



# Shearwater Mark

## Fall Issue, 2017

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Greetings Shearwater residents! I hope you all have had a very Happy Thanksgiving with your loved ones, and are looking forward to the holidays.

These have been a busy few months at Shearwater. We celebrated the end of the summer in September at the pool with our traditional Labor Day and Pooch Plunge parties. Terrain has finally completed the remaining section of the property survey, so we're able to move ahead to resolve pending questions with a few of our neighbors about landscaping and fences. A number of projects around the community have been near completion for several weeks, and many of the local contractors seem to be extremely busy. It takes multiple requests from our management company to get them back to finish the work.

It's been a pleasure to meet some of you newer residents around the community, and to see you at the condo meetings. As you can see from the information in this newsletter, there are a number of activities in Shearwater and around Annapolis to choose from – feel free to join in!

Committees & Projects: We have a number of ongoing projects. A brief update on these is included on Pages 3&4, and our committees and the wonderful volunteers helping out with these projects are noted on Page 2. If you would like to assist with any of these activities, please contact me or someone on the committee.

This morning, the sky is a sunny, cloudless blue, and Spa Creek is calm enough for a reflection of the fall color across the way - perfect for taking this picture! Wishing you all a festive holiday season with friends and family.

Cheers!  
Lynn



Lynn Maichle



# SHEARWATER VOLUNTEERS



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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## COMMITTEES/SPECIAL PROJECTS

Marina	David Densmore, Phil Hatchard, Pam Mantica, Larry Birch
Pool	Susan Urbanc, Kathleen McInnis
Landscape	Cheri Hall, Sharon McInnis, Karen Van Evans, Maryan Cummins
Architecture	Barbara Britt, Linda Bolling
Social/Welcome	Mike LaFortune
Newsletter	Marj Sparer
Oyster Restoration	Don Baker
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]:

PROJECT NAME	VOLUNTEERS	PROJ. #	STATUS
Front Gate	MMG	10	C
Mailboxes	Eric Petterson	1	C
Kayak Racks	[Marina Committee members]	12	IP
Parking Area	Maryan Cummins & helpers	4, 7, 17, 26	C
Siding	MMG	16, 18	95%
Lighting	Sharon Hobson, Larry Birch, John Schaaque, Theresa Wellman	2, 6, 11	IP
Landscaping	[Landscaping Committee members]	3, 5, 8, 14, 20	IP
Signage	Joy Ambrogio, Ed Ambrogio	15	50%
Front Doors	[Architecture Committee members]	21	90%
Onsite Person	John Barker, Phil Hatchard, Larry Birch	23, 24, 28	IP
Racquetball Building	Larry Birch, Marj Sparer, Don Baker	9	IP
Consistent Maintenance Schedule	MMG	29	IP
Power-washing Timbers/Decks	MMG	19	IP
Oyster Shell Paths	TBD	22	
Grilling Area	TBD	25	

9	Completed	14	In Progress	6	Nearly Completed	2	Pending
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## Ongoing Projects Update

**Property Survey:** Terrain has completed the full property survey. Plans for the kayak rack replacement are being updated and communication with neighboring property owners is underway.



**Deck Inspections:** MMG has received the report from Becht Engineering; 9 decks have structural issues and will need to be replaced in the next phase of the deck project. As with the previous large deck project, some boards have also been identified for replacement.

**Tree Maintenance & Removal:** The tree budget for this fiscal year has been used to remove large dead trees & limbs that were identified earlier in the season. The Landscape Committee is awaiting approved Buffer Management Plans from the City Planning Department and once they're approved will schedule replacement in the spring. Remaining work is being prioritized.

**Siding Repairs:** The remaining 5% of the siding work requires scaffolding for safe access due to the height, and the contractor has been unresponsive for scheduling. So this work has been combined with the scope of work for this year's gutter cleaning and bids are being solicited.



**Building Light Sconce Replacement:** On October 25th, the Board approved the recommendation of the Lighting Committee & MMG to select Walter Electric to replace the existing building lights (front and back). The sconces have been ordered and work will begin once they're received.

