

# Cove Chronicles

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## *Special points of interest:*

- **POOL REMINDER:** The "check-in" for the pool this year will be controlled at the pool gate, not the snack bar.
- **All residents are asked to stay off the golf course construction zones!**

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## Something To Consider

By Bob Wilkinson, General Manager

The Cove is growing, and growing fast. I look at this photo while we plan yet another expansion to our current postal capacity and understand the emotions of Members who yearn for days gone by.

Those days are no longer reality of course. The reality is that the Cove is moving towards the destiny that it always had. Progress is always a double-edged sword. We welcome a new entrance and we will brag about the new marina complex to others. We look forward to roads being completed and a top quality golf course. There is a price to pay and I am not referring to assessments.

That price can be met with two simple steps, tolerance and patience. The growth spurt is resulting in more new home construction than anyone could imagine. The Corridor is constantly busy with contractor and utility vehicles. At times one feels like they are skiing down a slalom run. The situation demands that drivers keep to the speed limit and exercise caution. Security and Cove

Staff continue to get parked vehicles, trucks and trailers as far off the road surface as possible. Sometimes there are no options. We demand a storage container for trash when a house is built and, if there is no other location other



Cove Mail Center, about 1979? (anyone know for sure?)

than partially on a road we could exercise that tolerance. This is not to say that any rights, privileges or the well-being of any Cove resident should be compromised at the altar of development. Quite the contrary. But, a little of that tolerance and patience thrown into the mix can make this period in the history of the Cove go a little smoother for everyone involved. It really works.

## Memorial Day Picnic at the Marina

The Memorial Day Picnic, sponsored by the Golf Committee, on Sunday, May 29th, will kick off the summer season at the Cove.

Due to huge crowds at past Memorial Day, Fourth of July and Labor Day Picnics **tickets will be required for admission.** Tickets are free to all Cove Mem-

bers and residents and may be picked up at the Pro Shop or the Cove Office.

Guest tickets are available at both locations for \$3.00 each. Guests will include visiting family members and friends. Hot dogs, burgers, sausages, chicken and lemonade will be provided. Please bring a covered dish to share.

## From the Golf Course

### By: Lance Stitcher, PGA, GCSAA

Good news, things are happening on the golf course and pretty quickly I'm pleased to add. Landscapes Unlimited is one of the nations premier golf course construction firms. They have the equipment and the manpower to get the job done. While progress may have seemed a little slow the first week, getting the equipment on site and getting the course staked out to the architect's satisfaction is a time consuming process. All of those early hurdles have been cleared and the earth moving has begun. If mother nature cooperates, we should have a finished golf course by late summer / early fall. After that it's only a matter of waiting for the grass to mature and start growing again next spring. We'll be back to playing golf at home by early June next year. In the mean time...

Come on over to Great Hope and join in on the fun. We are hosting our regular league play at Great Hope this year. Men are playing the Monday Scramble at 9:00 am each week. At the time of this writing we are still finalizing the plans for the ladies golf league. It will be either Tuesday or Wednesday around 10:00 am each week. We will have the option of 9 holes or playing 18 holes. The couple's league will start in

early May, day and time to be determined. Rates for Cove members are \$25 for 18 holes w/ cart Monday – Thursday. Weekends are \$40 for eighteen holes w/ cart. Weekday fees for 9 holes w/ cart will be \$15. Golf Memberships are available and many of our golfers have elected to join Great Hope this year. I hope to see all of our golfers in the league programs. If you have any questions about golf this summer please call the Pro Shop.

Sunday April 3, we held a "Farewell Golf Tournament" to commemorate the closing of the golf course. It was a cold, windy....normal spring day at The Cove. The 48 golfers persisted and all were winners. We had a wonderful meal catered by Traders of Pocomoke. About 80 people attended the Pig Roast. Many thanks go to Captains Cove Group LLC for their part in making this event the success that it was.

Till next time.....Fairways & Greens,  
Lance Stitcher, PGA

## Board Happenings

At the March 28th meeting:

The Board revoked the permission granted to 1st Choice Trash Disposal to do business within the Cove due to failure to provide proof of required liability insurance and other business documentation. The revocation is effective May 1, 2005.

