

# CAMBRIDGE ASSOCIATION OF NEIGHBORHOODS

Building a Better Community, Block by Block

Newsletter #18-1 JANUARY 2018

### **UPCOMING MEETING DATES**

\*Saturday, January 20, 2018, Dorchester County Public Library (303 Gay St), 10:00 am (\* Annual Business Meeting, including Board of Directors Election)

Saturday, March 10, 2018, Location To Be Determined, 10:00 am Thursday, May 10, Location To Be Determined, 7:00 pm Thursday, July 12, Location To Be Determined, 7:00 pm Thursday, September 13, Location To Be Determined, 7:00 pm Saturday, November 10, Location To Be Determined, 10:00 am

All CAN Board meetings are open to the public. Everyone interested in CAN is invited to attend.

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# **CURRENT LINKS**:

- CAN Board of Directors Meeting Minutes November 18, 2017 https://cambridgecan.org/category/news/can-news/
- CAN Housing Quality Committee Planning & Zoning Committee Meeting Notes
  - Egypt Road solar field, Brewery in industrial zone, Drug rehabilitation facilities, Auction houses, Mill Street school building, Hyatt property, Residential zoning https://cambridgecan.org/category/news/p-and-z/
- Dorchester County Emergency Response Team Needs Volunteers Free Training
   https://cambridgecan.org/community-emergency-response-team-needs-volunteers-free-training/
- Commissioner's Corner
  - Ward 1: Cambridge Matters: Messages from Commissioner Steve Rideout <a href="https://cambridgecan.org/category/news/commissioner-posts/">https://cambridgecan.org/category/news/commissioner-posts/</a>

NOTE: GOING FORWARD, CAN HOPES TO SOLICIT MESSAGES FROM ALL FIVE CITY COUNCIL COMMISSIONERS FOR INCLUSION IN THE CAN NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE. STAY TUNED!

### CAN'S MISSION & MEMBERSHIP

The Cambridge Association of Neighborhoods (CAN) fosters neighborhood cohesion and community involvement to (a) enhance the quality of community life for all residents of Cambridge through community events, social activities, and neighborly assistance; and (b) protect and enhance the value of properties in Cambridge by improving building and zoning codes, supporting adherence to those codes, and engaging constructively with City Government, including the Historic Preservation Commission. CAN welcomes members from **any and all Cambridge neighborhoods** who are interested in organizing and working together, building a diverse membership reflecting the diversity of Cambridge residents. Membership information is available on the CAN website at https://cambridgecan.org/join-can/

- CAN's Website <a href="https://cambridgecan.org">https://cambridgecan.org</a>
- CAN on FaceBook https://www.facebook.com/CambridgeAssociationofNeighborhoods/
- Contact CAN CambridgeCAN@yahoo.com

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

The Board of CAN would like to wish a Happy and Healthy New Year to all its members and friends. We have completed our first year and are growing. We have 82 paid members and a contact list of 534 people.

I was going to use this space to discuss the accomplishments of CAN's first year, which are many, but after talking with the Board members, I think it is more important to discuss "Where are we going?" CAN was set up around three main objectives. First, to work with the City to improve housing and neighborhoods; second, to promote social activities and a neighborly feeling though out the City; and finally, to be an inclusive community, welcoming all. While it is fairly easy to come up with broad goals, it is difficult to come up with plans to fulfill them. So at the January 20<sup>th</sup> meeting at the Library (10am), please come and help us with our planning for the New Year. We have some administrative issues to discuss, such as voting for board members and discussing dues for next year, but we would also like to have a lively discussion on our objectives for the coming year. We don't want CAN to become an organization run by a few individuals, but an organization that represents the community's wishes.

So, again, we need you to take the time to come, stand up, and give us your views on where your Civic Association should go.

Thanks,

Chuck McFadden, President, CAN

## ANNUAL CAN BUSINESS MEETING & BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION: JANUARY 20, 2018

The Annual CAN Business Meeting of the Cambridge Association of Neighborhoods, to include election of CAN's 2018 Board of Directors, will be held on January 20, 2018, at 10:00 am in the meeting room of the Dorchester County Public Library (303 Gay St).

As announced at CAN's November 18 meeting, Judd Vickers (Vice-President), Tom Puglisi (Secretary), Sharon Smith, and Gregg Boss have agreed to be placed on the ballot to be presented at the Annual Business Meeting on January 20, 2018. No other nominations were received prior to the December 22 deadline for submission of additional candidates.

### CAN NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

Recently CAN's "Neighbors Helping Neighbors" resulted in an old shed taken on a number of trips to the landfill by Dave Thatcher, with help from others in the neighborhood. Give a call to a board member or block captain if you see a need or have a need.



