



Summer 2013

Church Point Post

Homeowners Association Quarterly Newsletter

President's Corner

By Peter Burke, HOA President

Neighbors,

As summer winds down and Labor Day approaches, I hope everyone had a chance to enjoy the warm weather in between all the rains we have had this season. I wanted to let everyone know that after many years of service to Church Point, the Board decided it was time for a change of property manager. Many factors went into this decision but the feedback from homeowners related to communication was one of the strongest factors. While the Board continues to discuss and review candidates within the Select Group, Jill Albright, the Director of Property Management for Select Group, will be our Interim Property Manager. Jill's contact information is on the last page of the newsletter and on the website should you need to contact her for anything. Jill brings years of association management experience to our community and although a learning curve trying to get up to speed on 20+ years of Church Point history, we have already seen several favorable factors having Jill as our property manager.

The Board continues to work with the city to get things done in Church Point. The street asphalt seal coating project is complete in the Commons and the Quays sections. The Mews are scheduled next for a fresh sealcoat of the asphalt to commence this Fall with touchups to pot holes and bad areas occurring during the summer. Additionally the tree replacement project along Church Point Road is scheduled for this Fall replacing the diseased locust trees along the sidewalk. Dialogue continues with Public Works to stay focused on keeping clear the drainage culvert between Church Point and Thoroughgood in the Mews section along with continued discussions over dredging the lake and shoring up the bulkhead at the mouth of the culvert.

The Board recently installed safety warning signage at the Gazebo park bike path and will be performing maintenance repairs on the gazebo itself to replace rotting wood and rails with long lasting PVC board to reduce future maintenance costs. Additionally, the Board is exploring options for safety lighting along the bridge pathway. Thanks again to Social Committee for several great events this summer to include the Bike Parade and there are more events to come this Fall. A special thank you to the Garden Club for their continued support in planting and maintaining the flowers at the entrances. Also, thanks to the Landscape Committee for overseeing the maintenance and care of our shrubs and trees/flowers. Both of these groups do terrific things to help maintain the appearance and curb appeal of our community.

Please enjoy your Labor Day celebrations and be cautious driving on the streets as kids return to school.

New Editor STILL Needed for Church Point Post Newsletter

By Peter Burke, Interim Editor

The recent relocation out of state by Neal Curtin, who had prepared the Church Point newsletter since 2005, has created the need for a new editor of our community newsletter. The HOA Board asks that anyone interested in taking over the editing duties please contact HOA president Pete Burke or any of the Board members. In the interim until a new editor is selected, I am covering the duties as the editor. Fortunately, Neal left a CD and template for creating the newsletter and with the wonderful support of our committees, the work load is manageable for a homeowner willing to get involved and play a vital role in communicating to our homeowners as the editor. Some basic Word skills are useful, but there are just basic computer skills or software experience required. Of course, previous experience working on a newsletter is always a plus.

Church Point Social Committee News

By Carrie Lauck and Bobbie Hart



With another terrific Virginia Beach summer wrapping up, we want to thank everyone who came out to participate in, contribute to or to cheer for the 3rd Annual Church Point 4th of July Parade. It was another fun morning of old fashioned fun in our great neighborhood. Led by a Virginia Beach Police cruiser, about 100 bikes, trikes, wagons and one awesome unicycle (Carl Cowen!) paraded down the street in a big swirl of patriotic red, white and blue. The teenagers have really raised the bar for “bike” decorating over the years and we love to see the over-the-top creations they come up with. There is no limit to what we can do with this parade, so if you want to create a “float” of your own for next year, it would be a welcome addition and add to the overall experience!

The summer also brought us two fun Happy Hour events at the Cellars and we are thankful to them for hosting us. As we celebrate getting back to school and await the Fall, we will be having the second Music in the Park of the year on Sunday, September 8th from 5-7PM at the gazebo. The talented local musician, Fred Karum of Karamusic will be performing in this free and family-friendly event. Pack a chair and a cooler and come join us for an evening of music and fun. We are working on adding an additional fall event to the calendar so stay tuned to the Facebook page and look for upcoming flyers in your mailboxes for more information. One event that will definitely be taking place is the kids Halloween parade! If it is too early for you to think about ghosts and ghouls yet, just flip forward to mark the date of Sunday, October 27th for now and then go back to the beach for the next couple of weeks. The parade will be at 3PM and we will have kids crafts, snacks, music and a pumpkin decorating contest.

As always, the Social Committee is interested in creating events that will bring the neighborhood together and that you are excited to attend so please feel free to send any comments or suggestions to our email at social.churchpointhoa@gmail.com and follow Church Point on Facebook at www.facebook.com/churchpoint. We hope to see you soon!

