

Caine Woods Community Association **NEWSLETTER**

July 2017

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Message from CWCA President Julie Valcourt

Summer is now in full swing, and Ocean City is buzzing with thousands of vacationers having fun at the beach. Caine Woods residents are back in town and ready to have fun as well.

We have several great events going on this year including picnics, a community-wide yard sale and our annual crab feast. Check the calendar of events and news items found elsewhere in this newsletter for complete information on dates and times.

We just had our June picnic, and it was so nice to see CWCA members having a good time with their families and neighbors. The food was great and there was plenty of good cheer. I want to thank the crew that got up early to set up Fiesta Park and cook all the food. We wouldn't have such awesome picnics if it weren't for them.

Our charity this year is St. Vincent de Paul, Ocean City Conference, which provides emergency assistance to the poor and indigent of Ocean City and organizes a food pantry at Holy Savior Church every Thursday. They do great work, so let's show them that the Caine Woods Community Association is a caring and giving community.

We have a lot of new people moving into Caine Woods, so please seek them out and make them feel welcome. Tell them about our fabulous community association and have them contact me or one of the other board members to get signed up. We don't want anyone missing out on any of our picnics or events, and it's only \$20 a year to join.

Lastly, I want to thank everyone for all the positivity and support you provided to me to make my job as the president of CWCA an easy and enjoyable time. Be safe this summer, and I'll be seeing you around the neighborhood.

CWCA yard sales set for July 8

Start cleaning out your attics and closets! Our annual community-wide yard sale will be held Saturday, July 8, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The rain date is Sunday, July 9.

We advertise the yard sale in local newspapers and ask that you mark your property with balloons so that buyers can find you. If you prefer, you may set up your wares at Fiesta Park.

National Night Out Aug. 1

Join the Caine Woods community on Tuesday, Aug. 1, 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.

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.

Election of board and officers, plus end-of-summer picnic Aug. 26

Join the fun Saturday, Aug. 26, at Fiesta Park for our end-ofsummer picnic from 4 to 6 p.m. We'll have an array of food, plus plenty of beverages and music. The rain date is Aug. 27.

The general membership meeting and election of officers will take place at the picnic. A slate of proposed officers and directors will be presented and voted on by attending members.

Nominations from the floor may be made at the meeting, provided that prior consent of the nominee has been received by the corresponding secretary 10 days in advance. If you're interested in serving on the board, please contact any board member to be included in the election.

We always welcome volunteers to help out at the event and to clean up the park after the festivities are over. If you would like to volunteer, contact Julie Valcourt at 301-908-7789 or javalcourt@gmail.com.

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

CWCA crab feast fund-raiser Sept. 23

The Caine Woods Community Association will host a crab feast Saturday, Sept. 23, from 2 to 5 p.m., at Higgins Crab House on Coastal Highway at 128th Street.

Proceeds from this event will go to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Ocean City Conference, which provides emergency assistance to the poor and indigent of OC and organizes a food pantry at Holy Savior Church every Thursday.

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 \$35, and all proceeds above the cost charged by Higgins will go to the charity. Only a limited number of tickets will be sold; contact any CWCA officer or director to purchase them.

We also have some special surprises including raffles, a basket of cheer and door prizes.

Senior citizen bus passes available

Residents and property owners age 60 and over are eligible for senior bus passes. The pass allows free rides on city buses, express shuttles and ADA van (if eligible). Free rides on the Boardwalk trams are permitted from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; a reduced fare is offered from 4 p.m. to closing. The cost is \$7 and the pass is valid for two years.

Applications for bus passes and renewals require proof of property ownership or proof of residency, such as an Ocean City tax bill or driver's license with an Ocean City address. Seniors obtaining a pass for the first time must show proof of age in addition to proof of residency.

A non-resident bus pass is available free of charge to those 60 years of age or older. This pass provides half-fare passage on the bus, express shuttles and ADA van (if eligible). The pass is not recognized for reduced or free passage on the trams.

Neither pass applies to MEDTRN service. For more information, call the Transportation Department at 410-723-1606 or City Hall at 410-289-8221.

Phone call warning

If you receive a phone call and the person says "Can you hear me?", do not respond. The caller will steal your "yes" response and use it to purchase products in your name.

The calls are originating from the following locations; unless you know someone from these areas, do not answer calls from 268 (Antigua), 809 (Dominican Republic), 876 (Jamaica), 284 (British Virgin Islands), and 473 (Grenada).

Do you rent out your property?

