



Shearwater Mark

Summer Issue, 2019

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Dear Neighbors,

I have heard a number of questions about the Reserve Fund recently, and I would like to give you a quick refresher and update.

The Reserve Fund is a “protected” fund that is separate from our annual Operating Fund. The Reserve Fund is set aside and protected from taxation to allow us to keep the assets that we own – the buildings, infrastructure, etc. – in good condition over the long haul. The fund is perpetual, meaning it is not zeroed each year as is done with the Operating Fund. Residents, past, present and future, put part of our annual assessments aside to pay for major projects like replacements of roofs, siding, pavement, lighting, mailboxes and over 100 other listed assets that we own.



Larry Birch

We set aside a little over 40% of our annual assessments for the Reserve Fund. The amount is based on a Reserve Study done by **Miller/Dodson Associates** every five years. The 2016 Miller/Dodson report is available on the website: <http://www.shearwatercondos.com/Owners/owners.html> (scroll down to the link to “See the Reserve Study”). All the projects are part of the Board’s “Duty to Maintain,” as required by the by-laws.

The unaudited total in the Reserve Fund as of June 30, 2019 was \$1,028,170.09. Another special fund that we set aside for painting had \$189,737.67. (Painting is not a valid Reserve Fund expense, so the Paint Fund is technically part of the Operating Fund). The money in these funds are held in FDIC-insured bank accounts. The Reserve Fund balance varies over the years based on what the needs are. We try to keep a floor of \$500,000 in the account to cover unexpected expenses and to ensure that we do not need a special assessment.

In addition to the Miller/Dodson report, which projects expenditures 40 years into the future, we work from a shorter-term plan, to schedule projects over the next few years. The “Six Year Reserve Fund Plan” will be updated in the fall. **Bruce Brown**, our Treasurer, is responsible for the plan and to ensure that the projects are well sequenced, based on the technical priorities as well as the funds available.

There are a number of large Reserve Fund Projects underway or in the design phase. Here is an update on the status of the projects:

Drainage Refurbishment – A contract to improve drainage next to Buildings 5, 6 and 11 has just been awarded. The work will start just after Labor Day and cost \$8,868.

Oyster Path Refurbishment – Work will also start just after Labor Day on the replacement of the deteriorated oyster shell paths with crushed stone. (Oyster shells are no longer available.) The project will cost \$36,352.

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Building 14 Foundation Refurbishment – A foundation leak in Building 14 required refurbishment of the waterproofing membrane on the outside of the foundation wall. The project will start soon and cost \$18,299.

Deck Replacements – Work on four emergency deck replacements is complete. We are now soliciting bids for the remaining 17 decks that need replacement at this time. The project will likely cost in the range of \$150,000.

Kayak Rack Refurbishment – This project has taken an inordinate amount of time to complete as is sadly common with any waterfront construction. We are still working with the City to get the building permit. You may notice pins on some of the pilings that are the product of a required water-level survey, the last requirement before the permit – hopefully.

Racquetball Court Refurbishment – The refurbishment of the Racquetball Court building is awaiting code approval from the City of Annapolis. It is expected to go out to bid in August. We have a base plan with 5 alternates. Once we get pricing information, we will reassess the scope of the project.

Bulkhead Replacement – The bulkheads in front of Buildings 15 and 16 are scheduled for replacement. The project is out for bid, and we held a bidders' conference in late July. The project is scheduled for the winter of 2020/2021.

Lighting Phase II – Planning to replace the street lighting continues. We have sent the bid package to both electrical and general contractors and await the submissions.

Tennis/Pickleball Court Resurfacing – This project is complete, and the courts are ready for play. The total cost was \$11,640.

This is a long list that has kept MMG and many of our volunteers busy. Thanks to everyone who is participating in the management of these projects!

On the horizon, we are looking at new projects including siding replacement, deck railings, path lighting, awning replacement and more.

If you have questions or want to get involved, please let me know.