**Deck Power-washing:** In order to prolong the life of the decks, enhance the overall appearance of the community, and reduce the cost of deck replacements, all decks, beams and posts need to be power-washed and sealed every two (2) years. MMG is putting together a bulk project to help ensure that this cleaning is done consistently throughout the community.

**Main Drain Cleaning:** Scardina completed all but 3 of the unit kitchen drains; possibly due to staff changes, they have not been responsive to requests to complete the work. MMG is getting bids from other plumbers to complete this and other drain-cleaning work.

**Towing Company:** Top Notch Towing is now providing services to Shearwater; the sign at the entrance has been replaced. Please make sure (1) all resident cars have stickers visible in the back window above the trunk on the driver's side, and park in resident spaces; (2) all guest cars park in guest spaces; (3) all overnight guests have a guest hang tag on the rear view mirror.



**Oyster Restoration:** With Scott Ligon's leaving, Don Baker could use a hand to help out periodically with the oyster nursery project. If you're interested in helping, or in accordion lessons, please contact Don at [jazzyjoedon@mac.com](mailto:jazzyjoedon@mac.com).



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**Shearwater Work Orders:** Periodically we do a review of the work orders to identify trends and turnaround time. Compared to 2016, the number of work orders dropped 25% this year. In 2017, the greatest number of work orders have been for:

- Electric/lighting issues – this is the top issue every year, partly due to the number of bulbs that require replacing, and partly due to the age of our light fixtures
- Water/leaks – this has been in the top 3 in two out of the last four years
- Repairs – work orders in this category have been relatively constant in three out of the last four years

Categories that have been decreasing:

- Roof/gutters/spouts: a marked decrease (possibly due to the repairs conducted as part of the gutter cleaning project last year)
- Maintenance: almost a third lower than last year
- Wood work/siding: almost half of last year (possibly due to the siding and landscaping timbers projects)

All other categories are low (1-4%) and fairly constant over the past four years. The initial amount of time for closing a work order this year is 31 days, which is less than half of what it was in 2016. However, turnaround time has been and still is way too long. There was a delay in receiving the closed work order reports for August-September-October, so this number will be updated after they're reviewed.

## Other Shearwater Updates

### FIRE SAFETY

Many of you have heard about the disastrous fire that destroyed an entire building over at Severn House. A total of 23 units were destroyed or condemned. Thankfully, no lives were lost, but several families are now homeless not only for the holidays but also for the foreseeable future, until the building can be rebuilt. You can find [information about the fire](#) and [opportunities to help](#) on the Severn House [homepage](#).



The cause is still undetermined. This is a close-to-home reminder that it is up to each of us to keep ourselves and our neighbors safe from fire. Some tips from the Annapolis Fire Marshall's office:

- Change the batteries regularly on your smoke alarms, and check them periodically to ensure they're in working order.
- Always keep a fire extinguisher in good working order (check the date) and make sure you know how to use it.
- Don't leave burning candles unattended.
- Ensure fires in the fireplace are out before you go to bed (or close the doors if you have them), and inspect/clean the flue at least every two years.
- Dispose of fireplace ashes safely (e.g. in a metal bucket) only after they're completely out.
- Never leave space heaters or hot pads unattended, and turn space heaters off before you go to bed.
- Don't leave Christmas tree lights unattended.
- Keep live trees watered (check every day).
- Dispose of trees promptly after Christmas (a notice will be sent out re: picking up trees; usually the 1-2nd week in January); do NOT keep dry trees in the house.

The Fire Marshall's department also issues a [monthly safety message](#) – this month it's all about turkeys but the Public Information representative in that office tells us it's updated regularly!

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## There is no Poop Fairy ...



