

FROM THE MAYOR

OUT OF WINTER
 On the day that I am writing this (March 9), the temperature is expected to exceed 80 degrees! It's hard to believe that just last weekend we had a snowstorm, and that we experienced a blizzard in late January! Welcome Springtime!

GOVERNOR'S VISIT
 On February 26, Governor Larry Hogan and First Lady Yumi Hogan visited Chesapeake Beach. The visit included a meet and greet at Town Hall, a walk on the Chesapeake Beach Railway Trail including an introduction to CBOCS (Chesapeake Beach Oyster Cultivation Society), a drive-by tour of the proposed sidewalk/boardwalk from Beach Elementary School to

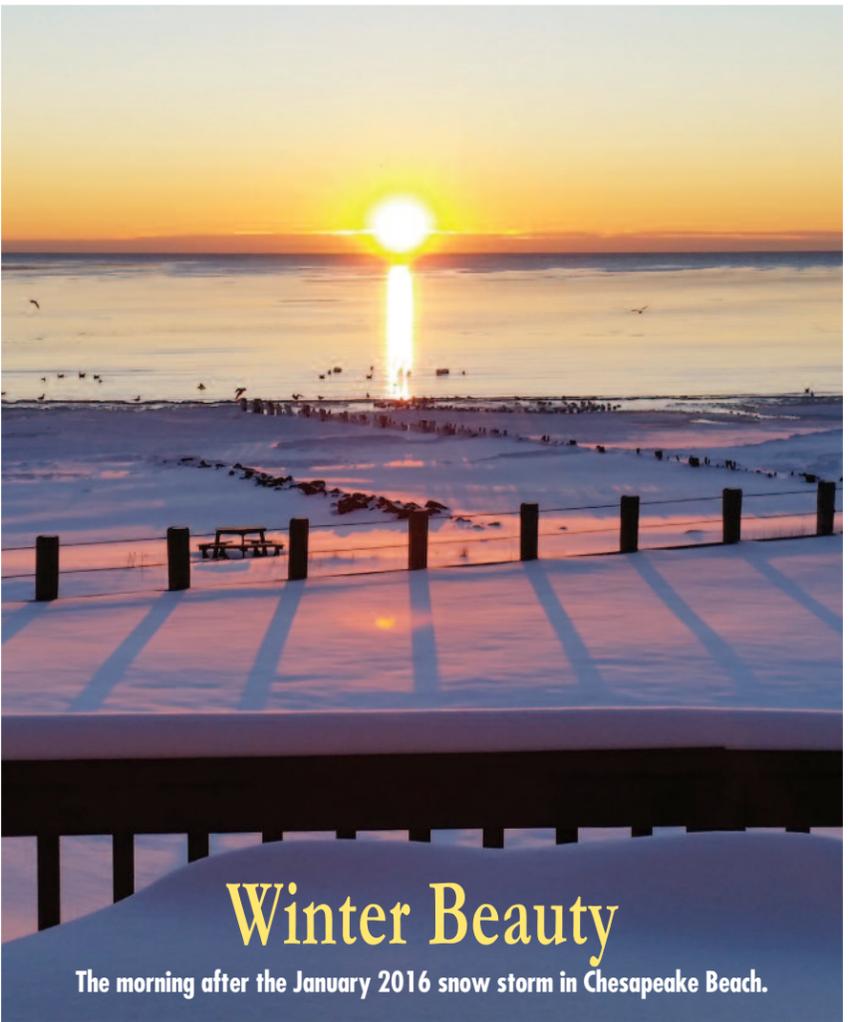


County Commissioner President Evan Slaughenhaupt, Governor Larry Hogan, Mayor Bruce Wahl, First Lady Yumi Hogan and County Commissioner Vice-President Tom Hejl.

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Winter Beauty
 The morning after the January 2016 snow storm in Chesapeake Beach.

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Blue jay on the Dawson deck.



Harlow Grace Wagner enjoying the snow.

SANDRA WAGNER

2015 Brightest Beacon on the Bay WINNERS

Over 25 businesses, townhomes and single family homes were entered in the 28th annual Brightest Beacon on the Bay contest. We wish to thank everyone who participated, and all who decorated, making Chesapeake Beach shine brightly during the Holiday Season. Special thanks go out to all of the businesses and individuals who donated prizes totaling over \$2,500. These generous donations continue to make the Brightest Beacon contest possible. Thank you everyone! ■



BUSINESSES

- 1st Place: Trader's Seafood, Steak & Ale
- 2nd Place: Leda Pizza of Chesapeake Beach
- 3rd Place: Beverly's Gifts & Flowers

HOUSES

- 1st Place: 3253 Cannoncade Court
- 2nd Place: 3715 27th Street
- 3rd Place: 8714 "C" Street

TOWNHOUSES

- 1st Place: 2433 Green Leaf Terrace
- 2nd Place: 7995 Delores Court

BRIGHTEST BEACON ON THE BAY

- 7616 "I" Street – "The Gingerbread House"

WORTH A LOOK!!

