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2006 CPA Annual Meeting

Recorded by Sue Bauer

The CPA annual club meeting was held on Sunday, November 19, 2006, at Cedar Grove United Methodist Church in Deale, Maryland. Twenty-nine people attended, including the three elected officers (right), and 5 of 6 steering committee members. The purpose of the meeting was to present the current state of the club, discuss our pending incorporation, review 2006 club activities, discuss activities for 2007, and elect new club officers. Thanks to Brian for providing the meeting place and getting the pizza delivered.

Treasurer's Report—Treasurer John Blackburn reported that the Club began 2006 with approximately \$9,200 and finished the year with over \$11,700 in reserves (see detail on page 8). The primary revenue sources in 2006 were from club dues and events. The primary expenses in 2006 were for newsletter publication and distribution, logo gear, and new grants to piracies. SK102 is generally a break-even event, but this year generated about \$100 profit for the club. Logo gear sales generated some revenue, but sales are still at a break-even point, largely due to the fact that gear was given to instructors at SK102 and volunteers as gifts. No dues increase is required to cover anticipated expenses.



Barry Marsh, John Blackburn and Sue Bauer out front Photo by Ed Hershon

Newsletter—Editor Ralph Heimlich opened discussion on the electronic newsletter distribution; he encourages everyone to receive the newsletter via email. Ralph is also seeking articles, trip reports, and photos. Mark Woodside has taken over mailing and distribution of the paper version since Rob Castle moved in the summer. Mark used a different printing company last month, and the new printer is now providing better weight paper and photo quality copy. As a nonprofit entity, the newsletter mailing costs may allow us a lower bulk rate; Mark is researching the rate. He may order a lighter weight paper to reduce mailing costs for the 10 pages needed in the newsletter.



Incorporation as Nonprofit—CPA has been researching incorporation as a nonprofit, and a "white paper" detailing the pros, cons, and options was presented to the membership via the October newsletter. Barry Marsh opened discussion on the incorporation issue. CPA members Ed Hershon, an attorney, and Will Busch, a CPA (green eyeshade variety), spent a great deal of time and effort researching incorporation and tax and liability issues on the club's behalf. During the meeting, Ed and Will gave overviews of the white paper and answered questions posed by the members. The Steering Committee voted in October to incorporate the CPA. Several days after the Annual Meeting, Ed and Will submitted the paper work to MD and the IRS to incorporate the CPA as a 501c(3) nonprofit entity and obtain a tax ID number. Additional details regarding our new status will be provided to members in early 2007. The club would like to express its deepest appreciation for the considerable amount of work Ed and Will did to research this complicated issue and help us chart our course for the future. Thanks, Ed and Will!

Dave and Jesse, Galesville Photo by Cyndi Janetsko

CLASSIFIEDS

Ads dated 3 months before the date of this issue will be pulled unless a new request is received by the 15th of the month prior to the next issue. And if it has sold...tell us!

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Size cost wide x deep (col) 1/8 page \$20 2.4" x 3.5" (1) 1/4 page \$32 4.9" x 4.7" (2) 1/2 page \$50 7.5" x 4.7" (3) Full page \$80 7.5" x 9.75" (3)

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Public service announcement and personal ads to sell kayaks/ accessories are printed at no charge; non-members pay \$10 for 3 months.

WANTED—Volunteers for Article Editor and Advertising Coordinator for the Newsletter Team. Contact Ralph Heimlich, Managing Editor, at news editor@cpakayaker.com



Bob Brannon on Nayses Bay, Gordon Creek, VA *photo by Ralph Heimlich*

SCHEDULE FOR 2007 CHESAPEAKE PADDLER

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Have an idea for an article, or is there information you would like to see in the newsletter? Email Ralph at news_editor@cpakayaker.com or call at 301-498-0722.