Best,
Larry



SHEARWATER VOLUNTEERS - COMMITTEES/SPECIAL PROJECTS

Architecture	Barbara Britt (Chair), Linda Bolling
Cost Saving Initiatives	Amy Flickinger and John Schaaake (Cable Service); Cheri Hall and Steve Maxwell (Water)
Courts	Joy Ambrogio (Chair, Pickleball), Marj Sparer (Chair, Tennis), Larry Birch, Marlene Manning
Landscape & Trees	Ron Faulkner (Chair), Rainette Bannon, Cheri Hall (Lead: Erosion Mitigation and Control), Mike LaFortune, Lynn Maichle (Lead: Trees), Karen Van Evans
Lighting	Sharon Hobson (Chair), Lynn Maichle, John Schaaake, Theresa Wellman
Marina	David Densmore (Dockmaster), Rainette Bannon, Larry Birch, Phil Hatchard (Lead: Bulkhead Replacement), Lee Hobson
Newsletter	Marj Sparer (Editor)
Oyster Path Replacement	Mike Lafortune (Chair), Ed Ambrogio, Landscape Committee
Oyster Restoration	Don Baker (Chair), Ed Ambrogio
Pool	Carey Kirk (Chair), Debbie Bell, Barbara Britt, Connie Cadwell, Liz LaFortune, Mike LaFortune, Kathleen McInnis, Sharon McInnis, Susan Urbanc, Carol White, and Dave White
Racquetball Building	Larry Birch (Chair), Ed Ambrogio, Don Baker
Website	Ashley White (Webmaster)
Building Captains	Linda Lawrence (1&2), Carey Kirk (3), Barbara Britt (4), Pam Mantica (5), Theresa Wellman (6), Marj Sparer (7&8), Carol Ashford (9A, 9B, 10), Ron Faulkner (11&12), Phil Hatchard (13&14), Joy Ambrogio (15), Connie Cadwell (16)



Shearwater Condominium Association
Spa Creek Landing, Annapolis MD

Metropolitan Management Group
Christian Bowie, Property Manager
Daytime phone: 410-508-3819
Evening/Emergency: 410-508-3819 (option 5)

Dear Shearwater Residents:

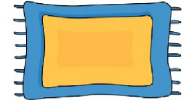
Below are a few community updates and reminders for the Shearwater Residents.

REMINDERS- PROPER DECK MAINTENANCE/DECORATION RESTRICTIONS



As a reminder, based on feedback from our professional engineer and pressure washing partners, there are restrictions on the placement of both planters and rugs to preserve the life of the deck and prevent rot. **If you have a planter, make sure it is not stored directly on the deck- all planters must have stands to lift them off of the wood flooring to allow for air to circulate beneath them and water to not get trapped. Rugs are PROHIBITED from being placed on the decks. Rugs trap moisture and promote rot very quickly.** Following our last update with these reminders,

there was an inquiry regarding a rule related to rugs. Please note that the board has the authority to prohibit items with or without specific verbiage if it effects safety, or lifespan of the community and/or common or limited common elements. Please take a look at your seasonal deck décor, and make sure items are in compliance and placed in a manner to help us preserve the decks which in turn saves the community on replacement costs. Thank you!



Committees hard at work... A **BIG THANK YOU** to our committee member volunteers who are hard at work on many ongoing efforts and projects in your community. Included with this month's missive is information generated by a newly formed committee who is dedicated to utility conservation. Please take a moment to read the information provided that both educates and reminds residents about ways to conserve and save water.



Don't forget to send in your updated parking registration for to management for processing and issuance of the new parking stickers. Providing details as requested assist us in updating our community records and maintaining up to date information on residents that may be needed for contact etc.

Saving Water = Saving Money

Our water bill is one of the largest single cost items in our total annual budget. More importantly, its one of the few areas where we can actually exercise some level of influence and control. It is one area where – if we get smarter and we all pull together – we might be able to gradually effect some significant cost-



savings, and in the process, reduce our annual condo fees. Our water consumption is split into outdoor – irrigation of the gardens and grounds and indoor – normal residential usage. We are currently examining several ways in which the community at large might more efficiently utilize our outdoor water. This includes a look at installing some new irrigation metering equipment to cut back on city sewer charges and establishing some controls so that we irrigate in a smarter way (e.g., not sprinkling in the middle of a raging thunderstorm!).

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Saving Water = Saving Money Cont.

But our largest usage is residential, and if we're going to cut back there, we'll obviously need everyone's help. This is harder to incentivize in a condo association, where we all pay a flat fee for water and sewer; it's not like a private home when your bills are directly related to your individual consumption. But if we all act in a coordinated fashion, we can exercise greater control over the bill.

