

# CEDARHURST *on the Bay*

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

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## Cedarhurst Citizens Association (CCA) Events

**Corn Hole Tournament & Food Truck** | Saturday, October 7 @ 10:00 AM (Registration required; teams of 2)

**Fall Craft Day** | Saturday, October 7 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM (Adult supervision required)

**Fall Centerpiece Craft Event** | Saturday, October 7 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM (Registration required)

**Candlelight Yoga** | Wednesdays; October 11 & 25 @ 6:00 PM

**Movie Night & Food Truck** | Friday, October 13 (details tbd)

**Fall Plant Swap** | Saturday, October 15 @ 9:00 AM

**General Meeting & CCA Election** | Thursday, October 26 @ 7:30 PM

**Costume Contest & Halloween Crafts** | Friday, October 27 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM

**Food Trucks** | Friday, October 27 | One for dogs & one for humans!

**Candy Collection for Soldiers Overseas** | November 1– 4

**CPR & Narcan Training** | Saturday, November 4 @ 10:00 AM (Registration & online pre-work required)

**Candlelight Yoga** | Wednesdays; November 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 @ 6:00 PM

**Board of Directors Meeting** | Thursday, November 9 @ 7:00 PM

**Movie Night & Food Truck** | Friday, November 10 (details tbd)

**Holiday Lights Bicycle Ride** | Friday, December 8 @ 4:45 PM (rain date 12/15)

**Movie Night & Food Truck** | Friday, December 8 @ 5:00 PM (details tbd)

**Holiday Craft Day** | Saturday, December 9 from 10:00 AM to 1:30 PM (Adult supervision required)

**Live Winter Centerpiece Event** | Saturday, December 9 from 2:00 - 4:00 PM (Registration required)

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

## From the President, Chuck Quintero

207.838.7181 | [CedarhurstPresident@gmail.com](mailto:CedarhurstPresident@gmail.com)

Dear Cedarhurst Neighbors,

As fall creeps into Cedarhurst, it's a good time to acknowledge the collective efforts that make our community what it is, and how much we count on those that step up to contribute their time and energy that make our community special.

Volunteerism is essential to our community. The upkeep of shared spaces and the success of events, like the recent Celebrate Cedarhurst, are only made possible by the collective effort of volunteers. Every role, big or small, is crucial. Celebrate Cedarhurst showcased our community spirit. It was a collaborative achievement, and I'm thankful to everyone who contributed.

However, the need for volunteers is ongoing. Community house rentals, maintenance of our shared assets, craft days, movie nights... all offer opportunities for residents to get involved.

Volunteering isn't always about grand gestures but about consistent contributions. Every effort counts towards making Cedarhurst more connected and vibrant. It's not just an act of service but also a means to connect with neighbors and strengthen our community bonds.

Too often these contributions are taken for granted or overlooked. So, I want to make a point of publicly thanking everyone who has contributed and to ask more of you to step up. We need more individuals to participate in caring for our community.

Looking ahead, every event and gathering is a chance for us to shape our community together. In this newsletter, we're not just sharing updates but also inviting you to get involved. As you read through it look for opportunities where you can contribute. If you see somewhere that you can make a difference, please reach out. Cedarhurst is a community shaped by every resident.

I'm looking forward to hearing from you!

Warm regards,

Chuck

## From the Treasurer, Betsy Weinkam

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The community is in good shape financially. In the Special Community Benefit District Main account, there is a balance of \$140,805. The balance in the Harbor account is \$47,701. The balance in the Community House account is \$17,700.

Our current Fiscal Year 2024 (FY 24) started on July 1, 2023 and goes till June 30, 2024. Our FY 24 budget totals \$336,800. You have all received your county tax assessment and once the amount has been paid to the county, Cedarhurst will receive a check, probably in November. Tax revenue needed for the Special Community Benefit District (SCBD) for FY 24 is \$99,643.

Tax revenue needed for the Shore Erosion Control District (SECD) FY 24 is \$127,823. That money is collected and kept by the County for approved disbursements.

In October-November we will be working on the FY 25 budget, which runs from July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025. It seems strange to be talking 2025 when we are still in 2023 but between the County calendar year running from July-June combined with the County process of review and approval (takes months Feb-June) we are forced to make our budgets almost a year in advance. The FY 25 budget will be mailed out to all homeowners in December. If you have any questions, feel free to email me.

