



**Be sure to submit your RSVP for the Luau at the Pool by June 17 and mark your calendar to attend—June 23, 6:00pm!!!**

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## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

We came close in our efforts at our Annual Meeting to pass an assessment to continue the replacement of our 30-year-old decks, but did not succeed. We did, however, come away with suggestions to “go back to the drawing board”, hire a professional engineer to write the specs and possibly oversee the work to make sure the work will be done to a higher degree of satisfaction than previous deck replacements. This we have done. With the help of Greg Balestrero, an RFP was created and sent out to perspective engineers and we are now waiting for their bids. The next step would be to hire the engineer to determine how best to proceed with the deck replacements and update bids from prospective contractors. Hopefully this approach will satisfy owners sufficiently to vote in favor of the assessment next time.



Gerri Smith

Although we would each like our neighbor to always be reasonable and agree with our thinking – that is not always the case. However, if there is a question, it is easy to come to an agreement simply by taking a look at the rules and regulations, given to each of us when we purchased our unit, and also posted on our web site. Dogs are not allowed on our tennis courts or in the racquet ball court or in our swimming pool. We are only allowed two cars per unit. As a courtesy, if we go away for an extended time, we should park our cars away from the well used areas. We cannot keep a boat in our marina unless we own or rent one of the condos. And the list goes on. Please try to do the right thing. Be a nice neighbor.

After discussing the value of our tennis courts, especially in helping with sales, we have decided to make some much needed repairs. We are in the process of asking for bids. Until this can happen, we are considering putting a padlock on the gate as we feel it is not safe.

Applause is in order for Julie Kane and her helpers who stepped in to take over the opening of our swimming pool and get it ready by Memorial Day weekend. Thank you, Julie. Good job! She is also planning a great sounding party for us in June so enjoy the summer and see you at the pool!

Gerri Smith, Shearwater Board President



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## Board News

The Board held it's Annual Meeting on Monday, April, 16, 2012. A Special Meeting was held to discuss the Budget for 2012-13 on May 21, 2012. The next Board Meeting is scheduled for June 18, 2012. Full minutes and reports are posted on our website, [www.shearwatercondos.com](http://www.shearwatercondos.com).

### **Treasurer's Report– Phil Hatchard**

The Treasurer's monthly budget status report for April is available for viewing on our web site. It shows details of the operating fund expenses through the fiscal year.

The Operating fund is expected to be approximately 2% over budget at the end of the fiscal year (June 30), due mainly (but not exclusively) to expenses in the "building and general maintenance" and "water and sewer" categories. Income for the year is expected to be on budget for both the operating and reserve accounts. We are in a financially sound position, with the exception of completing the deck replacements. The only reserve fund project remaining to be done this fiscal year is the replacement of building entrance and pool awnings for \$13,000. Fiscal year 2012 projects include

Awnings, \$20,032      Decks, \$5,000      Deck railings, \$900      Balcony Storage Doors, \$732  
Paint Buildings, \$119,320      Parking lot seal coat, \$8366      Siding replacement, \$82,890  
Special projects, \$14,129

The deck replacement project has been delayed due to the failure of the assessment proposal. The BOD is in the process of hiring a professional engineer to study the deck situation and make recommendations that hopefully will result in an acceptable design. At that time, the BOD plans to obtain new construction bids, and propose the assessment a second time.

My term on the BOD is coming to an end as of 30 June. It has been my pleasure serving the community as treasurer for three years. I would like to take this opportunity to thank fellow BOD members as well as many community members for their support over that period of time.

### **Pool—Tina Ligon & Julie Kane**

Plan to come to the first Pool Party of the 2012 Season. We will be celebrating Shearwater's 30th Anniversary with a Luau on June 23 at 6 pm. We will have a roasted pig, ribs, chicken and all the sides catered by Adams Ribs. \$20 per person. Dress Hawaiian and bring your favorite beverage. RSVP by June 17. Look for the post above your mailbox for additional details.

