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## **Annual Meeting Held**

Brandywine neighbors gathered at the K-Club for the 2018 Annual Meeting. Read Noreen's All Aboard message and review the Meeting Minutes for an overview of the discussions, reports, and decisions from the meeting.





## Shout Out 2018: Help Fulfill a French or Spanish Student's Dream

By Muriel Thatcher

Please consider sharing your home for three weeks this summer with one of the international exchange students coming to Carteret county! Through TERRE DES LANGUES (World of Languages), host opportunities include French and Spanish high school students, and two language teachers.



The students are eager to improve their English and experience American family life just for three weeks this summer. The students are fully insured

and bring spending money. Hosts need not have children to qualify, and profiles will be matched individually.

Dates for Hosting: June 21 – July 17, June 14 – July 9, and July 9 – July 30

For more information, please contact Muriel Thatcher at 252-422-1803, or murielthatcher@gmail.com.

## **Sneak Peek: Inside this Edition of Sound Waves**

Welcome to June, Brandywine! Turn the page for neighborhood and local info, like...

ARTISTS: Are you an artist? Find some tips and get involved in the upcoming Art Tour in Brandywine.

CGC RICHARD SNYDER: CGC stands for Coast Guard Cutter. Learn more about Richard Snyder, the man for whom the newly commissioned cutter was named.

FLAG DAY: Learn some Flag Day history. Attend the Flag Retirement Ceremony in Beaufort.

GOLF GALORE: Check out what's happening, and who's winning, on the golf course!

KEY WEST: The perfect vacation. Follow Sue Fox's tips for planning your own getaway.

ROCKY: Meet Rocky Gilbert, a photogenic little dog with a big personality!

SUBMIT A STORY: Thank you to our monthly contributors for sending your stories! Do you have an idea for Sound Waves? All neighbors are invited to send your articles, photos, and ideas to editor.soundwaves@gmail.com!

## **ALL ABOARD!** By Noreen Barrett

## **Hello Neighbors!**

I'd like to send a big Thank You to everyone who attended our annual meeting at the K Club on Sunday, May 20th. The board really appreciates

your support and feedback.



Rev. David Linka of All Saints Anglican Church, and Brandywine resident, addresses neighbors with a proposal to coordinate a food drive.

We were delighted to have our fellow neighbor, Rev. David Linka, from All Saints Anglican Church as a guest speaker. Dave proposed a food drive concept in partnership with the church, a local food bank and Brandywine. More information will be forthcoming regarding the details. To me, the response to this idea was a true testament to the strengths of our community, as it was met with an enthusiastic "YES" as well as offers of volunteering. Yay Brandywine!

I'd like to offer another big Thank You to all our committee heads for their service this past year. What would we do without you? Your dedication of time and service is truly ap-

preciated and we are delighted that you are continuing your roles. As always, several of the committees need more volunteers. When the workload is shared, it makes it very manageable. Specifically, drainage and gate card committees could use some assistance. Please contact any of the board members to get more information on how to get involved. It is a very rewarding job.

Bob White and Andy Haines have done an outstanding job with the BOA dues and gate card information sheets. If you haven't paid your BOA dues yet, please contact Bob as soon as possible, as late fees have occurred since May 15th. It is also imperative to submit your gate card information to avoid your cards and clickers being cancelled in the not too near future.

The summer is almost upon us, and we generally see an increase of traffic, both on foot and by car. I ask everyone to be very observant of the posted speed limits and slow things down. In the meantime, stay safe and I hope everyone had a very happy Memorial Day weekend of celebration.

All the best,

Noreen



## Congratulations, **Brandywine Graduates!**

Help us celebrate the Class of 2018! Please send the graduate's photo and bio to editor.soundwaves@gmail.com. They will be featured in the July Sound Waves.

By Pat McMahon

A great day of Bridge, some laughs, very tasty lunch with a delicious dessert...Rosie and Jean Chappell did a great job organizing everything... Thank you ladies! Now we can give the K-Club a rest until September....Thank you Lori, our chef, for all your efforts on our behalf this past season ...Our star performers that day insisted on finishing our season with a bang!

1st place: Carol Council with 4,530 points ... I don't know about you all but this is starting to get boring, Carol...

2nd place: Connie Bell with 4,210 points who was more like Tinkerbell because she was so excited..."I won, I won!"...yes you did, Connie...

3rd place: JJ Johnson with 3,880 points left with her winnings and a big smile...That will bring her back in Sept.

Speaking of that, hope to see you all in September, and have a healthy, fun summer. And a big thank you to all our wonderful subs! KUMBAYA, Y'ALL!

Bridge play is the 2nd Wednesday of the month (September – May)... Come join us! We don't want to have all this fun alone...If interested, contact Co-Directors: Pat McMahon (726-7994) or Dolly DiMarco (240-3547).

By Susie Garland, with Special Thanks to Loretta Beaulieu



May 4: Every May, the Brandywine Ladies Bridge luncheon is held, with the first-place winner receiving prize money. And the winner for 2018 is Betty Jo Whalen. Congratulations and kudos, Betty Jo. The K-Club provided a delicious buffet for this annual event on this date. Here's a little history: Fifteen years ago (2003) on a rainy Thursday,

with the golf game cancelled, some of the ladies decided on another alternative and decided to play bridge. Since they had so much fun, they agreed to continue on the first Wednesday of each month. And so it began. All the ladies in the Brandywine Ladies Golf League were invited to participate. Over the years, we have invited anyone from Brandywine to join our Sub List and as openings happen, they are invited to be regulars. Two ladies each month host two tables of bridge. Everyone brings her own lunch. We play from October thru May. In December, we have a Christmas lunch and a grab bag. We have had lots of fun and hope to continue doing so for many more years.

If anyone wishes to join us, please call Loretta Beaulieu, 252-726-5648, or email lpbeaulu@aol.com.











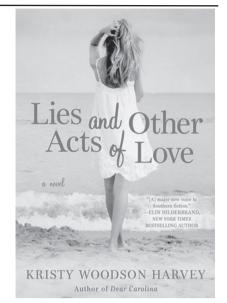


## **Brandywine Book Club Notes**

By Melinda Brown

The Brandywine Book Club recently met to discuss our book selection *The Fix* by David Baldacci. It is an exciting tale of a seemingly random murder that happens in the middle of the day on the sidewalk outside the FBI building. After reading this book, we all could see parallels to current news stories. Our book for next month is *Lies and Other Acts of Love* by Kristy Woodson Harvey. We recently learned that she will be speaking at a Literary Luncheon at the Coral Bay Club on June 20. We would be happy to have you join us for book club!

Please contact Melinda Brown at 247-1055 for more information.







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## The Joy of Swimsuit Purchases

By Susie Garland

I have just been through the annual pilgrimage of torture and humiliation known as buying a bathing suit. When I was much younger, swimsuits for women with mature figures were designed for—guess what?—women with mature figures—boned, trussed, and reinforced, and not so much sewn as engineered. They were built to hold in your tummy and uplift, and they did a good job.

Today's stretch fabrics are designed for the pre-pubescent girl with a figure carved from a potato chip. The mature woman has a choice: she can either front up at the maternity department and try on a floral suit with a skirt, coming away looking like a hippopotamus who escaped from Disney's Fantasia, or she can wander around every run-of-the-mill department store trying to make a sensible choice from what amounts to a designer range of fluorescent rubber bands.

I wandered around the store, made a sensible choice, and entered the chamber of horrors known as the fitting room. The first thing I noticed was the extraordinary tensile strength of the stretch material. The Lycra used in bathing suits, I believe, was developed by NASA to launch small rockets from a slingshot, which gives the added bonus that if you manage to actually lever yourself into one, you are protected from shark attacks. The reason for this is that any shark taking a swipe at your passing midriff would immediately suffer whiplash.

