

Winter 2015 Church Point Post

Homeowners Association Quarterly Newsletter

President's Corner - Fall 2014

By Peter Burke, HOA President

Neighbors,

I hope that everyone had a safe and joyful holiday season and a happy new year. The street sign replacement project was completed in October. All streets received a new green sign from the City, which provided the labor at no cost to the HOA. The decorative metal arms were refurbished to include gold tips, and previously installed metal sign posts were replaced with the original wood post design, restoring the community to uniformity and uniqueness in the city.

The recent annual meeting held in November 2014 was well attended by homeowners. The annual Board of Directors election had two incumbents running for re-election, myself and Rick Little. Both candidates were re-elected and I know I speak for Rick when I say that we are both honored to have been re-elected for another 2 year term to represent you, the homeowners, on the Board. The annual meeting also saw many homeowners offering great ideas the Board will review over the coming year, and a financial presentation by the investment advisor discussing the strategy, portfolio and great return on our safe investments for the HOA investment account. Additionally, the Garden Club finished the landscape redesign of the area adjacent to the bridge entrance and a special thanks to Jean Holladay for her support on this project.

December saw the neighborhood get into the Holiday spirit with many homeowners going all out decorating their homes with holiday lights. A special Thank You to the Garden Club for going above and beyond to decorate the main entrance and Gazebo for the holidays, along with the new Mews entrance brick monument sign. In addition, for coordinating with Mrs. Claus to get on Santa's busy schedule to visit the Gazebo for the kids. Let's hope this winter is a little milder than last year and the frigid temps stay far to the north. Wishing everyone a safe, healthy and prosperous 2015.

Church Point Social Committee News

By Carrie Lauck



It's a New Year!

Happy New Year Church Point! We wrapped up 2014 with another wonderful holiday season. The neighborhood was once again bright and festive for the Holiday lights contest as we extended our congratulations to each of the four winners of the 5th Annual event (see our Facebook page for pictures!). On December 17th, the judges piled into a fun-filled van and toured the neighborhood to select the best houses that lit up the night in the spirit of the season. Much appreciation goes out to Kurt and Nancy Kondas, and Erica and Sam Scafe who each welcomed us into their homes for cocktails along the way. Thank you! Once again, it was difficult to choose just one winner per section. And like last year, we are already looking forward to doing it again!

Thank you to everyone who came out to the 4th Annual Church Point Holiday Party at Salt on December 21st. Reviews were unanimous that the food was amazing, and it was obvious that everyone had a great time! Thanks also to Salt for always taking such good care of us; we are lucky to have such a spectacular restaurant in the neighborhood.

Next week, the Social Committee will hold its annual planning meeting to decide which events will make it into the calendar for 2015. Look forward to the return of your annual favorites, like the 4th of July Parade, 5K Race, Concerts in the Park, and many more. To provide suggestions on different activities you would enjoy, please feel free to email social.churchpointhoa@gmail.com. We would really love to hear from you!

The committee is always open to new members, so please join us if interested. Be sure to let us know if you would like to receive emails with upcoming meeting information as well. As always, be sure to follow the Church Point Neighborhood on FB for the most up-to-date Church Point event information. Happy New Year!!

2014 Holiday Lights Contest Winners

Bishops Court – 1709 Jordan's Parish The Quays – Juan and Sharon Cunningham, 3860 Church Point Road The Commons – Mary Farashahi, 1700 Hungers Parish The Mews – Gary and Carrie Lauck, 4648 Church Point Place

Honorable Mention!

Nick and April Cornwell, 4580 Church Point Place Kurt and Nancy Kondas, 1684 Meeting House Road Lori and Kevin Keller, 1653 Meeting House Road Sam and Erica Scafe, 1700 Ladysmith Mews John and Vanessa Szajnoga, 4668 Church Point Place





































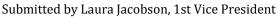








Church Point Garden Club





Happy New Year! I hope you and your families had a wonderful Holiday season!

Once again our club was busy during the Holiday season decorating our City's Municipal buildings, our neighborhood entrances, and the Francis Land House. We also participated in the annual Holiday Historic Home tour which featured Sajo Farm House. It was a real pleasure and honor to decorate that beautiful home and I'd like to thank those ladies who assisted in this project. I'd also like to thank all our club members for their assistance and participation in all programs for 2014.

