Cedarhurst Citizens Association, P.O. Box 185, Shady Side, MD 20764

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Cedarhurst Citizens Association (CCA) Events

Board of Directors Meeting | Thursday, May 8 @ 7:00 PM

Historic Research Committee | Tuesday, May 13 @ 6:30 PM

Plant Exchange & Give Away | Saturday, May 24 @ 9:30 AM

Last Day of School Fun | Friday, June 13 @ 1:00 PM

Newsletter Deadline | Friday, June 20

General Meeting | Thursday, June 26 @ 7:30 PM

Please be sure to check your email for more event details as they become available.

We are looking for volunteers to run for the Board in October. Many hands make light work! If you have interest in serving as a Cedarhurst Citizen Association Board Member, please reach out to our President, Chuck Quintero, for more information.

From the President, Chuck Quintero

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Greetings Cedarhurst Citizens!

As spring blooms across Cedarhurst, it's the perfect time to celebrate the spirit that keeps our community strong—you, our amazing volunteers! Every event, improvement, and initiative we enjoy is possible because of neighbors stepping up, pitching in, and making Cedarhurst a great place to call home. Thank you!

A special shoutout to **Pam Foster** for her incredible efforts on HB 1467 working with our local representatives to protect Cedarhurst's financial security and our access to vital community resources. **Pam's** dedication is a great example of how a single volunteer can make a big impact. Please be sure to read more about this important work in this newsletter. **Jen Dieux** and I were also fortunate to attend the Governor's bill signing on this matter — a truly proud moment for Cedarhurst!

Thank you to everyone who came out and made the Egg Hunt, Earth Day celebration, and the annual Sock Burning such memorable events. These traditions embody the best parts of community life: fun, laughter, and connection. They wouldn't be possible without your participation and spirit.

A few friendly but important reminders as we head into the warmer months:

- Pick up after yourselves and your pets. We either have a pack of invisible dogs patrolling the waterfront, or some neighbors are leaving behind surprises no one wants to step in. Let's keep our shared spaces clean and beautiful for everyone.
- Motorized vehicles are prohibited on community property. That includes motorcycles, dirt bikes, golf carts, dune buggies — anything with a motor, except cars in the designated parking areas. This is not just a Cedarhurst rule; many of these vehicles are illegal on our county-maintained streets as well. Damage

- caused by unauthorized vehicles will result in financial responsibility for repairs and could lead to legal action. Please respect our shared spaces and help keep Cedarhurst safe and welcoming.
- CCA Business is Not Conducted on Social Media. While community Facebook pages and other social
 platforms are great for sharing pictures and friendly chatter, official Cedarhurst Citizens Association
 business is not handled through social media. Your volunteer Board is very accessible and responsive. If
 you have a concern or even better, an idea or a willingness to help please reach out via the email
 addresses listed throughout the newsletter and on our website. Better yet, attend a meeting! We'd love to
 see you get involved.

Let's continue to work together, look out for one another, and build a community we're proud to call home.

If you see me out and about, feel free to stop and chat — I'd love to hear your thoughts, ideas, or just share a laugh. Here's to a fantastic spring season!

Warm regards,

Chuck Quintero, CCA President

From the Acting Secretary, Pam Foster

CedarhurstSecretary@gmail.com

Please plan to attend our next General Meeting on **Thursday**, **June 26** at **7:30 pm**. At General Meetings, Committee Chairs and Board Members report on their activities and plans, as well as answer questions. Volunteers are working hard for our community. More volunteers and Board Members (who are also volunteers) are needed to keep our community great and running smoothly. Come and hear how you can get involved!

From the Treasurer, Betsy Weinkam

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At the end of February, we received \$42,191.00 from the County for our Special Community Benefit District account. The total tax collected by the County and distributed to Cedarhurst, for the SCBD thus far is \$103,423. The County estimated our tax revenue to be \$101,569, so we are getting more revenues than expected - and that's a good thing! See pages 8 and 9 for the updated Budget vs. Actual spreadsheet.

