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June 2nd, 2009—7:00 PM

Community Meeting Agenda

- ◆ Security
- ◆ Beach Security Camera
- ◆ Boat Ramp /Bulkhead
- ◆ Eagle Scout Project Update
- ◆ Volunteer Registration
- ◆ Capital Improvement

Projects Update

Idea proposals for beach areas

- ◆ Community Picnic

SATURDAY JUNE 13th

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Please visit us at our newly revised and updated web site, courtesy of Mr. Paul Harris, at:

www.CarrolltonManor.com

You may contact us via email at CarrolltonManor@yahoo.com

Or send mail to: CMIA, P. O. Box 1104, Severna Park, MD 21146

Carrollton Manor Notes

It's summer in Carrollton Manor! This is the time of year when everyone comes out to play around the neighborhood. People are walking and biking; Kids are playing on the beach, swimming, and fishing. Families are picnicking and boaters are headed to the river. Please help everyone enjoy the season!!!! Help keep our beaches clean!!

Here are the CMIA Property Rules and Guidelines for the Summer of 2009:

- * Clean up after your pets! CMIA provides dog waste bags at both beaches for your convenience. Please use them.
Remember - children play on the grass and make castles in the sand where your pet may "go".
- * When you walk your pet carry a bag to pick up waste and dispose of it properly.
- * If you are planning some time at any of our CMIA beach properties, please remember the beaches belong to everyone in the community. Please be considerate of others.
- * Share the grill and tables.
- * ONLY cars with CMIA parking stickers can park in the Hillbottom Beach lot- display your sticker on the windshield to avoid towing.
- * Car pool or enjoy the walk to the beach. There is limited parking capacity. Be kind and leave space for the elderly and handicapped.
- * Please be aware of your conversations [and language] – sound magnifies near water—and there are children around !
- * Do not block access to the boat ramp, street, or parking lot entrance with cars trailers or beach furniture.
- * Please do not store any watercraft on the beach or in the woods overnight. They help breed insects and can be a safety hazard.
- * Back boat trailers up into wooded area on the left side of the lot. This allows a better traffic flow and more parking.
- * When using the boat ramp- please be mindful of others who may be waiting. Move your boat or vehicle out of the ramp area promptly.
- * Please remember to close the black gate and ramp gate – Hillbottom Beach has a history of being a party spot. Not everyone will respect our beach as we do - vandalism and property trashing is costly to everyone.
- * Clean up any trash you bring - or see- from bottles to butts . Earn an extra gold star and pick up trash that was there before you arrived.
- * Watch your children in the water- not all children are strong swimmers and rambunctious water play can be scary or dangerous.
- * The sandy hill at Hillbottom Beach is eroding badly- climbing and playing on the hill is causing further damage. Please stay off the hill.
- * If you are thinking of hosting a gathering or party at our beaches, please contact a member of the BOD. Hillbottom Beach is a very popular community destination on summer weekends. It is a small beach with a lot of users. It is not available for exclusive private use on weekends. We also have Sunset Beach available for your enjoyment
- * All gatherings must abide by the CMIA beach rules with respect and consideration of other beach goers and surrounding residents.
- * Drive carefully through our narrow streets and look out for people and pets that may not be looking out for you.

Come out and enjoy all the advantages of living on the Severn River!

Carrollton Manor is fortunate. We have 3 beaches –Hillbottom, Sunset and CrabAway to enjoy. We are working on improvements at all our community properties. Watch for our neighborhood to become even better...

CMIA would like to thank Ron Blevins of West Drive for choosing CMIA for his Eagle Scout project. At CrabAway he has erected the "buy a plank" sign with plantings and a much needed bike rack for pier goers.

He also cleaned the pier lawn area of debris and trash. At Sunset Beach he constructed a wonderful bench for beach goers to enjoy.

A special Thank You to Ron Blevins and his family and fellow Scouts

You have really helped improve our beaches for everyone!!!!!!

Pier Ye Pier Ye

On Saturday morning April 25th, as the sun rose high over Hillbottom Beach, Carrollton Manor's dock was ablaze with activity at the start of the annual Pier Work Day. As they gathered over coffee and doughnuts to receive their work assignments, a huge turnout of neighbors and friends, including men, women and children, divided into teams. Accomplishments include replacement of 25 deck boards and a 16 ft. cross member, power washing of the pier, completion of the second canoe rack, and servicing of the pier lighting and security camera. As adults wielded hand and power tools, slip holders' children waded into the water to retrieve stones that had been mischievously tossed in where they presented a safety hazard.

Future projects will include the replacement of glass lighting domes with plastic and sealing of the deck.

Weekly slip rentals will continue to be made available. Contact Bob Brady for information. If you have not yet paid your slip fee, please contact Bob Brady ASAP at 410-544-9474.

Check It Out Second Canoe Rack Completed at Hillbottom Beach and Railings at Sunset Beach !!!