**Scoop your Poop**  
• Grab it • Bag it • Toss it

### CALLING ALL DOG OWNERS

Like the Loch Ness Monster or Bigfoot, the fabled Poop Fairy has been the stuff of legend. Flying undetected in parks, neighborhoods and schoolyards, she was said to follow close behind dogs and their owners – picking up what the dog left behind, before flying off to the next canine creation. A widespread belief that she existed seemed to reassure some that cleaning up after one's dog was sort of...optional. However, in response to a growing number of stepped-in poop piles, and a growing number of resident complaints, our Shearwater Condo Association would like to bring you this announcement:

## There is no Poop Fairy!

### TRASH

The situation at the dumpsters is improving (**THANKS** 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.



### MAIL DELIVERY ISSUES

Many of us have had problems with mail delivery over the past few months. Apparently, USPS delivery zones in Eastport were revised so that Shearwater is now an “auxiliary route” – which means we have new or part-time carriers rather than a regular mail carrier. Several people have lodged complaints with the local post office and/or said they had a contact in the post office, but there's been no improvement. Following David Densmore's advice, Lynn Maichle logged an official on-line complaint with the US Postmaster General. We'll see if there's any follow-up from them. If Lynn needs specific examples of the issues you've had (e.g. boxes delivered to the wrong building, vacation hold mail not returned until weeks late, etc.), she'll keep you posted.



# Committee Reports

## TREASURER'S REPORT—Joy Ambrogio



### Snapshot YTD October 2017:

#### Operating Income/Expenses

<b>YTD Operating Fund Balance</b>	<b>\$9,696</b>
YTD Operating Expense Status	5.1% under budget
YTD Operating Revenue (income) Status	1.5% under budget

#### Reserve Balance - Unaudited

<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>\$976,347</b>
Replacement Reserve Balance	\$864,032
Paint Reserve Balance	\$112,315

- **Operating Income**

- Assessments Revenue is on target.
- Marina Assessment revenue is under budget, we expected to be closer to budget once the marina assessments are invoiced in February.
- Marina guest fees are over budget.
- Our total revenue is 1.5% under budget.

- **Operating Expenses (spending)**

- Operating expenses are under budget YTD through October by 5.1%.
- There are some line items that are over budget due to timing, and are not indicative of an issue (Insurance Premiums and Pool Management)
- There are also some line items under budget due to timing of invoices, that we expect to be on budget when paid (Flood Insurance, Utilities and Scheduled Maintenance)
- **Audit:** I have had a preliminary discussion with our independent auditor Shawn Hellman of Strauss & Associates, P.A., who have been our auditors since 2003. Our annual FY2017 (July 2016 through June 2017) audit has been scheduled to begin in December 2017, with the final report expected by the end of December 2017. I will be meeting with the auditor, once this is complete.

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## TREASURER'S REPORT NOTES (continued from Page 6)

- **Forecast for FY2018:** We are already through a third of our fiscal year. Although we can't predict with absolute certainty what all our revenues and expenses will be in FY2018, there are some items that may affect our net income that I want to address. Please note, these are guesses, and if the stars are aligned and we don't get a lot of snow we may mitigate some of our overages.
  - **Projected Negative impacts on Net Income:**
    - **Legal Fees (and collection costs)** will be over our annual budget of \$5k. We have spent \$9,343 YTD. We are looking into possible credits we may be entitled to, as well as reclassifying some costs to the reserve fund, but we anticipate more costs and an overage for the year. Most of the cost overages are legal advice from the survey work that was done on our property.
    - **Tree Maintenance** will be over our annual budget of \$5k. To date we have spent \$5,450. We know there will be more expenditures for FY2018.
    - **Marina Revenue** (Marina Assessment, Marina Guest fees and Kayak/Dinghy fees) are likely to be under the combined budget amount of \$54,500 slightly. At this point it is too early to tell what our Marina Revenue will be.
  - **Projected Positive impacts on Net Income:**
    - **General Maintenance** has been running lower YTD than the past few years. We have budgeted \$65k for the year. We have spent YTD \$7,745 and our YTD budget is \$21,667. We are hopeful the preventive maintenance we have done over the past few years will keep this at bay.
- **Reserve Funds:**
  - Contributions to our painting and replacement reserve funds are on target for FY2018.
  - Below is a tentative list of reserve expenditures we are anticipating for FY2018. We are waiting on some RFPs and estimates to complete our list.
    - Site Lighting PHI/Building – Walter Electric Bid accepted
    - Community Signs – Fast Signs Bid accepted
    - Racquet Ball Court Refurbishment
    - Deck Replacement
    - Oyster shell path refurbishment



