTES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Minutes of the July 8, 2024 BOG meeting were reviewed and approved unanimously.

The financial statements for June 2024 were reviewed and approved. Balances of the bank accounts were: Operating funds- \$171,000 Beach restoration grants- \$193,000, piers- \$302,000 and Special Community Benefits District (SCBD)- \$305,000.

### **TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

Mr. Tewey reported on the following: Work on the new crosswalk has not started. Representatives from the county Department of Public Works (DPW) were shown areas in the Cape with runoff issues. Budget committee meetings will be Aug 22 and Sep 19. The audit for Fiscal Year 2024 (FY24) is underway. Police officers are covering 16 of 31 dates in Aug. Crime reports are being supplied. Two events occurred last month. New routers were installed at the piers. Quotes were received for a chain link fence along the clubhouse field and for the Lake Claire pier gate. A boat slip census was completed Aug 1. CSCIA is working with Youth Sailing to improve kayak rack rentals. Four building requests were received. There is a county administrative board hearing for a variance to allow a deck with less setback and buffer than required. Approval has already been given by CSCIA. The hearing is because of the buffer, a restriction CSCIA does not have.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Broadneck Council of Communities (BCC):** Gov Breeden reported that the BCC will hold its next meeting on Sept 26. The State Highway Administration has been invited to present findings on the Route 50 closures this year as compared to 2023.

**Caper:** Gov Lamb said the September issue will go to print within 2 weeks. Submit articles soon to be included.

**Clubhouse:** Gov Lamb reported rentals remain steady and thanked Office Administrator Coble and Mr. Tewey for their help.

**Events:** Gov Lamb announced the movie on the beach was successful. The next event is Halloween Happenings.

**Piers:** Gov Breeden announced the next piers meeting for August 13.

**Strawberry Festival:** Gov Lamb reported planning for the 2026 festival is in full swing. About half the available spots for vendors are already full, as well as most spaces inside the park. The stage has been secured and she will begin the permit process soon.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Gov Breeden reported a proposal was received from Alliance for the Chesapeake. A request for proposal should be out within a month, with updates for Sites 3-7 to use the design grant awarded for FY23. We have not received word about the FY24 grant. The design will hopefully be completed in 2026. There is to be a meeting with regulators from the county to help them understand the scope of permitting in conjunction with the Army Corps of Engineers and the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE).

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# A Message from The Town Manager



Capers,

What a great summer in the Cape! It was so wonderful to see everyone enjoying the beaches, the water and the parks. I want to thank our twenty-eight Beach Ambassadors for a great season and all of our residents for their tremendous cooperation. We wish our attendants good luck and much success as they head back to college, school, enter the service or begin a new trade! Please take the time to extend your thanks to our ambassadors!

We'll soon see the trees change colors as they begin to shed their leaves. And, of course this means YARD WORK! Here are some tips to save yourself a "trip" to the landfill and how to properly handle yard waste for curbside collection by the County:

- For leaves, grass, brush and branches, you can use biodegradable paper yard waste bags or a reusable container made of metal or rigid plastic, equipped with handles, and marked with an "X" on all sides.
- Do not use plastic bags for yard waste!
- Do not place yard waste in a reusable fabric bag or County issued 35, 65, or 95-gallon yellow container.
- Brush and branches must be placed in a container or bundled. Bundles must be tied securely with twine.
- Do not use cardboard boxes. Cardboard boxes are recyclable and should be put out with paper, plastic, metal and glass.
- Bags, containers, or bundles may not weigh more than 40 pounds each. Tree limbs and branches must be less than 4 feet in length, with a maximum branch diameter of 4 inches.
- Bags must be closed securely. Do not use wire or metal ties.
- Christmas trees must be free from all lights, ornamentation and tree bags. Only natural trees will be collected. Tall trees should be cut in half in order to fit into the collection truck.
- Do not mix trash with yard waste.
- To avoid odors, do not bag your yard waste more than a few days in advance of your collection.
- There is no limit to the amount of yard waste you can put out for collection.
- Yard waste is collected at the curb all year round.

If you're planning a fall home project, remember to check the Cape St. Claire Building and Planning Code before starting! You may need the Association's permission! The code is available online at <https://cscia.org/cape-st-claire-revised-building-codes/>.

The next general membership meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 22, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. at the Cape St. Claire Clubhouse. Halloween Happenings will be outside the clubhouse Saturday, October 19th from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Come out and enjoy the hay rides, pumpkins, face painting, moon bounce, scarecrow making, crafts and more!

