



# Shearwater Mark

Spring Issue, 2017

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We have several new neighbors here in Shearwater – WELCOME!

Kudos to the owners for the huge turnout for the Annual Meeting in April – participation with attendance, ballots and proxies was more than 74%!

The volunteers are working diligently on a number of projects around the community – regular maintenance items as well as improvement efforts identified during the Transformation Study done last year. The names of volunteers on the Board, committees, and special projects are presented below and on the next page...most of the progress made over the past months is due solely to their efforts.

For our new neighbors, please check out our website [www.shearwatercondos.com](http://www.shearwatercondos.com) – there's a great deal of information and several links on the home page that may be helpful to you. A description of what's on each page of the website is included in the New Resident Handbook.

Starting on page 2 is a brief update on the current projects here at Shearwater. Hope you all are enjoying the almost-summer weather on Spa Creek.



Lynn Maichle

Cheers!  
Lynn

## SHEARWATER VOLUNTEERS

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

President	Lynn Maichle
Vice President	Linda Bolling
Treasurer	Joy Ambrogio
Secretary	Don Baker
Directors	Maryan Cummins
Director	Phil Meredith
Director	Larry Birch
Volunteered	John Barker, Lisa Barker, Jim Jeffers, Mike LaFortune, Pam Mantica, John Schaake

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## COMMITTEES/SPECIAL PROJECTS

Marina	David Densmore, Phil Hatchard, Pam Mantica, Scott Ligon, Larry Birch
Pool	Tina Ligon, Susan Urbanc, Kathleen McInnis
Landscape	Cheri Hall, Sharon McInnis, Karen Van Evans, Maryan Cummins
Architecture	Linda Bolling, Barbara Britt
Social/Welcome	TBD
Newsletter	Marj Sparer
Building Captains	Linda Lawrence, Barbara Britt, Pam Mantica, Theresa Wellman, Marj Sparer, Carol Ashford, Ron Faulkner, Phil Hatchard, Maryan Cummins, Connie Cadwell



## TRANSFORMATION PROJECTS [per unit owner/realtor study done Nov2015-Feb2016—click [here](#) for more information]:

PROJECT NAME	VOLUNTEERS	PROJECT #
Front Gate	MMG	10
Mailboxes	Eric Petterson	1
Kayak Racks	[Marina Committee members]	12
Parking Area	Maryan Cummins & helpers	4, 7, 17, 26
Siding	MMG	16, 18
Lighting	Sharon Hobson, Larry Birch, John Schaake, Theresa Wellman	2, 6, 11
Landscaping	[Landscape Committee members]	3, 5, 8, 14, 20
Signage	Mike LaFortune, Joy Ambrogio, Ed Ambrogio	15
Front Doors	[Architecture Committee members]	21
Onsite Person	Scott Ligon, Larry Birch, Phil Meredith	23, 24, 28
Racquetball Bldg	TBD	9
Oyster Shell Paths	TBD	22
Grilling Area	TBD	25

6	Completed	16	In Progress	3	Pending
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## Ongoing Projects Update

**Property Survey:** We are currently having a full survey of the Shearwater Property done by Terrain. This will enable us to move ahead with the kayak rack replacement, clarify boundaries with neighboring homes, and hopefully extend our fences in a couple of key areas.

**Main Drain Cleaning:** Thanks to the collaboration of unit owners, MMG, and Scardina, we achieved a 95% success rate in the main drain cleanout this month! Home owners who were not available will be billed for the clean-out of their drains.

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**Tree Maintenance:** MMG has contracted with Davey Tree for removal of dead limbs and trees; they will begin work as soon as they obtain the permit.

**Main Gate:** We have received a proposal for biannual maintenance of the front gate. The goal is to correct the periodic “freezing open” of the gate, as well as prolong the life.

**Pest Extermination:** Bait stations have placed throughout the community for termites and rodents; additional measures will be taken for carpenter bees based on the request made at the May condo meeting.

**Siding Repairs:** Repairs to building siding and the bottom course of siding around building entrance areas will begin at the end of May. This project will include repairs, replacement, priming and painting as needed.

**Building Sconce Replacement:** The Lighting Committee and MMG have sent an RFQ to 8 lighting contractors, asking them to bid on replacing all the building sconces (front and back) in Phase I of the lighting project. Bids will be reviewed next month and a recommendation presented to the Board.