Let's establish a target, perhaps modest at first, to see if we can begin to cut back water usage and save ourselves money in the process. Over the past few years, Shearwater has typically consumed a total of between two and two-and-a-half million gallons of water per year – this varies up and down depending upon the mix of full-time vs. part-time residents, and other factors. Right now, our water budget for 2020 is \$44,000. Some of that represents fixed fees, but a lot of it is directly related to how much water we actually use. Cutting our association-wide usage by say, 10% could result in a cost-savings of about \$4,400 or about 0.6% of our total budget. Between that and our planned outdoor efficiencies, we could make a dent in the overall costs. The first thing we need to do is start thinking about how to use less water.

Standard Tips for Conserving Water

Most of you are probably already pretty familiar with most of the standard ways to cut down on indoor water usage, but just in case, we'll list a few standard conservation tips below.

- **Install aerators in your sinks - they reduce the flow and use air to maintain good water pressure.**
- **Use a dishwasher whenever possible and try to make sure it's fully loaded. Loaded or unloaded, it uses about the same amount of water.**
- **Plug up the kitchen sink when doing the dishes or use a wash basin if washing dishes by hand.**
- **Keep a pitcher of drinking water in the refrigerator instead of letting the faucet run until the water is cold enough for drinking.**
- **Turn off the tap while shaving or brushing teeth.**
- **Thaw meats or frozen goods in the refrigerator overnight rather than using a running tap of hot water.**
- **Wash only full loads of laundry or use the appropriate water level or load size selection on the washing machine.**
- **Make sure you have the most up-to-date and water-efficient toilets. That is where a high percentage of your indoor water usage occurs.**
- **Showers use less water than baths, so long as you don't stand in there too long. Each minute you cut saves two or three gallons of water.**
- **Install a high-efficiency shower head – that can save as much as another gallon per minute.**



If we can all start thinking more about these simple tips, we can start to bring down our total consumption as an association. We will be back in touch shortly with more information about our outdoor usage, and some other ideas for how to drive greater interest in water conservation. Thanks!

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Committee Reports

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE—Ron Faulkner, Chair

The Shearwater Landscaping Committee has been busy this past quarter preparing for the busy Spring-Summer season, working closely with our landscaper company **Highlands** to ensure that the Shearwater community looks beautiful. Our lawns are being cut on a regular basis, flowers have been planted in multiple locations, the front entrance has been spiffed up, and special projects such as poison ivy removal, dead bush replacements, and pathway clean-ups have kept our landscaping crew very busy!

Erosion and Pathways (by Mike LaFortune)

In September, three major projects intended to help control rain water erosion and to restore our pathways will be completed, weather permitting:

- For years we have had rain water runoff problems by Building 6, often resulting in water ponding on the side of the building, potentially damaging the building's foundation. We have hired **Vista Pro Landscaping** to clear up the debris in front of Building 6 and to install an environmentally friendly rain garden.
- You may also have noticed that during a heavy rain, water on the pathways in the great lawn area (by the trellis) and by Building 11 washes the shells into the creek below. Vista Pro will be installing a rock swale on the side of the steps next to Building 11 which will direct water down the hill and into the creek. As part of this project they will also install three new steps below the concrete steps to make it easier for our residents to use this pathway.
- Finally, it's been almost 10 years since our pathways were refurbished. After months of research and feedback from the Shearwater Community, it was determined that we need to rebuild our pathways to make them level and easier to walk on; and in order to be able to make repairs now and in the future, the material we put on the pathways needs to be both available and affordable. The material selected is #57 Gray White Stone, and Vista Pro has also been contracted to do this project.

Irrigation (by Cheri Hall)

Terra Nova was on site a few weeks ago, doing maintenance and adjustments to the irrigation system here at Shearwater. Hopefully, all of the sprinkler heads are now working properly, but please let Cheri Hall (ceah53@aol.com) know if you see a head or area that needs attention. In an ongoing attempt to cut costs, we have 'killed' a few lines and sprinkler heads that were watering dirt. We are also assessing the hours that each area receives water and will be making changes to that schedule as well.

