Caine Woods Community Association, Inc.

NEWSLETTER July 2013

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Message from CWCA President Dennis Dare

Summer is here, and we kicked off the season in Caine Woods with a very successful bull roast in Fiesta Park on June 22. Our thanks to the volunteers who cooked, cleaned up and otherwise helped out. Plans are already under way for our end-of-summer picnic set for Saturday, Aug. 24, so mark your calendar!

Other upcoming events include the community-wide yard sale on July 13; National Night Out Aug. 6, and the crab feast Sept. 21. Details on these events can be found in this newsletter.

If you have any questions or concerns about our neighborhood, please do not hesitate to contact me or other board members. We are here to help!

CWCA yard sale July 13

Now is the time to clean out your attics and closets! Our annual community-wide yard sale will be held Saturday, July 13, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The rain date is Sunday, July 14.

We will advertise the yard sale in advance and ask that you mark your property with balloons so that buyers can find you.

National Night Out Aug. 6

Join the Caine Woods community on Tuesday, Aug. 6, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Fiesta Park. Members of the OC Police Department will be there to answer any questions regarding Caine Woods.

This is your opportunity to express your concerns about crime or other police-related issues. The event is open to the public.

Hot dogs, hamburgers, beverages and more will be provided; feel free to bring your favorite dessert. We will also have games and activities for the children. Volunteers are always needed to help out in coordinating the kids' games. We should have enough picnic tables, but you may want to bring your own chair.

We will also be collecting canned goods and other non-perishable items that will be donated to the St. Peter's Lutheran Church Open Kettle Soup Kitchen.

There is no charge for this event, but due to our liability insurance, we ask that children be accompanied by an adult or guardian. Please contact Tonja Sas at 410-250-1046 or email cainewoods@verizon.net to volunteer or for more information.

And remember, turn on your outdoor lights and then join your neighbors for an enjoyable and informative evening.

End-of-summer picnic Aug. 24

Join your neighbors Saturday, Aug. 24, at Fiesta Park for the Caine Woods end-of-summer picnic from 3 to 6 p.m. We'll have an array of picnic food plus plenty of beverages and musical entertainment.

The CWCA general membership meeting and election of officers will take place during the picnic We will also be collecting canned goods and other non-perishable items that will be donated to the St. Peter's Lutheran Church Open Kettle Soup Kitchen.

For more information or to help out, call Lloyd Martin at 443-235-4408.

CWCA crab feast Sept. 21

The Caine Woods Community Association will host a crab feast Saturday, Sept. 21, from 2 to 6 p.m., at Higgins Crab House on Coastal Highway at 128th Street.

Proceeds from this benefit will be donated to the St. Peter's Church Open Kettle kitchen and emergency pantry. The CWCA selected the Open Kettle as the 2013 charity that will receive the proceeds from association events.

The crab feast will feature all-you-can-eat crabs, fried chicken, corn on the cob, french fries, crab soup, cole slaw, draft beer and soft drinks. There will be a cash bar.

Tickets are just \$30, and all proceeds above the cost charged by Higgins will go to the Open Kettle. Only a limited number of tickets will be sold; contact any CWCA officer or director to purchase them.

Raffles, a basket of cheer and door prizes will all be part of the event.

We will also be collecting canned goods and other non-perishable items that will be donated to the Open Kettle Soup Kitchen.

Dues are due each September

CWCA dues are payable each September and are \$20. If you receive this newsletter by mail and the date on the mailing label is 9/13, your dues will expire in September.

If you receive it by email and "expired" appears in the subject line, your dues have expired.

Please use the form in this newsletter to renew your membership and print your email address. If your email address changes, please email us at: cainewoods@verizon.net.

Rabid raccoon found in North OC

The Worcester County Health Department confirmed recently that a raccoon that attacked a person near Northside Park tested positive for rabies.

To report any contact with or exposure to this raccoon, call the Worcester County Health Department at 410-632-1100 or 410-352-3234. Any potential exposures should be reported immediately so that a risk assessment can be done.

Wounds found on an outdoor pet from an unwitnessed encounter should be treated as a possible rabies exposure.

Reports of sick-acting, aggressive wildlife or strays should be reported immediately so law enforcement can assess the situation and contain the suspect animal and minimize other exposure to pets or persons.

The health department recommends the following tips to protect your pets and family from rabies exposure:

• Vaccinate pets and keep those vaccinations current.

• Do not feed pets outdoors. Pet food, even the odor of it, in empty containers and on the ground draws wildlife.

• Secure trash cans and dumpster lids. Wild animals forage for food, so minimizing food sources will discourage wildlife from coming onto your property.

• Remove strays from the community. Stray cats are of particular concern, as they are competing for food with wildlife and have more opportunity for exposure to rabid wildlife, such as raccoons.

