

Caine Woods Community Association

NEWSLETTER

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Message from CWCA President Joe Kostelac

Another summer has passed us by. It was filled with yard sales, picnics and of course, our crab feast fund-raiser at Higgins Crab House North. The event netted \$4,400 for Friends of Possibilities, which supports youths with Type 1 diabetes.

The end of summer and early fall were not without incident. Our neighborhood was subjected to sounds of engines roaring and tires squealing. As a member of the OC Motor Vehicle Task Force, I can tell you the Mayor, City Council, Police Chief and civic leaders are committed to eliminating future acts of lawlessness.

Delmarva Power is currently replacing our neighborhood's original underground

electric wires north of 139th Street. While this has not affected the newly-paved 141st Street, some yards and parking lots have been disturbed in this effort that will ultimately make our electric service more dependable and reliable.

Stop at Fiesta Park and see our new pollinating garden! This project has been spearheaded by our beautification chairperson, Vance Row. Thanks, Vance, for adding to the beauty of our park! You'll find photos of the garden elsewhere in this issue.

If you know of a public area in our neighborhood that needs sprucing up, please let the board members know. As of this writing, the public hearing before the OC Planning and Zoning Commission over the proposed car wash planned for the Phillips Restaurant property has been withdrawn. We will keep you updated as developments unfold.

CWCA members will gather Dec. 10 to spread Christmas cheer throughout the neighborhood with our annual caroling party. See below for details. Rumor has it Santa Claus may make an appearance!

As always, please feel free to reach out to any board member with questions or concerns. On behalf of the entire board, we extend our best wishes for a happy Thanksgiving and a merry Christmas.

CWCA seeks charity organization

Each year, the CWCA selects a local charity and then raises money through the year to donate to that organization. The board is currently seeking proposals from local charities that would like to be considered for our 2020 fund-raising efforts.

We are seeking charities that have an impact on the local community. The charity must be willing to participate in our fund-raising endeavors at our activities.

The 2019 charity, Friends of Possibilities, just received a donation of \$4,400. Since 2009, we have raised close to \$45,000 and donated to Diakonia (\$5,100), Camp Possibilities (two years; total \$9,800), the N.O.E.L. Community (\$5,400), St. Peter's Lutheran Church Open Kettle Soup Kitchen (two years; total \$9,200), Message of Hope Cancer Fund (\$4,300), the Cricket Center (\$3,700), the Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Program (\$4,700) and Believe in Tomorrow (\$2,353).

To be considered, please call Joe Kostelac at 410-250-5665 or email cainewoods@verizon.net. **The deadline for applications is Jan. 15**.

Christmas caroling, party Dec. 10

All members are welcome to share the Christmas spirit Tuesday, Dec. 10, and join our group of carolers as we ride around Caine Woods in a tram or bus provided by the Town of Ocean City.

Carolers will meet at the Elks Club on 138th Street in OC at 6:30 p.m. to sign in and pick up song sheets and candles. The bus will leave at 7 p.m.

The Christmas party begins when the carolers return around 8 p.m. The Elks will serve a variety of food. Desserts are welcomed; please list the ingredients in case someone may be allergic to any of the ingredients.

The CWCA will help collect money and toys for the OC Police Department's toy drive. Please bring a new, unwrapped toy and/ or a check or cash to the party to help others during this holiday season.

If you know of someone who would enjoy a visit from the carolers (shut-ins and children, for example), contact Irene Hansen at 410-250-1154 or iah317@aol.com.

CWCA election results

At the Aug. 24 end-of-summer picnic, the general membership voted to approve the 2019-2020 slate of officers, as follows:

President: Joe Kostelac. Vice-president: Lloyd Martin. Recording secretary: Mary Ann LeMay. Corresponding secretary: Julie Valcourt. Treasurer: Tonja Sas. Immediate past-president: Julie

Valcourt. Board of Directors: Howard Caplan, Dennis Dare, Elizabeth Dare, Irene Hansen, Judy Holler, Mary Ann LeMay, Lloyd Martin, Vance Row, Brian Shane, Donna Umbel.

