

Friday, August 14, 2015

CRAIGVILLE CHRONICLE

The Summer Weekly News

◆ For All People ◆

◆ In All Seasons ◆



Hello Craigville family and friends,

This week, Kate is at a conference in Chicago, so I'm editing the Chronicle. That's right—I'm producing this Chronicle without adult supervision. Will the jokes be tasteful? Will Donald the Dragon (our puppet friend in the Tabernacle) finally get permission to write an advice column? Will I inadvertently reveal which Cape Cod Baseball League team the Chronicle staff roots for? Read on to find out.

-Edward Dunar, Substitute Chronicle Editor

BIG EVENTS THIS WEEK

Friday, August 14th, 7pm:

Evening of Stories and Memories (Tabernacle)

NEWS FROM THE CCOA AND CCMA

CCOA NEWS & THANK YOU'S

It's hard to believe, but summer is drawing to a close. Please plan on joining your neighbors on Sunday, August 22 at 5pm to review our summer events and look forward to next summer's activities. It's a good opportunity to get together after a busy summer.

Please remember to get your dates to me for next summer. I just heard of two conflicts that occurred this summer. Remember that it is "first come first served." If changes are necessary during the summer, the calendar should be checked to make sure that there are no overlaps.

-Lee Williams
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CCOA President

OPERATION OF THE CRC

During this year of transition, special consideration for the Craigville Retreat Center's employees is appreciated. There is anxiety, stress, and uncertainty in anticipation of the management take over by United Camps, Conferences, and Retreats (UCCR) on Jan. 1, 2016.

I respectfully request that concerns about the Retreat Center's present operation be directly communicated to CRC's Director, Mary Woodbury, and not to CRC staff and employees. Suggestions and complaints can also be brought to my attention for further handling. The Retreat Center has been very busy and we should keep in mind the importance of morale, maintaining CRC guest returns, and being good neighbors.

-Jim Lane
CCMA President

RETREAT CENTER GUESTS THIS WEEK

Groups:

Lighthouse of Faith Church Retreat
Star of the Sea Catholic Family Retreat

Cottages

O'Neil Family
Owens Family
Themeli Family
Buck Family
Prather Family
Rastinis Family

We still have a few rentals available. Please call the office at 508-775-1265 or stop in and see us.

Find us on the Web at: <http://craigvilleretreats.org>

-Mary A Woodbury
Director, Craigville Retreat Center

OLD CRAIGVILLE POST OFFICE NEWS

Summer is tearing past us, and with only three weeks left for the Post Office Gift Shop to be open, maybe it is time to come in and check out all the new items. Stocking stuffer problems can be solved in a minute. Kate will be leaving on the 22nd, so do come in to wish her well in her senior year of school.

LOST ITEM

Lost on Saturday on or around the village green: men's white leather Adidas running shoes with black stripes. **Reward.** Please notify the Chronicle if you saw them or found them.

TABERNACLE NEWS AND EVENTS

"STAY THE COURSE"

Throughout the season, visitors to the Retreat Center and the village have enriched our worship. We've been joined by families celebrating their reunions, churches undertaking retreats, and groups like the Adult Music Camp sharing their talents with us.

This **Sunday at 9:45am**, we will celebrate another treasured collaboration as the community from the Lighthouse of Faith in Christ from Brockton, MA joins us for another summer. The Rev. Dayan Johnson will preach a sermon titled "Stay the Course." Helyn Hall will play the organ, and the *Voices of Faith* choir will lead us in song.

This year, Rev. Dayan is celebrating the 20th anniversary of her ordination, and the Lighthouse of Faith is celebrating the 23rd anniversary of its founding. Give Rev. Dayan a word of congratulations when you see her! Incidentally, this is the 10th year that the Lighthouse of Faith community has joined us in Craigville.

See you on Sunday!