**Please note this season's pool hours: Sat-Sun 10-7 Mon-Fri 11-7. Thanks.**

### **Landscaping—Ron Faulkner**

The Landscape Committee met on Thursday, June 7. Our priorities for the upcoming couple of months is further trimming (especially azaleas) replacement of dead plants, weeding (especially on the water side of Building 7-8), and Poison Ivy removal. We count on residents to notify us of any issues involving the landscape; please notify Ron Faulkner by email if you have comments or concerns.

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### **Marina—Eric Petterson & Skip Smith**

The Shearwater Marina was awakened from its winter mode without serious problems and we continue with repairs and upkeep. We have had a number of guest boats and a few additions to empty slips. If you have questions or needs, please get in touch with your dock masters. The Dock Masters and the Marina Committee are also in the process of reviewing our rules and regulations and hope to have an update in the near future.

As summer travel season is in full swing, your dock masters will be traveling from time to time. As a result they will not be in places where responding to emails on a daily basis is possible. To avoid having your email request go unanswered for an unspecified period of time, it would be prudent to send emails concerning marina business to both Eric Petterson and Skip Smith.

### **Architecture—Rainette Bannon—**

It has come to our attention that several outdoor shades are non-confirming to the guidelines that the shade must be a neutral color, able to be rolled up and out of sight of other condominiums and only used to protect from strong sunlight. The Architectural Committee will be doing a walk-about this month to review Shearwater property. With everything in bloom this time of year and the property looking so beautiful, please do your best to:

1. keep outside clutter to a minimum and all access pathways clear.
2. use your outside roll-up shades only to protect you from sunlight.
3. get your windows or glass replaced if the seal has broken and your glass is fogged.

Thanks to everyone for your cooperation.

## **Important Reminders from your Board**

### **SUMMER MAINTENANCE TIPS:**

**MAIN WATER VALVES** - It is important that when you leave your unit for an extended period of time that you close your main water inlet valve. By doing so, you will be protecting your unit as well as those below you from possible water damage. The valve is generally located in the closet that houses the water heater or washer/dryer.

**HVAC** - The Board encourages all owners to have their HVAC units checked at least once a year. This will make sure your system is working correctly, save you money, and prevent unnecessary water damage to other units by making sure that the condensate drains are clear.

**SMOKING** - Cigarette smoke can carry into the hallways and other units. If you smoke in your unit please take steps to minimize the smoke smell. Such things as opening windows while smoking, purchasing an air purifier and smoking on your balcony or patio can help eliminate the smoke smell. Improperly discarded cigarettes are a large fire hazard. Please make sure that if you smoke on your deck or anywhere in your unit that you are disposing of them in a safe manner.

**DRYER VENTS** - It is the responsibility of the unit owner to maintain your dryer vents. A clogged vent can result in a fire hazard. Take a moment to look at your dryer vent outside on your building to see if it is clogged with lint. If so, Brodie Management can arrange for John or Ryan to clean your vents for a nominal charge.

## Shearwater Book Club

The Shearwater Book Club is always reading a variety of interesting books. We enjoy lively book discussions along with great food and other conversation. The Book Club meets the last Wednesday each month at a different member's home. If you are interested in joining the Club, please contact Shirl Nelson at [eastport.rower@gmail.com](mailto:eastport.rower@gmail.com) to find out where the next meeting is being held. Following are the book selections for the next several months:

June: *The Kennedy Detail* by Gerald Blaine

July: *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins

August: *In the Garden of the Beast* by Eric Lawson

September: *Steve Jobs* by Walter Isaacson

October: *Still Alice* by Lisa Genova

## Resident News

We are saddened by the recent death of long-time resident Dr. Erdogan Ozbeck (Ozzie), Unit 2-A3. The residents of Building 1 and 2 are planning the planting of a Memorial Tree in his memory near Building 1.

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE  
EXECUTIVE SEMINARS  
2012-2013

**ANNAPOLIS**  
**Morning Session**

Theme: CIVILITY  
SYLLABUS

<b>September 25:</b>	Rousseau	The Social Contract, Penguin classics
<b>October 23:</b>	Aeschylus	The Eumenides, Chicago U. press
<b>November 13:</b>	Smith	The Theory of Moral Sentiments, Liberty Fund
<b>December 11:</b>	Confucius	The Analects, Dawson translation
<b>January 22:</b>	Shakespeare	The Tempest, New Folger Library
<b>February 26:</b>	Chekhov	3 Stories: "The Man in a Case," "Gooseberries," & "About Love," Norton Critical Ed.
<b>March 19:</b>	Madison	The Federalist Papers #10 and #51, Signet Classic
<b>April 23:</b>	Lincoln	"Address to the Young Men's Lyceum of Springfield, Illinois, January 27, 1838" Dover
<b>May 21*:</b>	O'Connor	"Good Country People," Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, A Good Man is Hard to Find & Other Stories.