## Cedarhurst Security | Message from Corporal Rovell

[p91963@aacounty.org](mailto:p91963@aacounty.org)

Message from Cpl. Rovell:

Hello Cedarhurst. It's starting to feel like summer is now behind us and fall is approaching quickly. I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer and had a chance to enjoy family and friends. I also hope the kiddos are adjusting to going back to school and that they all have a successful school year. I will keep this month's write-up brief.

In the upcoming months, we will be starting the holiday season. The first big one will be Halloween. I always look forward to Halloween in the community. Between the house decorations and all the costumes, Cedarhurst does a great job. There are, however cautions which need to be taken. Drivers need to be cautious of the increase of people walking on the roadway, especially the kids running from house to house. In the past, I have seen kids carrying glow sticks or necklaces, even reflective tape on their costumes. Anything that increases visibility is a good thing. Parents should carry flashlights as well if walking through darker neighborhoods.

There is also the issue of bad candy or candy that appears to be tampered with. We have all read horror stories about a foreign object being found in someone's candy. Please make sure you are inspecting your children's goodies before they eat them. Believe me, I know the desire to rip open that Reese's Peanut Butter cup! Take a second before and check it. If something looks strange, it most likely is and should be thrown out or reported. There is safety in numbers. I suggest getting together with a group of family or friends. Develop a plan for the evening. Which neighborhood you will visit, which route you will take, and what meeting point (or landmark) should someone get separated from the pack.

As always please feel free to contact me with any issues: [p91963@aacounty.org](mailto:p91963@aacounty.org). If there is immediate action necessary please contact 911.

Please plan to attend the **Cedarhurst Citizens Association Elections** during our **General Meeting** on **Thursday, October 26 at 7:30 pm**. We are pleased to report that we have a full slate of candidates including:

**President until 2024 – Available Seat**

**Nominee:** Chuck Quintero (Chesapeake Avenue) *current President*

**Vice President until 2024 – Available Seat**

**Nominee:** Mary Jean Schumann (Pine Avenue) *current Director*

**Secretary until 2024 – Available Seat**

**Nominee:** Pam Foster (Chesapeake Avenue) *current Secretary*

**Treasurer until 2024 - Available Seat**

**Nominee:** Betsy Weinkam (Poplar Avenue) *current Treasurer*

**Board of Directors until 2026 – Three (3) Available Seats**

**Nominees:**

Jason Ekern (Poplar Avenue)

Robyn Ekern (Poplar Avenue)

Kevin Hardy (Grove Avenue)

John (Dave) Faircloth (Pine Avenue) *current Director*

Additional nominations will be accepted at the October Election meeting, but nominees must be present and complete an “Intent to Serve” form before the vote. Thanks to everyone who has offered to serve and to those who will continue to serve!

**Current Board of Directors Members Who Will Continue to Serve**

Brian Moore (Pine Avenue) until 2024

Karen O’Toole (Pine Avenue) until 2024

Taylor Holtz (Pine Avenue) until 2024

James Foster (Chesapeake Avenue) until 2025

Jennifer Dieux (Bay View Avenue) until 2025

Rose Bademan (Spruce Avenue) until 2025

Did you know that you can now check for available dates at any time using the link below? The link below will bring you to the [Community House Calendar\\*](#). 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 [CedarhurstCommunityHouse@gmail.com](mailto:CedarhurstCommunityHouse@gmail.com).

[Availability Calendar](#) \*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.

Important notes on renting the Community House:

- The Community House is available for private rentals by Cedarhurst on the Bay residents and property owners only!
- Rental fees are \$150/day, plus a refundable \$150 security deposit.
- Reservations are available on a first come, first served basis. Please email desired date(s) to the above email address.
- If available, your date(s) will be held for 10 days 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](mailto:CedarhurstCommunityHouse@gmail.com)

## Historical Research Committee, Elaina Uhl

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I am pleased to announce that the Historic Research Committee composed a new exhibit to commemorate the 20th anniversary of Tropical Storm Isabel and our community's resiliency.

The wonderful exhibit was displayed at the Community House during the Celebrate Cedarhurst picnic this past Saturday. Residents learned about the storm's destruction and how we managed to rebuild together so that current and future generations are able to enjoy our community's beautiful waterfront property.