Trees (by Lynn Maichle)

Prior to this year, the last comprehensive tree pruning and removal was performed in 2014-15. At that time, the Landscape Committee, under **Deborah Birch's** leadership, completed nearly \$20,000 of tree work throughout the property. New actions and plans moving forward include the following:

Ongoing	Removal of dead trees in several areas	Ongoing
Phase 1	Pruning of 89 trees touching buildings (roofs, siding, windows); removal of 4 dead trees near the tennis courts, next to the pump station, and next to the main dumpsters	Completed
Phase 2	Removal of dead branches near sidewalks, parking areas, roadways; cleanup around Shearwater sign	August 2019
Phase 3	Pruning trees to accommodate the new 14-foot post lights to be installed along roadways and parking areas	TBD by lighting delivery and installation schedule
Phase 4	Proactive maintenance; 1/3 of the community per year	Beginning Summer 2020

This month we have also scheduled a review from the water of all trees along the shoreline, to get an assessment from our tree expert of what work is recommended for the health of the trees and/or maintenance of the shoreline.

After Phases 2 & 3 are completed, our goal is to begin proactive tree maintenance, addressing a third of the community each year on a rotating basis. We will always need to respond to emergencies and function within the existing budget constraints, as well as the restrictions imposed by the City of Annapolis, especially on trees within the buffer zone near Spa Creek. But this program should help us reduce the frequency of emergency work, evaluate needs for additional trees, and respond where possible to individual requests.



POOL COMMITTEE—Carey Kirk, Chair

The operating hours for this season were restored to allow us to reopen on Tuesdays while maintaining later hours before closing on select days. To achieve this without requiring more hours than our contract called for, which would naturally cost us more/ raise the amount of the contract with the operating entity, the hours towards the end of the season have been trimmed back. The sun in the latter part of the month of August starts to set earlier and disappears behind the trees on the western side of Spa Creek, casting the pool in twilight. Our observation over three years proves that no one is comfortable swimming in the twilight so the lifeguard sits alone during these hours. As always if you feel the hours could stand some amendment for next season please contact me (Carey@careyreidkirk.com - 443.254.0754) to share your ideas! If possible, we'd like to not increase our contract amount for next year other than the customary inflationary expenses passed along by the contractor.

On a minor bright note, the refrigerator in the pool office 'expired' and has been replaced with a 'new to us' unit procured by MMG. We mention this as a reminder to all our neighbors that you may place food items you bring for the grill in the fridge until ready to cook, and of course any adult beverages you might want at hand.

We have new underwater lights! Just before the release of this edition, the light fixtures were replaced and updated to use LED light bulbs. The results are amazing and awesome; the color is bright and clear blue, and interestingly the pool now looks more modern, or at least up to date.

Our closing date this year is the traditional **Sunday after Labor Day** with the most wonderful **Pooch Plunge**. The humans have their final swim, then the puppy dogs theirs (and a particular Siamese cat who cannot resist joining in), officially ending the swimming season. As we did last year, the pool deck only will continue to be open on the weekends, the nice ones anyway, through the Boat Shows in October and if the good weather prevails until the 1st of November. Check your bulletin boards later this month for the schedule of the final week - it is abbreviated from years past to keep our finances straight.

See you 'round the pool!

SHEARWATER POOL—BREAKING NEWS! (by Sharon McInnis)

Kathleen McInnis and Christopher Hewlett were married at the court house July 19th after taking the water taxi from Shearwater to Acton's Landing. A reception for family and friends was held at Shearwater following the ceremony. It was described as the "most awesome fun" reception ever with celebrations extending until late evening at the pool. Congratulations to the newlyweds from your Shearwater neighbors - and thank you, Kathleen and Christopher, for the beautiful flowers we enjoyed at the pool for the week after the wedding!



COURTS COMMITTEE—Joy Ambrogio, Chair (Pickleball) and Marj Sparer, Chair (Tennis)



Why Pickleball is great for Shearwater:

- More use of our beautiful courts.
- Adds to the amenities we offer at Shearwater.
- Very fast learning game. You will pick this game up in no time.
- Social, great way to meet our neighbors.
- Great exercise.
- One of the fastest growing sports in the country.
- It is just fun!

On July 5th we had our first Pickleball clinic on our beautiful refurbished courts (see pictures, below). Our clinic teacher was Sara Aiken who is the first Ambassador of Pickleball for Annapolis. We had 16 players join in, and even had some fans watching. A great time was had by all on a very hot day!