**Location:** McDowell Hall, St. John's College  
Rooms 12, 13, 14

**Time** 7:30 am. Continental breakfast  
8 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Seminar

**Tutors:** Capozzoli, Russell, Salem , Tomarchio

**Program Manager:** Alice Chambers, 410 295-5544, [alice.chambers@sica.edu](mailto:alice.chambers@sica.edu)

**For more information on Executive Seminars:** [www.stjohnscollege.edu/Outreach/Executive seminars](http://www.stjohnscollege.edu/Outreach/Executive%20seminars)

*\*The final seminar of the session is on the Annapolis campus of St. John's College at 5 p.m. followed by dinner at President Christopher B. Nelson's home.*

## Classified Ads

**For Sale—2004 Doral Prestancia "Afterthought" 28 ft / 32 ft (LWL / with Swim Platform).** \$69,900. Currently located in Shearwater Slip 8A. See Yachtworld listing:

[http://www.yachtworld.com/core/listing/boatFullDetails.jsp?boat\\_id=2476961&byw=&units=Feet&currency=USD&access=Public](http://www.yachtworld.com/core/listing/boatFullDetails.jsp?boat_id=2476961&byw=&units=Feet&currency=USD&access=Public)

**For Sale—Kenmore Elite Stainless Steel Trash Compactor**, only 2 years old. We are doing a kitchen remodel which does not have room for it. Sold new for \$700.00; asking \$150.00. Standard size; will fit where your old trash compactor is now. Contact Frances Higgins, 410-571-5297, if you are interested.

Classified ads placed by residents are free, so if you have something to sell, want to buy something your neighbor might have, or have an announcement, send your ad to your *Shearwater Mark* Editor, Frances Higgins, at [frances.higgins@comcast.net](mailto:frances.higgins@comcast.net)

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**Sherri Shettle (I-A1)**



**New entrance awnings were installed in May!**

## New Annapolitans

If any new residents are interested in joining a new comer's club, please look into the New Annapolitans. It is a women's 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 Greater Annapolis community.

New Annapolitans holds a general meeting once a month. There are numerous special interest groups, such as book clubs, golf, sailing, gardening, walking, biking, music, etc. The only requirement is that you must join within two years of moving to Annapolis, but then you can remain a member for as long as you remain current with dues. If you want to know more, call or email Shearwater resident Pat Duvall, 410-295-6589 or [PatCD0917@verizon.net](mailto:PatCD0917@verizon.net), or visit <http://www.annapolitans.org/>.

# SHEARWATER POOL 2012 OPENING MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND



Photo by Julie Kane

There is little else that qualifies as perfect when the Memorial Day Weekend brings hot, breezy days along with the opening of the pool. Your Editor arrived a little late to take photos and missed the crowd; however, I understand that everyone was enjoying themselves and I continued to see a lot of people at the pool over the rest of the weekend from my balcony.

**Julie Kane [12 A]** did an amazing job resurrecting

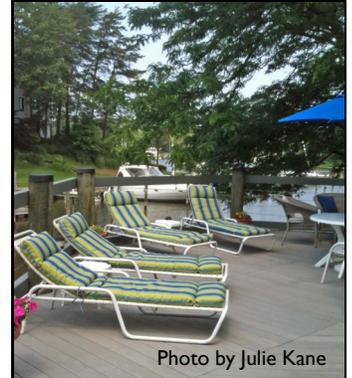


Photo by Julie Kane

the pool. She single-handedly took on the work needed by donating items, buying items, and giving an enormous amount of elbow grease. Julie enlisted

**Peg Schaake** to help plant flowers in the pots. It was beautiful on opening day, and it will be a source of enjoyment for all of us throughout the summer.