-Edward Dunar
Theologian in Residence
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THIS WEEK'S READINGS

- Proverbs 9:1-6 (Wisdom invites us to sit at her table and live our lives in accordance with God's ways)
- Ephesians 5:15-20 (Paul encourages us to keep our spirits high with singing and gratitude)

FAITH EVENTS THIS WEEK

- *Sunday, August 16, 9:45am: **Worship Service (Tabernacle)***. The Rev. Dayan Johnson will preach a sermon titled "Stay the Course." Music from Helyn Hall and the *Voices of Faith* choir.
- *Tuesday, August 18, 7:30am: **Morning Prayer (Tabernacle)***. We welcome the morning through a prayerful exploration of the Celtic spirit in Christianity led by the Rev. Dr. Bruce Epperly.
- *Friday, August 21, 10am: **Outdoor Bible Study (Eggers Chapel)***. We reflect upon scripture together using a Bible study method popular in Anglican communities in Africa. We meet at the Tabernacle sign and walk to the Eggers Chapel (or a rain location) together.
- *Saturday, August 22, 5pm: **Catholic Mass (Tabernacle)***.

CRAIGVILLE FAMILY AND FRIENDS

EVENING OF STORIES AND MEMORIES, FRIDAY AT 7PM

One of the things that makes our village remarkable is its rich history. Some families in Craigville have roots going back generations. Other new arrivals already have humorous, interesting, or meaningful memories about their time here.

On Friday, August 14 at 7pm, Bill McKinney will lead us in an informal and joyous evening of recollections for the community to gather to remember what brought us to the village, retell funny stories about the village, share legends and tall tales, and welcome new neighbors. We will also remember members of the community who have died in the past year. Come ready to share a story and to learn more about our community! Bring your interesting Craigville photographs or memorabilia. Sean Lahey will be video recording our event so that we can preserve our stories for the future.

REMEMBERING BARBARA "BARRI" AESCHLIMAN

Last week, Barri Aeschliman, long-time friend of Craigville, passed away in her sleep. On Thursday, August 13 at 2pm, many Craigville neighbors attended a service of thanksgiving for her life at South Congregational Church in Centerville. Barri was a loving and thoughtful woman who taught many of us very much. Please remember her family in your prayers.

REMEMBERING MATTHEW HARDING GATES (NOV. 3, 1920 - AUG. 11, 2015)

94 years ago, a boy was born to a loving mother. Throughout his childhood, he was cared for and loved by his dear Nan. He played with his cousin Miles, was watched over by his mama and aunties, and grew up happily. A shy teen, he fell in love with the most beautiful girl in his school. To his great delight, *she* fell in love with *him*. They loved to dance. *Loved to dance.* And they did just that; through Matthew's education at the seminary, through Alice's career in the New York garment district, they danced. Through the birth of their first son Matt, their second son Clark, and their youngest, daughter Melissa, they danced. Through living on an island with no electricity or running water, happy as could be, they danced. Through Matthew's wonderful years of ministering in several churches, his kids growing up in all sorts of interesting places – including one church that had a bowling ally in it --, his wife graciously by his side, and they danced. Through cruises as chaplain of the ships, his family thrived, and they danced. As the years rolled by, between bringing their children up, Matthew playing tennis, giving inspiring sermons, playing together on piano (Alice) and violin (Matthew), grandkids, great grandkids, retiring to Cape Cod, there was plenty of time left to dance. In their eighties, they danced. And when Alice's time to dance away came, Matthew was there, holding her hand, fulfilling his promise to always care for her. As she waited for him, Matthew lived a rich, full life for several more years. He was loved dearly by all his family: his children, his cousins, his children's spouses, and his caretaker and devoted companion Joyce. Then we come to now. To today. As angels gently wrapped their wings around this sweet and pure soul, and as his family let him go with love, and as he was lifted to his beloved Alice, the angels whispered in his ear, "Matthew, **dance!**" And so he did.

-Elizabeth Elwood Cooper Gates (daughter-in-law)

Many people in Craigville knew Matty, played tennis with him, and heard him play the violin with the Cape Cod Music Conservatory years ago up at the Tab. He also did so much more. Once he retired, he never gave up doing charity work, such as helping with Meals on Wheels and driving a Red Cross van to Boston with patients for appointments. He was quite a guy, and we will miss him so much.

