

Caine Woods Community Association

NEWSLETTER

July 2025

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Message from CWCA President Michael Quade

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

Please take a look at our upcoming events and put them in your calendar. We're hosting another new event on Saturday, Sept. 6: a bonfire on the beach at 139th Street, 6 to 11 p.m.

If anyone is interested in becoming a member of the CWCA board of directors, please contact any board member anytime!

Have a great safe and fun summer.

CWCA yard sales set for July 12

Clean out your attics and closets! Our annual community-wide yard sale will be held Saturday, July 12, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The rain date is Sunday, July 13.

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.

End-of-summer picnic, election of board and officers Aug. 23

Join the fun Saturday, Aug. 23, at Fiesta Park for our end-of-summer 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. 24.

The CWCA general membership meeting and election of officers will take place at the picnic.

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.

Please note: You will not be served food until you have signed in at the registration table. 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.

Members are welcome to bring a guest for a donation of \$10 per guest; 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.

For information and to sign up to help out, call or email Mike Quade at 443-365-0172 or email cwca@cainewoodsoc.org.

Beach wheelchairs available

The Town of Ocean City offers free beach wheelchairs to those in need of assistance traveling across the sand. Chairs are located in 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 are also available on a first-come, first-served basis weekdays only from Memorial Day to Labor Day from the Welcome Center on 40th Street (410-289-2800). Remember, the chairs are bulky and you'll need a vehicle large enough to transport them. Also, you are responsible for maintaining, cleaning and storing the chairs safely once in your possession.

Tents now prohibited on OC beach; canopy use limited

The Town of Ocean City has passed new regulations prohibiting tents and limiting canopy use on its beaches, effective immediately. This ordinance aims to enhance safety, improve visibility, and ensure a more enjoyable experience for all beachgoers.

Under the new policy, tents — defined as any structure with sides — are no longer permitted on our beaches. Canopies, which are open-sided shade structures, remain allowed but must adhere to specific guidelines:

- Must be open on all four sides;
- May be no larger than 10 feet by 10 feet;
- Keep at least 3 feet of space between your canopy and your neighbor's;
 - Anchoring must stay within the footprint of the canopy;

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- No canopies left unattended before 10 a.m.;
- Canopies must be placed behind the lifeguard stand;
- Baby tents are permitted but no larger than 3 feet by 3 feet by 3 feet.

"Our beaches get extremely crowded, and we want to make sure that we're able to provide an experience that everybody can enjoy," stated Mayor Rick Meehan. "We realize that canopies are important for sun protection. We just want to make sure that what we're not doing is making it so other people can't enjoy their time out on the beach as well."

The new policy helps improve emergency access, maintains clear sight lines for the beach patrol, and reduces crowding during peak summer months. The changes also reflect successful practices adopted by other popular beach towns in the region.

OCPD enforcing school bus laws

Have you noticed Ocean City police officers following or stationed near school buses lately? That's no coincidence. The OCPD received a High Visibility Enforcement grant earlier this year for \$29,931.22 from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to help reduce illegal passing of stopped school buses and enhance student safety throughout our community.

This grant is part of the Illegal Passing of Stopped School Buses — High Visibility Enforcement Pilot Project. It supports proactive enforcement of Maryland school bus laws and a broader public education campaign aimed at preventing dangerous driving behavior.

While school buses provide safe transportation for many students, the greatest risk occurs when children get on or off the bus. Maryland's stop-arm laws are in place to protect children, but these laws only work when drivers obey them.

While the public school year has ended, summer academy buses will operate through July 31 and enforcements efforts will continue.

Know the Law: Maryland school bus Stop requirements:

- STOP when a school bus has flashing red lights and its stop arm extended.
- On divided highways with a physical median, such as Coastal Highway, only traffic behind the bus must stop.
- On roads without a median, all lanes of traffic in both directions must stop.

Whether you're a resident, here on vacation, or just passing through, let's all do our part to keep Ocean City's roads safe for students, families, and each other.

Town offers non-emergency reporting process

Ocean City's Citizen Problem Reporter can be used by the general public to submit non-emergency problems or requests for service in our town. Users can anonymously submit new requests, review existing requests, and comment on requests submitted by other users.

To report a problem or request assistance for a service, go to www.oceancitymd.gov and click on Citizen Reporter.

Sign up for OC Alert notifications

OC Alert, powered by Smart911, is a free service that allows individuals to sign up for notifications sent from state and local authorities. OC Alert keeps residents and travelers informed on potentially hazardous situations involving weather, traffic and other emergencies.

To receive OC Alert notifications, go to www.oceancitymd.gov/oc/alerts to register. Notifications can be sent via text, email and/or a phone call, depending on which you choose. You can also download the Smart911 application to your mobile device.

Alerts include severe weather watches and warnings, evacuation orders, safety risks, vehicle accidents and town-specific notifications.

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!

Welcome to our new members!

