



The Summer News Weekly



For All People...



Craigville Chronicle

In All Seasons



**Craigville Village, Massachusetts
July 10-16, 2010**

Community Calendar

Saturday, July 10th	9:00 AM	Annual Community Meetings – Tab. Christian Camp Meeting Association Craigville Cottage Owners Association
	5:00 PM	Catholic Mass – Tabernacle
Sunday, July 11th	9:45 AM	Worship Service in the Tabernacle Preacher: Rev. Dr. Elisabeth Hilke
	1-4:30 PM	Red Lily Pond Project House Tour
Thursday, July 15th	5:30 PM	Supper and Game Night at CBA

Looking Ahead

Tuesday, July 20th	7:30 PM	Jazz Concert – Tabernacle
Friday, July 23rd	8:00 PM	Elizabeth Kirk Memorial Concert – Tab.
Sunday, July 25th	3:30 PM	Adult Music Camp Concert – Tab.
	5:00 PM	Worship Service at CBA Beach

RED LILY POND PROJECT HOUSE AND GARDEN TOUR

On Sunday, July 11th, there will be a lovely Craigville House and Garden Tour for the benefit of the Red Lily Pond Project Assn. Inc. There are six houses on the tour: Stephanie and Tom Greene's, Lee and Fred Williams', Bette and John Troy's, Sharon and Sam Carpenter's, Ellen and Paddy Cardarelli's, and Myra and Peter Gooding's. The houses will be marked with balloons and when you buy your ticket the brochure will tell you about each house. There is a map showing the house locations. We are hoping for good weather and a good attendance. Hours are 1-4:30 pm, and the cost is \$25.00 a ticket. Tickets will be sold at the Bluff near the parking area, and next to the Post Office near the Tabernacle parking area. Lemonade and cookies will be served at the last house on the tour, the Gooding Cottage. Please come and enjoy our beautiful homes and gardens, each unique in its own way. We hope to see you!

-Valerie Lane

RED LILY POND ASSOCIATION ANNUAL DINNER AND AUCTION

Mark your calendars for Saturday evening, August 14th, when we will have the annual Red Lily Pond Assn. dinner and auction. We are choosing our menu now and it is going to be delicious. Wine and cheese will be available on the Green before dinner, with a silent auction. A small live auction will be held after dinner. Call Valerie Lane @ 508-778-0507 for reservations. Cost of \$35.00 a person includes wine, hors d'oeuvres, a delicious dinner and dessert, and the auctions. A bargain!! Make your reservations early!

Red Lily Pond Project Frog T-Shirts will be available for sale adjacent to the Craigville Post Office during the house tour on Sunday. Watch for postings of additional opportunities to buy your custom-designed Craigville blue shirts for the whole family. Remember, all proceeds go to help preserve our ponds!

Craigville Conference Center: Preparing for the Theologians

Colloquy takes place in the Village this coming week, so the Center is extremely busy with preparations for over 90 participants. This year's theme is "Surprised by Grace in Modern Film: Training the Eyes of Faith." Additional summer staff are definitely an asset at this time of year; it's nice to see several familiar faces back for another season.

OLD CRAIGVILLE POST OFFICE: Shirts in Great New Colors

Most of the new items have arrived, so please do drop in to see them. The new melon-colored golf shirt, lime green v-neck ladies t-shirt, yellow t-shirts, and ash colored t-shirts for the youth are here. The new wine glasses, and regular short glasses are in stock as well. The new water bottles will be arriving any day now, as well as our standard coasters. The teddy bears still need a loving home, so do stop in soon.

-Debbie Almy

Worship in the Tabernacle

Rev. Dr. Elisabeth Hilke received her B.S. from Smith College, and her M.A. and Ph.D. from Yale University, where she focused on History of Christian Doctrine, Systematic, Contemporary and Philosophical Theology. She has taught at Hood College and Frederick Community College and been Interim Pastor in several area churches. In addition, for twenty-five years she has taken a leadership role each summer in the Craigville Theological Colloquy here in Craigville.

Dr. Hilke is the author of Growing Toward Unity, Volume Six of The Living Theological Heritage of the United Church of Christ. For the past ten years, she has been Pastor of Grace Trinity United Church of Christ in Frederick, MD. She lives with her husband, Professor Jurgen Hilke, in Frederick, Maryland. They have two sons, Christopher and Jens, both of whom are Environmental Biologists.

