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## **LOCAL HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS**

**12/1 – 1/15** – 5pm-10pm – Lights on the Bay at Sandy Point State Park; \$14.

**12/8 – 1/9** – 11am-7pm – Portraits with Santa at Westfield Annapolis Mall; Pricing varies.

**12/1** – 11:45pm-2pm – UBB's Annual Holiday Giftique 2013 at Unity by the Bay 836 Ritchie Hwy; Free; A variety of community crafters, artisans and vendors for your holiday shopping.

**12/1** – 5pm-8pm – Annapolis Holiday Tree Lighting at City Dock; Free.

**12/6** – 5pm – Severna Park Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony on Holly Ave; Free.

**12/7** – 9am-3pm – Annual Christmas Bazaar at St. Martin's in the Field; Free; Over 35 local crafters, homemade baked goods, candy wreaths, holiday greens and white elephant bargains.

**12/7** - 10am-4pm – WinterCraft Fair at Glen Burnie High School; Free; Over 120 crafters selling handmade goods to benefit the music program at GBHS.

**12/7** – 11am-2pm – Winter Wonderland Carnival at Jones Elementary; \$4 admission/ \$12 a family. Admission includes games, prizes, drinks, cookies, access to vendors, visit with Santa and activities.

**12/8** – 10am-2pm – Christmas Bazaar at Columbian Center 355 Ritchie Hwy; Free; Over 60 vendors selling holiday merchandise.

**12/10** – 8:30am – Holiday Shopping Event at Woods Memorial Church; Free; Annual craft and vendor show.

**12/14** – 6pm-8pm – Annapolis Lights Boat Parade at Annapolis Harbor and Spa Creek above the Spa Creek Bridge; Free.

**12/15** – 4pm – Carols, Cookies, and Crafts at Severna Park United Methodist Church; Free; An afternoon of fun and fellowship; Please bring a dessert or hors d'oeuvres.

**12/23** – 10am-2pm – Mom's Holiday Shopping Day at Eco Adventures 216 Najoles Rd; \$35 per child ages 5-12 (\$30 per sibling); Drop off your child for fun, activities, and crafts while you finish up your last minute Christmas shopping.

**12/31** – 5pm-1am – New Year's Eve Kid's Party at Eco Adventures 216 Najoles Rd; \$70 per child ages 5-12 (\$60 per sibling). Kids have their own rockin' 9 pm New Year's Eve countdown with music, dancing, & just plain fun! After everyone is partied out, it's time to chill with a movie and popcorn.

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Welcome our New Editor: December's issue will be produced by our new Editor: Asahi Eveleth. Thank you, Asahi, for volunteering some of your time to the community.

## Upcoming Meeting Agenda

**Tuesday, Dec 3, 2013**

**7:00 PM at the**

**Severna Park Baptist Church**

**Benfield Road**

- 2015 SCBD Budget Approval
- Community Project Updates
- Committee Reports and Updates
- Community Picnic Recap
- Local Area Activities
- Future Community Project Ideas

All residents are welcome -

Help us continue to improve life in Carrollton Manor!

### **Mark Your Calendar—Upcoming Community Events**

**CMIA Sign Island Holiday Decorating December 8th at 2:30pm:** All residents are encouraged to come help Carrollton Manor get in the holiday spirit. Show up at 2:30pm ready to pitch in.

**CMIA Book Club Meeting December 3rd:** Our current selection is **Hateship, Friendship, Courtship, Loveship and Marriage** by Nobel Prize winning author Alice Munro. Our next meeting is Dec. 3rd at 7pm. Anyone is welcome and if you are interested, contact Kristin Silva at [ka\\_silva@verizon.net](mailto:ka_silva@verizon.net) for more details.

**CMIA Firepit Family Friday Nights**—Now that the weather has cooled down, every Friday evening at Hillbottom is Firepit Family Fun Night! Fun and games for all ages. If you would like to help coordinate, contact **Bo Dant** at 410-544-9556 but definitely come out and have some fun.

**CMIA Preschoolers' Playgroup:** If you are interested, send an email to [bifh@netscape.net](mailto:bifh@netscape.net) or contact Beth Straub.

**CMIA Key Day TBD - All CMIA Gate Keys and Parking Stickers will change in 2014:** The date for Key Day will be announced at the upcoming community meeting. Keys will be good for 2 years. Beach gate and boat ramp locks will be changed in 2014. New parking stickers will also need to be obtained for parking at Hillbottom Beach.