- Entranceway Sign at Richfield Station
- 2406 Woodland Court • 3246 Rector Lookout
- 3412 Cox Road • 7915 H Street
- 7159 Chesapeake Village Blvd.
- 3699 Whirlway Drive • 6901 Donau Court

Winter Fun Around Town

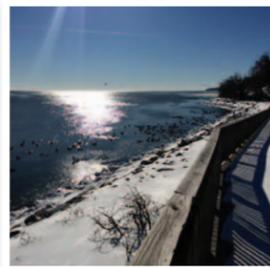


These beautiful horses enjoying a romp in the snow. Photo by Cody Favata.

The snow curling off of the metal roof on the Brady home creates this fun swirl – almost like a surfing wave. Photo by Grace Mary Brady.



Odd icicles on Rt. 260 after the storm. Photo by Mercine Marshall.



Boardwalk at 15th Street. Photo by Jim Woodcock.



The sun on the cardinal and branches creates a fiery glow after the snow storm. Photo by Janet Asmante.

2015 Annual Pat Carpenter Holiday Parade



Master of Ceremonies, MD Secretary of Veterans Affairs, George Owings III



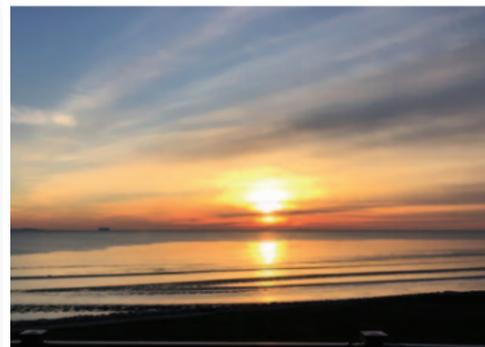
▲ Stars and Stripes Festival float

▲ Water Park float

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Casen Reeves enjoying the snow. Photo by Renée Reeves.



Sunrise waves frozen in place. Photo by Shirley Bealar.



Richfield Station residents Eric and Troy Scheleur playing ice hockey on the driveway. Photo by Donna Scheleur.



The Town geese enjoying the snow at the Bay's edge. Photo by Scot Robins.

WELCOMED VISIT



Maryland Governor Larry Hogan with residents outside of Chesapeake Village.

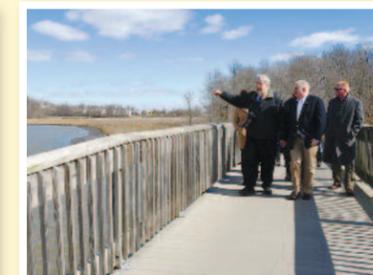
Governor Hogan Visits Chesapeake Beach

Story by Connie O'Dell and Photos by Joseph Andrucyk

Maryland Governor Larry Hogan visited Chesapeake Beach on Friday, February 26. He strolled along our beautiful Railway Trail, observing the CBOCS oyster cages and learning about our oyster recovery program. The governor also visited the area adjacent to Chesapeake Village where the Town hopes to build a sidewalk/boardwalk combination which would connect the secluded subdivision to the rest of Town. The Town is seeking State funding in the form of a grant to partially fund the project. ■



Hogan enjoys reading the informative signs along the Railway Trail.



Mayor Wahl points out interesting facts along the Railway Trail.



Derek Favret, Chesapeake Village HOA President, shows plans to the Governor for the proposed sidewalk/boardwalk.



Larry Hogan, Wesley Donovan and Bruce Wahl visit the Chesapeake Beach Hotel & Spa.

FROM THE MAYOR

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Chesapeake Village, and a final stop at the Chesapeake Beach Resort and Spa, where Wesley Donovan previewed the two projects described below. County Commissioner President Evan Slaughenhaupt and Vice-President Tom Hejl joined us for this tour.

I want to truly express my gratitude to Governor Hogan for his visit. As he toured our beautiful Town, he commented that he and Mrs. Hogan would love to retire in Chesapeake Beach about seven years from now. They would most certainly be welcome!

DONOVAN PROJECTS

By now, you've likely heard about the Donovan family's plans to renovate the Chesapeake Beach Resort and Spa and to build luxury rental apartments on the southwest side of the Fishing Creek bridge. These two projects have now been approved by the Town's Planning and Zoning Commission and are poised to move forward.

These two projects represent the largest investment in the history of the Town of Chesapeake Beach and will result in a very significant increase in the assessable base within the Town limits. I personally welcome these projects, as they represent a path forward for the Town financially that allows us to maintain the services that you have grown to expect without any tax increases on the horizon.

Below is a rendering of the proposed entrance to the resort complex. Note the hotel and Railway Museum on the right. These are unchanged, but nearly everything else in this drawing is new. The complex will add retail space, a facility to host weddings year-round, conference space, more restaurant space, a



The proposed entrance to the resort complex.