*Stay happy and healthy!*

*Frank Tewey*

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## Board In Brief *CONTINUED*

### NEW BUSINESS

Town Mgr. Tewey noted the agreement with Watershed Stewards for the planting plan for Little Magothy beach needs to be approved.

### COMMENTS

Stacy Wildberger of Cape Conservation Corps (CCC) said Wednesday Weed Warriors continue to work 8:30-10:30 am and 5-7 pm. They would like info when available about creating a parking area for the Youth Sailing boats. The Watershed Steward planting will be paid for by grants. Phil Ourisson is reaching out to contractors regarding the drainage issues behind the shopping center. CCC will attempt to get grants for that project. The plant sale will be held Sep 21 from 9 am-1 pm.

Becky Benner announced the Goshen Farm Wine Down at the Farm Aug 18. There will be food, wine and a silent auction. The Friday evening concerts will be Aug 23 and Sep 6, 6:30-8:30 pm. Bring your own chairs, blankets, food and drinks. They will hold a Goshen Farm Goodies sale on September 21 to sell items made from produce harvested from the farm of the dance studio. She said it was a very scary event for all and that there have been several other such incidents at other stores in the shopping center. Kristen Hurff spoke as a parent who is also concerned. They asked about installing bollards like in front of Graul's market. Pres. Zadera and Gov. Breeden explained that CSCIA owns the lots, but not the buildings. Individual owners make up the Business Lot Owner's Association (BLOA) and rent to tenants. The Graul family owns the first 14 lots, received permission from the BLOA to install poles, and paid for their project. CSCIA can only recommend additional safety measures. Issues with installing anything include the current concerns that the sidewalk is too high for many, the sewer line that runs along the front of the buildings, and cost. Discussion followed about other safety issues such as many driving the wrong way. Tenants must go to their landlords who can then petition the BLOA to take action.

### ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn to closed session and approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned to closed session at 8:26 pm. The closed session occurred from 8:32 pm to 10:08 pm. The August 12, 2024 CSCIA Board of Gobs meeting was adjourned at 10:08 pm.





## **IN MEMORIAM - JOE LAMP**



On September 28th the Goshen Farm Preservation Society will be dedicating a tree in the Memorial Grove to Dr. E. Joseph "Joe" Lamp.

Joe was a long time Member of the Society and passed away on December 6, 2023. Joe grew up in

Cape St. Claire near Goshen Farm. As a young teenager Joe helped Dr. Radoff and his wife May care for their many animals on the farm and later, when Goshen Farm was bought by AACPS, he, his father and others helped to secure a Living Trust for the Radoffs to continue to live at the Farm.

Dr. E. Joseph Lamp was Professor Emeritus at Anne Arundel Community College where he taught communications, applied research methods, and military history for forty (40) years. He was also an award winning instructor at The Johns Hopkins University.

When Joe wasn't teaching, he devoted time to helping animals threatened by cruel and excessive human behavior. His lifelong advocacy towards helping animals resulted in Joe becoming the first gubernatorial non-hunter appointee to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources Wildlife Advisory Commission for 13 years. In addition, he served as Vice President of The AA County American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) for four (4) years and helped found Maryland Votes

for Animals (MFVA) (PAC). Joe's involvement in political advocacy groups led to unprecedented pro-animal legislation.

Joe shared memories of helping the Radoff's on the Farm giving GFPS first hand knowledge of the Radoff's life on Goshen Farm and life in early Cape St. Claire. His continued support of the Society was invaluable. Joe was a kind, gentle, unassuming, and courageous man. He never failed to thank the GFPS Board of Directors for saving Goshen Farm and working to preserve a place that was dear to him. GFPS is honored to have counted Joe as a Member.

## **LAST SUMMER CONCERT, SEPT. 6TH**

Join us for the last summer concert of the year on Friday, September 6th. Enjoy music by The Biondi Family Band & 24 Karat. The concert starts at 6:30 pm and goes to 8:30 pm. Bring blankets, snacks, and friends for great tunes and a relaxing evening!

## **OPEN MIC NIGHTS ON FRIDAYS**

The Cape JOM Sound Team is hosting its last Open Mic summer series at Goshen Farm on September 20th. Sign up opens at 5:15 pm, music starts at 6 pm.