We have blocked off drop-in times (on our sign-up board on the court gate) for Pickleball. **Everyone is welcome, whether you have ever held a racquet or not.** We have had a group of 6-8 players showing up regularly on the courts. Times scheduled for **drop-in play** are:

- Mondays and Wednesdays 9:00 – 10:30 am
- Wednesdays 5:00 – 6:30 pm

Use the board on the gate of the courts to sign up for other times, if you would like to reserve the court(s). We would love to expand times to the weekend so working residents can join in the fun. Also, work is underway to get the second court painted to accommodate both tennis and Pickleball.

Please contact Joy (loynorge@gmail.com or text 610.608.9332) if you have questions or would like to be added to the email list for Pickleball announcements. Also, she is available to meet anyone at different times if they want to try it out!

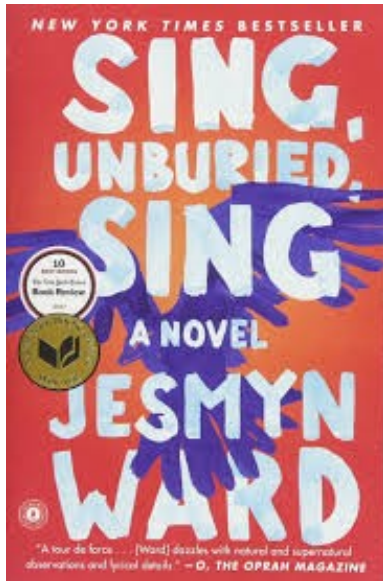


The Shearwater tennis courts were resurfaced in June and are ready for play! (As noted above, the far court has already been lined for Pickleball as well as tennis and the near court will be lined for both sports in the near future.)

The court gate code is 1357, and **residents and their accompanied guests** may come to play anytime. Court rules are on the fence and there is a sign-up board on the gate if you want to reserve time for tennis.

If you would like to join the group that plays tennis on Fridays from 8:30 – 10:00 am, contact Marj Sparer (mcsparer@yahoo.com or call 410.224.1150 or text 410.570.4530) and she will add you to the SignUp Genius website we use to schedule players. If you would like to start another group on a different day/time, she can help you get set up. And if you'd just like to join the Shearwater Tennis email group so you can contact neighbors to play, send her your email!

Shearwater Book Club



Looking for a social group that enjoys reading and discussing books? Then join the Shearwater Book Club! We take turns hosting at our homes, usually meeting the last Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM. We enjoy food, wine, and friends, eventually get around to discussing the book, and we always have a good time!

Books on our reading list for 2019 so far include: *Educated* by Tara Westover, *Georgia: A Novel of Georgia O'Keefe* by Dawn Tripp, *The Woman in the Window* by A.J. Finn, *Theory of Bastards* by Audrey Schulman, *Sing Unburied Sing* by Jesmyn Ward, *The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane* by Lisa See, *The Heart of War* by Kathleen J. McInnis, and *Spark of Light* by Jodi Picoult, so we find something for everyone. **Our next meeting is Thursday, August 22nd.** Contact Charlotte Featherstone (203.247.3964, charlotte.feathers@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 Patricia Johnson (410.295.6589) or Charlotte Featherstone (203.247.3964). View our website at www.annapolitans.org.



Chesapeake Bay News



At our **Taste of the Chesapeake**, the Alliance recognizes our environmental leadership award winners and showcases our programs and our progress toward Chesapeake restoration. The Taste also helps raise critical funds to support our vital mission and increase the impact of our work across the Chesapeake watershed.

Join us at the Taste for an evening of unique Chesapeake-inspired food and drink, live music, raffles, and a silent auction! Items from last year's silent auction included a weeklong Vermont vacation, Chesapeake waterway trips, sports event tickets, themed baskets, gift certificates, and much more! [Click here for tickets.](#)

Did you see the Wall Street Journal on August 5th? CBF made the paper - section A3 to be exact! Journalist Acacia Coronado covered our work to restore water-filtering oysters across the Bay. In particular, she highlighted our innovative new project with Northrop Grumman Corp. to develop new technology to track the Bay's oyster population and the health of its oyster reefs. [Read the WSJ article here.](#)



CHESAPEAKE BAY FOUNDATION
Saving a National Treasure



Spa Creek water is tested every Thursday morning at eleven locations on the creek. Red indicates **unsafe swimming** levels. 2019 begins the fourth year of regular water testing on Spa Creek. The first testing of the year begins the week before Memorial day and is weekly after that. All data, including salinity, dissolved oxygen, total suspended solids, and more can be seen in an Excel file by clicking the [Spa Creek water quality data link](#). See below for a sample [map which is updated weekly on Friday afternoons](#).