**Front Door Painting:** As noted in the [‘Duty to Maintain’ amendment](#) to the Shearwater By-Laws (found in the Condo Documents section of the [Metropolitan Management page](#) on the website), unit owners are responsible for painting their front doors. Many owners have done this already, using the paint specifications in the Architectural Guidelines on the website. For owners who would prefer to participate in a bulk rate, MMG will obtain bids from contractors and will send out the information to all owners once they have Board approval.

**2017 Parking Stickers:** New parking stickers have been received and sent out to residents who provided their information. Approximately 40% of the owners remain outstanding. If you haven’t received a form, send an email to MMG to request one. If you have a form but haven’t sent it in, please fill it out, scan it or take a photo, and send it ASAP to [info@metropolitanmgmt.com](mailto:info@metropolitanmgmt.com).

## Committee Reports

### TREASURER’S REPORT—Joy Ambrogio

#### Snapshot (As of end April 2017)

YTD Operating Income.....0.5% over	Replacement Reserve Balance..... \$787,584
YTD Expenses.....9.1% over	Painting Reserve Balance.....\$102,212
Net Income.....(\$29,746) under * Insurance Claims offset not included (see notes on page 4)	Total Reserves..... \$889,796 ** Based on Draft 2016 Audit (see notes on page 4)

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## Treasurer's Report Notes

### Year-to-Date Operating Income:

- Operating income is running very slightly above target (0.5% above budget). Bicycle fees will be billed shortly.
- Unit Assessment revenue is on target.
- Guest & Late Fees remain higher than expected, which we expect to continue through the entire year.



### Year-to-Date Expenses:

- Overall expenses are running 9.1% over budget primarily due to Maintenance costs and Insurance Premiums. These expenses do not include the offset of Insurance Claims offset.
  - ◇ **\*Insurance Claims (\$20K)** are over budget due to claims processed which have not been reimbursed. Part of this overrun will be offset. **MMG is awaiting on confirmation from insurance agents on determining the offset and the loss runs effect. We are expecting an offset of \$7K - \$12K.**
  - ◇ Insurance premiums are (\$24.1K) over budget YTD. This is due to significant increase in insurance premiums over anticipated costs when our historical carrier no longer covered multi-family dwellings and we switched carriers.
  - ◇ Flood Insurance is \$29.9K under YTD budget primarily due to timing.
  - ◇ General Maintenance is running over YTD budget (\$24.9K). The majority of the overage is due to the volume of work orders and water leaks from the outside. We are continuing the focus on proactive association and unit owner maintenance (e.g., building and unit condensate line cleaning).
  - ◇ Scheduled Maintenance is \$5.2K over budget due to an unanticipated increase in gutter cleaning costs as well as costs for main drain clean-out not budgeted for.
  - ◇ Telephone is running over budget by \$2.9K which will be corrected in May. Electricity & Cable TV are slightly over budget due to price increases; Water & Sewer charges are running below budget due to invoice timing.
  - ◇ Landscaping is \$6.3K under YTD budget due to holding off on any expenses while acclimating the new company.
  - ◇ Tree maintenance is \$4.12K under budget due to timing. The new contract is in place for work this fiscal year.
  - ◇ Marina repairs are \$4K over YTD budget due to recent power washing costs not budgeted for but needed this year.

### Other Accounting Comments:

- Two long standing collection accounts are anticipated to be resolved with negotiated settlements payable to Shearwater. These are anticipated to occur this fiscal year.

### Reserve Funds:

- **\*\*Reserve Balances** presented are based on the draft audit for 2016. I reviewed with MMG using the balances draft fund balance from the 2016 audit, income received and expenditures. MMG expects the final numbers, once minor auditor adjustments are completed, will be within \$15K of this balance. MMG will make the necessary adjustments in May, and these will be reflected in our next report.
- Contributions to both the Replacement and the Painting Reserves remain on target. The reserves payback plan is also on schedule.
- Reserve expenses for several of the Transformation Projects (the new mailboxes, parking area improvements and timber replacements) were incurred this fiscal year.