The Annual Report and Business Personal Property Return was submitted on-line to the Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation on 3/26/25. We are not required to pay anything. But to be considered a Business in Good Standing, which allows us access to the monies collected by the County, we are required by the State to submit the Report by 4/15/25.

Grounds Committee, Pam Foster

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Our beloved pier parking lot pine tree has died – presumably from a combination of salt water intrusion (the high-water events), the severe drought last year, and having been trimmed (not by the Grounds Committee). The Grounds Committee is discussing options to replant that space and the pine will be removed once a replacement plan has been approved.

As always, we encourage everyone to pick up trash from the ditches and grounds whenever you encounter it. Enjoy the warming weather, and we hope to see you on the Community Grounds!

Historical Research Committee, Elaina Uhl

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The Historic Research Committee reconvened in April and discussed exhibit plans for the upcoming year. We decided to develop and display parts of our exhibit that celebrate our beautiful, shared waterfront property and Cedarhurst's vulnerability and resilience to storms and flooding. Please share your images of our waterfront, your family enjoying our waterfront and community events. As always, new members are welcome. Please contact Elaina if you have material, stories to share, or want to be part of the Historical Research Committee. Our next meetings are Tuesday, May 13 and June 10 2025 @ 6:30 PM.

Elaina Uhl.

Historic Research Committee Chair

The County has doubled down on denying Cedarhurst access to our accumulated Shoreline Erosion Control District (SECD) tax dollars for the purpose of paying an engineering firm for final plans, permitting, cost estimate, and grant assistance for our failing shoreline. Fortunately, Cedarhurst volunteers have been working on this issue on multiple fronts.

CCA applied for a Chesapeake Bay Trust (CBT) Watershed Assistance Grant for the \$56,000 to pay Underwood & Associates for final plans, permitting, cost estimate, and grant assistance services in December and received our Notice of Award on March 11. Since then, volunteers have been gathering and submitting the required documents to receive the funds. The engineering phase of our shoreline restoration should be starting soon. Many thanks to all of the volunteers who supported this effort!

CCA also worked with our State Delegate Seth Howard, District 30B, who introduced House Bill (HB) 1467 which passed with bi-partisan support through the Anne Arundel County Delegation, the House, the Senate, and then went on to be signed by the Governor. Pam Foster testified that the vague and outdated language of the MD Code regarding Shoreline Erosion Control Districts (SECDs) allowed for Anne Arundel County's interpretation which denied Cedarhurst access to our SECD funds, and shed light on the fact that the County has failed to pay SECD communities interest, as required by the MD Code. HB 1467 makes it easier for SECD communities in Anne Arundel County, like Cedarhurst, to use their SECD funds and ensures that the funds earn interest which is to be credited back to the communities. Delegate Dylan Behler, District 30A (graduate of Southern High School), co-sponsored the bill.

Garden Club | Rose Bademan

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We have started to fill the garden! Netting has been installed to help deter the bunnies and birds from enjoying our garden.

PLANT EXCHANGE/GIVE AWAY - Saturday, May 24, 9:30-10:30 AM at the picnic tables by the house. Please park on the side near the trees, there's an event happening later and folks may be coming for that.

Bring whatever you need to thin out -even houseplants.

Everyone is welcome, even if you don't have any to share come anyway! There's usually plenty to go around.

Watch the Facebook page for more information, or email me at rosegarden1198@gmail.com.

A Message from Corporal Rovell

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Hello Cedarhurst,

This newsletter I wanted to touch on some simple emergency response safety tactics. As we head in to the warmer days and people will be out and traveling more, it seems like a good refresher.

While you are out and about know your exits. Similar to when we go to the movies and the announcement comes on to identify them, why haven't we made it a practice everywhere? In today's day and age, sadly an emergency can find us anywhere; a mall, sporting event, restaurant. Knowing a quick way out may be a life saver. Know your escape plan and speak about it with the people you are with. This will help you stay calm and allow you to act quickly.

Also, pack a first aid kit while you are out. You don't need something to rival an ambulance. A good kit can be equipped with band aids, gauze, some sort of pain reliever/fever reducer. These can be easily purchased on Amazon for not a lot of money. If feasible try to take a first aid course/CPR class.