If you rent your property to anyone at any time, the law requires you to obtain an Ocean City rental license and an OC noise control permit. This is to maintain the character of single-



Ocean City Police Department Sgt. Dennis Eade, Lt. Ray Austin, Pfc. Justin Hoban and Pfc. Lee Arlington were guest speakers at the March CWCA board of directors meeting. They encouraged residents and visitors to call 410-723-6610 for non-emergency issues, no matter how small or incidental you may think they are. The OCPD is there to help and serve with any concerns, comments and questions. They also discussed the OCPD's policing efforts in Caine Woods and urged residents and visitors to follow the OCPD on social media, as follows: facebook.com/ocpdmdinfo; twitter.com/ocpdmdinfo; instagram.com/ocpdmdinfo.

family residential districts and assure compliance with all laws, ordinances and regulations, while also ensuring safe, healthy and habitable housing conditions in rental housing units.

Applications may be obtained at City Hall or by calling 410-289-8833. Properties that may be in violation of rental license or a safety, building or health code should be reported to the P.R.E.S.S Committee at 410-289-8855.

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 9/17, 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 please provide your email address so that you may then be notified of important events (hurricanes, road repairs, e.g.) in a timely manner. If your email address changes, please email us at cainewoods@verizon.net.

Overgrown grass? Graffiti? Other?

Just a reminder that if you see a streetlight that is burned out, grass that is overgrown, graffiti — anything in our neighborhood that is a concern to you — please call or email any of the members of the CWCA board of directors. They can help!

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Fiesta Park cleanup

April 8 was a blustery day, but that didn't deter CWCA members from cleaning up the park. We also cooked and served food to volunteers and city workers as thanks for their hard work during bulk pickup weekend.











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Kicking off the summer season

Approximately 200 people attended our picnic on June 24 at Fiesta Park. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped set up, cook and clean up.

























Welcome to all new and renewing members!

Representatives of the OC Police Department — including the mounted and K9 units — stopped by the picnic to chat with neighbors.

Photos by Elizabeth Dare and Fran Kelly





















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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.

Historian

As official historian of the Caine Woods Community Association, Mary Ann LeMay maintains the historical records of the CWCA and provides 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.

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 also send cards to members who are moving out of the area, to let them know that we will miss them. We know that

these attempts to reach out are appreciated when we receive a note of thanks in response.

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

Our condolences to the Mitrecic family on the loss of Sheryl. Our condolences to Lorraine Taylor on the loss of her daughter, Kathy. Get-well wishes were sent to Dennis Dare and to Cathy Bocci.

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; rstuller6691@gmail.com.

Hospitality 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, along with a CWCA newsletter. She also explains the benefits of joining the association and describes the many activities that go along with membership. If you know of a new neighbor, please call Barbara at 410-250-0670 or email at auntbeau@msn.com.

The cost of a membership is \$20 per year. That entitles members to admission to the June 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 email notifications regarding important events (hurricanes, road repairs, e.g.) in the community.

We're on the web! www.cainewoodsoc.org

• Upcoming CWCA events •

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

- July 8: Caine Woods yard sales, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Rain date July 9.
- July 26: CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.

• Aug. 1: National Night Out, 6-8 p.m., Fiesta Park. • Aug. 23: CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.

• Aug. 26: Picnic, membership meeting, election of officers, 4-6 p.m., Fiesta Park. Rain date Aug. 27.

• **Sept. 23:** Charity crab feast, 2-5 p.m., Higgins Crab House, 128th Street. Tickets are \$35 per person. • Sept. 27: CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.

- Oct. 25: CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- Nov. 1 (approximate): Newsletter mailing.

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• Dec. 5: Caroling & holiday party, 6:30 p.m., Elks Club.

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:
- Carol and Stephen Mack, 139th Street.

- David Hovel and Jeffrey Miller, Anchor Chain Road.
- Lauren and Guy Hudson, Fountain Road.
- Megan and Ken Coalson, Fiesta Road.
- Blaine Bunting, 139th Street.
- Greta and Donald Herr, Hurricane Road.
- Josephine and Umberto Buonassassi, North Ocean Drive.

- Dianne and David Fogarty, Caine Stable Road.
- Patty and Bob LaFazia, Caine Stable Road.
- Molly and Chris Sacco, Jarvis Avenue.
- Bridgette and Matthew Stone, 142nd Street.
- Retta and Chris Tansley, Caine Stable Road.
- Mary Tiernan, 139th Street.

