

# The Cape Connection

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## President's Letter

Every year as I write the article for the newsletter, I start with a reference to the winter weather. This year I asked myself why. I then realized that I am looking forward to the better weather that May and June bring. Although we had two stretches of cold but the wind caused damage to the bulletin board by the beach. Thanks to Douglas Cummings for building a new board and adding a book exchange. I also would like to thank Janet Reynolds, and those who donated, for taking the initiative to help secure a beach wheel chair to help our members use the beach.

The entertainment committee is excited about this upcoming season as always. Look for the list of events in the newsletter. Your participation in these events strengthens our community and ensures our success year after year. Volunteers are always welcome to assist the Board in each of these events. Check our Facebook page for information on how to help. This offers an opportunity for you to participate in the

development of new relationships and sense of family with other members of the community, which has always been a hallmark in Cape Breton.

A listing of the committee chairs is enclosed in the newsletter and we encourage you to contact them if you would like to help by serving on their committee or with any ideas or suggestions you might have for the upcoming year.

Make sure you check out the articles from the various committees to find out what we have planned for the coming season. We look forward to another successful year here in the Cape, but this is only possible with the combined effort of every member of our community working together to continue the magic we have created. That it what makes Cape Breton a special place.

Ray Topoleski,  
President

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## The GARDEN CLUB

The Cape Breton Garden Club is starting off our new year with an exciting vision of creating a butterfly, bee and bird sanctuary on the beach. It will be a serene spot in which our members and their families can enjoy a bit of nature and some quiet shade! We cleared the ground in late February on an unusually warm day and are working on some fund-raising to help us create it. All of our work is done without funding from the Association, so we appreciate all of the support and donations that we have received. It was brought to our attention that this garden was a dream of many that have lived here in the past, but never saw it happen. This knowledge has given us more drive to have this dream come true.

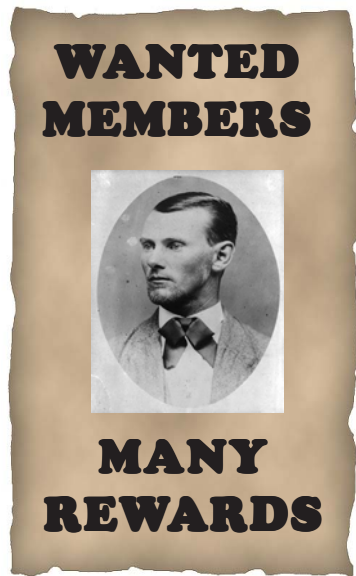
The goal of our garden club is to not only beautify the common areas, but also help create unity and neighborhood pride. We invite you all to join us Friday nights at 7:00 for our weekly card draw.

The winner takes half and the Garden Club uses the money for our seasonal flowers and holiday decorating. We thank all of you that have supported us. It is through your donations, volunteering and support that has enabled us to get this far. Our members include Danielle, Lenore, Jo-Ann, Larry, Lou, Marry Ellen, Pam, Rich, our newest member Kelly, and sometimes Janet. If anyone would like to join, we meet at the clubhouse on Tuesday mornings at 10:00. If this time doesn't work for you, please contact us as we always have watering that can be done anytime.

All are welcome. Again, thanks for all your support and we look forward to a great year!



# Membership



Last year we welcomed quite a few new members who have become active in our community and we have welcomed a few more already this year.

Please invite new families to join us and participate in our activities. We will have a Memorial Day welcome party. Looking forward to seeing everyone.

Maria Pilipski, Membership Chairperson  
732-477-6978

# Community News

Cape Breton now has a beach wheelchair for anyone who has a disability and needs help getting onto beach.

It was paid for by the sale of the dock that floated onto our beach last year. It was never claimed by anyone and we needed to remove it from the beach. So, was it sold.

The remainder of the monies needed was from donations given by our neighbors. Sandy Cummings, Tina Topoleski, Nina Daly, Oksana Hagopian, Lenore Savino, Ellen Mullery, Darcy Seiler, Joe Abatonte, Ray and Alice Topoleski, Janet Reynolds and Kelli Black.

You will be able to access it by using the combination lock at the gate near Crabby Shack.

Where it will be kept under a cover Bought by the Garden Club to help keep it clean and in good condition. (The code will be given upon request)

Thank you all who helped in providing this great product to help our elderly continue to enjoy the beach.

Janet Reynolds



# Dock Committee

This past Winter was very mild compared to some recent years so fortunately we did not have to use our snow shovels much, and there was not even a need to gas up the old snow blowers. Then Spring came along and brought with it some powerful winds. Warmer weather is around the corner and we have had a few samplings of what is to come. Along with the warmer weather we find ourselves preparing our yards and gardens for the summer season.