**Community and Pier Work Day TBD:** More detail in the next newsletter.

**Easter Egg Hunt TBD:** More detail in the next newsletter

**Annual Community Yard & Plant Sale TBD—Call for participation:** More detail in the next newsletter. Last year's CMIA yard & plant sale was a great success! We will again be selling native and annual plants at Sign Island along with a table of your donations to our yard sale to benefit the Carrollton Manor social fund. We are also hosting a community wide yard sale - **Either set up at your house or at the clubhouse lot, but be sure to visit us at Sign Island.**

# Our Annual Community Picnic was a success!

**Saturday Sept. 14 –The Best Day of the year in Carrollton Manor 2013!!!!**

***A Beautiful day with music, volleyball, food, kid's games, raffle prizes, friends and neighbors!***

This year's community picnic was another great success! Hillbottom Beach was filled with festivity as everyone celebrated living in Carrollton Manor on Sat. Sept 14<sup>th</sup>

The band Epstein's Mother put on a great show while friends and neighbors enjoyed foo

## **Our Volunteers**

A special thank you to Gilly and Gary Basilico and their band, Epstein's Mother, for playing at the picnic for a great price.

This year's Picnic Committee really worked hard to make the day a great success! Thanks to **Bo Dant and all the picnic helpers** who worked so hard to let everyone else enjoy such a great day!!! Donations were headed up by **Kelly Knepp and Gilly Basilico**—it's too tough to say no to Kelly!

**LIVING IN CARROLLTON MANOR HAS NEVER BEEN BETTER!**

Special note to anyone who missed the fun----mark your 2014 calendars for this not-to-be-missed community event. The community picnic is a day to celebrate CMIA.

## **Our Sponsors**

A big THANK YOU to all the local merchants who donated FANTASTIC items, gift cards, and services for our raffle:

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- Annettes Bakery
- Side Street Framers
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- Gina's Cantina
- Massage Envy
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- The Cottage

Please remember the very generous contributions



## **Pier Ye, Pier Ye**

**Key Day Spring 2014:** All keys and stickers are changing for 2014! The date will be announced at the upcoming community meeting on Dec. 4 and more information will be published in the Spring newsletter.

**Pier Slips:** All slips are assigned but weekly sublets are available on a first come, first-served basis. Please contact Don Price at 410-236-9807

**Pier Slip Wait list:** Anyone interested in adding their name to the **Pier Slip Wait List**, fill out the application found at [www.CarrolltonManor.com](http://www.CarrolltonManor.com) and mail it to CMIA with a check for \$25.00. Please include a working phone number as we will need to call you. Mailing address is CMIA P.O. Box 1104, Severna Park, MD 21146.

### **Sign Island Holiday Decorating**

Join us Dec. 8th at 2:30pm at Sign Island to decorate the island and tree for the holidays. We have all the decorations, we just need your help. Dress warmly and be ready to help!

### **Earleigh Heights Fire Truck Santa**

Santa will be visiting Carrollton Manor on his fire truck courtesy of the Earleigh Heights Fire Department on Tuesday, December 20th.

### **CMIA Traffic Committee**

CMIA is looking to put together a traffic committee to investigate installing speed humps on Hollywood between Center and Westmoreland. If you are interested, please contact Beth Straub at [bifh@netscape.net](mailto:bifh@netscape.net).

### **Severna Park 4th of July Parade Float**

Any interest in creating a Carrollton Manor 4th of July float for the annual Severna Park Parade in 2014? Resident children are also encouraged to decorate their bikes and ride along. Come to the Dec. meeting to discuss your creative ideas.

## **Classified Ads**

**Babysitter:** Sydney Dennis, middle school honor roll student, lives in Carrollton Manor. Great with kids 3-12 years old. Plus my mom will drop me off and/or pick me up from your house, as needed. 443-618-3535 or [selinadennis@hotmail.com](mailto:selinadennis@hotmail.com)

**Lawn Mowing and more:** Noah Taylor, an SPMS sixth-grader, is available to mow lawns, help with gardening, water outside plants and even walk your dog. Call 410-647-7581. Reasonable prices: \$5 and up.

