

## Church Point Post

Homeowners Association Quarterly Newsletter

## **Annual HOA Meeting** Set for Tuesday, Oct. 30

Please plan to attend the annual homeowners' meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 30, starting at 6:30 pm. Check-in starts at 6:00 at the Bayside Rec Center.

The main item on the agenda is election of Board members. Board President Peter Burke will also present his annual report and next year's budget, and there will be opportunity for homeowners to ask questions of the Board members.

If you cannot attend, please complete the proxy form and return it to Select before the meeting or give it to a neighbor who is attending. This will help ensure we have a quorum.



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## "The Perfect Party" So come eat, drink, be merry, and SHOP!

Sunday, November 11, 2012 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Church Point Manor House 4001 Church Point Road, Virginia Beach

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## **President's Corner**

By Peter Burke, HOA President

#### Neighbors,

For some it is sad to see the end of Summer but for others the cool, crisp days of Fall and the upcoming Holidays bring an added level of excitement. Fall is also time for our annual meeting scheduled to be held on Tuesday, October 30th at 6:30 pm at the Bayside Recreation Center (check in starting at 6:00). As always, all homeowners are encouraged to attend and of course vote. This year we have two Board of Director seats up for election as the current two-year terms expire for myself and Ray Hamilton. Although I am running again for the opportunity to continue to represent you, the homeowners of Church Point on the board while focusing on continuing to the make Church Point the premier neighborhood in Virginia Beach, we are saying goodbye and thank you to Ray Hamilton. Ray has served for three years on the HOA Board of Directors and we can't say enough about the contributions and the value of the experience, guidance and steadfast dedication to Church Point that Ray provided to homeowners while on the Board.

Fortunately to date, we have had minimal storm-damage related issues this year and no hurricanes. The Board is finalizing plans with the City to commence some tree replacements this Fall in the Commons Area along Church Point Road and recently repaired and re-paved the bike path along the Gazebo Park to Thoroughgood to ensure it is safe for joggers and bikers. The Board is finalizing the 2013 HOA Budget and no planned dues increase is projected for homeowners. The Board is also considering the feasibility of installing a brick monument sign at the Mews entrance. Finally, the City is commencing some repairs to the drainage infrastructure immediately adjacent to the Lake and the Board will continue to review and discuss options to stem the risk of continued flooding in the Mews during strong storms. I look forward to seeing many homeowners at the Annual meeting and hope you join me in enjoying the upcoming holiday season in Church Point.

### Neighborhood Watch by Kim Burke and Betsy Guglielmo

As a reminder, Halloween is Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from dusk until 8 p.m. for children 12 years old and under. If you are out driving that evening, please be sure to watch for children trick-or-treating and remember to keep your speed down. Many costumes are dark in color and although it is highly recommended that children have reflective clothing and flashlights, that is not always the case, so please be vigilant.

In addition, with the holiday season quickly approaching, please remember the following safety tips below.

- Consider shopping with a friend or family member.
- Park in a well lit area.
- Be aware of your surroundings when walking to your vehicle.
- Please keep all items out of sight or stored in the trunk of your vehicle.
- ➤ Before leaving a store, be sure to have your keys in hand before approaching your vehicle. Do not search for them in the parking lot.
- Carry minimal items in your purse. You might want to consider separating your cash and putting it in different pockets.
- Upon arriving home, don't leave packages in your car in view.

In closing, if you see suspicious activity, call the VBPD non-emergency # 385-5000. If you are currently not participating in the Church Point Neighborhood Watch Program and would like to or are interested in being a block captain, you can e-mail us at <a href="mailto:cpnw.churchpointhoa@gmail.com">cpnw.churchpointhoa@gmail.com</a>.

#### AREC Corner – Fall 2012

By Ron Creamer, Chair Architectural Review and Enforcement Committee

The cool days of Fall are upon us and that provides a great time to perform some maintenance and upkeep to your homes. Although a great time to plant grass seed and clean up landscape beds in preparation for Fall/Winter flowers, etc it is also a great time to look at pressure washing homes and fences. As always, our focus is to ensure the continued exterior appearance of our community or "curb appeal." This curb appeal is defined as what can be seen by your neighbors and also perspective new neighbors driving through to look at our community and potentially buy homes for sale. Church Point has always been known for well manicured yards and well maintained homes and fences so please help us in keeping that tradition. It is a tradition that stems from homeowners taking proactive stances that their home's appearance is an outward extension of themselves and how they want to be viewed and perceived by neighbors. Not taking care of your yards, letting your homes turn green or black with growth on siding, fences, driveways and mailboxes and also leaving your trashcans in view during the week are not the appearance we need in Church Point nor hopefully what the perception you want neighbors to have of you.

