

# The Claiborne Clarion

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The purpose of this newsletter is to acquaint and inform Claiborne residents.

## You're invited!

Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>,

6:30 to 9 PM

At

The Claiborne Methodist Church

We're having a pot-luck dinner with caroling and good old fashioned holiday fellowship. So bring a covered dish and your holiday spirit.

Call Kirke at 9348 if you'd like to help with decorating or clean-up.

The person that we all need to thank for this great idea is Dan Higgins. He thought it would be a good idea for us to get together in the wintertime just like we do with our summer picnic.

Lets all get together on the 14<sup>th</sup> for our first annual Christmas celebration.

Thanks for the great idea Dan!!!!

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## GET WELL WISHES

Are going out to Jan Johnson, Betsy Des Jardins and Mary Steinberger. Get well!

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## ROAD CLEAN UP CREW NEEDED

Carrie advises me that Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM is the date and time for the next pick-up.

If you want to do a particular stretch of road in the afternoon or on Sunday, just make sure the bags are at the intersection of Old Claiborne Road and Claiborne Road by Sunday afternoon. Also, let the Post Office know what stretch of road you will be cleaning.

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## Volunteer Drivers List

1. Paul Moorehead 410-745-3932
2. Marie Deck 410-745-5129
3. Barbara Reiser 410-745-6987

If you'd like to be added to the list please call me, Barbara, at 6987.

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## Murphy's Lesser Know Law #4

The 50-50-90 rule: anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.

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## DEDE'S SHOE MUSEUM

If you haven't seen it yet, call DeDe Ritner and make an appointment to visit her shoe museum.

It's a small area located beneath her living room stairwell and is very cozy.

Over the years she's collected some really nifty items and has them in a display case. If you have a few minutes she'll do a "show and tell" about each precious item she has on display. If you're really lucky, she may even let you hold some of them.

Call her to make an appointment 410-745-2550 and be careful so that you don't bump you head on the way out.

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First Day of Winter is December 22<sup>nd</sup>!

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## THE 4 SISTERS ADVENTURE TRIP

By Judy Harrauld

Last month my three sisters and I traveled by plane, bus and boat to Espiritu Santo Island in the Sea of Cortez, Baja California for a kayaking adventure with six other women. After a day of settling-in, we went hiking on a nearby island, where the youngest sister, Penny, had a standing-up-too-quickly-under-a-ledge accident and saw stars for a few minutes, but gamely finished the hike. When we got back to the beach Penny went into the water to cool off and met up with any angry sting-ray and got barbed in the foot

So, hurting at both ends and thinking she was going to end up a la Steve Irwin, she gets inconsolably anxious and, understandably, panics. The end result was that we got "voted off the island" and spent the rest of the vacation in a small, but wonderful hospital in La Paz, Mexico. Not what we had planned, but certainly an adventure!

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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Tim Guinness December 13<sup>th</sup>  
Norm Haddaway December 26<sup>th</sup>

And...a belated birthday wish is extended to Wade Absher who celebrated his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on November 26.

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## TALBOT MENTORS

On Thursday evening, November 15<sup>th</sup> Talbot Mentors held their annual dinner at the new Krystal Q Banquet Hall in Easton. Lisa Frock, and her mentee, Rachel were honored guests. They just completed their first year as Mentor and Mentee and are looking forward to many more. Both Lisa and Rachel received a

one year service pin and congratulations from the group.

My Mentee, Kelly and I also attended. She and I can't believe that it's been six years that we've been friends. Time really does fly when you're having fun.

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## Back home in Claiborne!

Bernie and Cecelia Boos have returned from a 64 day cruise on the Pacific Ocean, visiting exciting ports of call in Asia, Australia & Polynesia. The trip was nice, the weather was good, people were friendly, but it's great to be home again in Claiborne.

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## VILLAGE MEETING

There will be a Claiborne Community meeting on January 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the meeting room at Maple Hall.

The purpose of the meeting is to give the community a status report on the work of the Post Office Futures Committee that was established at the April 18<sup>th</sup> community meeting. A written report will be distributed prior to the January meeting.

Briefly, the Post Office Futures Committee has developed a 1 year, 2 year and longer-term tentative goals and options for the Post Office. In addition, the committee has begun to explore establishing a formal community organization that could, if the community and the Methodist Church agree, to manage the Claiborne Methodist Church property. This is an exciting possibility because the church could provide space for a community center and a possible future home for the Post Office.

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!!!!!!