A little preparation goes a long way. I use the saying, "rather have it and not need it, than need it and not have it" often.

If anyone has any questions about more in-depth emergency response tactics, please feel free to reach out: p91963@aacounty.org.

If there is immediate action necessary please contact 911 or the non-emergency number 410.222.8610.

Cpl. Rovell

You might have noticed workers working under the Community House. The ceiling under the house is being replaced. The vinyl siding that was there is being replaced with drywall. This will NOT allow us to utilize the space but rather close in the underside with a more protective finish in the event of a fire. The work is almost complete.

Remember when using the house, no one is permitted to gather, play, or cook/grill under the house.

Additionally, upgrades to lights and acoustics in the main room are being investigated.

Community House Committee, Rose Bademan

CedarhurstCommunityHouse@gmail.com

The house is pretty booked through summer. There are still some dates open in Oct., Nov., and Dec.

A new thermostat has been installed, it is working well after a few hiccups. This will help us if a renter forgets to put the stat back on the required temperature, it will automatically default to a scheduled temperature avoiding wasted heating/cooling when the house isn't in use.

Contact me if you'd like to book a date in the fall. You can view the calendar by clicking on the below link.

A few reminders:

- The resident that rents the house MUST be onsite at the event at all times!
- This is **OUR** house. Let's use it and enjoy it, and "leave no trace" when it's time to go.
- Make sure you are following the post event checklist.
- There is no trash service so make sure you bring trash bags with you, and take your trash with you.
- If you rent the house, what happens at the event is **YOUR** responsibility.
- Painting is expensive so make sure you are not using tape of any kind on the walls or window trim.

For renting, please visit the <u>Community House Calendar*</u> to view rental availability. A day marked "busy" indicates the Community House is already reserved. If you see an open date you would like to reserve for a private rental, send your name, address, and the date(s) to <u>CedarhurstCommunityHouse@gmail.com</u>.

Please note an open date is not a guarantee of availability. Email requests are processed in the order they are received. The calendar is updated immediately after the email is reviewed and a hold is placed.

Other Important notes on renting the Community House:

- Private Community House rentals are for Cedarhurst on the Bay residents and property owners only!
- Rental fees are \$150/day, plus a refundable \$150 security deposit.
- If your date is available, it will be held for <u>10 days</u> while you submit paperwork and fees. You will receive a reply email with the lease, waiver, and submission instructions.
- After completed paperwork, rental fee, and security deposit are received, a booking confirmation will be sent via email.

Any questions should be directed to our rental volunteer at CedarhurstCommunityHouse@gmail.com.

Editor's Note:

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Email **Jennifer Dieux** by June 20 at <u>CedarhurstNewsletter@gmail.com</u> with news for the next newsletter. If needed, an audio file or a reader can be provided so that everyone can enjoy the newsletter. In addition, if you wish to receive a printed copy in the mail, kindly send us your mailing address.

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Please visit the Cedarhurst website at www.ccaonthebay.com or join the group at facebook.com/ ccaonthebay. In addition to providing your email address for updates, both the website and Facebook help keep you informed about what's going on in the neighborhood and surrounding areas.

Cameras are functioning, if you want viewable access of the cameras, please reach out for instructions for downloading the app.

Remember, as the weather gets nicer, school lets out, and more people are enjoying our grounds, we do have cameras and can check to see what is going on community property.

Harbor Committee | Taylor Holtz, Harbor Administrator 410.858.7522 | cedarhurstharbor@gmail.com

The Spring Equinox Celebration & Sock Burning was a huge success, thanks to all who joined in the fun.

Remember, its renewal time for your slip. Please take a moment to send in your payment. We are over half way to our budget for this year. Water and power are on. If you have any questions or concerns about the Harbor, please email cedarhurstharbor@gmail.com.

Have a safe and fun spring on the water!

