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President & Vice-President's Letter

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It's an honor as President and Vice President to write this letter to you. Part of our commitment as officers of Cape Breton is to communicate as a team because we will work as a team. We accepted our positions because we love our community and want it to continue to grow and prosper while still maintaining the closeness and friendship that we cherish. We hope each of you share these feelings.

So how do we accomplish this? How do we, as a group, make sure that Cape Breton survives to see another generation? The answer is simple. Involvement. Involvement by each person on some level, in some way will ensure we survive. We have a vision for The Cape. We want to bring our community into the 21st century. It takes imagination, determination, skill, and most of all involvement by the community.

A primary example of what can be accomplished when the community comes together occurred on Saturday, September 2nd. On that day Cape Breton experienced a severe storm when Hurricane Ernesto rolled in. We did not expect it to be such a powerful storm, but as nature has proven once again, we can not control the weather. It was very frightening to watch the wind trying to push those working off the dock and boats. The storm was so severe at least 10 lines were snapped and neighbors worked together adding new lines to prevent additional damage from occurring. The river's waves came crashing onto our dock, bulkhead and beach. Our dock disappeared and the beach flooded. There was damage to our dock, several boats and one of our member's boat did sink. As the day wore on we pooled our energies to help each other. And the help continued the next day with repairs to the dock and assisting others with their boats. It just goes to show how united we can be when adversity strikes.

Last year the Board of directors outlined a bold list of capital improvements to be accomplished over the next five, ten and fifteen years just to maintain our current assets. A few of these include:

- Completion of the clubhouse kitchen as well as replacement of the retaining wall, new roof, vinyl siding and stone in the parking area in front.
- Final touches of the electrical project on the beach and dock.
- The replacement of the fence and retaining wall at the beach.
- The replacement of the bulkhead around the fire lane.
- Eventual replacement of the dock.

With proper planning and foresight these are achievable goals. We hope to move the process along and complete them in a timely fashion all the while keeping our members' financial burden in mind.

And along the lines of capital improvement Anthony Caliore addressed the members at the August Stockholders meeting with a proposal for a pool on our beach. The idea peaked the interest of members in attendance. An informal raising of hands proved that we should find out more. So a committee, headed by Anthony, is embarking on a journey to gather all the necessary information to be presented at our spring 2007 stockholders meeting.

In an effort to unite the community we are bringing more people into the projects early during the planning and decision making process. With larger committees and fresh ideas, much more can be accomplished. In the past our committees consisted mainly of the twelve directors. This year we reached out to 15 members (non directors). All have graciously accepted our offer to join our committees.

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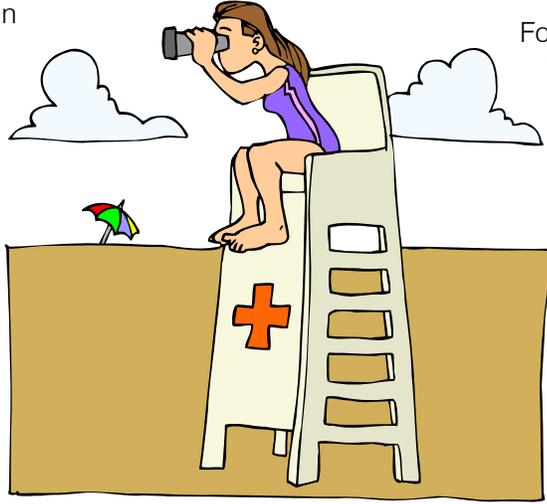
Beach Committee

As a non director, I was honored when our newly elected president, Dan Vucolo, asked me to head the Beach Committee as chairperson for the 2007 season. Dan

Siebenmann's final task as Beach Chairperson was on September 23rd. On that day over a dozen members came to help power wash the swim lines, rake the beach, remove the swings, store beach chairs, cover the barbeque grills, and remove the swim platform from the water and store the slide. A big thank you to Dan and his committee for a job well done.

The past nor'easter on Labor day weekend caused the loss of sand from the bulkhead and volleyball court areas. I will be working

on replacement sand before the new beach season begins. The children's swim platform needs work and the large swim platform will be repaired with new decking.



For 2007 I am looking into additional beach activities for our children and members. An example could be horseshoes, sand castle, crab catching contests and a volleyball tournament. If you have any comments or suggestions, please contact me at (732)920-1118 or send an email to

kenmarbusiness@aol.com. Please subject your email "Cape Breton Beach".

Enjoy your holidays and we will see you next year.

Ken Nagy, Chairperson

President & Vice-president's Letter (continued)

If we have not contacted you yet, and you would like to join a committee, please contact us. We will welcome you with open arms.

Before we close our sincere sympathies go to the Staskevich and Soden families. Ann Staskevich and Oliver Soden, long time contributors to our community, recently passed. They were loved by all here in Cape Breton and will be missed.

