

# Cove Chronicles

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### Special points of interest:

- Annual Meeting of Members Saturday, November 3rd, Elk's Club, Pocomoke City, 10:00 am
- Basketball Turdey Shoot, Saturday, November 17th.

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## What's happening in The Cove? Water, Sewer, and Marina

There is plenty going on in The Cove these days. The water tower is complete, with the exception of power. We have been patiently waiting for Delmarva Power to provide service so that the Tower can be operational. All the piping and valves are in place, and the transition to service should be seamless.

At the Marina Club, the building is moving along. Delmarva Power should have the transformer in place and service hooked up by the time you read this. The site work has come along nicely; the parking areas and entrance road are all to grade and covered with CR-6, also known as Crush & Run. The final paving phase will happen in the spring when the asphalt plants re-open. Some of you will notice the curbing that is in front of the boat ramp. The curbing is part of the storm water management plan, and we are working with the architect to modify

the existing curb before the asphalt goes down. We want our boat ramp to be as easy as possible to use. Work inside the building is also progressing. The fire-sprinkler system is installed and has passed inspection. The electrical and plumbing inspection dates are coming up very soon. Drywall & Insulation will be starting in early November. At the October Board of Directors Meeting, the Board decided unanimously to lease the Food Service operation out as well as having the dining open to the public. This was seen as the best way to operate the Food Service to give our residents and guests the best dining experience we can, while keeping an eye on The Cove's budget. A search for a Restaurateur is beginning now.

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## Passing of a good leader, good friend.

It is with great sadness that I write this to inform you that Bob Wilkinson passed away on Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. Bob, along with being a good friend, was instrumental in moving the Cove forward during this transitional period. His council, expertise and professional contribution to the Cove will be remembered for a long time.

Bob's ideas also brought us the fun events that we all enjoy, like the Holiday House Decorating Contest and we all remember the great fireworks and kids

games at the July 4<sup>th</sup> picnic. His idea of a good community was one that was run well and where there was community involvement in numerous events. He was successful in both areas.

Bob, calling on his vast experience managing properties through out the country, contributed to the Cove in so many ways that there will not be a day that goes by that someone will not miss Bob and his input.

George Finlayson

## From the Golfer's Corner:

Looking over the links at the end of October, and all is green. That will change before long as the Bermuda tee's and fairway's take on their winter "tan." The golf course is in great shape even though we'd like to have a splash of rain from time to time.

As for upcoming events, the Men's & Ladies golf league are played year round, weather permitting. The men's league generally holds to a 9am starting time unless frost becomes a problem. The ladies starting time will move a little later as the fall cools. The season ending "Fall Outing" is being played Sunday November 4<sup>th</sup>, so make sure to sign up in the Pro Shop.



Don't forget to visit the Pro Shop for your Holiday shopping needs. We'll be here with gifts and stocking stuffers for all the golfers on your list. Till next time...



Fairways & greens,

Lance Stitcher



## Fall News in Library

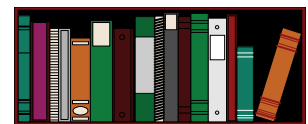
The library is being well used. We keep processing more and more donated books. Keep them coming.

We wish to thank everyone for their support at the yard sale. We appreciate all those who baked for our Baked Goods table, and all who came and purchased our food and other items. The food and items we sold helped us raise \$354.00. We will be meeting soon to decide how to best spend the money for the library. Some new books now? And in spring? We will publish our decision. We plan on returning to the spring yard sale.

We will be having a food table as long as management invites us. It is a nice tradition to have in the Cove, as well as a boost to our book selections.

The Library Committee:

Barbara Greco, Carole Milcarek, Joyce Platterspiel, Barbara Tomlinson, Chairperson



## From the Angler's Corner:

I look forward to fall for my favorite fishing of the year, and now summer won't go away? While the vast majority of our community has put their boats and fishing gear away for the year, the next two and one half months can be the best of the year. Flounder will be biting until the water goes below 50°. Striped Bass and blue-fish should be arriving shortly, but with water temperatures 74° Sunday at the inlet, the cool water species are going to be a while getting here. It won't be long and it will be time to drift eels around the bridges as well as the Chincoteague Inlet. As the water dips below

55°, it will be time to troll the shoals off the beach or trailer south to the "promised land," the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel.