Drop off your old drugs at OCPD

Don't know what to do with those old medications that have been hiding in the back of your medicine cabinet for months, or even years? Take them to the drug drop-off box in the lobby of the Public Safety Building on 65th Street bayside. They will be disposed off properly, no questions asked.

Tune to OC's emergency advisory radio station

To improve communication, the Town of Ocean City has an FM emergency advisory radio system. WPSB 99.5 FM is broadcast from the 65th Street radio tower and can be heard in the greater Ocean City area. WWOP 100.3 FM also broadcasts the same programming from a tower near Ocean Pines.

The primary use of this station is to inform the public of emergency conditions in the area and how to respond to them. An emergency could consist of severe weather or any other condition that could affect the well-being of the public in the Ocean City area.

This non-commercial radio station is managed by the Emergency Services Department, and in non-emergency situations, the station broadcasts community information 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Messages that play on a 10- to 15-minute cycle include emergency preparedness information. Having a non-commercial FCC license does not allow any commercial broadcasting.

The FM radio system was acquired by the Town with a Homeland Security grant.

Beach wheelchairs available

The Town of Ocean City offers beach wheelchairs to those in need of assistance traveling across the sand. Chairs are located in numerous locked boxes along the beach including at 139th and 145th streets. For access, see a lifeguard or call 410-520-5231 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

Chairs may also be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis from the Visitors Center on 40th Street (410-289-2800) and the Public Safety Building on 65th Street (410-723-6610).

Remember, the chairs are bulky and you'll need a vehicle large enough to transport them.

Also, you are responsible for safely storing the chairs once in your possession.

CWCA Membership Application/Renewal						
Mr. Ms. M/M (Circle One)	(First Name)	(Spouse's First Name)	(Last Name)			
Mailing Address:						
Caine Woods Address: (If Different)			, Ocean City, MD 21842			
Telephone: Caine Woods:		Home:				
Email Address:						
Make c		nd all emails BCC and we do not share your email add a amount of \$20.00 and mail to: CWCA, P.O. Box 4681,				

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Cleaning Service

Integrity Cleaning Commercial and Residential 443-523-4285 jlyons1965@yahoo.com Jeanette Lyons Locally Owned and Operated Bonded and Insured **Professional References** Integritycleaningoc.com







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Want to advertise?

The cost is \$30 for CWCA members, \$50 for non-members. The newsletter is published in March, July and November.

For more information, call or email Irene Hansen at 410-250-1154 or iah317@aol.com.

Caine Woods history: 1994-1995

Our officers in 1994-1995 were: President Tom Collins; Vice President Richard Dix; Secretary Ruth Childress; Treasurer Jack Nickels. Ronnie and Fred Schneemans were newsletter editors, and Stan Buddenbohn was auditor. Board members were Lucy Gaffney, Bill Ebaugh, Tony Herr, Tom Singman, Dick Perry, Jeanette Tressler and Margaret Sas.

CWCA members attended the OC Board of Zoning Appeals hearing April 14. The Sunsations store at Coastal Highway and 141st Street wanted outdoor displays at the front and side of its building. CWCA members were not in favor. The BZA granted permission to have outdoor displays only on the highway side of the building. The CWCA stated that Caine Woods is a fine residential neighborhood of which we are proud, and we work hard for the good of the community.

Volunteers gathered April 16 to clean Fiesta Park. Dick and Laura Perry had prepared salads and baked beans for lunch after the cleanup. Ray Gibbons and Tom Hannon grilled hot dogs. Just as the hot dogs were about ready, the heavens opened and down came the rain. Thanks to Nelson Camper, attendees moved across the street under the shelter of his upper deck. The Beautification Committee was in need of help since Pat Moran, the chairman, fell on the ice this winter and was recuperating.

The big spring get-together was the June 4 bull roast. Each CWCA membership allows two admissions to the event, along with children under age 18. All others are considered guests and must pay.

National Night Out was held Aug. 2. Assistant Crime Watch Coordinator Dorothy Brubach along with Block Captains Charlie Burger and Jeanette Tressler and special help from Ruth Childress planned a second successful block party on Loop Road.

The annual dinner dance was planned for Oct. 16 at the Sheraton Crystal Ballroom. Tickets were \$22 for members and \$25 for non-members. Choice of entree was broiled flounder or roast tips of sirloin. After-dinner dance music was provided by George Simon.

The Christmas caroling party was a "Singin' in the Rain" affair, but 35 carolers splashed through puddles to lift their voice in song for our shut-ins. The trolley was provided by the Town of Ocean City, and the meeting place was the Tiburon.

— Mary Ann LeMay, CWCA Historian



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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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