THE CHESAPEAKE PADDLERS ASSOCIATION

The mission of the Chesapeake Paddlers Association is to provide a way for people to enjoy sea kayaking within the Chesapeake Bay area and to promote safe sea kayaking practices through educating the local sea kayaking community and the interested public.

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Ahoy, CPA Paddlers!

The CPA held our Annual Meeting on November 19. Members presented reports on activities held in 2006 and planned for 2007, including SK101, SK102, the Race Series, trip planning meetings in MD and VA, swim supports, and pool sessions. Several new issues were raised, the most important of which was incorporation of our association as a nonprofit. In October, after much research and discussion, the Steering Committee voted to incorporate the CPA as a 501c(3) organization. When the issue of incorporation was raised at the Annual Meeting, members Ed Hershon and Will Busch, an attorney and a CPA, respectively, detailed the pros and cons and the actual steps involved in incorporation. We are indebted to Ed and Will for all the time and effort they spent re-

searching the issue and writing a detailed "white paper" for the SC's consideration—thanks! Two days after the Annual Meeting, on November 21, Ed filed the papers to register the CPA as a nonprofit. Future issues of the newsletter will include more information regarding our new status and what it may mean for members.

The Annual Meeting also brought the election of CPA officers for 2007. Your new officers, who will take charge of the CPA on January 1, are:

Coordinator: Dave Biss Treasurer: Rich Stevens Secretary: Sue Bauer Steering Committee: John Blackburn, Brian Blankinship, Ralph Heimlich, Cyndi Janetzko, Barry Marsh, and Marshall Woodruff.

Congratulations to our new officers, and thanks to everyone who served in 2006!

I'll soon be passing the job of Coordinator on to Dave Biss, who I know will do a great job. I've enjoyed my two years as Coordinator, especially the opportunities I've had to meet and paddle with so many members and to help our club grow and prosper. We've added new members and new Piracies, increased our local presence on the water through hundreds of trips and events, and continued to build a world-class paddling organization. The CPA is the best kayaking club anywhere, and will only get better as time goes by. We're the best because our members help out in so many ways - planning, organizing, and leading trips and classes, spreading the word about safe kayaking practices to local kayakers, helping behind the scenes to prepare and distribute the newsletter and brochures, and myriad other volunteer activities. We all benefit from member participation, and I encourage you all to become actively involved in running your club, as I did when I joined the CPA five years ago. I really look forward to continuing to serve the CPA as a member of the Steering Committee, and as a Trip Leader, our Logo Gearmeister, and the SK102 Grillmeister.

I'll close my last Coordinator's Column as I've closed them all since my first in January 2005...Happy and safe paddlin' - see ya on the water!



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Piracy Funding—At the 2005 Annual Meeting, we passed a measure to allow each Piracy to apply for annual funding for their own local activities, based on \$25/active pirate member, up to \$250 each year. Funds not used by a Piracy during one calendar year do not carry over to the following year. Beginning in January, the Piracies may begin requesting funds for 2007 from the Steering Committee. In 2006, only the Pirates of Baltimore, Georgetown, and Pier 7 requested funds to cover the costs for Piracy activities.

The Website—Dave Biss is now the CPA Webmaster, taking over the reins from Barbara Foley, who did a great job designing and managing the website for the past several years. It requires a lot of upkeep to weed out spammers and other "inappropriate" users. Dave requested that we contact him with our suggestions and changes or dealing with any problems or logging on. He also manages the Listserve and the Forum activities. We may activate a new online electronic method using PayPal for joining the CPA, paying dues, updating membership information, and for registering for events such as SK101.

Election Results—Alan Avery tallied the ballots cast for the 2007 officer elections. (see Admiral's Walk above, for results)

Recognition of Coordinators—Barry presented brand new nifty red "COORDINATOR" rockers to new Coordinator Dave Biss and the two former Coordinators in attendance, Greg Welker and Brian Blankinship . Other former Coordinators will also receive this special rocker.

