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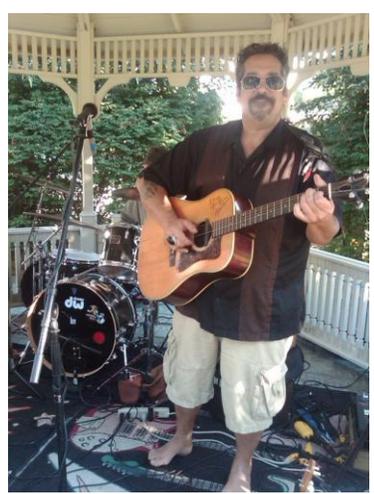
***Our Vision:** CCCA is committed to a vibrant Cavendish/Proctorsville community that supports its human and natural resources, building a legacy of health, integrity and vitality for future generations.*

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OUR SUMMER CONCERT ON THE GREEN SERIES was a huge success again this year. After a rainy start (our first concert was postponed by a day) we managed to stay dry and have loads of fun. Every week saw increased attendance and there were close to two hundred people at the most successful concerts. We owe a big thanks to our sponsors this year in addition to CCCA: Calabrese Architects, Good Earth Landscape Co., Okemo Mountain, Black River Produce and Huntley Financial Services. And of course special thanks go to Sharon Huntley for all of her hard work coordinating the concerts. What better way to socialize, meet new friends, and relax than to sit back in your favorite lawn chair with a sandwich and beverage and enjoy the music and the summer evening. Please plan on joining us next year!

CCF Summer Fundraisers - And Something New -

The Cavendish Community Fund has announced two fundraising events for this season. On August 20th Barbara Dickey will host another of her elegant, limited seating dinners featuring local cuisine. The menu calls for hors d'oeuvres & drinks, Black Watch Farm filet of beef, Ludlow Cooking Company lobster rolls, tomato mozzarella salad, pasta with roasted vegetables, French bread from Crows' Bakery, wine from the Wine and Cheese Depot, dessert and coffee. The dinner was a real hit last year and sold out early. We hope to duplicate that feat this year. Cost is \$125 per person, tax deductible.

The second event will be an "in-between seasons" casual buffet dinner at the Golden Stage Inn on Depot Street in Proctorsville. The evening will be hosted by innkeepers Mike and Julie-Lynn Wood along with longtime Cavendish residents Seymour and Gloria Leven. They have chosen Sunday, November 6th from four to seven p.m. for the festivities. The menu will include meat and veggie lasagnas, antipasto, salad, Crow's Bakery bread, and Vermont cider, beer and wine. For dessert we are promised Seymour's delightful Vermont apple cake, and Old Cavendish fruitcake. Again, reservations are required because seating is limited. The cost is \$35 per person, \$65 per couple. All proceeds go directly to the fund.

For further information on the dinners and for reservations, please call Barbara Dickey at 226-7187.

The "Something New" is really something quite old. CCF, with the permission of the Cavendish Historical Society, will reproduce a chair that currently resides in the Historical Society's Museum, for sale to local residents. Brent Karner, master furniture craftsman and owner of Clear Lake Furniture in Ludlow will take on the task of reproducing the chair, which features bentwood arms, black ash splat woven seats and local hardwoods.



Sale of the chairs will benefit both the Community Fund and the Historical Society. Meanwhile Barbara Dickey and Pete LaBelle are researching the provenance of the museum's chair and hope to have more to report in the next newsletter. Stay tuned for more information on when these beautiful yet practical pieces of furniture will become available for sale.



A Message from Robin

Summer is in full swing and grasshoppers abound. A neighbor told me she has just witnessed monarchs emerging from their chrysalis, a wonder of life. These butterflies will soon make their journey to Central America, a path their kind has taken for untold butterfly generations. Every season brings its wonders of nature and wildlife of which we are an inextricable part, and here in southern Vermont we are still living in an interactive relationship with the natural world around us.

For everyone who reads this newsletter we encourage you to celebrate this wonderful community of Cavendish and our precious legacy of waterways, valleys and mountains. Never take for granted our clean water and air and soil unpolluted by the toxic contaminants that have come to be such a burden in so many places. I was listening to a discussion on the radio today when one person posed the question - if someone is not involved in their community, does the community in fact exist? And the answer was, no. This particular dialogue posited that each individual created the community by his or her participation and involvement with neighbors and their surroundings. If this is so, than we are truly a community. We are a wonderful group of people, of organizations and churches, of schools and small businesses, all of us living and working and playing side by side. The CCCA Board wishes a good and bountiful summer to all.

