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Neighborhood PSA: Please pick up after your pets and throw it away!

There have been <u>multiple</u> complaints from residents about dog owners not cleaning up after their pets. This includes:

- Picking up & bagging dog waste
- Throwing away pet waste bags in **your OWN** trash can

Please be considerate to your neighbors and clean up after your pets!

There is NO poop fairy! Please pick up after your dog.

Upcoming Meeting Agenda Tuesday, June 3 at 7:00 PM Severna Park Baptist Church

- Project Updates
 Crab Away Pier/Beach
 Hill Bottom Beach Projects
 Club House Property
- Committee Reports and Updates
- Local Area Activities
- Future Community Project Ideas
- Summer CMIA Events

Mark your calendars: CMIA Annual Picnic

Saturday, September 12th, 2pm Hillbottom Beach

Plan now to COME OUT and CEL-EBRATE LIVING IN CMIA. More info will be in the Fall Newsletter, or contact Bo Dant now to help out.

CMIA Mosquito Spraying

Beginning Tuesday nights in June, between 7 PM and 7 AM.

CMIA participates in the AACo. Adult Mosquito control spraying program. If you do not want to participate in the program, submit an exemption form to the MD Dept. of Agriculture and community association. Exemption applications are available thru the MD Dept. of Agriculture Program Supervisor at 410 841 5870, or http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/

MosquitoControlExemptionForm.pdf.

It is most effective when combined with community resident efforts to reduce availability of breeding grounds.

More information on the program is available at the MD State website http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/pages/mosquito-control-program

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<u>Summer Reminders</u>

It's summer in Carrollton Manor, the time of year when everyone comes out to play in our neighborhood. People are walking and biking, kids are swimming or fishing at the beaches, families are picnicking, and boaters are enjoying the river.

Here are just a few reminders to keep everyone safe in our community:

- <u>Keep all pets on a leash!</u> Even the best behaved pets can become overexcited or protective when playing around other people or animals.
- <u>Clean up after your pets!</u> CMIA provides dog waste bags at both beaches and around the neighborhood 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.
- The beaches belong to everyone in the community. Please be considerate of others and share the grill and tables. We have very limited parking carpool or walk! Keep any radios and music at a considerate volume. Please be aware of your conversations and language as sound magnifies near water and there are children around—our beaches are family friendly.
- Contact a BOD Member to host a beach party or gathering. Hillbottom Beach is very popular on summer weekends.
 It is not available for exclusive private use during the summer- especially on weekends. All gatherings must abide by the CMIA beach rules with respect and consideration of other beach goers and surrounding residents.
- <u>Clean up any neighborhood trash you see.</u> Here are the decomposition rates for some of the most commonly thrown trash and litter:

Styrofoam cup—50 years

Plastic bag 10—20 years

Aluminum can—80-200 years

Disposable Diaper—75 years

Glass bottle—1 million years

Paper towel—2-4 weeks

Paper—2.5 months Monofilament fishing line—600 years Cigarette Butts—10—12 years Plastic beverage bottle—450 years

Please remember how long these items may stick around. The next time you see litter or trash-pick it up.

- Watch your children in the water. Not all children are strong swimmers—there are no lifeguards on duty!
- <u>All cars MUST have CMIA Parking Stickers to park at the Hillbottom Beach lot</u>. Display your sticker on the wind-shield to avoid towing. Stickers and gate keys are available from Lillian Serio, 410-647-5450.
- **Do not block access to the boat ramp, street, or parking lot entrance** with cars, trailers or beach furniture.
- <u>Do not store watercraft on the beach or in the woods overnight</u>. Unattended boats will be considered abandonedand removed by CMIA without notice. The Hillbottom Beach Kayak Rack is not an open/public rack. Slots are assigned every year by a CMIA spring lottery. Unregistered kayaks or canoes on the rack will be considered abandoned property and removed by CMIA.
- Close the black gate and ramp gate.
- Stay off the sandy hill at HillBottom Beach. Climbing and playing on the hill is causing further erosion damage.