Spa Creek & Back Creek Water Quality

2019-08-01

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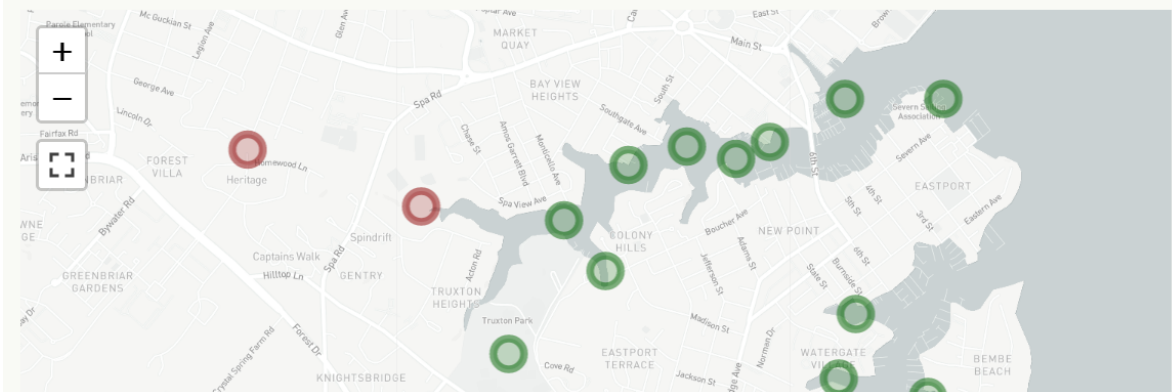
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Healthy Sites



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Unhealthy Sites





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NEWS FROM THE TRUST



Pictured left to right: Erik Michelsen, **Anne Arundel Watershed Protection and Restoration Program**; Stuart Pittman, **Anne Arundel County Executive**; Monica Maynard, **Annapolis Roads Property Owners Association**; Nancy Moitrier, **Annapolis Roads Property Owners Association**; Cathy Moon, **Winchester on the Severn**; Sarah Caldes, **Severn Riverkeeper**; Marissa Spratley, **Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay**; Lucy Heller, **Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay**; Kevin Green, **Arundel Rivers**; Jana Davis, **Chesapeake Bay Trust**.

\$1,117,528 Announced to Support Watershed Restoration Projects in Anne Arundel County

The [Chesapeake Bay Trust](#) and the [Anne Arundel County Watershed Protection and Restoration Program](#) announced \$1,117,528 in funding for the [Anne Arundel County Watershed Protection and Restoration Grant Program](#).

This announcement highlights awards made to 6 innovative projects to be implemented across the county designed to improve water quality and treatment, reduce stormwater and sediment runoff, and implement resilient living shorelines.

Community News



Your brick with **your** words will be engraved and set in the walkway that will lead up to the new Annapolis branch set to open March 2020.

Celebrate your family, remember a loved one, share a favorite literary quote or mark a special date on a brick that will stand the test of time.

Your \$100 donation (per brick) to the Anne Arundel County Public Library Foundation is tax deductible. **Deadline is September 13, 2019.**

Leave an enduring legacy at the West Street branch and support literacy and learning for all.

Get Your Brick TODAY!

Press Release: “Mercado Hilltop” Farmer’s Market in Annapolis to Open in August

Mayor Gavin Buckley

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“Mercado Hilltop” Farmer’s Market in Annapolis to Open Eight Saturdays in August and September

Annapolis, MD (July 24, 2019) Fruits, vegetables, flowers, plants, food, handcrafts, piñatas, art and more will be available starting August 10 at “Mercado Hilltop,” an open-air market in the parking lot of the Salvation Army on Hilltop Lane in Annapolis. The market will be open, weather permitting, every Saturday until September 28.

The market is in partnership with Center of Help, the Annapolis Art in Public Places Commission, the Salvation Army and the City of Annapolis.

“We are thrilled to be able to offer locals an opportunity to buy and sell at a Mercado-style market,” said Mayor Gavin Buckley. “I look forward to seeing the vendors from different farms and wares from different countries.”

