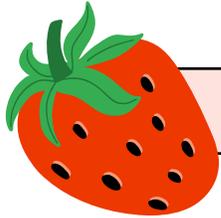


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Cape St. Claire Improvement Association, Inc. Community Newsletter

JUNE 2025

QUARTERLY MEETING TUESDAY, JULY 22 AT 7:30 PM



President's Perspective

Did someone say Strawberry?

Summer has officially arrived—and what better way to kick it off than with our beloved Annual Strawberry Festival! Forget the beach—Cape St. Claire's first day of summer is marked by what we lovingly call the Cape St. Claire Superbowl: our very own Strawberry Festival! From live music and entertainment to strawberry-themed treats and kid-friendly games, this year's festival has something for everyone. The parade? Our biggest crowd ever, a true testament to the spirit of our community!

Youth Involvement & Creativity

It was wonderful to see such youth involvement this year, especially with the Strawberry Princesses! Last year, I had the honor of watching my daughter participate, and it's a memory we will cherish forever. Moments like these highlight the heart of our community and the importance of passing down cherished traditions to the next generation. A big thank you to all the parents, volunteers, and young stars who made this celebration so special!

Water Safety & Youth Sailing

As we dive into summer fun, remember to stay safe around our local waterways, especially near boating piers. Swimming near piers can be risky due to boat traffic, fishing lines, and other hidden hazards. Here's how you can stay safe:

- Swim in designated areas where boat traffic is minimal.
- Stay visible by wearing bright swimwear or using flotation devices.
- Be alert to incoming boats and fishing lines.

Also, Youth Sailing begins at the end of June, so please be mindful of the program boats at Lake Claire Beach. These boats offer a fantastic learning opportunity for our young sailors, and we all have a role in keeping the waters safe for them.

Beach Attendants

Our Beach Attendants are back, ensuring our beaches and parks are safe and enjoyable for all. For many of these attendants, this is their first job, so we ask for your respect and understanding. If approached or questioned, please know it's not personal. There may be situations behind the scenes that

require additional information or action. Let's work together to keep our community safe and welcoming.

Summer Jams & Cape Vibes

Summer Jams are here, and it's a fantastic time for the community to come together and enjoy some great music. These are family-friendly events, so maintaining a respectful atmosphere is key. A special thanks to Cape Vibes for doing an excellent job ensuring these events are safe and enjoyable. Your cooperation helps make these events thrive!

Special Thanks to Mary & Jimmy Lamb

A huge thank you to Mary & Jimmy Lamb, who have nurtured and revived the Strawberry Festival for over 25 years. Their dedication, alongside an incredible team of volunteers, neighbors, and family members, shows what can be accomplished with strong community bonds. The festival continues to be a highlight for all of us because of their hard work.

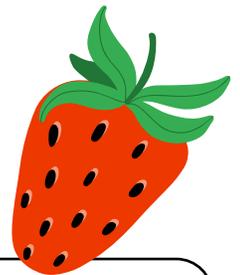
To All Our Volunteers

To all our volunteers: Your time, energy, and community spirit don't go unnoticed. You help make our town a better place, and we are deeply grateful for you. Thank you for your continued support!

Teamwork makes the dream work!

Jerome Zadera

Jerome Zadera



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Board In Brief *CSCIA Board Of Governors Monthly Meeting*

MAY 12, 2025

In attendance in person: Pres. Jerome Zadera, Govs. Beau Breeden, Cheri Fairchild, Thor Harris, Ed Hayes, Mary Lamb, Matt Layman, Neil Macindoe, and Michele Shipley, Town Manager Frank Tewey, Budget Committee members Charlie Moore and Charlie Shoul, and guests Becky Benner, Charlie Corliss, Scott Patterson, Abby Sparrow and Stacy Wildberger.

Pres. Zadera called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and wished all moms a happy Mother's Day.

BUILDING VARIANCES

Mr. Tewey introduced requests for variances. The first was for a garage/addition to be built 7 feet from the property line. Building is limited by the well located in front of the house which is situated towards the rear of the property. The county has approved. The second request was for a 6-foot fence extending beyond the front of the house. The odd shaped lot is on a corner so the fence will be 9 feet from the property line and have a 25-foot vision triangle open for traffic line of sight. The third request was for a 1-foot setback for pilings for a boat lift on a narrow lot. The homeowner noted that the pier will be built in the center of the lot to meet setbacks. A pier agreement is in place and a county hearing scheduled. A complaint was received regarding a storage pod. Storage pods are allowed on a homeowner's property for 30 days, or up to 90 for use during active construction. The resident requested to keep the pod through Oct. while completing interior home improvements. Decisions would be made in closed session.