**Neighborhoods** are the heart and soul of CAN. Neighborhoods are loosely defined to meet the needs of each **self-identified neighborhood group** – The "Neighborhood" is defined by those neighbors willing to work together to address neighborhood concerns. "**Neighborhood Captains**" organize activities through which people get to know their neighbors, identify concerns, and work together to address those concerns.

Please contact Chuck McFadden at Ragtime31@gmail.com or CambridgeCAN@yahoo.com to volunteer.

### COMMUNITY NEWS – COOPERATING COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

# SHORE RIVERS & DORCHESTER CITIZENS FOR PLANNED GROWTH - CAMBRIDGE WILD AND SCENIC FILM FESTIVAL

Mark your calendar, buy your tickets, and look forward to a unique night out in Cambridge that supports two local organizations, ShoreRivers and Dorchester Citizens for Planned Growth. The Hyatt

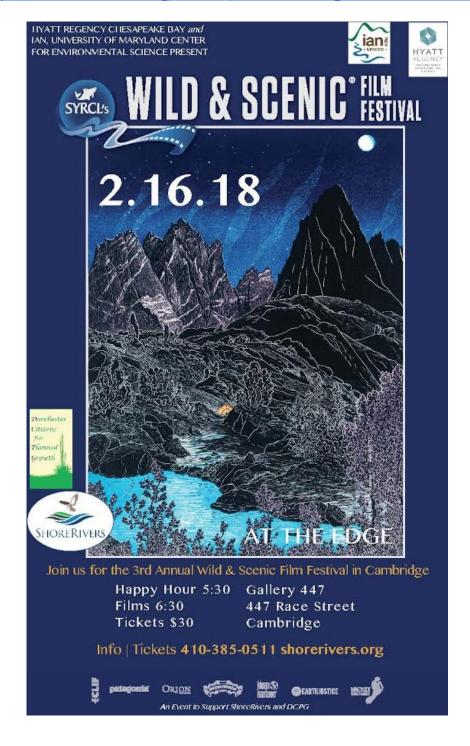
Regency and the Integration and Application Network at Horn Point present the **Wild and Scenic Film Festival** - an hour of award-winning, environmental short films that inspire awe and action!

**Details:** Friday, February 16th, Gallery 447 in downtown Cambridge

5:30 Happy hour with drinks and apps, 6:30 Hour long program

Tickets: \$30 with complimentary drink ticket - purchase at link below!

https://www.shorerivers.org/events-1//2018-cambridge-wild-and-scenic-film-festival



### DORCHESTER CITIZENS FOR PLANNED GROWTH - ANNUAL MEETING & STEWARDSHIP AWARD

# Stewardship Award Recipient and Guest Speaker, Margaret Ingersoll

Sunday, January 28th, Time - 3-5pm Dorchester County Historical Society 1003 Greenway Dr., Cambridge, MD

Please join us! Light refreshments will be served.

# **CHOPTANK HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT**



#### NATHAN OF DORCHESTER

The Skipjack Nathan of Dorchester sails May through October on the beautiful Choptank River from historic Cambridge. The Nathan was commissioned on July 4, 1994. Funded by contributors and built by volunteers, the Nathan was built to preserve the wooden boat building skills and maritime heritage of the region. She was the last Skipjack to be built as an oyster dredge boat. The Nathan is always on the lookout for experienced volunteers and licensed Captains. For information call 410-228-7141, access our website at <a href="https://www.skipjack-nathan.org">www.skipjack-nathan.org</a>, or email us at <a href="mailto:info@skipjack-nathan.org">info@skipjack-nathan.org</a>.

### **NEIGHBOR-TO-NEIGHBOR - HOMEOWNER TIPS**

NOTE: "HOMEOWNER TIPS" ARE SUBMITTED BY CAN MEMBERS AS A SERVICE TO OTHER MEMBERS. CAN NEITHER VERIFIES NOR ENDORSES THE SUBMITTED PRODUCTS/SERVICES.

### INDOW WINDOW INSERTS

Submitted by Steve and Sally Pearson, 309 Mill St, spearson11@cox.net

We have installed INDOW window inserts at our home in Cambridge and are very pleased with the results. INDOW window inserts are custom inside storm windows that are especially helpful for older homes with original windows. They are easy to install and use. They just press inside your window frames and can easily be made to fit any shaped window. The inserts are made out of acrylic glazing and edged with a compression tube. The tube compresses when pressed inside the window, holding the insert securely in place while sealing out cold drafts, hot air, and outside noise.



The process for ordering INDOWS starts with contacting a local representative (see website at <a href="https://indowwindows.com/">https://indowwindows.com/</a>). A representative will come to your home and measure each window using a high tech laser measuring tool/process. The measurements are then sent to the factory in Portland, Oregon, where the custom INDOWS will be made and then shipped to the local representative. Any homeowner can easily do the installation.