

# Cove Chronicles

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## *Special points of interest:*

- Cove Yard Sale, April 19th. Reserve your table, call the Cove Office 757-824-3465.
- Watch for details of the Marina Club "Grand Opening" - Coming Soon!

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## **Captain's Cove Hires New General Manager**

Please join me in congratulating Mr. Lance Stitcher on his promotion to General Manager at Captain's Cove Golf and Yacht Club.

After many interviews conducted by a committee of Board members, it was determined that the community would be best served at this time by an internal candidate. Lance recently completed the Community Association Institute course and testing to acquire his (CMCA) Certified Manager of Community Associations, which the board required all applicants to hold and also an (ASM) Association Management Specialist certification. After interviewing, the association Board unanimously recommended Lance for the position.

I know that we all wish Lance well and that he will have the full support of the community as we move forward in a very busy year.

The opening of our new Marina restaurant and pool complex will be a very time consuming process for all involved. We will need everybody's support to make this transition transparent to our members.

Thank You,

George Finlayson,  
Board President

## **From the Golfer's Corner:**

Winter is winding down and we are gearing up for the Spring Season.

The Golf Shop staff is preparing a Saint Patrick's Day mixed scramble to be held on Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Details will be posted on the Golf Shop bulletin board.

The staff and Golf Committee will be pre-

paring an active tournament program for our members and guests this year. We, the Staff, all look forward to providing another great year on our golf course.

Till next time...  
Fairways & Greens,  
Lance Stitcher



# SECURITY REPORT, By: Chief Giard

As previously noted in the November 2007 Cove Chronicles issue, the Department of Cove Security staffing level was increased. The increase in patrol coverage has, in my estimation, led to a decrease in the number of incidents taking place within our community. Although we are in our "off season", the continued efforts of my staff, along with those from the volunteers of Neighborhood Watch, have effectively mitigated the timeframe in which criminal activity may occur. That being said, dual patrols after dusk and through the late evening hours, particularly on weekends, has resulted in less criminal activity. In the last ninety days the D.C.S. has handled fifty-one calls for service, some of a serious nature but none of which suggest a developing pattern of increased criminal activity of a certain nature, such as robbery. We continue to investigate those who vandalize signage along the Corridor, but the evening joyriding has effectively been shutdown. We have incorporated a zero tolerance policy for loitering after dark and patrol protocol changes depending on the time of day and inci-

dents that take place which dictate changes in patrol patterns. I ask for the continued help from all of you in reporting suspicious activity promptly. Last, our General Manager, Lance Stitcher, has asked that I assist the Environmental Control Committee in helping to enforce the rules of the community. Please take the time to familiarize yourselves with those rules once again and be sure you are in compliance. Surely, all of us can be comfortable in knowing that said rules have allowed for the beauty of the community to be preserved and maintained as we grow. Efforts will be stepped up in educating those members of the community who are not aware they are breaking rules or wish to ignore them to the detriment of their fellow neighbors. The E.C.C. and the D.C.S. are hoping for a continued spirit of cooperation and in no way wish to be complicit in adopting a finger pointing mentality amongst our residents. We ask for your patience and understanding as we develop a program that effectively and consistently allows for the enforcement of rules fairly and equitably.

## Yachting Committee

I hope everyone had a good winter, and spring is in the air. We are all looking forward to the grand opening of the Marina Club.

Upcoming for the spring season is the Annual Kick Off Meeting, which will be held March 29<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 pm at the Greenbackville Fire Department's banquet hall. Our Annual Flounder Tournament will be May 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, (rain date – May 31<sup>st</sup> and June 1st).

The Yachting Committee will be hosting other activities

during the summer, watch future issues of the Chronicles and the bulletin boards for more information.

**We're looking forward to seeing you  
at our kick off meeting.**

Commodore Donald LeDuc

## Pot Luck Committee

Our Pot Luck in February was the largest we have had that month in our records. There were over 80 members and guests who brought a variety of wonderful food for all of us to enjoy. We had a lot of "sweetheart" desserts that were delicious!

The Easter Pot Luck comes on Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm at the Greenbackville Fire Department's Banquet Hall. We will



be supplying the ham and au gratin potatoes, so bring a dish to share. Remember that all paper products are supplied. Coffee and lemonade will also be available. If you wish to have something else to drink, please feel free to bring your own.

