

Chowan Beach Breeze



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Neighborhood Watch

At the August 14th Neighborhood Watch meeting, Richard Hollingsworth was elected Chairman and Holly Alexander as Secretary. Richard's cell phone number is 301-4189 should you need to reach him.

Be sure and check out the Chowan Beach website (referenced above) for a complete listing of all members of the Neighborhood Watch.

If you've been reading the latest Chowan Herald, you already know that several incidents have been published by the Sheriff's office concerning vandalism along the riverfront and 6 times at the Park since May 29th.

Park News

It's not too late to join the Chowan Beach Recreation Association. Your membership of \$45 helps pay for the upkeep of the park, pavilion, boat ramp, pier, bathrooms and entrance gate on Roanoke Trail.

Not only do they maintain the boat ramp that makes Chowan Beach a water access community, they also maintain the park with a covered pavilion and restrooms that can be used for family gatherings and picnics or just a quiet time enjoying the water view. There is a private sandy beach

and swim platform for the kids to enjoy and great fishing from one of the longest piers on the River.

As of last week 4 suspects have been arrested. Also newsworthy is a "Watch List" has been turned over to the Sheriff's Department of properties within the neighborhood that are not occupied full time. This "Watch List," according to the Sheriff's Department, will receive special attention (more police drive-bys).

Remember: If we want a police presence in the neighborhood, all incidents should be reported to the Sheriff's Department. Their phone number is 482-8484.

The next **Neighborhood Watch** meeting is Friday, September 2nd, 6:30 p.m. at the Park.

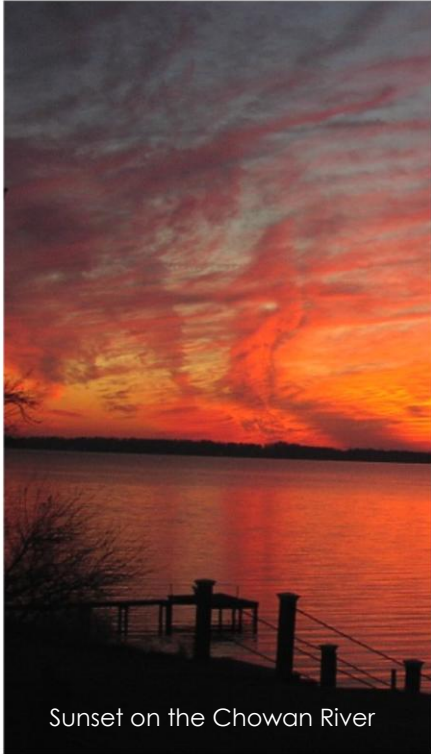
Volunteers also host activities for neighborhood kids. On August 13th, Crystal Crawley hosted a Community Yard Sale & Cookout. Almost \$400 was raised for the purchase of additional playground equipment at the Park.

Crystal plans to follow-up with a car wash & another yard sale in the Fall along with a talent show for the kids. Watch for more information to follow.

Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless.

~Sherry Anderson





Sunset on the Chowan River

Your Dollars at Work

Prior to the Memorial Day picnic at the park, several CBRA members replenished the sand on the beach as well as removed a lot of brush surrounding the beach area.

Several volunteers and CBRA members worked on the pier by the boat launch installing new boards and fire hose (dock bumpers).

It was discovered at that time that sand is washing out from under the concrete boat ramp. A temporary solution was put in place until a more permanent bulkhead can be built.

Additional repairs will be taking place on August 27th. If you can read a measuring tape, cut lumber, or swing a hammer, they could use the help.

If you would like to volunteer for future projects at the Park, please contact:

Kathy Hynes (252) 221-6567
George Mack (757) 375-7707

CBRA is following up with Chowan County on a "blanket fishing license" for the Park area. The Association would pay one fee & any CBRA member could enjoy fishing from the pier. Watch for more information posted on the bulletin board at the Park.

People are always asking CBRA: "Why don't you tear down that old pier and build a new one?" Like everyone else, they are feeling the economic pinch. Of the 221 residents owning property in Chowan Beach, only 91 of those 221 residents paid their dues this year. Please encourage your neighbors to join!

Good Deeds

Have you been caught "**Doing Something Good?**" The following are being recognized in this issue of the Chowan Beach Breeze:

- ♦ Associate member **Lloyd Hicks** hauled away all of the recycled lumber cluttering up the area near the boat ramp, as well as the removal of tree limbs that had washed up on shore. As Lloyd tells it, "I was tired of seeing that old lumber next to the boat launch. It was full of rusty old nails and was a disaster waiting to happen." After checking with a Board Member on the usefulness of the lumber, it was off to the dump with his truck full of trash. Thanks Lloyd for seeing a problem and fixing it!
- ♦ **Barbara Cuellar & her neighbors** on Manteo Trail have initiated an "Adopt-a-Road" on her street. According to Barbara, this is working well.
- ♦ Hats off to **Tommy Lemond** who installed, and continues to maintain, the water pump for the park bathroom at no charge to CBRA.

Tommy was also the person who responded each and every time the park lock was vandalized.

- ♦ **Barbara Mears** is being recognized for donating the fire hose used on the pier. She has also donated fencing along the property line at the park.
- ♦ **Crystal Crawley** for her time and effort on a successful Community Yard Sale. A special **Thank You** goes out to her & her sister!

If you know of someone who should be recognized for "**Doing Something Good,**" please contact Carol Haynes.



Horses in the Chowan River

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*Nobody can do
everything, but
everyone can do
something.*

~Author Unknown

Suggestion Box

Have an idea to improve our Community? Contact Carol Haynes at (252) 221-8389 or email her at cwhaynes@live.com.

Some suggestions for future Newsletter articles could include:

- ◆ Upcoming events such as Yard Sales, Car Washes, other activities in our community
- ◆ Contractors you would recommend to your neighbors
- ◆ People you would like to recognize for "Doing Something Good"
- ◆ Clean-up Day at Chowan Beach. Some suggestions being bounced around would include renting a dumpster for the day, having a central point in the neighborhood to drop off items that need to be carried to the dump, etc.
- ◆ Our young people seeking jobs during the Summer months (grass cutting, babysitters)
- ◆ Homeowners looking for help with yard work, etc.

Future Newsletter Publications

Our distribution list for the **Chowan Beach Breeze** only includes email addresses that you have given to us during the CBRA Membership Drive in May. We are also posting the Newsletter on the Chowan Beach website as well as the bulletin board at the Park.

Unfortunately, we have not budgeted for (or have the funds for) a mass mail-out of the Newsletter. Please encourage your neighbors to share their email addresses with us. This information will remain confidential. We send out emails as a bcc (blind copy). What this means is that we send the emails out as a group but you are unable to see who else was copied on the email.

For Sale or Rent

House for Rent. If you wish to add your rental property, please specify...

- ◆ the number of bedrooms and baths
- ◆ the location of the property with a contact name & phone number
- ◆ the rent per month, security deposit and length of contract

Lots for Sale. Located at 301 and 303 Yeopim. Will consider selling the lots together or separate. Please contact Carolyn Miller at (757) 623-2680

Job Seekers

30 year old female looking for part time work -- babysitting, housekeeping, or pet walker. Contact Jessica Haynes at (252) 221-8389.