

# Crain West Community Association Membership Letter

July 2025

## A Note from your CWCA President:

This year's letter comes to you a bit later than usual, as I had high hopes that the Board and I could provide more concrete info about the pavilion project. Unfortunately, due to no fault of our own, we don't have a solid date for the groundbreaking at this time. Things continue to move along in the right direction, and our permit specialist assures us that we are close to approval. In fact, letters went out this week to any residents within 300 ft of the rec area, to officially inform them of the pavilion permit request. I'd like to again thank, and applaud all of our community members who supported this project. It's truly a testament to the love our residents have for Crain West. The pavilion will definitely be a beautiful addition to our community, and something to celebrate in the near future.

We've had several great food truck events, a real nice St. Paddy's Day court in session, an epic last day of school water balloon battle and ice cream social, and an awesome independence celebration and camp out on July 5th. We have also had a rebranding of our garden club to focus more on social gatherings, with its flagship event being a successful and super fun trivia night. Please keep an eye out for more awesome events from "The Club". And there is still more on the horizon for 2025 with the upcoming creation of a community fairy garden at the Book Nook, our Annual Fall Festival on October 18, the Halloween Hangout and trick-or-treating, and of course, our holiday tree lighting in December.

So once again, the CWCA asks for your membership and support this year to continue providing family focused, and all-inclusive events in our community, while working to beautify and maintain our shared spaces.

CWCA annual membership continues to be a modest \$75 per household, which grants you access to our recreation area and all the perks outlined in this letter. This is an amazing community to be a part of, and I continue to be proud to be at the helm of our Crain West Community Association. Thank you all for your continued support and participation in this fantastic neighborhood.

The Board would like to thank Mr. Jim Coolbaugh for his many years of dedication and service to the Crain West community. Jim has moved after living here for 20 good years and holding a number of positions in the CWCA. Jim assures us that he will be back in the neighborhood regularly, but we want to take the opportunity to show our gratitude for his contributions to Crain West.

Thank you, Jim!



*In Memory of...*

Kimberly Box  
Rick DeCicco  
David Putsche  
Gloria Straut

*Remembering our dear community members that are no longer with us.*

CWCA kindly requests your \$75 membership dues by 8/15/25

Please use the enclosed slip for membership payment. Everyone who pays their dues before August 1 will automatically receive a raffle ticket for the Fall Fest raffle on 10/18/25.

How does your CWCA membership benefit you as a community member?

- Allows access to our recreation areas.
- Gets CWCA Representation/Membership on the Greater Severna Park Council.
- Helps to finance community-sponsored events.
- Pays for CWCA Taxes & operating costs.
- Funds efforts to beautify our shared spaces.

And much more!

## CWCA Upcoming Events

Court in Session - 8/23/25

Fall Fest - 10/18/25

Halloween - 10/31/25

General Meeting - TBA

Christmas Tree Lighting - TBA

**Visit [crainwest.com](http://crainwest.com) and the Crain West Facebook group  
for more details about upcoming events!**

## Thanks to our CWCA Board Members for volunteering their time!

During semi-annual general meetings, the Board of Directors report to the membership, receive input, and discuss pressing issues affecting our community.

The Board also keeps the membership posted on current events through flyers, email, and social media. If you have an issue you feel should be brought before the association, or raised at a general meeting, contact any of us.

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