I'd like to thank the Landscape committee and Pete Burke, our HOA President for his support in our Beautification project at the entrance to the Mews Pond area. With the assistance of club members and Basnight, the landscape design and plantings was a big success. Our litter control project continues in the Mews Pond area as well. We ask that all Church Point Residents living along the drainage area that separates our neighborhood and Thoroughgood refrain from dumping yard waste and landscape waste in those areas. It would also be helpful after our City trash pickup day if residents would pick up stray waste that is left behind from the City's trucks.

Our meetings resume in January and will end in May. Workshops and programs by Master Gardeners will be a part of our calendar in the coming months. If you are interested in joining the Garden Club or would like more information about our activities, please contact Suzie Duckworth, President, at 363-1050 or myself, at 363-7524.

Landscape of the Month Award Program:

By Terri Russell, Chairman

Once again, it's that time of the year when we begin our "Landscape of the Month" program which recognizes a deserving resident for outstanding landscape design and lawn maintenance within our three neighborhood areas. Starting in April, March (if weather permits) and ending in late Fall, a recipient is selected, alternating months, from the following areas: the Quays and Commons East, the Commons and Bishops Court, and the Mews. It is a real honor to receive this award from such a beautiful selection of landscapes to choose from.

Congratulations to our November "Landscape of the Month" winner: Dave and Peggy Dickens in "The Commons and Bishops Court" area.

AREC Corner – Winter 2015

By Ron Creamer, Chairman Architectural Review and Enforcement Committee

Although the winter isn't the best time to be executing exterior projects, it is a great time to begin the planning for your spring projects. For those looking at large projects like installing pools, additions or large deck areas please ensure you include a site plan with your application to aid AREC in the review process. Please submit applications before you sign contracts and schedule the work with your contractor to allow adequate time for review by AREC and approval by the Board. As always, please ensure you do your research on contractors (references, better business bureau, complaints on file) and most importantly ensure they are licensed contractors with the state and have proper insurances (general liability and workman's comp) to protect yourself, should things not go right.

As a reminder, leaves and yard clippings must be bagged in clear yard waste bags for pickup by the city and by HOA rules, cannot be placed on the curb in front of your home any earlier than Tuesday (the day before trash pickup). We had to issue numerous reminders this past fall about leaf bags out early and we continually have repeat offenders who put their trash out early. This applies also to those of you who had live Christmas Trees. The City will pick up your live Christmas trees on regular trash collection days but they must be free of decorations and tinsel since they are used for compost. Please don't place your trees out early only to have them sit on the curb for days. It is not the curb appeal appearance we want in Church Point and it is a rules violation.

Curb appeal affects all homeowners both positive and negative, so please do your part to help us maintain the curb appeal of our community. If you have questions about whether an application is required or not, please don't hesitate to contact us at arec.churchpointhoa@gmail.com.

Neighborhood Watch – winter 2015 By Kim Burke and Betsy Guglielmo

Happy New Year! With the New Year brings some exciting news for Church Point Neighborhood watch. After months of discussion, and as announced at the annual Church Point Homeowners meeting in November, Betsy and I recently set up a Church Point neighborhood specific site on the website Nextdoor (www.nextdoor.com). Nextdoor is a community specific site for the exchange of information, ideas, and community events, but most importantly a communication tool to get information out to all homeowners quickly. Most adjacent neighborhoods are already on Nextdoor, and in fact, our site was part of the larger Thoroughgood site until just recently separated out. All Church Point residents who had previously signed up under Thoroughgood were automatically transitioned over to the new Church Point site. Thank you to those neighbors already active on Nextdoor for leading the way for the rest of us. This site is endorsed and recommended by the VBPD, as it allows communication within Church Point but also all the adjacent neighborhoods if information needs to be shared (like the alerts about stolen packages that impacted not only Church Point, but Thoroughgood and Lake View Shores as well).