Highlights from March CMIA Meeting

- Upcoming CMIA Spring community events and dates were announced
- Jen is planning on organizing some 'Children's Events' this summer. Some of the ideas being considered are: Movie Nights, Craft Days, Sports, Games, and a possible 'camp-out'. Activities will take place at Hillbottom and Sunset beaches. Announcements of events will be posted on the CMIA FB Group "I live in Carrollton Manor," at sign island, and at Hillbottom. Please contact Jen Davis for more information, and to volunteer to help with events.
- Lisa presented the finalized plans and drawings for the CMIA Hillbottom Beach project. We have met with various county agencies, specialists, and representatives for years to complete these plans. CMIA has contracted with Matt Rodrick-McHale Landscaping, and Mike Helfrick- Gamma Engineering, for the construction portions of the project. Both Matt and Mike are experienced with 'Environmentally Friendly' Restoration Projects. Planting may be done by volunteers from SRA, WSA, local Boy and Girl Scouts, and CMIA. Work will begin after Memorial Day. Please watch for more announcements about this exciting project!
- Investigating options/ideas/possibilities and planning for a future rebuilding of the CMIA 'Club House Project' is continuing. There are no new updates.
- CMIA beautification and planting day, April 25th, will focus on native plantings at Crab Away, in the 'Living Shoreline', SunSet Beach, and other CMIA properties.
- Residents expressed concern with the increase of dog poop and used bags being left in roads and lawns.
 There was discussion of possible solutions. Community "poop stations" were suggested, however, individuals will be needed to take responsibility for the stations.
 The issue will continue to be discussed.
- The idea of 'Floating Gardens' was discussed.
- Names were collected for the upcoming 2015 'Kayak Rack' slip lottery. Names were also collected at March 14th Key Day, and by direct contact. Slips assigned in April.
- 'Family Fun Fridays' and Volleyball, at Hillbottom Beach to resume later this spring/early summer. Watch for announcement signs at 'Sign Island'.
- Volunteers are needed for welcoming new residents, organizing social events, and general community activities/maintenance. If you are interested in helping CMIA, come to the next CMIA Meeting, or contact a member of the BOD.



CMIA is on Facebook!

Join the group "I live in Carrollton Manor" for community updates, to meet new friends, and get to know your neighbors.

Attention Military Residents

MAJ. Jay Main is the military liaison for the community. If you are military and new to the community, please find him on the 'I live in Carrolton Manor' Facebook page.

Just an FYI....

Many people have been contacted by a website called 'NextDoor' 'CMIA'. This is a private, independent, website service that is not officially connected to Carrollton Manor.

The 'NextDoor CMIA' web group invitation (a postcard/mailing being sent out to CMIA residents) is **NOT** organized, official or SPONSERED by the Carrollton Manor Community Improvement Association. The 'official' CMIA website is www.carrolltonmanor.com, and the 'I live in Carrollton Manor' Facebook page. These are the sites CMIA posts info on. The 'Nextdoor' site may have a use, but is not part of CMIA.

Severn River Water Testing Programs

CMIA is participating with AACo Operation Clearwater Program to test and monitor the water quality at Hillbottom and Sunset Beaches. Results can be found here: http://ola2.aacc.edu/tldomanski/

Hillbottom beach is also tested biweekly by the-AACo Recreational Water Quality Program. Results can be found here: http://aahealth.org/programs/env-hlth/rec-water/reports

Mark Your Calendar Upcoming Community Events

June 2rd at 7:00pm—Summer Community Meeting:

At the Severna Park Baptist Church on Benfield Blvd. See the upcoming agenda on the front page. Feel free to come with any important community related questions, concerns, or ideas as well as meet some new neighbors.

June CMIA Book Club Meeting—Contact Kristin

Silva at ka_silva@verizon.net for more information about this month's selection and meeting.

September 1st at 7:00pm—Fall Community Meet-

ing: At the Severna Park Baptist Church on Benfield Blvd. The agenda will be in the Summer 2015 newsletter.

September 12th —CMIA Annual Community Picnic:

This annual fun-filled event is scheduled for September 12th from 2pm until we stop. 2014's picnic was a blast....good food, rocking music, great prizes, fantastic friends! Start looking forward to the fun now! Details to come in the Fall newsletter. If you would like to help coordinate this annual event, please come to the Summer community meeting with your ideas. See you there!

CMIA Family Fun Nights: Family friendly volleyball evenings have returned! Watch for details at Sign Island and join us. If you want to help, contact **Bo Dant at 410**-544-9556 but definitely come out and have some fun.

CMIA Preschoolers' Playgroup: If you are interested in taking over the CMIA Preschoolers Playgroup, please contact Beth Straub at bifh@netscape.net. Beth will no longer be organizing the playgroup.

CMIA Yard & Plant Sale a Success

Thank you to everyone who stopped by the CMIA tables at Sign Island on May 2nd. CMIA sold over 2 truckloads of beautiful native plants, flowers, annuals, veggies and herbs, raising almost \$400.00 to support CMIA Kids and Social activities. Thanks to everyone who donated items to CMIA.

