

Caine Woods Community Association, Inc.

NEWSLETTER

March 2013

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Message from CWCA President Dennis Dare

As we welcome spring, I would first like to look back and thank everyone who attended the crab feast last fall and helped our association raise \$4,300 for the Message of Hope Cancer Fund. We look forward to conducting 50/50 raffles and a crab feast this season for this year's charity, St. Peter's Lutheran Church Open Kettle.

New underground cables, currently being installed by Delmarva Power

in our community, will be completed shortly and give us a more dependable power supply. Work by the city south of 142nd Street and north of Laurel Avenue to inspect, repair or replace infrastructure prior to completely repaving all streets is well under way and on schedule to be completed by this summer.

As spring approaches, plan now to take advantage of the citywide clean-

up on April 13-14, sponsored by the Town of Ocean City. Clean out those closets, attics and garages and place those old grills, dead tree branches and other items curbside for free pickup that weekend! Hope you will join us at the Fiesta Park clean-up on April 13.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the June 22 bull roast in Fiesta Park. Bring a neighbor and have them join the CWCA.

CWCA selects St. Peter's Church Open Kettle as its 2013 charity

Every year, the CWCA officers and directors choose a local charity that will receive the proceeds from our September crab feast and from raffles held at other association events.

At its Feb. 27 meeting, the board interviewed representatives from Coastal Hospice and from the St. Peter's Lutheran Church Open Kettle. After careful deliberation, the officers and board selected the Open Kettle as this year's charity.

The mission of the Open Kettle kitchen and emergency pantry is to feed the hungry in our community. A free lunch is served every Wednesday, year-round, to approximately 100 people at the church located at 10501 Coastal Highway in Ocean City. In addition to the free lunches, 35 to 40 bags of groceries are distributed each week to those in need.

The kitchen is certified as a "ServSafe" kitchen by the Maryland Food Bank and is staffed by all volunteers. The program has been under way since September 2005.

Fiesta Park clean-up April 13

In conjunction with the Town of Ocean City's annual bulk pickup project April 13-14, the Caine Woods Community Association will hold its traditional spring clean-up of Fiesta Park Saturday, April 13, beginning at 10 a.m.

CWCA volunteers will pick up trash and litter, rake up pine cones and do whatever is needed to make the park the natural resource that it is in Caine Woods. The Ocean City Recreation and Parks Department will provide a crew, supplies and other gear to help out with the clean-up.

Burgers, hot dogs, refreshments and other goodies will be provided to all volunteers.

Please bring a canned good or other non-perishable item for our donation to the St. Peter's Lutheran Church Open Kettle Soup Kitchen in Ocean City.

Volunteers should bring gloves and rakes. In the past, a crew of up to 20 individuals completed the clean-up in about two hours.

Bull roast June 22 at Fiesta Park

The annual Caine Woods bull roast will be held Saturday, June 22, at Fiesta Park from noon until food runs out.

The CWCA will provide all the food, but you may bring a dish or dessert to share with your table or friends. Please bring a canned good or other non-perishable item for our donation to the St. Peter's Lutheran Church Open Kettle Soup Kitchen in Ocean City.

Activities that day include children's games and a 50/50 raffle (bring an extra \$1 or \$5 to purchase tickets). Proceeds will be donated to the Open Kettle.

We always welcome volunteers to help out at the event and to clean up the park after the festivities are over.

We ask that you do not carry food out from the picnic area. If a house-bound person requests food, please inform the registration table crew ahead of time.

If you'd like to bring a guest, the cost is \$10 each; children under age 12 are free. Due to insurance liability, all children must be accompanied by an adult. Please be courteous and do not bring any animals to the picnic.

The rain date is Saturday, June 29. For more information, call Dennis Dare at 410-250-1650.

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 noon. 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.

Interested in joining a walking club?

Get in shape for the coming warm weather! CWCA member Sherry Dare is organizing a walking club. Days and times are flexible. If you are interested in joining, call or email Sherry at 410-422-2207; sherryoc@gmail.com

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:

- MaryKay & Benjamin Kinnish, North Ocean Road.
- Cindy & Larry Lindenberger, Wanmar Villas, 143rd Street.
- Stephanie Meehan, Anchor Chain Road.

Book club seeking members

CWCA member Peggy Reinholt has formed a book club, open to all and not just CWCA members. The club meets the first Monday of the month at club members' homes, on a rotating basis. If you would like to join, email Peggy at pwalker30@aol.com.

Have your property monitored by the OCPD while you're away

If you are a year-round resident and plan on being away from home for a while, you can subscribe to the Ocean City Police Department's residential security check program. Call the OCPD at 410-723-6610 for more information.

