



# The Eagle

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**Carrollton Manor is a great place to live because of the people who live here!**

CMIA organizes and sponsors events, projects, activities, improvements, and programs for the community. Announcements and notices are placed on our Facebook page, in this newsletter, and on our Website at [www.carrolltonmanor.us](http://www.carrolltonmanor.us) and on signs around the community. Please continue to enjoy and support your CMIA community, and consider volunteering to help when you are able. Carrollton Manor Improvements and fun will always need you.



Join us at the next...

### Community Meeting

**Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 7:00 pm**

**Severna Park Baptist Church, Benfield Road**

**NOTE: We are now meeting upstairs; please enter by the rectory door.**

- 2021 CMIA – SCBD Budget Approval
- 2019 CMIA Community Activities Recap
- Community Property/Project Updates: CMIA Community Clubhouse

## September 2019 Community Meeting Highlights

- Minutes from June 2019 presented and approved
- Treasurer's report presented

### Pier Report

- Pier is in good shape
- Boat ramp lock repaired

### Community Announcements

- Lisa summarized recent SRA and GSPC meetings and activities
- Community picnic held Sept. 14
- Oct. CMIA BOD elections: 2 directors
- CMIA contract agreements will be worked on for 2020: goal is to protect CMIA properties and allow enjoyment for all residents

### Community Projects/Concern

- Lots of discussion about car break-ins in the community and local areas
- Some residents want a Neighborhood Security Team. Lisa brought info on community security.
- AACo Eastern District holds a "Police and Community" open meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month.
- Reminder to always lock car doors and don't leave anything that looks interesting in sight.
- CMIA has private police coverage but is unable to cover all hours of the day.
- Call AACo police with any suspicions or incidents – will increase coverage.
- Vegetation behind Hillbottom Beach Pump House was cut and cleared without permission: will need to watch.
- Reminder: open fires are not permitted on any community property or beach.
- Amendment suggested to update/change some of the bylaws
- Clubhouse updates: building permit issued and in hand. Unanticipated county requirements (steel beams, fireproofing, water fixtures, materials costs) have increased previous building cost estimates. John will break down costs to see where we can decrease costs to come within budget. Discussion about eliminating stone façade, cabinets, floor drains, minimal initial landscaping, and gravel rather than paved parking lot. Discussion raised concerns on how we could build a commercial structure completely within budget. Motion made to start construction with \$70,000 shortfall with 60% increase from budgeted amount. This considers changes and increased costs of materials.
- No update on moorings.
- Dead tree at Sunset: motion approved for up to \$600 for removal.



## Community Security Begins with You. See Something? Say Something!



If you see a criminal activity, or suspicious activities, in progress, please call 911 and report it immediately!!! Don't stick your head in the ground!

Don't be embarrassed or think that you are over-reacting. Call 911 and let the AAPD prioritize the calls. Always report a problem or concern: the police can't help, if they don't know there are problems. You may remain anonymous.

What is a suspicious person? Do they look like they belong and what is their reason for being in our 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. ... If something seems wrong.... Call 911.

Be prepared to give details: key identifiers include clothing, direction and method of travel, height, weight, gender, age, race, distinguishing marks or appearance (i.e. tattoos, or facial hair),

If the suspicious person is traveling in an automobile, try to get the plate number. Use your cell phone to take a picture of their license plate and the vehicle. If you have a door camera- share your footage.

Be patient, but persistent, it may take time for an investigation to be completed. One of the most often reported crimes in our area, is thefts from cars. Please remember to always LOCK YOUR CAR!

We need everyone to keep our community safe. This is a wonderful place to live!! Let's all help keep it that way!

### Keep your kids safe! Know where they are and who they are with!

Make your house the "hang-out" house and you will always know where your kids are and who they are with. Kids can also be a part of keeping Carrollton Manor and Severna Park safe. Help them to stay strong, even against peer pressure. Talk to your children early and often about Internet safety, information accuracy, and the danger of posting personal information on social media sites. The internet is a great place to get, and share, information- but it may also contain bias, gossip, bullies, and predators.