## MARINA REPORT—David Densmore

**Marina Winterization** - The marina water has been turned off, although the power remains on, and we will be placing our 14 de-icers in the water in the next couple of weeks.

Please remember that we generally do not clear snow and ice from the docks (much less apply salt) during the winter, so be very careful when walking out there. The water supply will be back on sometime around April 1st.

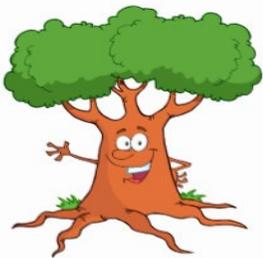
**2017 EYC Lights Parade** - Once more, we will have the pleasure of viewing the Eastport Yacht Club's 35th Annual Lights Parade from our docks (or living rooms), and you will have the opportunity to vote for your favorite boat! Page 15 of this newsletter gives you details on voting for our **"UP THE CREEK"** award (Pam Mantica has (again) graciously agreed to coordinate the voting on parade night, so vote early and vote often!). Page 12 describes an [additional viewing location option](#) that helps save the Bay. Additional information on the parade is on the [EYC Lights Parade website](#).



Painting of the Shearwater Marina by Laura Ambrogio Beiner

## LANDSCAPE REPORT—Cheri Hall

### Trees, Trees, and Trees - Enjoy the Fall!



Will everyone who doesn't have an opinion on, or issue with, Shearwater's trees please step forward!!!! Well in that case, here is an update:

In fiscal 2017-2018, Davey Tree submitted bids for work on our trees, ranging from removal of dead trees, lifting of branches from roofs, pruning, and raising of canopies. The total exceeded \$13,000. The work was prioritized, and Davey completed approximately \$6,000 of that work in summer 2017.

At this time, the committee is working to secure a bid from a second tree company on the remaining work and newly identified issues. We hope to be able to complete a portion of the work, if not this year, next.

Please remember the protocol for communicating issues and work requests concerning landscaping and tree maintenance - simply fill out the [work order form](#) on the [home page of the website](#) so the request can be logged. Some requests can be addressed immediately, some are subject to funding issues, and sometimes the remedy can only take place in the next season. But, please know that we look at, and respond to, all of them!

Looking forward to spring, several *Shearwaterians* have asked about a "Spring Spruce-Up Day" and perhaps even a Garden Club. Let [Cheri Hall](#), [Sharon McInness](#), [Karen Van Evans](#), or [Maryan Cummins](#) know if you are interested!

## POOL REPORT—Tina Ligon (Pool Chair Emeritus!)

This has been a great season for the Shearwater pool! Our parties were enjoyed by many, and we had several new residents and friends coming to share our wonderful pool. We also had a very capable and attentive lifeguard from Bulgaria - Kristina Maximova. She enjoyed being with us as much as we enjoyed having her assigned to our pool and we hope to see her again...fingers crossed!

The pool is now put to bed for the winter. Thanks to all of the Pool Committee members who helped this year - Mike and Liz LaFortune, Kathleen and Sharon McInnis, Susan Urbanc, Lois McGovern, and a number of other folks who pitched in to help clean up after parties and with other duties as needed. It helps to have several volunteers to keep the pool running all summer - please notify Lynn Maichle ([lnaichle@gmail.com](mailto:lnaichle@gmail.com), 443.949.9890) if you can chair the Pool Committee or share some of your time next season!