Neighborly Tips

- If you see something, say something, please call 911 if you need the police to come. If you don't call, they will not come. You can be anonymous.
- Can emergency vehicles get past your vehicles parked on the street? It's a matter of safety.
- Is your house clearly marked with your house number? Emergency vehicles must be able to clearly see your house number to be able to respond to emergencies.
- If you have questions about projects being done required a permit, call 311. Permits are required for many projects and for various reasons and it's normal to question if the proper permits are issued and are being met. Inquiring before you begin, may save you extra work and money in the long run.
- Be cautious of children riding bikes and scooters in the street.
- Please STOP at all stop signs and drive cautiously on our roads.
- Remember, when using community property, please dispose of your trash in provided receptacles. Recently there was trash has been left at the pier. We can do better!
- Thank you for continuing to pick up after your dogs. Dog poop *BIG or small* shouldn't make it into our waterways. It's a matter of courteously!

Of Community Interest

CedarhurstNewsletter@gmail.com

Ed McAllister on Pine Avenue passed away on March 15. **Ed** was born on August 27, 1944. He volunteered over the many years he lived in Cedarhurst, and was also the Harbor Master for a number of years. Our condolences go out to his wife, **Mary Jane** and children. Please keep the **McAllister** family in your thoughts and prayers.

Hank Baer on Grove Avenue passed away April 8, 2025. **Hank** was born in 1935, he would have been 90 in May. Our condolences go out to his wife, **Rose**. Please keep **Rose** in your thoughts and prayers.

Sierra Weinkam on Poplar Avenue is graduating from Drexel University's Kline School of Law on May 22. Proud parents, **Chuck** and **Betsy Weinkam**, are thrilled!

Greyson Cooper on Bay View Avenue is celebrating his 15th birthday on June 17. Happy Birthday **Greyson!** Have news to share? Send an email **Jennifer Dieux** at <u>cedarhurstnewsletter@gmail.com</u> with any items of community interest - births, deaths, graduations, weddings, birthdays, anniversaries, engagements, etc.

Trash and Recycling

Cedarhurst's trash and recycle pickup day is Monday.

Please note Anne Arundel County's Bureau of Waste Management Services Holiday Schedule:

Monday, May 26, 2025 (Memorial Day) - Landfill & Recycling Centers will be closed; Monday collections will occur on Tuesday.

Thursday, June 19, 2025 (Juneteenth) - Landfill & Recycling Centers will be closed.

2025 Mosquito Control Reminder

As we welcome warmer days, it's also the start of mosquito season here in Cedarhurst. The **Maryland Department of Agriculture** will begin **community mosquito control spraying** from **late May through early October** (typically Sunday evenings between 7:00 PM and 2:30 AM). For more information about the County's Mosquito Control Spraying, <u>click here</u> or call Mosquito Control at 410-841-5870. Fogging is scheduled to end October 1.

Important notes:

- If you wish to opt out of mosquito control spraying, you must fill out an exemption form, available on the Maryland Department of Agriculture website, or by clicking here.
- In addition to county spraying, the CCA will be taking extra steps to treat mosquito-prone areas along the waterfront to help minimize breeding grounds.

Simple things YOU can do to help control mosquitoes around your home:

- Eliminate standing water. Empty buckets, kiddie pools, flowerpot saucers, birdbaths, and anything else that collects water.
- **Keep gutters clean**. Clogged gutters are prime mosquito breeding real estate.
- Check tarps and covers. Water often pools on top of grill covers, boats, and firewood tarps.
- **Treat water features**. Use mosquito dunks in ponds and birdbaths safe for birds and pets, but deadly to mosquito larvae.
- Trim your yard. Tall grass and dense shrubs offer shady, damp hideouts for mosquitoes.

And here's a fun fact — **Shady Side's original name was "The Great Swamp"** — so, ya know, there's only so much we can do to keep those little bloodsuckers away!

Every little bit helps though, and working together makes a real difference.

Thanks for pitching in and helping Cedarhurst stay a little less itchy this summer!