-Barbara Gates

RED LILY POND

RED LILY POND DINNER AND AUCTION

It was a balmy evening on Saturday. The wine was chilled and the hors d'oeuvres were wonderful. Martin Traywick and his son Sam of Craigville Realty donated the wine and served as our very entertaining bartenders. 80 people enjoyed the cocktail party and silent auction. Dinner was then held in the Inn dining room, all decorated with twinkling lights in the windows overlooking the pond. The tables were festive, set with white tablecloths and little lily pad tea lights, and 74 people partook in a delicious dinner. Austin Peters outdid himself this year with a scrumptious menu of foods: steamship round of beef, chicken piccata, and glorious stuffed portabella mushrooms. He and his staff made everything run smoothly during the evening. The live auction was lively and fun with Dick Delaney and Paddy Cardarelli sharing the stage in their auctioneer role.

Our Craigville youngsters were great waiters and waitresses, and did just a really outstanding job waiting on us with efficiency and good spirits. Servers included Dana Crory, daughter of Lauren and Bob Crory; Grace Connolly, daughter of Sue and Gerry Connolly; Gabriella and Kaila Plonowski, daughters of Kate and Jeff Plonowski; Kyle Trull, grandson of Ann and Dick Trull; Kate Picullel, daughter of Kim and Patrick Coughlin; Nicole Croteau of the Croteaus on Lake Elizabeth Drive; and Katie Fallon, a tennis player who volunteered to help us. Mary Woodbury helped in the initial planning stages and working out the menu, Ellen Cardarelli worked enormously hard organizing the silent and live auctions and making sure everything was accounted for, and Sue Connolly did our bid sheets for the silent auction. Kathleen Brady, Ann Trull, Joanna Buffington, and Terry Farquhar, set up the silent auction and the tables in the dining room. Jim Lane, Michael Lyons and Dick Delaney did all the heavy lifting and carrying, Mark of the Retreat Center staff set all the tables out on the Green for us and moved tables and chairs around inside the dining room, and Stuart Lane helped carry all the silent auction items down to the dining room after the auction was over. Carole D'Alessandro and Dana Haseotes were a huge help in the planning stages as well as donating many items. Last but certainly not least, Millie Delaney did a tremendous job checking everyone out at the end of the evening. She was efficient and accurate, a good

combination! The evening was a success because of all the hard work everyone did!

In a small community like ours, the same people who donate items are buying other items! We donate and then we bid and buy! The generosity of our neighbors is most appreciated. Thank you to everyone who donated items for the auctions as well as those of you who gave donations of money. We are still taking donations and membership dues, so please send your checks to Valerie Lane if you haven't already done so.

Thank you to everyone who came to the dinner, who bought all the auction items, and who continue to support the Red Lily Pond Project throughout the year. Thank you to all!

-Valerie Lane
Treasurer, RLPP

PHIGHT PHRAGMITES!

This is week seven of our ten-part series on the flora and fauna of the ponds and Centerville River watershed. This week, the focus is the threats that invasive species, among which Phragmites is the principal culprit, pose to life in and around the ponds.

I begin with a giant "Thank You!" to all who made last week's dinner and auction a great success! We witnessed community teamwork and had a fun evening raising a big percentage of our annual budget.

One small portion of the event—we dug into our new supply of Phight Phragmites T-Shirts! If you didn't get yours, track us down Labor Day weekend!

Why "Phight Phragmites?"

Phragmites threaten watersheds in many ways. According to the website <http://www.ecolandscaping.org>:

*"Phragmites sheds its broad lower leaves creating a thick litter that deprives native vegetation of sunlight and prevents germination by native plants. It conducts chemical warfare by secreting a substance that suppresses other plants from growing in a process similar to the allelochemicals produced by tomatoes, walnuts, and many other plants. It alters wetland hydrology by transpiring available water and by interfering with normal circulation patterns. It has a very wide tolerance for water quality and salinity. Dormant *Phragmites* stands in the spring, fall, and winter are highly flammable and burn with explosive intensity and when found in proximity to dwelling or roads these wildfires represent very dangerous conditions."*

Volunteers from AmeriCorps Cape Cod and other organizations spend hundreds of hours each year “phighting phragmites” in and adjacent to our herring run. These volunteers also work to control this weed all over Cape Cod. It’s an ongoing project, and will require a coordinated effort for many years, but it is absolutely essential to pond health.

Our plan is to not only remove the phragmites, but also to reintroduce diverse native species along the embankments. Stay tuned in the months and years to come, and wear those t-shirts!

