



# Shearwater Mark

Summer Issue, 2016

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**REMINDER**

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT VOTING MEETING  
 SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, 9/8 AT 7:00pm  
 RACQUETBALL BUILDING

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION REFER TO THE EBLAST AND THE MAILING FROM MMG

### Hello Neighbors ~

This has been a very busy summer – lots of comings & goings! Aside from a persistent heat wave, it’s been beautiful here on Spa Creek, with lots of kayak, paddle board and boat traffic. You may have noticed the new fishing boat with the aqua shark fin on top that brings people over to the shore near the Truxton dock – don’t know what they’re catching but they seem to be having a good time!



Lynn Maichle



Here’s what’s been happening at Shearwater. Most of these projects have required dealing with contractors and/or vendors – and over the summer, turnaround time has been much slower than usual. We thank our neighbors for their patience while the Board & Committee volunteers continue to work toward improving our community – **many thanks** to all the volunteers who have made these accomplishments possible!

### WHAT’S HAPPENED OVER THE SUMMER

**New Mailboxes Ordered:** Eric Petterson led the investigation into replacing our old mailboxes, and after several delays from the supplier, the new mailboxes should be delivered to MMG by the beginning of September. After MMG puts on the new unit number labels and tests the keys, they will schedule a date for handing out the keys and coordinate the

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de-installation/installation of the mailboxes with the US Postal Service. **[This will complete the highest-priority project in the Transformation Evaluation list!]**

**Parking Lot Refurbished:** In July we contracted to have a company reseal and repaint the lines in our parking lot. That work was completed in two days and we've had comments from several residents that it's a big improvement over the old surface. Thank you to Maryan Cummins for working with MMG to plan and oversee this work, and to all the residents who moved their cars ahead of time so there was minimal delay while we contacted the remaining car owners. The only glitch was that the paving company did not let MMG know until the day before the work was done that the new cement parking stops had not yet been delivered! They have been promised in September. When they do become available, MMG will send out notices of the installation schedule, which will also include touch-ups that have been identified on specific areas. NOTE: this will require cars to be moved again so they aren't damaged when the cement parking stops and rebar are installed; if you aren't going to be here on those days, please make sure a trusted neighbor has your car key! **[This effort will complete FOUR of the 30 projects in the Transformation Evaluation list!]**



**Marina Underwater Study Completed:** Following the general Miller-Dodson replacement reserve study conducted in September 2015, a more detailed evaluation above and below the waterline was done in our marina to document the marina configuration and report on the condition of the facilities. David Densmore and the Marina Committee worked with a local company to conduct the evaluation and the results are in review now. The results of this study will help us determine priorities, and to plan repairs, replacements and reserve fund expenditures going forward.

**Landscaping Committee Underway:** The new Landscaping Committee conducted two walkthroughs of the community over the past month, and developed a detailed list, by zone, of issues that require attention. The 178 items in the list were categorized as either: within the scope of the existing contract with Highlands (67%); items that will be addressed by the Committee - likely in the spring (13%); issues with trees that will be bid out to tree companies (10%); work that's within the scope of our janitorial contact (4%); and the remainder that is TBD. **[This effort will address FIVE projects in the Transformation Evaluation!]**

**Bicycle Donation:** Thanks to the diligence of Janet Prince, owners of all but three bicycles in the racquetball court were identified, and their invoices are current. Despite repeated efforts for more than a year to contact the owners of the remaining three bicycles, all of whom have moved away (the owners, not the bicycles), they remained orphans (again, the owners, not the bicycles!). So those bicycles were donated to the HACA Youth Development organization, where they were gratefully received by the coordinator, Mr. Leron Fisher.

