

Welcome to Spring in West View Shores! The flowers blooming combined with trees budding means warmer temperatures are forthcoming! As we prepare for beach activities, boating, fishing, and new foliage, the outdoor activities will soon return. We are so fortunate to be on the Eastern Shore!

The Eastern Shore and West View Shores is the best place to be! To date, for those brave enough, the 1st Annual Polar Plunge as well as the Annual Socks and Soup Celebration have occurred. Currently, we are looking forward to several scheduled activities and events such as the Golf Cart Parade, Woodfest, and Crabfest, to name a few! Last year a good time was had by all!

2024 Maintenance Dues:

As you know, the dues are needed to maintain our community in its attractive condition. The common areas are maintained, which is not limited to mowing, signage, roads, pier, community building, tractor, and lighting. The basic maintenance fee per home is \$275.00, plus \$30 for each additional lot/parcel a homeowner owns. Maintenance fees are due on or before May 1st each year. Thank you to all that have paid their current and past-due maintenance fees!

Beach Grant Update – Enhance the True Beauty at WVS and the Bay:



As conveyed in the March 26th email from the WVS Board, the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has asked the community to install practices to help create wildlife and pollinator habitat as well as potentially improving water quality.

Keep in mind the commitment and involvement of the community will exponentially enhance our future grants to enhance our conservation project of the beach. If you are interested in participating or would like more information, please refer to the March 26th email, and/or direct your request(s) to <u>DPERRYMORE@HOTMAIL.COM</u>.

Please mark your calendars for this year's Spring Meeting on May 18th. One topic on the agenda will be the DNR Grant. Personnel associated with the Grant will be in attendance to discuss the Grant. As this project proceeds updates will be provided as new information is obtained.



2023 Fall Elections:

As a reminder, below is a list of the newly elected member of the WVS Board from last Fall's elections. Thank you to all the winning candidates for their commitment to the WVS Board.

Vice President (2023-2025 term) – Carolann Candy Assistant Treasurer (2023-2025 term) – Tracey Miller Secretary (2023- 2025 term) – Debbie Gasparovic Director of Central (2023-2025 term) – John Keech Director at Large (2023-2026 term) – Dave Lee Director of West (2023-2025 term – Kris Dumigan Director of East – Diane Perrymore

The following positions will be up for election this fall: President, Treasurer, Director – Central, Director – East, Director – West, and Director – At Large. Updates regarding the 2024 Fall Election will be provided in future Newsletter(s).

Road Repairs & Construction Notes:

Last Fall the Road Committee determined no maintenance was necessary at the time. The Road Committee will continue to monitor the situation. Should anything present itself to change their analysis, it will be addressed as needed.

As a reminder, please remember to trim up your low hanging trees so as to not damage boats, delivery trucks, or even vehicles as they drive by.

Several members expressed an interest in fixing up the boat ramp. If anyone is interested in exploring this possibility or helping, please speak to Connell.

Guest Policy for Beach, Boat Ramp & Pier:

As we approach summer, please be mindful of the guest policy for the beach, boat ramp, and pier. The WVS waterfront facilities are for the use of the residents and their guests ONLY. What does it mean to be a "guest"? A "guest" is defined as someone currently visiting a resident or is accompanied by a resident. It does not extend to outsiders who were "granted permission by a resident" to use our facilities. These individuals should be directed to other facilities such as Stemmer's Run boat ramp. All cars, golf carts, and trailers using the WVS facilities should



have a sticker on them. Dave Lee has more stickers in case anyone needs one. Remember that Bay View residents are NOT permitted to use the beach or boat ramp at West View Shores.

Pearce Creek DMCF & Water System Update:

The Pearce Creek website: pearcecreekoutreach.com contains a wealth of information including water test data and future meeting dates. Dredging began last fall as part of a 25-year plan.

House Numbers:

It is a request of the WVS Board to make certain the house number on your home is Clearly Visible. Should your home not have a house number on it please make it a priority. Providing a house number is very helpful to delivery people, visitors, and more importantly 1st Responders! Although someone else getting your Amazon package or pizza is one thing, it could be critical should a 1st Responder not be able to find your home.