For those of you who are finished for the year, remember, a little care in putting your equipment away can save you a good deal of time and money in the spring. Properly winterizing your boat / PWC isn't difficult, but you have to pay attention to the details. Remember, you can't catch them if you don't go. Till next tide... Fairwinds & following seas, Lance Stitcher

# Security Report

As your Chief of Security, I will occasionally be contributing to the Cove Chronicles to inform residents of the community about issues I consider pertinent. As our community continues to grow, the Department of Cove Security is experiencing an increased number of calls for service. As first responders in most instances, we are dedicated to the job at hand of protecting the residents and the assets of Captain's Cove and we ask that you call our department to report suspicious activity promptly. Our department has handled over 350 calls and although the vast majority relate to quality of life issues, we are seeing an increase in crimes of opportunity relating to petty thefts. We ask that you secure your personal belongings in your sheds or garages and lock your homes when away. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure and will mitigate calls relating to theft substantially. Your community is a safe haven in which to enjoy the amenities within and it is my pleasure to inform you that the Department of Cove Security does its job to ensure that reputation does not change. High visibility incidents such as the spate of vandalism within the community that occurred at four distinct times from

early in the spring through early fall has led some to believe that the community is under siege by criminals in general. That is not the case, but it does not allow us to be any less vigilant in our efforts to stay ahead of the curve. Our department will be supplemented by another fulltime security officer to ensure increased coverage of the community as we head into the upcoming seasons. In closing, be mindful that we offer a house watching service if you are away and you need only to call us to be added to the list. Also, take the time to check your exterior plumbing for proper insulation to avoid broken pipes and follow up with the main office to ensure we have a reach number for you in case of an emergency. Last, take a look at the front of your home and ask yourself if the house number is easily recognizable from the street by emergency personnel should a need arise. I would like to take the time to thank Neighborhood Watch for their efforts and ask that anyone interested in joining their group to call Gail and Jud Wright @ 854-1919, the new chairpersons. Happy Thanksgiving everyone!!  
Chief Giard

## Pot Luck Committee

The first Pot Luck of the fall season was our Italian night on Saturday October 13th. There was a lot of good Italian food, including some very good desserts. We had 75 members and guests, including 20 new people to Pot Luck.

Our Thanksgiving Dinner will be Saturday, November 10 at 6:30 pm. Reminder that we supply turkey, dressing, potatoes, gravy, coffee and lemonade. Please bring a dish to go with our Thanksgiving Dinner.

Mark your calendar for our Holiday Pot Luck on Saturday December 8th. Watch the newsletter and flyers for more information.

Please remember that we supply all paper products and silverware. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact a committee member.

Jane French, Chairperson

## Yard Sale.....Huge Success

On September 29<sup>th</sup> the Yard Sale was held at the Cove Commons. 38 tables were manned by Cove residents. There were plenty of customers and the weather cooperated 100%! This was the most attended Yard Sale ever.

The Library Committee was gracious enough to supply a "Food Table" where sellers and buyers could purchase refreshments.

We plan on having the same success next spring. So over the winter, store away your items and come out and join us.

Thank you to all the participants.



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And lastly, is the sewer. The Captains Cove Utility Company had applied to the state of Virginia for a treated waste water discharge permit in 2005. The topic has been highly debated since then in the local community. On October 11, 2007, Judge Tyler of the Accomack County Circuit Court of Virginia released a 15 page legal opinion deciding the appeal of the case. The findings were in favor of the Utility, Captains Cove Utility Company Inc, and as such, the Judge has ordered the State Water Resources Board to Issue the Permit. Once the permit is issued by the State, it will be possible for the Utility Co. to move forward with upgrading the sewer plant and to expand the capacity of their system.

Lance Stitcher  
Acting General Manager;  
Operations Manager



## **Annual Holiday House Decorating Contest**

The "Competition" is heating up!  
There will be a Holiday House  
Decorating Contest.

To participate, come to the office to register.  
The fee is \$5.00  
(which is donated to the GVFD)

There will be prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places.

The Judging will take place on Monday,  
December 10th.  
(When the sun sets, so that all the  
decorations can be lit)

## **Annual Basketball/Turkey Shoot**

Again this year we will have the Basketball Turkey Shoot.  
There will be several age groups. The winner of each age group will  
receive a Turkey. Also, each participant will  
receive either a can of cranberry sauce or package of stuffing.  
In the past there has been great fun in each category.

The date is Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup>.

Sign up will start at 11:30 am.

"Shooting" will begin at completion of sign up.





So bring all your family & friends and  
join in the fun!



# "Coming up at the Cove"

## Upcoming Events at Captain's Cove

As of 11/01/07

<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Other information</b>
November 3, 2007 10:00 am	Annual Meeting of Members	<i>Elks Club, Pocomoke City, MD</i>
November 10, 2007 6:30 pm	Thanksgiving Pot Luck Dinner 	<i>Greenbackville Community Center</i>
November 17, 2007 12:00 Noon	Annual Basketball Turkey Shoot  	<i>Basketball Court at Town Center</i>
December 8, 2007 6:30 pm	Holiday Pot Luck Dinner	<i>Greenbackville Community Center</i>
December 10, 2007	Annual Holiday House Decorating Contest Judging 	<i>Register at the Cove Office to be Included (\$5.00 fee, to be donated to the Greenbackville Volunteer Fire Department)</i>
December 22, 2007	Santa Arrives on the Fire Truck	<i>Santa will visit the Cove to check on Children of all ages!!</i>

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL !**

