



Chesapeake Bay Stewards Newsletter August 2017



Our Mission

The mission of the Chesapeake Bay Trust is to promote public awareness and participation in the restoration and protection of the water quality and aquatic and land resources of the Chesapeake Bay region and other aquatic and land resources of the State. The Trust will engage residents of the region in programs that lead to actions that measurably improve local communities and increase resource stewardship.

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Chesapeake Bay Trust Funding isn't just for Bay Projects: [Marylanders throughout the state](#) have the opportunity to restore and protect our natural resources by purchasing a "Treasure the Chesapeake" license plate. This money is then used by the Chesapeake Bay Trust to fund projects statewide; not just near the Bay, so consider buying a [Bay plate](#) today!

Looking for a way to get out on the water this summer? **Rent a handcrafted boat at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum** in St. Michaels! These kayaks, sailboats, and skiffs are built at the museum by volunteers for the Apprentice for the Day program, and can be rented by the hour, half day, or full day. Don't miss [this incredible opportunity](#) to explore St. Michaels and the Miles River!

Stay Cool this Summer, but don't try eating [these popsicles](#). Students in Taiwan wanted to raise awareness about water pollution by creating popsicles from different water sources in Taiwan. The results are shocking visual ways to see the true impact of water pollution in different areas.

The **Spa Creek 2017 Paddlefest-Ecofest** is coming up soon! Join the Spa Creek Conservancy for a fun day of paddling on Spa Creek, enjoying food and drinks, and learning about current efforts to restore the watershed. Funds raised from this event will directly benefit cleanup and monitoring work! For more information, [click here](#).

Happy Birthday to the Bay Bridge! The iconic Chesapeake Bay Bridge just turned 65 years old on Sunday, July 30th. Life in Maryland was forever changed when the



Bridge opened, but [this article](#) wonders what it would be like if the Bridge was never built. What do you think?

A Fourth of July Turtle Rescue took place at a Hillsmere beach thanks to Diamond the dog, the South River Federation, and the Terrapin Institute. The terrapin eggs were safely removed from the nest, located in a high-traffic area, and relocated to the Terrain Institute. For the full story, [click here.](#)

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