Thank you to DIEHL'S PRODUCE for their support of CMIA and allowing us to sell on consignment to support our Social Fund Please remember Diehl's for all your garden and produce needs.

An extra big THANK YOU to <u>Carolyn</u>, <u>Jen</u>, <u>Don</u> <u>and Lisa</u>, who worked very hard to make this event such a great success for CMIA!

CMIA NAMED "UNITY GARDEN" GRANT RECIPIENT

Unity Gardens awards grants up to \$1,000 for community greening and improvement projects.

Our upcoming Hillbottom Beach improvement project was selected as a model for what communities can do to make a difference.

Grant funds received will be used to supplement the cost of the Bio-retention Cells/Gardens and native plant plantings. Plant identification will be available for everyone's information.

Using native plants, installing Bio-retention Cells and Rain Gardens is one way everyone can help improve the watershed we love, the Severn River and Chesapeake Bay.

CMIA Even More Beautiful

Once again, resident volunteers came out to our annual Beautification and Planting Day to make our community a great place to live all season long! With gloves in hand, Lisa, Carolyn, Jen, Kristin S., Roxanne, Kristin B., Lenny, Ryan, and Kelly planted beautiful annuals and native perennials around the community for everyone to enjoy. Ryan made the job a lot easier by helping dig into the hard soil as we installed many native shrubs, perennials, and grasses on Crab Away's slopes and shoreline. Once established, many of these plants will provide an inviting habitat for local wildlife, birds and fish. Thank you Jay for trimming some of our overgrown and dead trees.

As you watch our community blossom and bloom, please remember these wonderful people, and the hard work it took to make it happen!



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The Scoop on Poop

No one likes to think about POOP. Poop is icky. Everyone knows it.

And when it comes to pet poop, it is something a lot of people would prefer to ignore. We all love our pets! They are part of our family—but please remember that caring for your pet is more than just feeding, exercise, and play... it is also about cleaning up after them.

Often people think dog waste is 'natural' and only an inconvenience when we step in it. But dog waste is more than just unsightly and smelly—it is full of bacteria, parasites, and can contain transmittable diseases. EPA estimates that a single gram of dog waste can contain 23 million bacteria.

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), pet droppings can contribute to diseases animals pass to humans. When infected dog poop is deposited, the eggs of certain roundworms and other parasites can linger in the soil for years. Anyone who comes into contact with that soil—be it through gardening, playing sports, walking barefoot or any other means—runs the risk of coming into contact with those eggs. Some of the hard-to-pronounce parasites your dog's waste could harbor include Cryptosporidium, Giardia, Salmonella, as well as hookworms, ringworms and tapeworms. Infections from these parasites often cause fever, muscle aches, headache, vomiting, and diarrhea in humans. Children are most susceptible, since they often play in the dirt and put things in their mouths or eyes.

Every time it rains, bacteria in pet waste is absorbed into the soil and leaks into the local waterways. Dog poop left on roads and other hard surfaces gets washed directly into our Severn River, <u>untreated</u>, through storm drains and roadways.

When we let the dog out in the yard, we often leave waste there to dry. When taking our dogs for a walk, many people just let the poop stay where the dog leaves it, in the street, in the woods, on the beach, or on whatever lawn is most convenient. It is gross and most people don't like to touch or deal with piles of poop, but dealing with it is part of being a responsible pet owner.

WHAT YOU CAN DO......

- Be sure to always pick up where your dog "drops off." Keeping dog waste off the ground is one of the most effective (yet often overlooked) actions pet owners can take.
- Pick up pet waste from your yard. It is not a fertilizer.
- Carry disposable bags while walking your dog to pick up and dispose of waste properly. Be considerate of your neighbours, and take your bags home with you to deposit in your trash can. Do not leave bags by the side of the road, or in storm drains. The bacteria and fecal coliform can still leak into the waterways. When you dispose of pet waste in the trash, wrap it carefully to avoid spilling during collection.

Be a respectful and responsible pet owner and neighbor.

Poop happens....it may be icky, but it is a part of life.

CMIA has dog waste bag stations at Hillbottom and Sunset beaches, and on the corner of Severn and Manor Rds. Please take advantage of them and dispose of used bags responsibly!

A special thank you to CMIA resident Charlene for volunteering to help reduce the poop in CMIA and the Severn River! It is people like you who will help make a difference.