We would like to thank the committee and all of residents who shared their experience with us

Your participation and help are vital. Take pride and be part of our beautiful Cedarhurst history! Volunteers of all ages and skills are welcome. [elaina.lill@gmail.com](mailto:elaina.lill@gmail.com) or (845) 943-8160

Elaina Uhl  
Historic Research Committee Chair

## Shoreline Restoration Committee, Jim Foster

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We are working to pick up where we left off last spring with a conceptual design and continue evaluating how best to improve our shoreline for the next 30 years. We have a proposal under consideration from Underwood and Associates to take our design to 100% and gain permit approval.

## Building & Structures, Eric MacKay

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Small upgrades and minor maintenance continue on the community house. We are in the process of getting bids on upgrading the cameras and security system in the Community House and grounds. The fire protection system was offline. The system has been fixed and we are researching new fire protection monitoring companies going forward. In addition, a power surge took out the modem/router and while that was being diagnosed, the underground cable from the street pole was determined to be bad. Both were replaced by Comcast. Surge protectors have been installed in the electric panels to help reduce future power surges. In addition, a couple of small defects in the new flooring were fixed by the floor installer.

Joe Wehausen has replaced boards on the pier and screwed down loose ones. It hasn't help him catch fish but he tried anyway!

## Grounds Committee, Pam Foster

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Do you spend time on the playground? Have you been looking for a way to volunteer? We'd love to have a playground coordinator – someone to let us know if equipment is loose or broken, if we need another bench, voice ideas or concerns, etc. The first task would be to research a new swing option. If that sounds like something you'd like to do, please contact me.

We have 7 acres of community grounds and there's always something that needs to be done. If you would like to be notified when small gardening tasks like planting, cutting back grasses, watering gardens, trimming branches, or pulling invasives that pop up, please contact me. I'd love to have a team of volunteers. Many hands make light work!

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

## Harbor Committee, Jim Foster, Harbor Administrator

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Sitting here watching the storm roll in and hoping that everybody's boat is secure. I saw some of you took your boats out. I think our issue will be tonight at midnight for the high tide. Of course, by the time you read this, we will know all this.

Today, Saturday the 23rd, is the first day of fall. As you may know that means we have 12 hours of daylight and 12 hours of darkness. Doesn't mean boating's over yet! But it does mean shorter days, cooler water temperatures, and hopefully improved fishing.

## Of Community Interest

[CedarhurstNewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:CedarhurstNewsletter@gmail.com)

- We mourn the death of long time resident, **Margaret Meadows** on Cedar Avenue. **Margaret** passed away on August 18. Our condolences go out to her family.
- **Henry and Jamie-Marie Sliker** on Spruce Avenue celebrated their one-year Anniversary on September 17. Happy Anniversary to you both!
- **Courtney Buiniskis** on Spruce Avenue was awarded the *Fannie Lou Hamer Award*. **Courtney** and eight other woman from Anne Arundel County were honored on October 1 at the 28th Annual Fannie Lou Hamer Awards Reception at St. Phillips Episcopal Church in Annapolis. Congratulations **Courtney!**
- **Stella Russo** on Holly Avenue celebrates her 5th birthday on October 12. Happy Birthday **Stella!**
- **Kelly Dieux** on Bay View Ave celebrates her birthday on October 24. Happy Birthday **Kelly!**
- **Jacob and Selena Sandruck** on Cedar Avenue are expecting their first baby in March. Congratulations to you both!

Email **Jennifer Dieux** at [cedarhurstnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:cedarhurstnewsletter@gmail.com) with any items of community interest—births, graduations, weddings, birthdays, anniversaries, engagements, etc.

## Editor's Note:

[CedarhurstNewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:CedarhurstNewsletter@gmail.com)

Email **Jennifer Dieux** by December 20 at [CedarhurstNewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:CedarhurstNewsletter@gmail.com) 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.

## Garden Club | Rose Bademan

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The Garden Club would like to congratulate the young gardener's that faithfully watered and tended the summer garden! Great job kids, and thank you parents! I hope you tasted and liked the fruits of your labor!

## Please Join Us!

### Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Training

**Cedarhurst Community Center on Saturday, November 4 @ 10:00 AM**

(Training on administration of Narcan will also available)

Renew your CPR training or learn how to respond in sudden life-threatening events.

Cedarhurst residents are encouraged to participate. Children and teens are welcome with a parent present.

Certification provided on the day of the event when all portions completed at a passing level. Valid for two years. (training includes adult, infant and child resuscitation)

Cost is \$60 per person, plus \$5 for Narcan admin training and free box of medication. Cedarhurst on the Bay residents can be reimbursed up to \$35 with proof of completed certification.

