



Caine Woods Community Association

NEWSLETTER

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Keeping Caine Woods beautiful, Part 1: Angie and Jim Mulligan have been busy sprucing up the entry area at 136th Street.

CWCA yard sales set for July 11

Clean out your attics and closets! Our annual community-wide yard sale will be held Saturday, July 11, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The rain date is Sunday, July 12.

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. 22

Join the fun Saturday, Aug. 22 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. 23.

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 liabil-

ity, all children must be accompanied by an adult. Please be courteous and do not bring any animals to the picnic.

For more information and to volunteer at the picnic, call John Moran at 301-219-2272 or email cwca@cainewoodsoc.org.

Have you paid your dues?

CWCA dues are payable by Dec. 31 and are \$25. Please use the form in this newsletter to renew your membership and print your email address. If your email address changes, please email us at cwca@cainewoodsoc.org.

Tents prohibited on OC beach; canopy use limited

The Town of Ocean City prohibits tents and limits canopy use on its beaches. The ordinance aims to enhance safety, improve visibility, and ensure a more enjoyable experience for all beach-goers.

Tents — defined as any structure with sides — are not permitted on our beaches. Canopies, which are open-sided shade structures, are allowed but must adhere to specific guidelines:

- Canopies must be open on all four sides;
- Canopy footprint area may be no larger than 15 feet by 15 feet;
- At least 3 feet of space must be available between your canopy and your neighbor's;
- Anchoring must stay within the footprint of the canopy;
- No canopies shall be left unattended before 10 a.m.;

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- Canopies must be placed behind the lifeguard stand;
- Baby tents are permitted but no larger than 3 feet by 3 feet by 3 feet.

Guide to parking in Ocean City

The Town of Ocean City has taken a significant step forward in modernizing its parking payment system by removing traditional parking kiosks from city parking lots and implementing payment via ParkMobile and Passport Parking apps.

Download the app and set it up before visiting a parking lot. There's no need to display your receipt on the car dashboard; just park, pay and play!

The app will handle all payment details after you enter your zone number (posted on nearby signs), select your vehicle, set your time and pay.

You can also pay via a QR code, text feature or by phone. Details are on the posted sign.

You can easily add more time to your parking session remotely on the app. You'll receive an alert if your time is about to expire, and you can then add more time to your parking session.

For more information, call the Transportation Department at 410-723-2174.

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 \$25 per year and describe all the benefits that go along with membership.

We welcome our newest members:

- Erin and Derek Harberts, Seaweed Lane.
- Melissa and Ron Mohr, Tunnel Avenue.
- Brittany and John Rich, 141st Street.
- Liz and Bill Waller, 136th Street.

- Karol and James Harrison, Seaweed Lane.
- Michele Wagner-Kail, Barge Road.
- Kristen and Robert Rosenberg, Tunnel Avenue.
- Robert Kimmel, Laurel Avenue.
- Jennifer and Louie Kerdock, South Surf Road.
- Elyssa and Shaked Ram, 142nd Street.
- Cynthia and Robert Torr, Sea Captain Road.
- Patricia Prior and Adam Nichols, 143rd Street.
- Audrey Dickerson and Thomas Starkey, Dukes Avenue.
- Julie and William Fitzpatrick, 141st Street.
- Shari and Paul Cicone, Jarvis Avenue.
- Sharon and Bob Cremen, South Surf Road.
- Barb and Craig Poland, Loop Road.
- Chelsea and Chris Bernetski, Loop Road.
- Bryan Gorczyk, Laurel Avenue.
- John Nickels, Loop Road.
- Dawn and Michael McDonald, 139th Street.
- Maria Narcisi and Cristina Narcisi-Peterson, 142nd and 143rd Street.
- David Dague, 141st Street.
- Lori, Dylan, Kyle and Kayla Tanner, North Ocean Road.
- Helen Geslois and Mike Brilhart, Barge Road.
- Erin Patrice and Charles King, Seaweed Lane.
- Jamie and Jeffrey Albright, Sea Captain Road.
- Angela and Wayne Bovier, Sailing Road.
- Louisa and Bruce Davis, 138th Street.
- Andrea Davis, 141st Street.
- Ginny and Mike Farrell, Fiesta Road.
- Diane and Paul Foraker, Kelly Road.
- Fay and Donald Kleinhenn, Sailing Road.
- Deborah and Douglas Palmer, Sea Captain Road.
- Diane and Anthony Mongeluzi, Caine Stable Road.
- Molly Urban, Lighthouse Avenue.
- Erin and Danny Jones, 139th Street.

2026 CWCA events

These events are subject to change. Members will be notified via email of updates.

Other events are in the planning states and will be announced via email.

For details, contact any board member or email cwca@cainewoodsoc.org.

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

PLEASE SHARE THESE DATES WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS

WHO ARE CWCA MEMBERS OR WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE!