MINUTES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Minutes of the Apr. 7, 2025 BOG meeting were reviewed. A motion to accept the minutes was made and passed unanimously.

The financial statements for March were reviewed. A motion was made to approve. Balances of bank accounts on Mar. 30 were approximately: Operating funds/Grants: \$367,000, piers- \$390,000 and Special Community Benefits District (SCBD)- \$ 485,000. Gov. Breeden noted that a separate line item for Capital Reserve spending should be added to the budget and reports to accurately reflect expenses. It is hoped that all necessary changes will be made by the end of the fiscal year. The motion to approve passed unanimously.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Tewey reported on the following:

Blue parking stickers and hang tags are required as of May 1. Beach attendants will start May 16.

The first Budget Committee meeting was held May 1. Subsequent meetings will be July 15, Aug. 13, and Sep. 10.

Officers are covering 20 of 31 days in May. Crime reports included 9 calls in Feb. No trends or patterns to be concerned about.

The chain link fence behind the clubhouse was installed. Additional portable restrooms will be delivered May 23rd. The Cape St Claire entrance sign on Cape St Claire Rd is peeling and the sign manufacturer will inspect. Twenty-one of the beach attendants from 2024 will be returning for this season. Beach coverage will run from May 16- Sept 1.

Two standard fence requests were approved. There was no activity by the county regarding a stop work order issued for a shed without permits. Mr. Tewey got a list of short-term rentals registered with the county. He will provide a policy proposal for beach use by renters.

A bill before the county council proposes that Homeowner Associations (HOA) follow the Maryland Homeowners Association Act and Open Meetings Act, making all meetings open to the public and available to be recorded and broadcast by anyone, including the press. There could be a significant administrative fee with future increases. The bill was introduced due to issues that arose with two Special Community Benefit Districts (SCBD) that did not have proper checks and balances in place. CSCIA follows all the SCBCD reporting and recording requirements and has systems in place to prevent impropriety. Councilwoman Fiedler requested feedback from CSCIA. Discussion followed, and several points were made that will be relayed to Mrs. Feidler: The HOA Act should not apply because not all SCBDs are communities, for example the Little Magothy River Association; the attorney does not think the bill will stand up to legal review; the administrative fee is excessive and adds no benefit; the reaction to the issues at two small HOAs is excessive and punitive to those that are following the rules; SCBD rules change constantly and there is no support or advocacy for HOAs and SCBDs to navigate the system. Additional concerns are that recordings can be edited to make out-of-context quotes that give an incorrect impression of actual event, or artificial intelligence used to manipulate and misrepresent it.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Broadneck Council of Communities (BCC): Gov. Breeden reported that elected officials and the Maryland Transportation Authority and State Highway Administration attended the Apr. meeting to report on plans for 2025 Bay Bridge traffic studies and bridge replacement. The only exit to be closed for part of 2025 summer weekends will be Oceanic Drive. The bay crossing will happen at the current bridge site. Currently in the 7th year of Step 2 of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), completion is expected around 2042.

Beaches & Parks: The Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) has not rescinded the open permit at Lake Claire that was to be cancelled after the Deep Creek dredge could not be completed. It must be closed before a permit can be approved for placement of sand from the Little Magothy dredge. BioHabitats is working to quickly answer questions from the new Army Corps of Engineers reviewer to keep the project on schedule for an Aug./Sep. meeting. Coastal Resources has been chosen to do design work and contracts are being prepared for the other 5 sites planned for restoration.

Caper: Gov. Lamb reported the Caper was put online, but due to an error by the printer, it will be mailed late.

Clubhouse: Gov. Lamb is having trouble getting anyone to replace the door locks. The Cape Clean Up event will have only two dumpsters on Friday, replaced on Saturday. The county is encouraging use of curbside pickup. Items that can be disposed of at the Clean Up could be picked up curbside. No hazardous waste, large metal objects, gasoline, etc. See the county website for more information.

Events: The special events permit for July 4 and Strawberry Festival cost \$1500. Gov. Lamb requested a waiver but has no reply yet.