I fought my way into the bathing suit, but as I twanged the shoulder strap in place, I gasped in horror: my bosom had disappeared! Eventually, I found one boob cowering under my left armpit. I located the other one flattened beside my seventh rib. The problem is that modern bathing suits have no bra cups. The mature woman is meant to wear her bosoms spread across her chest like a speed bump. I realigned my speed bump and lurched toward the mirror to take a full view assessment. The bathing suit fitted okay, but unfortunately it only fit those parts of me willing to stay put inside the dang suit. The rest of me oozed out rebelliously from top, bottom, and the sides. I looked like a lump of playdough wearing undersized cling wrap.

Next, I tried on a cream crinkled one that made me look like a lump of masking tape, and then a floral two-piece that gave the appearance of an oversized napkin in a serviette ring. I struggled into a pair of leopard skin bathers with ragged frill and came out looking like Tarzan's Jane, pregnant with triplets and having a rough day. Oy vey! I then tried on a black number with a midriff and looked like a jellyfish in mourning. I tried on a bright pink pair with such a high cut leg, I thought I would have to wax my eyebrows to wear them. Finally, I found a suit that fit—a two-piece affair with shorts style bottom and a loose blouse-type top. It was cheap, comfortable, and bulge-friendly, so I bought it.

When I got home, feeling a sense of relief from this ordeal, I noticed the label inside the suit that read: "Material will become transparent in water." Go figure!

## **Chicken Enchiladas**

By Monica Sellars

My dear Mother-in-Law shared this recipe with me years ago because she liked it so much. When the family visited recently, I decided to pull it out of the archives and make a batch for everyone to try! All agreed it was rich, gooey, and delicious.

- 4-5 boneless chicken breasts cut in bite sized pieces
- 2 cans cream of chicken soup
- 16 oz. sour cream
- 2 bunches green onions, chopped (or 1 cup diced yellow onions)
- 16 oz. mild picante sauce
- 1 1/2 cups shredded cheddar
- 8-10 flour tortillas

Sauté the chicken bites in a little bit of oil. When almost done, add the onions until they are soft. Mix up the soup and sour cream and add the chicken mixture. Spray a 9x13 pan with cooking spray. Spread chicken mixture onto tortillas, roll up like a cigar, and place in the pan. Save a little mixture and spread it on top of the rolled tortillas. Pour the picante sauce over the top. Bake for 45 minutes at 350 degrees. Sprinkle the cheese on top and bake until the cheese melts. Cut into squares and serve.





## Flag Day Celebrated



June 14, 1777

Source: http://www.americaslibrary.gov/jb/modern/jb\_modern\_birth\_1.html

Today is Flag Day! On May 30, 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a presidential proclamation establishing a national Flag Day on June 14. Many Americans celebrate Flag Day by displaying the Red, White and Blue in front of homes and businesses. The day commemorates the adoption of the Stars and Stripes as the official flag of the United States.

Do you know the flag's history? According to American legend, in June 1776, George Washington commissioned Betsy Ross, a Philadelphia seamstress, to create a flag for the new nation in anticipation of a declaration of its independence.

On June 14, 1777, John Adams spoke about the flag at a meeting of the Continental Congress in Philadelphia. He said, "Resolved, that the flag of the thirteen United States shall be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the Union be thirteen stars, white on a blue field, representing a new constellation." There have been twenty-seven official versions of the flag so far; stars have been added to it as states have entered the Union. The current version dates to July 4, 1960, when Hawaii became the 50th state.

Do you say the Pledge of Allegiance at your school, perhaps with your hand over your heart? Or sing "The Star Spangled Banner," the national anthem, before a baseball game? Many Americans sing, pledge, and pay respect to the flag, "Old Glory," as a symbol of the country's democracy and independence. Saluting the flag is a way to celebrate and honor the United States of America.

## Flag Retirement Ceremony

June 14, 2018 | 5:00-7:00 pm 150 Turner Street, Beaufort, NC, USA (252) 728-5225

It will surprise many people that the proper way to retire a damaged or tattered flag is to, in fact, burn it – but there is a method. The Beaufort Historic Site's Living History Program will celebrate Flag Day with a demonstration of the proper procedure for retiring the old Red, White and Blue on Thursday, June 14th from 5-6pm on the grounds of the Beaufort Historic Site.

Doug Cawman will lead guests through the official procedure from start to finish. After the flag is cut into pieces, they are ceremoniously burned one by one, starting with the stripes and ending with the blue field. This event is free and open to the public. Guests are encouraged to bring their own flags that might be ready to be retired to take part in the event.



## **Changes to the 2018 Brandywine Directory**

**New to the neighborhood?** Contact Lin Chidsey for your welcome packet and gate cards.

Moving away? Please return your gate cards to Lin Chidsey. Linda Chidsey | 252-622-9421 | ncmslin@gmail.com The printed 2018 Brandywine Bay Directory was distributed in January. Contact Lin Chidsey if you need another copy.

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## **BOA Board Minutes:**

## Board Meeting, May 20, 2018 at K Club

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm. Board members present were, Nancy Beszterczei, Noreen Barrett, Bob White, Rachel Love-Adrick and Andy Haines.

Noreen asked for a motion to accept the minutes as written from the April meeting. Charlie Sabathe made a motion to approve the minutes, Jerry Levesque seconded. Minutes were unanimously approved.

#### Guest Speaker: Rev. David Linka, All Saints Anglican Church

Spoke to the group about an idea for a neighborhood food drive. The first food drive will be held in September. The goal is to hold the drive quarterly in September, December, March, and June. Volunteers are needed.

**Treasurer's Report:** BOA dues were due on May 15, 2018; after this date a late fee is assessed. As of today, 49 BOA dues are still unpaid; notices will be sent out this week.

Secretary's report: None

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1. HOA Dues: After May 15, 2018 a late fee will be assessed.
- 2. Gate Card & Database/Phone Directory: The database for the community is in the process of being updated. Previously the board used a database that required the board to acquire a license to use. Currently the board is updating the database to a free Google Sheets document. To update the database, the board sent out an audit form with the dues. As of today about 150-200 have not responded. The board is following up with requests to complete the forms.
- **3. Bridges Street Extension:** The project has narrowed down the street extension to two choices: Old Murdoch Road and Gladys Teasley Lane. A second public meeting will be held by DOT in late spring or summer. Please keep an eye out for future meeting dates.
- 4. Wilshire Commons: Wilshire Commons is a proposed multifamily development on a vacant parcel located between the recreational area and Reserve Lane. Nothing has been submitted to the Morehead City Planning Board regarding the proposed development. At the November 2017 Planning Board meeting, the board requested a Drainage Study from the developer. At that meeting the Planning Board requested that the HOA board reach out to the developer to state concerns. The board has sent two letters to Ron Cullipher and Mr. McClung and has not received a response.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Bylaw Amendment: At the March board meeting the board voted to amend the terms of the board members from 2 years to 3 years. Based on the current bylaws and the procedures followed for previous amendments the board felt that they were within their rights to amend the bylaws in this manner. However, we were informed that based on North Carolina Gen. Stat. 55A-10-21, which governs

non-profit corporations including community associations, the Board and members of the Association are required to vote on an amendment to an Association's Bylaws. This has called into concern the current and some previous bylaw amendments. Currently the board is awaiting clarification from the attorney to rectify the amendments and follow the process as stated in N.C. G.S. 55A-10-21.

A motion was made by Janiece Wall to vote the current board in as the interim board until the bylaw amendments have been rectified. The motion was seconded by John Miller, and passed unanimously.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Drainage - Scott Carpenter spoke about ongoing drainage projects throughout the neighborhood at: Hillcrest, Emerywood, Eastchester, Westchester and English Turn. Additionally, Scott spoke about drainage ditch maintenance that includes spraying the weeds in ditches to kill them and then hand removing the debris to keep the ditches clear.

Gates - in working order. Nothing to report.

Cameras - in working order. Nothing to report.

Boat Storage - Nothing to report.

Recreational Area - Play set needs some TLC. Board thanked the homeowners who have been fixing the play set when they see something that needs fixing.

Beautification – New plantings will be going in at the 24-gate.