Beach bonfire being planned for September.

Watch your email for information once details are set.

- **July 11, 2026:** Caine Woods yard sales, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Rain date July 12.
- **July 22, 2026:** CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- **Aug. 22, 2026:** Picnic, membership meeting, election of officers, 4-6 p.m., Fiesta Park. Rain date Aug. 23.

- **Aug. 26, 2026:** CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- **September 2026:** Beach bonfire, date to be announced.
- **Sept. 23, 2026:** CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.

- **Oct. 28, 2026:** CWCA board meeting, 7 p.m., Tiburon meeting room.
- **Nov. 1, 2026 (approximate):** Newsletter mailing.
- **Dec. 7, 2026:** Caroling & holiday party, 6 p.m., Elks Club. CWCA members only.



Keeping Caine Woods beautiful, Part 2: CWCA President John Moran and board members Tony Butta and Marye Kellermann planted flowers at Fiesta Park in May.

Spring Fling at Vista in the Fenwick Inn May 7 brought neighbors together for happy hour



About 185 neighbors and friends attended the summer kickoff picnic in Fiesta Park June 20



Living by the ocean means respecting it

For those of us fortunate enough to call Ocean City home, the beach is part of everyday life. It's where we walk, swim, surf, fish, and gather with family and friends. But even familiar waters deserve our respect.

As summer continues, the Ocean City Beach Patrol would like to share some important reminders to help keep everyone safe along our shoreline.

- Swim only when lifeguards are on duty (10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.). Remember: **"Keep your feet in the sand until the lifeguard is in the stand."** — Lt. Ward Kovacs.

- Check in with your lifeguard about conditions and currents in the area where you plan to enter the ocean every time you visit the beach.

- Know the tell-tale signs of identifying rip currents, watch out for rip currents when you enter the water, and know how to respond if caught in one: Stay calm, swim parallel to shore, and signal for help if needed.

- Be aware of strong waves and shore-breaking waves, which can cause serious injuries.

- Avoid digging deep holes on the beach. Ocean City's knee-deep rule exists to prevent dangerous sand collapses.

- Stay sober. Alcohol impairs judgment, increases rates of dehydration, and is prohibited on Ocean City beaches. Furthermore, all glass is prohibited on the beach.

- Protect your skin and eyes with sunscreen, sunglasses, and adequate shade.

- Pack smart! Bring water, medications and footwear with you to the beach, and leave valuables at home.

Beach safety is a shared responsibility. By staying alert, following lifeguard guidance, and sharing these tips with family and friends, you can help make our beaches safer for everyone.

Have a fantastic summer, and remember: An educated beach patron is a safe beach patron. Never swim on an unguarded beach.

Do you know someone that should join our team? Share our website, JoinBeachPatrol.com, to learn more.

— Kristin Joson, Public Education Coordinator,
Ocean City Beach Patrol



**A thumbs-up for safety
and community spirit!**

To ensure delivery of our emails, please
add cwca@cainewoodsoc.org and
inquire@cainewoodsoc.org to your
address book/contact list.

Reminder from the Ocean City
Police Department:
ALWAYS lock your vehicles!

CWCA history: 2014-2015

Caine Woods Community Association officers for 2014-2015 were Julie Valcourt, president; Joe Kostelac, vice-president; Monica Martin, secretary; Tonja Sas, treasurer; Joan DeMarco, corresponding secretary; Dennis Dare, immediate past-president.

Serving on the board of directors were Howard Caplan, Elizabeth Dare, Irene Hansen, Judy Holler, Mary Ann LeMay, Lloyd Martin, Barbara Schmitt, Rosalie Stuller and Donna Umbel.

The annual crab feast charity event that was held in September at Higgins Crab House was a success and raised \$5,400 for the N.O.E.L. community.

A Caine Woods resident brought up issue of residents feeding feral cats, which was creating a nuisance. That is an issue for the Town of Ocean City, so the OC Police Department was asked to have an Animal Control officer speak at a board meeting. Due to staffing issues, the OCPD cannot send anyone soon.

A resident of Tiburon voiced concerns about CWCA board members parking in the lot close to the building when holding its meetings. It creates issues for the residents. The board voted to send \$200 to Tiburon since we use their meeting room for our monthly meetings. \$100 was sent to Children's House by the Sea

in memory of Jack Taylor for his many years of service to the Caine Woods community.

Rosalie Stuller planted flowers in our entrance plots in April and in May.

Tonja Sas reported that her police liaison requested us to consider Nextdoor.com, a social network, for informing residents of safety concerns, social events, lost and found, yard sales and other community activities. OCPD Cpl. Russell advised there was an influx of narcotics coming out of Delaware; the OCPD was making arrests.

— 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 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 jvalcourt@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 4681, Ocean City, MD 21843-4681.

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

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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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