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Chesapeake Beach Town Calendar

MARCH

Day	Event/Location	Time
25	Town Hall Closed in Observance of Good Friday	

APRIL

Day	Event/Location	Time
1	Railway Museum Opens Weekdays	1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
2	Railway Museum Heritage Hike, Meet at Railway Museum	9:00 a.m.
4	Mayor's Night Out, Town Hall	7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
13	Planning and Zoning, Town Hall	7:00 p.m.
10	Railway Museum Commemorative Farewell Ceremony	11:46 a.m.
18	Mayor's Open Door, Town Hall	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.
21	Town Council Meeting, Town Hall	7:00 p.m.
30	Bay Front Park Clean Up (No Rain Date)	10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

MAY

Day	Event/Location	Time
2	Mayor's Night Out, Town Hall	
7	Railway Museum Celebrates National Train Day	1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
11	Planning & Zoning, Town Hall	7:00 p.m.
14	Beach Buc's Registration, NECC	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
15	Railway Museum Spring Family Fun Day, Railway Museum	1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
16	Mayor's Open Door, Town Hall	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.
16	Beach Buc's Registration, NECC	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
19	Town Council Meeting, Town Hall	7:00 p.m.
28	Water Park Opens Weekends & Holiday Mondays Only	11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
28	Chesapeake Beach Stars and Stripes Festival, Veterans' Park	10:00 a.m.
29	Chesapeake Beach Stars and Stripes Festival Family Fun Day Kellam's Field	11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
30	CB Stars and Stripes Festival, American Legion Ceremony Veterans' Park	10:00 a.m.
30	Town Hall Closed in Observance of Memorial Day	

Reminder about our Fireworks

The Town's Fireworks Over the Bay will be held on **Friday, July 1, 2016** with a rain date of Sunday, July 3, 2016.

This event date has been changed to accommodate the weekend dates of the Independence Day Holiday for 2016.

And, something new and exciting is being planned for this event! Watch for more updates coming soon!! ■

JUNE

Day	Event/Location	Time
1	Call Twin Beaches Library for Summer Fun Schedule	
4	Railway Museum Begins Summer Weekend Only Hours	11:00 a.m. - 5 p.m.
6	Mayor's Night Out, Town Hall	7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
8	Planning and Zoning, Town Hall	7:00 p.m.
9	Railway Museum Opening Day, Summer Exhibit	1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
9	Railway Museum, Founder's Day & Friends Mtg.	
10	Water Park Beach Party (Adults Only), Tickets Online	7:00 - 10:00 p.m.
11	Beach Buc's Registration, NECC	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
13	Mayor's Open Door, Town Hall	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.
14	Railway Museum, Summer Bay Breeze Concert, FREE	7:30 - 9:30 p.m.
16	Town Council Meeting, Town Hall	7:00 p.m.
17	Water Park Opens Weekdays	11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
18	Moonlight Cruise - Rod 'N' Reel - "Miss Lizzy"	7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
18	Dragon Boat Races, North Beach Waterfront	9:00 a.m.
19	Water Park Celebrates Father's Day All Dads 1/2 price with paying child	11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
21	Water Park Resident Appreciation Day 1/2 price until 4 p.m., Free after 4 p.m.	11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
24	Water Park World's Largest Swim Lesson	9:30 a.m.
25	Beach Buc's Registration, NECC	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
27	Water Park Swim Lessons Begin (Session 1)	9:30 - 10:40 a.m.
27	Water Park Princess Character Day	12:00 - 3:00 p.m.
28	Water Park Resident Appreciation Day, 1/2 price until 4 p.m., Free after 4 p.m.	11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
30	Railway Museum Children's Summer Fun Program	10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

DISTINGUISHED YOUNG WOMEN SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



Congratulations to Natalee Bracey

During November's Town meeting, Mayor Bruce A. Wahl presents a proclamation to Natalee Bracey of 3333 Cannoncade Court for being among Calvert County's four winners to compete in the Distinguished Young Women Scholarship Program. ■

FROM THE MAYOR

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new waterfront crab house, 60 additional hotel rooms and a multi-story parking facility.

The image below is a rendering of the Harbor Vista South Apartments. This building will contain 58 luxury rental apartments with parking underneath. Tenants will have priority access to the Marina West slips.



A rendering of the Harbor Vista South Apartments.

I am confident that the addition of these two projects will enable the Town to maintain or reduce our property tax rate and utility rates. In fact, my proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2017 includes a \$0.01 tax rate reduction (to \$0.35 per \$100 of assessed value) and a \$0.05 reduction in both the water and sewer rates. Please join me in congratulating the Donovan family for their vision!

BUDGETS COMING UP

In accordance with the Town's Charter, the Town Staff and I have prepared the appropriate proposed FY 2017 budgets and presented them to the Town Council. These will be considered at the April 21 and May 19 Town Council meetings. There is nothing more important that the Council does than approve the spending and revenue plans for the Town each year. I strongly urge you to attend these meetings to see how your tax money is handled.

WRAPPING UP

I hope that you and your family enjoy a delightful spring and take advantage of all of the opportunities that Chesapeake Beach has to offer. Be safe and enjoy yourself!

Bruce Wahl

Mayor of the Town of Chesapeake Beach



Train Conductor John Riedesel and Janet Bates read *The Polar Express* to excited listeners at the Railway Museum.

Visit the Chesapeake Beach Railway Museum

Story by Hilary Dailey and Corrine E. Moore
Photography by Corrine E. Moore

The Chesapeake Beach Railway Museum (CBRM) enjoyed a lovely 2015 holiday season highlighted by two of our successful community events: the **Sweet Treat Express Workshop** in November, followed by our popular Dramatic Reading by Train Conductor John Riedesel of *The Polar Express* in December. Both of these events are always free and open to the public; so if you missed them this year, be sure to look for them when they come around again in the Chesapeake Beach calendar at the end of this year!