The organist again this Sunday will be our Village resident, Virginia "Ginny" Henderson. Ms. Henderson is the Music Director/Organist at the First Baptist Church in Wallingford, CT. She is also a piano teacher and accompanist. She is a longtime Craigville resident, along with her husband, Rev. Eric Henderson, mother-in-law, Irmgard Henderson, three children, and now, three grandchildren!

CBA Beach: Game and Movie Nights Planned

Supper and Game Night will be on Thursday July 15th!! Dinner will be at 5:30 with games starting at 6:15. Our snack bar will be having a choice of hamburger, hot dog or salad served with chips, soda and fruit for \$5.00. Please sign up in the office if you are planning on participating.

Dinner and Movie Night will be on Friday July 23rd!! Dinner will be at 7:00 followed by the showing of "Cheaper by the Dozen 2" at 8:15!! I will follow with a menu and price soon. For dinner and movie night I am asking all members to please sign up so I know who will park in their own spots and how many members need parking.

You can sign up for both events at the office. Any questions please call 508-775-9695 between 9 and 5 or stop by the office.

On July 25th the Jazz Trio "Three of a Kind" will perform at CBA from 12-2!

Later that day we will have a worship service on our beautiful beach at 5:00 PM and all are welcome!!

-Domenic Botolino

Quotation of the Week: Power at its best is love implementing the demands of justice, and justice at its best is power correcting everything that stands against love.

- Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

First Planning Consultant Retreat A Success

By Jim Lane

Beginning on Monday July 5th, the first retreat with our Planning Consultant took place in Craigville Village. The Consultant firm consists of two principals, Garrie Stevens and Pam Harris, both ordained Methodist ministers, who have consulted for numerous Conference Centers throughout the country. Designated representatives of CCMA, the Massachusetts Conference of the United Church of Christ (MACUCC), and the Conference Center staff participated in the first two meetings in a very warm Lodge building. We had an opportunity to “tell our story” and to discuss the unique relationship of the CCMA with the MACUCC and the CCOA with private homes interspersed with the Craigville Conference Center.

The CCMA is a partner with MACUCC sharing the costs for the Planning Consultant. Both organizations seek professional advice to improve their financial status, the marketing of Conference Center properties to sustain their missions, plan for the future, and maintain community relationships.

Later this month there will be an opportunity for interested persons to meet with the Consultant to share their concerns. The time and place of this meeting will be posted in the *Chronicle*.

RED LILY POND PROJECT

What has no legs but runs uphill? Herring!

Many species of herring are found in the North Atlantic, but only one variety of River Herring, “Alewives” spawn in Red Lily Pond.

These little fish play a particularly important role in the ocean’s ecology. They are “anadromous” (the word comes from the Greek and means “to run uphill”—hence the term “herring run”).

Three small schools of herring “ran” up into Lake Elizabeth this spring, laid their eggs (each female lays between 60,000 and 100,000 eggs!) and ran back.

Some of this abundance of eggs undoubtedly nourished swans and turtles, but a few eggs escaped this fate, and in the fall, fingerling herring will run back to the sea. The lucky (or clever) ones will mature for several years until their homing instinct brings them back to Red Lily Pond.

While at sea, many of the herring spawned in Red Lily Pond will provide an essential link in the diet of Bluefin Tuna and Striped Bass, the two great commercial and game fish of Nantucket Sound.

If you enjoy fishing for (and eating!) tuna or stripers, remember the Red Lily Pond. Our herring run is the only one in the Centerville River watershed that never dries up in drought years—so it will always be waiting for the return of the herring. So, help us save this Great Pond, an essential link in the circle of life.

You can read lots more about River Herring at this website:

http://www.mass.gov/dfwele/dmf/publications/river_herring_viewing_guide.pdf

-Steve Brown

AROUND THE TOWN

Dot Fackre is now at RHCI (Rehabilitation Hospital of the Cape and Islands) in Sandwich. It is a great mile marker on the road to recovery. She will likely be here in Sandwich for two weeks, then, praise God, home to Treetops and Dad with visiting nurses for a while. She is in room 251, and her phone number here in the room is 508-833-5571.