In closing, a big thank you to Maria Pilipski for her two years as President. Don't think she is fading into the sunset by any means. She is still a director and will be involved in the beach and finance committees. Victor Padlo completed his nine year reign. His knowledge and commitment was very much appreciated. He graciously accepted our request to remain on the finance committee. Thanks go out to Jean Tozier who completed her term as director. Don Danner and Jacques Hermann both generously accepted our invitation to service another three year stint as directors. Thanks guys. We welcome

two new directors this year - Kenneth Biedznski and Ray Topoleski. Ken recently moved here with his wife, Mary Ellen and their two young girls. They are a wonderful family who became involved quickly especially on the days when we needed help on the beach. Welcome Ken. Ray Topoleski needs no introduction. His family has been a staple of the community for many years. He served many years on the board before and all we can say is welcome back. Doug Cummings accepted another year as Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary. Once again Judy Danner and Marlene Nagy accepted the position of Recording Secretaries.

Finally we wish everyone a healthy and happy holiday season. We look forward to a new year with fresh ideas and accomplishments in 2007.

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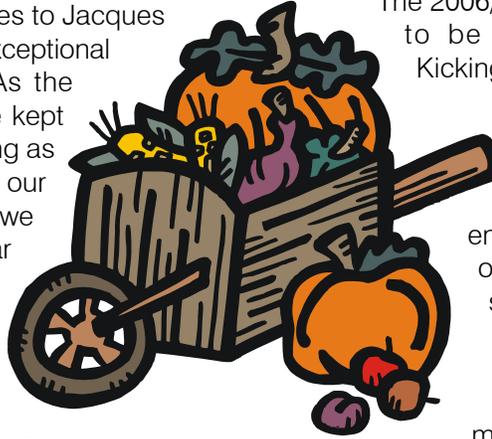
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Entertainment Committee

As the new Entertainment Chairperson I look forward to a very successful year. I want to first thank all the members of the entertainment committee, as well as the directors and members who volunteered their time and hard work this year so far. A very special thanks goes to Jacques Hermann who did an exceptional job on our events. As the entertainment chair he kept us all busy and laughing as we worked to make all our events a success. As we embark on another year of fun and frolic here in Cape Breton the entertainment committee is preparing for another year of fantastic events! The Entertainment Committee may involve a lot of work but since we all work as a team, we always have fun. The prep nights before each party were often almost as much fun as the parties themselves! It is the teamwork which makes it all worthwhile and we are reaching out to many members to join us this year at any one of the preparations for our events and experience this first hand.



We have had a very successful year. As we continue with the events already scheduled for the rest of the year we are already planning next years' fun. You will find the dates/rain dates for our events in this newsletter.

The 2006/2007 season is shaping up to be another success story! Kicking off with the Harvest Moon dinner and Children's Halloween Party we anticipate providing another year of enjoyment for the members of our community. We have some new things planned for this year and if you have any event ideas please contact one of the committee members! As always our plea goes out for volunteers to help prepare for all our upcoming events! Come join us and find out just how much fun working with our team can be! See you on October 21st at our Southern Night Dinner.

Denise Swan, Chairperson

Special Stockholder's Meeting
Saturday, October 21, 2006 at 11:00 AM
 for
 Approval of proposed revisions to Section 28 of the By-laws.
 If you cannot be in attendance, please send your proxy to CBHC, P.O. Box
 944, Brick, NJ 08723 or Fax to (732) 546-3901

MARK YOUR CALENDAR						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
CAPE BRETON 2006 CALENDAR OF EVENTS						
<i>Stockholder's Meeting</i>				<i>Saturday, October 21st</i>		
<i>Harvest Moon Dinner</i>				<i>Saturday, October 21st</i>		
<i>Children's Halloween Party</i>				<i>Sunday, October 29th</i>		
<i>The rain date for outside events will be 1 week later.</i>						

Dock Committee

Soon it will be time to put all our boats away for their long winter nap. It seems that as the summer seasons pass, the boating seasons become shorter and shorter. In actuality it feels this way because all of our lives have become so busy. Yet, we squeeze enough time out of our busy lives to contribute to our community functions and the routine maintenance that is a necessary part of making our community the way we want the 'Cape' to be. I personally would like to thank everyone who donated their hard earned spare time and funds to keep our 'Cape' a close knit community which is a safe and enjoyable part of our daily (or summer) lives.

This year we saw the completion of the enormous task of re-powering and lighting of our dock, we saw the start of an ongoing project of re-surfacing our dock, and we saw fellow boat owners come together and help each other during a storm which surprised many of us. THANK YOU ALL!! It is very rare to find the love, respect, and camaraderie, which we have in our little gem we endearingly call our 'Cape'.



