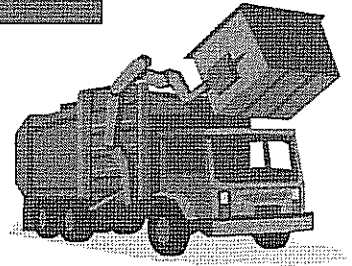


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A Message from the Property Manager

Spring is headed this way! Now is the time to send in your requests for architectural changes. This includes items such as house painting, decks, patios and fences, just to name a few. Any exterior items are required to receive architectural approval prior to beginning the project.

Annual Inspections will be happening in April. Take a look at the exterior of your units and determine if they are in compliance. Items that you may have been cited for in the fall and have not been corrected will be an issue again if you haven't taken care of them. A few of the key items to consider are:

Decks / Fences—in good order and compliant with Howard County Code.

Yards—free from refuse and debris. No excessive trash piled under a deck or behind the house.

Trees—All homes are required to have a tree in the front yards. If you have removed the tree a new one must be planted.

Siding and Paint—All homes should have approved paint colors and be free of cracking or peeling paints. Siding should be clean and free of holes or missing areas.

Toys—Children's toys and bikes are not to be left out in the front or back yards of homes.

Remember these inspections are performed to ensure that the community is being kept up to standard.

Thank you—Theresa Prochaska, Property Manager

DUMPSTER DAYS

Get rid of all of your unwanted items on
Dumpster Days!

Scheduled for May 2nd and 3rd

Reminder: Our community will be legally and financially responsible for any unacceptable items found inside the dumpster and for any items left outside the dumpster. Please make sure to put your items **INSIDE** the dumpster and not beside it.

- When filling the dumpster, fill only to 6" from the top — no higher, please.
- Load items so that the dumpster's door can easily be closed.
- Please breakdown larger items to help maximize dumpster space.

This event was organized for the Carter's Cove community only!

CARTER'S COVE

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

**KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR INFORMATION
ON THE DATE AND HOW YOU CAN
PARTICIPATE!**

Spring Cleaning

Spring is just around the corner and with it comes thoughts of making things "new" again— around the house and in the yard. Ideas to consider:

1. Consider donating used clothes to someone who might need them. The Salvation Army on Route 1 is close by and easy to access. They will come to your door (1-800-229-7156) and so will Purple Heart (410-712-0109). We also have a Planet Aid collection station at the end of Hidden Cove.
2. The Howard County Library accepts donation of books, audio books, CD's, videos, and DVD's at any branch. The East Columbia Branch on Cradlerock Way is our closest branch and could use our support.
3. Drop off your "treasures" to the Alpha Ridge Landfill—Residents Area. They accept clothes, old books, old electronics and more. It is a good place to look for an item you might be in need of (like parts or equipment). Visit www.howardcountymd.gov/DPW/recycling_area.htm for more information.
4. Hazardous wastes can be dropped off to the Alpha Ridge Landfill on Saturdays, April through November.
5. Alpha Ridge also accepts usable building materials, oil, antifreeze, automobile batteries, scrap metal, tires, propane tanks, latex paint, polyurethane foam. The landfill hours are Monday—Saturday, 8 am to 4 pm. For directions call 410-313-6419. There is no fees for Howard County residents.



ASK THE BOARD?

Q— How can I have a say and feel like I am a part of my HOA?

A - Communicate with YOUR Board

Attend meetings: Most meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday each month at Guilford Elementary School.

Watch the community bulletin boards for updates.

Visit our website where you can easily email the Board about issues of concern (www.carterscove.info).

Community Inspections will be performed in

April 2009

This will allow homeowners more time to correct any infractions they may have.