Fun Race Series 2006—Cyndi Janetzko gave a report on the three Fun Races held this year on the Potomac and on the West River. 15-20 people came to each race. Racers must be CPA members; several paddlers participated in the races and joined the club to be

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CPA Pool Sessions, 2006-2007

Where: Fairland Aquatic Center, Burtonsville, MD When: Saturdays, now through spring Time: 4-5:50 pm and 5:50-7:45 pm Fee: \$7 per person. Pay at FAC

These are open sessions, not lessons. You must bring your own boat and gear. **Required:**

Boats and gear must be clear of leaves, mud, grass, etc.
A reservation. To get a reservation, <u>go to the CPA</u>
<u>Website</u> (preferred) or email Joan at <u>jspinner@verizon.net</u> or call 301-559-3345 by the Thursday prior to the session; leave a message with the following information:

- a. your name and phone number
- b. date of session
- c. time slot
- d. number and type of boats (WW or sea kayak)



Dave Biss and Yvonne Thayer at Fairland indoor pool, Maryland *Photo by Brian Blankinship*

You will receive a reservation number. If you do not receive a reservation number, you do NOT have a reservation. Reservations will not be accepted more than 2 weeks in advance. Before you go, call the center to see if it is closed due to inclement weather or another reason: 301-206-2359. Note that new forum has been added at the CPA Kayaker Forum Index, "Indoor Pool Sessions".

Directions: Take your best route to I-95 between Baltimore and Washington. Exit at MD-198 West. Turn left at 2nd light, Old Gunpowder Road. The pool is about a half mile down on the right. Boat entrance is around to the left side of the building.



Photo by Brian Blankinship

assigned a spotter during the two hour session.

New Pool Sessions in Southern Maryland

Bill Gallagher recently joined the CPA along with three other folks who pushed through a new pool session in Southern Maryland. The Calvert Marine Museum Kayak and Canoe Club (CMMKCC) in cooperation with the St. Mary's County Parks and Recreation Department's Great Mills pool now offers Basic Kayak Safety training.

Kayak water safety sessions are scheduled for every other Sunday evening during the months of January and February, 2007. These kayak pool sessions focus primarily on basic safety kayak skills under the guidance of an ACA instructor. Training takes place in the shallow end of the pool. Six kayakers are permitted to practice advanced safety kayak skills in the deep end of the pool. Kayakers participating in the advance safety kayak practice must first demonstrate a wet exit for the instructor. Each advance kayak skills participant will be

Reservations: Are required by CMMKCC Training Coordinator Col. Bill Gallagher, (USA Ret) and a CPA member. Call to reserve your slot at 301-373-5279. Reservations will only be accepted within two weeks of the scheduled pool date. Cancellation of the Sunday sessions will be made no later then noon on Sunday of the class. No refunds for cancellations less then two days before the scheduled class. You do not need to be a CMMKCC member to participate. Prospective kayakers will be screened to control the number of kayakers for each 2 hour session.

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Fee and Liability Waiver: Must be turned in at the door to the CMMKCC Representative. Checks should be made out to "Calvert Marine Museum Kayak and Canoe Club". Cost of the two hour kayak pool session is \$10. Attendees are responsible for bringing their own clean kayak (no grass, mud, sticks, or leaves) and gear. All kayakers must wear a suitable Personal Flotation Device (PFD). No open swimming is permitted during the kayak water sessions.

Location: 21100 Great Mills Road, Great Mills, MD 20653 Phone: (301) 866-6560. The pool is located adjacent to Great Mills High School. From Route 5 south towards St. Mary's City, turn left at the light onto Route 246 (Great Mills Road); the pool will be on the right. From Route 235 south towards Lexington Park, turn right on Route 246 (Great Mills Road); the pool will be on the left. Patrons may also take Route 235 south towards Lexington Park, turn right on Route 237 (Chancellor's Run Road), then turn right onto Route 246 (Great Mills Road); the pool is located on the left next to Great Mills High School.

