

CARRCROFT CIVIC ASSOCIATION

YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD NEEDS YOU

Please submit your 2019 Civic Association Dues if you have not already done so. These dues are part of your civic responsibility required to keep our neighborhood safe and clean. Approximately 90-95% of our dues go towards lawn care and stick/leaf removal on the malls, flowerbed maintenance at the neighborhood entrances, and snow removal on our roads. We need everyone's support to ensure that we can continue to provide these benefits that contribute to both the beauty and safety of our neighborhood. Additional benefits provided by our dues are as follows:

- Electricity for street lights, street signs upkeep (approximately 3% of dues)
- Children's events (Halloween and Easter Parades) (less than 1% of dues)
- Welcome Baskets for new residents (less than 1% of dues)

As neighbors, we all have a stake in the health and attractiveness of our neighborhood. As homeowners, we also have a financial stake in the same. **Failure to pay your civic dues obligates your neighbors to carry the full burden**, which should be equally distributed amongst all of us. Starting with this newsletter CCA has made the decision to post the addresses of homes delinquent in payments for 5+ years. The owners were notified well in advance that this outcome was to occur if prompt payment was not received by March 15th. Please remember if a sufficient number of Carrcroft residents do not pay their dues we will need to raise the modest cost in order to afford services for all.

Please submit your 2019 CCA dues payment of \$50 (paid to "Carrcroft Civic Association") to the CCA Treasurer, Ed Redfield, 1207 Covington Rd, Wilmington, DE, 19803. If you already paid your 2019 dues, we thank you. We are all part of a wonderful community, and we need everyone's help to keep it this way.

CIVIC ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS

The CCA Board elections occur each May. This year we will be inducting a new president and will have additional openings as past members depart. Please consider devoting your time and energy towards the betterment of the neighborhood. The commitment is limited as we meet but a few times outside of the semiyearly community forums. We are always seeking fresh ideas and perspectives and you, dear reader, have many to share! If you have further questions regarding responsibilities please contact one of the Board Members.

Homes Delinquent in Dues Payments 5+ Years

615 Baldwin Lane	1102 Lakewood Drive
106 Baynard Boulevard	1105 Lakewood Drive
513 Brentwood Drive	1108 Lakewood Drive
901 Carrcroft Boulevard	1200 Lakewood Drive
201 Churchill Drive	1217 Lakewood Drive
1208 Covington Road	719 Marsh Road
506 Crest Road	1103 Marsh Road
1209 Evergreen Road	1105 Marsh Road
1210 Evergreen Road	1107 Marsh Road
208 Glenside Avenue	1116 Marsh Road
218 Glenside Avenue	1210 Marsh Road
1204 Heather Lane	1212 Marsh Road
1206 Heather Lane	1213 Marsh Road
1215 Heather Lane	404 Overbrook Avenue
xxxx Hillside Boulevard ^a	1202 Red Leaf Road
1220 Hillside Boulevard	1206 Red Leaf Road
1303 Hillside Boulevard	106 Rowland Park Boulevard
606 Ivydale Road	409 Rowland Park Boulevard
608 Ivydale Road	802 Wynnewood Avenue
611 Ivydale Road	

^a.Address withheld as adequate advance notice was not possible prior to newsletter printing.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Easter Egg Hunt, April 6 at 3:00 PM (rain date 04/07/2019). A family-friendly event! Please contact Angela May at 302-229-2819 with any questions or suggestions.

CCA Community Forum, May 15 from 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM. Carrcroft Elementary School Library. Meet the CCA Board to discuss the business of the neighborhood. As always invitations will be extended to officials at the County and State level.

Carrcroft Family Picnic, July 14 from 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM (rain date 07/21/2019) at the grounds of the Carrcroft Elementary School. This is a potluck style event. Please visit the link below to sign up. This was also emailed to residents on the CCA email list – the next section contains info about registering for the list.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f054da8a82ca0f49-summer>

Community Yard Sale, September 7 from 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM (rain date 09/14/2019). An advertisement will be placed in The News Journal and on NextDoor.com. Everyone is welcome to participate.