This year we also welcomed (2) new events, which were a great success and were enjoyed by everyone who participated. First we had a Dock Open House party to celebrate the completion of the dock electrical project. All the food (and there was plenty) was brought by everyone who attended, boats were decorated with lights, and it was a low key, low cost function which everyone enjoyed and will become an annual event. In fact I believe this may spawn a decorating competition among boat owners. The second new event was our first annual Poker Run which was run flawlessly. After everyone completed the run, there was a gathering with light snacks and handing out of awards. This event was a lot of fun and will be lots of fun for all participants in the years to come. Again if it weren't for the donation of time and effort, these events would not have taken place.

It has been a great pleasure serving our 'Cape' as Dock Chairperson this past year and I have graciously accepted the nod to do it all again next season. Thanks again!!

Don Danner, Chairperson

Cape Crusaders

The Cape Crusaders held three events this season. Our gift auction which has become a staple at the July fourth celebration on the beach was a hit especially with the children. The children had a section all their own overflowing with baskets just for them to choose where to put their tickets. Of course we couldn't have done it without the help from many of our members who generously donated many beautiful new items. Some members also donated funds for us to purchase baskets items.



Our newest adventure was a night out at the Blue Claws Stadium. The fact that they were in first place added to the excitement of the evening. Our group shared a space in the outfield with 2 other groups and what a fun night. There was food from hot dogs and hamburgers to watermelon and cookies, events between innings, face painting, kiosks with ice cream and funnel cakes, and at the end of the game spectacular fireworks that could rival Macys on the Hudson. The Blue Claws shut out the opposition that night. And they went on to win the championship in their league. Our plan is to repeat this wonderful experience next year.

Finally our Century Club. **And the winners were:**

1.	Andrew Dudek	\$50.00
2.	Victor Padlo	\$50.00
3.	Rich Pachuki	\$50.00
4.	Tim Mason	\$50.00
5.	Victor Padlo	\$50.00
6.	William Swan	\$50.00
7.	Jay & Holly Kelly	\$75.00
8.	Carol Mazzara	\$75.00
9.	Loretta Miller	\$150.00
10.	Peg Campbell	\$400.00

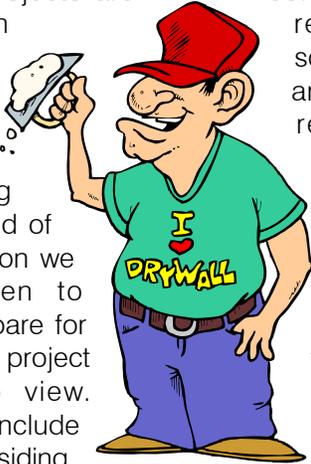
Congratulations to all the 2006 winners of our Century Club. Remember you gotta be in it to win it.

We are already looking forward to 2007. Our July 4th gift auction will be our number one event and we start preparing early. So think of us while you shop the sales or receive items that you know you won't use. Please don't be shy; you can call Marlene or Judy anytime. We will graciously accept your help. The night out at the Blue Claws will be another planned function as will be our Century Club. Ideas for other fund raising events anyone? Let us know. A big thank you to all for a wonderful year. Enjoy the upcoming holidays and we'll see you in the spring.

Marlene Nagy and Judy Danner

Clubhouse Committee

Hello everyone! Greetings from the Clubhouse committee. We hope that all of you had a great summer, and that you got to spend some of your time in the clubhouse mingling with friends and neighbors. Thankfully, some of our renovation projects are coming to an end. Our kitchen renovation is getting ever so close to its' new paint job and new tile floor. You have to remember that she's an old gal and it takes a lot of tweaking to get things just right. The end of this project is in sight, and soon we will all have a lovely kitchen to enjoy cooking in while we prepare for our events. But..., as one fades, others come in to view. Some of our long range plans include repairing the retaining wall, siding and roofing for the clubhouse, and possibly sprucing up the parking area with some stone. We even wonder how nice it would be to have a deck out back. So you see we have set our sights pretty high, but these are long range plans. There is plenty to do, so if you feel like helping out please feel free to contact anyone on this committee and we will include you in on the fun.



Rentals are available to members, for details regarding fees and availability please contact me at 732-477-2843 or jbettler@aol.com.

Judy Danner, Chairperson

Membership Committee

The Membership committee welcomes our newest members, Keith and Lisa Hessman. Keith is a builder and Lisa is a financial consultant. During the winter, they reside in River Edge, New Jersey and during the summer, at 115 Bretonian Drive, across from the beach. Please take the opportunity to welcome Keith and Lisa and their 2 children into our community.

Also new to our family, as associate members, are Thomas and Beverly Keyes of Brick. You may have seen them at the dock this past summer in their pontoon boat. If you have not already had the opportunity, please welcome Thomas and Beverly into our community.

We are actively soliciting new members into the association. If you have a neighbor who is new to the community, or otherwise not involved, please let me know so that a member of the committee can welcome them into the community and let them know about the benefits of joining the association. Thank you.

Sandy Lidz-Cummings, Chairperson

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