## MARINA REPORT—David Densmore

**Waterfront Reconstruction Project:** The Shearwater Board has approved an additional, more detailed follow-up assessment of the condition of our bulkheads, especially those in front of Buildings 15 and 16. This information will supplement the results of the marina-wide survey conducted last year, and will provide the basis for a final scope of work for waterfront/bulkhead reconstruction. The project may also include some dock rehabilitation and dredging, and is expected to be completed in 2019-20.



**Kayak Rack:** We remain hopeful that a new kayak rack can be completed this year. Despite an increase in storage capacity, however, we will never have room for everyone. Accordingly, we are once again appealing to those currently occupying the rack to consider whether continuing to pay for storage of your unused kayak is a sound investment! If you have been thinking the same thing, but don't want to go to the trouble of selling or otherwise disposing of your kayak, please let us know - we may be able to help find a new home for that old boat. And for those of you on the waiting list, please consider adoption! Contact your Dockmaster (410.268.1539 or [curlaw149@gmail.com](mailto:curlaw149@gmail.com)) if either of these options appeals to you.

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## POOL REPORT—Tina Ligon

The 2017 summer pool season is upon us, and the Shearwater Pool is ready! Opening Day is Saturday, May 27th. Pool hours are 11 AM to 8 PM on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays; 11 AM to 7 PM, Monday through Friday. Our new lifeguard is Christina - please introduce yourself and welcome her to our community!

The tentative Party Schedule for this season is as follows:

- Memorial Day Hot Dogs and Root Beer Floats - May 29, 11 AM to 3 PM
- Cool Pool Catered BBQ - June 24th, 5 PM until ???
- July Happy Hour - July 15th, 5 PM
- August Happy Hour - August 12th, 5 PM
- Labor Day Grill Out/Pot Luck - September 4th, 12 noon until ???
- Final Day Pooch/Pet Plunge – September 10th, pets allowed to swim at 4:30 until closing



Please check your mailbox Notice Board for up-to-date information on pool activities!

Here is a reminder of our pool rules:

- Complete the "Sign In" information every time you visit the pool.
- Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult.
- Children ages 8 to 11 must either pass the swim test given by the lifeguard OR be accompanied by a person at least 16 years of age.
- Children 12 and over are allowed alone at the pool provided they show proficient swimming skills and understand and obey pool rules.
- Babies must wear swim diapers/protective diaper covering, so as not to contaminate the pool.
- Be considerate when using the Bath House - always be tidy and leave it in good condition for the next person to use!
- NO diving, pets, glass bottles/containers, rough housing, or excessive noise are allowed in the pool or immediate pool deck.
- Lifeguard has complete authority to enforce pool rules and can call for a 10-15 minute adult swim at any time.
- Private parties may be scheduled outside of pool hours - please contact Tina Ligon ([ligontina@gmail.com](mailto:ligontina@gmail.com), 410.212.9597) for information.



Join us for Memorial Day Hot Dogs and Root Beer Floats - bring any snack you might wish to share, along with any other beverage of your choice - see you there!





## Car Safety

**PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE** for everyone's sake lock your car and leave nothing visible in the vehicle!

Any time a car is left unlocked, or a wallet, laptop, backpack, purse, etc. is left on the seat, it is an open invitation to thieves – and increases the risk of theft for the whole community. And, if you are leaving your car in the community while you are away, as a courtesy to your neighbors, please park it further away from the buildings (e.g., in front of the racquetball court or the roadway leading up to the circle).

The Annapolis Police Department's **Watch Your Car Program** helps prevent vehicle theft. A small sticker will be placed on your rear window. This sticker alerts officers nationwide that your vehicle is not normally driven between 1-5 AM. The vehicle may be stopped to verify ownership. For more information about the program contact the APD at [police@annapolis.gov](mailto:police@annapolis.gov).

## Trash

The situation at the dumpsters is improving (thank you to everyone who is helping with this!), but there are still a few people out there who seem to have forgotten the rules! **PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE:**

- ALWAYS break down boxes before putting them into the recycle dumpster; never put them in full.
- NEVER put a box into the regular dumpster.
- NO construction materials – tell your contractors to take OFFSITE any items left over from your repairs or remodeling.
- NO furniture or large objects that won't fit – take them to the dump or contact the City for a bulk pickup.
- NO items on the ground – if the dumpster is full, wait until after the Tuesday morning pickup.