Thanks to some very hard-working volunteers, Bob Brady, Frank Wingate, Richard Colley, Mary Brier, Julie Nardini, Kim Blair & friend, and Lee Bollhorst, we are happy to announce that everyone was a winner in this year's annual canoe rack lottery! What at first appeared to be an easy task proved much more difficult as roots needed to be cleared from post holes, cement mixed & poured, and construction was completed over 2 consecutive Saturdays. At the time of this writing, there is one more canoe slip to lease for this season. If interested, please call Bob or Betty Brady at 410-544-9474.

Railings have been installed on the steps at Sunset Beach to ensure all of our residents, young and old, are able to access the beach area safely.

Security

Carrollton Manor's Security Committee asks that you consider joining our team by contacting Bob Brady at 410-544-9474. Your participation for a few hours monthly will help to increase our neighborhood security at a time when many are feeling vulnerable. Officers Snyder and Valentin of the Anne Arundel County Police Department will be working with us. Residents are asked to report any suspicious activity, including a description of any unrecognized vehicles with license plate numbers seen parked in an unusual location, to Bob Brady at 410-544-9474. We are in the process of ordering security caps and t-shirts which will allow residents to easily identify our security team. In an effort to stay on top of our neighborhood concerns, security members will meet regularly. Please join us!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We are in desperate need of volunteers to assist the Board and the community, in making Carrollton Manor a safer and better place to live. Please consider joining us to assist in one of the many projects that are either a one-time event, or an on-going project. For example, we would like to implement a volunteer project called "Friends of Hillbottom".

We will have a registration form available at the Community Meeting on June 2nd to sign up for a project of your choice. Or you may contact any one of the Board members to discuss further. (See cover page for contact names and numbers and our email address.)

March 2009 Community Meeting Highlights

- * Beach gate keys will remain the same as last year. Next year- 2010- both keys and parking stickers will change
- * Ron Blevins presented the plans for his Eagle Scout project. He will be cleaning out the area of CrabAway Pier, erecting the sign thanking the “buy a plank donors”, installing a bike rack and beautifying the entrance with plantings. He will also be building a bench to be placed at Sunset Beach.
- * Updates presented on all community property projects

We are working with Eco Gardens, a locally honored environmental project design service, to develop plans to address the erosion occurring at all three CMIA beach properties and to improve our community’s usage of our waterfront properties.

- > CrabAway - plans include constructing a “living shoreline” along water to control shore loss and developing plans to work with entire lawn and hill area.
- > Sunset Beach - waiting on permit approval for shoreline erosion control
- > Hillbottom Beach - property will be divided into beach area and parking lot/hill to develop effective erosion control plans. Temporary measures have been constructed to divert water to ramp area to control erosion runoff. Plans are still being developed for more effective permanent and long term solutions. Eco Gardens will help us research grant money available for projects.

We hope to have some proposed ideas to present at the June meeting on plans for all community properties and available grant opportunities

>Hillbottom pier - boat ramp repairs should begin in April or May - estimated time frame for repairs will be 2-3 days
Pier Committee has replaced 7 pilings, flipped 3 for extended life, and pier work day will focus on maintenance and reinforcement

- * CMIA clubhouse options - committee is in need of a chairperson. Please contact Lisa Bender if interested.
- * Security - Bob Brady is heading up the CMIA Security Committee. After several instances of vandalism at Hillbottom Beach, the possibility of installing a second camera, aimed at the parking lot area, was proposed.

This will be presented for approval at the June CMIA Community meeting.

Replacement of the bulkhead will also be presented for approval at the June Community meeting.

- * Betty Brady will meet with AA County to address county cleanup of county owned properties.
- * A donated tree to replace a destroyed tree this winter was approved

LAST CALL !!!!

The “Buy a Plank” Project to assist with the rebuilding of the Crab-Away Pier has come to an end.

For those of you that have visited CrabAway Beach recently, you’ll see that the Eagle Scout project has been completed, and the sign looks great!

Unfortunately, with a project developed over time, such as this, there are bound to be errors, such as misspellings or omissions.

Now is the time for “Last Call” to have your name corrected. We will be re-printing the sign just this one time, so please contact Donna Kochanski at 410 544 0008 or momdmk@aol.com with your request for changes.

*** We will not be able to accept any requests after June 10th ****

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF THIS YEARS CANOE RACK LOTTERY:

Piko Nikolov, Patrick & Jaime Farley, Charles Blevins, Avis & Richard Mumaw, Matthew McGehrin, Mary Briers, Juli Nardini, Jennifer Wilson Matkins and Terry Martin

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Hello Neighbors...

We would like to take a moment to thank you for your business and for helping to keep our community thriving by shopping local. In these tough economic times we know that shopping on a tight budget has become a way of life. In-part with giving back to the community and making life more affordable we would like to offer you, our Carrollton Manor neighbors, an additional 5% off any listed or sale price in our store. Please be aware that our prices are already the best in Maryland and our items are not marked up with fashion and designer store prices. We carry a large selection of high quality loose diamonds at unbelievably low prices. If honesty, selection and value is what you're in the market for then look no further, it's right around the corner.