Great job, Julie!!!! A BIG THANK YOU FROM US ALL! We are all looking forward to the first Pool Party!



# Annapolis Calendar

**Wednesday Night Sailboat Races**-Wednesday evenings, beginning April 25 through August 29 , Annapolis Harbor. First Gun: 6:10 p.m. 410-263-9279 [www.annapolisyc.com](http://www.annapolisyc.com) Annapolis' famed Wednesday Night Sailboat Races kick off this month. Grab a dockside seat for the midweek races where some 150 boats sail around several marks in the Bay before heading back to Spa Creek for a finish in front of the Annapolis Yacht Club. For many, the post-race party is the official beginning of the weekend.



**First Sunday Arts Festival**-Jul 01, 2012, Aug 05, 2012, Sep 02, 2012, Oct 07, 2012. Join us for the First Sunday Arts Festival, on the 1st Sunday of each month through October 7th - Noon to 5pm on the first block of West St and Calvert St. This festival combines craft vendors, artists, and live music, street performers and sidewalk dining - uniquely Annapolis. This event is FREE and open to the public. For more information call 443.333.9067 or visit [www.firstsundayarts.com](http://www.firstsundayarts.com).



**The Annapolis Maritime Museum and Thomas Point Shoal Lighthouse**-Jun 30, 2012, Jul 07, 2012, Jul 28, 2012, Aug 11, 2012, Aug 18, 2012, Sep 08, 2012. Take a once-in-a-lifetime tour aboard this Icon of the Chesapeake. The tour includes a safety check-in and orientation of the Lighthouse. This is a 3 hour excursion. Tours are limited and reservations are required. Please call 410.295.0104. On the day of the tour, times are always 9am, noon, and 3pm.

**Canines in the Courtyard**-Jun 15, 2012, Jul 20, 2012, Aug 17, 2012, Sep 21, 2012. Canines in the Courtyard on feel good Fridays, all for a cause with Paws! On the 3rd Friday of the month (April-September) enjoy spirited themes including Pup & Person Look-Alike, Pooches as Pirates, Best Dog Tricks, Hawaiian Hounds, Dog Trivia Night and Cruising Canine Fashions all for causes that make a difference in our community. Paws pet boutique will be donating a portion of the sales from these Fridays to the featured causes. All raffle proceeds benefit the charities. For more information please visit website [www.pawspetboutique.com](http://www.pawspetboutique.com) or call 410-263-8683.

**Historic London Town and Gardens**-Jun 01, 2012 to Jun 30, 2012. Welcome to Historic London Town and Gardens where discovery and learning are daily experiences. Owned by Anne Arundel County and operated by the London Town Foundation, the 23 -acre museum and park features history, archaeology, and horticulture. Explore the Historic Area, which includes the circa 1760 William Brown House, a National Historic Landmark, reconstructed colonial buildings, and an-going archaeological investigation in search of the "lost town" of London. Wander the eight-acre Woodland Garden of native plants and exotic species arranged along a one-mile trail before enjoying the seasonal Ornamental Gardens overlooking the South River. For more details, visit [www.historiclondontown.org](http://www.historiclondontown.org).

**Maryland Avenue Summer Fest**-Sunday, June 17, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Maryland Avenue & State Circle, Annapolis. Admission: Free. [www.marylandave.com](http://www.marylandave.com) Come on out for this old-fashioned street festival featuring art, antiques, crafts, food, live music and entertainment for the entire family. Free parking nearby in the state garage at the corner of Calvert and Bladen Streets.

**Eastport A Rockin'**-Saturday, June 23, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Annapolis Maritime Museum, 723 Second Street, Annapolis. 410-916-5500

[www.eastportarockin.com](http://www.eastportarockin.com) One day, three stages, more than 25 bands. Recognized as the local music festival of the summer, Eastport A Rockin' was created to expose local music to a larger audience. From rock, to folk, to roots, to jazz, to bluegrass, to funk, the breadth of music featured is sure to please a wide range of audiences. Streets and sidewalks are lined with vendors featuring local artisans, craft makers, non-profit organizations, entertainment and a Kids' Area, complete with a moon bounce, face painters, tattoo artists, laser tag and cotton candy.



