



The Summer News Weekly

For All People...



# Craigville Chronicle

In All Seasons



**Craigville Village, Massachusetts  
August 18-24, 2012**

## Community Calendar

<b>Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>Craigville Painters Meet – Behind the Tab.</b>
<b>Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:45 AM</b>	<b>Worship in the Tabernacle</b>
<b>Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Tabernacle Movie Night</b>

## Looking Ahead

**Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM Tidy Town Day - Bluff**

### **Come Vote (Yes, Now!) at the Craigville Post Office**

The caps are now back in stock as we wind down the summer. Come by to vote on the picture frame you would like to see for sale next summer. It will have the Craigville logo on it, and you can vote on a price range you would be willing to pay, as well as the size you would prefer. We try to please, so come and vote!

-Debbie Almy, Chairman

### **Tabernacle Preacher A Familiar Face**

We welcome once again to the Tabernacle pulpit this Sunday at 9:45 AM Rev. Bob Naylor, retired Senior Minister of the Second Congregational Church (UCC) in Greenwich, CT. He also served as Senior Minister at churches in Danbury and Simsbury, CT, as well as on the national staff of the United Church of Christ. He now resides part of the year in Mashpee and is the lead consultant for *In Church Imaging*, a consultant team dedicated to helping churches to grow spiritually and numerically through imaginative thinking.

Also returning for our musical enjoyment is Alexander Constantine, Director of Music at the Second Congregational Church, and keyboard performer, composer, and private school educator in the New York area. Special music will be provided by Dr. Caroline Worra, an internationally-known opera singer, performer, and member of the Second Church Choir. In addition, Kreg Gotschall, another member of the Second Church Choir and a professional singer/guitarist, will be joining them. All are invited to gather with us in worship in this special place.

### **Craigville Cards**

I have 20 packets with 5 Craigville cards in each packet, mostly the historic Tabernacle and Inn, Manor and Post Office. Others are of Lake Elizabeth and some of garden gates on the Midway and the walk down to Marshview overlooking the Centerville River. All are tied up with ribbon and a little bow!

I will be selling them for \$15.00 per packet of 5 for the benefit of the Red Lily Pond Project now as an ongoing fundraising item. If anyone is looking for some note cards or little Christmas gifts for lovers of Craigville, here they are! Give me a call at 508-778-0507.

-Valerie Lane, RLPP Fundraising Chair

## **A Long but Very Wonderful Read!**

The Craigville Bookies will meet on Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM at Linda McKinney's home, 327 Lake Elizabeth Drive. We are reading *Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Brontë - a long but wonderful story. Come and join us!

Questions? Nancy Hansen 508-775-5667

## **Influx of Pesky Mosquitoes followed by Rodents of Unusual Size (ROUSes) in Craigville?**

Before you pick up the phone to call the Health Department, fear not. The Dread Pirate Roberts will arrive on Tuesday evening to fight the ROUSes in this week's movie, "The Princess Bride." Come in your PJ's with your popcorn to watch this timeless tale unfold in the Tabernacle. A classic fairy tale, with swordplay, giants, an evil prince, a beautiful princess and some fantastic laughs. See it for the first time or come laugh at your favorite scenes on Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 PM.....as you wish!!!!

-Meghan Lahey, Events Committee

## **CCOA August Meeting Ahead**

Please come to the August Cottage Owners Association meeting on Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM in the Tabernacle. We will review this summer, assessing successful events and entertaining suggestions for next year. This is OUR community, and if you have ideas – or even if you just appreciate that it takes time and energy to keep village life flowing relatively smoothly – please come and participate.

New Owners' lists are now available at the Craigville Post Office and the Retreat Center office. As always, we make an effort to protect your privacy by requesting that you identify yourself as a homeowner in order to obtain a list. We know some of you rely on them for Christmas addresses and we want to be able to contact you if it should be warranted.

## **Use of the Tabernacle**

If you are sponsoring an event at the Tabernacle, please do not encourage anyone to drive a vehicle up the walkway. The iron post has been wedged in place for the protection of the old asphalt walkway, the magnificent day lilies, and the Tabernacle's underground septic system. The asphalt walkway has deteriorated on its edges from never-intended vehicle traffic, and we are hoping to avoid a very expensive replacement as long as possible. There is a sturdy green garden cart in the Tabernacle that is available for moving equipment up and down the walkway.