#### WHAT'S IN THE WORKS

**Lighting Committee:** The Lighting Committee under Sharon Hobson's leadership has completed a detailed evaluation of the lighting fixtures in Shearwater, including building fixtures, parking area lights, and landscaping illumination. This is a much-needed effort, since the quality of lighting in Shearwater was ranked the second-most critical area

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during the Evaluation. The Committee also researched and identified an extensive number of lighting companies and prepared a Request for Quote that MMG has issued. This is a comprehensive project, covering 3 of the projects in the Transformation Evaluation list – so it will involve a number of stages and decision points through completion. **[This project will address THREE Transformation projects!]**

**Onsite Maintenance/Etc. Feasibility Evaluation:** A committee is also evaluating the scope of work and the possibility of finding an onsite person to handle maintenance, oversight of key projects in the community, and potentially other tasks. John Schaake and other volunteers are evaluating what skills would be needed, availability of qualified candidates, and what savings would be realized to offset the cost. Once their evaluation is complete, the Board and MMG will work with the committee to determine feasibility. **[This project is in response to TWO Transformation projects.]**

## SUMMARY

As an overview, 20 of the 30 Transformation projects are either completed or in progress. From a financial standpoint, 11 are covered by the reserve fund, and 7 are covered by existing budgets & contracts. The remaining 2 will be evaluated once more information is available.

There are other projects pending (see the Volunteers section of the newsletter), but we've made excellent progress in just a few months since the Transformation Evaluation came out in the first quarter of this year. Once the above projects are completed, we'll have addressed two-thirds of the items identified by residents and realtors as negatively affecting property values as well as buyer and visitor impressions of our Shearwater.

Looking forward to finishing these up and working with you on the next batch of projects!

Happy Labor Day,  
Lynn

## Committee Reports

### **Treasurer's Report**

It's very early in the 2016-17 fiscal year, just one month in, and we're tracking close to the budget.

**Income:** Overall our Operating Income is running just 0.4% above budget, even though marina invoicing doesn't occur until the first quarter of each year, so that income isn't showing up yet.

**Expenses:** Our Operating Expenses are running 2.4% above budget. Most of this is due to Maintenance, one of the biggest ticket items in the Expense Budget, and the majority of that expense has been due to leaks (see page 6 of this newsletter) and roof repairs. Most of the other Maintenance line items are still at 0%, due either to the timing of invoices or the fact that this work will be done later in the year. Contract Services and Utilities were also slightly over budget, due to the timing of bills for pool management, the landscaping company, and water and sewer bills. This should even out in later months.

General and Administrative costs were well under budget for the first month.

**Reserves:** Contributions to the Replacement Reserve and the Painting Reserves are on target. Expected reserve expenses over the next few months are the new mailboxes and the renovation of the parking area.



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## Marina Report—David Densmore

We are continuing to work on final specifications for a new/replacement kayak rack, and are hoping to begin construction in the late fall or winter. The new rack should substantially reduce (but not eliminate) the waiting list for storage space. Look for more information on this as we get closer to breaking ground, but expect that we will need to move boats to an alternate location when the time comes.



We've had a couple of inquiries recently regarding the transfer of kayak storage spaces when residents sell their units or boats. Everyone should know that community-owned kayak and dinghy storage spaces are not transferable with units or boats; such spaces are available only to the next resident on the kayak or dinghy waiting lists. It is not fair to your neighbors to jump ahead in line, and any boats that have not been properly registered and assigned space by the Dockmaster will be removed from the marina. Selling your boat (and transferring the space) to the next person on the list is permitted, however; just be sure it is re-registered in the name of the new owner.

Finally, kayaks and dinghies are great mosquito-breeding sites! Please check your boats regularly (or at least after heavy rains) to ensure that any water collecting inside the hull or on the cover is dumped out. The most effective way to control nuisance mosquito populations around here is to eliminate standing/stagnant water - it beats spraying!

## Pool Report—Tina Ligon

The Shearwater Pool is *not* looking forward to the end of the 2016 Summer Season! It has been a great summer - and a very hot one! Temperatures in July and August were often in the mid to high 90s and residents were happy to have the pool to cool off in! The newly renovated bathrooms and the added outside shower were greatly appreciated, and the new deck furniture has brightened up the surrounding area. Attendance has noticeably increased this year, with new residents and visiting friends and grandkids coming to enjoy the pool.



The Pool social events have been well attended this year. The August Happy Hour had a Pizza Party theme and we had several great pizza contributions! The final two gatherings for this year will be the **Labor Day Grill Out** and the **Closing Day Pooch Plunge**. On Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 5th, a grill will be available for everyone to bring whatever they like to cook on the grill; and bring a salad, side dish, or dessert to share. Folks can come any time from 4:00pm to 8:00pm. Closing Day is Sunday, Sept. 11th,

and we give our final two hours to the Pooches of the neighborhood. Bring your four-legged friend to take a swim starting at 4:00pm. We will also have hot dogs and soft drinks available to celebrate our final day.