## Volunteers

We still need volunteers (ideally, committees of three or more people) for three specific Transformation Projects:

- **RB Building:** Investigate community interest in possible repair/renovate/repurpose of the racquetball building.
- **Paths:** Investigate options for redoing or replacing the oyster shell paths.
- **Grilling Areas:** Investigate community interest in and possible options for community grilling areas.



And we're always glad to have additional members join existing committees (see page 2 for a list of these—contact any member of the committee if you need more information)!

If you like collaborating with interesting people, helping to improve our community, and continuing to raise our property values, please join in!



## New Residents

Please familiarize yourself with the information in the [New Resident Handbook](#) (the permanent link is on the home page of our website [www.shearwatercondos.com](http://www.shearwatercondos.com)). This will save you time and significant aggravation! If you find any information that is incorrect, or have a question that this handbook does not answer, please send an email to Lynn Maichle at [lmaichle@gmail.com](mailto:lmaichle@gmail.com).

## Our Newly Cleaned Drains

Now that all the drains have been maintained and are clear, let's try to keep them that way! Did you know there are **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!]

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



Some tips from **Scardina** and the pros at [applewoodfixit.com](http://applewoodfixit.com) to keep your drains running smoothly!

**Ditch the Grease** – Use Dawn dishwashing liquid, or another liquid that has “grease cutting” on the label. Bring a big pot of water to a rapid boil; add 1 tablespoon of dish liquid directly into your drain and pour the boiling water into the drain, a little at a time. The detergent helps dissolve the grease, and the boiling water will melt and carry it away. If build-up is substantial, repeat 2-3 times.

**Maintain Your Sink** – From time to time pour a little bleach into the sink. Let it sit overnight or for at least an hour before you run water down the drain again - OR - flush periodically with baking soda & vinegar. Sprinkle ¼ cup of baking soda into the drain, then ½ C of white vinegar. Allow to sit and bubble for about 30 seconds, then run the disposal and flush for a few minutes with cold water.

**Do-It-Yourself** – Bathroom sinks and tubs usually become slow for different reasons than kitchen sinks, so pour 1-2 tablespoons of salt into your bathroom drain followed by ¼ cup of plain white vinegar and let sit for an hour, then run HOT water to flush out all of the loosened substances. For best results do this a 2nd time.

**Cleaners** – DO NOT use Drano to clean your drains; it eats the pipes. DO use GLUG crystals or liquid (available at Walmart) and follow the directions on the container.

**Use Hot Water Wisely** – Simply putting hot water down your kitchen and bathroom sink drains at least weekly can help keep them clean and clear.

**Use Cold Water Wisely** – Conversely, when running your garbage disposal, run large amounts of COLD water down the drain. It will keep oils and grease in a solid state so they can be broken up by the disposal, rather than melting and coating your drain. Only use hot water after you have already run the disposal to help remove any grease deposits.

# Shearwater Grows Oysters!—by Scott Ligon

With the many new owners and residents at Shearwater, I thought it would be helpful to give some history on our participation in the [Marylanders Grow Oysters Program](#) (MGO).

Why all the effort to grow oysters??? They are the primary source of water filtration in the Chesapeake Bay. Take a bucket of Spa Creek water, drop a few oysters in it and see how much cleaner it is at the end of just one day (e.g., check out this [Oyster Recovery Partnership video](#))! A few factoids from the Chesapeake Bay Foundation:

- Oyster population has DECLINED by 92% since 1980
- ONE acre of oysters can filter 40 million gallons/day
- In the summer 2014, the 30 tributaries in the MGO program planted over 2 million oysters
- Female oysters can produce about 100 million eggs each year
- Oysters filtered all Bay waters in 3.3 days in pre-colonial times, but now it takes over a year to filter the Bay

This summer, over 2 million oysters will be planted in chartered sanctuary areas by the volunteer growers in the MGO Program. Back in September, approximately 7,500 cages suspended under private docks were stocked with donated spat to prepare for this summer's plantings. The spat, approximately the size of a pencil tip, are seeded in the fall onto shucked oyster shells collected from Bay area restaurants by the Chesapeake Bay Foundation and funded by a long-term donation. By the following June, the spat will have grown to about the size of a silver dollar (see picture of Shearwater spat, at right).