The market is organized by the Mayor’s Community Engagement Hispanic Liaison Adriana Lee. The cost to sell at the market is \$30 for one Saturday; \$100 for four Saturdays; or all eight Saturdays for \$180. If you would like to sell at the Mercado Hilltop, call for information or to register: 410-570-9052.

Market dates: August 10, 17, 24 and 31; September 7, 14, 21 and 28.

Market hours: 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.





Eastport Civic Association

August 1, 2019

Reminder - ECA Picnic - Buy Your Tickets!

Thursday, August 22, 6:00 PM
Mear's Marina

Join us for the annual ECA Picnic. Adam's Ribs is providing the BBQ and sides. Beer, wine, sodas and water will be served, together with dessert. The picnic is a fun time to catch up with old and new neighbors and friends! Police, fire and elected officials from the City are invited.



Tickets: \$25 in advance on the ECA web site; \$30 at the door. Advance registration is strongly encouraged to help ensure there is enough food and drink for everyone! Click [HERE](#) to purchase tickets. Heads up - the advance ticket sales will end Friday, August 16 in order to give an accurate count to Adam's Ribs. Purchase your tickets now at \$25.

ECA Membership for **new members** who may be attending the picnic: Single Membership: \$20; Couples Membership: \$30.00. Please be sure to [join on-line](#) in advance (preferred), or you may pay at the door, in addition to your picnic tickets. **ECA members** can renew their memberships by going on-line [HERE](#) or can renew at the picnic.

We need **volunteers** on half hour shifts. Let us know if you can volunteer to help with setting up, cleaning up, beverage sales or registration. Email [Sharon](#) or [Carolyn](#) to help with the picnic.

Remember: ECA is going "Green!" We are phasing out of providing single serve bottles at meetings. We encourage everyone to use reusable water bottles and bring them with you when you come to the meetings.

The ECA picnic will have water dispensers and use compostable paper goods and utensils.

And, if you can and weather permitting, of course, please **consider walking** to the picnic this year.

Community News

Community Backpack Fest

Mark your calendars for the **Community Backpack Fest** coming **Saturday August 24, 10:00 AM on the outdoor side lawn of Eastport UMC at 926 Bay Ridge Ave, Eastport.** Three Church families of John Wesley, Mt. Zion and Eastport United Methodist Churches are gathering with local Fire, Police, School, Library, Seeds4Success, and others to provide school supplies in backpacks for our elementary school kids.

Celebrating the ANNAPOLIS LIFESTYLE

August 2019

Hope you are enjoying your Summer!

There's no place like Shearwater

<u>Active Properties for Sale</u>	<u>List Price</u>	<u>Days on Market</u>
7B1-2 Bedroom/2 Bath	\$548,000	16
5A3-2 Bedroom/2.5 Bath	\$525,000	65
6A1-1 Bedroom/1.5 Bath	\$439,900	141
8A3-2 Bedroom/2.5 Bath w/deeded slip	\$535,000	32
13A3-2 Bedroom/2.5 Bath	\$534,900	29
<u>Sold Since January 2019</u>	<u>List/Sold Price</u>	
14B3-2 Bedroom/2 Bath	\$575,000/\$477,500	1006
6B3-2 Bedroom/2 Bath Penthouse with deeded slip	\$475,000/\$420,000	143
11A2-1 Bedroom/1.5 Bath	\$367,000/\$325,000	339
14A3-2 Bedroom/2.5 Bath Penthouse	\$49,900/\$535,000	62
5A2-1 Bedroom/1.5 Bath	\$355,000/\$330,000	60
<u>Currently Under Contract</u>	<u>List Price</u>	
8B3-2 Bedroom/2 Bath	\$499,900	15
<u>Rentals</u>		
3B2-2 Bedroom/2 Bath	\$2,700	30
2A2-1 Bedroom/1.5 Bath	\$2,150	36



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AUGUST CHARITY *Wine* DINNER

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25TH, 5PM

Enjoy 5 small courses with wine pairings for \$70 per person, including tax & gratuity. 10% of each dinner and 100% of the cash wine raffle will be donated to The Arc.

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FOR TICKETS, PLEASE CALL (410)570-4648
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The Arc's Mission:

"We promote respect, create opportunities, facilitate services and advocate for equal rights for all people with intellectual and developmental disabilities."