Although not a new rule by any measure, the recent enforcement of trash can storage after many years has challenged a handful of homeowners. Almost all homes were originally built in Church Point with this rule taken into consideration providing access through fences or alcoves on the sides or homes to store cans out of view. Your neighbors especially, should not have to see or smell your trash and neither should others. Your trash cans are required to be stored out of the line of view from the front of the home. Again, this is direct curb appeal of your home as well as general consideration for your neighbors and a perception for potential new owners.



Finally, as a reminder, any exterior changes to your home requires an AREC application, available on the website, and please remind your contractors that they cannot post signs in your yards and that Church Point has mandatory quiet hours from Sat at 6PM to Monday morning – that especially includes power equipment and lawn mowers on Sundays. If you have questions or special concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us: <a href="mailto:arec.churchpointhoa@gmail.com">arec.churchpointhoa@gmail.com</a>.

Again, thank you for doing your part to help maintain and enhance the appearance of our neighborhood.

### **Church Point Garden Club**

By Laura Jacobson, 1st Vice-President of the Garden Club



Autumn is upon us as trees begin to change color and a slight coolness in the air marks the end of summer. It is a busy time of the year as we prepare our landscapes for the coming seasons by aerating, seeding, and pruning. Consider organic treatments rather than toxic chemicals in your yards and gardens.

For more information about organic gardening visit this website <a href="www.organicgardening.com">www.organicgardening.com</a>.

Our calendar for the remaining year is filled with programs such as garden and home tours, floral workshops, maintenance at our entrances, and holiday decorations.

Our annual Santa and Mrs. Claus at the Gazebo date is Sunday, December 9th, starting at 1:00 pm, with a rain date, December 16th. (Please note the change to Sunday rather than Saturday.)

Upcoming Council activities include a **Holiday Home Tour** at the home of our Garden Club President, Suzie Duckworth, on Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup> from 10am – 4pm. Please contact Laura Jacobson for ticket cost and additional information at 363-7524. Holiday baked goods will be sold during the tour at the Bishop's Court Club House. This event is open to the public. Additional Council program information can be found on their website, <a href="https://www.vbgardencouncil.com">www.vbgardencouncil.com</a>, and in the local newspaper.

Church Point Garden Club will be involved again this year in the Holiday Historic Homes Tour on Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, decorating the Whitehurst-Buffington House for this event. Ticket and tour information will be available on the Council website.

If you are interested in joining our Garden Club, or would like more information on our activities, you may contact me at 363-7524.

#### **Landscape of the Month Program:**

Submitted by Mary Jane Morewitz, Chairperson

Congratulations to the following Church Point Homeowners for their outstanding efforts in landscape design and maintenance:

AUGUST (The GC President's Award) – Warren and Robin Miller, "The Quays & the Commons East"

SEPTEMBER – Doyle and Fran Quisenberry, "The Mews"

OCTOBER – Gary and Eileen Gower, "The Commons & Bishops Court"

NOVEMBER – winner to be announced in the next newsletter

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### Church Point Social Committee News



By Carrie Lauck and Bobbie Hart

We hope everyone had a chance to enjoy some of the great social events in Church Point this summer:

- The happy hour meet-ups at Chick's Oyster Bar remained a popular event. (Thanks, Colleen Jakubowski!).
- > The Wine-N-Music at the Church Point Manor house in July was a smashing success! (Thanks, Edie Schlain!).
- In early September, the Tiki Bar Band delivered another fun-filled evening of music with songs that we all know by heart, wrapping up the Music in the Park series for 2012.

Now, for exciting news for the rest of 2012! On Saturday, October 27th at 3 pm, the second annual children's Church Point Halloween Parade will kick off at the gazebo. Please come dressed in costume to join in the fun for this free event. Participants will march west along Church Point Place towards the Caversham Mews entrance and back to the gazebo. Don't forget to bring along your pre-carved pumpkin to be judged in the contest and plan on sticking around for more crafts and fun!