Piers: Gov. Breeden said about 25 people attended the May meeting. He commended Piers Administrator Matt Cox on his good work communicating with slip renters and the waitlist, which is now about 130 people. Contracts for the pier replacement at Deep Creek have been signed, with work to occur in the fall. There are cash reserves to fully fund the contract, electrical and plumbing work, and cover the piers portion of Capital Reserve

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A Message from The Town Manager



Capers,

Congratulations to all those graduating from high schools, trade schools, colleges, universities and the like! Be proud of your accomplishments! For those entering the armed forces, thank you for your commitment to our nation's safety and your future service!

Summer has come upon us and our grounds crews have been working hard to get things ready for you to relax in the sun! Please be sure to say a simple "Thank you!" to Dottie and Matt as you see them scurry about.

BLUE parking stickers have been issued and are now in effect. Stickers must be affixed to your vehicle and not placed on dashboards. Guest passes are not valid for any trailering at Deep Creek on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. A Cape St. Claire resident must accompany anyone using a guest parking pass! Be mindful of the many county parking restrictions around the community and abide by them. Please don't put us in the position of having to tow any vehicles!

We are once again fully staffed with a group of amazing Beach Attendants for this summer! Beach Attendants have been trained to be ambassadors for you. We ask that you be courteous and kind as they perform their jobs. Want to recognize or compliment one for outstanding service? Email me at townmanager@cscia.org. You can also send me any concerns or questions you may have.

As July approaches, fireworks will take to the skies. For safety reasons and because some vets and pets are affected by them we ask you to leave the fireworks to the professionals. Groundbased (non-aerial) sparklers, hand held sparklers and "snappers" are the only fireworks allowed under the law.

Don't forget to celebrate the 4th of July with us! We're planning a morning parade, activities for the children and a night of fireworks at Main Beach courtesy our neighbors to the north, Gibson Island!

For our slip holders: Boat bottoms should have gotten wet on or before June 1st! If you were unable to get your boat into the water by that date, please contact the Piers Administrator!

For your calendar! Our next Quarterly Membership Meeting is on Tuesday, July 22nd at 7:30 pm.

Stay happy and healthy,

Frank Tewey

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Board In Brief *CONTINUED*

savings. Subleases may be available after moves are completed. Email piersadmin@cscia.org if you are interested in a temporary slip. Fetch Consulting was hired to get marina basin designations at four of our properties to allow for smaller repairs without needing permits from MDE and Army Corps of Engineers, just the county.

Strawberry Festival: Gov. Lamb said a vendor meeting will be held Wednesday. The insurance carrier used in the past will not provide coverage because of pony rides. The vendor has insurance, but the Strawberry Festival needs coverage as well. The insurance agent is confident that he can find a company to cover it, but it may cost more than in past years.

OLD BUSINESS

Pres. Zadera reported that the on ramp to Route 50 at Oceanic Drive will be the only Bay Bridge access closed for Friday evenings this summer. Repairs and expansion of the kayak rack at Lake Claire is near completion, contact Dave Draper with questions. Meetings with the Business Lot Owners Association (BLOA) will be held regularly to increase communication in that partnership. It seems that the public outcry regarding development at Fairwinds Marina was considered by the owners and no movement has been made to pursue it further.

NEW BUSINESS

Gov. Lamb reported that the traffic dividing island on Green Holly Dr was installed with an open area for plants with the understanding that it would be maintained by CSCIA and not the county. With the Garden Club unable to continue to maintain it, the county wants to remove the plants and install pavers.

Pres. Zadera reminded everyone to be mindful of the increased activity at Lake Claire during Youth Sailing, June 30-Aug 8. The Little Firefighters Library project will be installed after the Strawberry Festival.

COMMENTS

Charlie Corliss thanked the board for supporting Cape Vibes events. The first event on Mother's Day was very well attended, with over 100 attendees and plenty of volunteer help. The Cape Garden Club was the beneficiary of donations made. The next event will be June 22 and donations will go to the Cape Conservation Corps (CCC). Gov. Lamb noted that the event was well organized.

Becky Benner announced that the Garden Club Plant Sale May 17 from 8-2 at the clubhouse field. Native plants, Cape grown perennials, vegetables, tomatoes, herbs and annual flowers will be available. Get your gardening questions answered too! The last spring meeting will be June 3 at the clubhouse at 7 pm. Meetings will resume for the fall on Sep. 2.