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

- Gerene Behrens and James Keister, Loop Road.
- Sharon and Mark Peterson, 143rd Street.
- Sharon and Thomas Roth, Derrickson Avenue.
- Maria and Gregory Groves, 139th Street.
- Sally and Tom McGrain, Twin Tree Road.
- Debra, John and Jason Vanlandingham, 141st Street.
- Debbie and Barry Hudock, Sand Dune Road.
- Nancy Trimble-Oliver and Michael Tiernan, Sea Captain Road.
- Lisa and Chris McGinnity, 136th Street.
- Pamela Allen and Mary Corbutt, 141st Street.
- Kathie Gough, Fountain Road.
- Richard Clark, Lighthouse Avenue.
- Mike Leonard, South Surf Road.
- Danielle and Keith Wilson, Tunnel Avenue.
- Patty and Allen Haines, 136th Street.
- Patricia and Steven Adamski, Kelly Road.
- Lisa and Rich Greger, 136th Street.
- Patricia Thomson, 141st Street.

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CWCA history: 2010-2011

The CWCA officers were Lloyd Martin, president; Mark Jednorski, vice-president; Monica Martin, secretary; Mary Ann LeMay, corresponding secretary; Tonja Sas, treasurer.

Members of the Board of Directors were Howard Caplan, Irene Hansen, Lucille Johansen, Joe Kostelac, Agnes Schaper, Rosalie Stuller, Donna Umbel, Liz Dare (newsletter editor). The annual audit was performed by Ann Gough.

The annual crab feast at Higgins Crab House helped us raise \$4,700 for the Delmarva Chapter of the Yellow Ribbon Suicide Prevention Program.

In a cost-cutting move, the board decided to send the CWCA newsletter electronically to members beginning with the November 2011 issue.

OCPD Capt. Kevin Kirstein addressed concerns regarding the police department and budget constraints that were affecting staffing. He also introduced Lt. Ray Austin, who resides in Caine Woods.

Carolers visited 14 homes during our Christmas caroling party in December.

Howard Caplan reported on local scams, including people resembling military personnel who were at local stores and asking for money for wounded soldiers, and a couple who were asking for money at churches. He also reported that there was a peeping tom in Caine Woods.

The board voted to have the immediate past-president on the executive committee.

— Mary Ann LeMay, CWCA Historian



IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT PAYMENTS TO CWCA

To renew your membership, please mail a check to our post office box, or use the CWCA website for credit card payment. Don't use any other form of payment.

2025 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.

- July 12, 2025: Caine Woods yard sales, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Rain date July 13.
- July 23, 2025: CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- Aug. 23, 2025: Picnic, membership meeting, election of officers, 4-6 p.m., Fiesta Park. Rain date Aug. 24.
- Aug. 27, 2025: CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- Sept. 6, 2025: Beach bonfire, 6-11 p.m., 139th Street beach.
- Sept. 24, 2025: CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- Oct. 22, 2025: CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- Nov. 1, 2025 (approximate): Newsletter mailing.
- Dec. 9, 2025: Caroling & holiday party, 6 p.m., Elks Club. CWCA members only.

Summer kickoff picnic!

More than 150 members and friends gathered at Fiesta Park June 21































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 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.

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 cwca@cainewoodsoc.org. We respect your privacy and do not share your email address with anyone.

Please send a check for membership applications and renewals, or use the CWCA website for credit card payments.

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, call Mary Ann at 410-250-4688 or email lemaymary26@gmail.com.

Hospitality welcomes new residents

The Hospitality Committee contacts 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 javalcourt@gmail.com.

The cost of a membership is \$25 per year and entitles members to admission to our picnics, with food and beverages provided.

Also, there is Christmas caroling and holiday party, 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 times and bad — 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, contact Irene at 410-422-3747 or iah317@aol.com.

Beautification Committee

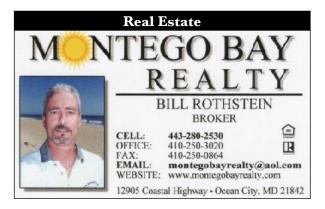
The Beautification Committee always welcomes any and all volunteers who might like to help by plucking weeds or watering flower beds nearby. If you are interested in helping out, please call, text or email Jim Mulligan, 301-461-9609, jim.mulligan64@gmail.com.

CWCA Membership Application/Renewal				
Household Member No. 1 First Name:	Last Name:			
Household Member No. 2 First Name:	Last Name:			
Mailing Address:				
Caine Woods Address (if different):		, Ocean City, MD 21842		
Telephone: Caine Woods:	Cell/Other:			
Email Addresses: (1)	(2)			
Please print clearly. Make checks payable to CWCA in	the amount of \$25.00 and mail to: CWCA, P.O. Box 468	1, Ocean City, MD 21843-4681.		

Service Directory









The cost is \$30 for CWCA members, \$55 for non-members.

The newsletter is published in March, July and November.

For more information, email cwca@cainewoodsoc.org.







The Caine Woods Community Association occasionally sends e-blasts to our members to inform them of important events and other information. If you think you're not receiving these e-blasts, please let us know by emailing cwca@cainewoodsoc.org.

Caine Woods Spring Fling

The CWCA held its newest event March 27 at Vista Rooftop in the Fenwick Inn. The Spring Fling brought together association members while encouraging new memberships. A great success!

Our thanks to the staff at Vista for hosting us.











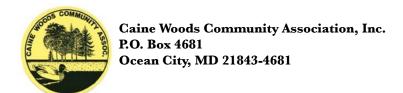








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Please contact any officer or director with any information or concerns you may have, especially information that should be shared with CWCA members.

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