We would like to thank everyone who helps us in setting up and cleaning up at our dinners  
Jane French, Chairperson

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### LIBRARY PLANS FOR THE SPRING

The four of us on the committee are thinking ahead, past the snow and cold. We are planning the Library Fund raiser in April. The yard sale is April 19<sup>th</sup> and we will again ask the community to donate their "old, but good stuff" for us to sell. You can bring it to us or have us pick it up after April 1<sup>st</sup>. Just give one of us a call.

We will also be having a Bake Table, and your homemade desserts have grown into an annual hit. More details about that will be in the next issue.

The shelving for the new library has been ordered, and the actual usage of the building is in sight. Just a few more months of waiting, and it will be ready for all of us.

As always, thank you for all the community support to the library. It is what makes the whole project work. Donations and circulation.

Call us if you would like us to pick up your items for the yard sale. Barbara Greco 824-6358, Carole Milcarek 824-0121, Joyce Platterspiel 854-1352, and Barbara Tomlinson, Ch. 824-0409

## From the Angler's Corner:

It's a quiet time of year on our local waters. I had the good fortune of seeing many of our local fishermen at the Ocean City Boat Show this past weekend. The Boat Show always signals to me that it's time to start getting the equipment ready. The big news this time each year is the future of the flounder fishery and what will the regulations be? They should be determined in a matter of a few weeks. Right now, the likely scenarios revolve around a 19" minimum size, with a creel limit of 3-5 fish pending season closures either mid-summer, or a delayed season opening. Use these first few warm days to get your gear together, that way you'll be ready when it's time to go.

Till next tide...

Fairwinds & following seas,

Lance Sticher



## 2008 Stimulus Payments-Rebate Checks

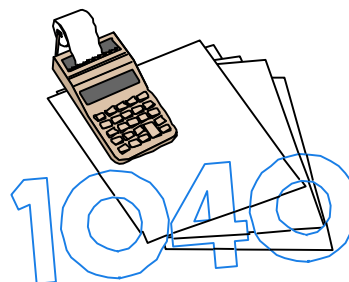
The President recently signed the Economic Growth Act of 2008. This act allows for rebate checks back to the taxpayer based on this year's taxes. There is a requirement that in order to get the rebate, you must fill out a tax return for 2007.

In accordance to IRS release IRS-2008-18, "Recipients of Social Security, certain Railroad Retirement and certain veteran's benefits should report their 2007 benefits on Line 14a of Form 1040A or line 20a of Form 1040. Taxpayers who already have filed but failed to report these benefits can file an amended return by using Form 1040X. The IRS is working with the Social Security Administration and Department of Veterans Affairs to ensure that recipients are aware of this issue".

Most taxpayers will receive two notices from the IRS. The first will explain the program. The second will confirm the taxpayers' eligibility, the payment amount and the approximate timetable for the payment. Taxpayers do need to save the second notice for when they file their 2008 taxes.

If you filed your taxes and had your refund directly deposited into your account, then your rebate will be handled in the same way.

If you would like more information, please go to the IRS website at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) and click on rebate questions. If you need any further help, contact your tax person or Helen Rudder at 757-665-6225.



# "Coming up at the Cove"

## Upcoming Events at Captain's Cove As of 03/01/08

Date/Time	Event	Other information
March 8, 2008 6:30 pm	(Easter) Pot Luck Dinner	<i>GVFD Banquet Hall</i>
March 15, 2008 4:00 pm	GVFD Beef N' Dumpling Dinner	<i>GVFD Banquet Hall (see flyer in this issue)</i>
March 17, 2008	St. Patrick's Day Golf Tournament	<i>See details on Pro Shop bulletin board.</i>
March 24, 2008 9:00 am	Board of Director's Meeting	<i>GVFD Banquet Hall</i>
April 5, 2008 10:00 am	General Manager's Forum	<i>GVFD Banquet Hall</i>
April 12, 2008 6:30 pm	Pot Luck Dinner	<i>GVFD Banquet Hall</i>



*Happy  
St. Patrick's  
Day!*