Social Committee, Emily Motto

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Slide into Summer with us - Join us on Friday, June 13 @ 1:00 PM. We're celebrating the last day of school with a water slide and tons of water balloons at the clubhouse. Local schools have a 2-hour early dismissal this day, so the fun starts when the slide arrives at 1:00 PM. Fun ends when the sun sets.

Bring your towels, bathing suits, and lots of energy, Let's make a splash and kick off summer together!

Looking ahead, please save the date for **Celebrate Cedarhurst Day** on Saturday, September 20 (rain date 9/27).

Keep your eye out for other events that may "pop up" in the next two months. All event communications will be sent via email.

As always we are looking for volunteers to help with future events. Please reach out to Emily or anyone else on the Cedarhurst Board for more information on volunteering at our events.

Kindly Note: Unless otherwise noted, Cedarhurst Events are limited to Cedarhurst Residents Only!



Anne Arundel County News

Have a question or need to talk to someone in the County Executive Office? Contact Community Engagement and Constituent Services at 410.222.1785 or email at CECS@aacounty.org

- To see upcoming events around the County, visit https://www.aacounty.org/news-events/events.
- If you want to report a violation or concern in our community, please visit the County's website at https://seeclickfix.com/md anne-arundel or call 311.
- Did you know there is an on-demand transit service in South County? For more information, please visit https://www.aacounty.org/transportation/transit/demand-services or call 410.222.0025.
- The Blue Crab Community Fridge is a nonprofit organization that provides an accessible food source through a community refrigerator. The fridge's purpose is to reduce food waste, fight food insecurity, and build a stronger community. The community fridge is located behind the Franklin United Methodist Church at 5345 Deale Churchton Road in Churchton.
- Bill pay Assistance Do you or your neighbor need help paying your electric, oil, gas, or utility bill? If so, there are resources available. Visit https://www.aacounty.org/finance/bills-payments/bill-payment-assistance or contact the County's customer service line for additional resources at 410.222.1144 or email custoerv@aacounty.org.

Where to Ride Dirt Bikes and ATV's Legally

Thinking of riding your dirt bike, four-wheeler, or ATV?

Please remember: Riding on private property, including CCA property, without permission is illegal and can result in serious consequences.

Here are some great places where you can ride legally and safely:

- Wicomico Motorsports Park (Charlotte Hall, MD)
 300 acres of trails and tracks, beginner to expert friendly.
- Budds Creek Motocross Park (Mechanicsville, MD)
 A nationally famous motocross facility hosting open practice days.
- The Landing MX (Easton, MD)
 Features tracks for all skill levels, including quads and kids' tracks.
- Wolf Den Run State Park (Oakland, MD)
 Maryland's first off-road park offering dirt bike and ATV trails.
- Green Ridge State Forest (Flintstone, MD)
 Marked off-road trails for licensed dirt bikes and ATVs in a forest setting.

Additional Resources:

https://dnr.maryland.gov/forests/Pages/ORV/trails.aspx

https://dnr.maryland.gov/forests/Pages/ORV/trails.aspx

https://veravise.com/atv-trails-in-maryland

https://offroadingpro.com/maryland-off-road-trails

www.riderplanet-usa.com/atv/trails/info/maryland 04411/ride 638d.htm



National World Turtle Day is May 23, 2025



According to <u>nationaldaycalendar.com</u>, each year, May 23rd is dedicated to our friends, the turtle, and tortoise. World Turtle Day is not only about showing love and adoration towards turtles but also making sure we can protect them as well as their various habitats.

As we all know, this time of year turtles, are on the move. As the days get warmer, turtles go in search for new territory, breeding opportunities and quests for food. Many females will travel to find ideal places to lay their eggs and will often cross the roads. **Please keep a**

lookout for them while you're driving this season. For more turtle tips from the U.S Fish and Wildlife Service's Website <u>click here</u>.