Course will combine virtual (computer-based) content and online test to be completed prior to the day of the event. Hands-on training will be completed on November 4.

**Click [here](#) to register.** Please note, this class is limited, first come first serve. If we reach our limit, there will be a waitlist. Paid fee will allow access to the course materials required for the pre-work and online test.

For questions, contact Board Member, Mary Jean Schumann, at [Mary.schumann1@gmail.com](mailto:Mary.schumann1@gmail.com). We hope you will sign up and participate, you never know when you will use CPR!



## Email Updates

[CedarhurstSecretary@gmail.com](mailto:CedarhurstSecretary@gmail.com)

Sign up for the Cedarhurst e-mail distribution list to receive updates on community information by contacting Cedarhurst Secretary **Pam Foster** at [cedarhurstsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:cedarhurstsecretary@gmail.com). Please share this with your neighbors!

## Did You Know?

### The Critical Area Buffer

The below information is shared from the MD Department of Natural Resources [Website](#)

A buffer is something that lessens or absorbs the shock of an impact. That is exactly what the Critical Area Buffer is intended to do, lessen the impact of people living and working within the Chesapeake Bay watershed. Development within the watershed has increased the number of roads and buildings which in turn results in greater amounts of stormwater runoff. The runoff carries sediment and pollutants to tidal creeks, rivers, and the Bay. These pollutants have a negative effect on the water quality and habitat values of the Chesapeake Bay.

The Critical Area Buffer is the area of at least one hundred feet located directly adjacent to the State's tidal waters, tidal wetlands, and tributary streams. Ideally, this Buffer is composed of trees, shrubs, and other plants that catch sediments and other pollutants coming from buildings, lawns and paved areas.

There are a number of significant environmental benefits of maintaining a protected Buffer between developed land and adjacent waters and wetlands. These benefits include:

- Reducing the amount of sediment, excess nutrients, and potentially harmful substances in stormwater runoff
- Preventing or reducing erosion by stabilizing slopes and the shoreline
- Maintaining an area of habitat along shorelines and streams

Buffers protect the Bay's ecosystems from many of the negative impacts associated with development activities in the watershed. For this reason, a protected Buffer is considered an essential element of the Critical Area Program.

### Critical Area

The below information is shared from Anne Arundel County's [Website](#).

Critical Area is located 1,000 feet landward from mean high tide or the edge of tidal wetlands, as designated on the State Tidal Wetland maps, and all waters of and lands under the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries.

In 1984, the Maryland General Assembly passed the Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Law in response to a decline in the overall quality of the Chesapeake Bay. The State Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Commission was created to formulate protective criteria for the use and development of this planning area and to oversee the development of Critical Area land use programs by local jurisdictions. The State law requires that local jurisdictions develop and adopt their own Critical Area Programs based on the State Chesapeake Bay Critical Area criteria. These local programs are approved by the Commission and reviewed every six years. Anne Arundel County's Critical Area Program was first approved in 1988.

Did you know that most of our neighborhood is considered critical area according to the County's Critical Area Map? You can view the map [here](#).

Whenever you remove any trees or vegetation it is important to contact the county and make sure it is ok to do so before you start your work. Please contact the Forester in the Compliance Division of Inspections and Permits at 410.222.7441 BEFORE you cut any trees in the critical area.

## Communications | Brian Moore

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Please visit the Cedarhurst website at [www.ccaonthebay.com](http://www.ccaonthebay.com) or join the group at [facebook.com/ccaonthebay](https://www.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.

## Anne Arundel County News

Our Community Engagement and Constituent Services (CECS) Specialist for Region 8, Courtney Buiniskis, can be contacted at [exbuin22@aacounty.org](mailto:exbuin22@aacounty.org) or 410-222-2596. Click [here](#) to visit the CECS webpage. Don't forget to check out the Anne Arundel County website for answers to all your questions by visiting [www.aacounty.org](http://www.aacounty.org)