• Report immediately to local law enforcement or animal control any abnormally behaving or aggressive wild animal or stray, particularly if contact to humans or pets is imminent or has already occurred. Do not touch bare-handed any pet that has fought with a wild or suspected rabid animal.

For more information about rabies, visit worcesterhealth.org.

Senior citizens target of scam

Local law enforcement agencies have seen an alarming increase in a scams directed at senior citizens and retirees. The scam has several variations, but in the end involves a loved one who is in trouble and needs help getting out of an embarrassing or harmful situation.

Typically, the scammers call the victims and claim to be their grandchild, child, niece or nephew, for example. The scammers will tell the victims that they are in trouble, have been arrested and are in jail, and need help. In some cases, another scammer will claim to be a lawyer, a bail bondsman, a deputy or an official from a jail to further convince the victim the scam is legitimate. The scammer will then request credit card information or money, sent to a Western Union office out of the area, in order to get out of whatever harmful situation the scam presents.

Scammers are accessing family knowledge, usually gained from the internet, to make the scam more convincing. In addition, the scammer may not have a foreign accent but often doesn't resemble the voice of the family member; the scammers will blame the phone line or an illness that is making them sound different on the phone.

The Ocean City Police Department reminds citizens never to wire money to strangers. Requests to wire money are "red flag" signs that it's a fraud. If you get a call like this, contact another family member, a trusted friend or your local police department. They can help you evaluate the situation and try to contact your loved one. Also, never provide any type of banking or credit card information to persons or entities you do not know. Never make online or telephone transactions with credit cards that are directly linked to your checking/savings or money market accounts. Bank and credit card accounts should be routinely monitored for suspicious and unauthorized transactions.

Smoke/carbon monoxide alarm requirements

The Town of Ocean City requires all owners of units located within multi-family dwellings to provide hardwired smoke alarms outside all sleeping areas and on each level of the dwelling unit. Alarms mounted on the wall should be positioned 4 to 12 inches from the ceiling, while ceiling-mounted alarms should be positioned 4 inches or more away from the nearest wall.

Carbon monoxide detectors are required in all new and existing dwellings where fuel-burning equipment is installed or operated. Fuel-burning equipment could be gas water heaters, furnaces, dryers, fireplaces, wood stoves or engine exhaust.

These alarms should be tested at least monthly, and should have their batteries replaced twice a year. A simple way to remember to change your smoke detector battery is to change the battery when you change your clocks for daylight savings time.

Update on construction from Delmarva Power

Static var compensator project

The static var compensator (SVC) project is progressing well as Delmarva Power strives to improve reliability in Ocean City.

The new transformer for the SVC has been delivered. The transformer underwent a vacuum process where a vacuum pump removed moisture from the transformer so it will operate properly. While under vacuum, mineral oil was also pumped into the transformer. Power transformers used in the electric utility industry are filled with mineral oil, which acts as an electrical insulator and a cooling fluid. Delmarva Power and other utilities require this process for new transformers and existing transformers that require corrective maintenance.

The decorative wall columns will be installed in July. Work will start on the south side of the existing substation, proceed north along Derrickson Avenue, then easterly along 138th Street. The final portion of the wall will be installed along Sinepuxent Avenue. The SVC control house is in place.

All of these project milestones are weather dependent, but Delmarva Power is on target for project completion by the end of 2013.

Underground cable replacement

Work continues on property restoration associated with the underground cable replacement in the community. Regarding future underground cable replacement in Caine Woods, we will share a more definitive timeline once it is established.

Any questions can be directed to Delmarva Power Senior Public Affairs Manager Jim Smith at (410) 860-6366 or jim. a.smith2@delmarva.com.

Fiesta Park Clean-Up

Caine Woods Association volunteers and Town of Ocean City employees teamed up at the annual Fiesta Park Clean-Up Saturday, April 13. The CWCA provided food and beverages to all workers. Thanks to all who participated!



The clean-up crew



The chefs

The history of Caine Woods: Part III

~ Fiesta Park: Coming together as a community as development continues ~

In October 1982, Caine Woods resident Bud Weszka reported to the CWCA board of directors that Fiesta Park on 141st Street should be functional by the following spring.

But other records show that the Town of Ocean City and Tom Perlozzo, then director of Recreation and Parks, began pursuing the development of Fiesta Park in early 1984.

Public hearings brought out property owners in opposition to the city's plans. The public's concerns with a park were trash, police protection, vandalism, parking, dogs, preservation of the park, mosquitoes, drainage, street lighting, noise, hours of use, the parking being open to the public, may become a teen hangout, and fees to be charged.

The property owners in North Ocean City were a contentious group who spoke up for what they wanted.