Days: Most Sunday evenings during the winter months. **Hours:** 6:00 PM to 6:10 PM—Organized kayak entry into the

pool through the side entry facing the High School. This is necessary because the pool covering is a pneumatic dome which loses pressure when the door opens.

6:30 PM through 8:30 PM—Water Session 8:50 PM – 9:00 PM—Organized exit from the pool area.

Class Schedule: December 3, January 7, 21, February 4, 18 additional classes determined by demand and pool availability.

2006 Annual CPA Holiday Raid

Aye...ye be invited fer some holiday spirits at the Annual CPA Holiday Party. Chart yer course fer the **9th of December**. We be a meeting at 1900 hours at coordinates: N-39 09' 17.22" by W-76 53' 05.66". There will be swashbuckling fun, grub, grog and a chance to plunder the treasure chest for an exchange of loot for those pirates wantin' to participate. Wave yer flag if ye be attendin. Sees ye there......aarrgghh !!!!!!!! **Land Lubber translation:** Come join your hosts Ralph and Beth Heimlich for the annual CPA Holiday Party. Make your way to our house at 7914 Belgaro Road, Laurel, MD 20723 on December 9 at 7 p.m.

If your last name begins with:

A-K bring a salad (green, fruit, jello, pasta, etc.) and some bread L-S bring a casserole or entrée (nothing ALIVE please)

T-Z bring a dessert (cake, pie, cobbler, etc.)

To feed 6-8 people (trust me-we'll have plenty).

We'll supply a ham and non-alcoholic beverages, but you are wel-

come to bring your own beer, wine, or other beverage of choice (supplying booze to you lot would even break a pirate!!).

We'll have a "white elephant" ("Shoveunder", "Chinese") gift exchange for those wishing to participate. Bring a wrapped "treasure" worth less than \$10 (check your Cracker Jacks boxes now). Regifting is an art form! RSVP's would be appreciated by Wednesday, December 6 via email at heimlichfamily@comcast.net. If there are any questions, please email (I hate phones).

Directions:

From I-95 between Washington and Baltimore - Take exit 35 west towards Scaggsville on Route 216. Continue through 2 lights and take the first (north) exit on the traffic circle to Route 29 North. Go 1 exit north and take the exit for Gorman Road (east) off the next traffic circle. Go around the curve (slowly) and make the 1st right on McIver, go downhill to the stop sign at the T, turn left on Belgaro Road and follow it past Crestview Lane. We're the 3rd house on the right with a parking problem. Call 301-498-0918 if you're lost.



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able to race. There were 3-, 5-, and 10-mile races, and Rubber Ducky and towing races. Winners received nifty medals as awards and ribbons.

Events Planned for 2007

SK102: Brian Blankinship gave a summary of the upcoming Ninth Annual SK102 set for April 27-29, 2007, at Lake Anna, Va. Last year 91 students and 22 instructors offered two days of classes on the water; no one was left on the waiting list. He is planning space for 80 students this year. Gina Cicotello will assist Laura Butterbaugh with registration this year. Brian is looking for someone to assist with over all program management, hoping to turn over the reins in a year or two.

SK101: Brian provided information on the introductory course for new paddlers and those planning to buy a boat, scheduled for February 17, 2007, at the West River Center. The cost, \$20, includes the full day training plus breakfast and lunch. Yvonne Thayer has drafted an agenda and schedule and has begun to contact instructors and other volunteers. Gina will handle registration. (see page 8)



Pizza!! Photo by Ed Hershon

Holiday Party: Ralph and Beth Heimlich will be hosting the party on December 9, 2006, at their house in Laurel (see page 5). Trip Planning Meetings: dates to follow in February or March, 2007. Dave Biss and Cyndi Janetzko volunteered their house in Falls Church for the VA meeting and Ralph and Beth Heimlich volunteered their house in Laurel for the MD meeting. Greenland Paddle Making Workshop—Gina Cicotello will be organizing the workshop this spring at the Carderock Center.