Most Shearwater residents know by now that Scott and I have moved from Annapolis permanently to spend more time at our home in Vero Beach, Florida, and sailing on our boat going to and from the Bahamas from February to May. We will definitely miss our Annapolis home, but it's not "goodbye" - just "see you later"! We already met up with some of our friends from Annapolis when they came south, and Scott and I plan to sail the boat to the Chesapeake Bay next summer. So, see you next year at the pool!



### Octoberfest—by Mike LaFortune

The sounds of polka played on an accordion could be heard coming from our pool deck on Saturday afternoon October 14th as Shearwater residents ate brats and clinked glasses during our Oktoberfest Fallapoloza Party! We also toasted best wishes and safe travels to Scott and Tina Ligon, Shearwater residents for over 14 years, as they prepared for their move to Florida. They'll be missed!



### Pet Plunge Pictures—by Joy Ambrogio



## Plan 2040: Updating the GDP

### WHAT IS THE GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN?

The GDP is Anne Arundel County's comprehensive plan to **guide land use in the County, preserve its assets and conserve its resources**. It is prepared in compliance with State requirements and guidelines. Adopted by the County Council, the GDP establishes policies and recommendations to guide land use decisions over a **20 year planning timeframe**. All master plans and development regulations adopted by the County must be **consistent with the goals, policies and recommendations of the GDP**.

### WHY DOES IT MATTER?

The GDP expresses the community's values and what is important to our quality of life. The GDP reflects the citizens' practical vision for an aspirational future and sets the groundwork for various functional plans and master plans.

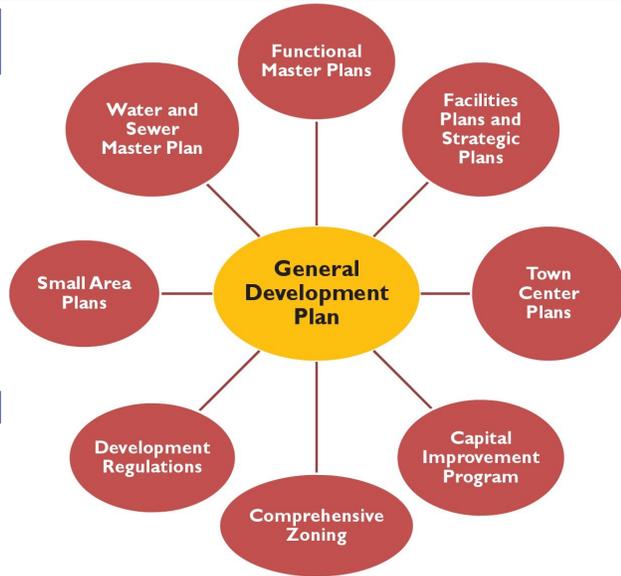
**Together, we can determine what we want our community to be and a way to get there!**

### WHY SHOULD YOU CONTRIBUTE?

**You know your community best** - what it needs and what's special about it.

***This is your vision for your community!***

Help identify the **core values of your community** and **define a vision** for Anne Arundel County.



*The GDP establishes the community's vision for the County; all master plans and development regulations must be consistent with its goals, policies and recommendations.*

### ENGAGE!

**Join us at one of the Listening Sessions** to be held around the County. (from 6pm to 8pm)

2017	September 25	North County High School
	October 17	Broadneck High School
	November 30	Old Mill High School *
	December 11	Arundel High School *
2018	January 11	Annapolis High School *
	January 29	Northeast High School *
	February 8	Southern High School *
	February 22	Brooklyn Park Middle School *

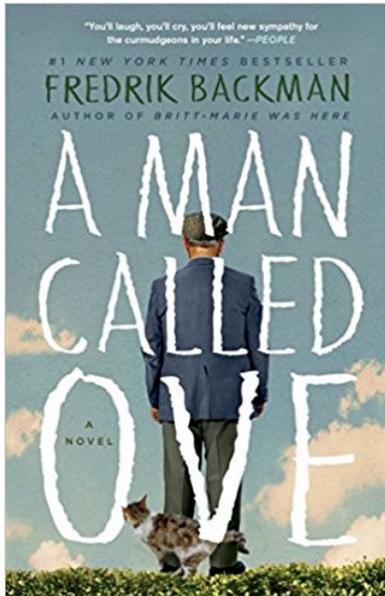
*\* dates and locations subject to change per needs of Anne Arundel County Schools*