We're on the web!

Go to www.cainewoodsoc.org to see a calendar of events, maps, the history of the community, photographs, membership information and more.

We are sad to report that
James "Schultzie" Schultz

died on Jan. 8. Schultzie
was a mainstay as a cook at
our picnics, and he will be missed.
We are grateful for his many years of
service to Caine Woods.

Update on construction from Delmarva Power



Ocean City SVC update

Delmarva Power received conditional use approval from the Town of Ocean City on Jan. 7 to expand the 138th Street substation for installation of a static var compensator (SVC) that will improve electric reliability through voltage stabilization. Construction permits have been received from the town and preliminary work was set to begin in late February with vegetation removal from around the substation. Actual substation construction is expected to begin in mid-March, with completion projected by the end of 2013 or early 2014. Delmarva Power's general contractor and equipment supplier for the project is ABB, a global leader in electric utility infrastructure construction.

To lessen the impact on the Caine Woods community during construction, Delmarva Power received approval to use 137th Street between Sinepuxent and Derrickson Avenues as a lay-down area for the temporary storage of equipment and supplies. A temporary fence will be installed on each end of this portion of 137th Street, which will be closed to traffic during construction.

Delmarva Power's contractors will follow all applicable city ordinances and will be mindful of the residents and businesses in the neighborhood. Throughout the project, Delmarva Power will provide updates to the Caine Woods Community Association. Should customers or officials have any questions, please contact Delmarva Power Senior Public Affairs Manager Jim Smith via phone at 410-860-6366 or e-mail at jim.a.smith2@delmarva.com).

Caine Woods underground cable replacement update

Delmarva Power's contractor Infratech is about 50 percent complete on the second phase of the Caine Woods underground cable replacement project, which includes the installation of conduit and new electric cable along 139th Street and streets in the community north of 139th Street. The recent wet weather has slowed the project, but crews continue to make progress and we expect to complete the cable installation by mid-March. At the conclusion of the project, we will coordinate property restoration for disturbed areas.

Should residents have any questions, our project field supervisor is Al Wetsell who can be reached at 518-337-7115. Al is in Caine Woods every day, and when customers have an inquiry, he can typically meet with them on the same day.

Caroling party another success

Members generously donate to OCPD toy drive



Joe Mitrecic, Santa (Mark Jednorski), CWCA Past President Lloyd Martin and CWCA President Dennis Dare at the Christmas party

Once again, our caroling party in December was a huge success, with 48 attendees, and most of them went caroling. The weather couldn't have been nicer for an evening in December.

Everyone was in the holiday spirit, and we went to all the houses on our list — and then some. Santa gave the little ones on our route a special visit; he is always a hit with the group, a true Jolly Old St. Nick!

Attendees were very generous in bringing a toy or donating money for the Ocean City Police Department's toy drive.

The food was delicious and plentiful; the Elks Lodge did a great job of preparing and serving everyone. We also enjoyed many desserts brought by the members of CWCA.

It's such a treat to have the tram for our caroling. We thank the Town of OC for its support in helping us make this a successful event each year!

— Irene Hansen, event organizer

Community Emergency Response Team training in April

Citizens can make a difference for their families by enrolling in the Community Emergency Response Team course that will begin in April at the Ocean City Public Safety Building at 6501 Coastal Highway.

Community Emergency Response Team training is designed to help citizens help themselves and their families in the event of a

catastrophic disaster. Because emergency services personnel will not be able to help everyone immediately following a disaster, CERT is a free training course that aims to provide citizens with basic information for preparedness



and techniques when dealing with emergencies. Training covers basic skills including CPR/AED, first aid, recognizing natural and manmade hazards in our local communities, disaster preparedness such as emergency plans and disaster supply kits, hazardous material emergencies and basic fire suppression.

CERT courses are being offered by the Ocean City Emergency Services Department. The courses are now offered as part of Ocean City University. Citizens who complete a 16-week general studies program through OC University as well as the Citizens Police Academy can earn a Ph.D by completing the CERT program.

CERT classes begin Thursday, April 4, at 6:45 p.m. and will run each Thursday evening for seven weeks, ending on May 16. There will also be one class on Saturday, May 11, at 8 a.m.

To register or for more information, contact Carol Boyles, Ocean City Emergency Services, at 410-723-6616 or cboyles@oceancitymd.gov. Additional information can also be found at www.oceancitymd.gov.

Please be a good neighbor!

As summer approaches, here are some reminders and suggestions for keeping our community a safe and pleasant neighborhood:

- Boating etiquette: Please observe the no-wake zones in the canals and bay.
- Bicycle etiquette and safety: Please announce, "On your right/left" when passing pedestrians and other cyclists.
- Doggie bags are provided throughout the town for dog waste.
- Keep empty lots trimmed and free of debris.
- Keep children off of the sand dunes.