## **BECOME A GOSHEN FARM MEMBER**

Your membership helps us continue to restore, preserve, and educate about the history of Goshen Farm. It also has other benefits:

- Tax-deductible Membership Fee
- Behind-the-Scenes Progress Updates
- Discounts on Event Tickets & Merchandise
- Garden Plot Rental Access
- Volunteer Opportunities and More!

**[www.goshenfarm.org](http://www.goshenfarm.org)**



## Loving Cape Beyond the Strawberry Festival:

### Social Determinants of Health in Our Neighborhood

By Jennifer Barrett RN, BSN



#### Hi Capers!

For September, I wanted to offer a “grade” for the health of Cape St. Claire since we are well into the “Back to School” process. While getting my Bachelor’s of Science in Nursing, I took a Community Health class where we did a deep dive into community statistics and determinants of health as a community—this is a huge effort involving numerous people and deep research. Public Health officials (and nursing students!) take a huge amount of data into consideration when looking at the health of a community and there are five main pillars that uphold basic health. These pillars, called “Social Determinants of Health” (SDOH), include: **Economic Stability, Education Access and Quality, Health Care Access and Quality, Neighborhood and Built Environment, Social and Community Context.**

I could not embark on the deep dive of a full public health assessment (who has time for that if it doesn’t count for a grade!!) But my intention is to briefly break down the five determinants and explain how our beloved Cape strives for excellence; hence making our community ideal. But first let’s be clear about how these social determinants contribute to wellness, and lack thereof. For example, people who live in communities that don’t have access to grocery stores with healthy foods are less likely to have good nutrition (you may have heard the term “food desert”). Lack of access to healthy food and nutrition raises one’s risk for health conditions like heart disease, obesity and diabetes. Additionally, a lack of job and education opportunities contributes to less income and less ability to afford health care, and the cycle goes on and on. One can think of these Social Determinants as fully interdependent. If you have ever read the children’s book “If You Give a Mouse A Cookie” by Laura Numeroff, the Social Determinants are like that: one thing influencing the next, and the next and the next.

#### Social Determinants of Health



Healthy People 2030, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion.

<https://health.gov/healthypeople/objectives-and-data/social-determinants-health>

#### Economic Stability

Jobs!! According to msa.maryland.gov website, the unemployment rate in Anne Arundel County was 1.8%. Additionally, “In June 2024, Maryland’s unemployment rate increased from 2.7% to 2.8%, while the national rate rose from 4.0% to 4.1%.” (<https://msa.maryland.gov/msa/mdmanual/01glance/economy/html/unemployrates.html>). Basically, we have access to jobs in Cape St. Claire, which is the basis of economic stability.

#### Education Access and Quality

According to the website niche.com, AA County Public schools received a grade of “B” and was ranked #11 of 24 in “Best School Districts in Maryland”. Cape St. Claire and Magothy River Middle School were rated a “B+”, and Broadneck High School was given an “A”. Additionally, with our county’s magnet program and plethora of private schools, our community ranks in the top tier for access to education. Additionally, we are close to Anne Arundel Community College, ranked #1 community college in the country in 2021 (<https://www.aacc.edu/newsroom/news/2021-news/aacc-ranks-as-no-1-community-college-march-10/>). Free education is offered at our Public Library as well. Lastly, we have numerous pre-schools in the neighborhood (Best Beginnings, and Anchors-A-Wee) that serve as a foundational start to the public education system.

#### Care Access and Quality

Access to quality health care is paramount to community health. Additionally, quality first responders are essential. We are lucky to have access to the Cape St. Claire Fire Department as well as Luminis Health Anne Arundel Medical Center. “Luminis Health Anne Arundel Medical Center (LHAAMC), the premier healthcare institution in Annapolis, has received its eleventh consecutive ‘A’ Grade from the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade” (<https://living.aahs.org/news/lhaamc-leapfrog-hospital-safety-grade/>). Additionally, U.S. News and World Report ranks LHAAMC as #8 in Maryland and has given the hospital a “High Performing” rating in 8 procedures (<https://health.usnews.com/best-hospitals/area/md/anne-arundel-medical-center-6320020#overview>). Finally, “Luminis Health Anne Arundel Medical Center (LHAAMC) has received its third Magnet designation from the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC). Magnet recognition, the highest national honor for professional nursing practice, is awarded to organizations that consistently uphold

ANCC's standards for nursing excellence. Achieving Magnet status signifies a long-term commitment to excellence in quality care, high patient satisfaction, and a culture where nurses thrive professionally and personally" (<https://www.healthcarenowradio.com/luminis-health-anne-arundel-medical-center-earns-third-magnet-designation/#:~:text=Luminis%20Health%20Anne%20Arundel%20Medical%20Center%20%28LHAA-MC%29%20has,that%20consistently%20uphold%20ANCC's%20standards%20for%20nursing%20excellence>). This resource is literally in our back yard! Plus there is a branch of Luminis Health Primary Care in our Cape Shopping Center!

