



# Carter's Cove Chronicle

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## *A Note From The* **PRESIDENT**

Greetings, residents of Carter's Cove! October is our annual meeting; this is a very exciting time of year for our community. As the leaves change and daylight savings time ends, we elect new members to our board. I am happy to report that my "Call for help" was answered. For the first time in quite a few years we have a full board and a chairperson on every committee. To those who have so graciously volunteered I thank you in advance for your service to the community. For those who haven't stepped up to the plate yet, there's still time and vacancies on committees that desperately need your help. This year's meeting will include door prizes and refreshments so be sure to attend. Don't forget to complete your ballot for the new officers. Your vote is your voice. The ballots should be turned in during the Annual meeting.

It has been brought to my attention that residents and guests are speeding through our neighborhood; the speed limit is 15 miles an hour. Please monitor your speed and inform your guest to slow down. As the time changes, it will be getting dark much earlier, making it very difficult to see children playing and pedestrians in our roads SO PLEASE SLOW DOWN!

Remember this is your community. For those who want to know more or have some influence as to what is being done or not done; YOU need to attend the monthly meetings. All of the Board members and I look forward to seeing you there.

## **Social Committee**

By Carl Adolph

The Social Committee would like to remind everyone that there will be a few door prizes for some lucky attendants to our upcoming Annual Association Meeting on Thursday October 16, 2003. We will elect officers to the board, discuss upcoming community improvement projects, and as always, listen to your concerns. Anyone interested in joining the board, and/or becoming involved in your community, please don't miss this opportunity to get out and let your voice be heard.

The Social Committee would also like to make our residents aware of the implementation of a neighborhood watch program. We are looking for residential volunteers who take pride in keeping our neighborhood safe. This will be your program, operated by you and your fellow neighbors. If you are interested in keeping crime in our neighborhood at a minimum, please join us at our first meeting and help get this program off to a positive and productive start. An individual notice will be sent to all residents stating the date, time and place of this meeting. Please be on the lookout for your notice in the upcoming week or so. If you are interested in becoming a member or have some exciting ideas, please contact Carl Adolph (committee chairperson) at 410-309-4142 or email him at [Carl.Adolph@carterscove.info](mailto:Carl.Adolph@carterscove.info).

### **Did you know...**

- ... your trash should be put out in a trash can with a lid
- ... the number to contact BGE to report street lights out is 410-685-0123

## Fall Cleanup

We are planning a fall cleanup, so be on the look out for dumpsters. The dumpsters are provided exclusively to the residents of Carter's Cove and there are just a few rules for their use:

1. The dumpsters will be available only for the weekend – they will be picked up on Monday
2. Do not overload the container or deposit on the ground beside the dumpster. The container must not be filled above the top of the sidewalls
3. The county is not responsible for items deposited on the ground at any time during or after the clean-up program. In other words, the community would be financially responsible for the left-over trash and billed for it. This money would come out of what is collected for monthly dues and will take away from funds to cover other community projects.
4. The following items are **NOT** allowed in the container:
  - a. Garbage and recycling, including newspapers, that would normally be picked up on your regular collection routine
  - b. Remodeling and construction debris
  - c. Large tree trunks or branches (pieces under four feet in length are acceptable)
  - d. Earth, broken paving, large rocks and boulders
  - e. Hazardous materials (chemicals, flammables, explosives, etc.)
5. Trash should be loaded into the containers so that the rear or top door can be closed

## Trash Containers

Some residents are leaving their empty trash containers out for weeks at a time and it is a terrible eye sore. Please be advised that trash collection area is not an area for storage of your empty trash

containers, all trash containers should be taken back to your residence the evening after trash collection. **Please note any containers which are not removed from the trash collection area no later than Sunday afternoon will be discarded. Replacement of trash containers will be at the homeowner's expense.**

## Architectural Committee

By Theresa Huntington

The Architectural committee is working hard on the last revision of the Architectural Guidelines. New legal issues concerning satellite dishes surfaced at the last meetings. The committee is also working with Columbia Grounds to replace the downed trees from the Storm Isabelle. For those residents in the community, if you have recently taken down a tree or a tree was damaged, it is recommended to replace tree with some type of tree or bush.

