



PAT FLORY APRIL EDITOR, PHOTO OF NORMAN'S SPRING LETTUCE
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Note the Dates:

May 5 – 6 p.m. Claiborne Association General Meeting and Cinco De Mayo Celebration at the Village Hall

May 13 – 8-3 p.m. Claiborne Estate Sale

May Birthdays

- Audrey Noyes..... 1
- Abby West..... 2
- Tom Beaver..... 5
- Lynn Marr..... 7
- Jane Nigra..... 9
- Alice Sewell..... 11
- Beth Ellen Dawson..... 13
- Barbara Reisert..... 14
- John Fellingner..... 17
- Carrie Gould-Kabler..... 26
- Jessie Greenspan..... 28

Please contact Pat Flory at patflory@gmail.com to add your name to the birthday list.

Guest Editor wanted for the June Clarion. Please contact Pat Flory if interested. Pat and Rob Todd are available to answer questions and provide support. Thanks, Pat

Spring General Meeting and Cinco de Mayo Burrito Potluck,

May 5, 6:00

We are excited to come together to share a dinner - indoors - for the first time since the Holiday Potluck of 2019! We have dabbled in dessert tables and such, and shared a meal at last summer's picnic, but this is a milestone we are delighted to get to, and are looking forward to repeating often. Please sign up in the mailroom for the burrito component you would like to bring. Out of town till Friday? Email marthahamlyn@gmail.com and she'll sign you up.

The general meeting will precede dinner, be short and undoubtedly fascinating, after which the Kuperberg's margarita machine will be pressed into use. Prefer another beverage? Please bring whatever you'd like to drink. It looks like it will be a lovely evening, and a full moon is due to rise over the back field just after sunset.

Claiborne Association Notes

As I write this, a welcome rain is softly falling outside my window after a long spell of dryness and warm temperatures that seemed to promote an unusually high amount of pollen this year. The rain also reminds me of the gutters I've been meaning to fix but have been too busy to attend to. (Besides, I'm old enough now that I should no longer be climbing tall ladders.)

Spring also brings new activities at the Hall. A new front door is waiting to be installed and new stage lights as well. April also marked the Association's first in-person board meeting since Covid - another indication that things are slowly getting back to normal. Also, be sure to check the Program Committee's notes for all the exciting events they have planned.

—Jim Richardson

Heads Up!!

The work of the Claiborne Village Association Strategic Planning Committee continues. Their next step is to hold focus groups to hear your ideas about and dreams for the future of the Village Hall and the Claiborne Association. What are your concerns? What opportunities do you see? Challenges? Let us enlist your voices to sort through our strategic priorities.

We will be in touch soon.

Claiborne Movie Series 2023

Another movie season is ended and a very good one indeed. Season 13 offerings included documentaries, academy award winners, comedies, dramas and in-betweens. And of course, Rocky and Bullwinkle made appearances too. Thank you Renny and his assistant Martha!

The movie series launched in January 2013 and except for 2021 and 2022 has become a highly anticipated winter event.

Jake Flory, Jim Richardson, and Renny Johnson (our current movie czar) have provided a varied and interesting slate of movies over the years. Upgraded equipment has enhanced the sight and sound of the movies.

Estate Sale Benefits You, Me & All of Us

The Great Claiborne Estate Sale, for the benefit the Claiborne Association, will be held on Saturday, May 13 (rain date the 14th) from 8:00 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Maple Hall. Jeanne Kuperberg is the coordinator of drop-offs, so please be in touch with her at (774)-284-3647 by May 10th to schedule a drop off or pick-up time. If you need help with your donations, Jeanne will be organizing some strong backs who can wrestle those items out of your house (or shed), onto a trailer, and over to the Maple Hall sale site. No clothing or books, please.

We have many great items already donated so please plan to attend and maybe you will find the perfect item for yourself.

Passages



Tim McHugh loved the water and worked hard to make it beautiful and accessible to others. Tim and his wife Mo moved to Claiborne in 2012 and quickly became a part of the community. He was a kind and helpful neighbor and always had a smile and a story to share.

Please click [The Fireflies of Claiborne by Tim McHugh](#) and read Tim's poem (page 6-7 in the Clarion).



Paul Morehead was a celebrated pioneering geneticist, a civil rights activist, an amateur astronomer, and an avid tennis player.

Paul and his wife, Becky Otter, moved to their house on Miracle House Circle in 1991, and left us for Londonderry 27 years later. Community builders from the beginning, they hosted the first Claiborne-wide social gathering, an ice cream sundae party, in their back yard.

Claiborne History Tidbits –

Marty Bollinger

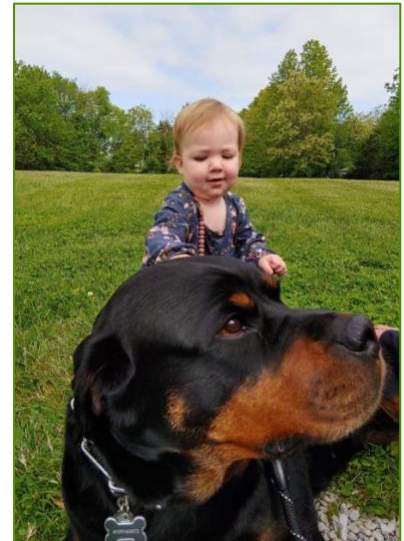
There was another, more mysterious, establishment at the ferry wharf, across from The Sea Gull Inn. I suspect it was a restaurant started by Albert and Mary Wyatt and was at one point named “The Al-Mar Inn.” Margaret Bryan, who lived in Claiborne at the time, was warned by her father (B.F. Sherman) not to approach this establishment, which she describes as “a rough place.”

Detailed information on this place is hard to come by, but it may be (not yet certain) that the building was moved before 1939 to a private residence just outside of St. Michaels, where it sits today as a guest house.



A New Claiborne Friend

Please welcome Coco to the neighborhood (you may see her inspecting the village from Libby Moose’s red golf cart). Coco is a 7-year-old re-homed Serbian Rottweiler. She’s retired after having had three litters of pups. She’s won several awards in her class in Europe and carries her own passport. Luckily for Libby, she just wants some nice walks & a lot of pets.



St. Michaels Library Programs

Monday, May 1 at noon - Lunch & Learn at St. Michaels Library.

Chef Jordan Lloyd will talk about growing up on the Eastern Shore in a family of watermen and on the farms of the Eastern Shore. He has become a community food leader after training with the best chefs in the country. He is currently the owner of Hambleton House Events & Catering with his wife Alice. He is also President of the St. Michaels Farmers Market and a culinary consultant for the St. Michaels Community Center.

May 4th – 6 p.m. St. Michaels Library Branch Community Input Session

The Talbot County Public Library team will share the plans for the St. Michaels branch's renovation and expansion. The community is invited to share thoughts about what you would like to see in the newly expanded library. Wine & light refreshments will be provided