The 2016 Spring Museum events kicked off with our **Volunteer Training**

Workshop on Saturday, March 12th. The Railway Museum always welcomes new volunteers in a variety of positions including daily docents, special events and outreach. If you are interested, please contact the Museum at 410-257-3892.

April will begin with our annual **Heritage Tour on Saturday, April 2nd.** For a change of pace this year, the Heritage Tour will not involve a hike around our area, but instead will be a bus trip up to the B&O Railroad Museum in Baltimore to learn about railroading history in Maryland. To learn more about this exciting trip, please contact the Museum at



Visitors enjoy the trains at *The Polar Express* dramatic reading event at the Railway Museum.



Mike Sweeney ringing the bell at the Commemorative Farewell Ceremony.



Hilary Dailey at craft table during the CBRM Spring Family Fun Day.



Entertainer Paul Hadfield at the CBRM Spring Family Fun Day and with a participant.



Engineer John Riedesel checking bingo winners at CBRM's Spring Family Fun Day.

410-257-3892.

Next up will be our **Commemorative Farewell Ceremony on Sunday, April 10th** at precisely **11:46 a.m.** on the outside porch of the Railway Museum (FREE). This short ceremony followed by light refreshments commemorates the day that the last train left Chesapeake Beach forever back in 1935. The public is invited and welcome to join the staff and volunteers of the Museum as they dress in 1930s garb to remember the day in true vintage fashion! (All are welcome, vintage clothing optional.)

Spring continues into May with **National Train Day on Saturday, May 7th.** We will continue our tradition of celebrating this day with free crafts and games on the outside porch of the Railway Museum **from 1 to 4 p.m.** so grab

your children and come celebrate trains with us!

Lastly for spring, and always highly anticipated, our **Spring Family Fun Day** will be held on **Sunday, May 15th** this year **from 1 to 4 p.m.** at the Railway Museum. This FREE annual event will include a moon bounce, crafts, games, prizes, bingo and a show!

As summer rounds the bend, our first **Bay Breeze concert** this year will feature **The Blue Rhythm Boys** on the evening of **June 14th at 7:30 p.m.** The concert will be held on the outside porch of the Railway Museum, or in the Northeast Community Center in case of bad weather, and will be free and open to the public. Thank you for supporting your local Museum; we invite you to join us at our upcoming events! ■



Bay Front Park Spring Clean Up

Story by Pat "Irish" Mahoney
Town Council Vice-President

The annual Bay Front Park (Brownies Beach) Clean Up is scheduled for **Saturday, April 30.** The regulars begin arriving at 10 a.m. Participation time does stagger as we locals enjoy our weekends on "beach time." Some folks arrive a wee bit later in the morning, just as the early birds are completing their tour of duty.

The Town supplies water, gloves, bags and good comradery. Children participation is encouraged. We do not have a rain date as past experience has taught us that you all show up rain or shine. See ya there!!! ■



First Moonlight Cruise of the Season

Welcome Summer! Join us on **Saturday, June 18** as we cruise aboard the headboat "Miss Lizzy." The cruise leaves the dock at 7 p.m. and returns at 9 p.m. Tickets (\$32 per person) go on sale **April 1, 2016** on the Town website and will also be available in Town Hall. ■



Save the dates May 28-30, 2016 for the fifth annual Chesapeake Beach Stars & Stripes Festival! The fun and educational activities will focus on the American Civil War.

Chesapeake Beach Stars & Stripes Festival Honoring Our Fallen Heroes from the American Civil War

Story by Stephanie Zanelotti and Photography by Nancy Feuerle

The Chesapeake Beach Stars and Stripes Festival is celebrating its fifth annual festival by honoring our fallen heroes from the **American Civil War**. Memorial Day was borne out of the Civil War and a desire to honor our dead. It was officially proclaimed on May 5, 1868 by General John Logan who was the National Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic and first observed on May 30, 1868 when flowers were placed on the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery. There is still legislation open today to return Memorial Day to its original date of May 30 regardless of the day of the week.

Many activities are planned to increase awareness and education of this era. From the first shot upon Fort Sumter that began the war to the assassination of President Lincoln through the last surrender ending the war, we have events to help you experience what it was like to live during this time.

Saturday, May 28 at 10 a.m. is the **Opening Ceremony** at the Veterans' Memorial Park featuring guest speaker Dr. Bradley Godfried, President of the College of Southern Maryland who is a Civil War buff and will speak on the War events in Southern Maryland. Music will be performed by the United States Naval Academy Brass Quintet.

Sunday, May 29 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Kellam's Field is our **Family Fun Day** where you can experience educational and fun activities within the many tents along the field. The Main Stage will be home to musicians, dancers and storytellers. You will have the opportunity to listen to Civil War experts tell stories and share their knowledge through demonstrations as well as hear music and dance from the era. One living history demonstration will include a Civil War medical surgeon with actual equipment and medications used during the War. There will also be games from this era for children to

play and participate. You will even have a chance to listen to and meet President Lincoln.