The Marylanders Grow Oysters Program began in 2009 in the [Tred Avon River](#), but is now active with over 5,000 volunteer "Oyster Growers" in 30 different rivers, creeks, and coves; since 2010, including Shearwater, Spa Creek, and the Severn River. The goal? To protect the young oysters during their vulnerable first year, so they may be planted on local sanctuaries where the oysters can enrich the ecosystem and the oyster population.

Marylanders Grow Oysters is managed by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) in conjunction with the Oyster Recovery Partnership, the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, and local organizations. Maryland Department of Public Safety and Corrections inmates build the cages for the program and the Severn River Association (SRA) leads the MGO Program on the Severn River.

In 2010, the SRA worked with the DNR and the Army Corps of Engineers (ACE) to select a location in the Severn River suitable to plant the oysters raised by our growers. The ACE had placed old concrete bridge sections in several areas between the Routes 50 and 450 bridges. One of these was designated the SRA Oyster Sanctuary. The first planting was held June 5, 2010 when over 20 boats arrived with oyster spat and volunteers placed them on the Sanctuary - the Severn River Watershed now has the largest number of volunteer Oyster Growers in the program. Each year the DNR and USNA divers examine the oyster reefs and take samples for health and growth monitoring.

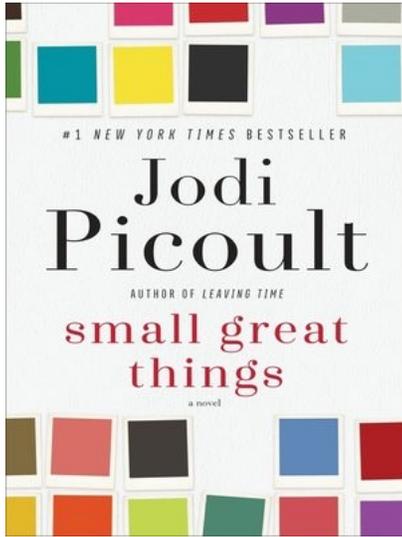


Shearwater is going into our eighth year as volunteer Oyster Growers. We kept about a dozen of our original oyster spat from 2010 and by the Fall 2016 they had grown to this fully mature size (picture, at left)! We always have lots of baby crabs in the cages in the spring as well - sometimes they stay a bit too long and have to wait for us to let them out (picture, at right)!

**Don Baker** serves as "Chief Oyster Caretaker" of our 12 cages - Thank You, Don!!!



## 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 2017 include: ***Salem Falls, Our Souls at Night, Commonwealth, Wilde Lake, Bad Ass Librarians of Timbuktu, Small Great Things, 100 Year Old Man, Behind the Beautiful Forevers, and A Man Called Ove***, so we find something for everyone. Our next meeting is Thursday, June 22nd - 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).



# Chesapeake Bay News



Spa Creek  
CONSERVANCY



The [Spa Creek Conservancy](#) (SCC) recently announced that 11 Anne Arundel County environmental nonprofits are collaborating on a new, 24-hour online fundraising initiative, called **GreenGive**, designed to both raise funds and expand residents' and businesses' engagement with local environmental organizations, issues, projects and actions. It's the first time multiple environmental nonprofits have collaborated on such an event. **GreenGive** is scheduled to start on Monday, June 12th, at 5 PM and run through Tuesday, June 13th, at 5 PM. A **GreenGive Live Kick-off Party** is scheduled for **Monday, June 12th, 5:30-7:30 PM** at Historic London Town & Gardens in Edgewater. [Registration](#) is requested.



News announced by the [Chesapeake Bay Trust](#) includes:

**It's time to get your camera out!** The Maryland Department of Natural Resources is accepting entries for its annual photo contest now through **August 31st**. Photographers – from novice to professional – can enter online or by mail for the chance to win cash and other prizes. Click [here](#) for more information.

**Spring is a great time to get outdoors and experience the Chesapeake.** Hike one of the [12 best hiking spots in Maryland](#), take a ferry to Smith Island or paddle on one of the Chesapeake's scenic rivers. Click [here](#) to plan your next Maryland outdoor adventure.