**THEATER**-Check out Annapolis' community theater schedules:

**Compass Rose Studio Theater**, 1011 Bay Ridge Avenue (Eastport Shopping Center), Annapolis, 410-980-6662, [www.compassrosetheater.org](http://www.compassrosetheater.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>

**Bay Theatre Company**, 275 West Street, Annapolis, <http://www.baytheatre.org/>

**Children's Theatre of Annapolis**, 1661 Bay Head Road, Annapolis, 410-757-2281, <http://childrenstheatreofannapolis.org>

# Celebrating the ANNAPOLIS LIFESTYLE

**June 2012**

**“It was June, and the world smelled of roses. The sunshine was like powdered gold over the grassy hillside”**

**~ Maud Hart Lovelace**

Neighbors,

Wow, what a Spring we have enjoyed and now summer is upon us. The pool is open, our landscaping is beautiful and life is good!

**Here is the latest and greatest in Real Estate News in Shearwater!**

<b>Great Condos on the Market</b>	<b>List Price</b>	<b>Days on Mkt.</b>
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5A3 -2 bdrm, loft unit	\$389,000	105
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14A3 - 2 bdrm loft unit-fabulous views	\$439,000	48
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15B1 - 2 bdrm, entrance level-great views	\$450,000	6
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7A - 2 bdrm with upgrades galore	\$629,000	28
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<b>Under Contract</b>	<b>List Price</b>	<b>Days on Mkt.</b>	<b>Close Date</b>
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5A2 - 2 bdrm, 1.5 bath - nice views	222	6/25/2012
	\$299,500	

<b>Rented</b>	<b>Monthly Rent</b>
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8B3 - 2 bdrm, 2 bath	\$1,700
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8B2 - 2 bdrm, 2 bath	\$1650
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8A3 - 2 bdrm, 2.5 bath	\$2,200
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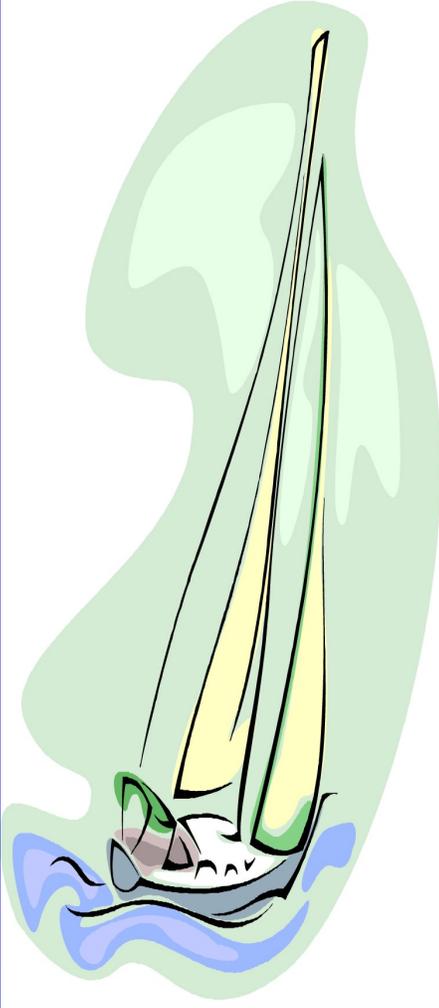
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There's a residents' directory on our website? Check it out and be sure to send us your updates!

[http://  
shearwatercondos.com/](http://shearwatercondos.com/)

## Editor's Note

Summer is arriving fast with temperatures in the low 90's over Memorial Day Weekend. I was pleased to see so many friends and family members visiting residents in Shearwater. The place was hopping with activity, with the pool opening being at the center of it all. Special thanks to **Julie Kane (12A)** for all her hard work getting the pool ready. The pool, the building, the furniture, even the planters have never looked so good!

Also, I'd like to applaud **Phil Hatchard** for a job well done on our Board as Treasurer for the past three years. It has been a difficult time in a financial sense during this time and Phil has performed his duties admirably. Let's all wish him smooth sailing and fair winds as he spends more time on the water.

Frances Higgins

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