For more info, visit: [www.netsmartz.org/Parents](http://www.netsmartz.org/Parents) or [www.kidshealth.org/teen/safety/safebasics/internet\\_safety.html](http://www.kidshealth.org/teen/safety/safebasics/internet_safety.html)

## Congratulations Carrollton Manor!

We finally have our permit, in hand, to begin rebuilding our Carrollton Manor Community Clubhouse. It has taken many years to make this project idea a reality, but we hope to break ground in January 2020. Many people have contributed time, ideas, research, expertise, and legwork to construct the foundation we will build on. **THANK YOU** to everyone who has worked, through the years, to help make a CMIA Clubhouse possible.

## Mark Your Calendars Now!

**March 10 or March 24 (TBD) – CMIA Key Day:** all CMIA beach keys, locks, and parking tags will change in 2020. Please make time to come to Key Day. Keys will not be available as “on demand” individual sales. We will try to set up at least one other day this summer, as we have done in the past, but that will be a “TBA” date when we are able.

**Spring Celebration and Egg Hunt** – details to come in March newsletter

**Late April/May - Community Beautification Day and Planting Day** – details to come in March newsletter.

**Watch our Website, Facebook page, March Newsletter, and signs posted at Sign Island for more information, dates, and events.**

## Tips for the Winter Season

### Winter is Coming!

It's the season for celebrations, family time, rosy cheeks, and keeping warm and cozy. There may not be as much activity around the neighborhood, but there are still some reminders for community life.

- Enjoy the snow, but stay aware. If you shovel, or blow, the snow from your yard, and driveway, Please, do not put it into the street or block your neighbors. Snow drift piles, natural or placed, can block visibility, hinder travel space, and melting snow can make for dangerous icy streets.
- When the snows come, remember to try and park on one side of the road so the plows can easily get through to clear all the streets. Do not park a vehicle within 15 feet of a fire hydrant or within 20 feet of a crosswalk or intersection.
- Always drive carefully on our narrow streets, the days are shorter, but people are still out and about,
- Watch out for your neighbors. As the holidays get close, packages on a porch are tempting - offer to sign for someone who can't be home for a delivery. Let a neighbor know if you will be traveling. If you ever see something that seems suspicious, report it!
- Clean up after your pets. Pet waste does not disappear from under the winter ice and snow - it still stinks, and the bacteria stills goes directly into the soil and waterways with the melting street runoff. Always pick up and dispose of your pet's waste properly.
- Please check out our past CMIA Winter Newsletters, posted on our website, [www.carrolltonmanor.us](http://www.carrolltonmanor.us), for some useful winter tips from DNR, and resources for winter family fun. The weather may be chilly, but there are lots of ways to stay warm and cozy, with games, crafts, and activity adventures.

For more information on dealing with winter, winter emergency preparedness, and how you can help your community be prepared, check out: During Snow Events [www.aacounty.org/OES/index.cfm](http://www.aacounty.org/OES/index.cfm) . Information on snow plowing and roads can be found on the AA co. website under the “Snow Information” tab.



## 2019 Community Picnic

The music played, the grills were lit, and the burgers were sizzling as CMIA neighbors gathered at HillBottom Beach to celebrate another year, and summer of fun, in Carrollton Manor. The day included volleyball, water play, fantastic raffle and door prizes, and delicious yummy food.

The CMIA Picnic is always a wonderful day to enjoy our community-, laugh with friends new and old, and just have one more great day playing at the beach before fall and winter come.

Once again, some local business donated fantastic gifts and services for our residents to enjoy. There were tool kits, blenders, and gift certificates for local restaurants and stores.

This year's picnic feast included marvelously delicious pizzas generously donated by Chris Paradissis's **Romilo's Resturant** and **Little Carmine's NY Pizza Kitchen**.

**Thank you! Thank You! Thank You!** to all the people who help to make the Carrollton Manor Community Picnic a wonderful day: **Bo, Megan, Makayla, Adam, Patty, Lisa, Kenny, John, Mark, Jen and Chris**. You all have gotten the hard work of putting together a picnic down to an art, and everyone who enjoys the day thanks you.