Learn more at [www.aacounty.org/Plan2040](http://www.aacounty.org/Plan2040)



Image credit: Ryan S. [unreadable]

## 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 included: ***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, January 18th when we will select our books for 2018. Contact Charlotte Featherstone (410.280.5173, [charlotte.featherstone@verizon.net](mailto:charlotte.featherstone@verizon.net)) 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

SCC reports, "The restoration of the ravine adjacent to the Chesapeake Children's Museum continues with the goal of reducing storm water runoff into Spa Creek headwaters and creating a native habitat. Step pools replaced an eroded ravine and invasive species were removed in 2016. Additional plant-

ings took place in the fall of 2017. With a grant from Unity Gardens, the intent of this conservation landscaping planting project is to enclose the canopy to reduce competition from weeds and invasives, supplement plant species commonly associated with Regenerative Stormwater Conveyance Systems, enhance habitat for wildlife (cover and food), and stabilize soils." Click [here](#) to view a short video on the project.

CBF's Chris Moore reports, "The Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC) [voted on November 12th to continue with the status quo](#) for managing the menhaden fishery rather than immediately adopting limits that would take into account menhaden's role in the food



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*Saving a National Treasure*

chain. They made this decision despite overwhelming public outcry in support of an ecosystem-based approach to menhaden management. This included more than 14,000 CBF supporters who sent letters to ASMFC and a group of extraordinarily dedicated CBF volunteers who boarded buses to Baltimore from all over the region to stand up for menhaden at the meeting.

Menhaden, often called "the most important fish in the sea," are a crucial link in the Bay's ecosystem—they are, in many ways, the foundation of the food web, serving as vital food for striped bass, osprey, and other important Bay species. But the Chesapeake Bay has not been seeing the number of young menhaden it did historically, raising concerns for anyone who cares about the Bay's health. The catch limits would have served as guardrails for the commercial fishery by ensuring enough of these forage fish are left to serve their critical role in the food chain.

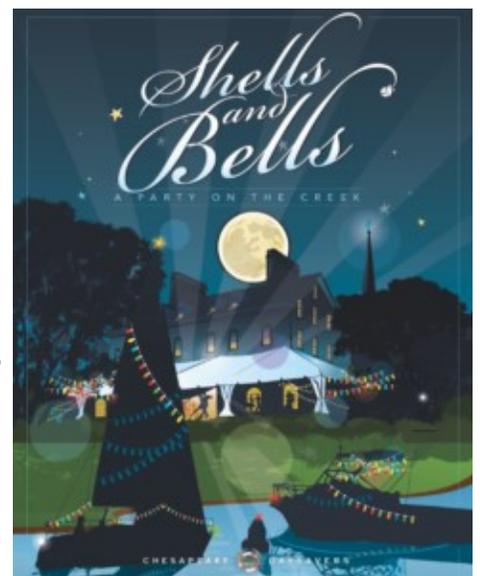
In spite of this disappointing news, **I am happy to report a significant victory for the Bay.** Near the end of the two-day meeting, the Commission [voted to decrease the Chesapeake Bay reduction fishery cap by 41.5 percent](#). Reducing the cap keeps menhaden harvests by the reduction fishery in the Chesapeake Bay from growing, protecting an important nursery ground for both menhaden and striped bass. In fact, CBF's very own Allison Colden stepped in to passionately and successfully argue that because of ongoing ecological concerns the Bay's menhaden needed further protection with a reduction in the fishery cap. [Click here to read this WYPR article about it.](#)"



[Chesapeake BaySavers](#) invites you to join them on "Saturday, December 9th from 5-10 PM for our Inaugural [Shells & Bells Party](#) on the Creek.