Twist & Stout Wine Festival – 2019



Fine Wine • Craft Beer
Food • Music • Art

Quiet Waters Park
Annapolis • Maryland

September 28, 2019 • 12-6 pm

 PRESENTED BY  IN PARTNERSHIP WITH **MARYLAND WINE** twistandstout.org
FOR TICKETS (\$23/30/75), BANDS, SPONSORS, & MORE

In September 2018, the Anne Arundel County Department of Recreation and Parks, in partnership with **Maryland Wineries Association** presented **Twist & Stout**, a fine wine and craft beer festival that also featured live music from some of the region's best bands, food trucks from around the state, and artists creating on site. This great event returns to Quiet Waters Park on Saturday, September 28, 2019 for this year's event! Look for more updates about the many Maryland wineries and great wines featured at this year's festival!

Ticket details and information are available [HERE](#).



“Spend time with a band that shaped a lifestyle” ~ While it receives acclaim for being one of the best parties in Annapolis, the **Boatyard Beach Bash** is most importantly a **fundraiser for the Annapolis Maritime Museum’s education programs**. To date, it has raised over \$965,000 for the Museum.

Each year the Boatyard Beach Bash features talented musicians from the Coral Reefers.

This diverse collection of talented musicians provides rare access to Jimmy Buffett’s band in an intimate setting with the incomparable backdrop of the Chesapeake Bay.

**The 2019 Boatyard Beach Bash will take place on
Saturday, September 14, 2019, from 5:30 - 10 PM.**

Purchase tickets [HERE](#)



SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

QUIET WATERS

PARK CONCERTS 2019



U.S. NAVY BAND

Country Current
country-bluegrass ensemble

Saturday 13 July 6-8 pm



GUAVA JELLY

Acoustic trio based in Annapolis
playing reggae, pop, rock & country

Saturday 20 July 6-8 pm



FOLKENPHUNK

A trio performing funky bluegrass
folk rock

Saturday 27 July 6-8 pm



FRACTAL CAT

A Baltimore-based six-piece
psychedelic rock band

Saturday 3 August 6-8 pm

ASSISTED LIVING

Performing music from rock and
roll's golden era and beyond.

Saturday 10 August 6-8 pm



ZAKKE

A nine-piece original band from D.C.
known for Latin Fusion

Saturday 17 August 5:30-7:30 pm



KELLY BELL BAND

Performing hip-hop, funk, and
blues-electrified

Saturday 24 August 5:30-7:30 pm



ASO

The premier Annapolis Symphony
Orchestra

Sunday 1 September 5:30-7 pm





Food Truck Fridays Annapolis



FOOD TRUCK FRIDAYS ANNAPOLIS · WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2019

We have partnered with the Anne Arundel County Public Schools to bring you Food Truck Fridays Annapolis located at the Annapolis High School. Open on the first Friday of each month from May–October we will bring 12+ Food Trucks to the Annapolis High School parking lot on Riva Road from 4pm–8pm.

This event has created the Food Truck Nites Scholarships for \$1000 each that will be awarded annually to two students. Applicants must be enrolled in the CAT North or CAT South Culinary Programs. The event will also support the Annapolis High School for their help in hosting our events!

This event is perfect for the whole family, so come out and join us! Happy Eating!



FIND US

-  2700 Riva Rd
Annapolis, Maryland
-  m.me/H2FoodTruckFridaysAnnapolis
-  Call (410) 353-2861



2019 Maryland Renaissance Festival

“Time Travel to Fun” is the promotional slogan of the Maryland Renaissance Festival, which runs weekends and Labor Day from August 24th through October 20th in Crownsville. Fun not only applies for the customers but for the 1,300 participants and employees. The Festival operator employs 600 in various staff and entertainment positions and the 200 shop owners employ another 500.

A unique aspect of the festival each day is 35 positions are filled by one or two charitable fundraising groups staffing some of the soda and beer stands. Currently nine county schools, seven Boy and Girl Scout Troops, various lodges and civic organizations, churches and clubs raise money for their charitable or funding needs. The program now in its 31st year has provided these organizations the opportunity to raise over \$2,600,000 for their group’s needs.

Additional information about the Festival, dates, times, performances, ticketing, craft and food is available below.

[Learn More](#)

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*"Do unto those downstream
as you would have those upstream
do unto you."* —Wendell Berry