And THANK YOU to all the local merchants, and residents, who donated FANTASTIC items, gift cards, and services for our raffle and door prizes. Please remember these generous merchants when you shop. Thank our local businesses for their support for our community. Let them know you are a CMIA resident when you buy from them.

Savvy Consignments

Harbor spirits

Rivera's

Mutt & Joe

Ace Hardware

Szechuan

Edgewater Restaurant

Carolyn Rogers

Mark Marsteller

Little Carmine's NY Pizza (523 Benfield Rd)

Romilo's Restaurant and Bar (478 A Ritchie Hwy at Robinson Crossing)



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**STAND UP  
PADDLEBOARDING**

Classes Wed eve, Sun am or private  
lessons/small groups by appt.

Hillbottom Beach or mobile to local launches

[www.christidarcy.com](http://www.christidarcy.com)



## 2019 Community Picnic



**CMIA 2021 proposed budget**

<b>Income:</b>	<b>Tax Revenue \$150.00 per house x 548 homes</b>	<b>\$82,200</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	<b>AA County Administrative Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 2,000.00</b>
	<b>Administrative Expenses</b>	
	Clubhouse Administration (new line item)	\$ 2,000.00
	Meeting (slight decrease)	\$ 200.00
	Office (Stamps, pens, paper, ink)	\$ 100.00
	PO Box	\$ 100.00
	Storage (decrease by 6 months)	\$ 1,100.00
	Newsletter (printing & postage)	\$ 5,200.00
	Web Site	\$ 100.00
	Association Dues (GSPC, SRA, GAN, etc)	\$ 300.00
	Legal Assistance	\$ 3,000.00
	CPA/Accounting Firm (non-audit year)	\$ 5,000.00
	Security (increase)	\$ 13,000.00
	Liability and D&O Insurance (increase -adding clubhouse)	\$ 7,000.00
	Treasurer's Bond (required by SCBD regs)	\$ 1,500.00
	<b>Total Administrative Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 40,600.00</b>
	<b>Maintenance/Community Property Expenses</b>	
	Reserve Fund for Clubhouse ( New line item)	\$ 1,500.00
	Beach Keys/Locksmith	\$ 2,200.00
	Water Testing	\$ 1,000.00
	Taxes: Real Prop, SWR (increase)	\$ 2,100.00
	<b>Utilities</b>	
	Water (increase)	\$ 300.00
	Electric (increase)	\$ 1,700.00
	Internet (increase) Comcast	\$ 1,800.00
	<b>Groundskeeping</b>	
	Landscaping (includes erosion control at Crabaway)	\$ 15,000.00
	Beautification	\$ 9,000.00
	Animal Waste Removal	\$ 2,500.00
	Sanitation (Gotugo)	\$ 2,000.00
	Clubhouse Expenses (Chairs, Tables, Blinds, Security cameras, etc)	\$ 4,000.00
	<b>Total Maintenance</b>	<b>\$41,600.00</b>
	Capital Projects - improvements to ramp, Crabaway pier, clubhouse	\$78,979.20
	Future Projects	\$52,652.80





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## Connect with CM on the Web!



<http://carrolltonmanor.us>  
newsletters, forms, events, pics



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/312436932265345>  
private group - residents only

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/363537217823304> - **NEW!**  
CM neighbors helping neighbors

<https://www.facebook.com/carrolltonmanorpage>  
public page



[cmia@googlegroups.com](mailto:cmia@googlegroups.com)  
email the CMIA board

## Community Sharing Online

Facebook can be a wonderful way to share ideas and information, announce events, look for services, and communicate with your friends and neighbors. Our CMIA Community Facebook pages let us all know what is going on in our community and the area. However, when posting, please remember that we are a community.

Keep posts and comments respectful. We are all neighbors.

## Creative Volunteers Needed

We're looking for a creative volunteer to take over production of this newsletter. If you have experience writing, editing, or with graphic design, please get in touch with Lisa Bender about this opportunity to put your creative stamp on our community news!