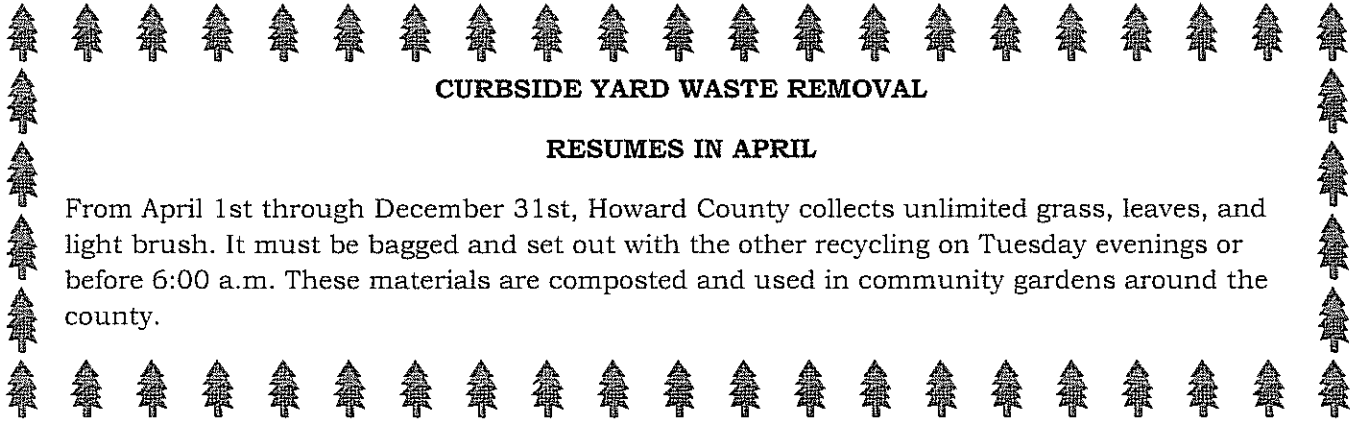
TRASH CLEANUP

Remember to pick up your trash and recycling containers promptly after the trash has been picked up. The community has experienced a lot of trash strewn around the neighborhood.

Trash should not be set out until the night before pickup. All trash must be in a can with a lid to prevent rodents and critters from getting into the bags and creating a mess.

Also, please put your house number on the trash cans and recycling containers so that they may be returned to you in the event of wind!





CURBSIDE YARD WASTE REMOVAL

RESUMES IN APRIL

From April 1st through December 31st, Howard County collects unlimited grass, leaves, and light brush. It must be bagged and set out with the other recycling on Tuesday evenings or before 6:00 a.m. These materials are composted and used in community gardens around the county.

In Your Neighborhood.....

Guilford Gardens is getting a make-over and is expanding. Howard Housing has just put up a website so residents can see what is happening. Visit www.guilfordgardens.com.

Let's get excited about what is happening to our community!



VERIZON FIOS

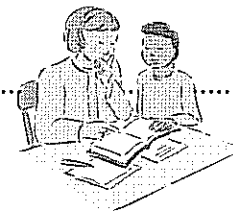
Attention residents considering Verizon FIOS service, you can request that the large white service box be installed in your basement and not on the front of your house. You MUST request this or they will automatically install it on the front of your home and will not offer the option.

Be a Good Neighbor....

Clean up after your pets. Just a friendly reminder to clean up after your pets in ALL common areas and personal property areas. The weather is becoming warmer and it isn't the responsibility of others to clean up after your pet.



Howard County will issue fines to correct this ongoing problem.



RAISING THE BAR EVENT

The Fourth Quarter Matters-Keeping Children Engaged

This is another Raising the Bar Event-just like before-where Guilford area parents focused on their children's academic success, can meet with teachers and administrators from Cradlerock Middle School, elected officials, community leaders and HCPSS staff to share ideas about helping our children set and achieve higher goals.

Set your calendar for Wednesday, April 22, 2009, at Guilford Elementary School cafeteria at 6:30 pm. If you are a concerned parent, you will NOT want to miss this event.

Thank you VOLUNTEERS!

In April volunteers across our country are celebrated for the work they do to make our communities a better place to live.

We would like to thank a number of Carter's Cove volunteers who have helped out this year:

The Board of Directors listed below and previous Board Members. Anne Towne –for her helpful additions to the Newsletter. And all the members of the community who have attended meetings and offered ideas to better our neighborhood.

We hope many of you will consider *ways you can volunteer* this coming year. In fact, here are a few opportunities:

1. Dumpster Days
2. Meet and Greet Annual Picnic
3. Neighborhood Watch
4. Social and Architectural Committees



Please contact the Board of Directors at www.carterscove.info

VANDALISM

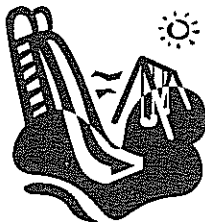
If you have any information regarding the vandalism of the playground in the Carter's Cove Community, please call:

Officer In-Charge: Officer Mark Richmond

Phone Number (Southern District):

410-313-3700

Reference/ Case Number: 08116710



Thank you for your cooperation!

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This is your community newsletter and your comments and articles are welcomed. Send your material to this newsletter care of Tidewater Property Management or email the board at: <http://www.carterscove.info/site/ContactUs/tabid/171/Default.aspx>