#### APRIL ACC APPROVALS

313 Eastchester Dr Remove dead leaning trees	
803 Lord Granville Replace rear steps withh larger deck4/3/2018	
217 Lord Granville Trim branches & remove two trees4/10/2018	,
408 Oakmont Dr Replace windows (previous approval)4/13/2018	,
203 Tree Fern Dr Remove dead trees	,
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The meeting adjourned at 5:14 pm. Respectfully submitted by Rachel Love-Adrick, May 24, 2018



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# Creative Inspiration for Artwork

By Mat Madsen

The art topic for this month is "Color and Depth." Color draws the viewer into a painting just as Line of Design does. I always start a painting from top to bottom and back to front.

The rule of color:

The blues, greens and whites are the coolest colors, and they recede. The reds, oranges and yellows advance and should be considered for the entrance to your composition at the bottom of the canvas.



"The Mission at Carmel" is an original painting by Mat Madsen. View www. artbymat.com and click on the gallery page to view this painting online.

The warmest colors in this painting are the reds, oranges, yellows and the Indian yellow. The cool colors are the blues and greens. The neutral colors are white, black, and grey.

The cool colors on the left are the green hedges receding, and with the help of the Burnt Sienna building, draws you to the rear and to the center of the main subject, the Mission at Carmel.

Overlapping objects is another method of creating depth. The hedges overlap the building on the left as do the flowers over the fountain and the low growth over

the building on the right. Finally the trees in the middle overlap the main subject, the Mission at Carmel.

When you are painting, you should know the opacity of the paint. I recommend that you do not mix two opaque paints together, as they muddy the colors. I use the Italian brand of "Maimeri" paints for all my media paintings. To identify the paint as opaque, there is a very small black square on the tube of Maimeri paints. Another type is the semi-opaque paints, which do not have a black square. Other brands of paints have different ways of identifying the opaque paints, so become familiar with the identification used on your choice of paint brands.

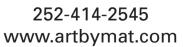
Paints are also identified by other characteristics. There are transparent and semi-transparent paints. The temperature of paint colors is warm, cool,



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or earth colors. Light fast tells if the paint will fade due to light exposure. The intensity is defined as high or low.

The primary colors are Red, Yellow and Blue. Yellow is the lightest color and violet is the darkest color. Value is everything else in between. The complete topic of color would require an article in itself.

There's a problem with mixing your own paints while you paint. If you are still on a particular subject and you exhaust the mixed color on your pallet, it may be difficult to repeat the same hue. There are many varieties of ready-mixed colors in a tube to assist you with maintaining the same color.

My July Art Article will cover the subject of "Forms and Shapes" with another example of one of my paintings. Call or visit me at 252-414-2545 and visit my art studio at 204 Lord Granville Drive.

# Art Home Tour Planned for Saturday, September 15, 2018

Here are some tips for the artists in Brandywine Bay who didn't participate in our previous art tours, and for those that did who may like a reminder on how to prepare for this tour.

#### What is Art?

First of all, art comes in all forms, so don't think you have to be just a painter to participate.

- There are artists in pottery, photography, pen and ink, pastels, drawing, and mixed media. You can also be an artist in embroidery. One of my favorite art forms is decoupage.
- Preparing for the art tour has some things to consider for making it worthwhile and successful.
- Identify the art work you have, and decide if it would be for sale or not, and put a sticker on the item with a price. This is not a yard sale, so price the item for what it's worth to you.
- If the buyer wants to give you a cheque, don't release the art item until the cheque has been deposited to your account. You can also state that the price is 10% off with cash, and then the buyer will be able to take it home.
- Have a guest book at the door, and ask the guest to please sign in. At the end of the tour you'll know who the visitors were. You'll be surprised at the future friends you'll have met.
- Attach a light colored balloon with ART TOUR printed on the balloon, to your mailbox.
- I recommend that you have one or two friends with you, so you're
  not trying to keep track of everything that's going on around you.
  Close doors to rooms that aren't involved with the tour. This tour is
  for our Brandywine residents only, so it won't be difficult to manage
  the tour.
- In previous tours, I've made a list of my art for sale, to have on hand as a check list for items sold. I also have a 4"x7" "Sales Order" book with carbon copies, for my own records. These are habits from when I owned Gallerie E in the Brandywine Crossing shopping center.

If you are interested in participating this year in the tour, please call me at: 252-414-2545 or you can e-mail me at: madsen1580@gmail.com. You may also visit my home art studio at 204 Lord Granville Drive.

When I've heard from those that want to participate, I'll contact you, and we'll schedule a get together at the K-Club for questions, answers and support for our 2018 community art tour.



## Marriage, Divorce, and Social Security Retirement Benefits

By Greg Patterson, Financial Advisor, Atlantic Wealth Management

In 2018, about 63 million Americans will receive approximately one trillion dollars in Social Security benefits (Social Security Administration, 2018 Fact Sheet). To help you understand this important piece of the post-retirement income puzzle, the following information addresses frequently asked questions about social security benefits as they relate to being married or divorced. Many people are not aware of options available for spousal benefits and widow/widower benefits, as well as options available after a divorce.

#### Q: What are spousal benefits?

**A:** While you are living, your spouse can receive a dependent benefit of up to 50 percent of your full retirement amount. Benefits paid to your spouse will not decrease your retirement benefit. In fact, it is possible to receive a combination of benefits as a worker and as a spouse, although the maximum you will receive is the higher of the two.

#### Q: Does my early retirement reduce my spouse's or widow(er)'s benefit?

A: If you retire prior to your own FRA, your benefits will be permanently reduced based on your age at application. Your early retirement does not affect a spouse's benefit. If he or she applies for a dependent spouse benefit before his or her FRA, any reduction will be based on his or her age at application. A widow or widower, on the other hand, steps into your shoes and receives an amount equal to the benefit you would have received if you were living. So, if your retirement benefit was reduced because of early retirement, your widow(er)'s benefit would also be reduced, and it may be further reduced based on the widow(er)'s age at application.

## Q: May I apply for spousal benefits if my spouse hasn't filed for social security?

**A:** No. You cannot get spousal benefits until your spouse has applied for social security retirement benefits. You can apply for a benefit based on your work record and, when your spouse retires, qualify for a spousal benefit, if higher, at that time.

## Q: Can a retiree choose which benefit to receive—his or her own benefit or his or her spouse's?

A: If your spouse has already applied for retirement benefits, you cannot apply for a reduced spousal benefit at age 62 and then step up to an increased benefit based on your own record at FRA. There are, however, two limited exceptions. If you were born in 1953 or earlier and haven't received any benefits before reaching your FRA, you can apply for spousal benefits and delay applying for benefits under your own record up to age 70. This will allow you to take advantage of the delayed retirement credit, which increases your benefit by a certain percentage if you delay your retirement beyond your FRA.

Another exception applies if you claim benefits before your spouse does. In that case, you can start to receive benefits based on your work and elect to add a spousal benefit when eligible. Remember that your combined benefit will be reduced based on your age at application.

**Example:** Jane qualifies for her own benefit at age 62, when her PIA is \$800. Because she is 48 months under her FRA, her benefit is reduced to \$640.

Two years later, when her husband, Jack, retires, Jane qualifies for a spousal benefit of \$900 at her FRA, based on Jack's PIA of \$1,800. She has the option to wait to apply for a spousal benefit at her FRA, but she decides to apply

for her increased benefit at age 64. The SSA will first subtract her PIA from one-half of Jack's PIA (\$900 - \$800). It will then reduce her spousal benefit of \$100 to \$91 based on her current age of 64. Her new combined benefit is \$731 (\$640 + \$91).

#### Q: How can a couple maximize their social security benefits?

**A:** If current cash flow is not an issue, the spouse with the lower earning history could apply for benefits as early as possible while the higher-earning spouse would delay benefits as long as possible.

**Example:** Let's say Sally and Jim are age 62 and 65, respectively. Sally retires at 62 and applies for reduced social security benefits. Her husband, Jim, also retires but does not apply for benefits. He will continue to accrue delayed retirement credits on his record—equivalent to an 8-percent increase per year—until age 70, when he applies for his own maximized worker benefit.