-Steve Brown

FUN READS

WINE AND CHEESE EVENT FOR RON LASKO'S NEW NOVEL

Just a reminder that there is a wine and cheese tasting event this Friday hosted by the Cape Cod Package Store (corner of Route 28 & Phinneys Lane, Centerville) for my new novel, "**BLOODY MONDAY**" from 5 to 7pm. Hope to see you and your friends there!

-Ron Lasko

WHAT THEY MEAN: BUTTER SOMEONE UP

Meaning: To lay flattery on thick

History: You might think it has to do with how smoothly butter spreads onto bread. Not quite. Actually, it comes from an ancient Indian custom of "throwing butterballs of ghee (clarified butter commonly used in Indian cooking) at the statues of the gods" to seek favor. The Tibetan tradition of creating butter sculptures for the New Year can be traced to the Tang Dynasty and the belief that such offerings would bring peace and happiness for the full lunar year.

-Debbie Almy

WEATHERWIZE: HAIL

Last week when our village was hit by a fierce thunderstorm, I saw a lightning bolt shoot down near my house. I felt the energy from it, my TV was fried, and the smoke detector was screaming. I was sure my house had been hit, but with torrential rains, there was no way I could go out to assess the possible damage. The lightning bolt had landed in between a group of neighboring houses. My house did not get a direct hit, thank God.

Later in the day in Needham, MA there were warnings of serious storms, and when I exited a building I saw incredible ominous dark skies with white swirling clouds inside the dark ones, looking frighteningly like a tornado. A sight I have never seen before and I knew we were in for some very serious storms. Within minutes the

winds started to whip with great velocity, in all directions, shaking the trees ferociously. Then the hail started.

Almost golf ball size pellets began to slam into the house and the windows. The velocity was so strong I was fearful the window glass would be smashed. I stood there looking out at nature acting so violently and I felt so helpless. I was blessed again with no damage other than a mountain of leaf litter on the lawn, looking like it does after a hurricane. Two major storms in one day was surely enough for me. So what is hail and why is it not in every thunderstorm?

Hail is a form of solid precipitation similar to sleet, and the two are often confused for one another although they are very different. Hail consists of balls or irregular lumps of ice that are called hailstones. Sleet falls generally in cold weather seasons while hail doesn't in cold temperatures. Hailstones consist mostly of ice and measure between 0.2 in to 6 in in diameter, Hailstones grow to 6 in and weigh more than 1.1 lb. so it is easy to understand the damage hail can do to cars, houses, and (what farmers fear most) crops. Hail forms in strong thunderstorm clouds, particularly those with intense updrafts, high liquid water content, great vertical height, large water droplets, and where a good portion of the upper cloud layer is below freezing 32 °F. These types of strong updrafts can also indicate the presence of a tornado.

Like other precipitation in cumulonimbus clouds, hail begins as water droplets. As the droplets ride the updrafts into the clouds where the temperature is below freezing, they freeze into a lump of ice. A cross-section through a large hailstone shows an onion-like structure, which means the hailstone is made of thick and translucent layers, alternating with layers that are thin, white and opaque. A common theory is that hailstones make multiple trips in updrafts and downdrafts gaining size with each trip. The speed up of updraft can be up to 100 mph and as the hailstones bump into others, they may stick together adding to the size. Eventually gravity

wins due to the weight of the stone and it comes crashing down to Earth smashing into whatever it hits. Thank goodness weather radar is a very useful tool to detect the presence of hail-producing thunderstorms along with knowledge of current atmospheric conditions that can determine if the ingredients are all there for hail development. Some radar now can even analyze what kind of precipitation is in the storm to tell us if it is hail or just heavy rain, So why don't we get hail in every thunderstorm? It is because there have to be key weather factors within the storm to make up the hail, and

without them we only have the lightning and thunder to deal with, which usually is quite enough to handle. Unfortunately, there is nothing anyone can do to prepare for a hail storm, other than to listen to and believe the warnings issued, take cover, and if possible get your car or anything breakable under cover. This recent storm resulted in broken windshields, and extensive car damage with various size dents all over them all caused by hail larger than a golf ball.

-Doppler Debbie Almy

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
					*Evening of Stories and Memories- 7:00@ Tab	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
						*Catholic Mass- 5:00pm @Tab
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
*CCOA meeting- 5:00pm				*Art and Spirituality Night- 7pm @ Tab		
30	31					
*Last Tab Service- 9:45am						