Mrs. Benner reported Goshen Farm will give away strawberry plants at the Strawberry Festival. The Open House is June 21 from 10am-2pm. There will be tours of the property, pony rides, music, etc. In response to a question about a Halloween event, she replied they do not want to encourage rumors of the house being haunted. People are on farm premises on Halloween to prevent vandalism.

Stacey Wildberger of Cape Conservation Corps (CCC) reported they have been removing Bushkiller vine from Serene Ravine. Richards Tree Care removed a tree at Little Magothy Beach and did a great job of avoiding damage to plantings. All slots are filled for the tree giveaway program. The Habitat Hero tour was held May 6. With two outstanding applications for the scholarship for a Broadneck High senior planning to major in environmental sciences, a second smaller scholarship was created. Congratulations to winners Addison Thornton and London Best! CCC will give away milkweed plants at the Strawberry Festival and have a table at the Goshen Farm Open House. Thanks to Cape Vibes for choosing CCC as the beneficiary of donations at the June event.

Thor Harris reported the Cape pool will open on Memorial Day weekend with a party on May 24. Swim practices start in the evenings on May 27 until the end of the school year, then move to mornings. A Movie by the Pool event is scheduled for Jun. 7 at 8:30 pm. The 5th grade party for Cape St Claire Elementary School will be Jun. 11. There will be live music opening weekend. They are grateful to the CSCIA board for their support, guidance and conversations.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn to closed session and approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned to a closed session at 9:00 pm. The closed session occurred from 9:00 pm to 10:35 pm. The May 12, 2025 CSCIA Board of Govs. meeting was adjourned at 10:35 pm.





NEWS FROM **HISTORIC GOSHEN FARM AND EDUCATIONAL CENTER**

Goshen Farm Joins National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom

We are proud to share that Goshen Farm has been officially accepted into the National Park Service's Network to Freedom program. This designation honors sites connected to the Underground Railroad and the brave individuals who sought freedom from slavery.

Goshen Farm was recognized for its role in providing escape routes and refuge to individuals such as Jack Green and the Johnson family. This national recognition reflects our continued efforts to uncover and share the stories of those who lived and labored on this land.

Special thanks to Linda Páez, Scott Powers, Gerry Lockwood, and the entire team who worked on the successful application. Your efforts ensure that this important history will continue to be remembered and honored.

Eagle Scout Projects & Gold Awards Celebrating the Contributions of Scouts

Over the past 14 years, Goshen Farm has been honored to host 29 completed Eagle Scout and Girl Scout Gold Award projects—with two more currently underway. These projects reflect the dedication and leadership of local Scouts who have improved our grounds and enriched the visitor experience.

From building picnic tables, benches, and trails, to constructing birdhouses, a well house, and a butterfly garden, their work promotes sustainability, education, and community pride. Recent efforts even include 24 QR codes around the Farm, offering self-guided learning opportunities.

We're deeply grateful for the creativity and commitment of these young leaders. Their contributions leave a lasting legacy at Goshen Farm.

Summer 2025 Friday Night Concert Series

Bring a blanket or lawn chair and enjoy live music under the stars at Goshen Farm. Admission is free, and all are welcome! 2025 concert schedule:

- **June 20** — Cape Tree & Up to 11
- **June 27** — Live the Dream & Ed Sparks
- **July 11** — Captain Crunch & Savage in Nature
- **July 25** — AcoustiCafe & Joel Brandon
- **August 8** — Dirk Schwenk & Tim Kurtzberg
- **August 22** — 21012 Band & The Biondis
- **September 5** — 24 Karat & Laura Brino

Come out and support local music while enjoying the beautiful grounds of Goshen Farm!

Seeking Silent Auction Donations

Our *Wine Down at the Farm* event returns on Sunday, August 17th, and we're looking for silent auction items. If you or your business would like to contribute, please contact Lou Biondi at building@goshenfarm.org. Your support helps make this fundraiser a success!

Don't Miss These Upcoming Events

Our Spring Open House has been rescheduled to **Saturday, June 21st from 10 AM to 2 PM**. This free community event includes live music, tours, demonstrations, vendors, and activities, such as, pony rides, bunny snuggles and photo ops for all ages. Admission and parking are free.

Open Mic Night at Goshen Farm, hosted by CapeMusic JOM, will return on **Friday, June 13 and Friday, July 18**. Bring a chair and enjoy a great evening of local talent.