#### Q: How does a divorce affect benefits?

**A:** A divorced spouse can get benefits based on a former husband's or wife's social security record, provided that the marriage lasted for at least 10 years and the divorced spouse is 62 years old or older and unmarried. You do not have to wait until your former spouse retires to receive benefits, and you can receive benefits even if your former spouse remarries.

#### Q: What happens when my spouse, or divorced spouse, dies?

**A:** You can receive widow or widower benefits at age 60 (age 50, if you have a disability). You will get a survivor's benefit equal to 100 percent of your spouse's benefits. You will not, however, receive both your spouse's and your own benefits. The amount you receive will depend on your age at application for widow(er) benefits and whether your deceased spouse was receiving reduced benefits.

**Please note:** A widow or widower has the option of taking a survivor benefit now and then switching to an unreduced benefit based on his or her own work record any time after FRA, or vice versa.

#### Q: What happens if I remarry?

A: If you are a widow(er) or divorced widow(er) and you remarry before age 60 (age 50, if you have a disability), you are not eligible for your deceased spouse's benefits. You can, however, apply for spousal benefits under your new spouse. If you remarry after age 60 (age 50, if you have a disability), you can choose between your deceased spouse's survivor benefits or your new spouse's spousal benefits.

#### Q: What does government pension offset mean?

**A:** This term relates to a job during which one spouse did not contribute to social security—usually because he or she was employed in a federal, state, or local government job. If you receive a public pension, you may also be eligible to receive spousal or widow(er) benefits from your spouse who worked in private industry. Your spousal or survivor benefits may be reduced by an amount equal to two-thirds of your public pension.

To ensure your plan will maximize your social security benefit, we recommend that you speak with your financial advisor.

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# PetDocks Preparing to Introduce Babies and Dogs

By Dr. Todd Worrell

Last month, we discussed preparing for the introduction of dog and baby. Now that you're ready to introduce your dog and your baby; consider these tips to make the subsequent transition as smooth as possible.

Exhaust your dog first: When you first come home, your dog should be mentally and physically exhausted so their energy level is nice and low. Hire a dog walker or ask a close friend or relative to exercise your pooch an hour before you're due to arrive home.

Don't rush things: Many new parents are in a hurry to get the dog and baby together as one big happy family. But the introduction should be slow and gradual. Your dog can see the baby more and more often, but they shouldn't necessarily interact on a regular basis until boundaries are set and everyone is comfortable with how things are going.

Invite a sniff between the dog and baby: Once your dog seems at ease with the newest family member, try offering the baby's feet for a little sniff. Keep interactions brief and positive with plenty of treats.

Always know where your dog is in the house: Be aware that your dog may be able to get into baby's crib. Closely monitor your pup in the nursery to make sure curiosity doesn't take over.

Your dog still needs some attention: Find out whether your dog benefits from 15 minutes of your intense focus or a little play throughout the day. As expected, dogs with more energy will present larger challenges, and you might want to consider a dog walker or daycare for some help. The same goes for smart dogs and attention seekers. Puzzles and games help to occupy a needy dog.

Don't scold or punish: If your dog exhibits unwanted behavior, don't yell at her and create bad associations between the baby and punishment. Instead, ignore the bad behavior.

Do not give in to attention-seeking behavior: If your dog barks to be petted, ignore her. Remember not to scold or punish; simply ignore any efforts to get your attention.

Make eye-contact happen between babies and dogs (and other guests!): It's important that your dog practice a lot of eye contact with people because babies and toddlers are at the pet's eye-level. Your dog and baby will make a lot of eye contact when they're at the same level.

Plan a safe feeding space for your baby: If you always cuddled with Fido on the couch, don't use that same spot to feed your newborn.

Keep faces apart: Your dog may love licking your newborn's sweet, milk-dribbled face. But it's safer not to let the dog and baby faces get too close. There could be too much excitement, the baby could laugh or scream; there are too many unknowns.

## **Meet your BBA Volunteers**

#### Walton Joyner

I am from Raleigh (born and raised) where I practiced law for 56 years. I retired in October of 2016. My family has had a home in Carteret County since 1948 and I since 1973, the last 32 years being in Brandywine Bay. One of the things that has impressed me since I became involved with the BBA is the dedication and leadership that has been demonstrated by all of the directors, board members and committee members I have encountered. It has been truly amazing and refreshing.



#### **Roger Spencer**

I was born and raised in the southern part of Illinois, earned an aerospace engineering degree from the Univ. of Illinois in 1972, then was commissioned a 2Lt in the USAF. About 22 years later, I became Mr. Spencer again and went to work for an engineering services company supporting the USAF at Eglin AFB, FL, in developing and testing all the "smart" weapons we are currently using in the many deployed locations our troops are serving today. I retired from that job in 2013 and my wife, Jan, decided we needed to move

here to be near our daughter and two grandkids (and our son-in-law too, but he doesn't count (lol)) who live across the road in BOA. We have another daughter and son-in-law we left behind in Florida who surprised us as we were moving with news of another granddaughter. So we travel back and forth from time to time to visit with them.

Hobbies and interests? Grandkids, Little League baseball, dance recitals, all things that fly (even Marine stuff, although the Air Force does it better), target shooting, and complaining about politicians.

We like that Brandywine Bay is in a beautiful area, not super big and crazy; in fact, it's much like the beach areas of NW Florida we called the Red Neck Riviera.

I was asked to join the BBA Board when I was president of the Villas association. I'm a glutton for punishment, I guess. Seriously, it's just my nature to serve my community, and I want to make sure this community remains the great place it is.

## **Morehead Brass Consortium Concert**

By Rebeccah Haines

The Morehead Brass Consortium, a local brass quintet, will present a free concert in the visitor's center at Fort Macon, on Saturday, June 9 at 1pm. This group has been playing together for many years and enjoys performing at the Fort each summer. Group members include Darryl Falls on tuba, Dave Robertson and Ralph Wade on trumpet, Norm Waligora on trombone, and Rebeccah Haines on french horn. The group will play an eclectic mix of music ranging from Sousa marches, to jazz standards, to pop tunes. Audience members will surely enjoy a toe-tapping mix of music on a Saturday afternoon!

## **MGA Happenings**

By Vince Moreno

Our tournament today was "Team Low Net," and our tournament chairman Chuck Muller got all 20 of us out on time.

After he checked all of the score cards, it was announced that the First place winners were Bob Connolly, John Miller, Joe Rudder and Lyle Vogel with a score of 194. Second place winners were Buzz Hayes, Charlie Sabathe, Mark Roche, and Vince Moreno. The closest to the pin winners pictured with our favorite waitress, Muffin, are Mark Roche and Bob Connolly.

After a great lunch, we held our annual meeting. After much discussion about the course, elections were held, and all the existing board members will keep their positions on the board. This all made it another good day for the MGA.



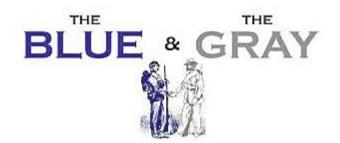
First place winners with a score of 194: Lyle Vogel, Bob Connolly, John Miller and Joe Rudder



Second place winners with a score of 209: Charlie Sabathe, Mark Roche, Vince Moreno and Buzz Hayes



Closest to the Pin Winners: Mark Roche / Bob Connolly with Muffin from the "K" Club



## The North vs. the South

By Susie Garland

May 12: Blue vs. Gray tournament—a "confrontation" between the two teams—Blue vs Gray. Format: Ryder Cup, except played in 6-hole segments. Six holes Fourball; the next 6 holes Foursomes, and the final 6 holes match play, pitting one member of the opposing team against the other. These 6-hole individual matches, played at net score, yielded points the same as the other matches: 1 point for win, half for tie, and zero for loss. A little confusing (?) — this writer described as best as I could. And now the results. With 32 participants, the competition was furious. At the end of the day, the Gray team edged the Blue team by a score of 13.5 to 10.5. The trophy will be hung in the pro shop shortly honoring the victors for the year!

