



UPCOMING MEETING DATES

Thursday, July 12, WHCP Meeting Room, 516 Race Street, 7:00 pm

LOCAL NON-PROFITS AND HOW CAN COULD HELP:

FLAG - Feeding school children all year round

ShoreRivers - Environmental programs to protect the Bay

Habitat for Humanity - New housing commitments for Cambridge

WHCP - Cambridge Community Radio - Special programming for blind listeners and much more

Thursday, September 13, WHCP Meeting Room, 516 Race Street, 7:00 pm

Saturday, November 10, WHCP Meeting Room, 516 Race Street, 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 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes - June 6, 2018
<https://cambridgecan.org/category/news/can-news/>
- Commissioner’s Corner –
 - Ward 1: Cambridge Matters: Messages from Commissioner Steve Rideout
<https://cambridgecan.org/category/news/commissioner-posts/>

CAN INVITES 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** – <https://cambridgecan.org>
 - **CAN on FaceBook** – <https://www.facebook.com/CambridgeAssociationofNeighborhoods/>
 - **Contact CAN** – CambridgeCAN@yahoo.com
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE – SUMMER IS HERE!

Well, it's summertime and thoughts turn to outdoor fun, gardening, picnics, and boating. It is hard to keep up with everything that is going on in the City. Big issues are being discussed and decisions have been made on a new City Manager, the budget for next fiscal year, and a non-profit board that will lead the City's efforts in the development of Sailwinds Park.

CAN follows all City issues but we focus on housing issues for Cambridge residents. We see ourselves as protecting homeowners and fighting for improvements to the housing code on behalf of renters. Last spring, the City Manager made a presentation at an open CAN meeting outlining her ideas on possible changes to the City inspection procedures. (Notes on the meeting are on our website under "Meeting Minutes" at <https://cambridgecan.org/category/news/can-news/> - scroll down to the March 10 meeting.)

Our members were impressed with the broad scope of the changes and the detailed analysis that went into the City Manager's thinking. However, since then, the City has held two "private" meetings with only landlords in attendance. I asked to attend but was turned away. There were no notes or transcripts taken at the meetings, so I only have hearsay evidence as to what was discussed or what may have been decided. I heard that the landlords did not like a number of the proposed changes and demanded elimination of parts of the City Manager's recommendations.

I question holding closed meetings with interest groups to develop proposed legislation. I think all meetings on housing codes and inspections should be opened to all interested parties. The City will likely argue that citizens will have ample opportunity to comment on the back end of the process after legislation has been drafted and put out for comment. I think that puts citizens at a disadvantage since we will not know what the landlords had removed before we even see it.

Please help CAN work with the City and the many landlords who are providing good housing by supporting us through membership and participation. Tell your City Council Commissioner and the Mayor that you want open meetings. This is your City and your property and CAN needs your help to ensure the continuing

improvement of our community. Contact us at our website at <http://www.Cambridgecan.org> or e-mail us at CambridgeCAN@yahoo.com

— Chuck McFadden, President, CAN

CAN JAM – COMMUNITY PICNIC – MARK YOUR CALENDARS – SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, NOON to 4:00 PM

That's when the first annual CAN JAM COMMUNITY PICNIC will take place in the park adjacent to the Cambridge Municipal Marina on Water St! Come one, come all! Bring your own picnic lunch and listen to live music courtesy of talented Cambridge musicians. There will be fun and games for everyone and free shaved ice! A food truck will be on the premises too!

Contact Chuck McFadden at ragtime31@gmail.com or at 703-407-2485 to be in on the planning.

CAN HOUSING QUALITY COMMITTEE - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As part of its mission, the Housing Quality Committee attends Planning Commission meetings to monitor zoning related issues and reports the information to the Board and Membership. Planning Commission meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month, at City Council Chambers, beginning at 6pm and typically lasting 2 hours. **Volunteers** attend one to three Planning Commission meetings per year and provide notes summarizing the meeting for distribution to the Board and Membership.

Please contact Judd Vickers (judd.vickers@gmail.com or 410-228-5863) to volunteer.

CAN NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – SOCIAL EVENTS & 'NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS'

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 by fostering small neighborhood social events and "neighbor-helping-neighbor" activities. The **Social Events Subcommittee** organizes larger, community-wide social events.

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

CAN COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE -- WRITERS and "HOMEOWNER TIPS" NEEDED

CAN'S Communications Committee needs **writers** and photographers to develop articles about CAN and its activities, get them published in local newspapers, and have them promoted by local media. We also need submissions for the **"Homeowner Tips"** section of this newsletter (sadly missing from this issue).

Please contact Tom Puglisi at tom.puglisi@comcast.net or CambridgeCAN@yahoo.com to volunteer.

COMMUNITY NEWS – COOPERATING COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

MAIN STREET GALLERY – OUT OF AFRICA. Joss Rossiter, London-based, South African artist, featured at Main Street Gallery. Award-winning London artist, Joss Rossiter, will be showing her exuberant, colorful paintings at Main Street Gallery this summer in a show entitled “Out of Africa”. Ms. Rossiter, who started her art career at the age of 58, was born in South Africa and spent the first 38 years of her life there before moving to the UK. Her art (and clearly her heart) harkens back to her roots in Africa and is heavily influenced by her life there. She paints the African people and places that so influenced her growing up. Under her brush, scenes of village life and culture spring into being with a vibrant energy, elegance of form and riot of rich colors. “There is a joy and intensity of love and passion amongst people even in the most difficult of economic situations,” says the artist about the people who inspired her work. Although she got a late start, Ms. Rossiter is utterly passionate about and dedicated to her art. “Art is such fun and brings me such joy,” she says. “If this ever stops, then so will I.”