Dr. Duke Thompson is a President Lincoln impersonator who tells the story of Abraham Lincoln through stories and music. Dr. Thompson has a Doctor of Music degree from Arizona State University and has studied at University of Maryland College Park, UMBS, Ithaca College, Columbia University in New York City, Peabody Conservatory, and Conservatoire d'Arts Americaine in Fontainebleau, France. Dr. Thompson has performed in Japan, Europe and North America. After discovering Lincoln's extraordinary bond with music, Dr. Thompson created the "Lincoln Lives through Stories and Music" program. Dr. Thompson also created a pro-



Dr. Duke Thompson as President Abraham Lincoln

Help Us Honor America's Military Heritage

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are actively seeking volunteers to support a living history encampment at Kellam's Field in Chesapeake Beach during the upcoming Memorial Day Weekend (May 28-30, 2016).

Living historians and re-enactor groups/organizations are needed to help us with educating the public on the Civil War era in our country's history.

Infantry, artillery, dismounted cavalry and all other period military impressionists, both Federal and Confederate, are invited to participate.

We are also looking for period musical performers, orators, authors and other portrayals of this era to join us.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact us at: sasz_cbsf@comcast.net ■

gram "Music for the Inner Self" which is now being used to help Veterans with PTSD.

Monday, May 30 at 10 a.m. the **American Legion Memorial Day Ceremony** will also include President Lincoln addressing the audience at the Veterans' Memorial Park.

Be sure to add the Festival to your Memorial Day activities. There will be something for everyone to learn and enjoy! Additional activities continue to be added to our schedule of events.

Let us not forget the true meaning of Memorial Day – to honor our fallen heroes. One way to do this is to also participate in the **National Moment of Silence on Monday, May 30 at 3 p.m.** No matter where you are, take a minute with your family and friends to honor our fallen heroes with a moment of silence.

We continue to seek volunteers to assist with our event as well as participants. To volunteer, contact Stephanie Zanelotti at sasz_cbsf@comcast.net. ■

LOCAL VOLUNTEER

Compassion is a Passion for CFC Campaign Manager

Story by Margaret Rankin and Photography by Nancy Feuerle

For Stephanie Zanelotti at the Census Bureau, working on the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) has been nothing less than a passion since 1999.

"I've met a lot of wonderful caring people who appreciate and acknowledge what we, as federal employees, do for the charities under the CFC," she says. "Being a part of CFC not only makes me feel good about myself but also makes me feel good about the outcome of our efforts of giving back to others."

As the Census Bureau's CFC campaign manager, Stephanie is coordinating all activities for the agency's 4,150 employees on her quest to raise \$596,000 during this year's campaign season, which runs from October to the end of December.

This means that, in addition to her regular duties as a disability program assistant, she spends three months of every year putting in double duty. The work starts in September, when Stephanie assembles her team of leaders from each of the agency's nine directorates. Together they then plan and hold the agency-wide kick-off rally in October, which is the official start of the agency's campaign, and gets employees thinking about donating.

The rally hosts speakers including the agency's director and deputy director, who outline goals and statistics while providing encouragement. Motivation and inspiration come from the union president and CFC charity representatives, and fun is figured in with a variety of door prizes.

The campaign goes on to feature two charity fairs, for which Stephanie invites charity representatives who speak to employees. For these, 30 charities line up along "Main Street," the walkway to the Census Bureau cafeteria, providing employees with information and giveaways.

Throughout the campaign, Stephanie works with various divisions on social media marketing, collects, reviews and enters all paper donations into the system, prepares deposits, maintains spreadsheets and updates her team continuously on their progress toward the goal.

Those who work with Stephanie on the campaign, both inside and outside the Census Bureau, say there's no one better to do what she does. Six-

teen years of work on the campaign have taught her all of its ins and outs. She easily pulls together a diverse group of participating charities, and she chooses "fantastic" locations for the Census Bureau's CFC events, says Jeff Brown, outreach and engagement manager in Client Engagement Solutions at America's Charities.

"She has a huge heart and actually cares about charities, donors and the campaign," Jeff says. "The CFC campaign is not just an additional task she has been assigned, but something she takes seriously because she knows it touches a great many people."

Stephanie started out working as an assistant to a previous CFC campaign manager, whose shoes she then stepped into upon that manager's retirement. Over the years she's gotten adept at giving advice, answering questions, and providing support to all keyworkers, coordinators, team leaders and employees. One of the inspirations to continue the work, Stephanie says, is the effectiveness of the campaign.

"It's one-stop shopping, you can search for all your favorite charities and donate to them all at the same time," she says. "You can donate to as many charities as you desire and have only one receipt to worry about for tax purposes. The designated charities also receive a percentage of the undesignated funds which are shared proportionately among all charities receiving a donation."

"CFC also reduces the cost to charities to solicit individually," she continues. "In the long run, CFC is more beneficial to the charities."

Above all else, Stephanie says, it's the campaign's compassionate approach that keeps her coming back year after year.

"Knowing a child will not go to bed hungry, an abandoned family pet finds a new home, a wounded warrior receives needed treatment, a rainforest is preserved or victims of natural disasters are housed, fed and clothed is why my passion grows for working on this worthwhile campaign." ■





Volunteers help prepare the mosquito repellent plant garden along the Railway Trail.



CBOCS's anniversary mug for its members.

The Chesapeake Beach Oyster Cultivation Society Turns Five!

