The Claiborne Clarion

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May Birthdays!

- **Abby West**
- **Tom Beaver**
- Lynn Marr
- 9 Jane Nigra 11 - Alice Sewell
- 13 Beth Ellen Dawson
- 14 Barbara Reisert
- 17 John Fellinger 22 - Lyn Lansdale
- 26 Carrie Gould-Kabler
- 28 Jesse Greenspan

Happy Mother's Day! May 14"

TUESDAY, MAY 16 -From attracting osprey,

Sherwood Seminar!

bluebirds and monarchs to getting rid of what we don't want (phragmites) Andi Pupke, Education/Outreach Director of the Chesapeake Wildlife Heritage (CWH) will tell us how it's done.

CWH is dedicated to restoring, managing, and protecting wildlife habitat and providing homeowners one-to-one consultations. CWH is the only nonprofit in the area taking habitat projects from conception to fruition by designing, building and managing habitat for the dual purpose of improving water quality and diversity of habitat in our region.

June Birthdays... **Tom Babb**

Planning ahead?

- 12 Landon Walker 16 Pat Flory
- 16 Dustin Fellinger

Join us for taco night this Friday at the Village Hall. It will

Friday, May 5th

Cinco de Mayo lands on a Friday this year.

What luck!

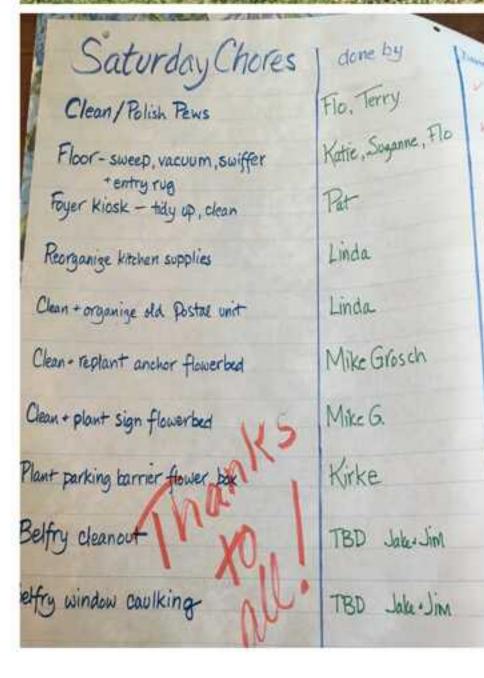
be sort of a hybrid potluck. The Program Committee and some fine Claiborne chefs will prepare and provide the tacos, the meaty and beany fillings, and margaritas! (thank you Kuperbergs) Your contribution will be taco toppings and dessert! You

can sign up to bring salsa, guacamole, cheese...or delight the crowds with a dessert! 6:00pm – and bring the children – there will be a piñata!

EARTH DAY is also Claiborne Cleanup Day!

Claibornites tackled the job of sprucing up the Village Hall, inside and out, on Earth Day weekend. Yes, that's Bob Todd pitching in to clean up the anchor garden.





Thanks to all the folks who pitched in and handled the clean-up chores!

And thank you to the Claiborne Association for arranging the Second Annual Spring Cleanup Dumpster Event!

EDITORS! The Clarion is in need

CALLING ALL

of volunteer editors for upcoming issues. If you are interested, please contact Rob Todd at robert10431@outlook.com

CALLING ALL POTENTIAL BOARD **MEMBERS!**

becoming a Claiborne Village Association Board Member: 1/ endless opportunities

Consider the perks of

- to connect with your neighbors;
- 2/ a chance to influence the future direction and sustainability of the
- Association; 3/ an abundance of gratitude coming your

way. Contact a member of the **Nominating Committee to**

let them know you are

interested.

Thanks to Kirke Harper, esteemed vice president of the Claiborne Village Association, for deftly facilitating the General Meeting. On the agenda, updates on the zoning change and on the permit

for a holding tank. Bridges Land Management was awarded the contract to install the tanks. The Association has engaged the services of an architect to assist with the building permit application. Judy Harrald reported on the Association's finances and on the current list of project priorities. The membership approved the appointment of a

Nominating Committee chaired by Bill Sewell, with Renny Johnson and Sarah Sayre.

Coming Home Tomorrow, May 2nd, I'll be coming home. Up until recently that would have meant Philly to me. You can't spend 65 years of your life in one area, one culture without drilling roots so deep that you wonder if you'll ever be able to call some other

place "home" and some other group of people "family." But the answer is yes, you can, and collectively you have shown me how.

Length of life is promised to no one; quality of life is promised

Tomorrow is my father's one hundred and tenth birthday and it is a birthday of sorts for me as well. Tomorrow I will be coming home.

Thanks, Pete

in Claiborne.