### Neighborhood and Built Environment

This area is an obvious A+ for our sweet community. The CSCIA, Garden Club, Cape Conservation Corps, Scouting kids, and associated volunteers work tirelessly on the beautification of our neighborhood. Neighbors tackle projects, large and small, such as the Main Beach engineering project to the Boy Scouts sponsoring Cape Clean Up, to Weed Warriors, and general beautification so our neighbors have unlimited access to beautiful places. We have access to green space (Lake Claire, Main Beach, Serene Ravine, Little Magothy Beach), as well as play grounds, bike trails, safe streets, a neighborhood swim club, and plentiful / necessity shopping. Our library also deserves a mention here, since it is a lovely resource and safe place for our neighbors. Our beloved Graul's offers access to healthy food, often locally farmed and sourced, and serves as an anchor for fresh, healthy food within walking distance of

most neighbors in Cape. The mindful building projects of Cape clearly serve as a bright spot for our resident's health (perhaps without them even knowing)!


### Social and Community Context

I have saved the best Social Determinant of health of our neighborhood for last. The social aspects of our neighborhood surpass expectations and are one of the most noteworthy aspects of our corner of the world. Just being outside walking, gardening, or hanging out means there will be at least one person who says "hello". Here is where our Strawberry Festival, 4th of July Parade, Cape Club House, Cape Sports, the line at Rita's (that fits in "Built Environment" as well), Goshen Farm, Youth Sailing, Adult sailing and evening races, Broadneck High School, Scouting, Garden Club plus many others provide positive social opportunities that makes our community incredibly unique. People in Cape feel connected to each other and our space thus contributing to a feeling of "home".

From a public health perspective Cape makes the grade. We all know that we love it here, but the infrastructure as well as the opportunities offered make our community feel like "home". As a community, our needs are met, we feel safe, and our families have opportunity. It really is a little slice of "paradise", as paraphrased from Beau Breedan's interview with Kara McGuirk on her Cape St. Claire podcast.



Be well Capers!



## Water Savers

TIP OF THE MONTH

IF WE TRULY EXPECT  
PEOPLE TO TAKE ACTION  
TO **PROTECT** OUR BAY & RIVERS

**PUBLIC WATER**

**ACCESS MUST BE EXPANDED!**

the more you know  
love will grow

8/24 BK



## Water Savers

TIP OF THE MONTH

FOR YOUR HEALTH  
& THE ENVIRONMENT...

**Streamline your Serviceware!**

- PHASE OUT PLASTIC CUPS, CONTAINERS, UTENSILS  
*They shed microplastic particles and are very difficult to recycle. AVOID BLACK PLASTIC as it often contains harmful chemicals. NEVER HEAT PLASTIC!*
- PAPER CUPS & PLATES usually end up in landfills
- CERAMIC (NOT OLDER/VINTAGE) is usually safe & clean
- GLASS is great! Clean, cheap, recyclable
- NON STICK PANS gradually shed chemicals
- STEEL, IRON & COPPER are the **BEST!**

9/24 BK



Happy summer, Capers! We hope you're enjoying lots of summer fun, sipping lemonade and harvesting cut flowers and veggies from your gardens while the crape myrtles and black-eyed susans bloom away! In this heat, remember to keep clearing standing water from all your gutters, toys, and other hiding spots, to keep breeding mosquitoes from proliferating, or use a mosquito dunk in your bird bath or pond to kill the larvae.

Our Members are usually pretty pooped after our annual Plant Sale in May, but this year we celebrated twice in June, first with an ice cream social and yet another plant raffle (of course!) at our June meeting. Then a



Our Members enjoying a bus trip to Chanticleer Garden

a week later, we enjoyed a cool, sunny visit to 2 wonderful gardens: Chanticleer & Stoneleigh, both outside of Philadelphia. Special thanks to our wonderful trip coordinators Kim F & Tracy M-B, who arranged a delicious lunch and even party cupcakes for all to toast Eve & Mike S, who celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with us that very day – congratulations!

