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

CLAIBORNE PICNIC/MEETING

On Saturday, April 25th thirty-five village residents were in attendance for a Claiborne Community Association meeting and a farewell to winter pot-luck. The church was not available due to the difficulties involving animal infestation; therefore, we met on the lawn since it was such a lovely April day. The Reverend Moore sang a blessing in Lakota and then we all got to chow-down.

After the eating was done an association meeting was conducted by Kirke. A motion was made by John Scott to explore what the intentions of the Neavitt trustees are in regards to upkeep and restoration of the church. The word Community was added back into our association name.

The community vegetable garden has been started. Lida Klunk is manager. Deliveries of the Washington Post was discussed and if you're interested, please call Kirke. Judy Harrald will be contacting various trash haulers to see if any deals can be made.

Jim Richardson is in charge of the tree program. There is information at the Post Office. The subject of streetlights was raised by Beaver and he will be contacting the Choptank Electric Co regarding the lamp by his home.

If you have yucky rust stains in your sinks and toilets like I did you'll want to use Bar Keepers Friend (BKF) to get rid of the mess. Judy Harrald told me about this trick, and she gave me a can as a gift. Thanks!

THE MEMORY GARDEN

At noon on Saturday, April 18th a group of villagers gathered at the former site of Ralph's vegetable garden to plant a new kind of garden. A memory garden devoted to all the Claiborne residents that have gone before us and have helped to make Claiborne the wonderful place that it is today. Betsy Des Jardins had this idea and now it's a reality. A gentleman named Eric Van Lowe who has been doing landscaping work in the area stopped by the Post Office and noticed the sign that Emma made regarding the memory garden. He was so inspired that he delivered 3 loads of plants that he had thinned and donated them to us. Also, Jeanne Cockey's daughters will be contributing their mother's favorite "Confederate" Violets in her honor. Jeff has added a bench to the site. Now we just have to wait for things to start popping.

KNOTES FROM KIRKE

If you're interested in serving on the Village Center Board by researching an issue, writing or helping with the planning process please call Kirke 9348. Some families have changed their trash hauler since learning that Manning charges \$74 per quarter. It might be possible to negotiate even lower fees and reduce heavy truck traffic in Claiborne if people would consider joining together to use the same contractor. Call Judy at 5240 if interested or for more info. For the association members that haven't paid your dues yet please contact Kirke or Molly.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

DeDe informs me that there are two local art exhibits worth viewing during the month of May. Both are being presented by "Group 10" and "Salon

Amazin' Raisin Cake

Linda especially liked the cake that Molly baked and asked to have the recipe printed in the Clarion, so here it is:

3 cups unsifted flour 2 tsp baking soda
2 cups sugar 1½ tsp cinnamon
1 cup mayonnaise ½ tsp nutmeg
1/3 cup milk ¼ tsp ground clove
2 eggs ½ tsp salt

3 cups peeled, chopped apples
1 cup raisins
½ cup coarsely chopped walnuts

Grease and flour 2 9" round cake pans. In large bowl, with mixer at low speed, beat first 10 ingredients two minutes. Batter will be very thick. Using a spoon, stir in remaining ingredients.

Spoon batter into pans.

Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes or until tester comes out clean. Cool in pans for 10 minutes. Remove and cool completely.

Fill and frost with 2 cups whipped cream or with a cream cheese or butter frosting flavored with either orange or lemon.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

May 5 Aka: Cinco de Mayo Beaver
May 9 Jane Nigra
May 14 Me
May 16 Melissa Connelly
May 20 Owen Connelly
May 26 Carrie Gould-Kabler

Debris". One is located at the St Michaels Library and the other is being held at Chesapeake College. Several mediums will be on display such as: Found Art, Prints and Paintings. If you know of any upcoming exhibits you think are worth while call either DeDe or myself.

ROADSIDE TRASH

Abby would like to thank Emma Richardson for helping to organize our adopt-a-highway efforts this month! April litter pickers were Jack and Judy Harrald, Emma and Jan Johnson. You do great work! Thanks!

Our third annual village-wide yard sale will be held May 9th

8AM to Noon either in front of your home or across from the Post Office, your choice! If you won't be home that day, you can leave your donated items at the Post Office. I heard that someone will be selling cookies and coffee too! Rain date will be Saturday, the 16th.

John Cockey, husband of Shirley and father of six daughters and 14 grandchildren, passed away on Friday, April 24th. A commercial waterman, Mr. Cockey was born and raised in Claiborne. Services will be private. Our condolences to the family.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!!!