



Caine Woods Community Association

NEWSLETTER

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Message from CWCA President Brian Shane

Greetings to all our Caine Woods homeowners and residents. I hope you all enjoyed the unseasonably warm weather we had in September and October here at the beach.

That bubble of balmy weather was the icing on the cake for a busy and bountiful summer for our neighborhood and our town, even amid the continuing pandemic. As an association, we were able to make a return over the summer to in-person activities for our Caine Woods members, including our summer picnics. And as of this writing, we hope we'll be able to extend an invitation to you to join us face-to-face at our upcoming Christmas party.

I'm pleased to report that our CWCA membership is growing. This time last year, we had 236 households in mem-

bership. Now, we are at 300 going into the new year. We have CWCA board member Vance Row to thank for this; his diligent work in recruiting and retaining members has paid off. And when it comes to paying your membership dues, Vance has helped set up cashless transactions on our CWCA website using the online services Venmo and PayPal.

I also would like to welcome our newest CWCA board member, Mark Jahnke. You may know Mark from his Fountain Road home, which he decorates extravagantly for the holiday season. He calls it the Caine Woods Christmas House on Facebook, and his ornamentation brings hundreds of people to see it illuminated each night when the sun goes down. Based on his Christmas success, Mark went ahead and took to decorating

for Halloween, and his work there is downright amazing — I'd even call it spooktacular.

Because his house is now practically an Ocean City tourist attraction, and rightly so, Mark is making good use of his audience by collecting donations for the nonprofit Believe in Tomorrow from folks who visit his home. For all these reasons and more, we're very glad to have Mark on our CWCA team.

Finally, another Believe in Tomorrow fundraiser you should know about is being organized by Caine Woods resident Jean Taylor. She is hosting a charity miniature golf event on Nov 12. It costs \$100 for a foursome. To sign up, reach out to Believe in Tomorrow.

Wishing you and your family a wonderful upcoming holiday season!

CWCA election results

At the Aug. 28 end-of-summer picnic, the general membership voted to approve the 2021-2022 slate of officers, as follows:

President: Brian Shane. Vice-President: Mark Jahnke. Recording Secretary: Judy Holler. Treasurer: Vance Row. Corresponding Secretary: Julie Valcourt.

Board of Directors: Howard Caplan, Dennis Dare, Elizabeth Dare, Irene Hansen, Mary Ann LeMay, Lloyd Martin, Tonja Sas.

Christmas caroling, party Dec. 7

All are welcome to share the Christmas spirit Tuesday, Dec. 7, 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 p.m. to sign in and pick up song sheets and candles. The bus will leave at 6:30 p.m.

The Christmas party begins when the carolers return around 8 p.m. The Elks will serve a variety of food. Desserts are wel-

comed; 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 and help others during this holiday season.

If you know of someone who would enjoy a visit from the carolers, contact Irene Hansen at 410-250-1154 or iah317@aol.com.

Stay informed the easy way — online!

We do our best to inform our members about important topics, upcoming events, etc., so PLEASE check your email and spam folders often so you can stay in the loop. Also check out our Facebook.com page at www.facebook.com/cainewoodsOC, and sign up on [NextDoor.com](https://www.nextdoor.com). It's easy, and it's free.

You can also sign up to receive alerts and news from the Town of Ocean City, including upcoming city meetings, public hear-

ings, events, job openings, volunteer opportunities and more. Just go to www.oceancitymd.gov/oc/city-hall/enews/ and select the topics you'd like to know about.

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 9.

Fiesta Park clean-up March 26

In conjunction with the Town of Ocean City's annual bulk pickup project March 26, the Caine Woods Community Association will hold its traditional spring clean-up of Fiesta Park Saturday, March 26, beginning at 10 a.m.

CWCA volunteers will pick up trash, rake up debris and do whatever is needed to make the park the natural resource that it is. The OC 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 who help.

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

City offers free bulk pickup March 26, one day only

This year, the Town of Ocean City will offer free bulk trash pickup on Saturday, March 26. Residents can place household items such as furniture, appliances, carpet, etc., curbside for free Saturday pickup. City staff will collect items from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., so please make sure your items are curbside on Friday or by 2 p.m. Saturday at the very latest.

For details, go to www.oceancitymd.gov or call 410-524-0318.

