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Note the Dates:

October 1

Potluck Dinner – 6 PM

October 11

Association Board Meeting

7 p.m. at the Hall

All are welcome

October 17 - 21:

Work Days at the Hall

8:30 a.m. start time

October 29:

Concert and Contra Dance at

the Hall - 7:00 p.m.

November 19:

Sing Along with Jonathan

Williams and friends 7:00

p.m.

December 17:

Holiday Potluck Party

October Birthdays

2 - Sarah Sayre

7 - Lexi Lednum

12 - Susanne Scott

16 - Ed Schaefer

23 - Mary Gregorio

31 - Aaron Walker

31 - Dawn Lednum

What's going on at the Village Hall?

On Monday, a group of determined and energetic folks, organized by Pat Flory, took on an enormous task! It was time to sort “stuff” into Keep, Donate, and Trash piles in preparation for clean-up day. Treasure Cove, the Community Center, and ReStore were the grateful recipients. Now we can really begin to envision the annex space.

The Building Committee (Jake Flory, Will Murdoch, Jim Richardson, Kirke Harper) is getting ready to formalize plans for the kitchen and bathroom. Jake Flory designed a kitchen and bath and that plan has been viewed by a number of people over the past few months. Before it is finalized, though, we will hold two ad hoc design meetings in October. Anyone interested in viewing the design, suggesting modifications, or just coming out for the chance to heckle is welcome to attend. There's no guarantee that your idea for a crystal chandelier over the toilet or rubber duckies on the backsplash will be greeted with enthusiasm, but the committee does want to hear from you. The ad hoc meetings are scheduled to be held on Sunday, 10/9 at 10:00 AM and Saturday, 10/15 at 9 00 AM

Once we receive approval for the Community and Cultural Facility zoning change required by the County we will proceed with the application for permits to renovate the annex. In the meantime, there is work that can be done to prepare.

A building committee WORK WEEK IS SCHEDULED FOR THE WEEK OF 10/17. It's a BYOT event (bring your own tools) and join in. The plan is to complete the siding on the outside of the annex. Please contact Jake Flory (jakeflory@gmail.com) for more information.

In related news, we have received permission to install a septic holding tank which will enable us to have a warming kitchen as well a shower. We have applied for a Septic Construction Permit and should be able to complete the installation this Fall.

Night Blooming Cereus



The Night Blooming Cereus is a member of the cactus family and for one time each year, its beautifully scented flower opens as night falls, then closes forever with the morning light.

In the book *The Warmth of Other Suns* author Isabel Wilkerson recounts her mother's memories of her grandmother's night-blooming cereus and the yearly neighborhood ritual of watching it "decide to undrape its petals". In Claiborne, the Haddaway's practice this same ritual.

Barbara Haddaway's photographs catch the "undraping" on the evening of September 16th. Please contact Barbara if you want to see this "undraping" the next time it happens.



Another project on deck is the design and preparation for a memorial orchard to be planted in honor of Patti Cruickshank Schott. Katie and Dick Snowden have graciously given permission for us to dip in to their property behind the Village Hall in order to have enough space for the orchard. Master Gardeners, couch gardeners, people who love orchards and fruit, please contact Jim Richardson (designs1@atlanticbb.net) for more information about the project and to share your ideas!

And, finally, the Claiborne Village Association board has engaged Brown Advisors of Baltimore to manage an endowment fund with money that was donated by Patti Cruickshank Schott to provide for ongoing maintenance of the building. More information about the endowment fund will be available soon!

Election Information

Early Voting - October 27 – November 3, 8 AM – 8 PM

Vote at Easton Firehouse, 315 Aurora Park Drive, Easton

Voter Registration - Last day to register to vote in Maryland - October 18

Deadline to request absentee ballots:

Mail/faxed ballot: November 1

Electronic ballot: November 4

Election Day – November 8, 7 AM – 8 PM

"Just One More"



If you have been down to the Claiborne Landing lately you may have noticed a new boat in Les and Flo Burdett's slip. "Just One More," built by Les, is a 36 ft. fishing and pleasure boat with a Cummins 6.7 LTR, 425 horsepower engine. Les bought a bare hull and proceeded to build the rest of the boat including the decks, bulkhead, and cabin. He also fabricated all the running gear, the electrical systems, installed the tanks, and set the engine. According to Les, this took about 2500 hours or 2 years to complete. Renny Johnson took Les's idea and created what you see on her stern. Look closely at her name when you are at the landing.

When asked what he learned from this process Les stated:

1. "I have a much better understanding and regard for boat builders - It's not as easy as it looks"

2. "I'll never build another one..."

Claiborne Christmas Ornaments 2016



Are you collecting Claiborne Holiday ornaments? You can pre-order your beautifully crafted ornament now!

Please contact Shirley Cockey at nellebelle38@gmail.com or 410-829-5571 to order your ornament. Cost is \$10 and all proceeds go to the Claiborne Association.

Monday Ladies Night

After a much-too-hot summer, it's time to enjoy Ladies Night at the Hall again. Drop by for 10 minutes or for 2 hours on Monday evenings, any time after 5:00. Bring a beverage, a nibble if you want, and join the wide-ranging and cheerful chat.

Guest Editors Needed

The Clarion needs guest editors for 2017. If you are interested, please contact Rob Todd at robert10431@outlook.com or [240-285-2309](tel:240-285-2309).

Guest editors for upcoming months are: November-Martha Hamlyn, December-Pete and Mary Gregorio

Get involved, stay informed

It is an exciting time in the restoration of the Village Hall/Resiliency Center. Express your ideas and learn what is being planned. Everyone are welcome when the Association Board meets; usually on the second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. **Association Board minutes are available at www.claibornemd.org/claiboard.php.**