We were so busy in June with our bus trip that we pushed our annual **Secret**

**Garden Tour** into July this year. Members enjoyed visiting 3 Cape garden gems, where we ogled July bloomers like hardy hibiscus & summersweet, before enjoying a poolside potluck BBQ celebrating Members' many volunteer contributions.

During summer break, our volunteers were hard at work judging Yard of the Month and maintaining the gardens at the Clubhouse, Cape St. Claire Island, Green Holly Island, and the Segree Memorial Park behind the Broadneck Library, all season long. Thanks to all our Members for all your contributions to our Club & community!

Our Membership meetings resume **Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>**, for our **Members' Sharing Slideshow**. Want to learn more about gardening

in the Cape, and what our Members learned this summer? This meeting is for you! Then on

**Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>**, we'll host a seasoned beekeeper who will share **Beekeeping 101** basics, for those who would like to know what's involved in hosting an active hive in their garden. Guests welcome! And you're invited to follow our blog and FB page for more photos & details of the Club's speakers, workshops, and goings-on: our blog

[capegardenclub.wordpress.com](http://capegardenclub.wordpress.com)

and at

[facebook.com/capegardenclub](https://facebook.com/capegardenclub)

-- Submitted by Audrey Lengbeyer



Water garden at Chanticleer



Secret Garden Tour



### **Upcoming Meetings**

**Tuesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7pm: Members' Sharing Slideshow** – hear Capers' gardening adventures!  
**Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 7pm: Beekeeping 101** by head beekeeper of Stormy Acres Beekeeping

### **Congratulations to our June, July, & August Yard of the Month Winners!**

#### **JUNE**

Area 1: The Wajbels, 1057 Little Magothy Vw  
Area 2: Marie Kiser, 1179 St George  
Area 3: Patty Park, 1050 Lake Clare Drive  
Area 4: Eileen Sullivan, 1013 Mount Holly Dr  
Area 5: Mary Kimble, 780 Rolling View

#### **JULY**

Area 1: The Hoffmans, 1071 Park Circle  
Area 2: Jennifer & Gary Rust, 1067 Broadview  
Area 3: David Darrell, 1146 Southview  
Area 4: Stacey & Tom McNeal, 899 Chestnut Tree  
Area 5: Becky & Roy Benner, 1206 Green Holly

#### **AUGUST**

Area 1: Dennis Jackson, 1230 River Bay Rd  
Area 2: Kay & George Maurer, 1130 Crestview  
Area 3: Joe and Julie Johnson, 1171 Latrobe Dr  
Area 4: Kari Banares, 1196 Summit Drive  
Area 5: Susan Hayes, 1156 Ramblewood Drive

## **St. Margaret's Church**

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### **HELP WANTED:**

Nursery Attendant/Sunday School Helper for St. Margaret's Church in Annapolis.

Hours are EVERY Sunday 8:45am-11:15am and subject to change. We also have services on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, Easter and some other special events. Duties include supervising and keeping children in nursery (under 3 yrs old) safe and helping with Sunday school supervision or preparations.

Requires at least 1 year experience. Must be 18 years of age. Must be fully vaccinated as required for attending public school in Maryland. Must have reliable communication and transportation.

Must pass a criminal background check and successfully complete on-line paid training.

Job Type: Part-time

Pay: \$20.00 per hour

Send email with brief job experience and contact information to [Emily@st-margarets.org](mailto:Emily@st-margarets.org)



### Upcoming Events 2024

- Weed Warriors meets every Wednesday to remove invasive plants.
- September 21<sup>st</sup> 9am-1pm Native Plant Fest and Sale
- October 18-19<sup>th</sup> tree and shrub planting day Little Magothy Beach
- November 15<sup>th</sup> Cape resident and birding expert George Mauer will have a in depth talk on birds of Cape, how to attract them, create habitat and what to perils they are facing

Email [president@capeconservationcorps.org](mailto:president@capeconservationcorps.org)

## Our Habitat Hero for 2024 is Jamie Wilhelm

Jamie reached out to me through the CCC FB site asking for advice about removing a large area of invasive brush on the side of her property, essentially a wasteland. She had aspirations of turning it into a wildlife friendly area—the perfect Habitat Hero! In less than a year and half it has become a thriving ecosystem supporting the birds, bees, butterflies, and many other important critters. I asked Jamie to tell me about the process in her own words (I couldn't have said it better myself!) Click on the link to read about her amazing thriving ecosystem and see the amazing BEFORE AND AFTER PHOTO [www.capeconservationcorps.org/habitat-hero.com](http://www.capeconservationcorps.org/habitat-hero.com)