**Car dealerships in Maryland want to help improve the Chesapeake.** On April 1st, over 130 dealerships in Maryland signed up to participate in the Trust's Just Ask! Bay Plate contest. For more information about the contest, click [here](#).

**8 Outings that Aren't Taxing on the Environment.** Looking for ideas that won't hurt the environment – then check out [this CBT article!](#)



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Dear Neighbors:

April 2017

It's official—the 437th Maryland General Assembly has come to an end. The environmental community has reason to celebrate following a session that set the stage for more progress towards clean water! **We couldn't have accomplished so much this session without your dedication and support—thank you for persistently championing clean water and fighting to protect the Bay's wildlife!**

This session was all about standing up for some of the watershed's best natural filters for pollution—oysters and trees. **The Oyster Sanctuary Bill (HB924)** passed through the House and the Senate with bipartisan support, reinforcing the importance of oysters to the Chesapeake Bay. Acknowledging oysters as an incredible public resource, this bill prevents the alteration of existing oyster sanctuary boundaries until the ongoing study of the oyster population is complete in 2018. The assessment will provide information on the value of oyster sanctuaries and ensure that Maryland is making decisions about where we can harvest oysters based on science. More than 3,600 CBF members like you wrote to legislators urging them to stand up for oyster sanctuaries by supporting this bill. **Thank you so much for all of your hard work to get this bill passed!** [Learn more about what we accomplished.](#)

Even with this incredible victory, we still have more work to do. Our **Forest Conservation Bill (HB599/SB365)**—our biggest pre-session priority—stalled in the House Environment and Transportation Committee. Though this is a disappointment, we are encouraged by the strong leadership we saw in the Senate on this issue, and we're looking forward to continuing the fight for forests next year. As we look ahead, we remain committed to protecting one of the Chesapeake Bay's most precious natural filters—our trees.

Although we did not succeed in getting a stronger Forest Conservation Act statewide, the General Assembly did pass legislation (SB29/HB617) clarifying that local governments who want to protect and replace more trees can do so. This legislation was a result of CBF's work with local governments, and since the bill's passage, the City of Annapolis has already enacted a local law to replace trees lost to development!

Here are a few more notable highlights from this exciting session:

- **The Fracking Ban (HB1325/SB740) passed** with overwhelming bipartisan support and has already been signed into law by the Governor! Maryland is now the third state in the country to ban fracking, ensuring that Maryland's precious natural resources remain protected.
- **The budget passed by both chambers includes funding for several environmental programs that play key roles in Chesapeake Bay restoration.**
- **The House and Senate both passed Resolutions opposing cuts in federal funding to the Chesapeake Bay restoration efforts.**

[Click here to see a more detailed breakdown of the legislation we followed this session.](#)

This hard work on the state level is critical. But with a proposed federal budget that eliminates funding for EPA's Chesapeake Bay Program, the end of legislative session is not a signal to slow down the fight to protect the Bay. We must continue to reach out to legislators to urge them to stand up for this program critical to the Bay's recovery. [Here are five important advocacy actions you can take right now.](#)

**Thank you for everything you did this session to help Save the Bay and keep clean water front and center in the legislature!**



Alison Prost  
Maryland Executive Director, Chesapeake Bay Foundation

# Celebrating the ANNAPOLIS LIFESTYLE

**May 2017**

Hello Shearwater Neighbors,

*"With Each Day Going By Hope is Reborn, Dreams Come True and a Little Step is Taken Toward Happiness. May this May be Unbelievably Exceptional, Amazingly Colorful and Filled with Joy, Laughter and Love."*

*--Anonymous*

You can really be of help to me and any of your friends, relatives or business associates who want a home and are in search of a professional Realtor they can trust. It's a Great time to Buy a condo in Shearwater. Always my pleasure and honor to keep you informed about our neighborhood.