Be sure to say farewell to our lifeguard, Joanna. She had a good summer in Annapolis, learning much about life in America. She will be returning to her home in Sophia, Bulgaria, to continue her education for a career in advertising. See you at the Pool!

## Volunteers

Once again, it is the people who have volunteered to help out in our community who have made possible the accomplishments of the past few months. And the fact that many of you are helping with these efforts in addition to working full-time, contributing in a number of other volunteer areas, and/or enjoying activities here in Annapolis make your participation even more appreciated!

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**Signage Project:** One of the transformation projects was to have uniform and appropriate signs throughout the community; we have an initial listing, but help is needed to move this along.

**Racquetball Building Rehab:** As many of you have noted, this building has not been appropriately maintained over the past years, and is not an attractive amenity for our community. Some of the comments from the Transformation Evaluation participants (including outside realtors) were: “gives a very poor impression of lack of maintenance”; looks almost abandoned”; “under-utilized” and “unsightly”; “a glaring deficiency”; “puts off a prospective buyer and ends up costing more money to correct as the deterioration continues”; “needs a major overhaul in order to convert this into a well-maintained, useful facility.” Although certain repairs will be need to be scheduled in order to keep the building in acceptable condition, any re-purposing or refurbishment of this building will require community involvement.

**Architecture Committee:** We need at least two people to join the Architectural Committee. There is a fairly small number of Architectural Change Requests received every year, but it is too much for one person. If you’re interested, you can read more about what the committee does in the [Charter](#) on the [Board and Committees](#) page of the Shearwater website, and contact Linda Bolling ([lindabolling@yahoo.com](mailto:lindabolling@yahoo.com), 410.507.2300) with any questions.

**Pool Committee:** Tina Ligon has been the Chair or member of the Pool Committee for nearly eight years and would like to take a break. Now that the big pool building refurbishment project has been (beautifully) completed, the committee’s main activities are helping get the lifeguard up to speed in the summer, providing feedback as/if needed to Anchor Aquatics in their management of the pool, and coordinating pool parties (that’s the fun part!). If you would like to know more about this, you can read the [Pool Committee Charter](#) and talk with Tina ([ligontina@gmail.com](mailto:ligontina@gmail.com), 410.212.9597).

**Treasurer:** We have an open position on the Board for a Treasurer. Larry Birch put together a very good tutorial on how to take the numbers from the financial report that MMG creates each month, so the level of effort is manageable. If you like numbers, you could make a real contribution here!

**Water Quality:** Would you like to help with the [Marylanders Grow Oysters](#) project here at Shearwater on A Dock? This effort takes no more than 30 minutes every 3 to 4 weeks, Sept.-June! If so, please contact Marj Cahn Sparer ([mcsparer@yahoo.com](mailto:mcsparer@yahoo.com), 410.224.1150).



## \$\$COSTLY\$\$ WATER LEAKS!

### DAMAGE IN THE LAST 6 MONTHS

SEVEN homeowners have experienced water leaks in their units in the last six months, costing homeowners and/or the Association **more than \$21,500**. Based on the reports from the various plumbers and contractors involved, all of them were preventable.



**LEAK #1:** Two units had major leaks and mold when kitchen waste put into the sink drain in a unit or units above them caused the main drain down below to back up. The water backed up in the kitchen sink of the unit below, flooded their floor, and dripped down thru the ceiling to the unit under them, causing flooding and mold in that unit as well. The damage was extensive, and required bringing in a plumber, a water damage remediation company and a contractor to fix it. All this was caused by rice, coffee grounds and other kitchen debris being put down the sink drain/garbage disposal. **COST: more than \$13,000.**

**Leak #2:** Two units in another building were affected when a slow leak in a unit condensate line built up over a two-week period, and eventually came down and flooded the floor of the unit below. This could have been prevented by thorough regular HVAC maintenance, including cleaning of the unit condensate lines. **COST: nearly \$1,500.**

**Leak #3:** Water from three separate leaks in HVAC and humidifier lines and fittings dripped onto the floor of one unit and down through multiple layers of flooring and ceiling into the unit below. A contractor was called quickly, and immediately gained access to the unit above to fix the problem, which helped save both units from further damage, but repairs to the lines, mold testing and cleaning, and remedial work to the floor and ceiling were still substantial. **COST: more than \$3,500.**