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Lay-a-way

547 Benfield Rd.
Severna Park 21146
410-544-5850

Attention: Beach Gardeners

The erosion plans for our community include a number of proposed garden areas for US, THE COMMUNITY to plant together. The native plants are identified, and the cost is wholesale through EcoGardens, the Envirosite Design Services group. We need families, or groups of families who would be willing to pay for the plants, and plant a garden. There will be donor recognition plaques in each garden to recognize your community spirit.

Here is an example of a garden you can choose from:

HILLBOTTOM BEACH (Near the picnic table) A Wildflower Garden Cost \$150

If interested, please sign up at the June Community Meeting, or contact Retta Barkley at 410 591 0910

State Report says: Severn River Water Quality is Poor

In the April 9th edition of the SEVERNA PARK VOICE, the University of MD Center for Environmental Science in co-operation with the Severn Riverkeepers issued a report on the conditions of the Severn River. The 14 miles of the Severn River *are now considered unhealthy*. "On a 0-100 scale, the Severn rated 45%. As the chair of our Carrollton Manor Erosion Committee, I will try to submit at least one article for us to consider as we begin to seek ways to help clean up our section of the Severn. Our property values are enhanced by the availability of this river for recreation as well as the simple enjoyment of nature. "Unfortunately, this report card tells us our fisheries are declining because of low dissolved oxygen levels and uncontrolled storm water is polluting Maryland's Capital River". I urge each of our homeowners to evaluate how we are slowing water down so it soaks into the ground to be filtered and cleaned. If our rooftop drains are going directly into the Severn, or the water from our properties are directed to the street so it can go down the storm drains which go directly into the Severn, our community is polluting Maryland's Capital River. All gardens, terraces, wooded areas, rain barrels, and downspouts directed into your gardens are great ways to slow water down and filter this water so it enters the Severn clean. Take time to consider water movement on your own property. Share ideas at our CMIA Meetings. Together we can make a Difference !

Thank You, Retta Barkley

The following is a message from BGE to the Carrollton Manor Community dated April 16, 2009:

BGE has a great way to save on your heating and cooling costs year-round. Peak Rewards is a new program, which gives BGE customers an easy way to save money while helping to protect the environment. For more information you can call 1-888-309-PEAK Or visit their web site at www.BGESmartEnergy.com/PeakRewards

Mosquito Spraying will begin in June, one night per week, between 7 PM and 7 AM.

If you wish to request an exemption from mosquito control services, you must file an application with the County. You may contact the Program Supervisor at 410 841 5870 for the form and more information.

**Come One, Come all To the Carrollton Manor Annual Community Picnic
Come join the fun! Welcome in the summer! Meet new neighbors and greet old friends!**

To Be Held at **Hillbottom Beach**, on **Saturday, June 13th**, starting at 2 PM
The price for admission will remain the same yet again! You may purchase your tickets at the gate:

\$15 for age 15 + \$5 for ages 5 thru 14 Children under age 5 are free

Please bring a favorite dish to share. CMIA will provide grilled food and non-alcoholic beverages.

In order to limit our cost, this year music will be provided by a resident of the community instead of a hired DJ. Don't forget: no alcoholic beverages will be served, however, you are welcome to bring your own beer or wine.

** (Our County liquor license for the day limits us to beer and wine only) **

There will be a 50/50 raffle (tickets are only \$1), door prizes, and a lot of fun! So please join us

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR VARIOUS TASKS : Please contact Schelly Taylor at 240 338 4309 or Donna Kochanski at 410 544 0008

**** PLEASE NOTE THAT THE BEACH AND BOAT RAMP WILL BE CLOSED FROM NOON TO 6:00 PM ****

The following is our *“Did You Know?”* for this edition of the Eagle

Decomposition Rate for Trash:

Styrofoam cup 50 years	Plastic bag 10—20 years
Tin can 50 years	Paper 2.5 months
Plastic film canister 20—30 years	Cigarette Butt 10—12 years
Apple core 2 months	Disposable Diaper 75 years
Orange or banana peel - 2 to 5 weeks	Beer can 200—500 year
Paper towel 2—4 weeks	Glass bottle one million years
Plastic beverage bottle 450 years	Monofilament fishing line 600 years
Aluminum can 80 –200 years	

*** Please remember how long these items may stick around- the next time you see a bit of litter or trash– please pick it up!***

ACCENTS	
By Tom LLC	
Lighting	
Carpentry	
Flooring	Tom Moreland
Trim & Molding	Home: 410 757 7728
Kitchens & Baths	Mobile: 301 873 9903
Other Renovations	Licensed and Insured
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Note about The Eagle's mailing labels:

CMIA gets mailing labels from the Anne Arundel County Tax Assessor. The county updates the labels once a year. If your name and address appears incorrectly on your mailing label, this is why. Sorry for any inconvenience, but we have no control over this.

CMIA COMMUNITY MEETINGS

IMPORTANT : The June Community Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 2nd, at 7:00 PM, at the Severna Park Baptist Church.

Fall Meeting will be September 8th, 2009

Winter Meeting will be December 1st, 2009

Hope to see you there !!!!