The OC Beautification Committee approved the park proposal in July 1984. At the July CWCA board meeting, Joan Burger and Lucy Gaffney presented their summary of the development of Fiesta Park.

A shelter was planned for the center of the park, and the Mayor and City Council gave permission to proceed. But residents objected to the cost of construction, the need for excavation and extra fill, the need to cut down trees, and concern that the shelter would be out of the eyesight of the residents. A shelter at the southwest corner of the park would provide a picnic area and a walking trail.

In July 1985, the City Council approved the allocation of \$10,000 to proceed with the park. The money was for drainage, fill around the perimeter, grass, etc. Unfortunately, Hurricane Gloria in September took \$7,000 of that for emergency clean-up.

A public hearing in February 1986 saw favorable responses from the public, the Caine Woods Association and the Caine Keys II neighborhood.

In September 1987, the Caine Woods Beautification Committee and the Recreation Council legislative committee met for an update of plans; in November, plans were formulated for a combined community development project.

In December 1987, the Caine Woods Association donated \$4,000 toward the development of Fiesta Park. The Planning and Zoning Commission granted conditional use in January 1988.

Shortly thereafter, the Recreation and Parks Department mailed informational letters to Caine Woods residents, requesting volunteer help and donations for the development; \$1,600 was raised.

In February 1988, the Mayor and City Council granted permission to the Recreation and Parks Department to develop the park and shelter. Then in May, a work party convened, including Mayor Fish Powell and Council members Jim Hall, Glenn Steckman, John Trumpower and George Feehley.

Plans proceeded in summer 1988, with modifications reviewed and approved by the OC Engineering Department and the CWCA.

In September, bids for a shelter were accepted and awarded.

The shelter was ordered and delivered, but the City Council reversed its approval after CWCA President Charles Burger vehemently voiced his opposition to the shelter at a council meeting.

The morning after that meeting, City Manager Tony Barrett told City Engineer Dennis Dare to cancel the order, but Dare told him that it was too late; the shelter had arrived. Barrett told him he would have to find somewhere else for it, so it was installed at Northside Park next to the playground.

The next issue of this newsletter will continue the saga of the shelter. — Mary Ann LeMay, CWCA Historian

Caine Woods Bull Roast

Approximately 154 members and guests attended. Our thanks to all the volunteers who helped out!

Saturday, June 22, 2013



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Committee Reports

Board of directors meetings

All association members are invited and encouraged to attend the CWCA board of directors meetings, which are held at the Tiburon Condominium meeting room on 141st Street between Sand Dune and North Ocean roads at 7 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month except November and December.

If a change occurs, a note will be posted on the Tiburon meeting room door.

Sunshine Committee

Donna Umbel of the Sunshine Committee sends out cards to those experiencing both good and bad times — a birth, graduation or other special occasion, and in the event of an illness or death. We know that these attempts to reach out are appreciated when we receive a note of thanks in response. We also send cards to members going into a nursing home or moving out of the area, to let them know that we will miss them.

If you know of anyone experiencing a happy or sad event in their life, contact Donna Umbel at 410-250-5778 or jajaumbel@aol. com and she will send a card.

Amy and Tom Neisser recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Congratulations!

Thinking-of-you cards were sent to Chip Gaither, Laverne Kramer, Patricia Schlauch, Josie Hoffman and Cathy Bocci.

Our condolences to Fran Nickels on the loss of her husband, Jack; to Patricia and Bob Schlauch on the loss of their son Daniel, and to the family of Dot Healey.

Hospitality Committee welcomes new residents

Barbara Schmitt of the Hospitality Committee calls upon new residents to welcome them to our neighborhood and to give them a collection of goodies donated by local businesses and a CWCA newsletter. She also explains the benefits of joining the CWCA and describes the many activities that go along with membership.

If you know of a new neighbor, please contact Barbara at 410-250-0670 or email her at auntbeau@msn.com. The cost of a membership is \$20 per year. That entitles members to admission to the annual bull roast/picnic, National Night Out and the end-of-summer picnic, with food and beverages provided.

Also, there is Christmas caroling followed by a party at the Elks Lodge, three newsletters per year and the opportunity to tell the board of directors about neighborhood concerns and suggestions.

Members also receive timely notifications by email regarding important events (hurricanes, road repairs, etc.) in the community.

Historian

As official historian of the Caine Woods Community Association, Mary Ann LeMay will keep the historical records of the CWCA and will provide articles for the newsletter on the neighborhood's beginnings. If you have any relevant documents or photographs, please call Mary Ann at 410-250-4688 or email rhlandmal@aol.com.

Membership Committee

When renewing your membership, please include your email address. We would like to keep you informed of activities, alert you if there is a concern in the neighborhood, and send this newsletter electronically unless you opt out.

