

The Claiborne Clarion

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

ROAD CLEAN UP

We're on our own this month so if you see it, please pick it up!

Murphy's Lesser Known Law #6

A fine is a tax for doing wrong.

A tax is a fine for doing well.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Anna Kabler	February 13 th
Susan Cornish	February 14 th
Marie Deck	February 16 th
Curt Connolly	February 27 th

Farewell Dear Neighbor,

On Tuesday, January 22nd our friend and neighbor, Wade Absher died. Wade was 90 years old. He truly loved the eastern shore and Claiborne in particular.

He is survived by one son, three daughters and his dear friend, Thelma Prickitt.

Services will be next spring on the Bay where his ashes will be scattered.

We shall miss you dear friend.

VILLAGE MEETING

Last month on the 24th approximately 50 concerned Claiborne residents gathered for a community meeting at Maple Hall.

The meeting was conducted by Kirke Harper and lasted exactly one hour.

Flea market in the Spring
Possible summer picnic location

Fall homecoming

Christmas Celebration

Town meetings

Library

Sewing, quilting, stitching, knitting groups

Decoy carving groups

Model boat building

Chess and checker tournaments

Writers groups

Bridge/pinochle groups

Birthday parties

Gardening groups

Veggie & fruit exchange in summer

Exercise classes

A safe place

Coffee and chatting

All 5th Sundays are for Worship

Welcome Home

Sarah and Phil Sayre have just arrived back home from a trip to Argentina. It was a long overdue visit to Phil's exchange student "brother" from his high school days.

While the Sayre's were all the way down there they checked out Patagonia and Tierra del Fuego.

It was an enjoyable trip for all involved.

(Isn't that neat that Phil and his "brother" have maintained such a long friendship?)

Tim and Abby have returned from a belated honeymoon trip to Costa Rica and loved every minute of it. Good timing, you chose the coldest days of the year to be out of town!

A report on the future of the Post Office and options that are available to us was presented.

The development of a Claiborne Community Association was discussed and met with great enthusiasm and will be pursued. A minimum of \$1 per person to join was met with a counter of \$5 being a more substantial amount in order to get things going.

We also heard from the Reverend John Moore from the Methodist Church regarding the use of the church's community room as a community center for the village. The church is considered "a limited use" property for religious services (the 5th Sunday of every month there will be a worship service held.)

Reverend Moore has granted us permission to have our monthly town meetings, an annual Christmas Potluck Gathering and our annual yard sale at the property, using both inside and outside areas.

We need to choose dates that we want to use the building and co-ordinate this with the Neavitt Trustees so we aren't planning something on the same day at the same time.

Please turn over to view a list of uses for a community center here in Claiborne. A copy is available at the Post Office. Please feel free to add your ideas to it.

G.A.N.A.R.

aka: Give A Neighbor A Ride
Is alive and doing well. We could use some more volunteers, so if you can spare a little bit of time and gasoline please sign up. It'll make you feel good!
410-745-6987.

St Michaels Fife & Drum Corps

We're looking for a few good men and women to join our ranks. Enough drummers have been recruited, now there exists a need for fifers. Practice is Tuesday evening at 6PM at the ALL Learning Center building on Railroad Avenue. If you're interested please give me a call. 410-745-6987.

For such a tiny month, February is loaded with important dates such as:

Ground Hog Day on the 2nd
Valentines Day on the 14th
Chinese New Year 4706 on the 7th
"The year of the Rat"
And, an extra day thrown in the on 29th just for good luck.

Which leads me to our Macmillan Dictionary word of the month:
"bissextil"

Definition: It refers simply to a leap year - a year containing February 29th and therefore a total of 366 days. A noun derivative, "bissextil" refers to the extra day itself.

And, if you're lucky enough to be born on this day you would be referred to as "a leaping".