A unanimous vote has provided funds to survey 6 of the 12 "park areas" as shown on the Cove master plan. The other six areas have been deemed unusable due to water, size or elevation problems. The park areas involved

will be marked and reserved for future Cove recreational use.

It was announced that there will be a substantial increase in mosquito control efforts throughout the residential areas of the Cove. This effort will include laticides, aerial applications and the frequent use of the new truck-mounted fog machine which will be operational by May 1st.

Copies of all approved minutes are available at the office or the Cove web site at [www.captscove.com](http://www.captscove.com).

## Cove Yard Sale

If you are ready to "fish" for those incredible values come to the Cove Yard Sale on Saturday, May 28th starting at 8:00 a.m.

Time to get rid of all that "stuff" in the garage? Then rent a table to sell "stuff" so you will have room for even more "stuff".



Tables are \$10.00 each and may be reserved by calling Val Vieira at 824-4029. Reservations and payment will be accepted through Monday, May 23rd. No refunds will be given after that date.

The Sale will be held at the Marina building with indoor and outside tables available to rent.

**DON'T MISS THE COVE YARD SALE!**

## From the Angler's Corner

By: Lance Stitcher

By the time this gets printed I sincerely hope to have the channel marked at Queens Sound. The markers are ready and waiting for ma' nature to cooperate. This should make quite a few people happy as I get a lot of questions concerning Queens Sound. I'm trying to get an up to date aerial photograph of that part of the bay. If anybody can give me a lead, call me at the Pro Shop, it will be greatly appreciated.

The Captains Cove Flounder Tournament is back again. The dates for this years contest are slated for May 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>. This is the weekend (hint, hint) after Mothers Day. Come on out and have some fun with your fellow anglers. This has always been a great event and a lot of fun regardless of how many fish you catch. Details can be found on The Cove bulletin boards and you can sign up in the Pro Shop.

I'm new to The Cove and want to catch a flounder, where should I go? Well, hopefully you made it to the fishing seminar on April 18<sup>th</sup> but if you missed it that's OK too. Spring flounder fishing relies primarily on water temperature and water clarity. By this time in the year the temps are already warm

enough so we need to find clear water. The best places to find bait (therefore fish) are places where there is a change in the bottom structure. Channel edges, sand bars, and creek mouths are all plentiful in our home waters. These are areas that tend to concentrate bait and attract fish. Flounder lay in these areas during a moving tide and wait for food (hopefully with your hook in it) to come drifting to them with tide.

Watch this column for a series of new and interesting fishing opportunities in the coming months. May is a great month all over the eastern shore for fishing. The big rock are spawning in the shallows, red and black drum will move through the area followed by cobia. 7573366168 Croakers will be available soon as well as (hopefully) a few trout. We've got lots of possibilities headed our way. If you're headed into town for the weekend, call the Pro Shop and I'll be glad to point you in the right direction. Well, it might be the right direction. Till next time...

Fair winds & following seas .

## Community Corner

The Atlantic District Ruritan wishes to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to the residents and the administration of Captain's Cove for their cooperation and participation over the years in our quest to help "others" (our motto) that are indeed in need.

As you know, we are part of a national organization that is known for their community service, by aiding those who are less fortunate or for many reasons unable to provide certain needs, and to the betterment of their communities.

The Atlantic District Ruritan Club is autonomous in that we are responsible for providing the funds necessary to support our endeavors. We retain and maintain "all" funds raised and

are not beholdng to the national organization except in the basic principle of what Ruritan stands for ie. Benevolence.

We highly recommend and solicit your inquiries as to our purpose or in becoming a member. We as citizens of your and surrounding communities have dedicated our time and expertise to providing those needs in various ways. A very rewarding experience indeed!

Once again, thank you Captain's Cove community. We look forward to serving and working with you in the future. Our members are available to answer any questions you may have.