**Leak #4:** One unit suffered flooding in their laundry area, caused by the huge rainstorms of the past few weeks carrying silt into the main drain and causing a backup. The main drains in all buildings were snaked down into the ground as part of the building condensate line cleaning done last fall. After the first issue, the Board asked MMG to set up a regular cleaning of these drains as part of the routine maintenance plan going forward. **EST COST: \$3,500.**

## HOW YOU CAN PREVENT LEAKS (AND BILLS FOR REPAIR!)

1. Have Your HVAC Unit Serviced by a Professional. This must include a cleaning or snaking of your condensate lines all the way below the floor to the building condensate lines – AT LEAST ONCE A YEAR, IF NOT TWICE. If you need a list of reputable companies used and recommended by your neighbors, check out the [Resources](#) tab of the Shearwater website.
2. Until you're sure the company you choose knows what they're doing, make sure they snake all the way down beneath the floor (at least 10 feet) to the building lines. If there is only 1 cleanout cap at the top of the convoluted line of small white PVC pipes in front of your HVAC unit, get a plumber or someone qualified to install a cleanout cap at the bottom of that series of pipes near the floor. If you don't do that, neither a snake nor blowing air will get all the way through those pipes, under the floor, and over to the building condensate lines.

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3. 10 Things You Should Never Put Down Your Garbage Disposal (or Sink Drain):

Your sink is not a trash can! [Thanks to Tina Ligon for researching this list!]

- a. Grease or oil
- b. Vegetable peels
- c. Egg shells
- d. Coffee grounds
- e. Pits or seeds
- f. Rice and pasta (they expand with water)
- g. Bones
- h. Food in bulk (small amounts at a time in garbage disposal, with lots of water)
- i. Stringy veggies (such as celery, etc.; fibers wrap around disposal blades)
- j. Non-food garbage (paper, plastic, etc. – hopefully this goes without saying, but you can never be sure)



4. If You are Going to be Absent More Than 3 Days:

- Turn off the master water valve for your unit (usually above the hot water heater or in the washer/dryer area; if you can't find it, get a plumber or contractor to find it for you).
- Also, if you have a temperature control on your hot water heater, turn it down to the "Vacation" setting.

5. If You Discover a Leak in Your Building:

TURN OFF THE MAIN WATER VALVE in your building. There is 1 main water valve for each pair of buildings, located in one of the end storage lockers in the basement storage rooms (see chart). The storage room key for each pair of buildings works on both storage room doors; e.g., 1 key works for the doors of building 1 AND building 2. Note that there are 2 signs to indicate the main water valve location: one on the door to the basement storage room, and one on the storage locker itself.

BLDG	SHUTOFF VALVE
1 & 2	2
3 & 4	4
5 & 6	6
7 & 8	8
11 & 12	11
13 & 14	13
15 & 16	15

## PARKING AT SHEARWATER

We have had fewer reports of vehicles parked in resident and guest spaces illegally – thank you to all residents for being considerate of your neighbors, and for familiarizing yourselves with the Parking Regulations.

Below is a very brief summary of the Shearwater Parking Regulations, from the [Rules & Regulations](#) found on the [Condo Documents](#) section of the website. PLEASE BE AWARE: Any vehicle that is not parked legally in Shearwater is subject to towing without notice.

RESIDENTS:

- All resident vehicles must have stickers
- There is a maximum of 2 vehicles per unit
- Only vehicles displaying resident stickers may park in resident spaces
- Residents may not park in guest spaces
- Residents are responsible for ensuring that they and their guests are aware of and follow the [Rules & Regulations](#).

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## GUESTS:

- Guests must park in guest spaces, not in resident spaces
- Guests staying for more than 3 days must display a note in the left rear window of their vehicle indicating whom they are visiting and their expected length of stay
- Guests staying for more than 7 days must apply to MMG for a Temporary Parking Pass and, if approved, display it in the left rear window

**CONTRACTOR VEHICLES:** There have been a number of contractor trucks and other vehicles at Shearwater over the past few months, with many owners having work done on their units. These vehicles are only here during the day, and in the two cases where multiple vehicles were parking in the same area, they have been very cooperative, when asked politely, in moving cars not needed for heavy equipment or materials to an area further away.

