




EVENTS

March

- 18 - Programming Meeting 7:00
- 22 - Family Arts Night: Sap Moon Celebration 5:00
- 26 - Book Club: *The Light Between Oceans* by M.L. Stedman 7:00
- 30 - Sunday Afternoon Concert Series: Classical Guitar with Will Herern and John Birt 3:00

April

- 8 - Programming Meeting 7:00
- 12 - Local Brew w/Cajun Hobos 7:00
- 22 - Programming Meeting 7:00
- 23 - Book Club † 7:00

May

- 6 - Programming Meeting 7:00
- 15 - Open Meeting with Community Discussion (topic TBD) 7:00
- 17 - Yard and Plant Sale
- 17 - An Evening with Pendragon 7:00
- 20 - Programming Meeting 7:00
- 28 - Book Club † 7:00
- 31 - Family Arts Night 5:00

June

- 7 - Local Brew w/ Len Cabral 7:00
- 25 - Book Club † 7:00

† Visit www.bsccri.org or our Facebook page for book club selection



Kick Off Spring with Music and Arts at the BSCC in March and April!

With several concerts and the launch of the new Family Arts Night series, March and April will offer fun for all generations at the Bay Spring Community Center!

The New Family Arts Night Welcomes the Sap Moon Celebration on March 22

Kick off a new family series at the BSCC by joining us for a free pow wow celebration featuring the drum beats of the Eastern Medicine Singers. We will present traditional Native American crafts and make bead necklaces with the children. The feast will end with delicious homemade johnnycakes along with tastings of maple syrup from farms throughout the region.



Classical Guitar on Stage for the New Sunday Afternoon Performance Series on March 30

Will Herern and John Birt offer a free overview of classical guitar from the turn of the century to the present day, capturing the guitar's many essences from different cultures and featuring the works of Schuttenthelm, Albéniz, Macbride, Tedesco, Rodrigo, and others.



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Community Gathers to Welcome the Lunar New Year

New and old friends of the Community Center came together on February 1st to welcome the year of the horse and experience traditional festivities of the Lunar New Year, a production made possible under the guidance of Ms. Cathie Ho Nadeau, Secretary General of the Great Green Wall Foundation.

After the spectacular Lion's Dance by the Rhode Island Kung Fu Club (seen in the photo above), spectators observed an ancient tea ceremony and a Tai Chi demonstration by Mark Braun followed by a wonderful selection of food from Lee's Restaurant in Riverside. The celebration concluded with the release of sky lanterns.



Please Welcome the Newest Members of the Bay Spring Community Center!

In addition to our renewing members, the Friends of the Bay Spring Community Center is thrilled to be joined by more than 20 new members in 2014! Our newest members are Paul Fortin, the Ogden Family, the Tolley Family, Claudia Traub, and the Watson Family.

For those members who have not sent in their memberships for 2014, please send them in soon so you can help the Community Center grow.

Make New Friends When You Join the BSCC!

Become a Friend of the BSCC and join a vibrant community filled with art, music, activities and more. Checks can be made payable to "BSCC" and sent to Bay Spring Community Center, P.O. Box 184 Barrington, RI 02806.

___ \$20 ___ \$50 ___ \$75 ___ \$100 ___ Other

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Your membership makes BSCC events possible by supporting our newsletters, website, supplies and more. We will never sell or share your contact info.



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Get Ready to Dance! Cajun Hobos Headline the April 12 Local Brew

In April, the train slows down just long enough for the Cajun Hobos to jump off for a Local Brew Coffeehouse show at the BSCC. Two members of the Cajun Hobos are certainly no strangers to the Community Center. For many years, Alan Bradbury and Michelle Kaminsky lived in Bay Spring where he still owns and operates Alan Bradbury Woodworking.



The Local Brew Coffeehouse featuring the Cajun Hobos is on Saturday, April 12th at 7:00 PM. The doors will open to the public at 6:30. The show will begin with Bay Spring Folk followed by a 20-30 minute dance lesson. Then, it's time for the Hobos to bring their flavor of Cajun music from southwest Louisiana to the dance floor transforming the Center into a Bayou hullabaloo. We hope to see you all there.

The suggested minimum donation is \$7.00 per person. RSVP to Sydney Montstream-Quas at sydney_mike@fullchannel.net.

Help Get the Word Out – Join the FBSCC Marketing and Communications Committee

There are great things happening at the BSCC and we want to make sure everyone in Barrington knows about them. That's why we're looking for creative individuals who enjoy writing, taking photos, shooting video, participating in web and social media activities and more. Contact marketing and communications chair Chris Watson at writerguy@cox.net.