Cold Water Gear "It's Still COLD in There" Brochure—Ralph brought copies of the brochure we created in early 2006 to provide to paddlers who may not understand the dangers of paddling in the colder months. We discussed distribution to local retailers to get the info out to new paddlers. The brochure is available on the CPA website, and we will soon make the link to the brochure easier to locate so members may print their own copies. If you would like to distribute some to the rack in your favorite outdoor store, contact Ralph.

Demo Days in 2007—Many local retailers schedule kayak demonstration days in the May-June timeframe. The CPA has traditionally provided support to a number of these demo days, with on-water safety boaters and to man tables to provide information about the CPA. Dave recommended if we learn of vendors who need support at their demo days to contact the Steering Committee. We are always looking for volunteers to provide on-water support / water safety or represent CPA and give out membership info.



The one that never returned *Photo by Cyndi* Janetzko

Greenwell State Park—Les Dickey provided information about upcoming kayak launch improvements and a new kayak program.

Indoor Pool Rolling Classes—Mark Woodside advised that the Southern MD indoor pool is offering kayak rolling sessions. Brian mentioned that there are additional sessions planned through Joan Spinner at the Prince George's County indoor pool; details are on the Forum and on page 4.

John Smith Water Trail—There are a number of upcoming events centered on the 400th anniversary of Captain John Smith's exploration of the Chesapeake Bay, including the reproduction shallop touring the Bay. Brian offered copies of the John Smith trail on the James River.

CPA Rocker Awards—Barry awarded patch rockers to CPA members who served this year as volunteers, swim supporters, instructors, trip leaders, safety boaters, Steering Committee members, and Pirate Captains.

Swim Support 2007—Cyndi is the lead for Bay Swim Support, scheduled for the second Saturday in June. She is always looking for volunteer paddlers – more safety kayakers are always needed to handle both the 4.4-mile Bay Swim and the1-Mile Swim. CPA received a \$500 donation the last two years for our efforts during the swim from the Bay Swim organizers, who also provided a good launch area, parking, and a porta-potty for the kayakers. The tough Potomac Swim and Patapsco River Swims also need kayak water support.

Calendar

Participants in CPA events must read and comply with the statement of CPA trips requirements and ratings. Please contact the trip leaders in advance, even if you are familiar with the area being paddled. They need contact information in case of changes, and there may be space limitations or other trip restrictions.

The latest information about CPA trips is at http://www.cpakayaker.com/events.html

December	9 Holiday Party, Ralph and Beth Heimlich (see page 5)
February	10 Maryland Planning Meeting, Ralph Heimlich 17 SK101, West River Center (especially for new paddlers) Yvonne Thayer and Brian Blankinship
February or March	TBD Planning Meetings for 2007, Virginia (Dave Biss and Cyndi Janetzko)
April	27-29 SK102, Lake Anna, VA, Brian Blankinship and Gina Cicotello



From the Mists of Time... A Brief History of the CPA Universe

These lists were compiled by the CPA Historian Greg Welker (a real antique) from past issues of the newsletter that *only* he has.

Coordinator: Greg Welker (1996-98), Mike Vandamm (1999), Beth Morris and Greg Hollingsworth (2000), Greg Hollingsworth and Joy Hecht (2001-02), Brian Blankinship (2003-04), Barry Marsh (2005-06), Dave Biss (2007-??)

Treasurer: Barb Conklin (1989-95), Greg Welker (1996), Margaret Genco (1997-99), Joy Hecht (2000-02), John Blackburn (2003-06), Rich Stevens (2007-??)

Secretary/Membership: Chris Conklin (1989-97), David Mood (1998-2002), Steve Lindeman (2003-05), Sue Bauer (2006-??)

Pier 7 Pirate King: Ron Casterline (1992-97) [Ron owned a kayak shop at Pier 7—our entry to greatness], Brian Blankinship (1998-99), Nick Memen (2000), Alan Avery (2001-05), Jackie and Rob Castle, Brent Cogswell, Jenny and Greg Welker, Sue Bauer (2006) [Sheesh, a committee!]