Student residents of CMIA can submit a classified advertising services like dog-walking, baby sitting for free in the Eagle. Contact Asahi at [asahieveleth@gmail.com](mailto:asahieveleth@gmail.com) to submit your free ad. Space is limited so act now.

### **September CMIA Meeting Highlights**

- Residents were informed of several local organization meetings including:
  - Greater Severna Park Council 2nd Tues of each month at 7:30pm SP Library; recent topics include Stormwater Management Tax, local zoning changes, construction variances, school improvements, etc.
  - Severn River Association 3rd Tues of each month at 7pm at Arlington Echo; topics include river conservation, grants, concerns, oysters, solutions, etc.
- Residents interested in joining the CMIA Gardening Club should contact Carolyn Rogers at [carri585@earthlink.net](mailto:carri585@earthlink.net).
- Crab Away's living shoreline should be completed by Spring 2014.
- Repairs at Hillbottom Beach not to exceed \$15,000 was approved; repairs include improvements and bulkhead repair.
- A suggestion to form a Hillbottom Beach committee was raised in order to coordinate issues and formulate a comprehensive plan for improvements. Stephanie Fleming volunteered to be the contact.
- A variance application cost of \$2,000 was approved to move forward with the rebuilding of the CMIA club house project.
- Discussion on interest in improving and beautifying all 3 CMIA beaches with SCBD funds.

### **SHOW YOUR COMMUNITY PRIDE!!!!!!**

Do you need a unique gift? Want to show off the great place you live? We have new CMIA Tee Shirts, Hats, Koozies, and Beach Bags available for sale.

|         |         |                |         |
|---------|---------|----------------|---------|
| Hats    | \$15.00 | Adult T-Shirts | \$15.00 |
| Bags    | \$20.00 | Child/youth    | \$10.00 |
| Koozies | \$ 2.00 |                |         |

Come to any of the Community Meetings to buy CMIA merchandise and watch our website for details:  
[www.carrolltonmanor.com](http://www.carrolltonmanor.com)

## A Note from the Treasurer ....

Fiscal year 2013 ended June 30, 2013. We reached \$32,275.45 for the year's total expenses. We have once again ended with a surplus of funds which will be held for future use.

### Proposed Carrollton Manor Improvement Association SCBD Budget FYE 2015

Fiscal year runs 07/01/14 thru 06/31/15

#### (E) Purposes:

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| 1. Maintaining and improving community properties | \$ 27,000.00 |
| 2. Administrative Expenses                        | 18,000.00    |
| 3. Capital Expenses                               | 30,000.00    |
| 4. Funds held for future use                      | 25,132.87    |
| 5. County Audit (working to resolve)              | (20,000.00)  |

**(F) Subtotal:** **80,132.87**

**(G) County Administrative Fee:** **2,000.00**

**(H) Total:** **\$ 82,132.87**

#### Revenues:

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Estimated Funds Available FY15 (per County) | \$ 0.00             |
| Fund Balance as of 06/30/13 (per County)    | 1,732.87            |
| Other Revenue                               | 0.00                |
| Estimated Funds Available Subtotal          | 1,732.87            |
| Tax Revenues needed for FY15                |                     |
| (536 properties x \$150 each)               | 80,400.00           |
| <b>Revenue Total</b>                        | <b>\$ 82,132.87</b> |

### Become a Board Member or Volunteer for a Committee

Each Carrollton Manor household contributes a small monetary amount to the upkeep of our community through a county-administered program called "Special Community Benefits District." While CMIA uses these funds to contract major work, manageable repairs and additions are made by volunteer residents and owners throughout the year. Month to month, the members of the Board of Directors are major contributors in caring for Carrollton Manor.

Besides becoming a Board Member, major opportunities to volunteer are Pier and Community Workdays, the Community Picnic, Annual Plant Sale, and the Easter Egg hunt. If you are interested, contact any Board member.

#### Volunteer interest:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### I am interested in helping with:

\_\_\_ Picnic

\_\_\_ Easter Egg Hunt

\_\_\_ Community Beatification Day

\_\_\_ Pier Work Day

\_\_\_ Community Plant Sale

\_\_\_ Security

\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Return the completed form to any Board member.**



## **Carrollton Manor**

### **Reminders**

With school in session, please remind your kids not to throw or leave trash on the roads or at the bus stops. Everyone can help keep our neighborhood clean.