Our event will feature specialty cocktails, local food, live music, auctions and so much more! This tented event will be hosted at the Historic Charles Carroll House located directly on Spa Creek to allow for a beautiful waterfront view of the Eastport Yacht Club Parade of Lights.

This fundraising event, ticketed at \$100 and limited to 300 guests, is being held to raise money to [Save Our Sanctuaries](#) and restore the oyster population of the Chesapeake Bay." This is an "adults only" 21+ event.



# Celebrating the ANNAPOLIS LIFESTYLE

**NOVEMBER 2017**

*"Every leaf speaks bliss to me, fluttering from the autumn tree."*

*~Emily Bronte*

## Here's What is Going On In Shearwater

<u>Active Properties for Sale/Rent</u>	<u>List Price</u>	<u>Days on Market</u>
14-B3 Remodeled Penthouse - deeded slip	\$539,000	545
6-A2 1 BDRM, deeded slip	\$414,900	405
12-A2 1 BDRM, 2nd floor	\$2,300	132

<u>Sold</u>	<u>List Price</u>	<u>Sold Price</u>	<u>Days on Market</u>
15-B3 2 BDRM , deeded slip *	\$635,000	\$635,000	0
12- A 2 BDRM , 2 deeded boat slips *	\$635,000	\$625,000	23
3- A 2 BDRM, remodeled *	\$625,000	\$625,000	0
11-A 2 BDRM, deeded boat slip *	\$579,900	\$580,000	0
1 -B3 2 BDRM, Penthouse *	\$524,900	\$519,900	4
2 - B3 2 BDRM, Penthouse	\$515,000	\$480,000	28
13 -A1 1 BDRM, deeded boat slip *	\$435,000	\$400,000	18
6 - B2 2 BDRM *	\$424,900	\$405,000	47
11-A2 1 BDRM , end unit	\$367,500	\$350,000	258



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**If you're thinking of selling your home, go with an agent who will take several days off!**

\* Connie Cadwell participated in the sale of this property

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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.

The [Eastport Civic Association website](#) also provides news and information. The next **ECA meeting will be held on Thursday, January 18th, 7:00 PM, Eastport Elementary School.**



Visit the [EYC website](#) for information on the **Eastport Yacht Club's 35th Annual Lights Parade, Saturday, December 10th, 6:00 PM**, and see page 15 of this newsletter for a special invitation for Shearwater residents and guests to vote for the **"UP THE CREEK" Award!** See page 12 for information on the [Shells & Bells](#) watching event, supporting [Chesapeake BaySavers](#).

**Annapolis Santa Run, Sunday, December 10th:** The goal of the Santa Run is to gather gifts for needy children. Ages 2-15, male and female, are included, and donors should keep in mind that this is a wide age group, and they always seem to run short on gifts for the older kids.

**Schedule:** Run 3 is scheduled to be at the Eastport Fire Station at about 6:30 PM. For other donation locations, click [here](#). **Donating**

**Toys:** For people who wish to donate toys they are looking for new, unwrapped gifts. Crafts, art supplies, sports equipment, blocks, puzzles, trucks, dolls, Legos, games, and books are great suggestions. (Video games are not a good idea since they have no way of knowing what type of system the children have or even if they have one.) Please include batteries if needed with the gift. **Volunteering:** Annapolis Run organizers are still looking for volunteers with vans, SUVs and pickups to accompany them on the routes to serve as chase vehicles to help carry the toys to the North Pole. If you would like to help please email John Muhitch at [muhitch300@yahoo.com](mailto:muhitch300@yahoo.com).



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**Ram's Head On Stage** - 33 West Street, Annapolis, 410.268.4545, [www.ramsheadonstage.com/](http://www.ramsheadonstage.com/)

**St. John's College** - Visit [www.sjc.edu/annapolis/events](http://www.sjc.edu/annapolis/events) for Events and Programs, including concerts, lectures, seminars, and exhibits.