Potomac Pirate King: Mike Hughes (1992-93), hiatus, Bill Dodge (1998-2003), Dick Rock (2004-??)

Georgetown Pirate King: Steve and Steph Fleming (1992-93), hiatus, David Moore (2001-04), Cyndi Janetzko, Dave Biss, and David Moore (2005-??)

Baltimore Pirate King: Jay Goldsberry (1992-93), hiatus, Barry Marsh (2003-04), Bob Huber (2005-??)

Patuxent Pirate King: Jenny Plummer (1998-99), Dan Polakovics (2000-2004), Dan Wells (2005-??)

Other Piracies—You're not history yet

Newsletter Editor: Chris Conklin (1989-94), Beth Morris (1995-97), Neysa Narena (1998-2000), Joan Spinner (2001-02), Geoffrey Marsh (2003), Bernadette Knoblauch (2004), Danielle Ring (2005), Ralph Heimlich (2006-??)

Race Committee: Al Kubelis (1996), hiatus, Cyndi Janetzko and Brian Blankinship (2006-??)

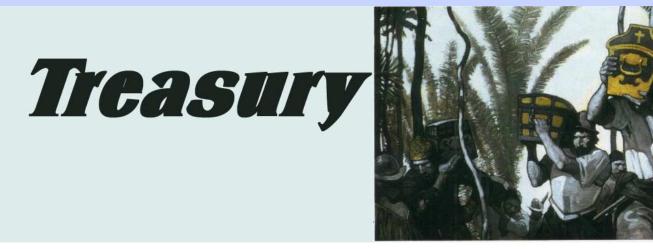
Other interesting, but discontinued offices:

Dangerous Stunts: Al Kubelis (1996-98 RIP?)

Chesapeake Tidewater Trail Committee: Hans Scheltema (1992-94), Franz Gimmler (1995-2000)

Instruction and Safety Committee: Les Dickey (1995-2000)

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John Blackburn handed out a detailed treasurer's report for 2006 at the annual meeting on November 19. His report is summarized below.

CPA Treasurer's Report, 2006			
Beginning balance		\$9,198.30	
Revenue			
	Dues	\$6,355.00	
	Events (Greenland Paddle WS, SK101 and 102)	\$3,408.00	
	Logo gear sales	\$489.00	
	Subtotal	\$10,252.00	
Expense			
	Postage and PO Box	\$133.49	
	Newsletter	\$1,607.09	
	Events (SK 101 and 102, Greenland Paddle WS, Swim Support, Race series)	\$3,920.98	
	Software	\$125.00	
	Logo gear	\$782.25	
	Brochure	\$217.59	
	Bank charges	\$72.00	
	Grants to Piracies	\$844.40	
	Subtotal	\$7,702.80	
Ending balance		\$11,747.51	



Dave Biss demonstrates a paddle float re-entry *Photo by Anatoly Ivasyuk*

SK101 Training Session

SK101, the land-based introduction to sea kayaking course, will be taught this year on February 17 at the West River Center. Topics covered include kayak history and construction, kayak safety, paddles, gear, places to paddle, and a demonstration of cold water gear.

This course is particularly for new members, so people who have been members a while need to get the word out to others who may be new to our sport and would benefit from SK101. Jenny Welker-Plummer is developing a flyer to publicize the event and would love to have your help getting the word out. Contact her by email at plummer_welker@verizon.net for more info and to obtain some copies. Registration is being handled by Gina Cicotello. Contact her at ginacico@earthlink.net

The 2006 Season in Pictures—How many are you in? New Year's Resolution: Get More Involved!



Photo credits—Ralph Heimlich, mostly

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CPA Annual Meeting, November 19, 2006, Cedar Grove United Methodist Church, Deale, MD Photo by Ed Hershon

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