Story by John Bacon and Photography by Nancy Feuerle, Melanie Crowder, John Bacon

On January 13, 2016, nine members celebrated CBOCS' 5th anniversary.

Several of those in attendance remember that cold day in January 2011 when the Chesapeake Beach Oyster Cultivation Society (CBOCS) was formed. Mayor Wahl, Keith Pardieck, Chris Judy from the Department of Natural Resources, Len Zuza from Southern Maryland Oyster Cultivation Society and John Farrington from Johnny Oysterseed, were all excited about us restoring the health of the Chesapeake Bay using oysters. Five years and 400,000 oysters later we are still fulfilling our primary mission.

Every year, 30 to 50 members gather to unload bags of oyster spat, load them into cages and move them under the Chesapeake Beach Railway Trail on Fishing Creek. A sample of spat is counted and recorded. After 11 months, those same volunteers come again to unload the cages and transfer the mature spat to the Old Rock Reef. The sample is again counted to determine the survivability rate. CBOCS has an above average rate of 70% plus, due to the protected, nutrient-loaded waters of Fishing Creek. To aid in



Volunteers transfer mature spat to the Old Rock Reef in the Chesapeake Bay.



5th graders from Beach Elementary sent in suggestions to name the new CBOCS boat. The *Bay Retriever* has been put to good use over the last few years by CBOCS members.



Visit the Oysterquarium at the first rest stop on the Trail from April to November to view the life cycle of an oyster.



The CBOCS community outreach includes demonstrations at local events.



Removal of the oyster cages was made easier by this special lifting frame.



The osprey platforms are just one of the many enhancements along the Railway Trail.

the removal of the cages from the creek, a special lifting frame (patent pending) was invented by Jay Berry, Superintendent of Public Works. This saves much time and many sore muscles. During this period, several members also house oysters on their piers along the creek.

CBOCS has added several parallel missions all centered on the oyster restoration of Fishing Creek/Chesapeake Beach Railway Trail enhancement.

The first and largest is the education of 5th grade students from many Calvert County schools. During the past four years, more than 3,000 students, teachers and chaperones have participated in an interactive field trip. The education of future generations will ensure the continuing restoration efforts for the Bay.

A second is the continued monitor-

ing of the water quality. This is to ensure proper nutrients are available for the oysters. In addition, government pollution guidelines are recorded. The results are very positive! Fishing Creek is an ideal location for growing oyster spat. The marsh surrounding the creek is an excellent filter of nitrates and phosphorus pollutants.

CBOCS continues to grow its outreach program in our community, meeting with civic, church, youth, library and museum groups. CBOCS makes approximately 10-15 group presentations each year including Town events and fairs. The group's effort continues to stimulate interest in the value of oysters.

Chesapeake Beach Railway Trail enhancement has taken many forms in the last three years. Osprey platforms, purple

martin house, and bat boxes attract birds and help to reduce the mosquito population. A flora guide with signs identifying all the trees and shrubs along the Trail helps visitors make decisions on future plantings around their homes. A mosquito repellent plant garden plus an associated brochure is available. Soon a pollinator garden and hotel along with a brochure will be installed to help restore the monarch butterfly population.

To demonstrate the entire life cycle and benefits of oysters, an Oysterquarium has been installed at the first rest stop on the Trail. This interactive display is available from April to November and used by all students and other groups during their educational field trips. A bulletin board will identify all the upcoming CBOCS events.

After five years, CBOCS is fulfilling many missions and continually expanding. You are invited to join this dynamic volunteer organization. Contact CBOCS at the Chesapeake Beach Town website. ■



Hot summer days are just around the corner. Our management staff at the Water Park is working hard to bring you a fun and exciting season.

Story by Laura Krick, Marketing Coordinator & Marilyn VanWagner, General Manager

We open on Saturday, May 28 and stay open until Labor Day Monday, September 5. However, as a reminder, we are only open on weekends while Calvert County Public Schools are still in session.

If you, or someone you know, may be interested in **Summer Employment** at the Water Park for the 2016 season, we would love to have you join our Team! Please visit our website at www.chesapeake-beachwaterpark.com and click on Employment. Choose the position you are interested in for details, complete the pre-application, and sign up for the position of your choice. Don't delay as the orientations for each position are already scheduled and are coming up very quickly.

2016 Season Passes are now available for advance purchase on our website at www.chesapeakebeachwaterpark.com. Purchase your Season Passes before the Water Park opens for the season! All those who pre-purchase Season Passes can avoid the



The Water Park is a safe, fun place for all to enjoy!

crowds and lines. We will open our front office early on the first two weekends of business from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. to have your photo taken and issue you your Season Pass. As a reminder, all Season Pass Holders will experience the following benefits:

- Advance to the front of the lines when you visit!
- 20% discounts on all food purchases.
- 20% discounts on all store merchandise.
- Attend Friday Night Slides at no extra charge.
- Attend all Adult Swim (ages 18 and over) at no extra charge.

- **NEW this season!** We are offering our refillable Logo Souvenir cups. For all Season Pass holders who purchase our Blue Cup, you will also receive a coupon book valued at over \$150! This can be bought on our website with the purchase of your Season Pass.

Many of our programs will return for the 2016 Summer Season due to popular demand. Included are the following:

Adult Swim is a program designed for adults only on Monday, Tuesday and Friday mornings before the Water Park opens for adults to exercise and enjoy a swim before the general public is allowed in.

