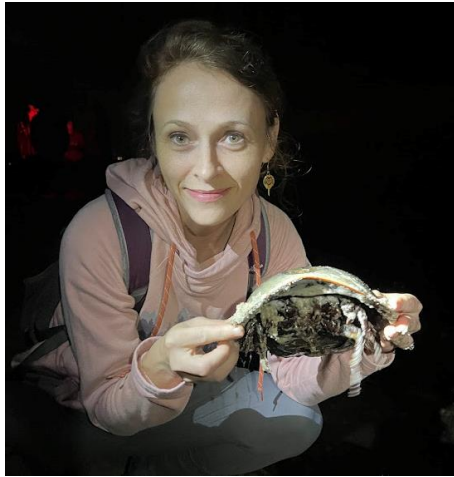


## Board Brief



### Happy Summer Chesapeake Interpreters!

The Chesapeake Region of NAI really bloomed this spring. We were able to host a two-day virtual workshop showcasing best practices from many of you. We enjoyed hearing from guest presenter, Adam Buscher, on the impacts of climate change on our region and gardens. Interpreters from across the region contributed to the international City Nature Challenge which you can read about in this edition of the Chesapeake Chat. Already looking towards the cooler days of fall, our board is hard at work planning a day-long virtual historical interpretation workshop on Tues. Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024. For more information on this workshop please visit the upcoming events page of our NAI Region 2 website. Mark your calendars!

As a Park Naturalist, I know summer is my busiest season of the year. I'm weeks away from summer camp and hosting my first summer program on June 3. I'm feeling the excitement of the "starting line", knowing the race will be intense but full of amazing stories to tell when I reach the "finish line" in September. Whether you are exploring the magic of summer through hiking campers, through the woods, leading night hikes or campfire programs with families, or telling stories of the past to those vacationing – remember each visitor comes to us with one major goal, to make memories. They come to us to help them write their story.

The experiences we provide are the stories they share about their summer adventures. These memories could be the stories they share later in life about their favorite family memories or the secret places they bonded with as children. Summer is a season of connection, and we are so lucky to be in a profession where we get to provide opportunities to deepen these bonds.

Wishing each of you endurance and joy in your summer race!

Best,

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Board Directors