Drive Sloooooowly through the neighborhood. There are lots of children, joggers, and dogs on our streets and with the parked cars; they can be hard to spot especially as days get shorter.

Hillbottom closes at dark. If you are the last one there, please close the gate and lock it to help prevent vandalism and after-hours partying. Close the gate to the ramp after you use it.

Please stay at the bottom of Hillbottom. The hill is badly eroded and climbing it makes it worse.

There is no hunting or gun play, of any kind, allowed anywhere on our community properties! This includes all the woods around Hillbottom Beach.

Your dog is your mess.  
I like your dog but not his mess.  
If they poop, please scoop.  
And put it in your own trashcan!



Dispose of yard waste properly. Do not DUMP your leaves and yard waste on community property or in the woods! Also, be considerate of your neighbors and don't blow leaves off your lawn into the street or another yard.

Trash does not grow feet and throw itself away. Please use the trashcans.

Parking is a practice in being a good neighbor. Leave enough room for others to get through.



It's hard to can-can  
on a broken bottle  
in the sand sand.

If you use the Grill at Hillbottom, please clean it out. Ashes left in the grill will rust out the bottom.

**Have a safe and happy Winter!**

## **Security**

### **See Something, Say Something**

The Officers of the Anne Arundel Police Department recommended the following key points that aid in keeping our families and Carrollton Manor safe.

- 1. Lock your vehicle and put valuables out of sight.** By making it a little bit tougher for any would-be thief, you help deter crimes of opportunity. We do have a report that 4 unlocked cars were recently rifled through.
- 2. Report crime.** Vandalism, petty theft, suspicious persons, drug activity...all small things lead to bigger problems. Call 911 and let the AAPD prioritize the calls.
- 3. Who is a suspicious person?** Do they look like they belong and what is their reason for being in your neighborhood? If they represent a business, do they have ID? Are they looking over their shoulder or is it someone sitting in a car watching houses and people. **Call 911. Don't be embarrassed or think that you are over-reacting.**
- 4. When calling 911, make sure to tell the operator the key identifiers: CLOTHING, DIRECTION & METHOD OF TRAVEL, DISTINGUISHING MARKS (i.e. tattoos), RACE.** Look for these things and write them down. If they are traveling in an automobile, get the license plate. Use your cell phone to take a picture of their license plate and then the vehicle.
- 5. Keep your kids safe.** Follow 1-4 above and be a good parent. That's tough love

Our community is very safe and the influx of new young families is adding a vibrant pulse to a wonderful place to live. Every house has a tool box for simple repairs and this information is part of your family's community toolbox.

**Carrollton Manor's Security Team** is recruiting volunteers to help keep our community safe. All that is required is a commitment of *any* amount of time to patrol through the neighborhood and give us an extra set of eyes watching out for the benefit of all residents. Please call Donna Kochanski at 410.544.0008 or email at momdmk@aol.com if you are interested. We thank you in advance!

**If you want to call the police and it is not urgent,** please contact Sgt. Newman at 410-222-6145. He is our Police & Community Together (PACT) representative.

## **Holiday Recipes**

### **Frosty's Melting Cookies**

<http://www.rachaelraymag.com/recipe/frostys-melting-cookies/>

### **Ingredients**

- 12 large marshmallows
- Gel frosting
- 12 soft homemade or store-bought sugar cookies
- 2 cups homemade or store-bought glaze
- Chocolate nonpareil candies, such as Sno-Caps
- Pretzel Sticks
- Fruit leather, cut into 1/2-inch strips

### **Directions**

Press your thumb into top center of marshmallows. Using gel frosting, make eyes and nose. Frost the sugar cookies with homemade or store-bought glaze. Before glaze sets, stick marshmallows to tops of cookies.

Add chocolate nonpareil candies, such as Sno-Caps, for buttons and pretzel sticks for arms. Use 1/2 -inch-thick strips fruit leather for scarves.



Thank our local businesses for their generosity support for our community. Let them know you are a CMIA resident when you buy from them.

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**Next Meeting: Dec. 3, 7:00pm**

**Spring Meeting: Mar. 4, 7:00pm**

**S.P. Baptist Church, Benfield Rd.**

**DID YOU KNOW ?**

**YOU HAVE “SUPERLAWYERS” IN YOUR OWN NEIGHBORHOOD!!**

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