- **Cornhole Tournament & Food Truck** - Join us on Saturday, October 7 @ 10:00 AM for a Community Cornhole Tournament. We have 30 teams available for the tournament, first come first serve for registration. All players must register in groups of 2 and must be 18 years or older to play. Outdoor games will be available for all to enjoy. Email [cedarhurstevents@gmail.com](mailto:cedarhurstevents@gmail.com) to register your team. We need of 3-5 volunteers to help with set-up and clean-up. In addition, at 11:00 AM, we have *Salt & Pepper Barbeque Flipn' Bowl* food truck arriving at the Community House parking lot, all are welcome to join us.
- **Craft Day at the Community House** - Join us on Saturday, October 7 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM for craft day at the Community House. Adult supervision is required for any children attending.
- **Fall Centerpiece** - Join us for a Fall Centerpiece making event. Advance registration is required by emailing [cedarhurstevents@gmail.com](mailto:cedarhurstevents@gmail.com). Please include your name and address. All ages welcome, but children must be accompanied by an adult. Also, bring your wire cutters!
- **Friday Movie Night & Food Truck** - Join us Fridays October 13, November 10, and December 8. Movie times and features will be announced later. We are hoping to secure a food truck for movie nights. Food trucks will be for everyone, not just movie attendees. A separate email will go out with more information about the movies and about the food truck menu.
- **Costume Contest & Halloween Crafts** - Join us Friday, October 27 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM for a Children's *and Dog's* costume contest followed by Halloween crafts at the Community House.
- **Food Trucks** - On Friday, October 27 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM we will have two food trucks, one for your dog and one for humans.
- **Candy Collection for Soldiers Overseas** - During November 1-4, we will be collecting leftover Halloween candy to mail to our soldiers that are stationed overseas. Collection time and location will be emailed.
- **Holiday Lights Bicycle Ride** - Join us Friday, December 8 (rain date 12/15) for a ride through the neighborhood. You can decorate your bike with lights and check out all the Holiday decorations in the neighborhood on your ride.
- **Holiday Craft Day** - All are welcome to join us Saturday, December 9 from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM for a Holiday Craft Day. Adult supervision is required.
- **Live Holiday Centerpieces** - Join us Saturday December 8 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM for centerpiece making event. There is limited space, and registration is required, email [cedarhurstevents@gmail.com](mailto:cedarhurstevents@gmail.com) to register. Please provide your name and address.

Please look out for emails containing important event updates. Email is the best way to communicate event details with Cedarhurst Residents. If you or your neighbor needs to be added to the email distribution list, please send an email to [cedarhurstsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:cedarhurstsecretary@gmail.com).

Kindly Note: Cedarhurst Events are limited to Cedarhurst Residents Only unless otherwise noted.

There is no charge to participate in any of the above events, we are asking for a Toy donation for the Holiday

## Trash and Recycling

Our trash and recycle day is Monday.

Please note the following dates:

Friday, **November 10** - Landfill will be closed. (Veterans Day)

Thursday, **November 23** - Landfill will be closed. (Thanksgiving Holiday)

Friday, **November 24** - Landfill will be closed. (Thanksgiving Holiday)

Monday, **December 25** - Landfill will be closed; Monday collections will occur Tuesday (Christmas Day)

Monday, **January 1** - Landfill will be closed, Monday collections will occur Tuesday (New Year's Day)

For more information on curbside collection, landfill & recycling centers, and bulk pick up, click [here](#).

## Neighborhood Tips

- Thank you to those volunteers helping pickup trash, repairing/replacing small bridges, and boards on the pier (I'm looking at you, Joe!), and helping with gardening and weeding community gardens.
- It's great to see Cedarhurst Road repaved! And a great time to remind everyone the speed limit in the community is 25 and Cedarhurst Road is 30. Please come a complete stop at all stop signs. School is back in session and lots of kids and busses out there. Make them a priority!
- The Southern District Roads have been working hard to help improve drainage in the community. Digging the ditches out doesn't work for each location as water can't flow uphill. In some locations, they should probably fill the ditches in a little bit to raise them up.
- Reminder that the community trash cans have to go out as well as your trash and recycling on Sunday night. If you see a can that needs to go out, please lend a hand.
- Lastly, our community is run by volunteers. No one's getting paid. Please be kind to the volunteers who work hard to make our community a great place to live. People who manage the house rentals and the social events don't need to be disrespected.

## Cedarhurst Gives | Amanda Shick

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In October, November and December, we will be collecting toys for a **Holiday Toy Drive**. Items can be dropped off at any of the Community Events, or can be scheduled for pick-up through the above email.



Cedarhurst Community

# Holiday Toy Drive

Collecting NEW, unwrapped toys and gift cards for kids of all ages.

Gift Deadline is December 9  
email [cedarhurstevents@gmail.com](mailto:cedarhurstevents@gmail.com)

Make a child smile with every gift that's given