Sisterhood



“Out of Africa” opened on Friday, June 29 and runs through Monday, August 27. There will be two Second Saturday receptions on July 14 and August 11 from 5-8 pm at the gallery at 518 Poplar St. in Cambridge (directly across from Jimmie and Sooks Restaurant). Light refreshments will be served. Hours for this exhibition are: Fridays 11am-9pm and Saturdays and Sundays, 11am-4 pm and the First Thursdays of July and August from 4-9 pm.

For more information visit the Gallery's website at <http://www.mainstgallery.org> or call 410-330-4659.

Main Street Gallery is currently accepting applications from artists who may be interested in becoming members or guest artists at the Gallery. For more information, please visit the Gallery's website at <http://www.mainstgallery.org>, visit/like us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/MainStGallery/>, or telephone 410-330-4659.

MIDSHORE MEALS TIL MONDAY

Mid Shore Meals til Monday sends food home over the weekends all year round for nearly 250 food-insecure children in Dorchester County. During these summer months, we provide food to children attending summer school at all elementary schools, the Maces Lane STEM program, the Empowerment Center (Flagg Camp), the Judy Center, and New Beginnings, as well as children whose parents are counseled at Clearview Professional Center.

For additional information, please visit our website at <http://www.Midshoremealstilmonday.org>, or our FaceBook page at [https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=midshore meals til monday](https://www.facebook.com/search/top/?q=midshore+meals+til+monday), or call Leslie Bishop, Director, at 703 371-5191.



SHORERIVERS / CHOPTANK RIVERKEEPER

ShoreRivers is taking its water quality monitoring data to the next level with its RiverWatch platform, which allows the public to see grades for the sampling stations as data are collected throughout the sampling season. Read more in the Choptank Newsletter at <https://www.shorerivers.org/choptank-river-newsletter/>.

ShoreRiver Volunteer Opportunities and Events

- **May-October: ShoreRivers' Tour the Shore Kayak Series.** There's no better way to enjoy our rivers than getting out and paddling them. Contact Susanne Sullivan at ssullivan@shorerivers.org.
- **Fall 2018: Become an oyster grower!** Join the [Marylanders Grow Oysters](#) program and help with oyster restoration right at your own dock, pier, or marina slip! Contact Matt Pluta at mpluta@shorerivers.org. **Flyer Below.**
- **Ride for Clean Rivers.** Sunday, September 16, 2018. **Flyer below.**
- **Wild and Scenic Film Festival.** November 16, 2018. 5:00 pm - Cocktail Party, Silent Auction and "River of Giving" at Tidewater Inn. 7:00 pm - Film Program and "River of Giving" at Avalon Theatre.



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 www.skipjack-nathan.org, or email us at info@skipjack-nathan.org.

COMMUNITY DISASTERS TRAINING

Dorchester County Department of Emergency Services is offering the course, "Search and Rescue in Community Disasters, Strategies and Skills Surviving Disaster" on October 10 and 11, 2018. The course runs 1½ days and will be held at the City of Cambridge Public Safety Building Training Room, 8 Washington St., Cambridge, MD. To register for this class, go the Maryland Emergency Management Agency Learning Management System (LMS) at <https://memamaryland.csod.com/client/memamaryland/default.aspx>. If you do not have a FEMA Student Identification Number (SID) go to <https://cdp.dhs.gov/FEMASID/> to register for a number.

Please refer to the attached flyer for additional information concerning this course. The "Search and Rescue in Community Disasters" course provides training for individuals to survive a disaster and to safely conduct search and light rescue response, aiding their family and neighbors in the immediate aftermath of a natural catastrophe, technological accident, or human-caused incident. The course is intended for members of the whole community and draws on information and lessons learned from a variety of disaster incidents such as hurricanes, tornadoes, and man-made events for discussion points. This course is not intended for the professional responder; however, it would be beneficial for the responder's family. The course also uses hands-on training to demonstrate best practices for effective search and light rescue, which can be used in both residential and commercial environments.



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Topics

- Developing a mindset to prepare, act and survive in a disaster involving your community
- Using survival strategies to rescue and care for yourself, your family, and your pets during and in the immediate aftermath of an event
- Providing assistance in the search, light rescue, care, and safety of your neighbors

Prerequisites

NONE

FEMA / SID Number

Students must register and bring a copy of their SID number to class. Register online:
cdp.dhs.gov/femasid

Course Length

1 1/2 Days (12 hours)

Venue

Jurisdiction

Class Size

24-36 Participants

CE Credits

IACET – 1.2 CEUs

Participants

The target audience encompasses the whole community, including, but not restricted to:

- Religious Organizations
- Volunteer Fire Departments
- Community Emergency Response Teams
- Youth Organizations
- American Red Cross and other Non-Governmental Organizations
- Other Interested Members of the Community

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