**Annapolis Symphony Orchestra** - Visit [www.annapolissymphony.org](http://www.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 [thecolonialplayers.org](http://thecolonialplayers.org)

**Annapolis Summer Garden Theater** - 143 Compromise Street, Annapolis, [www.summergarden.com](http://www.summergarden.com)

**King William's Players, St. John's College's Theater Troupe** - Francis Scott Key Auditorium, [www.sjc.edu/annapolis/events/theater-king-william-players](http://www.sjc.edu/annapolis/events/theater-king-william-players)

**Children's Theatre of Annapolis** - 1661 Bay Head Road, Annapolis, 410.757.2281, [www.childrenstheatreofannapolis.org](http://www.childrenstheatreofannapolis.org)



**EASTPORT YACHT CLUB'S  
35<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL LIGHTS PARADE  
DECEMBER 9, 2017 – 6:00 to 8:00 PM**

In keeping with what is becoming a long tradition, Shearwater Condominiums will vote on the appropriately entitled “UP THE CREEK” award for the boat we like the best at this year’s EYC Lights Parade. This award has been bestowed for the last several years to encourage boats to cruise all the way “up the creek” for our viewing enjoyment.

Shearwater’s winner is chosen each year by YOUR votes, with each resident and guest having one vote. **Your votes are needed no later than 8:15pm, immediately following the parade!!** The winner will be announced by local media and at the EYC awards ceremony. So, as you gather at your respective homes, down on the docks, or wherever, simply decide who you think has the best-looking boat, and send your selection to Pam Mantica at [pmantica@sbcglobal.net](mailto:pmantica@sbcglobal.net), or call 314.614.1047.

Your vote is a good way to have fun and show your support for the event, so don’t be bashful!

Thanks, and enjoy!

David Densmore, Shearwater Dockmaster



## Quiet Waters Park Ice Rink is Open!

The ice rink is open! Given the balmy weather, we were lucky a cold front rolled in just in time for opening day. The Park maintenance crew worked round the clock to convert the reflecting pool to the ice rink. Clearly many have been anticipating the big day given the turnout for the Friday evening Teen Skate. Arrive early on Saturday and Sunday to view Navy Youth Hockey Mite Team (10 and under) practice. Public skating hours are Monday thru Friday, 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Closed Tuesday. Learn to skate classes are available by contacting the instructor at [go2sk8@sk8amir.com](mailto:go2sk8@sk8amir.com). Be sure to visit Caliente upstairs in the Visitor's Center to take the chill off with their delicious hot chocolate.



Weekday twilight skate.



Monthly Charity Wine Dinner

Sunday, December 10, 2017 @5pm

Eat & Drink for a great cause!

\$90 includes, tax, gratuity and

10% will be donated to **The Bernie House**

For Reservations call Erin at 410-570-4648 or email [erin@lunablufannapolis.com](mailto:erin@lunablufannapolis.com)

1st Course

Grilled Belgian Endive

Topped with caramelized onions, honey goat cheese, and pears

Pairing: Michael David, Sauvignon Blanc, Lodi

2<sup>nd</sup> course

Lobster

Tossed with peas and tomatoes in a light cream sauce with pappardelle

Pairing: Michael David, Chardonnay, Lodi

3<sup>rd</sup> Course

Roasted Spaghetti Squash

with pancetta wrapped shrimp and marinara sauce

Pairing: Michael David, 6th Sense Syrah, Lodi

4<sup>th</sup> Course

Beef Tenderloin Napoleon

Alternating layers of beef medallions with crispy potatoes topped with a mushroom sauce

Pairing: Michael David, Earthquake Cabernet, Lodi

5<sup>th</sup> course

Pistachio Cake

Pairing: Michael David, Petite Petit, Lodi

All wines will be available for purchase through Eastport Liquors 1007 Bay Ridge Ave. 410-263-4747

**The Mission**

**"Providing a safe home without violence for families in crisis."**



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**Editor's Note**

All residents are welcome to submit articles or photos for publication to the **Shearwater Mark**. We also publish classified ads for Owners and Residents at no charge.

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