Web Page:

In case anyone was unaware, the web site for our community is <u>www.westviewshores.org</u>. The web page contains an event calendar. If you are interested in volunteering, have a question or suggestion concerning any one of the existing committees, please communicate with the contact(s) listed. Contact: webcommittee@westviewshores.org

WVS Newsletter

The Newsletters are now only going to be emailed to the community. If you know a friend or neighbor who doesn't have email or doesn't chose to share their email, please give them a copy of the newsletters now and in the future. Thank you.

Contact Information:

It is important that we have your most up-to-date contact information. If you have made any changes to your email address, postal address, or phone numbers, please forward them to Judy Ryzner, jryzner1@gmail.com. If you are in need of the password, please contact Judy Ryzner. To access the directory, go to the West View Shores website (www.westviewshores.org) and click on Home. Drop down to the Directory. Enter the password and click on Enter. The password is case



sensitive. There are two listings: alphabetically and by street address. The directory can be downloaded if you want to have a paper copy. Please see your maintenance fee invoice for the current password.

2024 West View Shores Events

All listed events can be found on the WVS website. <u>www.westviewshores.org</u>

Completed Events:

Our hats off to those who participated in the 1st Annual Polar Plunge on February 17th. Given the snow, wind, and choppy waters it seemed to be a chilling event!

On Saturday March 23rd the Annual Socks and Soup Celebration took place. Although socks were not burned due to high winds, soup was enjoyed by roughly 30 residents. Our thanks for the hospitality of Anna and Dave Lee for providing the use of their garage. Additional thanks as well go to Mark and Rick for coordinating the foods and supplies.

Upcoming Events:

April 13th – Jim Miliner is heading up the Pond Neck Road clean-up. Volunteers are needed and should meet at the entrance to WVS on South Drive at 9am. Please contact Jim to offer your assistance. jim@re-form.com

May 18th – WVS Civic Association Spring Meeting scheduled from 9-11am at the Community Building on Short Road. One topic on the Spring Meeting agenda will be the DNR Grant. Personnel associated with the Grant will be in attendance to discuss the Grant.

May 20-21st – D&D Landscaping will conduct a MAJOR beach cleanup. D&D has requested residents stay away from the beach and surrounding area while they complete their clean-up.

June 8th – Mini Beach Clean-up beginning at 9am at the Beach Bulkhead; additional Mini Beach Clean-Ups are also scheduled for July 13th, August 10th, and September 14th, all beginning at 9am.



June 22nd – Summer Solstice Celebration from 7:30-9:30pm to celebrate the longest daylight hours. The celebration will occur at the WVS Pier.

July 5th – Annual Golf Cart Parade from 8:30-9:30pm. This year's theme is "Salute to the Armed Forces." The parade will start at the Beach and navigate throughout the community. The parade is not only for golf carts as virtually any motorized machine except for cars/trucks are encouraged to participate. This could include go carts, ATVs, riding lawnmowers, motorcycles, and even tractors! If in doubt contact Connell McNeilis or John Keech to confirm your machine.

July 6th – Woodfest from 4-7pm in the area adjacent to the boat ramp.

July 12th – Private Event – Shellie Greenleaf Family Wedding will be held from 4:30-6pm in the area adjacent to the boat ramp, Basin and Bluff Roads. This is a private event not open to WVS residents without an invitation.

July 13th – Mini Beach Clean-up beginning at 9am at the Beach Bulkhead; additional Mini Beach Clean-Ups are also scheduled for August 10th and September 14th, all beginning at 9am.

August 10th – Mini Beach Clean-up beginning at 9am at the Beach Bulkhead; additional Mini Beach Clean-Ups are also scheduled for September 14th, beginning at 9am.

August 17th – Crabfest will be held from 4-7pm in the beach area. Cost will be \$30/person (13 yrs. and older), \$10/child (6-12 yrs. old), and no charge for those under 5 yrs. of age.

August 24th – WVS Civic Association Annual Meeting from 9-11am at the Community Center building on Short Road

September 7th – Private Event – Dixon Wedding from 4:30-7pm in the area adjacent to the boat ramp, Basin and Bluff Roads. This is a private event not open to WVS residents without an invitation.

September 14th – Mini Beach Clean-up beginning at 9am at the Beach Bulkhead.



October 19th – Harvest Moon Celebration from 6:30-8pm in the community area adjacent to the boat ramp. Hot dogs, an additional main dish, and a desert will be supplied. You only need to bring your own beverage and a side dish.