Wilbur Bowden, President—Atlantic District Ruritan

## Gallery Reception

Cove residents have been invited to the opening reception of a new exhibition of fine art at the **Stage Door Gallery** in Cape Charles, Virginia. The event is May 7th at 6:00 p.m.

The exhibition will feature a Cove Member and nature photographer, Elwye Ess who will be presenting



works of "nature-interesting faces and far-a-way places."

In addition to other fine art, complimentary refreshments and music will be provided to art lovers throughout the Eastern Shore.

More information is available by calling Elwye Ess at 854-0711 or the Stage Door Gallery at 757-331-3669.

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**We had a  
"Hidden Number" Winner  
in the April Issue!**

**Debbie Gompers of Captain's Corridor  
won a \$10 gift certificate to  
The Bay Witch, in Greenbackville  
Her number was in the  
Winter Weather = Pot Holes article.**

**Look for your number in this issue, and you  
might win a gift certificate.**

## Captain's Crew Travel Update

In partnership with Active Vacations, our Relay For Life team is sponsoring the following trips:

### July 2005

**18-23** - Vermont - 6 days, 8 meals. Highlights include a dinner cruise on beautiful Lake Champlain with entertainment, a tour of the Vermont Teddy Bear Factory, a tour of Ben and Jerry's Ice Cream Factory and a visit to the Shelbourne Museum. RT deluxe motor coach. Deposit & reservation due ASAP \$499 pp

### Oct. 2005

**9-16** - Memphis & Tunica - 8 days, 12 meals. Highlights include a guided tour of Memphis, a tour of Graceland (home of Elvis), a visit to Peabody Place for fabulous shopping and a visit to the Famous Pink Palace Mansion and Museum. RT deluxe motor coach with stops en route in Nashville and Knoxville, TN. Deposit & reservation due by May 15. \$539 pp

### Feb. 2006

**11-19** - Miami & Key West - 9 days, 14 meals. Highlights include a full day in Key West, explore South Beach, Bayside Marketplace, a cruise past celebrity homes on Millionaire's Row, Fisher Island and Star Island, and a visit to the amazing Flamingo Gardens. RT deluxe motor coach with stops en route in Charleston, SC and historic Savannah, GA. Deposit and reservation due by Sept. 14th. \$685 pp

For more information, flyers or to make a reservation - call Joyce at 854-1352.

## Captain's Crew Signing up Walkers

Will you walk for 30 minutes at the Relay for Life on June 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>? Our team is counting on you, again, to help us with this. We will be on the track from 6:00 pm Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7:00 am Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>. (Exact times not yet confirmed by planning committee). Please call Joyce or Barbara if you can help us. There will also be sign up sheets by the mail box in May, sign there and we will call you to work out details.

We are attempting to reach all **cancer survivors** that live in the Cove. We wish to have a list of those who have conquered this disease, and invite them and their spouse to a dinner, plus join the first lap with all the survivors at the Relay. Sue Pakulski is gathering this information.

Our other activities are on going, and I will list them to shorten your reading time. All need your support. Call anyone on the team if you have questions or are able to help us.

On going activities are:

**Art Raffle Tickets**, local artists donated prizes, \$5.00. Drawing at Memorial Day picnic.

**Jeep Raffle tickets**, Jeep Liberty or \$15,000, ticket \$5.00.

**Luminaria bags** are being sold. (White \$10, gold \$25). The person's name is printed on the bag and they are lit at the Relay at dusk. They can be in honor of a person who has survived cancer and you would like to honor, or they can be in memory of someone who cancer has taken from us.

Collecting used **cartridges and cell phones**.

Collecting 12-digit customer identification number from **Food Lion**.

Selling **Cancer Awareness bracelets**.

Signing up **Walkers** for the Relay

Accepting cash/check **donations** from residents, their friends, family, the many contractors and small business people that residents use to do work in the Cove.

We need promises of **baked goods** for the Yard sale. Also, We need **donations of items** for our tables at the Yard sale. Call us, we will pick up and store if possible.

Call or see anyone on the team for more details. Thank you for your continued support.

*Sue Pakulski Joyce Platterspiel Barbara Tomlinson*  
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