## Fall Native Plant Fest and Sale

### CAPE CONSERVATION CORPS 2024

In last month's Caper we learned from Garden Advisor for Cape Conservation Corps, Larry Jennings that fall is the best time to plant. With cooler temperatures the risk of failure is significantly less. There is less stress on the plants, allowing them to set deep roots and become well established. There is a greater chance of rain allowing for natural watering (easier on the gardener!). Since Fall is the optimal planting time what better time to have out Native Fall Fest and Sale with LOW, LOW prices. This year the sale will be on September 21<sup>st</sup> 9am to 1:00pm in the field behind the clubhouse (1223 River Bay Rd 21409). In addition to the beautiful selection of NATIVE plants we will have many experts on hand to answer questions, recommend plants for your growing conditions and talk about the benefits of using natives to create healthy ecosystems. Let's talk about some of the amazing plants we will have (about 80 species including grasses, sedges, ferns, perennials, groundcovers and shrubs).

What is a native plant sale without MILKWEED to support the life cycle of the monarch caterpillar. We will have swamp milkweed *Asclepias incarnata* and Butterfly weed *Asclepias tuberosa*. There are many other butterflies and moths that also have highly specialized needs to lay their eggs. The American Painted Lady needs pussytoes, *Antennaria plantaginifolia*, the Golden Alexander *Zizia aurea* is the host plant for the black swallowtails. In addition to flowering forbs, grasses and sedges are an important part of the ecosystem as they support many species of moths.

Of course, what is a pollinator garden without some beautiful blooms for the birds and the bees! It is important to have something in bloom from early spring through late fall. We have something for all seasons. Examples of early spring bloomers are Amsonia -*Amsonia hubrichtii*, *Baptisia australis* blue false indigo and *Dicentra eximia* wild bleeding heart into the summer with milkweed, coneflowers, rattlesnake master, garden phlox, Obedient plant, Joe Pye Weed, *Monarda* (bee balm) and so many more. We cannot forget to have the blooms going into the fall with many assorted asters and several goldenrods as well as the brilliant display Pink Muhly grass gives us.

Another important aspect is to have varying heights. We have everything from groundcovers (green and gold, moss phlox and golden ragwort) to various heights of Forbes (*penstemon*, mountain mint, *heuchera*, and blue mist flower and iron weed) and shrubs. We are planning on oakleaf hydrangeas, St John's Wort, *Itea* "Henry's Garnet" and American beautyberry for our shrub selection.

*We hope to see you at this Native Plant Fest and Sale –quality experts on hand, the best darn plant sale, the lowest prices and vast selection of NATIVE PLANTS. September 21<sup>st</sup> 9am. See you in the field. Bring a wagon or totes to carry all your purchases.*

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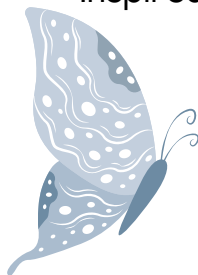
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*- Jeanne & Peter Nardi, Arnold MD*



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# Cape St. Claire Sales

Status	Address	Beds/ Baths	List Price	List Date	Days on Market
Active	1178 Hampton Rd	3/1	\$469,000	8/14/24	3
Active	1152 Pine Tree Dr	5/2/1	\$510,000	8/12/24	5
Active	1186 Ramblewood Dr	4/2	\$460,000	8/9/24	33
Active	1302 Swan Dr	3/2/1	\$575,000	8/2/24	15
Active	1031 St Margarets Dr	4/2	\$549,000	8/1/24	16
Active	984 Woodland Cir	3/3	\$635,000	7/9/24	39
A/C	1219 Hilltop Dr	4/2/1	\$480,000	8/7/24	31
A/C	1104 Crestview Dr	4/2/1	\$525,000	7/21/24	4
A/C	953 Woodland Cir	3/3/1	\$435,000	8/1/24	64
Pending	1014 Mountain Top Dr	4/3	\$600,000	8/15/24	10
Pending	1192 Hampton Rd	4/2/1	\$525,000	8/12/24	14
Pending	1225 Mount Pleasant Dr	3/3	\$510,000	7/25/24	3
Pending	1251 Pine Hill Dr	3/3	\$415,000	5/31/24	47
Pending	1012 Mount Holly Dr	4/2/1	\$800,000	5/21/24	0

The Cape real estate market has been busy this summer!