Trash now collected Tuesdays only

The Town of Ocean City has implemented its winter schedule for waste wheelers. Trash is now collected on Tuesdays only. Twice-weekly collection will resume May 8.

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 or go to www.oceancitymd.gov/oc/departments/police/programs for more information.

Takes steps to secure your home

We are always on the lookout for suspicious activity and unwanted guests hanging around in our neighborhood, and we urge everyone to make sure that your houses are secure by always locking all doors and windows.

We also recommend outside lighting, especially in the back yard. Motion-detector lights are particularly effective and efficient.

Please report *any* suspicious activity or persons to the police, using 911 or the non-emergency number, 410-723-6610.

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2019-2020 CWCA Bu	dget
Revenues	U
Guest Donations	\$150.00
Interest Income	\$300.00
Membership Dues	\$6,000.00
Newsletter Advertising	\$350.00
Transfer from Savings	\$800.00
Total Revenues	\$7,600.00
<u>Expenses</u>	
Beautification	\$500.00
Caroling Party	\$600.00
Charitable Donations	
Fire Department	\$200.00
Paramedics Foundation	\$200.00
Other	\$100.00
End of Summer Picnic	\$1,000.00
Gift & Flowers Expenses	\$200.00
June Bull Roast	\$1,200.00
Special Purchases	\$400.00
Liability Insurance	\$800.00
National Night Out	\$600.00
Newsletter Costs	\$450.00
Office Supplies	\$100.00
Advertising	\$100.00
Postage/PO Box	\$250.00
Special Event Expenses	\$100.00
Spring Clean-Up	\$600.00
Tiburon Donation	\$200.00
Website Expense	\$0.00
Total Expenses	\$7,600.00

Pollinator garden installed in Fiesta Park





Fiesta Park now has a beautiful pollinator garden, thanks to Vance Row, chairperson of the CWCA Beautification Committee.

Working with the Town of Ocean City on the bed's design and materials, Vance then constructed the garden, obtained the plants and installed them. Flowers and perennials will be added to the bed in the spring. Vance sends his thanks to Ocean City employees Gail Blazer, Gary Collier, Jarrett Widgeon and David Coleman for their invaluable guidance.

Local law enforcement officials participate in National Night Out Aug. 6 at Fiesta Park









CWCA Membership Application/Renewal

(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:			

BEAUTIFUL DAY FOR A PICNIC

End-of-summer celebration held Aug. 24 in Fiesta Park

































CWCA raises \$4,400 for Friends of Possibilities

Once again, the Caine Woods Community Association hosted its crab feast Sept. 21 at Higgins Crab House on 128th Street to cap off our year-long fund-raising efforts for Friends of Possibilities, our chosen charity for 2019. As a result, we were able to raise \$4,400.

Our thanks to all volunteers and friends who helped out at the crab feast

and all year long. And special thanks to the following business and individuals who provided door prizes:

- Montego Bay Super Thrift: Beach chair.
- Friends of Possibilities: 4 beach towels; 2 Comic-Con throws.
- Higgins Crab House: Crab feast for eight; \$300 value.

- Mio Fratelli's: \$50 gift certificate.
- Billy's Sub Shop: \$25 gift certificate.
- Laura Frick: Handmade afghan.
- Eric Rimel: Crab pencil drawing.
- DeVito's: \$25 gift certificate.
- Donna's Cut & Curl: \$20 gift certificate
- CWCA board members and others: Wine, liquor, wine holder.







~ Letter of thanks ~

Caine Woods Board Members.

On behalf of Friends of Possibilities, I want to thank you for choosing our organization as the beneficiary of your annual crab feast. The \$4,400 will go a long way to continue our mission that no child with Type I diabetes is ever denied camp, especially the several children here in our immediate area. Thank you once again; it was a pleasure being at your events.

