The Claiborne Clarion

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Note the Dates:

Sunday, June 8
Happy Hour Potluck

Friday, June 27 – 4 p.m. First Ever Claiborne Irish Road Bowling Match

Friday, July 4 – 2 p.m.
Annual Claiborne Parade and Ice Cream Social

Saturday, August 16
Annual Picnic & Association Meeting

June Birthdays

Tom Babb 2
Kate Davitt 9
Pat Flory 16
Dustin Fellinger..... 22
Cathy Evans 27

Please contact Pat Flory at patflory@gmail.com to add your name to the birthday list.

June Jottings *- Jennifer Shea*

June may be bustin' out all over but boy was May a bustin' month in Claiborne. Lots transpired and many people deserve recognition and kudos for their efforts. Thank you to the Program committee for organizing social events like the *Cinco de Mayo* celebration featuring the Kuperberg Memorial Margarita Machine and workshops like *Art Night* with Cathy Evans. Discover your inner artist…

Thank you to the amazing *Dream Clean Team* who took on cleaning inside the Village Hall (and battling the birds): Martha Hamlyn, Jim Richardson, Carrie Kahn, Maura Bollinger, Mike Friedberg, Suzanne and Rob Todd, Anne North, Abby West, Tom and Terry Babb, and winning the persistence award for the day, Susan Cooper. The Hall sparkles!

Another group of villagers met on May 10th to address taking care of the outside the Hall. At this *Landscape Design & Management* meeting many great ideas both practical and visionary were shared. We look forward to seeing what plans emerge from their brainstorming as well as hearing from Marty Bollinger and the others involved with the Claiborne History project about their various initiatives to collect and archive the stories and images of our remarkable community. Thank you for your interest and energy.

I also want to thank the Finance Committee - Libby Moose, Marty Bollinger and Phil Sayre - for shepherding The Claiborne Endowment Fund so successfully and securing our future. Thanks thanks thanks to all. Clearly it takes a village to run a village:)

Rembrandt, Picasso, Monet anyone?

A fun time was had by all who attended a Claiborne Art Night. Cathy Evans and her sidekick, Jamie Frailey were our instructors for the evening. We were told that it's all in the process and to just have a good time, which we did, as we explored using acrylic paint, chalk, colored pencils, and glitter to create designs to our heart's content. There's no right or wrong with this kind of art as Cathy tells us that we're all artists. Everyone left with their own masterpiece and a desire to come back for another Art Night.

And speaking of the Village, here is the link to the photographs John Rock took in April in case you want one. *Tidewater Images*

(Hope many of you saw the *Talbot Spy* Interview with 102-year-old Margaret Byran *Remembering the Claiborne Ferry*.)

Cuatro de Mayo Celebration – *Sarah Sayre*

¡El 4 de mayo, Claiborne celebró con su habitual gran estilo! *

The fourth was a more convenient day to celebrate the anniversary of the victory of Mexico over France at the battle of Puebla in 1862. (Napoleon, as you remember, was greedy. Mexican independence had been won.)

The evening also marked the skillful handling of the Claiborne Margarita Machine, a key feature of the Kuperberg legacy, by Paul Cooper, our new Margarista. A rousing greeting was recorded and sent to Jeanne and Mike in their new digs in Puget Sound.

As always, the tacos were splendid with a stunning variety of fixings contributed by the community. Among other wonderful desserts, Anne's chocolate cupcakes kept a number of us up late.

**On May 4th, Claiborne celebrated in it's usual great style!*

Claiborne Landing Signage

Update - The Talbot County Waterman's Association is installing signage in other Talbot County coastal villages and is interested in helping with our signage project.

This group designed and installed the new entrance sign at Dogwood Harbor and are now working on signage for Neavitt Landing.

We will design and fabricate our signs and work with the watermen and the County to install the signs. Please contact Kirke Harper if you are interested in helping and learning more about this project.

Shade on the Deck

Mike Keene donated an old log canoe mast to the Association to help create shade on the hall's rear deck. It would be installed next to the rear deck and be used primarily to hold up a pair of Star sailboat sails that Mike previously donated. The sails will be used to shade the deck during summer months.

Claiborne Irish Road Bowling Association

The Claiborne Irish Road Bowling Association was officially created in December of 2022. For various reasons it has taken a long time to arrange our first community "score" (match). Thanks to John Scott and Jake Flory this initiative is finally ready for prime time. The first completion will be on Friday June 27 at 4 PM. Teams TBD and audience participation is expected. Details to follow closer to the match. Please contact Jake or John with questions and to be part of this event.

For the uninitiated, road bowling is a traditional sport in Ireland where competitors throw a 28-ounce cannonball-like ball along a country road, aiming to take the fewest throws to complete the course. The sport is played on roads, often of a mile or more in length. The player/team with the fewest throws to the finish line wins.

Will You Share With Us Your Historical Treasures???

A team led by Suzanne Todd and Barbara Haddaway is creating a Claiborne Village Archive, to help document and preserve items related to the history of our community. We are asking for our friends to start scouring your attics, basements, and closets for papers, photographs, records, diaries, etc. that might be of historical relevance to our village.

Did you know there was a Claiborne Village cookbook? Did you know there are aerial photos of our village from 1920? Have you ever seen a photograph of the tall water tower that used to sit in the Harpers' backyard? How about photos of the Holy Innocents Chapel, which used to occupy the Warners' property. Who knows what else lurks in our collections. Time to break out the binders…

We will digitize the items of relevance to our community and store them in our archives, helping to preserve them for future generations. We will return the items to you, and also provide you with a digital copy.

Since we may want to display some of the items in the Village Hall from time to time, only share with us those things you are comfortable seeing displayed in that manner. We will not put anything online unless, at some future point, we develop a capability to limit access to our members, and you explicitly agree to making it available that way. (If items are under still under copyright, we may be restricted in how we can use them.) So gather up the photos and other papers, and contact Suzanne or Barbara about the process.