Meet the Newest Members of the FBSCC Board of Directors

The Friends of the Bay Spring Community Center recently extended a welcome to new Board members Paul Fortin and Dan Cullman.

Paul grew up in Pawtucket and he and his family have lived in Barrington for more than 10 years. He coaches girls basketball, hockey and enjoys music.

Dan lives in Barrington with his wife, Judy, and two daughters. A regular attendee at BSCC events over the last several years, he also currently serves as a Steward for the Barrington Land Trust.



Paul Fortin



Dan Cullman

Anticipated Changes to National Flood Insurance Program a Passionate Topic of Discussion for Barrington Residents

On February 20th, Barrington residents gathered at the BSCC to meet with state officials and local experts to discuss pending changes to the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Thanks to event moderator Tom Siedzick putting together this quick primer.

So what exactly is the law in question and how will the changes to the NFIP affect your property?

The Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012 (BW-12) went into effect in 2012 with a goal to begin implementation in 2014. The Senate and House both recently passed competing bills to delay the Act for four years

If there is no delay, rates will start to rise in June 2014 increase approximately 20% per year until the full-risk, actuarial rate is attained. This occurs because FEMA will remove the Federal subsidies currently in place with the NFIP.

FEMA also remapped the U.S. flood plains, and Barrington received new maps in 2013. Many homeowners who had never been in a flood zone will be notified by their Lender that they now require flood insurance. Other properties have been remapped to higher or lower risk zones. You can find a link to these maps at the Town of Barrington website.

How will the loss of subsidies increase your costs?

Some properties will see an increase in flood insurance rates from \$3,000 to a full-risk rate of \$12,000 - \$20,000 annually.

How can you reduce costs and risk?

Insurance costs will ultimately be based upon your property's elevation compared to the Base Flood Elevation (BFE), the water surface elevation resulting from a flood that has a 1% chance of exceeding that level in any given year. A BFE of 12 means that there is a 1% chance annually that a flood will reach 12 feet.

If the elevation of your lowest living floor is above the BFE, you will benefit from the lowest rates. However, it is likely that in the near-term, insurers will begin rating based upon the property's basement floor, not their 1st floor.

Many homeowners will choose to elevate the houses above the BFE, or fill in their basements

to minimize the risk of flooding. You'll need to look at the future increases in flood insurance rates vs. the costs of elevating your house and relocating all your utilities and mechanicals from the basement to a floor above the BFE.

Are funds available to assist with elevating a house?

The Town has submitted a letter of intent to apply for Hazard Mitigation Grant funds for elevating structures out of the flood zone.

The grant is due to RIEMA by May 2nd but interested property owners must submit the required information by the end of day Friday, April 11th. For more details visit http://www.barrington.ri.gov/planning/fema_hazardmitigationgrant.html.

Can you appeal a flood zone designation?

Yes. Find out more at www.Floodsmart.gov.

Are you required to have flood insurance?

If you have a mortgage and are in a flood zone, you will must have insurance. If you don't have a mortgage or property loan, flood insurance is not required. **If you have a policy, do not let it lapse for any reason.** You might be "grandfathered" into your existing policy rate.

What's the Elevation Certificate?

Insurance companies will require an Elevation Certificate provided by a licensed professional surveyor when they begin rating homes.

Some other great resources for homeowners:

Jessica Stimson, State Hazard Mitigation Officer/Mapping Coordinator - RIEMA: jessica.r.stimson.nfg@mail.mil

David Riley – John Andrade Insurance Agency: driley@johnandradeinsurance.com

David Gardner, Professional Surveyor - David D. Gardner & Associates: dave@ddgardner.com

Scott Kettelle - Kettelle Building Movers: scott@kettellebuildingmovers.com

Roland Ohsberg - Ohsberg Construction: ohsberg.construction@yahoo.com

Town of Barrington & the Town Planner: <http://www.ci.barrington.ri.us/townplanner.php>

February Local Brew Featured Great Musicians and a Packed House

On February 8, the Bay Spring Community Center was hopping during the latest Local Brew Coffeehouse concert. Five different performers and bands each brought their own special sound to the packed house.



The Edibles kicked things off with a lively set



MeccaLily rocked the house

The Friends of Bay Spring Community Center Presents "An Evening with Pendragon" on May 17th!

Pendragon will perform its multi-award winning sound and seamless blends of lively jigs and reels with Mary Lee's original songs at the BSCC on the heels of the release of the group's ninth album, *Pendragon – Live at the Blackstone River Theatre*.

This FBSCC show is Saturday, May 17th, at 7:00 PM. Doors will open to the public at 6:30 PM. Tickets for this premium event are \$15 per person. To reserve tickets for this concert, please contact the FBSCC at bayspringcommunity@gmail.com.