Night Slides take place on Friday nights, July 8 thru August 12, 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Stay late and enjoy the Water Park slides at night! Fun and games for all ages!

Character Days are sure to bring thrills and enjoyment to you and your children. Our cast of characters this season will include members of the Star Wars family, Ice Princesses, Storybook Princesses, Super Heroes and many more! Visit our website



If you would like to become a lifeguard at the Water Park, please apply online today!

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and click on our 2016 Special Events calendar for dates.

Chesapeake Beach Resident Days will continue every Tuesday this season. Chesapeake Beach Residents are invited to visit the Water Park and enjoy **half-price admission** until 4 p.m., and **free admission** from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. This is our way of saying "Thank You" to all residents for your support over the years.

We will participate again this season in **The World's Largest Swim Lesson**. This event will be held on Friday, June 24 at 10:30 a.m. All interested participants will enter the pool at 10 a.m. This event is free, and all participating children and family members must pre-register on our website at www.chesapeakebeachwaterpark.com. This event is designed to help build awareness about the vital importance of teaching children to swim and to help prevent drowning. Learning to swim is a life-saving skill for children and a vital tool to prevent drowning, the second leading cause of unintended, injury-related deaths for children ages 1-14. On the morning of June 24, water parks and pools around the world that

are hosting this WLSL event will participate in this event together in an attempt to break this Guinness World Record.

We are now taking reservations for **Swim Lessons!** Children ages six months to 14 years old may register for these life-saving courses. We offer four different age-specific, 2-week sessions, which are held on Monday, Tuesday and Friday mornings. We are excited this season to announce a new swim lesson class, our **Junior Lifeguard program!** This class is designed for young teens, ages 11 to 14, who would like to explore the idea of being a lifeguard or who would just like to learn all of the lifesaving skills that are associated with becoming a lifeguard. Visit our website and click on Swim Lessons for details for each class level and to register your child for any of these valuable opportunities.

Does your child or special friend have a birthday to celebrate this summer? Why not have your **Birthday Celebration or Special Event** at the Chesapeake Beach Water Park? We host many parties each season and we would love to have your name on our special guest list! Birthday party

packages include your own exclusive shaded area as well as pizzas, sodas, and snow cones for your party attendees. Visit our website for more details and follow the link for a personal party coordinator to contact you to begin planning your celebration!

Mark your calendars and save the date for our **Water Park Beach Party!** Join us on Friday evening, June 10, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. for an Adult Only, fun evening under the stars! There will be no swimming, but we will all enjoy a night out with members of our community, and their guests, for Food, Music, and Fun! To purchase your tickets, please visit our website, starting April 1, and click on Beach Party. We hope to see you here!

Visit our website for more information about all the fun and exciting happenings at the Water Park for 2016. Join our **Facebook** page and "like" us so you can stay informed on our special happenings and up to the minute activities! Please see our Schedule of Events for all of the special days that we have planned for this season. We look forward to seeing you this summer at YOUR Water Park! ■

Guess What's Happening At the Calvert Library Twin Beaches Branch?

There's always something fun and interesting going on for all ages at the Calvert Library Twin Beaches Branch. Don't miss these fun events! Please let us know if you have any ideas or suggestions on what else you might be interested in learning more about. Call 410-257-2411 or stop by anytime to get updates on what's available at the library. Or visit our website at www.calvert.lib.md.us. Happy learning!

Children's Programs

Storytime

Meets in the Children's Area of the library Wednesdays and Saturdays. Registration is required. Continues through May!

WEDNESDAYS

- 9:15 – 9:35 a.m. Cuddle Up and Read to Me Storytime**
Designed for children birth to 24 months. Children are introduced to books and language through short stories, songs and more.
- 10 – 10:45 a.m. Family Storytime**
For children birth through 5 years old and for families with children of multiple ages. Enjoy stories, songs and flannel boards. Children will make a craft weekly.
- 11 – 11:30 a.m. 2-3 Year-Old Storytime**
Uniquely designed with 2 and 3 year-olds in mind. Children practice their listening skills, participate in group activities, and create a craft weekly.

- 1 – 1:45 p.m. Family Storytime**
For children birth through 5 years old and for families with children of multiple ages. Enjoy stories, songs and flannel boards. Children will make a craft weekly.

SATURDAYS

- 10 – 10:45 a.m. Family Storytime**
For children birth through 5 years old and for families with children of multiple ages. Enjoy stories, songs and flannel boards. Children will make a craft weekly.

School-Aged Children's Programs

Kids Just Want to Have Fun

An exciting hour filled with reading, discussion and projects. Themes change every session. Kids Just Want to Have Fun will be held from **6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.** on the **3rd Thursday** of every month. Designed for students in kindergarten through 3rd grade. Registration is required.

April 21 Jane Goodall **May 19** Spring

Code Name 4-5-6

4th – 6th grade students are invited to this series of events which uses plenty of hands-on activities to have fun with reading! Each month we will explore a new theme and introduce a great chapter book on the topic. No advanced preparation is needed and a snack will be provided. Registration is required. Meets the **first Thursday** of each month at **6:30 p.m.**

April 7
Isn't It Ironic?
May 5
Book Scavenger



Drop-in Computer Coding

Kids learn to code! **Every Thursday from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.**, kids are invited to drop by and learn computer coding! No registration required. Check-in with a librarian for your personal password.