Kayak Raffle tickets are still available. Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased through our website. Winners will be announced at our **June 27th** Summer Concert.

Happy June, Capers! As we write this article, the azaleas are wrapping up, the iris and peonies are in their full glory, and the mophead hydrangeas are just opening their first buds. Our Club is so pleased to brought more of these blooming beauties to our 'hood the latest installment of a beloved Cape tradition, our annual Plant Sale.

We're so grateful to all our loyal fans who came out to support our annual fundraiser. We had beautiful weather and our fans turned out in force, lining up at the gate. Our first customers cut the ribbon and opened the gates so our fans could storm the castle at opening time. Thanks for your generous patronage, neighbors! The Plant Sale funds all our Club's yearly activities: 3 speakers & 3 workshops per year, 4 Beautification teams, chartered bus field trips, donations to local kid and teen groups that build and maintain gardens, and even scholarships for Members who pursue further study as Master Gardeners or Watershed Stewards. Special thanks also to Dunkin' Donuts, Blue Rooster, Trader Joes, & Graul's for donating refreshments for our hardworking volunteers – we appreciate the community support!

Thanks most of all to our Member volunteers who donate so much time and hard work to make the Sale a success: digging, dividing, potting, & storing plants, collecting & storing boxes, tagging then schlepping plants to the field, creating signs to place on stakes, loaning wagons & pitching tents, the list goes on and on! Our May meeting was a Sale orientation for our newest Members – over 20 have joined us this year. We are especially excited to be providing opportunities to grow up the next generation of plant-loving, compost-loving, hard-working, event-planning superstars at our sale!



birdbaths, and help your neighbors to do the same. At our sale, we gave away hundreds of mosquito dunks, which prevent the larvae from being able to grow into adults, without harming any other critters. We hope you got one for your birdbath, pond, or drainage ditch. Let's work together to keep the Cape great for outdoor fun!

Please email us at capegardenclub@gmail.com or text us at 443-875-7037 if you'd like to participate in any of our events. And follow our blog and Fb page for more photos, details, & updates of Club goings-on: capegardenclub.wordpress.com & facebook.com/capegardenclub

-- Submitted by Audrey Lengbeyer

Upcoming Events

Tuesday June 3rd at 7pm: Speaker from Tropic Bay Ponds on **Patio Water Gardens & Small Ponds**

Saturday July 19th: **Secret Garden Tours & BBQ potluck lunch**

Saturday September 27th: Bus trip to **Winterthur** for Members and the public, 9am-7pm

Congratulations to our May Yard of the Month Winners!

Area 1: Adam and Leah Braun, 1142 Riverview Drive
Area 2: Elizabeth Cebollero, 1159 River Bay Road

Area 3: Bill Rappaport, 1002 Lakeview Lane
Area 4: Roni & Andrea Sorondo, 901 Chestnut Tree Drive
Area 5: Ellen Prager & Dave Jones, 718 Mountain Alban Road

Thank you, neighbors & fans, for coming out year after year!
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Mosquito Control Tip of the Month

Hopefully you read the May Caper and learned that mosquito spraying does not work on the Asian Tiger Mosquito plaguing our community, but it also kills beneficial insects, including butterflies and bees so many of us are attracted to our yard with native plants. Please pick up an opt out form at the CSCIA office or go online so your yard will not be sprayed every Monday night.

You can help control them by eliminating the places they lay their babies! Remove all standing water from your property or use mosquito dunks in bird baths and ponds.

Common Cape Invasives, How to Get Rid of Them and Replace Them With Similar Natives

Characteristics of Non-Native Invasive Species (not all non-natives are invasive)

- Impacts the ecology and/or economy to the area it was introduced
- Outcompetes and overwhelms the native flora
- Grows and reproduces fast
- Lacks native predators to slow their growth (nothing is eating these plants!)

Why Remove Invasive Species

They outcompete native plants that native wildlife depends on for survival. These have developed specific relationships over thousands of years of coevolution. Some species are so dependent on specific plants to feed on or that they can only use a certain plant to lay eggs on, for example, monarch butterflies and milkweed. But there are many more with such specific needs.