We are very pleased to announce the Church Point Holiday Party at the Manor House, catered by The Cellars on Saturday, December 1st from 7-10 pm. As previously mentioned, the last event held there was so well received that it needed repeating; and what better time to come together than at the holidays? Tickets are \$40 per person and will include heavy hors d'oeurves and two drink tickets. The Cellars will serve beer, wine and select liquors and will offer a cash bar should your tickets run out quicker than the evening. Decorated for the holidays, the historic Manor House will serve as a festive back drop to kick off the season. Tickets are limited to 70 guests and are available now by dropping off your name, email address and payment to Edie Schlain at 4604 Church Point Place. Please do not wait as this event is expected to sell out. All RSVP's must be in by November 22. If writing a check, please make it out to Edie Schlain, not the HOA. This evening really has the makings as the premiere event of the year, so please come out and join in the fun.

Finally, we are excited to be hosting the second year of the Church Point Holiday Lights Contest! It is not too early to start planning your decorations to be one of the four elite winners for 2012. With so many spectacular neighborhood displays, last year's judging was no small feat! We are already looking forward to enjoying the beautifully lit streets of the season. Judging will take place on Wednesday evening, December 19<sup>th</sup>. Check out the neighborhood Facebook Page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/churchpoint">www.facebook.com/churchpoint</a> for pictures of last year's winners.

As always, thanks to everyone for supporting the various events hosted by the Social Committee. Please feel free to contact us with any suggestions or to join in the fun and become a committee member by emailing <a href="mailto:social.churchpointhoa@gmail.com">social.churchpointhoa@gmail.com</a>. Special thanks to the 2011 Board of Directors for their unwavering support to our committee. Hope to see you soon!

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Door prizes are a \$1.00/chance. Cash and checks accepted. Entry Fee - \$2.00, children under 10 free. A great way to join Cypress Point Circle in celebrating 15 years as a member of The King's Daughters! If you have questions or would like additional information: www.kingsdaughters.org/holidaybazaar or HolidayBazaar@KingsDaughters.org. All proceeds benefit CHKD.



## Holiday Bazaar

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Quality Suites & Sleep Inn at Lake Wright 6280 Northampton Blvd., Norfolk Entry Fee: \$2 donation (Children under 10 are admitted free)

Join us for an elegant and exclusive day of shopping and celebrating 15 years of Cypress Point Circle as a member of The King's Daughters

#### Highlights:

Ceramics & Pottery \* Children's Designer Clothing & Accessories Fall & Holiday Décor \* Gourmet Food \* Handbags & Accessories Hand-painted Glassware \* Holiday Ornaments \* Personalized Items Pet Gifts & Accessories \* Scented Candles & Soaps \* Stained Glass Stocking Stuffers \* Stylish Stationery \* Wine Accessories

#### Directions

1/4 mile east of intersection I-64 (Exit 282) & Route 13 (Northampton Blvd.)

#### **More Information:**

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# **EXPOSED:**

This is something all the residents of Church Point MUST read.

Dr. Arthur Rex and Sunni Jenkins of Church Point tell the TRUTH about The Painter, Inc.

It was early in the year of 2006, as I was leaving Church Point in Virginia Beach, I saw a little handmade sign on the corner that said nothing more than The Painter, Inc. and a cell phone number. Since we had recently purchased a 3 story house on Spring House Trail in late fall of 2005 and knew we would be in need of a "painter" for numerous renovation projects over the next 5-6yrs, I saved his number in my cell phone. Shortly thereafter, we were ready to begin our first project and called Gabriel Goar, "The Painter, Inc." for an estimate. There was no doubt that it was a large undertaking for anyone, much less Gabriel who had just started his business 2 months prior. He was an interesting young man, having never worked for another painting company before, launching out on his own in pursuit of the American dream. Gabriel walked through our home, gave us an estimate that I could not refuse, not because he was the least expensive, he wasn't, but because I saw his character and eager spirit to do a great job. We decided to accept his proposal instead of the other two companies from whom we had received bids. As the project proceeded, there were a few things that needed our attention, like... many young men, and some adults as well, found it difficult to arrive at our house at the appointed time. Being of the generation that punctuality is a given, I sat him down and had a business discussion with him about the importance of being on time as promised. Since then, seeing the wisdom of our discussion, the painters have been routinely punctual and often early! During the initial project, Gabriel and his small crew of two other men spent a lot of time painting the interior of our home, but did it with perfect detail and precision. I was extremely impressed with not only the quality of his workmanship but the fact that he was an honest, truthful, kind and sweet young man. After they removed several bathrooms of wallpaper and painted the entire interior of our home, we said goodbye to Gabriel until the next project.