Following this fun day event, the chefs prepared a delicious buffet: barbecued chicken, hot dogs, hamburgers, pasta salad, coleslaw, and strawberry shortcake for dessert.



And then we had the Bobbsey Twins: Brenda and Myra.

By Susie Garland

April 26: Low Gross/Low Net. We started out with 11 players, but a "mishap" in one of the foursome groups had the players stop after 9 holes. So, that left six competing. Now, listen up. I played with Myra Roche who trounced the competition with a gross 83. Had her ball behaved instead of taking a dip on the 18th hole, she would have scored in the 70s. She impressed the golf balls out of me and Brenda Leinthall, her playing partners. Nice going champ. Rosie Angel netted out to a 62 to win low net. Congrats, ladies. You done good!

May 3: ACE OF THE MONTH. Fifteen players competing for this monthly prize. Score in the 80s? You get the admiration in my column. Yessiree. First, I would like to commend Nancy Bullett and Brenda Leinthall for scoring in the 80s today, both having an 89. And then there's Angela Zieleck who shot an 83. YOWSA! Way to go! The results: In third place, both with a net 63: Nancy and Loretta Beaulieu. Angela took second place with a net 61. And then we have Miss Brenda, with a very low net of 56 to capture May Ace of the Month. Kudos to you all for your very fine effort and to all the other players who came out to participate. The 50-50 draw was won by Marilyn Ryder who stuffed her purse with eight smackeroos.



It seems that purple was the color of the day as worn by five of our lovely ladies. From left to right: Anne Lynes, Myra Roche, Nelda Kessler, Loretta Beaulieu, Nancy Bullett.





May 8: Home & Home. The monthly Home & Home tournament was held at Country Club of the Crystal Coast with nine of our members participating. This format, as always for Home & Home tournaments, was to earn "blitz points." You all know how this is played. Though Brandywine placed fourth out of six participating clubs, we did have three winners. Sharing first place honors, with a total of +6 points: Nancy Bullett and Susie Garland. Kudos also to Brenda Leinthall, having +5 points, to place second.

May 10: SOLHEIM. Our annual Solheim tournament was held on this date. The game consisted of 6 holes of Superball, Best Ball, and Match Play, with 21 players competing in this fun tournament. A very special thanks to Rosie Angel and Angela Zieleck, whose thoughtfulness is recognized with heartfelt appreciation for putting it all together, not to mention arranging the teams, preparing the scorecards, the posting of team scores, and all that it takes to run a tournament of this size. These girls, especially, define the word "participation." Kudos and more for your hard work.

Pat Ludwig, who coordinated this tournament with Rosie for many years, could not be with us (missed you muchly, Pat). She is still very much a part of Solheim in spirit and with love, so guess what? One day she went to the beach and gathered up a bunch of small rocks. She then took them home, painted ladybugs on all of them, and mailed them to Rosie. Flowers picked from Rosie's garden adorned the table along with the painted ladybug stones. Also on the table were two yellow Calloway golf balls and tees with either a ladybug or a butterfly on the outside of the bag for each participant. So very nice and a wonderfully clever touch.

The teams were dressed in either red (ladybugs) or yellow (butterflies). Woo-Hoo to the winning Butterfly team with a score of 11-1/2 points. The players: Pudgy Groben, Brenda Leinthall, Margie Bailey, Jean Hunsinger, Nancy Bullett, Marj Mesick, Bernie Moreno, Pat Barber, Lenna Easter, and Susie Garland. With 8-1/2 points, the "other" team players were: Ann O'Connor, Loretta Beaulieu, Mickey Friend, Diane Mantho, Janice Ghelli, Lori Wilson, Marilyn Ryder, Anne Lynes, Nelda Kessler, and your hostesses with the mostess: Rosie and Angela. A pocketful of money was handed out to the Butterfly team for their winning effort. Prizes were also given to closest to the pin on hole #5. From the yellow team: Pudgy Groben. From the red team: Loretta Beaulieu. Each were given a chit for a free 18-hole golf cart ride. Way to go!

Lunch time: thanks to the Brandywine chefs for a most delicious luncheon that consisted of smoked salmon, pasta salad, chicken salad, mixed vegetables, and cake and lemon pudding for dessert. Folks, we ain't done yet. After lunch, we put in a call via Facetime (a video and audio call) to Pat Ludwig in Rhode Island to make her feel part of this tournament that she hosted for so many years. All the ladybugs and butterflies spoke to Pat as the

phone was passed around. How cool is thaaaat?

Thanks again to Rosie and Angela for their outstanding effort and energy for a fun day out on the links.

May 17: Rain, rain, go away. The Memorial tournament postponed to May 31.



















Solheim Tournament

## **Golf Tips**

By Steve Sewell, Director of Golf at Brandywine Bay Golf Club

Let's talk distance. Of the two factors we need to control in golf, distance and direction, direction is much more important when discussing full shots. I must insert: distance, speed, pace or whatever you call it, IS the more important concern as regards short game, but not in the full shot category.



I recall an article many years back where the distance subject was addressed. It was determined if the Queen Mary luxury liner hit a golf ball, it would travel some unbelievable distance. Why is that so? Because the thousands of tons of gross weight traveling at a slow speed forced the ball a long way. Easy to understand. Since we do not have such a mammoth gross weight, we must gain much more speed. Other than club fitting, which involves, swing weight, gross weight, shaft flex point, determination of launch angle, spin rates and so on, the only way to gain distance is by adding gross weight or speed. All golfers can and should avail themselves of proper club fitting and choice of golf ball.

In order to create additional club head speed, we must use our big muscles better in conjunction with the weight of our bodies. The best players, including the longest hitters, maximize their turns. Some instructors and players call it a turn, some a rotation, a coil then uncoil. Regardless of the terminology, the use of our core is imperative if we wish to move a golf ball big time. The core is what we use when lifting something heavy to place in the back of a truck, in the trunk or on a counter. Our arms and hands are certainly a supplemental power source, but not the main force. In no sport requiring power, are the arms and hands primary concerns, rather it is the legs and muscle mass of the core which are the power producers. Consider homerun hitters, boxers, hockey players, weight lifters, Olympic athletes in many disciplines—all focus on their use of mass, tension through coil and balance of that combination.

How do we achieve better usage of these two parts? For most players it requires a better turn away from the ball with the left heel (right handed players), remaining almost completely down so to create the muscle tension needed as the shoulders turn and the upper back muscles tighten. This is the potential energy we learned about in elementary school. As we consider moving back to the target (not the ball, but our target), we uncoil. If we turn our right hip toward the ball, then continue to the target proper, or move our right knee toward the ball, or shift our left hip forward, the weight begins to transfer and the big muscles start releasing their force.

The first 5 or 10 times you do this with a true conscious thought on turning, you will feel the power and hear the club swish. I am not saying it will yield a gold shot!!! It will take a few swings/minutes to coordinate the move and retain balance doing so. As you gain confidence, stretch more effectively, improve balance along with hand-eye coordination, the shots will be longer. Do not worry about the factors I just listed, they are God given, you have them, but they must be improved through use. If you concern yourself with a good turn, the hands become secondary rather than primary, and the body becomes number 1, as it should be!

And now a golf story...

Before the PGA Tour had a Q School, it was a different version of rigorous qualifying; we were required to play on Monday mornings prior to the Tour event. Typically the field included over 100 hopefuls vying for 3-4 spots, so competition was intense. An 18 hole score of a few under was not going to

get you in the main event. It was a fierce, no holes barred, round. The fortunate few needed to in effect qualify a second time by playing well Thursday and Friday to make the dreaded cut. Only then were they assured a paycheck Sunday afternoon and exemption into next week's tournament. Of course we could gain other exemptions through high place finishes, accrued winnings levels and so forth.