FY 2025 Budget by Committee	es	2025 Budget	As of 4.21.25
Carry over amount in bank fro	om FY 24 starting balance		\$53,840.80
Payments from County 6.27.24			\$4,521.69
Payments from County 11.25.24			\$61,232.00
Payments from County 2.21.25			\$42,191.00
Cash Held by County			\$5.00
	SubTotal in SCBD		\$161,790.49
	Spent to Date		\$104,151.65
	Total in SCBD		\$57,638.84
Grounds	Mowing	\$14,000.00	\$7,648.00
	Plantings	\$5,000.00	\$92.27
	Tables & Benches	\$2,000.00	
	Wetland/Marsh	\$15,000.00	\$10,200.00
	Pier Parking Lot	\$2,000.00	
	Maintenance/Improvements	\$10,000.00	\$1,464.92
	Childrens Garden	\$1,000.00	\$71.87
	Survey	\$5,000.00	
	Total	\$54,000.00	\$19,477.06
Structures			
Community House	Fire protection	\$2,500.00	\$850.00
	Surveillance	\$3,000.00	\$719.40
	BGE	\$5,000.00	\$5,844.37
	Comcast/Fios	\$3,000.00	\$2,827.07
	Replace ceiling under House	\$30,000.00	\$4,948.39
	Sound panels	\$3,000.00	
	Maintenance/Improvements	\$25,000.00	\$13,124.41
	Replace windows	·	\$4,834.09
	Chairs Tables Shades	\$12,000.00	\$733.47
	AED Equipment	\$2,500.00	·
	Subtotal	\$86,000.00	\$33,881.20
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Pier	Maintenance/Improvements	\$5,000.00	\$1,319.67
	Maintenance/Improvements	\$2,500.00	\$59.98
	Total	\$93,500.00	\$35,260.85
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Social/Hospitality	Fall Crafts 2024	\$600.00	
	Halloween 2024	\$400.00	\$561.13
	4th of July 2024	10. 00 25 acres access	\$288.28
	Events	\$11,000.00	\$299.18
	Labor Day	10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1	\$1,066.33
	Easter 2024		\$382.02
	St. Patrick's Day		\$175.92
	Yard Sale		
	Celebrate Cedarhurst	\$20,000.00	\$15,882.20
	Holiday Crafting 2024	\$3,000.00	\$2,292.06
	History Exhibit	\$500.00	\$21.19

FY 2025 Budget by Committe	es	2025 Budget	As of 4.21.25
	Hospitality	\$500.00	
	Valentine Party 2025		\$336.30
Social/Hospitality	Total	\$36,000.00	\$21,304.61
Administrative	Communications	\$300.00	
	Office Supplies/Software	\$3,000.00	\$2,421.53
	Budget Mailing	\$400.00	\$318.73
	Professional Services	\$3,000.00	\$6,021.66
	Insurance & Bond	\$17,000.00	\$14,597.45
	Security	\$3,500.00	\$3,540.00
	AA Co Stormwater fee	\$650.00	\$1,007.76
	Trash pick up		\$202.00
	First Aid/CPR class		
	Total	\$27,850.00	\$28,109.13
Funds Held for Future Use		\$60,000.00	
	Sub Total	\$271,350.00	\$104,151.65
	County Fee	\$2,000.00	
TOTAL SCBD	Total	\$273,350.00	\$104,151.65
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Harbor Income	Carried over from FY24		\$49,105.88
	Slip Rentals	\$14,500.00	\$7,350.00
	Total Income		\$56,455.88
Harbor Expenses	Electric		\$15,967.54
	Supplies and Materials		\$222.28
	Maintenance		\$3,772.38
	Total Expenses		\$19,962.20
	Balance in Harbor Account		\$36,493.68
Community House Income	Carried over from FY24		\$14,314.00
	Rentals		\$12,450.00
	Total Income		\$26,764.00
Community House Expense	Refunds		\$1,500.00
	Cleaning		\$11,290.00
	Supplies		\$387.21
	Total Expenses		\$13,177.21
	Balance in Comm. Hse Account		\$13,586.79
SECD Expenses for FY25	Loan Payment	\$67,322.71	\$67,322.71
	Shoreline design/permitting		
	Funds for future use	\$174,000.00	
	County fee	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
	Total SECD Expenses	\$243,322.71	\$69,322.71