## Other News & Reminders

### ***TRASH ON THE GROUND IS NOT OKAY!***

Your neighbors are getting very tired of cleaning up *your* trash and breaking down *your* boxes. Overstuffing and/or having trash and recycling lying on the ground around the container is unsightly for residents as well as potential buyers, attracts unwanted vermin, and impedes the contractor from emptying the bins and dumpsters. PLEASE HELP eliminate this problem by:

- making sure all garbage is in tightly-closed bags in the dumpster (**pushed toward the back of the dumpster**);
- emptying and breaking down ALL BOXES before putting them in the recycling dumpster/bin (**pushed toward the back of the dumpster**);
- if a dumpster/bin is full, taking the garbage/recycling to another dumpster/bin instead; and,
- if all of them are full, waiting to deposit your trash or recycling until *after* pick up on Tuesday when the containers are empty again.

Leave NOTHING/NADA/NIEN/RIEN/NICHTS on the ground!

**REMINDER:** If you get a delivery with very large boxes, make sure the delivery people are planning to take the boxes away with them, and DO NOT leave them next to our dumpsters!!



Main gate recycling dumpster, 8/23/2016.

**REMINDER:** Although Styrofoam can be recycled, it is currently not accepted within the County's recycling program. For more info on what is trash and what is recyclable, go [here](#).

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Special Assessment Voting will be held in the racquetball court on THURSDAY September 8, 2016 at 7pm.

The remaining condo meetings in 2016 will be held at 7pm in the racquetball court on the following dates:

- Tuesday, September 27, 2016
- Tuesday, November 22, 2016

There are no regular condo meetings in October or December, however special sessions may be called for the Transformation project committees to review results of their investigations and discuss next steps. These sessions will be posted so that all interested residents may attend.

### LOST & FOUND



### DID YOU LOOSE SOMETHING PRECIOUS?

Pat Duvall (410.295.6589) found two bracelets on the ground near the main entrance dumpsters. Please call her to describe and claim, if you lost them.

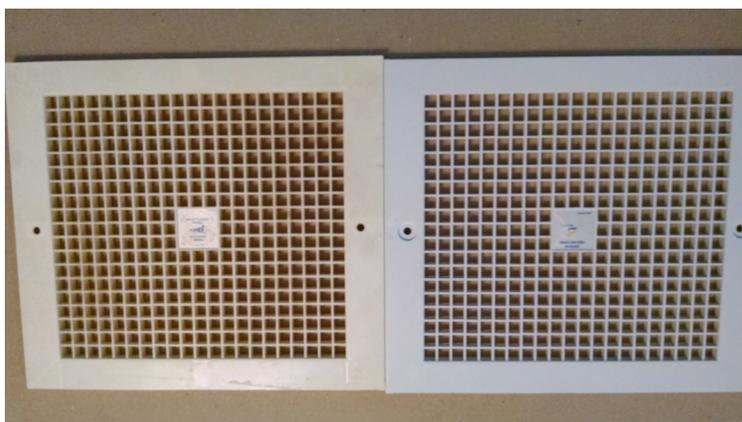
### WE LOVE OUR DOGS, BUT...

Twice this week alone, one of our neighbors reports that she was out walking her dog and 'stepped in it' - apparently someone walking before her had forgotten to scoop.

Please remember to pick up after your pets - GRAB IT, BAG IT, TOSS IT - THANKS!

### REPLACEMENT BATHROOM VENT COVER

Does your original Zephyr Bathroom Vent Fan still work great, but the grille cover has changed to a color that really doesn't match your ceiling any longer? Fortunately for us, Scott Ligon reports that [The Havtech Company](#) in Columbia, MD is still in business and actually stocks the replacement grilles. They have 2 sizes, with the larger one, 14.75" x 13.25", being the most commonly used. It is Part #Z8155131-1 and costs \$10.