-Jim Lane, President, CCMA

## **Last Chance to Buy a Piece of History**

There are now two surplus antique five-foot cast iron claw-foot bathtubs removed from the Craigville Inn. Both tubs were previously re-glazed and are in good condition. They can be seen next to the Inn beside the driveway near the dumpster next to Union Cottage. Plan "B" is Craig's List, Plan "C" is a sale to a scrap yard. If interested, contact Jim Lane (508) 778-0507.

## **Craigville Retreat Center: Manor Rooms Can Be Yours**

Guests of The Retreat Center are from East Hampton Congregation Church and Boston University Student Activities.

In the Cottages are the O'Neils, the Jehlens, the Sanchezes, the Petersons and the Logees.

We have rooms available in the Manor this week, so if interested give the office a call for details. We also have a few efficiencies available, too.

All our summer staff will be returning to colleges and schools this week. We will miss them all.

-Mary A Woodbury, Director, Craigville Retreat Center

## **Tabernacle Lilies**

I have had one response so far from last week's request for helpers for next summer with the Tabernacle lilies. That will take care of one week of trimming and deadheading. I'm sure there are more of you who will join us. If we all take a week, it will make it quite manageable. Please get in touch with me and we can form a group so that next year we will all work together. Great!

-Valerie Lane, 508-778-0507 or [capecodwoman43@gmail.com](mailto:capecodwoman43@gmail.com)

## **New This Summer is a Wish List for Craigville!**

This list is the equivalent of a community bulletin board, where anyone in Craigville can post a wish for a specific item or items...with the hope that someone else is interested in fulfilling that wish. Recently, some wishes have been "granted" by the families of the Williams, Shoemakers and Carpenters, but we are actively recruiting more. What are you wishing for? The item(s) can be anything you feel would enhance the quality, functionality and/or beauty of your village. Please feel free to submit your specific wishes to *The Craigville Chronicle* or you may contact Sharon Carpenter @ osheacar@optonline.com or Dede Underwood @ dgudth@msn.com.

**Wish List** items for the week of August 17-24 include:

**2 new soaker hoses** (the long, flat hoses with pinholes to distribute water) for the Tabernacle lillies (approximate cost \$35 each)

**Flowers** to beautify the north entrance of the Midway (next to the Tremper cottage) so that both entrances will be cheerfully adorned with flowers.

**New Parament(s)** (decorative cloths) which hang in front of the two lecterns in the Tabernacle (or another bright green one to match the present one) (approximate cost - \$40-60 dollars, depending on the pattern, material and design)

Also new this summer is "**CRAIG'S VILLE LIST**" - a Craigslist for Craigville! (this "punny name" was suggested by resident wordsmith Dale Oates).

Do you have a crib in your attic at Craigville that perhaps your village neighbor could borrow for the week her new grandbabies will be visiting? Do you need to borrow a tent for a night under the Craigville stars? Chances are, what you are in need of, one of us has...to borrow or to keep if the owner is finished with it. Your junk may be a treasure or a blessing to someone else, so please list items here before you throw them out. This is a great way to go green: re-use, reduce and re-cycle!

**First Craigville List** item for the week of August 17-24:

The Gates family is looking for a used **high chair** in good condition to borrow or to buy. Please contact Barbara if you have one available (cape123@comcast.net).

## **CBA Beach Activities Popular**

This Friday at 1:00 PM we will celebrate the completion of swim lessons. All participants in CBA Swim lessons this summer are invited to come to our beach to be recognized for their efforts by our lifeguards. We hope to see you there!

This weekend at CBA, we will be having a 20% off sale on all CBA clothing. Hats, T-shirts, polo shirts, and sweatshirts, are all on sale.

Many members have asked about the posters and artwork around CBA. Sean Lahey, a longtime member of CBA, is the talented artist behind the posters. Sean will have posters for sale this weekend at CBA with proceeds going to CBA.

So, come on down and purchase some clothes and posters for your family, friends or yourself that will remind you of CBA all year long.

Hope to see you this weekend!

