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Note the Dates:

December 13 – 10 AM

Want to decorate?
Come to the hall on
Thursday, the 13th at 10:00
a.m. with greens, with
ribbons, with clippers, with
wire.

December 14 – 7PM

River Keeper to talk about
Eastern Shore Rivers Water
Quality

December 15 – 6 PM

Christmas Potluck and quick
Association Meeting

January 9 – 6:30 PM

Soup and Movie Night

December Birthdays

6 – Liz Fellingner
8- Lida Klunk
9 - Jess Murphy
16- Danielle Murphy
17 -Cecelia Boos
26- Norm Haddaway
28- Owen Bond
29- Devin Lednum
30 -Page Lansdale

River Keeper to Speak about Eastern Shore Rivers Water Quality

Please join friends and neighbors at the Village Hall Friday evening, **December 14, from 7:00 PM** 'till 8:30 PM for another in the series of programs on the environment, climate change and how we can better care for our water resources in Claiborne. Our featured speaker will be Elle Bassett, Miles-Wye Riverkeeper of ShoreRivers, who will give an update on the water quality of the Eastern Shore Rivers, focusing on the Miles River and Eastern Bay tributaries. Elle will give us a better understanding of what influences water quality and what actions we can take to improve and protect local waterways (ShoreRivers is a non-profit organization dedicated to the protection and restoration of Eastern Shore waterways. The organization staff and active members work to achieve this mission through science-based restoration, education, and advocacy).

Before Elle's presentation we have asked Claiborne's own Mike Kuperberg to give a brief overview of the National Climate Assessment recently released by the U.S. Global Change Research Program (<https://nca2018.globalchange.gov/>).

Coffee and cookies will be provided. Feel free to bring additional refreshments.



Celebration of the Village Hall



The Claiborne Holiday Potluck



Come for our annual gathering on **December 15th at 6 PM** to enjoy each other's company and each other's culinary splendors.

We promise a festively decorated hall and, with our new space, we'll have the luxury of more serving area, as well as more elbow room! As always, bring your own favorite beverage.

Celebration of the Village Hall

After years of hoping, planning, finding funds, and lots and lots of work, we celebrated the new version of the Claiborne Village Hall with the renovated annex complete with bathroom, kitchen and deck. Someone counted approximately 74 residents and friends of Claiborne who were treated to delicious lasagna and salad made and served by the Planning Committee, followed by the extraordinary (in both design and delectability) cake made by Jo Batters. The evening was made complete by the music of Ampersand, a gift to the village from Jack and Judy Harrauld.

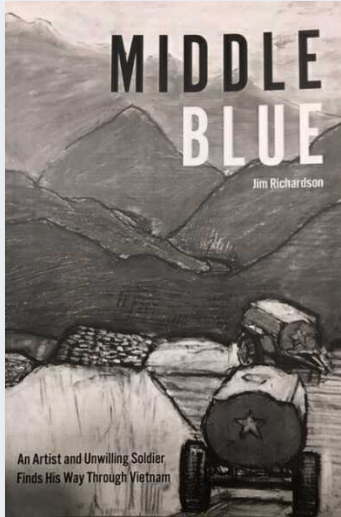
During the dinner, we received an offer from two anonymous donors to provide a dollar-for-dollar match of any pledges we received that evening up to a total of \$10,000. That meant we had the potential of raising \$20,000. We received \$3618 in cash that night, plus \$3300 in pledges. The next day our donors agreed to extend the offer. By the following week we had received the additional \$3700 in pledges, making a total of \$10,118, so we will receive the matching funds and receive a total of \$20,000. Last week we received another donation of \$2500.

Despite our success in fundraising, we still anticipate needing more money to complete the renovation of the Hall. If you would like to make a tax-free donation before the end of 2018, please send a check to the Association. We also accept donations of equities as well as cash, and we will accept donations at any time.



Middle Blue

We congratulate Jim Richardson whose first novel is now in print!



The main character Tom Holt is a dreamer, a sailor and an art student who finds himself drafted from college into the army and destined for Vietnam. As Holt is transformed into a foot soldier, he begins to discover how his wit and artistic talent can help him navigate this frightening new world.

Copies of **Middle Blue** may be purchased from Jim.

Message from the Association

What a wonderful “Celebrate the Space” event we had earlier in November where over 70 people gathered to enjoy the newly renovated Annex. Thank you to all who helped make the event possible and to all of you who joined in on the festivities.

I look forward to seeing all of you again on December 15 for the Holiday pot luck dinner at the Hall. And, by the way, if ever you want to know what the Association is planning, you are welcome to attend any of the Association Board meetings. The Board meets in the Annex at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of every month.

Rob Todd
President, Claiborne Association

Claiborne Christmas Ornament 2018



Are you collecting Claiborne Christmas Ornaments? You may be able to buy one at that Christmas Potluck or you can preorder your beautifully crafted ornament now!

Please contact Shirley Cockey at 410-829-5571 to order your ornament. Cost is \$10 and all proceeds are donated to the Claiborne Association.

Guest Editors Needed

The Clarion needs guest editors for 2019. If you are interested, please contact Pat Flory at patflory@gmail.com or [443-472-6800](tel:443-472-6800).