Here is the Summer Market Snapshot  
8/15/2024

Scan to see up to date Cape St. Claire Listings



SOLD 4/18 - 8/15	Beds/ Baths	Sold Price	Seller Subsidy	DOM	Close Date	Address	Beds/ Baths	Sold Price	Seller Subsidy	DOM	Close Date
903 Forest Ter	4/2	\$470,000	0	1	7/26/24	1302 Cape St Claire Rd	3/2/1	\$630,000	0	10	6/28/24
1132 Skyway Dr	4/3	\$527,000	0	6	7/22/24	1107 Little Magothy Vw	3/2	\$319,000	0	1	6/21/24
1008 Mountain Top	4/2	\$555,000	0	24	7/19/24	1392 Greenway Dr	4/2	\$535,000	0	3	6/21/24
1149 Skyway Dr	5/2/1	\$776,000	0	4	7/19/24	1010 Mount Holly Dr	4/4	\$700,000	0	31	6/20/24
1117 Little Magothy Vw	4/2	\$545,000	0	33	7/18/24	1317 Swan Dr	4/1/1	\$535,000	0	3	6/18/24
1219 Ramblewood Dr	5/2	\$450,000	0	6	7/16/24	1154 Bayview Vista	4/3/1	\$780,000	0	4	6/17/24
1080 Broadview Dr	5/4	\$600,000	0	6	7/16/24	1040 Lake Claire	5/3	\$650,000	0	5	5/29/24
1020 St Charles Dr	4/2	\$535,000	0	5	7/15/24	890 Chestnut Tree Dr	4/3/1	\$615,000	0	4	5/17/24
1170 RambleWood Dr	2/1	\$378,000	0	6	7/2/24	770 Windgate Dr	4/3	\$623,500	0	11	5/10/24
1157 Hampton Rd	4/3	\$800,000	0	3	7/2/24	1152 Latrobe Dr	2/1	\$371,000	0	51	4/30/24
1165 Green Holly Dr	3/2	\$700,000	0	0	6/30/24	774 Windgate Dr	4/3	\$590,000	0	17	4/30/24

\* All information, taken from the Multiple List Service, is believed to be accurate but should not be relied upon without verification. This list consists of listings from various brokers, and is not intended to make the representation that all the listings belong to eXp Realty.



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## Cape St. Claire United Methodist Church

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Annapolis, Maryland 21409

**Phone:** 410-757-4896

**Website:** capeumc.org

**Facebook:** facebook.com/cscumc

**Email:** office@capeumc.org

**Pastor:** Dale Thomas



**Worship Service:** 9:00 AM on Sundays in the Sanctuary and on Zoom

If you would like to receive a Zoom invite for the service, please Email: office @capaeumc.org

**Sunday School:** 9:00 AM on Sundays - Children's Formation and Middle/High School. After the Blessing of the Children in our worship service, the children will go with their teachers to their Sunday School classes.

**Office Hours:** Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9:00am to 12pm. If you need immediate assistance, please contact Pastor Dale (240) 682-6395 or dale@capeumc.org.

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Worship is our most profound activity. Together we seek God's presence and place ourselves in the position to receive the gift of His Spirit. Come worship with us and be a part of our church family.

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the love of God, and the fellowship of the  
Holy Spirit be with you.

**Blessings to All!**

*Pastor Dale*



**Cape Methodist Church is distributing food for Backpack Buddies. This ministry provides weekend food to children in need at elementary schools on the Broadneck Peninsula.**

**We welcome food or monetary donations to support this important ministry to our community. Please consider helping us! The food items we need are single serve cereal and instant oatmeal, single serve applesauce and fruit, granola bars, peanut butter crackers, single serve pudding, family sized mac & cheese, canned chicken or tuna and snack items.**

**Donations can be dropped off at the church office at 855 Chestnut Tree Dr. between 9 AM and Noon Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. We appreciate your support for children in Broadneck communities!**



## My Brother's Pantry

**My Brother's Pantry has been serving Broadneck families since 1986 and as now made the transition to a healthy family choice pantry. Families coming to the Pantry now come in to select what the need right from our shelves!**