My friend, whom I will name Randy, had a Tour Card. He had never qualified for an event. He was an excellent player to be sure. Randy could hit it deep and was at times, brilliant. He would not be on Tour if he could not produce enough to gain playing credentials, but winning a check is another story. Eventually Randy qualified! We had traveled together all over the US, had suffered through his low periods and I was proud of his positive attitude all the way down the road.

The event was in Hartford, Connecticut. In those days, it was called The Insurance City Open, or ICO. It was hosted by the Wethersfield Country Club and Randy was ecstatic. We went to hit balls before Friday's round. He had never been inside the ropes, so his energy level was buoyed and the smile on his face never stopped! As we exited the range area and walked within the ropes to the putting green, Randy was approached by a little boy who wanted his autograph....Randy could hardly contain himself. It was common for us to sign golf balls. Randy reached into his bag, yanked out a brand new Titleist and signed away with a flourish, and the smile was broader than ever. The little boy was appreciative, said thanks as he smiled in return, then placed the ball into the big bag of balls he had filled through asking players for autographs, as in Randy's case. For a moment Randy's smile faltered, which hurt me too; he had been used to some extent. But it didn't hurt him for long; he was thankful for the opportunity to sign and fulfill a young golfer's practice bag. After all, he would not have been asking other golfers, only those Between The Ropes, and he was now one of them!



By Susie Garland

May 15: Nine of our golfers in the Crystal Coast league traveled to Cypress Landing Golf Club in Chocowinity on this date with five players coming in on the winning side, notably: In the fourth flight, Anne Lynes won first net, with Brenda Leinthall coming in with third gross. In the third flight, Rosie Angel captured third net, with Bernie Moreno having third gross. Mickey Friend had first low gross honors in the second flight. Congrats, ladies. You done good!

## **Carteret Community Theater**

https://www.carteretcommunitytheatre.com/upcoming-shows

The talented lineup of musicians that makes up On the Border, hail from Boston, MA down to Charlotte, NC. Some of the most sought after musicians on the East Coast with years and years of experience in other musical projects from formerly signed National Acts to heralded Regional Groups they have performed with over their careers. What sets this EAGLES Tribute apart from ANY other is they were each hand selected to play the respected member. Not only to recreate the music of that Eagles member, but just as importantly, emulate their



sound as well. On the Border does just that, and exceptionally well. Prepare to be amazed!

Please keep in mind that while we cannot allow guests to approach the stage, it is likely that guests will stand at their seats for this event.



Here is Rydell High's senior class of 1959: duck-tailed, hot-rodding "Burger Palace Boys" and their gum-snapping, hip-shaking "Pink Ladies" in bobby sox and pedal pushers, evoking the look and sound of the 1950s in this rollicking musical. Head "greaser" Danny Zuko and new (good) girl Sandy Dumbrowski try to relive the high romance of their "Summer Nights" as the rest of the gang sings and dances its way through such songs as "Greased Lightnin," "It's Raining on Prom Night," "Alone at the

Drive-In Movie".

June 29 & 30, July 6 & 7 at 7:30PM and July 1 & 8 at 2:00PM Reserved seating is \$18-\$24 in advance, \$20-\$25 day of show and includes NC Sales Tax and Service Fees.



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Last Month's Solutions

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## **June Community Events**

Here are just a few of the many special events planned in our area this month. Go to www.crystalcoastnc.org for details about these events and others!

#### Climb the Cape Lookout Lighthouse

Now - September 16, 2018 | 10:15 am - 4:00 pm

Ferry information: http://www.islandexpressferryservices.com/

The Cape Lookout Lighthouse is open for climbing May 16 to September 16, 2018. Self-guided tours of up to 10 people will begin every 15 minutes during the hours of operation. First climb starts at 10:15 a.m. and the last climb starts at 4 p.m. Open Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday; Closed Monday & Tuesday

Children must be at least 44 inches tall. Regular Admission \$8, Children (12 and under; at least 44 inches tall) \$4, Senior Pass (62 and over) \$4. Ticket prices do not include cost of ferry transportation. Warning: Climbing the 207 steps to the gallery is roughly equal to climbing a 12-story building. The stairs are narrow and groups going up will share the stairs with groups returning to the bottom. The lighthouse may close at any time if conditions (temperature/humidity, lightning, or high winds) are determined unsafe.

#### **Big Rock Blue Marlin Tournament 2018**

June 8, 2018 - June 17, 2018

Location: Big Rock Landing (710 Evans Street, Morehead City) One of the country's largest and oldest sport fishing tournaments with daily weigh-ins on the Morehead City Waterfront. www.thebigrock.com

#### **World Oceans Day 2018**

June 8, 2018 | 10:00 am-4:00 pm | Pine Knoll Shores Aquarium For details call 252-247-4003 or visit www.ncaquariums.com/pine-knoll-shores.

Dive into oceans of inspiration on World Oceans Day, an international observance to promote ocean conservation. Answer the annual call to celebrate ocean conservation with themed crafts and activities. This year the theme is "Turn The Tide." We will celebrate the wonders of our beautiful blue planet and share easy ways we can all help make a difference. We will have hands on ocean themed activities and crafts for the whole family to enjoy.

We will be focusing on plastic pollution prevention, the impacts of marine debris on marine life and everyday ways everyone can make a difference. Learn how long it takes plastics to degrade through an interactive activity, find out how baleen whales eat, pin the jellyfish dinner to the sea turtle, challenge your family to a bean bag toss, and make a cool craft to take home.

#### **Exploring the Heavens**

June 9, 2018 | 2:00 pm-3:00 pm

Join us in the Fort Macon Visitor Center's large auditorium as special guest NASA/JPL Solar System Ambassador Lisa Pelletier-Harman shares an overview of the first non-terrestrial telescope, NASA's Hubble. Learn how it has changed our understanding of the Universe around us, some of the Mission's highlights and an introduction to the next step in Observing's evolution, The James Webb Telescope.

#### **Out of School Bash**

June 15, 2018 | 11:00 am-1:00 pm Join us in the Newport Community Park for an Out of School Bash equipped with Bazooka Battle, Human Foosball and Galaxy Arena.

#### Spare Change in Concert at The Big Rock 2018

June 15, 2018 | 8:00 pm-11:00 pm

The Big Rock Blue Marlin Tournament will celebrate their 60th Anniversary event this year and have added a free community concert on Friday, June 15th featuring the ever popular band, Spare Change. This concert will be from 8:00 pm until 11:00 pm and will showcase the concert's sponsor, Cheney Brothers Foods. Come out and enjoy the fun!

#### **Emerald Isle Sea Turtle Crawl**

June 16, 2018 | 6:00 am-8:00 pm

The 5th Annual Alzheimer's Association Longest Day Emerald Isle Sea Turtle Crawl is an event to raise funds and awareness of Alzheimer's disease. We will walk the beach from sunrise to sunset in honor of those living with and those lost to Alzheimer's disease.

#### Movie Night at Atlantic Beach

June 20, 2018 | 8:30 pm-10:30 pm

Bring a chair or blanket and join us for the weekly movie at the Circle along the Boardwalk at 8:30 pm. Rain date is on Thursday.

June 13: Jumanji - Welcome to the Jungle

June 21: Wonder

June 27: Deep

#### Newport Movie in the Park

June 16, 2018 | 6:30 pm-9:30 pm

Join us in the Newport Community Park as part of Newport Public Library's summer reading program. This is a free event!! There will be activities for the kids beginning at 6:30 pm, and will also include information for the summer reading program. The movie will begin at 7:30pm. Bring a blanket or a lawn chair and enjoy the kick off to all the town's summer events!!

June 16: Peter Rabbit

June 21: Jumanji

#### **Antiques Show & Sale**

June 22, 2018 | 10:00 am - June 24, 2018 | 4:00 pm

Held at the Crystal Coast Civic Center in Morehead City, this event features more than 40 booths of antiques and collectibles, as well as a gourmet Tea Room.