2021-2022 CWCA Budget

Revenues

Guest Donations	\$250.00
Interest Income	\$10.00
Membership Dues	\$7,000.00
Newsletter Advertising	\$250.00
Special Event for Charity	\$9,205.00
Transfer from Savings	\$0.00
CWCA Merchandise Sales	\$1,000.00
Total Revenues	\$17,715.00

Expenses

Beautification	\$500.00
Caroling Party	\$600.00
Charitable Donations	
OC Fire Department	\$200.00
Paramedics Foundation	\$200.00
June Picnic	\$1,200.00
End of Summer Picnic	\$1,200.00
Liability Insurance	\$1,200.00
National Night Out	\$0.00
Newsletter Costs	\$250.00
Office Supplies	
Advertising	\$50.00
Postage/Permits	\$250.00
P.O. Box Rental	\$75.00
Office Supplies - Other	\$100.00
Special Event Expenses	\$8,000.00
Special Event Charitable Donation	\$1,000.00
Special Event for Charity Expenses	\$100.00
Spring Clean-Up	\$400.00
Tiburon Donation	\$200.00
Website Expenses	\$30.00
Fiesta Park Sound System	\$200.00
Gifts and Flowers	\$200.00
CWCA Merchandise	\$500.00
CWCA Postcard Mailing	\$0.00
Total Expenses	\$17,305.00

Bike racks installed at 139th Street

In July, the Town of Ocean City installed two bike racks at the oceanside street end of 139th Street, on the north side of the dune crossover. Constructed of a heavy-duty wood frame with galvanized steel pipes, each rack holds 10 bikes, for a total of 20 bikes.

Other racks are located at the oceanside street ends of 140th Street, plus 28th, 67th, 94th, 120th, 123rd and 127th streets.

By the end of this year, racks will be added to the oceanside street ends of 136th Street along with 33rd, 36th, 49th and 90th streets and the 116th Street block.



Neighbors gather for August picnic

Event celebrated the end of summer in Caine Woods



SDHS student assists in beautification efforts



In October, the CWCA Beautification Committee received assistance from local high school student Luke Popielaski. Luke completed community service Hours as part of a project for his Stephen Decatur High School government class. We'd like to take a moment to thank Luke for his time and efforts. Everything looks great!!

CWCA receives Ocean City Beauty Spot Award



At the Sept. 20 Ocean City Council meeting, members of the CWCA Board of Directors accepted a Beauty Spot Award from the Mayor and City Council for the Fiesta Park pollinator garden and other various garden beds around our wonderful community. Congratulations to CWCA Beautification Committee Chair Vance Row, and thanks for your hard work!

(left to right) CWCA board members Mary Ann LeMay, Judy Holler, Vance Row; Ocean City Mayor Rick Meehan; OC Beautification Committee Chair Donna Greenwood.

Caine Woods history: 2003-2004

The officers in 2003-2004 year were Glenn Steckman, president; Lloyd Martin, vice-president; Tonja Sas, treasurer; Robert LeMay, secretary; Margaret Sas, corresponding secretary; Joe Coleman, auditor; Tonja Sas, newsletter editor. Board members were Henry Ammerman, Jim Aschenbach, Frank Buscemi, Irene Hansen, Rich Hansen, Fran Kennedy, Mary Ann LeMay, June McCann, Jack Nickels, Mark Paddack, Pauline Romanowski, Agnes Schaper, Jeanette Tressler.

In September, the CWCA met at St. Matthew by the Sea church. The Tiburon board reconsidered CWCA's request to meet there again. The CWCA pledged not to talk or smoke outside prior to or after meetings. Kennedy pulled up dead flowers and picked up trash from the flower beds. She said some residents still think the city does that work.

The January meeting was postponed one week due to the ill health of several officers and directors. It was our first meeting back at the Tiburon.

The CWCA board sent a letter to the movie theater management about maintaining its lot, but there was no response.

A larger water line in Caine Woods was to start at Sinepuxent Avenue, up Sand Dune Road to Tunnel Avenue, to 142nd Street.

Margaret Sas urged members to attend the City Council meeting Feb. 10 at 1 p.m. to support 100th Street as the site of a new library.

The board discussed the issue of refrigeration trucks parking on the northwest part of the Fenwick Inn's parking lot that

are left running all night. The trucks are supposed to park in front of the hotel or on the east side of building.

Speeding cars on 142nd Street were an issue. Radar checks resulted in 37 drivers tagged for exceeding the speed limit by 15 mph. Many of them were Caine Woods residents.

The report from Neighborhood Watch included a case of indecent exposure on 142nd Street, followed the next month by another case on Sinepuxent Avenue and 134th Street. Board member Mark Paddack, an OC police officer, explained the search and apprehension of the flasher. Two OCPD female officers were instrumental in the capture by posing as young girls.

Our end-of-summer picnic was held Sept. 11 with a patriotic theme.

The November meeting will fall on the day before Thanksgiving, so it was decided to cancel it.