We are evaluating bids for repainting the reserved signs in the parking spaces. Residents are still placing the wrong items out for trash. If you know who they are, report them to the property management company immediately.

The asphalt and the rest of the concrete have been placed on hold till the spring of 2004.

If you would like to take a more proactive roll in keeping your neighborhood beautiful please submit your name for Architectural Chairperson or member.

## Finance Committee

By JoAnne Fowler

Paying homeowner's association fees is important to help fund projects to keep our community looking its best! Please make it a priority to pay monthly fees on time to avoid Lawful Actions such as liens on your property. Everyone's participation is needed in order for us to keep the HOA dues down!

## Annual Meeting

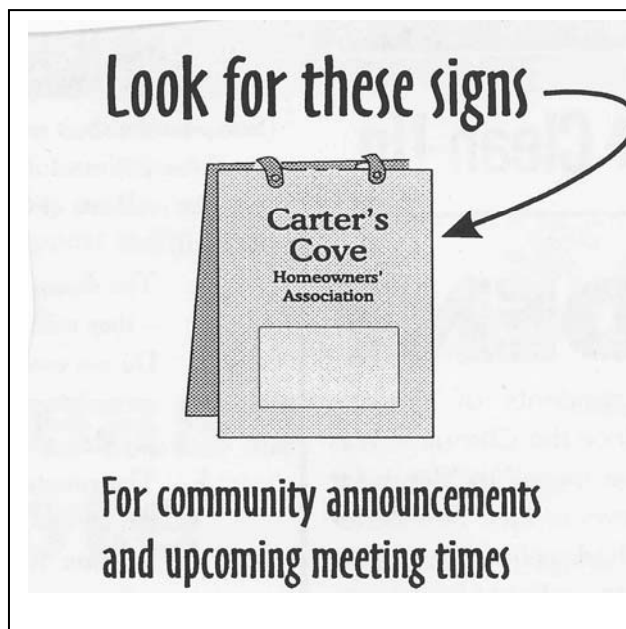
At the annual meeting we will discuss the following:

- Election of new officers.
- Budget for 2004 which will include a significant HOA dues increase.
- Long and short term goals.
- Ideas for community improvement
- Unveil the new and improved Carterscove.info website

## Communications Committee

By Tonya R. Taylor

The communications committee is working hard to improve your online experience while visiting [carterscove.info](http://carterscove.info). Soon you will be able to view all newsletters online, download architectural requests, view architectural guidelines and more. So check [carterscove.info](http://carterscove.info) often, the updated site will be available soon.



## Calendar of Events

October **Annual** HOA meeting  
Guilford Elementary School Music Room  
Thursday 10/16 7pm  
Elections, unveil the new and improved  
[Carterscove.info](http://Carterscove.info).

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[carterscove.info](http://carterscove.info)

November HOA meeting  
Guilford Elementary School Music Room  
Thursday 11/20 7pm

December HOA meeting  
Guilford Elementary School Music Room  
Thursday 12/18 7pm

If you see someone one leaving non-trash items please report them to Crest Property Management. Leaving these items not only causes the neighborhood to look like a dump, it will ultimately cause an increase in **YOUR HOA** dues.

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This is your community newsletter and your comments and articles are welcomed. Send your material to this newsletter care of the Editor to either Crest Property Management (address below) or email to: Tonya.Taylor@carterscove.info. All contributions are due by end of day on the first Thursday of the month in order to appear in the next month's newsletter.



### Trash and Recycle Pick-Ups

This is another reminder of the trash and recycle pick-up dates and times. Many of you are new to our community and should know about the trash and recycle pick up times. The trash is picked up on Friday mornings between around 6 a.m. Trash should be placed at one of the islands in the parking areas on Thursday evenings. **Because we want to keep our community looking its best, please do not put your trash out before 6 p.m.** Note: Grass clippings and trimmings from bushes and hedges are picked up on recycle days. Please do not put them out earlier or on trash days. Recycles should be placed in the same location on Tuesday evenings (after 6 p.m.) to be picked up on Wednesday mornings, around 6 a.m.

### Board Members

- President ..... vacant**
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- Member at Large ..... James Calvin

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- Architectural Committee ..... Theresa Huntington
- Finance Committee ..... vacant**
- Social Committee ..... Carl Adolph
- Communications Committee ..... vacant**
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