Dates are subject to change. Please visit the website for up to date information.



CARRCROFT WEBSITE

Please visit <https://carrcroft.org> to review upcoming events, meeting minutes, codes & guidelines, and important phone numbers. While you are there be sure to enter your contact information on the homepage and send us an email message at carrcroftcivicasociation@gmail.com if you have any questions.

WELCOME, NEW RESIDENTS!

The CCA is excited to meet you! It is challenging to keep up with all the new faces in such a large community. Please help us welcome new folks to the neighborhood by dropping us a line or telling them about the website in order to help them get properly acquainted.

YARD SALE

Last year your president neglected to set a rain date for the September yard sale. And it rained (a lot) — what an amateur. Don't fret, there'll be a rain date this time, but it is worth asking if anyone would like to help coordinate this beloved event. Please inform the Board if you are interested! We know many people enjoy the neighborhood yard sale, and it does not take much time to help organize it.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

During the winter season of 2018 an anonymous individual with a generous heart spread some holiday cheer by decorating the Carrcroft signs. Angela May has dedicated her time to organizing the Easter Egg Hunt and Halloween parade. Ben Wagner spent part of his weekend distributing flyers for the past holiday caroling event. Many thanks for your efforts!



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

And now his watch is ended... alas I must relinquish the title of CCA President as I have reached my term limit. There are those who will remember me as a megalomaniac — doling out, “Your fence proposal— WAS DENIED” and “Thanks for continuing to park on the malls— that OUR DUES GO TO FOR UPKEEP” letters with reckless abandon. Far many will not remember me, which is fine too since I did not join CCA for the glory. I confess I leave office unsure how to tackle the most basic issues that have plagued us for years. For some peculiar reason there are those people who let their dogs defecate all over the place and assume that fecal fairies will magically whisk the turds away. Others drive the streets of Carrcroft like they're frantically fleeing from the zombie apocalypse. The CCA will continue to fight the good fight and strive to improve the neighborhood conditions. This statement presumes that everyone understands **we are volunteers** and at the end of the day **we need your help to succeed in our mission**.

Finally, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to those members of the Board (past & present), and of the community in general, who have often reminded me through their words and actions, just how special this place is. Carrcroft is comprised of many diverse, caring individuals, and I am fortunate to have met more of you through this experience. Thank you.

All the best,
Bryan Kunitsky / CCA President

REGARDING TRAFFIC CONCERNS

<insert relevant paragraph from last newsletter... or the one before that... or previous to that> You probably get the idea. This section is typically written for those who will either immediately disregard the warnings or willfully ignore them. To summarize, in the past year alone the Board has raised numerous concerns about speeding, illegal U-turns, blown stop signs, double parking, etc. to your representatives, NCCPD, Carrcroft Elementary leadership, and DelDOT. There will be no crossing guards posted to Crest Rd., and for that matter, no speed bumps installed in the near future although inquiries were made about these traffic calming strategies. We have requested random police patrols and a radar speed sign, but it takes a village to get things accomplished. If you desire real change then come to the community meetings, and let our representatives hear from you directly.

WASTE (... namely that of your dog)

Ok, well, not your dog, per se. You are a responsible individual who surely would not leave Fido's excrement perched along the curb or scattered about the malls. But there are those among us that do not abide by common standards of decency. Lucky for them my proposal of flying drones around Carrcroft to capture such violations, then using the subsequent footage for a public shaming campaign, was overruled by every single sane person I conferred with on the matter. Instead, here is a plea to please clean up after your pet and keep everyone's shoes pristine.

FENCING PROJECTS

The fence guidelines exist as a supplement to our antiquated deed restrictions that merely state wrought iron, cattle bone and snow were historically acceptable building materials for your fencing needs. The current guidelines are available on the website carrcroft.org for all to review. We kindly ask you to adhere to those guidelines and seek approval of CCA and your direct neighbors before starting your project.

CCA BOARD 2018 - 2019

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