— **Mary Ann LeMay,**
CWCA Historian



2022 CWCA events

*These events are subject to change. Members will be notified via email of updates.
For details, contact any board member or email cwca@cainewoodsoc.org.
Note: CWCA board meetings are not held in November or December.*

- **Jan. 26:** CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- **Feb. 23:** CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- **March 1** (approximate): Newsletter mailing.
- **March 23:** CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- **March 26:** Fiesta Park spring clean-up, 10 a.m.
- **April 27:** CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- **May 25:** CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.

- **June 22:** CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- **June 25:** Picnic, noon-3 p.m., Fiesta Park. Rain date June 26.
- **July 1** (approximate): Newsletter mailing.
- **July 9:** Caine Woods yard sales, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Rain date July 10.
- **July 27:** CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.



- **Aug. 24:** CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- **Aug. 27:** Picnic, membership meeting, election of officers, 4-6 p.m., Fiesta Park. Rain date Aug. 28.
- **Sept. 28:** CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- **Oct. 26:** CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- **Nov. 1** (approximate): Newsletter mailing.
- **Dec. 6:** Caroling & holiday party, details to be determined.

Nightmare on Fountain Road? It's a scream!



Mark Jahnke, our newest CWCA board member, goes all out when it comes to holiday decorating. His Halloween shows draw large crowds, and we're confident his Christmas show will be even more spectacular. He lives on Fountain Road at the intersection with South Bay Drive. Just follow the crowds! Find him on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CaineWoodsChristmasHouse.

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and Nextdoor.com!
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please add cwca@cainewoodsoc.org
to your address book/contact list.**

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 7 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month except November and December. Because circumstances may change due to the pandemic, we suggest calling or emailing CWCA President Brian Shane at 410-726-3016 or cwca@cainewoodsoc.org for up-to-date information about our meetings and events.

Membership Committee

When renewing your membership, please include your email address(es). We can send notices to up to two emails per household. We would like to keep you informed of activities and alert you if there is a concern in the neighborhood, and we will send this newsletter electronically unless you opt out.

If you change your email address, please let us know at v.row@comcast.net. We respect your privacy and do not share your email address with anyone.

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 an invitation to join our association, 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 jvalcourt@gmail.com.

The cost of a membership is \$20 per year. That entitles members to admission to our picnics, with food and beverages provided.

Also, there is Christmas caroling and holiday party (unless restricted by the pandemic), 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.

Sunshine Committee

Irene Hansen 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 Irene at 410-250-1154 or iah317@aol.com and she will send a card.

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, text or email Vance Row, 410-726-2469; v.row@comcast.net.

CWCA Membership Application/Renewal

Mr. Ms. M/M _____
(Circle One) (First Name) (Spouse's First Name) (Last Name)

Mailing Address: _____

Caine Woods Address: _____, Ocean City, MD 21842
(If Different)

Telephone: Caine Woods: _____ Home: _____

Email Addresses: (1) _____ (2) _____

Please print clearly. We do not share your email address with anyone.

Make checks payable to CWCA in the amount of \$20.00 and mail to: CWCA, P.O. Box 4681, Ocean City, MD 21843-4681.

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Roll out the welcome mat!

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:

- Laura and Michael Amster, Fiesta Road.
- Kathy and Alan Aronow, Fiesta Road.
- Elaine and Daniel Bonner, 139th Street
- Jennifer and Steven Browne, South Surf Road.
- Chris Cooke, 136th Street.
- Ashley Copenhaver, Tunnel Avenue.
- Linda and Perry Costantino, 140th Street.
- Robert Demaio, Fiesta Road.
- Leann and Donny Eckert, North Ocean Road.
- Timothy Everd, Fiesta Road.
- Kelley and Dave Freebury, Seaweed Lane.
- John King, South Bay Drive.
- Mary and Chris King, Seaweed Lane.
- Jan Loftus, 143rd Street.
- Clair and Tom Mahn, Fountain Road.
- Gail and Gordon McAllister, Tunnel Avenue.
- Franklin McDonald, Sea Captain Road.
- Meg and Rich Morgan, Sailing Road.
- Doug Palmer, Sea Captain Road.
- Dan Porter, 143rd Street.
- Julie Prosse, 144th Street.
- Susan and David Ross, 141st Street.
- Tom and Joe Schuessler, 145th Street.
- Lana and A.J. Teixeira, 143rd Street.
- Kristin VanKlompberg, 139th Street.
- Jennifer Walter, 136th Street.
- Blaszcak Wiesława, Lighthouse Road.

The Caine Woods Community Association often sends emails to our members to let them know of upcoming events and other important information. We sometimes have technical problems that result in members not receiving these emails. If you believe you are not receiving our notifications, please let us know at cwca@cainewoodsoc.org.



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especially information that should be shared with CWCA members.*

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