Best regards, Katie Rimel, Treasurer





2019-2020 CWCA events

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

- Dec. 10, 2019: Caroling & holiday party, 6:30 p.m., Elks Club.
- Jan. 15, 2020: Deadline for applications for 2020 charity of the year.
- Jan. 22, 2020: CWCA board meeting,
 7 p.m. Tiburon meeting room.
- Feb. 26, 2020: CWCA board meeting,
 7 p.m. Tlburon meeting room. NOTE:
 Presentations from charity applicants are held at this meeting. CWCA officers
 & board will then vote to determine the 2020 charity of the year.
- March 1, 2020 (approximate): Newsletter mailing.

- March 28, 2020: Fiesta Park spring cleanup, 10 a.m.
- April 22, 2020: CWCA board meeting,
 7 p.m. Tlburon meeting room.
- May 27, 2020: CWCA board meeting,
 7 p.m. Tlburon meeting room.
- June 20, 2020: Picnic, noon-3 p.m. Fiesta Park. Rain date June 21.
- June 24, 2020: CWCA board meeting,
 7 p.m. Tlburon meeting room.
- July 1, 2020 (approximate): Newsletter mailing.
- July 11, 2020: Caine Woods yard sales, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Rain date July 12.
- July 22, 2020: CWCA board meeting,
 7 p.m. Tiburon meeting room.

- Aug. 26, 2020: CWCA board meeting,
 7 p.m. Tlburon meeting room.
- Aug. 29, 2020: Picnic, membership meeting, election of officers, 4-6 p.m. Fiesta Park. Rain date Aug. 30.
- Sept. 23, 2020: CWCA board meeting,
 7 p.m. Tlburon meeting room.
- Sept. 26, 2020: Charity special event, to be announced.
- Oct. 28, 2020: CWCA board meeting,
 7 p.m. Tiburon meeting room.
- Nov. 1, 2020 (approximate): Newsletter mailing.
- Dec. 8, 2020: Caroling & holiday party,
 6:30 p.m., Elks Club.

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Caine Woods history: 1999-2000

The officers for 1999-2000 were Margot Piero, president; Jack Nickels, vice-president; Flo Buscemi (replaced by Tonja Sas), treasurer; Ellen Glagola, secretary; Margaret Sas, corresponding secretary.

Board members were Carroll Wagner, Henry Ammerman, Frank Buscemi, Fran Kennedy, Agnes Schaper and Jeannette Tressler.

Newsletter editor was Betty Ann Peters; auditor was Stan Buddenbohn.

Stan Buddenbohn did the audit of the books for the fiscal year. He suggested money be moved from the savings account to a money market account to earn a better interest rate. Flo said she would check the rates in local banks.

The September meeting had to be changed to an afternoon meeting because of Hurricane Floyd.

Margot and Carroll were to meet with Buck Mann, property manager of the Tiburon, about having a swimming pool in Caine Woods. The Tiburon has a pool for their residents and guests only.

About 40 people came to the public hearing at City Hall about the miniature golf course to be built at 140th Street and Coastal Highway.

Caine Woods was insured through April 2000 for a premium of \$1,577. This included a liability policy for \$2 million and officers liability. This also covered CWCA for our picnics as we must sign a waiver relieving the OC Recreation and Parks Department of any responsibility in the event of an accident. Margo went before the City Council to get the permit for the annual bull roast.

Glenn Steckman informed Margo of plans in the works to allow the Delaware

bus line to enter Ocean City and turn around at 142nd Street or 144th Street,

There were two cases of permit requests to Board of Port Wardens along the canal adjacent to Laurel Road properties. The requests were for docks out into the canal and 32 feet is not allowed. One owner withdrew the request and the other made changes to comply with what is allowed.

The city was considering installing sewer lines to all unoccupied properties and assessing the owners for the cost of the lines. The work would be done before streets in Caine Woods were paved.

A yard on South Bay and Derrickson is full of bamboo that must be removed. Greg Purnell of the OC Recreation and Parks Department was handling this problem.

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- Mary Ann LeMay, CWCA Historian

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 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 deepest sympathies to the McCarthy family on the loss of Helen, the Pawlukewicz family on the loss of Herbert, the Geslois family on the loss of Jim, the Taylor family on the loss of Lorraine, and the Neisser family on the loss of Tom.