Thank you again for all your thoughts. We do read her all the cards from you, which is a great way for her to hear from you. Please keep them coming, as it means a lot to Dad, too. (from daughter Skye Gibson)

Christine Oates is recovering at the Pavilion from her fall and Irmgard Henderson reports that she spoke with Christine the other day and she had just been playing the piano, so she is not just sitting still!

We send Dot and Christine our best wishes for continually improving health.

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-ALICE BROWN, EDITOR

REMEMBER: we are always on the web at Craigville.org (postings to Amelia Brown at amelia@cape.com).

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WEATHERWIZE: WHAT IS GOING ON WITH OUR WEATHER?

BY DOPPLER DEBBIE (ALMY)

Weather issues all over the Earth seem to have taken over all the news reports lately, with massive killing earthquakes in numerous countries, Tsunami threats, extreme weather reversals in many continents, and a volcanic eruption in Iceland that had a crippling effect on all air transportation throughout Europe and reaching into parts of the United States.

I never remember hearing the word Tsunami in my youth; now, we know that this term is far more common and feared. Some countries, and Hawaii and other island areas, have a warning system in place to protect their population from these gigantic waves. This ocean wave is formed by an underwater earthquake, landslide or volcanic eruption, sort of like shaking a glass of water violently and making a wave that must go somewhere. The wave travels thousands of miles - many times undetected from the point of origin - and builds up to tremendous heights. A telltale sign of an approaching wave is when the ocean water recedes a considerable distance, way beyond a normal range of a low tide. The top of the wave may appear to have a red glow as it crests onto the area in front of it, and often times, there may be a sonic boom noise associated with the impending wave, meaning it is time to flee immediately to higher ground.

Volcanic ash is the newest problem in the airways, as in the result of the volcanic eruption in Iceland, and it is a serious one. The ash is composed of hard materials such as igneous rock, glass and sand which have been pulverized to a powder-like consistency. Jet engines process enormous amounts of air, so when the ash-filled air is pulled into the engine, the ash can be heated to its melting temperature and becomes a soft, sticky product which adheres to the moving parts of the engine, making them seize-up and become heavier than normal. Fortunately, when engines have stopped and the powerless planes have dropped like rocks, the air rushing through the stalled engines has flushed out the ashened mess, and the pilots were able to restart the engines in time to land safely. One other effect of this ash-filled air is it acts as a sand blaster, and frosts-up the windshield of the aircraft, thus obscuring vision.

Now, what is creating all these abnormalities in the weather? No one, at this point in time, seems to have the answer to that. It could be global warming, or just that Mother Nature is mad at us for something; now let's just figure out what it is so we can fix it and make her happy again.

FEATHER/FUN FACTS: SEAGULLS 101

By Debbie Almy

Rest assured, I have not abandoned feather facts, for I am starting the year off with a refresher course on Seagulls, our most common bird on Cape Cod. The term Seagull is actually a category of birds, as are Songbirds or Birds of Prey. Every gull has its own name, and the one seen most often in our area is the Herring Gull. The Great Black Back Gull will be the subject of next week's column.

The question of where Seagulls sleep was posed to me last fall, when a friend noticed the many gulls around the beach and said we don't see them on any roofs, or on the beach at night, so where do the gulls go to sleep? In a quick answer, they seek anywhere that is isolated and protected. The covering of a moored boat for example, on a beach in an unpopulated area, or in the middle of a parking lot where there is no activity at night. If you have ever noticed lots of shells on the blacktop of parking lots, it is from the gulls, who pick up shellfish in the shallow waters, fly over the parking lot, and drop their catch onto the tar so the shell breaks. Then they swoop down to eat the insides from the cracked open shell. This activity, by the way, is assumed to be a learned behavior, again reinforcing the theory that birds do, indeed, have a brain, after all.

The gull is also a perfect predictor of upcoming weather, for they react to the barometric pressure. When a storm is coming and the pressure is low, they stay on the ground, usually in an open area such as a park or on a beach in a group, just standing still. When the air pressure is high, meaning good weather is coming, they are seen gliding along in large circles way up in the sky riding the thermals. They also are an excellent wind vane, for they always face into the wind so their feathers won't be ruffled in the wrong direction. Hence the saying, you don't want to ruffle anyone's feathers. Remember, even though they look snowy white, they are actually a dirty bird, for their most favorite food is our garbage. So, a truly dedicated "birder" will head to the dump to see all the gull varieties in one place foraging through the trash.