The development of Caine Woods

~ Part II in a series on the history of our neighborhood ~

As Caine Woods was being developed in the 1970s, some real estate agents offered quite a lot to prospective buyers. For example, agents told some buyers of an interior lot that they would also get a boat slip in the deal. The agents even took those buyers to a boat yard, where Harpoon Hanna's is now located, and pointed out which boat slips would be theirs. The proprietors of the boat yard were unaware of this arrangement!

When development began, city services could not keep up. Some buyers were told that Caine Woods was limited to single-family homes, but they soon learned that no such protection existed. At this time, waterfront lots sold for \$18,500; interior lots were \$6,500.

In the late 1970s, several residents wanted their canals dredged and they asked their neighbors to sign a petition to present to the Ocean City Mayor and City Council.

Although the canal project was ultimately unsuccessful, these neighborhood discussions led to the formation of what would become the Caine Woods Community Association.

Meanwhile, development was taking place on the oceanfront, and developers needed a place to move existing oceanfront buildings. They saw Caine Woods as ideal because utilities and streets were already in place. However, neighbors were not happy about the arrival of somewhat dilapidated houses in their neighborhood.

In December 1980, Joe Hanlon suggested forming a Parker Estates citizens association, with an "ad hoc" committee of three residents to ensure that future structures conformed to the covenants set forth in the deeds. He asked each property owner to contribute \$2 for start-up costs. Charlie Burger, Jack Cooper, Richard Thobe and George "Bud"

WARNING

Weszka went door-to-door to see if people wanted to start such a community association.

On Sept. 2, 1981, Steve and Arlene Johanson, George Pleat, Fred Witt, George "Bud" Weszka and Charlie and Joan Burger met at the home of Richard Thobe. They developed bylaws and planned a neighborhood social event to be held at the Burgers' home.

Weszka was elected president; Cooper, vice president; Joan Burger, secretary, and Thobe, treasurer of the Parker Estates Community Association. (Gene Parker, a local developer, had purchased a number of lots from James Caine. Parker then developed the Tiburon complex and other areas in Caine Woods; hence, the name Parker Estates.) The organization was incorporated in October 1981, and neighbors from other Caine Woods areas were invited to join.

- Mary Ann LeMay, CWCA Historian

Join the Neighborhood Watch program

Here's an opportunity to become the "eyes and ears" of the police.

Neighborhood Watch is a crime prevention program that enhances neighborhood security, heightens the community's power of observation and encourages mutual assistance

and concern among neighbors.

Caine Woods currently has an established, active neighborhood watch group, but we're always looking for more volunteers for the program.

Neighborhood Watch is one of the most effective and least costly ways to prevent crime and reduce fear. The program fights the isolation that crime both creates and feeds upon. It forges bonds among area residents, helps reduce burglaries and robberies, and improves relations between police and the communities they serve.

As a member of Neighborhood Watch, you make a vital contribution to the safety of your family, home and community. Benefits of the program include:

- 1. Having a security survey of your home performed by a representative of the OC Police Department.
 - 2. Reporting suspicious and criminal activity to the police.
 - 3. Engraving and making an inventory of your valuables.

The real key to this program, however, is getting to know your neighbors and sharing with them the responsibility of protecting your neighborhood. If you are interested in becoming a block captain, or if you'd like to know who your block captain is, e-mail cainewoods@verizon. net or call Tonja Sas at 410-250-1046.

Helpful websites

- Town of OC: www.oceancitymd.gov.
- OC Tourism: www.ococean.com.
- Sex offender website: www.dpscs.state.md.us.
- OC Police Department crime mapping: www.oceancitymd. gov/police.

MVA Mobile Office coming to Ocean City

The ezMVA Mobile Office will be at the Ocean City Public Safety Building on 65th Street from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the following dates:

Monday, March 25; Monday, April 22; Tuesday, May 28, and Monday, June 17

The following services are available: renew a non-commercial Maryland driver's license and photo ID card (for non-drivers only); obtain a duplicate driver's license, certified copy of a driving record or disability placards; renew vehicle registration; obtain substitute stickers or registration cards; return tags; change your name and/or address; apply to register to vote; register as an organ donor.

For more information, call 410-768-7000.