#### 58th Annual Old Homes & Gardens Tour

June 22, 2018 | 10:00 am - June 23, 2018 | 5:00 pm

Explore private homes and gardens in the quaint seaport town of Beaufort. Enjoy everything from small cottages to beautiful waterfront homes as well as hidden gardens, local churches, artist studios and tons of southern charm. The tour is self-paced, and tickets are \$20 per person. Tickets are good for both days of the tour to allow plenty of time to appreciate all there is to see and do in Beaufort. Tickets can be purchased at www.beauforthistoricsite.org.

#### **Purvis Chapel Choir Concert**

June 21, 2018 | 7-8pm | Beaufort, NC

Everyone is welcome to the Purvis Chapel Choir Concert as the BHA's way of thanking all Old Homes Tour Weekend participants and to honor the Old Homes Tour Honorary Chairs. Visit one of the most historic churches

## **World War I Exhibit Opens**



Join Lieutenant Dan at the NC State Museum's will present the exhibit traveling exhibit on NC in WW I. A local, Carteret 10 informational panels, county component will be added to the state's exhibit - open Memorial Day through July 7th this of the "Carteret Boys" year! will present the exhibit 10 informational panels, related artifacts, and stor of the "Carteret Boys" through Saturday, July 7th this of the "Carteret Boys" through Saturday, July 7

In a tribute to victory acres, war bonds and heroic efforts in battle, a traveling exhibition commemorating the centennial of the U.S. entry into World War I opened in Morehead City this May 26th. The History Museum of Carteret County will present the exhibit of 10 informational panels, related artifacts, and stories of the "Carteret Boys" through Saturday, July 7th.

The centennial exhibit will travel across the state in 2017 and 2018.

WWI began with the assassination of Austrian Archduke Ferdinand and his wife July 28, 1914. The U.S. was reluctant to enter the conflict as the casualties to European armies approached a million by 1916. Although initially a neutral state, continuing German atrocities and its attacks on American vessels led President Woodrow Wilson to declare war on Germany in April 1917.

"We have placed the state's exhibition as a lead-in to our long-term 'Warriors of Carteret County' exhibit, notes Steve Anderson, Director of the museum. "We are also publishing a book on the over 640 'Carteret Boys' and two women, who served in uniform between 1917 and 1919." The book will be available this June, notes Anderson.

Agriculture was the linchpin of the state's economy in 1917, and North Carolina farmers fed their fellow citizens and provided crops for the insatiable textile mills and tobacco factories. Women joined the Red Cross, YMCA and Salvation Army to serve as nurses in military hospitals at home and in France. Children grew thrift gardens to earn money to buy war bonds. Industry and individuals united to support the war effort.

North Carolinians served in the major battles of the Western Front in 1918, including with the British Army in intense combat in Belgium and France. The U.S. suffered more than 275,000 casualties and more than 50,000 deaths in five months of action in 1918.

This exhibit will travel all across the state, this being its first visit to the coast. For a complete schedule, visit www.ncdcr.gov/worldwarI .

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#### World War I Exhibit

When: May 26, 2018 @ 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Exhibit runs through July 7th, 2018 Where: History Museum of Carteret County, 1008 Arendell St., Morehead City, North Carolina, 28557

For additional information on this exhibit, please call the History Museum of Carteret at 252-247 -8533; or the state museum at (919) 807-7389. Admission: Carteret County Historical Society members get free admission to the exhibit; general public - \$3 for adults/ \$1 per child.



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## **Commissioning of New US Coast Guard Cutter**

Photos and Article Provided By Dave Tolley, FSO-PB/CM

CGC RICHARD SNYDER (WPC 1127) is the 27th Fast Response Cutter (FRC) in the Coast Guard Fleet. The Executive Officer is LTJG Lindsay Lesniak. It was commissioned on April 20, 2018. Read on to learn about its Chief Botswain's Mate Richard Snyder, the man for whom the CGC RICHARD SNYDER is named.

#### CGC RICHARD SNYDER

Richard Thomas Snyder was born in Clyde, Ohio, and was working as a welder in nearby Freemont when he learned of the attack on Pearl Harbor. The next week, he filed his application to join the United States Coast Guard. He was 22 days past his 19th birthday.

Snyder trained as a botswain's mate and in early 1943 was transferred to the South Pacific. In April he began sailing on a U.S. Navy tank landing ship, USS LST 168, for the Navy's 7th Amphibious Force. He advanced to botswain's mate first class before transferring to the U.S. Navy's Beach Party No. 6, out of New Guinea.

In order for the Allies to liberate the Philippines, they needed to recapture Geelvink Bay, whose airfields and sheltered harbors dominated the rest of Dutch New Guinea. The entrance to Geelvink Bay is controlled from Biak Island. The Japanese Supreme War Council knew this, and had committed 11,000 Imperial troops two years earlier to fortify and defend the island. To recapture the island, Snyder and the rest of the 7th Amphibious Force found themselves steaming toward western Dutch New Guinea in May 1944, carrying 12,000 Allied soldiers in the holds of their ships. Everything would depend on the speedy capture of Biak Island.

On May 27, Beach Party No. 6 was working to land the first waves of the U.S. Army's 41st Division on Green Beach at Biak Island. As the party arrived ashore, its members were ambushed by Japanese forces in nearby camouflaged cave entrances. With his shipmates' lives in peril and the landing in jeopardy, Snyder left cover, picked up grenades as well as an unfamiliar weapon, moved toward the cliffs where the Japanese were concealed and proceeded to silence the enemy's fire.

He was awarded the Silver Star for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity. Snyder was promoted to chief botswain's mate and served with the 7th Amphibious Force for the rest of the war. Writing in support of his and another Coast Guardsman, Snyder's Navy supervisor, LCDR John Avery, commented to their Coast Guard superiors, "I highly recommend both of these men for promotion, and that my beach party receive additional Coast Guard personnel of the same caliber."

Snyder was not one for celebration; when asked about arrangements for the ceremony to present him with the Silver Star, he requested that none be made. He asked the War Department to mail the medal to his home address in Ohio. He also earned a Good Conduct Medal, the American Campaign Medal, the Asiatic-Pacific Theater Medal with six battle stars, and the Philippine Liberation Medal. At the war's close he returned home to the United States to resume his trade as a welder.



**Bob White** 



Touring the USCGC RICHARD SNYDER. L to R: Sharon White; LTJG Lindsay Lesniak, Executive Officer; and Bob White.



Bob and Sharon White at Commissioning on April 20, 2018

## **Community Garden**

By Sharon White



Brandywine residents are invited to participate in the All Saints Anglican Church's community garden. The community garden is plowed and ready for you to plant your favorite vegetables or flowers! There is no cost to participate. Water is available for you to use to tend to your plants. Steven Wesley, the master gardener, is available

to offer advice and help you get started. The garden is located at the church, 292 McCabe Road – a very short drive from Brandywine. Please call 252-247-6909 for more information about the community garden.

## **June Events** ... continued from page 16.

in the state for an uplifting concert at the Purvis Chapel AME Zion Church on Craven Street in downtown Beaufort. The concert is free and open to the public with a reception following in the Parish Hall to pay a special tribute to this year's Honorary Co-Chairs of the Beaufort Old Homes Tour, Patricia and Charles Phillips. This event is free and open to the public and is sponsored by Public Radio East.

#### Carteret County Arts & Crafts Coalition Summer Show

June 30, 2018 - July 1, 2018

Juried sale of arts and crafts of coastal artisans held three weekends in a year. Held at the Beaufort Historic Site and hosted by the Carteret County Arts and Crafts Coalition, this is the perfect occasion to browse and buy the work of coastal artists and craftsman.



## Summer Concerts at Fort Macon

All concerts are free although donations are most welcomed. Doors open early for picnickers and all who want to take in the beautiful setting. Just in case it rains, the concerts will be held inside the Education Center at the Fort.