CONSERVATION AND THE WALK AND TALK SERIES

Coming up in our Walk and Talk series on Wednesday August 31st at 6p.m. we will host a presentation on bees and beekeeping with Mike Benson, third generation beekeeper from Cuttingsville Vermont. The talk will occur at Crows Bakery on Depot St. in Proctorsville. Learn about the amazing life of bees and the history and art of making honey. And then in September we hope to bring you a closer look at deer yards and deer hunting in Cavendish. Finally, on November 2nd we will look at black bear hibernation and moose in our woods with Forrest Hammond of Vermont Fish and Wildlife.

The Walk and Talk series has been very popular and we are looking forward to our presentations this summer and fall. To date we have looked at bear and bobcats with representatives from Vermont Fish and Wildlife, beavers with Cavendish resident and wildlife biologist Tim O'Donoghue and birds with Alma Beals of the of Ascutney Mountain Audubon Society. Please feel free to contact Conservation Committee members Robin

Timko at 226-7736 or Tim O'Donoghue at 226-7023.

CELEBRATING CAVENDISH'S 250TH ANNIVERSARY

As part of our town's anniversary celebration CCCA will host on October 8th at 2 p.m. (rain date October 9th) Deryl Stowell who will give a presentation on logging in our area, its history and current practice. A lifelong logger, Deryl has a wealth of experience and understanding of our forests. This presentation will include some outdoor walking. Please RSVP to Robin at 226-7736.

CavendishCCCA.org – A New Look And Feel

If you haven't seen it yet, please take a look. We have been hard at work this summer revising and revamping our web site. You cannot see the new administrator or the new hosting service, but you can see the new look and feel of the pages on line. And we think that you will see a marked improvement! Our newest board member – Robert Balewicz of Proctorsville, has created a more user friendly format with up to date information that we can all use. But even more significant is the availability of e-mail addresses for anyone in town, free of charge. Yes, Cavendish Community and Conservation Association is offering you a free e-mail address. If you are interested in having an address with us, please call Robin at 226-7736. Meanwhile, check us out at www.CavendishCCCA.org.

2012 Cavendish Calendar Contest Winners Selected

The judging has concluded in the annual CCCA Photo Contest. A three judge panel selected winners in three age categories. This year the judges awarded Stacia Spaulding first prize in

the adult category for her photo - *Doe Re Mi*. Runner-ups to 1st prize were Jillian Palmer's *Winter Morning* and Mary McCallum's *Summer Greens*. The winner in age category 13-18 is Chris Palmer for his photo *Cat Tails*, and first prize in age category 5 to 12 goes to Emery Benoit for her photo *Red White and Blue*.

Paula Felt; *Seeds of Love* by Martha Mott; *Milkweed* by Svetlana Phillips; *Winter Morning* by Jillian Palmer; *Black River Valley* by Winston Churchill; *Purple Beauties* by Cindy Fitzgibbons; *Stop and Smell the Flowers* by Tim O'Donoghue; *Glad to be Back* by Hans Schrag; *Doe Re Mi* by Stacia Spaulding; *Apple Blossoms* by Ellen Parrish; and *Cat Tails* by Chris Palmer.



Chris Palmer

Emery Benoit



Stacia Spaulding

Best in show is *Spring Deer*, by Paula Felt with runner ups *Doe Re Mi* by Stacia Spaulding and *Playground Pug* by Gail Verheyen.

CCCA has already announced that the next contest will occur in spring 2012, so Cavendish residents should be pointing their cameras around town and taking their best shots.

Join Us as a Member of CCCA!

Dues are a nominal \$35 per year for full membership. In order to join CCCA, please fill out the information below and send with a check payable to Cavendish Community and Conservation Association to:

CCCA
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Cavendish, VT 05142

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

All photographs had to be taken in Cavendish, including Proctorsville by a full or part time Cavendish resident. The theme of the contest this year was "A View of Cavendish."

As well as vying for top prize, each photograph was entered in a contest for inclusion in the CCCA 2012 calendar. This year marks the seventh year of the CCCA's annual calendar, and the fourth year of the annual photo contest. Calendar photos are selected by vote of Cavendish residents, and the photo with the most votes receives the Popular Choice Award.

The choices for inclusion in the 2012 calendar are: *Main St* by James Burt; *Spring Deer* by