This Spring our Dock will be needing a few repairs to some of the lights. I don't anticipate these repairs to be anything major, just some rewiring and possibly replacement of some bulbs and/or photocells.

We have had some boat slip holders decide not to come back this year, so we do have several slips available to accommodate boats from small to as large as our dock can handle. We are advertising that we have boat slips available and have rented some slips, but if you know of anyone who might be interested in a boat slip

please have them contact myself or any Director and we will do our best to meet their needs. We also do have rental space on our Kayak Rack available.

I can be reached at (848)482-1104 with any questions or concerns regarding the Dock. On behalf of the Dock Committee, the Directors, and Officers, I would like to wish you all a very safe and enjoyable 2019 Season.

Don Danner  
Committee Chairperson



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Come visit our website at [www.CapeBretonNJ.org](http://www.CapeBretonNJ.org), where you will find information about upcoming events, committees, want ads, current members and more. New features are being added all the time, so check back frequently. If you have something to add, send your submission to: [info@capebretonnj.org](mailto:info@capebretonnj.org).

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# Entertainment News

The Entertainment Committee would like to wish everyone a great summer. We are hoping you will all come out and enjoy the functions that we have planned for this season. All the Directors will be involved with running the entertainment events this season, so if there are any questions or suggestions please reach out. We would like to have events that will be attended and enjoyed by all. As always we are in need of volunteers. Volunteers are the backbone of the Cape, so please come out and lend a hand whenever possible. The schedule of events are available for your perusal, so mark your calendars. We hope to see you at this year's functions. Please check the new bulletin board or web site often for changes and/or updates to the schedule.

**Fun Healthy Food Facts**

- Apples are made of 25% air, which is why they float.
- Avocado has highest protein content of all fruit.
- Cabbage is 91% water.
- Cherries are a member of the rose family.
- Lemons contain more sugar than strawberries.
- Honey is the only edible food that never goes bad.
- Eggplants are fruits and classified as berries.



Regards,  
Jacques Hermann  
(732) 496-9851

MARK YOUR CALENDAR						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>CAPE BRETON 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS</b>						
						<b>Beach Opens</b>
						<b>Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup></b>
						<b>Memorial Day Open House</b>
						<b>Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup></b>
						<b>Stockholder's Meeting</b>
						<b>Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 11:00 AM</b>
						<b>July 4th Beach Party</b>
						<b>Saturday, July 6<sup>th</sup></b>
						<b>Pancake Breakfast</b>
						<b>Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup></b>
						<b>Pot Luck Party</b>
						<b>Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup></b>
						<b>Boat Rally</b>
						<b>Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup></b>
						<b>Fish Fry</b>
						<b>Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup></b>
						<b>Stockholder's Meeting</b>
						<b>Sunday, August 25<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00 AM</b>
						<b>Season Ending Dinner</b>
						<b>Saturday, August 31<sup>st</sup></b>
						<b>Bonfire Evening of Fun</b>
						<b>Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup></b>
<b>The rain date for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Beach Party will be July 7<sup>th</sup></b>						

## Clubhouse Night

We have had a very active and fun year. This included a lecture by Town Historian Jean Donatello on Brick, a visit from Mayor Ducey, pumpkin painting, fun and game nights, Christmas party, yankee re-gifting swap, Chinese New Year dinner, Mardi Gras, and an animal rescue shower with animals.

Everyone is always welcomed. There is no charge. Please feel free to bring a friend or neighbors.

I would like to thank all that attend and have made our gatherings such a success. Please feel free to offer any suggestions for the future. Meetings are held on every second Friday of the month at 7:30 PM. I look forward to seeing you on Friday nights.

Maria Pilipski  
(732) 477-6978

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## On the Lighter Side



## Sandy's Street Talk

We recently had the metal frame work and gravel replaced on the Ripley/Van Ness storm drain. This was done by our Public Works Department and is very much appreciated.

Seven street light bulbs have been replaced over the past few months. This was accomplished by calling JCP & L with the telephone pole numbers and street address.

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## 75th Anniversary

Many thanks to Janice Sovenie, Sandy Cummings, Alice Topoleski, Carol Bouche, Judy Danner, for making our 75th Anniversary such a success. They worked hard and long for the many activities we had to celebrate. We still are going to have a time capsule, if anyone has something they would like included please let any of us know. Mayor Ducey presented us with a proclamation and it will be framed and hung in the Clubhouse, he also proclaimed September 15th, 1918 Cape Breton Day. Special thanks to Gena Pilipski Latronico for charing the Anniversary party and Jacques and Anne Herman for the excellent catering job. We all hope everyone enjoyed the festivities and look forward to the 100th.

Maria Pilipski, Chair

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## Simply Amazing