June 1, 6:30 pm: FAB-The Band

- Classic Motown and Beach Music

June 9, 1:00 pm: Morehead Brass Consortium

- Pop and Classic Tunes

June 15, 6:30 pm: Saltwater Gold

- Something for Everyone

June 29, 6:30 pm: Telluride

- Beach, Bluegrass and Country Music

## **Father's Day Chuckles**

Submitted by Adele Deluca

On June 9, 1910 Sonora Smart Dodd announced a day of celebration honoring fathers. Her dad was a widower whose wife died during childbirth of their sixth child. He raised all six children by himself. She (Sonora) felt the fathers should be recognized the same as mothers.



However, in Fairmont, West Virginia on July 5, 1908, Grace Golden Clayton felt the need to honor 301 men who had died in a mine explosion that year.

In 1924, President Calvin Coolidge recommended the honoring of fathers; however, no official action was approved.

In 1966, Lyndon B. Johnson issued executive orders that designated the third Sunday of June to celebrate Father's Day.

In 1972, Richard Nixon officially recognized Father's Day as a national holiday.

So there you have it, folks. We will be honoring dads, uncles, grandfathers, and others who play an important role in our lives on June 17. Happy Father's Day!

A few quotes...

"I've been to war, raised twins. If I had a choice, I'd rather go to war." George W. Bush

"Having children is like living in a frat house –nobody sleeps, everything is broken, and there's a lot of throw up." Ray Romano

"Fatherhood is a marathon, not a sprint." Paul L. Lewis

"It's the courage to raise a child that makes you a father." Barack Obama

"I have found the best way to give advice to your children is to find out what they want and then advise them to do it." Harry S. Truman Two other asides...

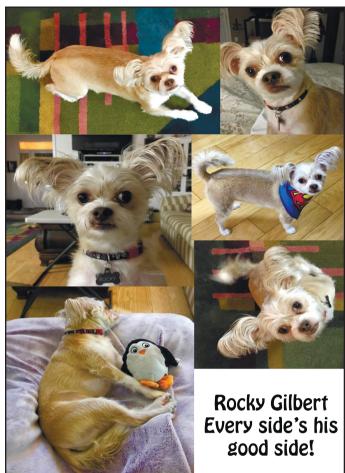
This Father's Day, don't just buy your pop a crappy "world's best dad" mug. Write him a card expressing some of the things you love and admire about him. Nothing mushy. Just tell him that you're glad to be his son or daughter. One billion dollars will be spent for Father's Day gifts this year.



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## Pet of the Month

By Gena and Harold Gilbert



Rocky was a 3 pound puppy given to us by Evelyn Winstead. Now Rocky is 3 years old and weighs around 12 pounds. Our vet says he is a mix between a Maltese and a Yorkie. He is as "cute as a button" with a terrific personality! Rocky is our fur baby for sure and makes us laugh. He has a super sweet disposition unless he believes someone is trying to hurt one of us or he hears something unusual outside. He is a great watch dog. He loves our grandchildren and the children next door. He also loves to fetch, have his back

scratched and have his tummy rubbed. He is a blessing to have around. We are happy he is a part of our family.

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#### **ACROSS**

- 1. Being
- 5. Communication

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- 10. Reflected sound
- 14. A jaunty rhythm
- 15. Angers
- 16. Baby's bed
- 17. Feelings of anxiety
- 19. Area
- 20. Clunker
- 21. Map within a map
- 22. Untidy
- 23. Gist
- 25. Rich soils
- 27. Tiny
- 28. Reddish-orange
- 31. Tossed
- 34. In a weak manner
- 35. Fury
- 36. 60 minutes
- 37. Damp
- 38. Parasitic insect
- 39. Belief
- 40. French for "After"
- 41. Of the cheekbone
- 42. Lordship remaining
- to a grantor
- 44. Hearing organ
- 45. Kooky

- 46. Cautiously attentive
- 50. Delete
- 52. More awful
- 54. In song, the loneliest number
- 55. A large amount
- 56. Young unmarried
- woman (archaic)
- 58. Adorable
- 59. Pee
- 60. Layer
- 61. Command (archaic)
- 62. Aquatic mammal
- 63. Camp beds

#### **DOWN**

- 1. Avoid
- 2. Nasal passage
- 3. Sleighs
- 4. Estimated time of
- arrival
- 5. Son of a king
- 6. A German medieval guild
- 7. Curved molding
- 8. Baby birds
- 9. S
- 10. Skin disease
- 11. A type of finch
- 12. Ancient units of

- liquid measure
- 13. Comply with
- 18. Tendon
- 22. Numerous
- 24. Pitcher
- 26. Unique
- 28. Canny 29. Region
- 30. Back
- 31. Not that
- 32. A flexible pipe
- 33. Cud-chewing hoofed mammals
- 34. A nervous wreck
- 37. Smudge
- 38. Anagram of "Fear"
- 40. Initial wager
- 41. Female horses
- 43. Inset
- 44. Less difficult
- 46. Hag
- 47. Page
- 48. Not rented
- 49. Lascivious looks
- 50. Carve in stone
- 51. Debauchee
- 53. Leave out
- 56. Twosome
- 57. And so forth

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## I LOVE Key West

By Sue Fox

Key West, former home of Ernest Hemingway, place where Tennessee Williams wrote "Cat on A Hot Tin Roof," and one-time home of Shel Silverstein, among others, continues to enchant and attract visitors of all walks of life. It is my favorite place to vacation. Just ask me if I've ever been and I'll talk your ear off forever. There is so much to see and do. But, if you prefer, there is nothing that requires your time or attention.

Key West is a unique place. Known as the Conch Republic, a name derived from the one day they seceded from the US (April 23, 1982), it is populated by Salt Water Conchs (those that have lived there more than 7 years) and Fresh Water Conchs (those that have lived there less time). It is full of fiercely independent individuals. They love the sun, the laid-back life style and the freedom to be whoever they are. Life is lived with lots of tolerance and acceptance, as well as lots of humor.

Since I was first introduced to Key West in 2013, I have returned 3 more times – each time repeating favorite things, like the trolley tour of Key West, happy hour at Turtle Kraals, or a day at the Southernmost Beach and Café, but always adding something we've never done before. This year we did a sunset cruise on a 2-masted schooner. Snacks were delicious. Soda, wine and beer flowed freely. I recommend the sangria! The sunset is always amazing in Key West and even better when you are gently rocking on the waves with an unobstructed view. We also found a new favorite Happy Hour - great food, not expensive - at the Blue Macaw.

There are tons of outdoor and on-the-water activities to try. You can book a snorkeling trip to the Great Florida Reef. We have seen a nurse shark, barracuda, Triggerfish, Parrotfish, a sea turtle and French Angelfish to name a few of the species. Some like to book a jet-ski tour around the island. We have found eco-tours and also done an activity sail that includes parasailing, jet-skis, kayaking, snorkeling, paddle boarding and lunch. For something unique and fun, try the Cocktail Challenge or sign up for the Key West Scavenger Hunt.

History abounds. Ernest Hemingway's house, complete with many 6-toed cats, is open for tours. There is a museum dedicated to the history of "Wrecking" (salvaging ships that ran up on the reef). A tour of the Truman Whitehouse gives an insider view of Harry Truman, both the man and the president. You can visit several small museums, such as Mel Fisher's museum and the history of the Atochia. There is also an arboretum, an aquarium, an eco-museum, and a butterfly garden to explore.

Bikes, scooters and foot-power are the best ways to get around as it tends to get quite congested. Parking for cars is not plenteous and quite expensive. Key West is a wonderful walking town. Tons of restaurants, bars with live music, art galleries and shops populate Duval Street – the heartbeat of the town. From the marina to the beach and down Duval and Whitehead Streets, there is so much to see and experience.

We try to stay off Duval St. by 1-2 blocks and locate between Truman and Caroline Streets. There are tons of condos to rent for a week or B & B's to stay in. By staying close you have a short walk and quick easy access to all that is there. But when you need to just chill in peace and quiet you have a wonderful retreat to go to.

Still on our list of things to do in Key West are to get recertified in Scuba so we can dive along the Great Florida Reef and take the day trip to Dry Tortugas National Park. Can't wait to plan the next trip!



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