Fourth of July Parade



Neighborhood Watch – Summer 2013

By Kim Burke and Betsy Guglielmo

We hope everyone is enjoying summer. It is important that any and all criminal activity in Church Point be reported to the Virginia Beach Police Department. Reporting all criminal activity to the police helps identify trends and areas of concerns which results in additional police patrols in Church Point. In the past, we have recommended homeowners report criminal activity by calling the VBPD non-emergency number at 385-5000. Now you can report most non-emergency crime activity (that is not in progress) online through the internet. If it is an emergency, please call 911.

Below is a list of non-emergency offenses that can be reported online:

1. Larceny from a vehicle as long as the property taken has a value less than \$500.
2. Larceny other than from a vehicle with a value less than \$500.
3. Destruction of private property.
4. Obscene phone calls/communication
5. Annoying phone calls/harassing communication

You must be at least 18 years old to report an offense online and submitting a false report is a Class 1 misdemeanor. Reports filed online are reviewed within 2 business days. You may be contacted by an officer for additional information or an update on the status of your report filed. Please note that by completing a report online, a police Forensics Technician will NOT be dispatched to process the scene. To file a report on-line, please go to the following:

<https://www.vbgov.com/ePRO/MainUI/submissions/SubmissionsMain.aspx>

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 cpnw.churchpointhoa@gmail.com.

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 Dworetzky 353-2809	Dog-walking/sitting in your house; also, lawn mowing and edging.
Michael Burke 363-1939	Home, driveway and fence pressure washing along with 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
Scotty Carter 313-6111	Dog walking-sitting and also lawn mowing

If you would like to be added to the list, please contact newsletter.churchpointhoa@gmail.com with your contact info and the types of work you're available for.

Contractor Recommendations

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 newsletter.churchpointhoa@gmail.com. Provide the information below.

Company	Recommended by	Services	Comments
Solid Structures Decks & Fences Scott Prunty – 462-9185	Dana and Alena Weiner	Decks-Fences-Pavers-Outdoor Kitchens	Prompt, professional and reasonably priced
Baker Tree Service Bruce Baker 757-663-1851	Michael Rowland	Tree removal and trimming plus mulch delivery/install	Crew was well managed & efficient. Bruce was honest, open and gave sound advice.
Pipeline Pools 757-737-0076 sales@pipelinepoolsinc.com	Vicki and John McNamara	Pool services and liners	Replaced a pool liner for us. Their prices were reasonable & they were reliable/ hard working
Chandelier Master www.chandeliermaster.com 1-866-788-0006	Suzie Duckworth – for referral on November Service 363-1050	Chandelier cleaning and restoration. Installs and services chandelier motors.	Professional Chandelier cleaner out of NYC. Travels to Va Bch in November annually to take care of customers
Sharp Tree Service James Sharp – 373-8437	Rick Little	Tree removal, pruning and installation. Stump grind and removal	USN Retired, licensed and insured, Free Estimates. Arborist. Dependable, Reasonable and excellent clean up of work area

Church Point Garden Club

By Suzie Duckworth, President of the Garden Club



I hope all have enjoyed their summer vacation and are ready for Fall. The Garden Club enjoyed the fruits of all our labor 2012-2013 at our Annuals awards luncheon for the Council of Garden Clubs in June where we won more awards than any year since we started in 1995. Our small group proved we are a working club. Thanks to all our members for helping make Church Point Garden Club so successful. We are always looking for new members and would love for you to come join us at our first meeting on September 5th. You are not required to have a beautiful landscaped home to join. Our programs consist of floral workshops and demonstrations, tours of historic homes, landscape/garden techniques among a few. If you would like to join some of your neighbors, please call me for more information about our group at 757-363-1050 or Laura Jacobson, 1st VP at 757-363-7524. Garden Club meetings are generally held the first Thursday of each month. Hope you will join us at our September Welcome Coffee at the home of Mary Jane Morewitz.

Your neighbor,
Suzie Duckworth

Landscape of the Month Award Winners:

Submitted by Mary Jane Morewitz / Chairperson

Congratulations to the following Church Point Homeowners for their outstanding efforts in landscape design and maintenance. The prestigious "Landscape of the Month" winners are:

MAY – Linda Johnson,
"The Commons & Bishops Court"



JUNE – Mrs. Anju Javia,
"The Quays & The Commons East"

(Photo not included)

JULY – Gus and Amy Angelopoulos,
"The Commons & Bishops Court"



**AUGUST – (Garden Club President's Choice) –
Dr. Arthur Rex Jenkins and Sunni Jenkins**
"The Quays and Commons East"



CHURCH POINT ROAD TREE REPLACEMENT PROJECT UPDATE

The project is still confirmed scheduled with the City for this Fall. Trees will commence removal in September, weather depending. As a reminder, we are replacing the existing Honey Locusts trees with a hardy Zelkova variety in the city easement between the sidewalk and the street on the south side of Church Point Road. The summer heat and rains have made the current disease very noticeable this year with wilting/browning leaves. This program is open and available to homeowners on the North side of Church Point Road from the Gazebo to the Manor House, who desire their Locust Trees replaced also. You must contact Select Group to be added to the list, we cannot remove trees on your property without that prior approval.