Manga Otaku Creator's Night

Teen and tween otaku (fans of Japanese comics and anime) will develop the skills to draw and write their own comics! Artist/illustrator (and Calvert librarian) McNevin Hayes will guide you through the basics of visual storytelling for comics. Events are the **first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.** and registration is required.

Minecraft Nights

Teens and tweens are invited to the library afterhours to get together with friends and play Minecraft! Registration is required and space is limited. Each event is **5:30 – 7:00 p.m.**

April 8
May 13



Lego Mania

For kids from kindergarten to 5th grade. Come hear a story based on our theme and then build away! Legos supplied by the library. Meets the **2nd Thursday** of each month at **6:30 p.m.** and the **2nd Saturday** of each month at **2:30 p.m.**

April 14 & 16 – Planet Earth

May 12 & 14 – Sports

Family Programs

Summer Reading Kick-off

Celebrate the start of our annual summer reading program—"On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!" at **6:30 p.m.** at the Northeast Community Center. Stories, songs and a terrific obstacle course to get you moving! Co-sponsored by Calvert Library and Calvert County Parks and Recreation. Don't miss it!



Thursday, June 9

Adult Programs

Calvert Conversations

Come talk about local history ~ bring your questions, share your stories! Held in the library's living room. Meets the **2nd Thursday** of each month from **10:00 to 11:00 a.m.**

April 14 **May 12**

Book Discussions

No reading ahead! **From 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.**

April 11 – Adult Book Discussion will be "What have you read good lately?"
May 9 – All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr

FREE WIFI at the Library!



We are happy to teach everyone how to download **FREE** movies, magazines, music, and audio books to their phone or other device!



The Mobile Career Center

Stop by to get job counseling, resume help, search for jobs and get connected with Southern Maryland JobSource. This 38' mobile center features 11 computer workstations, smart board instructional technology, satellite internet access, exterior audio visual and broadcasting capabilities; state of the art workforce applications and connectivity for wireless mobile device access. Parked outside of the Twin Beaches Library from **1:00 to 4:00 p.m.** on the following days:

April 1 **May 6**

Chess Saturdays at the Library!

Chess enthusiasts or wannabe enthusiasts – please join us (with or without your own chess set) at the library on the **2nd Saturday** of each month from **10:00 a.m. to noon**. All ages and levels welcome! Chess sets available anytime – just ask!

Knit, Crochet & Portable Craft- ing

Open to anyone wanting to join in and share talents and fellowship or learn a new skill. **Monday afternoons** from **1:00 to 4:00 p.m.**

Happy St. Patrick's Day

Story by Pat "Irish" Mahoney
Town Council Vice-President

Hello Everybody, I wish each of you a belated happy and safe St. Paddy's Day from the Mayor and Town Council. I hope you tried to shop and celebrate locally be it the "wearing of the green" purchases at Beverly's Gift Shop, CVS and Roland's or maybe you tried some corned beef and cabbage at one of our local restaurants.

On March 17, the Mayor and Council was hard at work at your monthly Town meeting, but rest assured, I did have a foamy, green, adult beverage waiting for me later that evening!

I offer to each of you my father's favorite Irish blessing:

*"May your pockets
be heavy and your
hearts be light.
May good luck pursue
you each morning
and night!"*

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Animal Control 410-535-2800
 Beach Elementary 410-257-1512
 Northeast Community Center .. 410-257-2554
 Emergency 911
 Fire Dept. (non-emergency) ... 410-257-6564
 Library 410-257-2411
 Post Office 410-257-6180
 Railway Museum 410-257-3892
 Sheriff (non-emergency) 410-535-2800
 Town Hall 410-257-2230
 Town Hall 301-855-8398

Town Hall is now open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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WHAT'S NEW

Goodbye Chaney's. Hello Mamma Lucia!

Monday, February 29, 2016 marked the end of a legacy for Chaney's Restaurant located on Bayside Road. The 80-plus-year-old building was demolished, and a new restaurant will be constructed on the site. The Lubrano family purchased the property over a year ago, and it is here where they will open their third "Mamma Lucia" restaurant in Calvert County. We look forward to their grand opening and welcome them to Chesapeake Beach!

Chaney's, circa 1939. ▶
 Chaney's, circa 1965. ▼



The demolition of Chaney's. ▶

TRASH & RECYCLE

Location	Weekday	April	May	June
North Trash	Mondays	4, 11, 18, 25	2, 9, 16, 23, *31	6, 13, 20, 27
South Trash	Tuesdays	5, 12, 19, 26	3, 10, 17, 24	*1, 7, 14, 21, 28
North Recycle	Thursdays	14, 28	12, 26	2, 9, 16, 23, 30
South Recycle	Fridays	15, 29	13, 27	3, 10, 17, 24
Bagged Yard Waste	Every Other Wed.	6, 20	11, 25	8, 22

Special Note: Please put your trash and recycling out the night before your pick-up day, as the routes sometimes begin as early as 6 a.m. Thank you! *Change in schedule due to Holiday.