Invasive plants spread and create monocultures, leading to loss of biodiversity. I can attest to the lack of diversity in the space we have cleared of burning bush at Little Magothy Beach. There was nothing but burning bush as far as the eye could see. Tucked amongst them were some native sassafras just waiting for their chance to thrive. We have added some native trees and shrubs in hopes of creating a much more robust ecosystem!

Often the damage caused by invasive species cause irreversible damage to the environment, reduce recreational space and affect human health. There is also a significant economic factor—the time and expense of removing invasive species from a space.

How Invasive Species Come Into An Area

Invasive species are often sold at our local nurseries. Homeowners believe them to be safe to plant or not harmful because they are so commonly seen on landscapes and sold to us by landscapers and the nursery trade. We plant them on our landscapes and they spread through seed dispersal, wind, and root systems, and not just in our own property but out into common areas or to the wild.

They can come from many unintentional means by humans as well through travel and trade or the soles of our shoes after walking through an infested area.

How You Can Help Stop Invasive Plants

Don't buy non-native invasive plants! Just because you don't see it spreading in your landscape doesn't mean it hasn't spread to other areas. The seeds and roots can travel great distances and create

havoc somewhere out there. That non-native invasive, sacred bamboo, the nursery tells you is a variety, it will eventually revert to producing seed. The invasive Bradford pear that we were told was sterile is now along every corridor on the east coast. Create demand for native plants by asking your local big-box stores to carry more natives. Shop at local native plant nurseries and pop-up sales (such as the Cape Conservation Corps plant sales)

Common Cape Invasives

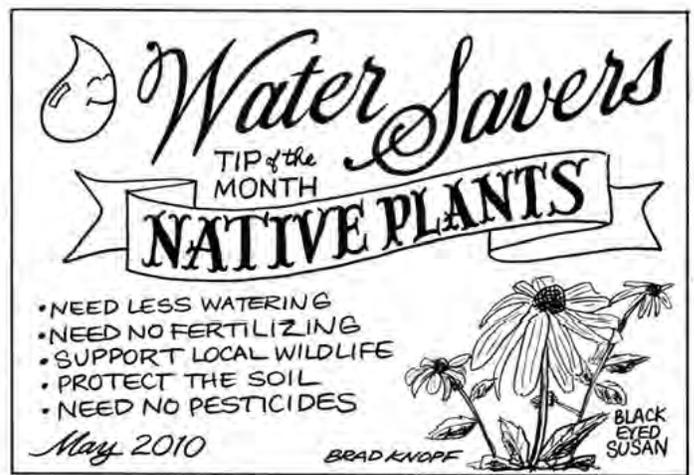
There are many invasive plant species in the yards and open spaces of the Cape. The small trees, shrubs, vines, herbaceous, and grass plants listed below are among the most common and are the worst of the worst invasives as they are known to spread aggressively by seed or roots. They are also more easily removed by homeowners compared with invasives such as grown trees, bamboo, and phragmites reeds.

Please visit the website to see the common invasive plants found around the Cape and some great native alternatives. www.Capeconservationcorps.org/common-cape-invasives/

Reach out to our Garden Advisor, Larry Jennings for a free consultation on removing invasive plants and repalcing them with native alternatives! Many of which are sold at our Fall Native Plant Fest and Sale September 20th 9am to 1pm in the Clubhouse Field. gardenadvisor@capeconservationcorps.org
Larry Jennings

Cape Conservation Corps Upcoming Events

- Wednesday through October Conservation Crew meets to remove invasive species and plant natives
- June 7th Strawberry Festival Free Milkweed plant
- June 22nd 4-8pm Cape ViBES at the Main Beach
- September 20th 9am-1pm Fall Native Plant Fest and Sale Field behind the Cape Clubhouse
- Visit our Events Page for more details and sign up to help or email me at president@capeconservationcorps.org





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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 @capeumc.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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Blessings to All!
Pastor Dale



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 they need right from our shelves!

We gladly accept both monetary and food donations – please check out our website to find out how to donate, www.mybrotherspantry.org or call the Pantry at 410-757-5190.



Backpack Buddies would like to thank all those who have contributed food and monetary donations to support our ministry of providing weekend food to children in need at 3 schools on the Broadneck Peninsula. These children have been greatly blessed by your generosity.