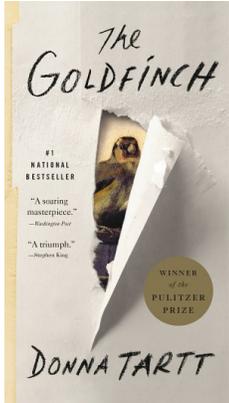


## Classified Ads

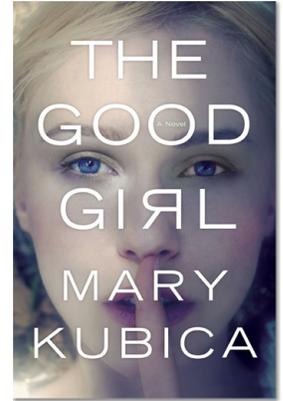
**For Sale - 5-ft dock box, \$400.** Excellent condition; cost \$850 new. Currently in Marina Slip B58. Contact [eastport.rower@gmail.com](mailto:eastport.rower@gmail.com) or 443.510.1776.



## Shearwater Book Club



Looking for a social group that enjoys reading and discussing books? Then join the Shearwater Book Club! Books on our reading list for this year include: **Me Before You, Nightingale, The Marriage of Opposites, What Alice Forgot, Submission, Goldfinch, The Good Girl, The Giver, and Citizens of London** so there's something for everyone! We take turns hosting at our homes, meeting the last Thursday of the month at 6:30pm. We enjoy food, wine and friends, eventually get around to discussing the book, and we always have a good time! Contact Shirl Gauthier (443.510.1776, [eastport.rower@gmail.com](mailto:eastport.rower@gmail.com)) if you are interested in joining.



## New Annapolitans

If you are new to Annapolis, consider joining New Annapolitans. It's a vibrant social club formed to welcome new residents to the Annapolis area and to help them assimilate into the social, cultural and civic activities of the community. We hold regular meetings, each encompassing an informative, entertaining program of interest to the general membership. Members also organize and participate in a wide array of smaller groups centered on their special interests. These "Interest Groups" may change over time, but typically include book discussion groups; bridge and other games; couples gatherings; lunch, happy hour, wine tasting and dinner events; art, music, writing and needlework; walking, boating, golf, tennis and biking; cultural excursions; and charitable endeavors.

New Annapolitans is open to residents who have moved to the greater Annapolis area within two years of applying for membership, but then you may remain a member for as long as you remain current with dues. If you want to know more, call Shearwater residents Pat Duvall (410.295.6589) or Charlotte Featherstone (410.280.5173). View our website at [www.annapolitans.org](http://www.annapolitans.org).



# Celebrating the ANNAPOLIS LIFESTYLE

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*"The privilege of a lifetime is being who you are."*

~Joseph Campbell

## Here's What is Going On In Shearwater

<u>Active Properties for Sale/Rent</u>	<u>List Price</u>	<u>Days on Market</u>
16-A Yachtman's Paradise 2 deeded slips 60 + 40 fab. terrace	\$849,900	99
14-B3 Remodeled Penthouse - deeded slip	\$575,000	102
5-A3 Stunning loft	\$474,900	137
6-A1 1 BDRM, redone top to bottom, 1st floor, no steps	\$410,000	11
11-A2 1 BDRM, 2nd floor	\$375,000	78
14-B1 1st floor rental no steps	\$2,600	83
<u>Under Contract</u>	<u>List Price</u>	<u>Days On Market</u>
4-B3 Totally renovated - 2 bedroom + deeded slip	\$595,000	104
5-B1 1st Floor - 2 bedroom	\$499,000	50
12-B2 2 BDRM, deeded slip	\$439,000	87
11-A1 1st Floor - 1 bedroom + deeded slip	\$400,000	16
<u>Sold</u>	<u>Sold Price</u>	<u>Days on Market</u>
3-A2 3 BDRM, 3 Bdrm. 2200 sqft.views	\$585,000	92
15-B2 2 BDRM, renovated	\$530,000	356
14-B1 1st Floor, deeded slip	\$475,000	50
16-B2 2 BDRM, great views	\$475,000	6
8-B3 2 BDRM, cathedral ceilings	\$440,000	31
8-A3 2 BDRM, loft, deeded slip	\$395,000	119
14-B3 Foreclosure	\$304,500	116



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# Chesapeake Bay News

The [Spa Creek Conservancy](#) (SCC) is holding a **Meet and Greet on August 31st** to introduce the organization to people who are interested in becoming more involved in helping improve the watershed. Have a little wine, see examples of some of the projects that are in the works, and meet some of the volunteers who are committed to making a difference on Spa Creek. RSVP at [members@SpaCreek.net](mailto:members@SpaCreek.net), call 267.342.3097, or go [here](#).