If you change your email address, please let us know at cainewoods@verizon.net.

We respect your privacy and send all emails as "bcc," so no names or email addresses can be seen by recipients.

Beautification Committee

The Beautification Committee always welcomes any volunteers who might like to help by plucking weeds or watering flower beds nearby. If you are interested, please call or email Rosalie Stuller, 410-250-5224; rstuller66@yahoo.com.



Rosalie Stuller, Donna Umbel and Julie Valcourt have been hard at work tending to Caine Woods flower beds. Thanks!

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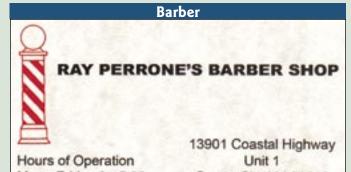
CWCA Membership Application/Renewal

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Caine Woods Address: (If Different)			, Ocean City, MD 21842
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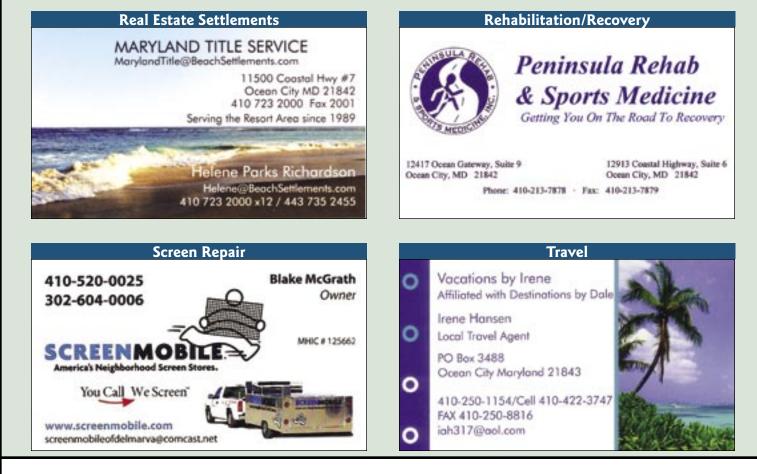
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Welcome to our newest members!

The CWCA is always looking for new members. If your neighbors are not members, encourage them to go to our website, www.cainewoodsoc.org, to view the newsletter and calendar of events. Invite

them to join the association for just \$20 per year and describe all the benefits that go along with membership.

- We welcome our newest members:
- Bobbi & John LeMay, 136th Street.
- Spyros & Elaine Loukas, 142nd Street.
- Michael & Colleen Friedman, Sailing Road.
- Steven & Judy Siegel, Loop Road.
- Rita & John Strumke, Twin Tree Road.
- Maria DiNatale, Sailing Road.

• John & Sandy Delaney, Twin Tree Road.

• Joe & Helen Kelly, 139th Street.

• Robert & Hunter Hanning, Fiesta Road.

OC Police Auxiliary Officers, Detective Sgt. Jeff Smith honored



OCPD Capt. Kevin Kirstein, Auxiliary Officers Don Olson, Tonja Sas, Wanda Olson, Kim Herbert, Ann Gough, Charles Judd and OCDAAC Donna Greenwood

On April 23, the Ocean City Auxiliary Officers and Detective Sgt. Jeff Smith were honored by the Worcester County Drug and Alcohol Council at the 22nd annual Drug and Alcohol Awards Reception for their outstanding achievement in drug and alcohol prevention. Their awards were based on their contributions to the improvement of the quality of life by reducing alcohol and drug abuse in Worcester County.

Over the years, the Ocean City Auxiliary Officers have volunteered hundreds of hours at "Play It Safe" events. Their dedicated support has helped ensure the mission of the Ocean City Drug and Alcohol Abuse Committee by providing visiting high school graduates with fun, drugfree activities.

Smith was honored for his superior commitment in the area of drug enforcement in Ocean City and Worcester County. He is the supervisor of the Ocean City Police Vice and Narcotics Unit and has been instrumental in recovering drugs and contraband having a street value of tens of thousands of dollars.



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Note: CWCA board meetings are not held in November or December.

- July 13: Caine Woods yard sale, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Rain date July 14.
- July 24: CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- Aug. 6: National Night Out, 6-8 p.m., Fiesta Park.
- Aug. 24: End-of-summer picnic, general membership meeting, election of officers, 3-6 p.m., Fiesta Park.
- Aug. 28: CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- Sept. 21: CWCA crab feast, 2-6 p.m., Higgins Crab House, 128th Street.
- **Sept. 25:** CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- Oct. 23: CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- Nov. 1 (approximate): Newsletter mailing.
- Dec. 4: Caroling & holiday party, 6:30 p.m., Elks Club.

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Please contact any officer or director with any information or concerns you may have, especially information that should be shared with CWCA members.

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