



# Chincoteague Island, Virginia Oyster Bay II Community Newsletter April 2017

Hello OB II Friends & Neighbors,

I admit I was wrong about how winter was finished in the last newsletter. However, hopefully the seasons are obeying the current schedule and winter took its permanent leave on March 20<sup>th</sup> as spring 2017 moved in.

Thank you Neal Faircloth for Karen Frank's photo of a Green Heron, formally called the Green-backed Heron (see above and next page). At first blush, you really see nothing green about it. But if you look closely at the feathers on the back and the wings, there is light green mixed in.

## Neighborhood News ...

Congratulations Neal Faircloth on the sale of your house at 5199 Pine Tree Way and best wishes for your new home in Bradenton, FL. You will be missed!

## Updates From The Boards ...

Relative to the Association lawsuit with Parcel E owner Phillip Ettinger, the formal order was received from the judge and the POA has appealed the ruling. Stay tuned for further updates.

The OB II POA Board of Directors will meet on Sat., April 29<sup>th</sup> at 9am to set priorities for the remainder of 2017. The meeting will take place at the Hampton Inn & Suites, 4179 Main St. The meeting agenda is available online at <http://ob2poa.org/Meetings/OB2BoDAgenda04292017.pdf>

Following the POA meeting, the Board of Directors of the OB Water & Sewer Company will take place at 1pm at the same location. The meeting agenda is available online at <https://ob2poa.org/WaterSewer/WSAgenda04292017.pdf>

All OB II members are invited to attend these meetings.



# Thru Karen's Eyes ...

*By Jean Hubbard*

In 2015, Karen Frank and Neal Faircloth showed me some of their photography work and offered to let it be shown in our community newsletter. Every couple of weeks an email would arrive including photos of what they had recently captured on the island, from the Assateague National Wildlife Refuge, the OB II community and sometimes even from their own back yard. It was always interesting to see what they had sent and made the job of putting the next newsletter together easier. I miss those emails. However, since Karen's passing, Neal has generously decided to continue to share Karen's photography work with all of us and has provided a library of her photographs that can be featured in future newsletters. So from time to time, a selection of Karen's work will be highlighted to help remind us of the exquisite beauty of the area and what good neighbors and friends we have had. Thank you Neal.



*Great Blue Heron*



*Cattle Egret*



*American Goldfinch*



*Green Heron*



*Ruby-throated Hummingbird*



## What's Cooking ...

If you need a really fast desert or a sweet treat for someone who pops in or if you are craving a sweet treat for yourself try this. 35-70 calories. You can make and serve this in 5 minutes. 1 minute prep time

### Pineapple Angel Food Ramekin

*Courtesy of Kurt Jarvis*



This is my recipe adaptation creation and discovery. To make this, you will need ceramic ramekins or the plastic ramekins from Dollar Tree (3/\$1).

#### Ingredients:

- angel food cake mix
- small can of crushed pineapple (no sugar added)

This recipe is for individual ramekins (I'm working on figuring how to make this in quantity).

For a regular ceramic ramekin (70 calories), preheat your broiler on high and move the rack near the top of the oven.

In the ramekin mix: 3 tbsp of angel food cake mix, 1 tbsp of crushed (no sugar added) pineapple and 1 tbsp of water.

Stir mixture thoroughly in the ramekin.

Microwave for 1 minute. Let sit for 1-2 minutes. Place under broiler with door ajar and CAREFULLY watch for no more than 45 seconds until top browns – don't let it burn.

Remove and let cool for approximately 3 minutes.

Enjoy!

**P.S.** For Dollar Tree plastic ramekins (35 calories; they're smaller): Preheat broiler on high, move the rack near top.

In the ramekin mix: 1 ½ tbsp of dry angel food cake mix, ½ tbsp of crushed (no sugar added) pineapple and ½ tbsp of water.

Stir mixture thoroughly in the ramekin.

Microwave for 1 minute. Let sit for 1-2 minutes.

Put under broiler with door ajar and CAREFULLY watch for no more than 45 seconds until top browns - don't let it burn (the plastic ramekin won't be damaged in 45 seconds).

Remove and let cool for approximately 3 minutes.

Store the angel food cake mix in a zip lock bag and the crushed pineapple in a fridge storage container for instant desserts!

## All Around Town ...

Would you like to be inside or go outside? Feel like seeing things that keep their hoofs on the ground or would you rather see things thousands of miles away up in space? Interested? Here's what's happening:

**Fri., April 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, Classic Film Series at the Island Theatre – Enjoy great movies for \$5:**

**April 7<sup>th</sup>, "Little Big Man" (1970)**

Jack Crabb is 121 years old as the film begins. A collector of oral histories asks him about his past. He recounts being captured and raised by Indians, becoming a gunslinger, marrying an Indian, watching her killed by General George Armstrong Custer and becoming a scout for Custer at the Battle of Little Big Horn.

**April 14<sup>th</sup>, "Gone With The Wind" (1939)**

Scarlett O'Hara is a woman who can deal with a nation at war, Atlanta burning, the Union Army carrying off everything from her beloved Tara, the carpetbaggers who arrive after the war. Scarlett is beautiful. She has vitality. But Ashley, the man she has wanted for so long, is going to marry his placid cousin, Melanie. Mammy warns Scarlett to behave herself at the party at Twelve Oaks. There is a new man there that day, the day the Civil War begins. Rhett Butler. Scarlett does not know he is in the room when she pleads with Ashley to choose her instead of Melanie. Rated G.

**April 21<sup>st</sup>, "Blowup" (1966)**

A successful mod photographer in London feels like his life is boring and despairing. Then he meets a mysterious beauty, and also realizes something frightfully suspicious on one of his photographs of her taken in a park. The fact that he may have photographed a murder does not occur to him until he studies and then blows up his negatives, uncovering details, blowing up smaller and small elements, and finally putting the puzzle together. Not rated.

**April 28<sup>th</sup>, "High Fidelity" (2000)**

30-something Rob Gordon, a former club DJ, owns a not so lucrative record store in Chicago. He not so much employs Barry and Dick, but rather keeps them around as they showed up at the store one day and never left. All 3 are vinyl and music snobs, but in different ways. Rob has a penchant for compiling top 5 lists. The latest of these lists is his top break-ups, it spurred by the fact that his latest girlfriend Laura has just broken up with him. He believed that Laura would be the one who would last. Rob admits that there have been a few incidents in their relationship which in and of themselves could be grounds for the breakup. To his satisfaction, Laura is not on this top 5 list. Rob feels a need not only to review the 5 relationships, which go back as far as middle school. Rated R.

**Fri., April 7<sup>th</sup>, ~4pm, Sat., April 8<sup>th</sup>, ~7am, 2017 Spring Pony Round-up –**

On Friday, the Saltwater Cowboys will round up the south herd into the southern corral. The southern corral is located on the road that goes to the beach. On Saturday, the Cowboys will round up the north herd into the northern corral. The northern corral is located off the Service Road on Assateague and can only be accessed by walking or biking. For more details, visit <http://www.chincoteague.com/blog/?p=46>

**Sat., April 28<sup>th</sup>, 7pm - 10pm, STEM in the Sky Astronomy Series: Jupiter and Constellation**

Explore the Planet Jupiter and constellation tours of the night sky. Location: NASA Wallops Flight Facility Visitor Center. For info, visit: <http://www.nasa.gov/content/wallops-visitor-center/special-events>

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