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# MARLING FARMS COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Marling Farms Community Association, serving our community

## Letter from the Board

What a mild winter and beautiful spring! Time to get out and enjoy all the great reasons we live here.

Along with this newsletter is the invoice for the annual dues. We appreciate your prompt payment of these dues. The funds allow us to continue making upgrades and keep up the maintenance in the community. \$100 is not much compared to other neighborhoods so every dollar counts. Many of the upgrades have been donated by generous members and we are deeply thankful. We

encourage your ideas on ways that we can continue to improve the common areas and beautify Marling Farms. Please use the area on the enclosed invoice to share your thoughts.

As always, please remember the speed limit is 25 MPH throughout the community. Enjoy your Spring and Summer! Looking forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming events and the Community Meeting (date TBD). Be grateful for each and every day, and we wish all the best to you and your family.

— The Community Board



### HIGHLIGHTS

Annual Dues Invoice Enclosed. Please return or pay online by July 1, 2023

Join us at one of the upcoming events

## **Annual Dues**

Enclosed with this newsletter is the invoice for annual dues. You can choose to send a check with the enclosed payment stub OR pay via PayPal on the website (a small processing fee is added).

Thank you for your timely payment (due July 1). Dues not only give you access to the beaches, they also cover the cost of mosquito spraying and maintenance of common areas.

#### Treasurer's Report

Annual dues are \$100, and they go mostly toward mandatory liability insurance, maintaining community areas, mosquito spraying, printing and mailing newsletters, community gatherings and beautifying our community.



Balance 05/23	\$18,491.15	Community Functions (Egg Hunt, Picnic, Ice Cream,	
Income		Holiday Contests etc)	\$1,643.61
Dues	\$21,191.75	Delmarva Power	\$474.79
Donations	\$1,100.00	PO BOX Fee	\$289.00
		Supplies	\$1,369.34
Expenses			
Landscaping	\$9,560.00	Account Balance as of	Ī
Mosquito Spraying	\$4,770.00	May 2023	\$13,598.57
Pier Loan Payments	\$6,024.13		
Improvements	\$3,053.46	CD Account (Reserve)	\$15,253.67

#### Link's Memorial Bench Dedication



On May 13th, the George Family, representatives from the KIVFD, and Marling Farms neighbors placed and dedicated a memorial bench in honor of Harry "Link" George, Jr. at Beach 4. In September 2022, Link unexpectedly left us. He was a treasured neighbor and friend, and was the longest-serving active member of KIVFD with over 54 years of service. We received donations from many neighbors and recently purchased this memorial bench for placement at Beach 4, where all can sit and enjoy the views.



#### So worth it!

Place bacon in a large, deep skillet. Cook over medium-high heat for 6 to 8 minutes, or until evenly brown. Once cooled, crumble and set aside.

In a bowl, stir together mayonnaise, bacon, green onions, and parsley until well blended. Set aside.

Cut a small slice from the top of each tomato. Using a melon baller or small spoon, scoop out the inside of each tomato and discard. Fill each tomato with the bacon mixture, and refrigerate for 1 hour. Serve chilled.





16 and below, who live in Marling Farms. Supplies go quickly so arrive at 2pm.



#### **Community Picnic** August 12th, 4pm-8pm

Come out and meet the neighbors at Beach 3. Bring a dish to share with the community. Prizes for best desserts. Rain date: August 19





#### Park & Beach Use

Beach 3 Reserved June 10th for private event, 10am-5pm

- For dues-paying members only
- Open sunrise to sunset
- Use at your own risk
- Children under 13 with adult supervision only
- Please clean up your trash (and dispose of it at home)
- Clean up after your pet (and dispose of it at home)
- Caution-water subject to heavy tidal action
- Swim at your own risk
- No overnight parking
- Violators will be prosecuted



# Halloween Decorating Contest **Judging October 24-28**

Crank up your creativity to enter the MF Halloween Decoration Contest. You could be crowned the bone-chilling champ!

September 16th

Meet at Beach 3 pavilion to sample wine, beer and cheese while watching the sunset over Crab Alley Bay. Rain date: Sept. 23



# STEP UP

We'd like to urge our community members to step up and help keep our wonderful neighborhood a great place to live, play and socialize. The community is only as strong as the people that strive to keep it safe and beautiful. The community board is a volunteer organization (not salaried) that needs your help!

The board is in need of new leaders. It's been quite a few years since anyone has volunteered for a board position. But if you don't have the time to join the board, consider taking over one of the committees.

If more people pitch in, we can continue to offer new events and

improve our overall quality of life here in Marling Farms.

#### Join the Board:

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer (Denise Reilly)
- Secretary (Kim Euler)
- Board of Directors,7 Members

**Committees:** (Volunteers for the current year are listed, but always appreciate help)

- Community Improvements
- Community Safety
- Easter Egg Hunt (Alyssa Decker)
- Web Updates (Kim Euler)

- Front Sign (Alyssa Decker)
- Social Media (Tricia Wilson)
- Shore Erosion
- Community Picnic (Alyssa Decker)
- Wine and Cheese Social
- Ice Cream Social
- Yard Sale (Darlene Winegardner)
- Landscaping
- Newsletter (Kim Euler)
- Holiday Home Contests

Email to join the board or a committee: marlingfarms@gmail.com



# Mosquito Spraying

Again this year, the Community has signed up with QA County for mosquito spraying. The County does not assign specific days. Surveillance and control of adult mosquitoes takes place Sunday-Thursday (excluding State holidays), between 7 p.m. – 6 a.m. The density of the mosquito population will be measured by landing rate counts and mosquito traps. Spraying only takes place when the density of mosquitoes reaches a standard threshold. Spraying will not

be conducted during rain, in winds exceeding 12 MPH, or temps above 89°F.

Keeping your yard clean of debris and trimmed back helps with the application and effectiveness of the spraying. The technicians are instructed to turn off the sprayer when they see people so they ask that you stay inside when you see or hear the spray truck. More detail regarding this may be found on the county's website and at www.qac.org/1401/ Mosquito-Control