Classified Ads

Lawn Mowing: Busy schedule leaving no time to mow your lawn? Going on vacation and need your lawn mowed? Call Tyler Blue for all your lawn mowing needs. 410-972-5369

Babysitting: Need a babysitter? Call Kamryn Eveleth! Red Cross trained and responsible 9th grade SPHS Honor Student will watch ages 3 and up. Call 240-319-9928 or 410-544-5803.

Babysitting: I am a 10th grade Honor Student at SPHS. I have completed The Red Cross Babysitting CPR Course and am available on weekends to watch children. If you are in need of weekend care, please contact me, Mackenzie Clayton, @ 443 822 3880.

Student residents of CMIA can submit classified advertising services for free in the Eagle. Contact Asahi at asahieveleth@gmail.com to submit your free ad. Space is limited so act now.

Suspicious Activity?

If you see a criminal activity in progress, please call 911 and report it immediately and be prepared to give details.

If it is not urgent, please contact Sgt. Sgt. Newman at 410-222-6145. He is our Police and Community Together (PACT) representative.

If the problem involves a vehicle, have a description of the vehicle, such as make, model, color and the license plate ready. If the problem involves a residence, have the street address when reporting the situation.

The Anne Arundel County Police Department is committed to working with us, and we hope to become more involved in the Police Community Relations Council as well.

EXCITING IMPROVEMENTS COMING TO HILLBOTTOM BEACH

After almost 10 years of planning and investigating options, we finally have finalized engineering plans to improve Hillbottom Beach.

Plans include replacing the decaying timber retaining wall with a stone/boulder wall, installing 'Landscaping Infiltration Gardens' (similar to a Rain Garden), and stabilizing the hill with boulder berms and native plants that are recommended for slope stabilization and erosion control. All of this is designed to help control runoff and erosion.

Work will begin after Memorial Day. Work will be done in stages to minimize inconvenience or disruption to beach usage. Please do not remove\ or disturb materials on site during construction of the final project (we have had rocks and materials removed and/or stolen in the past) and PLEASE do not allow children to play in work areas. Everyone's patience and understanding will be greatly appreciated.

Watch for community signs and Facebook Group announcements if beach usage will be shortly restricted during construction. Keep in mind that Sunset Beach and Crab Away Pier are also always available for your summer enjoyment.

Again, THANK YOU for your patience for any inconvenience this project may cause [for a short time]. When all is done, Hillbottom Beach will be an even more beautiful and inviting beach and it will be "Bay Friendly"!

Hoppy Fun at the Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Hillbottom Beach came alive with the promise of Spring at the CMIA Easter Egg Hunt on Sat. March 28th. Scores of excited children swarmed the beach searching for the brightly colored eggs, filled with treasures, left by the Easter Bunny! The day was cold, but the fun had by all made it warm and sunny. Thank you to all the bunny helpers who made it happen!



Pier Ye, Pier Ye

Pier Slips: All slips are being 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,** please fill out the application found at 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.

Trailer parking at Hillbottom Beach: All trailers must be parked on the left (hill) side of the parking lot. Please remember how very limited our parking is and be sure to back your trailer in as far as possible. Trailer parking is not permitted in those spaces that abut the beach. Move your boat or vehicle out of the ramp area promptly.

The Five T's for Coping with Mosquitoes

Adapted from a Severna Park Voice article submitted by Mosquito Squad of Annapolis

In the wake of such a mild winter, we are anticipating a buggy summer. As we look forward to time spent out-side there are five T"s to help reduce the mosquito population in our yards and community. Mosquitoes need standing water for their eggs to hatch but can do so in <u>as little as a bottle cap or tablespoon of water</u>. Drainage ditches and ponds are not always the problem. Mosquitoes also hatch in places like gutters, planters and other poorly drained outdoor spaces. Almost everyone has their very own mosquito nursery.

- ⇒ **TIP**: Tip over any containers that can hold water for more than five days at a time such as rain gauges, out-door candles and planters.
- ⇒ **TOSS**: Toss any litter or unused containers in your yard and remove any trash bags or old tires. A female mosquito can lay hundreds of eggs in a soda bottle cap.
- ⇒ TURN: Turn over any large objects like wheelbarrows and canoes where water may collect.
- ⇒ **TARPS**: Tarps are a major contributor to standing water. Remove tarps whenever possible.
- ⇒ **TREAT**: Treat standing water. Utilize a mosquito-elimination barrier treatment around the home and yard. Using a barrier treatment reduces the need for bug spray on the body.

More tips can be found at: www.mda.state.md.us/plants-pests/mosquito control

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

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Next Meeting: Jun. 2, 7:00pm

Fall Meeting: Sept. 1, 7:00pm

S.P. Baptist Church, Benfield Rd.