Important phone numbers

...911

-7070

-1222

-7559

-2471

-6649

-8833

-8221

Emergency Police, Fire, Ambulance	
Non-Emergency	
MD Natural Resources Police	410-548
Poison Control Center	1-800-222
U.S. Coast Guard	410-289
City Offices	
Airport	410-213
Animal Control	
Billing & Tax Information	410-289
City Hall General Information	

City Manager......410-289-8887

Eagle's Landing Golf Course......410-213-7277

Mayor410-289-8931

OC Life-Saving Station Museum410-289-4991

Public Works.......410-524-7715

or......1-800-2TEETIME

Public Works Maintenance	410-524-0391
Recreation & Parks	410-250-0125
Solid Waste	410-524-0318
Transportation Department	410-723-1606
Visitor Center	410-289-2800
Water Department/Billing	410-289-8833
Water Department	410-524-8388
Wastewater Department	
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Others

Atlantic General Hospital	410-641-1100
Chamber of Commerce	
Comcast	410-524-3401
Coastal Association of Realtors	410-641-4409
Consumer Protection Agency	410-713-3620
District Court	
Downtown Association	410-289-1413
Humane Society	410-213-0146
Life Crisis Hotline	
Legal Aid Bureau Inc	410-546-5511
Maryland Job Service	
OC Hotel-Motel-Restaurant Association	
OC Public Library	410-524-1818
Public Defender	410-632-1933
Weather	

Drug drop box available at OCPD

To prevent the abuse of unused prescription medication, the Ocean City Police Department has a drug drop box in the lobby of the Public Safety Building at 65th Street bayside, available for public access around the clock.

Most prescription medicines should not be flushed down the toilet or thrown into the trash. This drop box program allows residents and visitors to dispose of unneeded, expired or unwanted medicine easily and properly. The box was donated by the OC Elks Lodge.

Make sure your street address is visible

Everyone knows how important fire, EMS and police services are. But can first responders find you in an emergency? At night? During a storm? When the town and the streets are crowded with cars and visitors?

Please take a moment to verify that your house address and/or unit number is clearly displayed on your property.

12345

Street addresses are the unique way to identify business and

residential locations. Visitors, service contractors and emergency responders will all benefit from clearly marked structures.

The house or building number must be clearly visible from the street, and individual unit or apartment numbers need to be posted as well.

If your property is a multifamily structure, you can work with your homeowners association to make sure buildings are properly marked.

If you are not sure of your assigned street address or if it differs from the service address listed at the top of your utility bill, please call 410-289-8466 for clarification.

Tune into 1670 AM, your radio station for community information

To improve communication and enhance the safety of those living, working and visiting in Ocean City, the Town of Ocean City has an AM advisory radio station. The frequency of the station is 1670 KHz on the AM dial and is received throughout the Ocean City area.

While the primary use of this station is to inform the public of emergency conditions in the area such as weather events and how to respond to them, the station also broadcasts community information 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Having a non-commercial FCC license does not allow any commercial broadcasting.

See overgrown grass?

If you see a property with overgrown grass, you may report this to the Town of Ocean City at 410-289-8221. After confirmation by a city inspector, a notice will be sent to the property owner asking that the grass be cut. If no action is taken by the property owner, the town will arrange for the cutting and then send an invoice to the property owner.

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.

A thinking-of-you card was recently sent to Agnes Schaper.

Our condolences to the family of James "Schultzie" Schultz, who died on Jan. 8.

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.

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.

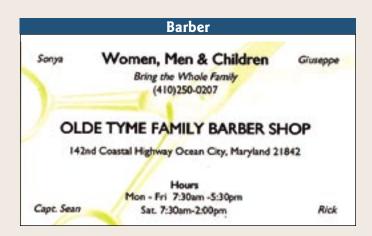
Members also receive timely notifications by email regarding important events (hurricanes, road repairs, etc.) in the community.

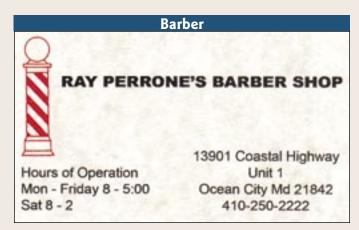
Beautification Committee

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.

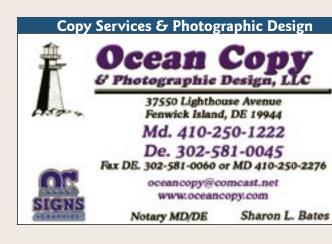
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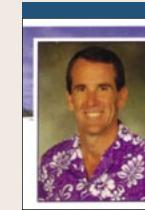
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CWCA Events 2013



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

- March 27: CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- April 13: Fiesta Park spring clean-up, 10 a m
- **April 24:** CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- May 22: CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- June 22: Bull roast, noon-4 p.m., Fiesta Park. Rain date June 23.

- June 26: CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- **July 1 (approximate):** Newsletter mailing.
- 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:** Charity special event, to be announced.
- **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.



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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.