<u>Active Properties for Sale</u>	<u>List Price</u>		<u>Days on Market</u>
15-A3 2 Bedroom w/ 15ft ceilings	\$498,000		49
<u>Sold Properties</u>	<u>List Price</u>	<u>Sold Price</u>	<u>Days on Market</u>
1-B3 2 Bedroom Penthouse w/ cathedral ceilings	\$524,900	\$519,900	4
2-B3 2 Bedroom, Top floor condo	\$515,000	\$480,000	28
13-A1 1 Bedroom, Entrance level condo, Deeded Slip	\$435,000	\$400,000	18
11-A2 1 Bedroom, Large end unit	\$367,500	\$350,000	258
12-A 2 Bedroom, 2 Deeded Slips, Terrance	\$635,000	\$625,000	23
15-B3 2 Bedroom, Deeded Slip, renovated top to bottom	\$635,000	\$635,000	Listed and Sold simultaneously



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# 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. And for Facebook users, the [events section](#) at [Eye on Annapolis](#) is another great source of fun things to do in our area!

For Anne Arundel County News and Events, visit <http://www.aacounty.org/news-and-events/>. The [Eastport Civic Association website](#) also provides news and information and will hold their **ECA Annual Picnic** on **August 24th, 6 PM**, Mears Marina Gazebo, 519 Chester Avenue.

Check out the [Annapolis Recreation & Parks Department website](#) for information on ARPD events, to view the [Spring 2017](#) program guide, to find a fitness class, or to register for classes!



The **12th Annual Eastport Home and Garden Tour** will take place on **Sunday, June 11th** from 1-5 PM. ECA needs volunteers for writers, marketing coordinators, ad sales, ambassadors, docents and a whole lot more for the Home and Garden Tour. Get to know your community and have fun with your neighbors. Contact [Holly Foster](#) for more information.

The **3rd Annual Anchors Aweigh Spring Cruise**, a fundraising event hosted by the 21st Century Education Foundation to support programs and activities that enhance instruction from birth through grade 12 in Anne Arundel County Public Schools, will be held on **Tuesday, June 20th** aboard the beautiful Watermark's Cabaret II from 5-7 PM. Tickets are \$150 and include catered gourmet appetizers, house open bar, and the opportunity to meet Dr. George Arlotto, Superintendent of Schools, and members of his Executive Team. Click [here](#) to purchase tickets or a sponsorship!



Visit <http://visitannapolis.org/> for more activities in Annapolis!

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

**St. John's College** - Visit <http://stjohnscollege.edu/events/> for Events and Programs, including concerts, lectures, seminars, and exhibits.

**Annapolis Symphony Orchestra** - Visit [annapolissymphony.org](http://annapolissymphony.org) for this season's schedule and information.

**Compass Rose Studio Theater** - 49 Spa Road, Annapolis, 410.980.6662, [www.compasrosetheater.org](http://www.compasrosetheater.org)

**Colonial Players of Annapolis** - 108 East Street, Annapolis, 410.268.7373 [www.thecolonialplayers.org](http://www.thecolonialplayers.org)

**Annapolis Summer Garden Theater** - 143 Compromise Street, Annapolis, <http://www.summergarden.com>

**King William's Players, St. John's College's Theater Troupe** - Francis Scott Key Auditorium, <http://www.stjohnscollege.edu/events/AN/theater>

**Children's Theatre of Annapolis** - 1661 Bay Head Road, Annapolis, 410.757.2281, <http://childrenstheatrefannapolis.org>

## Quiet Waters Park Summer Concerts



The [Friends of Quiet Waters Park](#) have announced the schedule for the Park's upcoming Summer Concert Series:

- 7/8, Fractal Cat (Psychedelic Rock), 6 PM
- 7/15, Sweet Leda (Rock), 6 PM
- 7/22, Georgia Lea & Stone Cold Country (Country), 6 PM
- 7/29, Great Train Robbery (Southern Rock), 6 PM
- 8/5, Kelly Bell Band (Phat Blues), 6 PM
- 8/12, US Naval Academy Superintendent's Combo (Jazz) 6:30 PM
- 8/19, Mystic Warriors (Andean New Age), 5:30 PM
- 8/26, Ken Staton & His Legendary James Brown Revue (R&B), 5:30 PM
- 9/3, Annapolis Symphony Orchestra, 5:30 PM

Did you know the Friends of Quiet Waters Park with support from the Anne Arundel County Department of Recreation and Parks, pay for the annual summer concert series open to the community free of charge? Interested in donating a raffle item to help the Friends raise money to help pay for the concert series? Raffle donor names will be announced from the stage during the intermission period. If you are interested in donating an item, please contact the FQWP at [newsletter@fqwp.org](mailto:newsletter@fqwp.org).



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