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Matthew 25:35

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AA Meetings Wednesday nights at 6pm

Prayer & Meditation on Zoom Wednesdays at 6:30pm

jollynjoann@gmail.com for login info)

Upcoming Events:

- June 7 – Strawberry Festival
- Jul 21-25 – Music & Arts Camp, 9A to Noon, Completed K-5 grades
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Bay Sound, Local Soul: Dirk Schwenk and Kevin Pezzuti Bring Cape St. Claire's Spirit to the Stage

By *Charlie Corliss, Cape Vibes*

Cape St. Claire is more than just a waterfront neighborhood — it's a community shaped by hard work, a strong commitment to family, and a deep pride in everything that makes the Cape unique. Within our neighborhood, you might be surprised by how many talented, creative musicians are living just down the street.

Few musicians embody this Cape spirit as fully as Dirk Schwenk and Kevin Pezzuti, two musicians whose roots in the Cape run as deep as the waters that surround it.

Dirk Schwenk, a Cape native and longtime Cape St. Claire resident, has been a musical fixture in the area for years. Known for his storytelling lyrics and signature blend of Americana, rock, and coastal folk, Schwenk draws much of his inspiration from life in the Cape. Whether it's a lyric born from a sunset over Deep Creek or a melody that echoes from Lake Claire, his music is a direct extension of the place he calls home.

"I've raised my kids here, built friendships here, and written a lot of songs staring out over the water," Schwenk says. "There's something about Cape St. Claire — it's laid-back but full of life. That energy comes with me on stage every time."

Kevin Pezzuti, who has called Cape St. Claire home for many years, brings that same deep connection to the community.

A versatile instrumentalist and gifted collaborator, Pezzuti has become a vital part of the local music scene through his work in both formal venues and informal community spaces. Known for his skills on guitar, keys, and harmonies, he's just as likely to be found at a neighborhood cookout as he is on stage at Rams Head or 49 West.

"Cape's a tight-knit place, and music here feels like a shared language," Pezzuti notes. "Playing with Dirk — especially when we're just down the street from people we know — is something special. It's not just a gig; it's home."

Together, Schwenk and Pezzuti blend their talents into a sound that is both refined and deeply familiar, full of storytelling, harmony, and heart. Their recent performances have drawn acclaim for their dynamic live shows, often described as "equal parts front-porch jam and full-scale concert." Audiences love their mix of original songs and inventive covers, and there's always a sense that you're watching two friends doing what they love — and bringing their neighborhood along for the ride.

This summer, as they take the stage at our local Strawberry Festival on June 7th and Cape Vibes Sunset Concert at Main Beach on June 22, their Cape St. Claire roots will be front and center.

Their music captures the charm and traditions of the Cape while paying tribute to the people, places, and strong community bonds that have shaped its identity.

Catch Dirk Schwenk and Kevin Pezzuti live this season! See them at the Strawberry Festival June 7th and at Cape Vibes at Main Beach on June 22.



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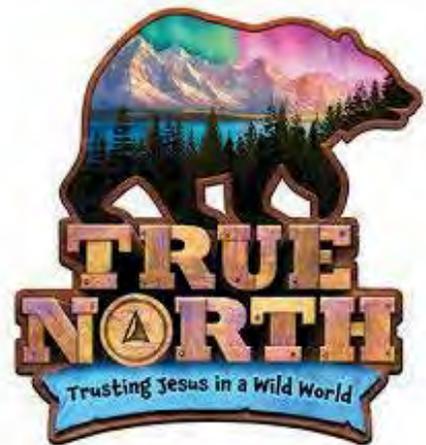


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Anne Arundel County encourages you to use curbside collection when possible. Please note that many of the items' residents dispose of during Community Cleanup events can be more efficiently managed through the weekly Curbside Collection program. Please refer to the enclosed CURBSIDE COLLECTION OF BULK ITEMS flyer

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Call [\(410\) 222-6100](tel:410-222-6100), Monday through Friday, between 7:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. to schedule large metal item collection.

- Items must be ready at the curb by 6 a.m. on the scheduled collection day.
- Cancellations must be received 48-hours prior to the scheduled collection date.
- Only those items specifically requested for collection will be picked up.
- Be sure items are not obstructed by vehicles, fences, or other structures.

Large Trash Items:

[Bulk trash items](#) like, sofas, mattresses, tables, and rolls of carpet are typical trash examples that do not fit into containers. The items should be placed next to your trash container(s) on your collection day.

Please set out only three items at a time on your weekly collection day. Do not place wood and lumber or building and construction materials for collection as bulky trash. These items are not collected curbside.

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