AREC Corner – Summer 2013

By Ron Creamer, Chairman

Architectural Review and Enforcement Committee

Although the hot summer days may deter a lot of neighbors from taking on home improvement projects, it is never too early to plan for those Fall projects. As a reminder, please plan early and get your plans and your AREC applications turned in as soon as possible. Both the AREC Committee and the HOA Board of Directors only meet once a month so approvals can take up to 30 days in worst case. We appreciate and thank those homeowners that have had their cedar fences along First Court Road power washed, it really makes a difference in the appearance of our neighborhood but unfortunately, not everyone has complied yet and those remaining green fences really stand out. Please get them taken care of as soon as possible. Don't forget the side of your fences that face front of the house/street. We see so many beautifully landscaped yards accenting a gorgeous home, just to have green fences on the left and right.

We continue to see yard waste put out early and want to remind everyone that yard waste (which must be in clear bags and tree limbs in small piles no greater than three feet long) cannot be put out on the street any earlier than the evening before scheduled trash pick-up day. This means no earlier than Tuesday evening and if you will be out of town or unavailable, ask a neighbor to put them out on Tuesday for you. Just about every homeowner does a great job in maintaining their landscaping and it really shows as you drive through our neighborhood. There continue to be several homeowners that don't spend enough time on their yards. Reminder, lawns are to be maintained to insure green appearance and significantly weed free with the grass being cut regularly during growing seasons. Landscape beds and underbrush (shrubs and hedges) are to be weed free, pruned and mulched regularly to keep grass and weeds from growing in the beds. The over grown / natural look of landscape beds are not acceptable – Church Point has always been a community of well maintained and manicured yards, neatly trimmed and shaped hedges/shrubs and we need to ensure it remains that way. Thanks again to those homeowners that work feverishly on their yards and take pride in the appearance of their homes.

BIKE PATH SAFETY

Our Church Point community bike paths and walk paths should be a safe and enjoyable place to enjoy the outside. Unfortunately, several bike riders travel these paths at a high rate of speed and don't slow down at the end of the path. A recent near miss with a car at the Gazebo path has prompted the Board to install warning signs to advise of crossing traffic. It is hoped these signs will deter and slow down bikers as they approach cross streets in an effort to prevent an accident or serious injury. As a reminder, at no time are scooters or other motorized vehicles allowed on these paths for the safety of others.



ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION

As mentioned in the last newsletter, *“it has been mentioned on several occasions to the Board about having the newsletter go green by transitioning to an electronic version distributed via email. Although paper copies would still be mailed to those homeowners requesting one, the reduced printing costs would save the HOA almost \$2,000 annually while helping the environment with reduced paper consumption. We have established the new email for the editor of the newsletter and for general submissions as newsletter.churchpointhoa@gmail.com.”*

Based on the feedback received to date from homeowners, it appears the current tally of feedback is leaning towards going paperless and distributing the newsletters via email and online postings. Please let us hear from you to get your feedback counted. Should a change be made, it would occur with the first issue of 2014 so there is still time for us to hear from you. Those owners that live out of area, we want to hear from you especially. Please send your feedback to the Newsletter email address above to have your input included in the results. PLEASE NOTE: Those people that send their email address to the newsletter for the newsletter distributions will not have that email address given out to Select Group or used for any other HOA purpose other than newsletter distribution without consent. It will be stored in a separate Newsletter Only database to ensure your privacy.



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 newsletter.churchpointhoa@gmail.com. Also, babysitters please update your info if it's changed.

Name	Age	Phone	Info
Stacy Judge	15	470-5982	Red Cross trained; loves kids; experienced as a Mother's Helper; references available
Bailey Kreiser	17	363-9801	5 years experience; CPR and lifeguard qualified
Zachary Kreiser	15	363-9801	2 year experience; CPR, lifeguard qualified
Javier Martin	15	867-3572	Speaks English and Spanish; experienced
Allyson Moseley	16	752-0059	Red Cross certified, experienced

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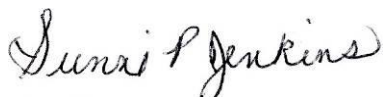
**Dr. Arthur Rex and Sunni Jenkins of Church Point tell the TRUTH about
The Painter, Inc.**

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 middle of 2013 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 7 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



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 newsletter.churchpointhoa@gmail.com

- 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 newsletter.churchpointhoa@gmail.com. We'll send you a form with prices and other information you'll need. The form is also available at our website, www.churchpointonline.com on the News page. Newsletters are currently published around the end of January, April, July, and October.
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