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Note the Dates:

August 27 – 5 PM

Claiborne Association General Membership Meeting and Picnic

August Birthdays

- John Scott..... 1
- Mo McHugh 2
- Mike Kuperberg..... 3
- Jim Richardson..... 4
- Tyler Murphy 10
- Jeanne Kuperberg..... 13
- Bill Sewell 14
- Jack Harrald..... 18
- Kirke Harper 27

If you want to add your name to the birthday list please contact Pat Flory at patflory@gmail.com

Visit the Claiborne website at claibornemd.org/ . The website offers links to the Clarion, bylaws, board meetings and other facts about Claiborne.

Hello Claiborne Friends and Neighbors!

I hope you are well and that you haven't melted in this heat or that you have, like some of our neighbors, found your way to cooler climes. Yes, that is a bit of a jealous tone you are picking up. Whatever the weather, we know Claiborne is the coolest place to be!

It is Annual Claiborne Picnic time and the Program Committee is diligently planning for a safe event that doesn't scrimp on the fun. Make sure to mark your calendars for 8/27 when we'll gather to celebrate Claiborne and connect with our neighbors. Details to follow.

Along with the Annual Picnic comes a brief General Membership Meeting for members of the Claiborne Association. This is an opportunity to hear about what's been going on at the Village Hall, approve a budget for '22/'23, vote for Board members, and contribute your ideas for future events. This year we will have a generator installed which will make the Village Hall more viable as a Resilience Center. It is a year to focus on strategic planning.

The nominating committee will present a slate of board members for 2022-2023 and nominations will be taken from the floor. If you've toyed with the idea of becoming involved with the Claiborne Association this is a perfect opportunity to join, to volunteer, and/or to nominate yourself.

Membership fees: \$10/adult; children under 12 are free because we know they are not really free. We'll have a membership table set up at the picnic if you'd like to renew on that day. You can also use the donation envelopes and donation box in the Hall – be sure to indicate on the check that it is for membership. Or, you can use the "donate" button on the ClaiborneMD website. Thank you!

"I know there is strength in the differences between us. I know there is comfort, where we overlap." – Ani DiFranco

Take good care of yourselves, *Mary Gregorio, President, Claiborne Association*

The Annual Picnic Returns

Can we still call it an “annual picnic” if we haven’t had one for two years?

Sure we can! You may remember that Covid cancelled the 2020 picnic and then repeated lousy weather cancelled last year’s event. So we are all the more determined to gather this year. Plan for an August 27 potluck supper at Maple Hall, with all the pertinent details coming as that time approaches.

We will be watching local covid rates closely and make whatever adjustments the board deems necessary, but until then we’re looking so much forward to culinary delights and catching up with neighbors!

Program Committee Notes

Please join the “Monday Ladies Night Group” at the Claiborne Village Hall every Monday at 5 PM. Bring a drink of choice and enjoy catching up.

Claibornites Continue to Look Splendid in Red, White & Blue!

The Program Committee applauds all the enthusiastic participants and cheering spectators - there were many more than we anticipated - and apologizes to all the disappointed would-be ice cream eaters. Next year we’ll have plenty for all, we promise!

Please follow the link to view the [Claiborne Parade](#).



Claiborne Gardens



Photos from Katie Cornell's garden. According to Katie, it has been a stellar summer for flowering perennials; the midsummer colors in her garden are so vivid, with bees and butterflies everywhere.

Eastern Bay Oyster Recovery by Maura Bollinger

With a whoosh and clattering of oyster shells the *Robert Lee* released over 18 million oyster spat of shells into Eastern Bay just off Tilghman Point here in Claiborne. Several Claibornites joined the flotilla of onlookers to welcome the baby oysters into our neighborhood. The effort is part of Operation Build-a-Reef: Eastern Bay which is a partnership between Maryland DNR, the Oyster Recovery Partnership and ShoreRivers. This is the first of 100 million spat to be planted in Eastern Bay; DNR is providing funding for 70 million oyster spat and ShoreRivers hopes to raise funds to add the remaining 30 million spat.

If you'd like to donate to make this happen visit

<https://www.shorerivers.org/>