And we sends our thanks to Monica Martin and Rosalie Stuller for their years of service on the CWCA board of directors.

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 Vance Row, 410-7262469; v.row@comcast.net.

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.

Hospitality welcomes new residents

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. We also explain the benefits of joining the association and describe the many activities that go along with membership.

If you know of a new neighbor, please contact Julie Valcourt at 410-908-7789 or email javalcourt@gmail.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.

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 do not share your email address with anyone.

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:

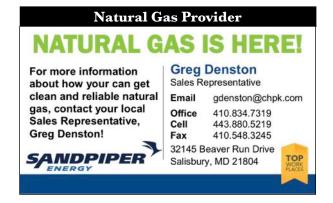
- Heather and Mike Ault, Caine Stable Road.
- Linda and Glenn Deaton, Sea Captain Road.
- Lauren and Tim Haas, South Surf Road
- Susan and Andrew Kendzie, South Surf Road.
- Joan Worrall, 136th Street.
- Nancy DeBald, 136th Street.
- Leslie and Greg Fraser, Barge Road.
- Gene Sillib, 139th Street.
- Linda Donnellan and Robert McCarthy, 141st Street.
- Dawn and George Blanchard, Barge Road.
- Lisa and Bob Osborne, 142nd Street.
- Ray Fry, Fiesta Road.
- Lauren Brumbaugh, 141st Street.
- Cindi and Rick Offutt, Hurricane Road.
- Suzie and Randy Owings, Sand Dune Road.
- Jewel Oliff, Sand Dune Road.

Service Directory





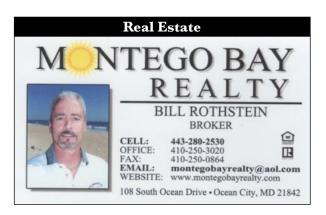






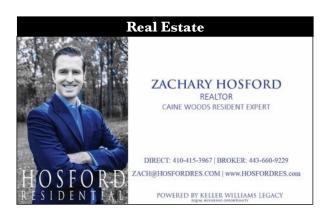






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What to do if you smell gas

Natural gas and propane are safe, reliable and convenient, and it adds to our comfort, so why does it have to smell so bad?

Natural gas and propane are odorless by nature, so for safety's sake, an odorant called mercaptan is added so that you will know if gas is escaping and recognize that a potentially dangerous situation may exist.

Natural gas and propane that have escaped can enter locations (including

properties that don't have natural gas service) by migrating and entering through openings.

So, if you ever detect a "rotten egg" smell in or near your home or place of business, take the following precautions to help keep your family, friends and colleagues safe.

Remember, here's what to do if you smell gas:

• Do leave your home or building immediately.

- Do immediately call your local emergency number (911) from a cell phone outside the home or building, or from a neighboring location, to immediately report the suspected gas leak.
- Do not use your telephone, turn on or off the light switches, light a match or do anything that might create a spark or flame.
- Do not re-enter the building where the leak is suspected until emergency professionals give the OK.

Keep an eye on overhanging trees, shrubs

Please be aware that the Town of Ocean City periodically inspects trees and shrubbery throughout the town to ensure that landscaping does not impede the public right-of-way for passage. The city's guidelines call for trees that overhang public sidewalks to have a 7-foot clearance, while those overhanging public streets must have a 14-foot clearance.

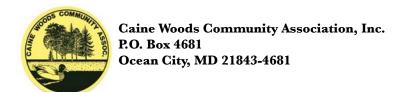
Those in violation are subject to fines and other penalties as described in the city code. For more information, call the OC Recreation and Parks Department at 410-250-0125.

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 of properly, no questions asked.

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.
- OC Volunteer Fire Company: www.ocvfc.com
- OC boardwalk webcam: www.ococean.com/explore-oc/ocwebcam.
- OC Inlet webcam: www.oceancitymd.gov/oc/inlet-webcam
- OC Performing Arts Center: www.ocmdperformingartscenter.com
- OC Chamber of Commerce: www.oceancity.org.



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