-Dom Botolino, CBA Beach Manager

## **RED LILY POND PROJECT DINNER AND AUCTION**

Saturday afternoon was a little drizzly, so the Red Lily Pond cocktail party was held in the Inn Living Room instead of on the Green, but it was very festive none-the-less. We had 80+ for wine and hors d'oeuvres, and 72 for dinner. That was

less than last year but still made for a fantastic party. Martin Traywick brought the wine and was our most entertaining and generous bartender, Damon Franz and his assistant Al Colon set up the tables for the dinner and auction, and Damon decorated the Inn Living Room with charming colorful hanging paper globes lit with little battery-operated lights. The silent auction was beautifully set up by Katheen Brady, Ann Trull, and Kathleen's friend, Mary Jo, and all the husbands, including Dick Delaney and Jim Lane. We had lots of help with the round-up of the auction, too, including those above as well as Millie Delaney and Dana Haseotes. Millie also did a great job of preparing all the bid sheets for the silent auction as items came in during the weeks before the event.

Thank you to all who donated items for the silent auction, so many that we can't list everyone. But I will just say that we had 11 beautiful art works from Avis' "Craigville Painters" group that has been meeting all summer. And probably the most elegant silent auction item was a "Jo Malone" 60- hour beautiful orange blossom-scented candle from London via NYC given by Kate Plonowski. Everyone's generosity is much appreciated!

The dinner was delicious with the "lobster pie" getting the most compliments, and the Inn Dining Room looked lovely with white tablecloths and little lily pads lit in the center of the tables. Little sparkling lights around the windows rounded out the beautiful look. It created a festive and elegant atmosphere for us all to enjoy. Chef Dave Mitchell and his kitchen crew of very excellent sous-chefs outdid themselves with the menu and wonderfully cooked food. The kitchen never put out such delicious fare!

Our village grandchildren acting as waiters and waitresses did an outstanding job, waiting on 72 people with great skill. Josie Underwood and her cousin Gabrielle Payan, granddaughters of Concie Danforth; and Cole and Kyr Gibson, and cousins Charlotte and Campbell Fackre, all grandchildren of Dot and Gabe Fackre completed the industrious group. Their hard work ensured that we all got to have a most enjoyable evening. Thank you to all who gave them such generous tips too!

Dick Delaney was our auctioneer for the live auction after dinner. This provided us with a most enjoyable entertainment, as the role of auctioneer comes naturally to Dick. He provided us with lots of laughs while he did a great job of auctioneering. As usual, Peter Buffington and Dale Oates helped as spotters and by carrying all the heavy baskets around the room for everyone to see. All did an excellent job.

A big "thank you" goes to Mary Woodbury and her Retreat Center staff for helping with all the planning and for providing the chef and his staff and the catering. We couldn't have done it without them all. And thank you to Kathy Fitzpatrick for helping at the cocktail party. She made things run smoothly. And a huge 'thank you' goes to Concie Danforth for selling the Craigville Cards!

Thank you to all who donated items for the live auction: the Trulls, Irelands, Mary Woodbury, the Browns, Brady-Lyons, Haseotes, Ellen Cardarelli, Ashley Brady-Lyons, Ed and Carroll Lynch, and especially Carole and Vinny D'Alessandro who get the prize for bringing a whole basket full of wonderful gifts back from their trip to Jamaica for us to auction off! Kathleen Brady also gets a prize for buying the largest amount of items in one auction! Thank you to her as well for all the help with setting up and taking down the auction. It was invaluable.

We live in a small community but the generosity of all who donated and all who came and bought things is amazing. We are very grateful for everyone's gifts. And most of all we all had a fabulous time! It was a very fun night! Thank you to all!

-Valerie Lane, RLPP Fundraising Chair

## **Craigville Memories Created in Summer 2012**

Another Happy Craigville Summer has come for the Bosco family and now has ended for 2012 . We met for our H&K breakfast on Saturday and again for Pappa's meatball supper that night. The Annual Cape Cod Presentation Night at Andover moved to Ice Cream Night at Union. One week is just never enough time for us to do all the events we so enjoy – but we try, and there is always 2013!

We wish particularly to thank our children Paul, Carol, Mary, John, Patricia, and Clare and their families, who presented us with the Beautiful Bosco Bench at CBA in memory of so many Happy Craigville Summers.

Love to all, Nanna & Pappa  
August 13, 2012

-Edwina L. and Cosimo J. Bosco

## Red Lily Pond Project: A Wonderful Community Event

A huge thank-you to everyone who attended our Annual Dinner last week, with a special shout out to Valerie Lane and her team who created such a wonderful evening, and to our auctioneer extraordinaire Dick Delaney and his helpers, who made giving fun.