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# St. Margaret's Church

Join Us for Children's Formation:

School-year Sundays: Sept. 1st - May 25th

**\*Services at 7:30am, 9am, and 11:15am**

\*Nursery from 8:45am-10:15am

\*Children's Chapel During 9am Service

\*Sunday School from 10:15am to 11am  
(coffee hour)

\*\*Youth Group from 4pm to 6pm



Join Us In  
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**Children's  
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## Enter the Cape St. Claire 2025 CALENDAR PHOTO CONTEST

Recently taken a great photo of Cape St. Claire or the Chesapeake Bay? The *2025 Cape St. Claire Community Calendar* is sponsoring a photo contest. The winning photo will be published on the front page of the 2025 calendar. **Photo submission deadline is Thursday October 3, 2024. A \$100.00 cash prize will also be awarded.**

**DIGITAL PHOTO SUBMISSION NOW AVAILABLE!** Photos must be submitted in a horizontal 8" x 10" format in black & white. The subject matter must pertain to the Cape St. Claire area or the Chesapeake Bay. Photos submitted will not be returned to you. The winner will be announced in an issue of *The Caper*. Submissions are limited to 3 entries per person. **For Digital Submissions:** \*Email to [apsolutions757@gmail.com](mailto:apsolutions757@gmail.com) \*Files can be no larger than 2MB, send as an attachment \*Must have name of photographer, address, phone & title of the photo (By submitting digitally you are giving permission to the 2025 Cape Calendar to publish your photo on the cover of the calendar). **For Hard Copy Submissions:** \*Attach a completed entry form to the back of each photo (available in *The Caper* or at Cape Ace Hardware) \* Must provide a high quality digital copy of the photo is selected \* Drop them off at Cape Ace Hardware.

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. The winning photo will become property of the CSC Improvement Association.

### 2025 CAPE ST. CLAIRE CALENDAR PHOTO CONTEST

*Please tape this coupon to the back of each photo submitted.  
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Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## CSCIA Beaches and Parks Rules and Regulations

- 1.** Beaches, parks and the boat ramp at Deep Creek are only for the use of property owners current in the payment of their maintenance fees, and their accompanied guests. Guest passes cannot be used for the launching ramp at Deep Creek Fridays through Sundays. Guest passes may be used for vehicles without trailers at Deep Creek during all regular park hours.
- 2.** All Cape St. Claire beaches and parks will be closed to everyone from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. Violators will be subject to prosecution under the Maryland Trespass Law, Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 6-402/6-403. Conviction under this law may involve a fine of not more than \$500 or a 3 month imprisonment, or both.
- 3.** Vehicles parked on community property must display their current assigned Cape St. Claire bumper sticker on the rear of their vehicle, or a guest pass hanging from the rear view mirror, or a temporary parking permit (issued for special events held at the clubhouse and approved, reserved beach parties) inside the front windshield on the driver's side. Any unauthorized vehicles will be towed at the owner's expense.
- 4.** No loitering is allowed in the community parking areas.
- 5.** No motorized vehicles are allowed on the beaches and no boats are allowed on the beaches or anchored at the beach waterline. This includes golf carts, motorized scooters or other On Road Vehicles (ORV.) ORVs may be parked on community owned parking lots with valid parking passes.
- 6.** Windsurfing is permitted outside of the designated swim area only.
- 7.** Consumption of alcoholic beverages IS NOT permitted on the beaches, in the parks, or in the community parking lots. Glass containers are not permitted at our beaches.
- 8.** Dogs on community property shall be on a leash and within their owner's control at all times. Dog owners must clean up their dog's waste. Bags are provided at the beaches for your convenience.
- 9.** No commercial use of the piers, beaches or parks is allowed
- 10.** The use of piers is limited to slip renters. Fishing and crabbing from the community piers continues to be prohibited, except from the fishing and crabbing pier at Lake Claire. Residents are also reminded that the boat piers are totally maintained and paid for by slip renters.
- 11.** Dumpsters on community property are for the use of people using these facilities, not for household refuse.
- 12.** Permission for social gatherings of 20 or more people at the beaches and parks must be requested in writing from the CSCIA Beaches and Parks Committee, and the appropriate permission form must be completed and signed by the sponsor(s). Social gatherings of more than 30 people will need special permission from the Beaches and Parks committee chair.
- 13.** Violators of these policies may be banned from CSCIA properties and trespassers will be prosecuted.



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