That was the beginning of 2006, it is now the end of 2012 and Gabriel and his men have been coming over to our house to paint something new, every six months. There is no doubt that I am truly blessed to have found a painter who cares about my property and who does not overcharge just because he knows that we are not getting other estimates. He has maintained his attention to detail, his standard of quality high, and trustworthiness over numerous projects over the past 6 years. We are currently using Gabriel on a project again. If anyone in Church Point or the Hampton Roads Area is in need of a painter that really cares about their property, has a sincere interest in a long-term working friendship, where quality and detail is pertinent, I fully and whole heartedly recommend Gabriel Goar, "The Painter, Inc.".

If you are looking for a painter give him a call at 757-450-6239. Tell him that Sunni Jenkins told you about him and mention this article. He will be "Johnny on the Spot". You will NOT be disappointed!

Sunni Jenkins

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P.S...you should check out his website: www.The-Painter-Inc.com. He has these 15 guarantees offered that NO other painting company will do. In fact, he pays out \$50.00 every time his guys don't live up to them. You really should check it out!!!

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## Will Work for \$\$\$:

#### **Church Point Youth Available for Odd Jobs**

Need some work done around the house, but don't want to hassle with a contractor? Try these local residents who are willing to do part-time work.

Name	Services		
Alex Dworetsky 353-2809	Dog-walking/sitting in your house; also, lawn mowing and edging.		
Donald Burke 363-1939	Home pressure washing, yard work		
Michael Burke 363-1939	Home pressure washing, yard work		
Colin Judge 470-5982	Yard work, lawn mowing, window washing		
Joseph Greco 449-1401	Computer/Laptop Tune-ups, Repairs, Upgrades & maintenance services		
Cary Greco 460-5680	Drum Lessons for beginners & advanced students		
Zachary Kreiser 363-9801	Lawn mowing		

(If you would like to be added to the list, please contact <a href="mailto:npcchurchpoint@cox.net">npcchurchpoint@cox.net</a> with your contact info and the types of work you're available for).



### **Your Church Point Babysitting Resource**

Our list of available babysitters in Church Point is shrinking! If you want to be added to the list, just email me at <a href="mailto:npcchurchpoint@cox.net">npcchurchpoint@cox.net</a>.

Name	Age	Phone	Info

## **Contractor Recommendations**

We didn't receive any new contractor recommendations this quarter. If you have found someone who does good work at great prices, your neighbors would like to know! If you want to recommend someone, just email <a href="mailto:npcchurchpoint@cox.net">npcchurchpoint@cox.net</a>. Provide the information below.

Company	Recommended by	Services	Comments
Oceanside	Allison and Joe	Home renovations – drywall,	Timely work, very happy with the results
Structures - Nick	Thomas	hardwood floors, carpet,	
Nestor 679-8982		staircase design	

Don't Forget - Santa at the Gazebo! Sunday, Dec. 9, 1:00 pm



## **Church Point Community Bulletin Board**

If you have recommendations for contractors' services or nominations for kudos for residents with noteworthy achievements for future newsletters, please send your recommendations to <a href="mailto:npcchurchpoint@cox.net">npcchurchpoint@cox.net</a>.

- Want to advertise your business to your Church Point neighbors? We accept ads as small as a business card up to a full page. If you are interested in placing an ad in a future newsletter for a nominal fee (to help defray the cost of printing and mailing the newsletter), please contact Gayle Pinero at Select Group or email <a href="majoritycolor: necd.">npcchurchpoint@cox.net</a>. We'll send you a form with prices and other information you'll need. The form is also available at our website, <a href="majoritycolor: newww.churchpointonline.com">www.churchpointonline.com</a> on the News page. Newsletters are currently published around the end of January, April, July, and October.
- Past issues of the Church Point Post are available on-line at the Church Point web site (<u>www.churchpointonline.com</u>). You can see a PDF version in color.

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