



The Claiborne Clarion

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SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

3 Ralph Steinberger
6 Steve & Mike Friedberg
13 Tim McHugh
16 Nancy Higgins
16 Will Murdoch
23 Adine Kelly
24 Shirley Cockey
24 Karen Wright

FALL EVENTS!

(details to be announced)

Contra Dance

Sing-a-long with
Jonathan Williams

Classical Guitar Concert

A GRAND SUMMER PICNIC

We celebrated summer on August 27 with the annual Claiborne picnic. Saturday was a warm late August day that became cooler as the afternoon wore on. More than 75 people enjoyed grilled sausages and peppers and delicious food dishes crowded onto two tables. A separate table held appetizers while yet other table held homemade deserts.

This village tradition began in 1992 with an ice cream social hosted by Becky Otter and Paul Morehead in their backyard. Since that start 24 years ago the Village has gathered for ice cream socials and picnics. Steve Friedberg hosted this year's picnic at the pavilion at new Maple Hall. Ages ranged from a 2 year old to a 103 year old. Mara Kozaczek (Phil and Sarah Sayre's granddaughter) played the 2 year old while former resident Elva Gerlach tried her best to act 103. Both failed, of course. Elva acts much younger than her age while Mara seems to be at least 3.

ASSOCIATION BUSINESS

These days the picnic includes a business meeting for the Claiborne Association. President Mary Gregorio presided over presentation of a financial report, a budget and the election. A progress report on the Association, the Hall and our work of creating the first Resilience Center in the County completed the meeting.

The state of the Association is sound. Treasurer Judy Harrald presented the 2016-17 budget, which was approved unanimously. We will use approximately \$30,000 of our donated funds to complete the

Sherwood Seminar Series

Sept 20 Grilling Seminar
with 2-If-By-Sea Chef

Oct 18 Sheriff Joe Gamble

Nov 15 Clay Stamp

Jan 17 Conservation
Trusts

Hall renovations, investing the remainder to an endowment fund that will support future maintenance activities.

During the picnic we received annual dues from 71 people. We also received donation pledges for the stove, refrigerator, microwave oven, faucet and lighting for the new kitchen. Fixtures for the accessible bathroom have been donated as well. Thanks to everyone for their generosity and support.

If you couldn't attend the picnic, or want to pay your annual dues now, please send \$5 per person to Claiborne Association, Inc. 10403 Claiborne Road, Claiborne, MD 21624. And we still appreciate your weekly donation of \$1.00. Multiplied by all of our members, that \$52 makes a huge difference.

The Election

No, not THAT election. The Claiborne Association election. At the August meeting we elect officers for our fiscal year starting September 1. Bill Sewell, chairman of the Nominating Committee, introduced a slate of nominees. There were no additional nominations from the floor, so a motion was passed to elect the slate of candidates by acclamation. The Officers and Board Members are:

President	Mary Gregorio
Vice President	Kirke Harper
Treasurer	Judy Harrauld
Secretary	Terry Babb
Board Members	Jake Flory
	Jess Murphy
	Rob Todd

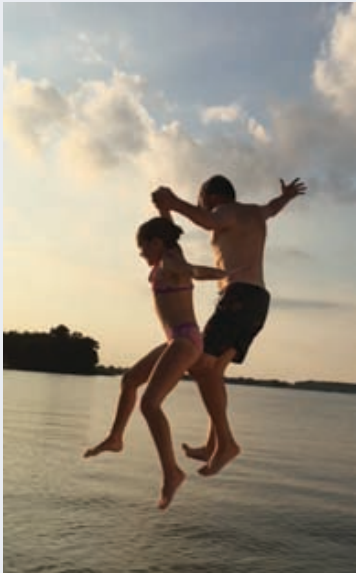
Hall and Resilience Center Update

Jake Flory reported that recent repairs to the Hall include preparing for the future installation of heating and air conditioning for the Annex, installing concrete block skirting around the Annex to protect the kitchen and bathroom from freezing, and installing a new electric panel in the Annex in preparation for future work. A team also repaired the four-part door and frame between and Hall and Annex.

The Construction Committee (Jake Flory, Will Murdoch and Jim Richardson) plans a "Work Week" as soon as the weather cools. The schedule calls for repairs to the Annex soffits, installing trim for the new siding and the new siding. These repairs are part of the work we can do without a building permit.

The State has approved a septic holding tank for the Resilience Center rather than a small septic system. This will provide flexibility for the emergency situations we anticipate. We have applied for a construction permit to install a 2000-gallon tank.

Who knows how to make the summer last?



Jake Flory and Stella Kabler leap into Shaw Bay from atop Island Lady's cabin!

Planning ahead?
Here are the October birthdays...

- 2 – Sarah Sayre
- 7 – Lexi Lednum
- 12 – Susanne Scott
- 16 – Ed Schaeffer
- 23 – Mary Gregorio
- 31 – Aaron Walker
- 31 – Dawn Lednum

We are nearly finished with the zoning change from “Church” to “Community and Cultural Center”. When that change is approved we will apply for the building permit to move beyond repairs to complete the renovations.

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In June a group of neighbors asked the County to change the speed limit in the Village from 30 to 25 miles per hour and from 50 to 40 on the road from Route 33 to the Village. The County approved the change to 25 in the Village. New signage should appear this fall. We are planning to submit a petition asking the County to reconsider the decision to keep the 50 mph limit on the highway. A petition was available for signing at Hall and at the picnic. If you want to sign the petition, it's back in the Hall.

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Kallie Duly, a senior at St Michaels HS and President of the Bay 100 Blue Crab 4-H Club, has asked if she could complete the sixth level of her Diamond Clover by doing a project at the Claiborne Beach. She will clean the beach weekly, design signage to remind people to respect the beach and the Village, and donate a picnic table to replace the one that disappeared this summer. If you see a young woman cleaning the beach please introduce yourself to Kallie and thank her.

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Rob Todd, who chairs the Communications Committee, is looking for Clarion editors starting in 2017. Rob and others will help you with formatting and ideas. If you're interested please email him: robert10431@outlook.com or call him at: 240-285-2309.

Editors for upcoming editions are:

- October: Jake and Pat Flory
- November: Martha Hamlyn
- December: Pete and Mary Gregorio

If you have a picture or story idea you want to submit please contact one of these volunteer editors.

This is a great time to start sharing holiday recipes!



Martha and Jim offer a few tips on the art of retiring well.

Happy trails Kim!
Our delightful US Mail carrier, Kim Roe, made her last delivery to Claiborne and retired from the US Postal Service on August 18. It was a bittersweet final trip to deliver Claiborne's mail. A small group gathered to wish her well and present her with a gift certificate. Kim's connection to Claiborne is deep. Her parents were married in the church.