So many good outcomes depend on this fundraiser—the embankment maintenance, the repairs to the fish ladder, the continuing permitting fees to keep the Town in our corner as we slowly restore the herring run and preserve the water quality in the ponds, for the tadpoles, frogs, and fish that, among other benefits, dine on mosquitoes!

Great challenges remain, but the spirit in the Craigville Inn dining room last Saturday evening renewed my hope for the future. I'm reminded of theologian Reinhold Niebuhr's words, "Nothing that is worth doing can be achieved in one lifetime; therefore we must be saved by hope." Craigville is an heir to the legacy of hope that Niebuhr preached throughout the darkest days of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. As we grope our way through the 21<sup>st</sup> century, bombarded by bad news that daily leaps from newspapers and television screens, it's heartening to see the community gathered to support the ponds. That's good news. Thank you to all our supporters!

-Steve Brown, President, RLPP

## Around the Town

**The Craigville Painters** meet on Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup> behind the Tabernacle in the Chapel-in-the-Pines at 9:30 AM (rain date: Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>). All welcome; some art supplies are provided, or bring your choice of materials. For more information, please call Avis Parke or Alison Melavalin (508-771-8298).

## *A Thought for the Week...submitted by E.L.*

*"And there is a Catskill eagle in some souls that can alike dive down into the blackest gorges, and soar out of them again and become invisible in the sunny spaces. And even if he forever flies within the gorge, that gorge is in the mountains; so that even in his lowest swoop the mountain eagle is still higher than the other birds upon the plain, even though they soar."*

*Herman Melville (1819-1891)*

*Author of "Moby Dick"*

## WEATHERWIZE LIGHTNING RODS

BY DOPPLER DEBBIE (ALMY)

Lightning storms always strike fear in people everywhere, especially after a house was hit here in Craigville. The storm was ferrous with lightning and thunder like I have not experienced since I was a child here many years ago when another house was hit near the Tabernacle. Luckily, the damage to the house caused by the recent lightning strike was contained, due to the fact that the fire department was so quick to respond to the incident. What can one do to prevent lightning from hitting your house? The obvious answer to that is nothing, but one can protect a house from being destroyed either by fire or electrical explosions caused by the tremendous electrical surge of a lightning bolt.

The old fashioned method was a metal lightning rod placed onto the highest peak of your house. How did it work? A lightning rod is made of any conductive metal, such as copper, steel, or iron, and it may be solid or hollow. Even metallic decorations can be substituted for a rod. The key to how this device works is by connecting the rod to insulated wire that leads down the side of the building and is buried in the ground, thus how the term "being grounded" came to be. If lightning hits the rod, the electrical charge is carried by the wire directly down into the Earth, thus preventing any electrical overload from entering the structure. This technique was most often visible in the mid West part of the country on farm buildings, for with miles of wide open farm land, the tallest structure usually was the barn. Lightning is attracted to the tallest thing in any area, so the lightning rods on their barns made perfect sense, and they worked. Why then do we not see them being used now on our homes? Good question, but the only answer is that when homes are newly constructed, many builders incorporate lightning protection in the roofing during the building process, so we just do not see any rods sticking up on the corner of new buildings. Recently though, I did see the metal rods sticking up from the corners of a large church, which refreshed my thoughts that they are still being used.

When a lightning storm hits, you should seek shelter immediately, hopefully indoors, but where do you go in the house? First of all, get off a land line phone and do not take a bath at this time. Water is a fabulous conductor of electricity, which is another reason you get out of the water when swimming. Lightning travels miles in a second, so even though the lightning may not be directly overhead, the lightning travels great distances. Stay away from any electrical things in the house and for safety's sake, pull the plug on your TV. I was approaching a targeted house years ago and the smell and feel of the electrical energy after the lightning hit the house was something I have never forgotten. As the house was hit, I saw the TV explode, but luckily the house was not damaged.

In New England, where we have so many tall trees, people tend to have a false sense of security assuming the lightning will hit the trees and not a house. Lightning rods, old fashioned as they are, still would protect any house indefinitely.

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**-Alice Brown & Cillea Houghton, editors**