## Hawkins Cove Volunteer Planting Day – September 24th

Volunteers are needed to plant and weed rain gardens at the Hawkins Cove Upland portion of Spa Creek located at the Housing Authority of the City of Annapolis (HACA). All ages are welcome. You'll need to wear old clothes, shoes and gloves. Bring tools if you have them. Go [here](#) to volunteer or get more information!

## Spa Cove Volunteer Planting Day - Oct 1st

Come spend the day outside and help plant rain gardens at the Spa Cove Apartments and Condos. Planting and establishing Rain Gardens will allow storm water to seep into the ground instead of running off into Spa Creek taking pollutants with it. Wear old clothes and shoes that you don't mind getting dirty. Gloves will keep you from getting blisters. Bring tools if you have them. Go [here](#) to volunteer or get more information!



## Restoring Hawkin's Cove on Spa Creek

For the latest on this project, check out this [video](#) and learn about the recent [grant award](#)!

## South Annapolis Yacht Center (SAYC)

For information on plans being developed for the old Sarles & Petrini boatyards, you can visit the SAYC [website](#). There is also an organization monitoring these efforts - for more information on **Save Spa Creek's Heritage, Inc.**, contact Bill Sweetser, President, 703.626.3847, [Bill.Sweetser@SpaCreek.us](mailto:Bill.Sweetser@SpaCreek.us). In addition, residents interested in the SAYC project (File# SDP2015-06) may contact Thomas Smith at the Annapolis Planning & Zoning Department at 410.263.7961, ext. 7797 or [ETS@Annapolis.gov](mailto:ETS@Annapolis.gov).

For a recent Opinion article on these and other Spa Creek activities, see [Terence Smith: Upcoming projects could improve Spa Creek's water quality](#).

The Meet and Greet will be held at CapitalSUP, 808 Boucher Ave, Annapolis from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Please come and learn about our mission, our projects and how you can become more involved. There are jobs and tasks for people of all ages, including students.

Here are some of the ways people can become involved:

- Creek Clean-up Days
- Community outreach
- Educational opportunities
- Event planning and execution
- Finance
- Grant writing opportunities
- Marketing/communications
- Plant-a-thons
- Photography and videography
- Sponsorship/membership committees
- Web updating and social media
- Water testing and sample gathering

# Annapolis Calendar

There's always lots happening in Annapolis but sometimes it's hard to find! Check out [Annapolis Eventfeed](#), a one-stop calendar feed for more than 25 local venues.



## Dog Days of Summer @ Truxtun Park Pool 251 Pump House Rd, Annapolis MD 21403 Wednesday, September 7th, 4 - 7 pm

Bring your pooch to the pool for some doggie paddle fun!

\$10 per dog, pay at the pool

*Proceeds benefit the Annapolis Recreation and Parks Scholarship Fund.*



Enjoy a day of fun on Saturday, September 17th, 11am-4pm, at the [Spa Creek Clean Water PaddleFEST 2016](#). Take an on-water guided tour, paddle at your leisure, enjoy food and drink from Mission BBQ and Moe's, get an event t-shirt, and learn about the challenges to restoring the creek so that it will again be fishable and swimmable. Your participation benefits the Spa Creek Conservancy and supports clean up efforts. VOLUNTEERS needed, too - just [email](#) to volunteer. **SAVE \$10. Early Bird Pricing expires August 31st** - go [here](#) to purchase tickets!

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**Ram's Head On Stage** - 33 West Street, Annapolis, 410.268.4545, <http://www.ramsheadonstage.com/>

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# Annapolis Calendar

**SLAUGHTER ACROSS THE WATER**  
Saturday, November 5, 2016 Crack O'Noon

**MARITIME  
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**TUG WAR**  
vs. **Annapolis**

**Tug of War XIX SLAUGHTER ACROSS THE WATER**  
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Teams set up on opposite sides of Spa Creek (aka The Gulf of Eastport):

<b>Eastport</b> side: Second Street, Chart House Restaurant	<b>PICK YOUR SIDE WISELY!</b>	<b>Annapolis</b> side: Susan Campbell Park, City Dock
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as you would have those upstream  
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