Since this neighborhood website is primarily geared towards Neighborhood Watch, we are starting our enrollment push with the Block Captains, and through them, invites are forwarded to currently participating Block Watchers. You will be receiving an invitation to join Nextdoor from your Neighborhood Watch Block Captain (if not already) within the next week. We encourage you to accept and sign up for Nextdoor. If you do not have a Block Captain or are not currently participating in Neighborhood Watch, please email either cpnw.churchpointhoa@gmail.com or bguglielmo2@gmail.com and we will send you an invitation to join.

Although this is a social media site, it is recommended to be used primarily for the sharing of information specific to all of Church Point residents (both owners and renters can sign up to get information) and preferably not used for personal postings that are better suited for Facebook or Craigslist. Please do not hesitate to ask any questions, or if you need assistance in inviting your Block Watchers. We look forward to bringing the community together on this website to increase communication – there is a mobile app version of Nextdoor also. Since this website is linked to multiple neighborhoods, there will always be people from outside Church Point that post personal and unnecessary items, which admittedly can be annoying and turn people off from this website. You can adjust your settings to get only postings specific to "Church Point" as opposed to "Church Point + neighborhoods" to avoid being inundated. In closing, if you see suspicious activity in the neighborhood, please call the VBPD non-emergency # 385-5000.

*If you were or believe you may have been a victim of the recent package theft crime spree, the VBPD are asking neighbors to contact Detective Cutrer at 385-2724 to make a police report and to identify the potentially stolen item(s).



SOLICITOR REQUIREMENTS

Per Article II, Section 26-26 of the Virginia Beach City Code, door-to-door solicitors must have a copy of the City-issued Solicitor's permit on their person at the time they are soliciting. Solicitor's Permits are obtained from the Police Services Division located in Building 11 (Police Headquarters). The box on the right side of the permit should contain a recent photo of the solicitor presenting it. Some businesses, such as charitable, non-profit organizations, and civic or religious organizations are exempt from this requirement; please see Virginia Beach City Code Section 26-26(b) for a complete listing of those organizations and individuals that are exempt from the Solicitor's permit requirements.

Individuals soliciting for charitable, non-profit, civic or religious organizations are required to register with the VA Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Affairs. If you are unsure about donating to a certain organization, ask for a remittance envelope and tell the solicitor you may send in a donation at a later time. Such organizations can be verified online at <u>www.vdacs.virginia.gov</u> or by phone during business hours with the VA Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer Affairs: (804) 786-2042. Keep in mind there are also exemptions to this requirement so some charitable/non-profit organizations may not be registered with the Commonwealth of VA.

REMEMBER: Report all suspicious individuals and activity to the Police Non-Emergency Number (385-5000); for actual crimes in progress, call 911. Never allow solicitors into your home and verify their identity before even opening your door. Trust your instincts - if you feel uneasy, ask them to leave your property.

> FOR FURTHER CRIME PREVENTION TIPS, PLEASE CONTACT THE VIRGINIA BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT'S CRIME PREVENTION UNIT AT 385-1006

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 <u>newsletter.churchpointhoa@gmail.com</u>. Also, babysitters please update your info if it has 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	20	363-9801	UVA student - CPR and lifeguard qualified; available on	
			school breaks and summer	
Zachary Kreiser	18	363-9801	CPR qualified; Lifeguard - Norfolk Academy senior	
Parker Kreiser	14	363-9801	Available for babysitting	
Javier Martin	15	867-3572	Speaks English and Spanish; experienced	
Allyson Moseley	16	752-0059	Red Cross certified, experienced	

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.		
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 b work you are availab		lease contact <u>newsletter.churchpointhoa@gmail.com</u> with your contact info and the types of		

Contractor Recommendations

If you found someone who does good work at great prices, let your neighbors know! To make a recommendation, email <u>newsletter.churchpointhoa@gmail.com</u> and 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.chandeliermaser.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 work area clean up
Mr. Clean Services Ray Taylor 757-406-2731 <u>raytaylor@cox.net</u>	Carrie Lauck	Mobile auto detailing, pressure washing, carpet and furniture cleaning	Hired twice a year for auto detailing. Super talented and amazing outcome for a great price – makes our cars look like new!
Jason Collins - Carpenter 375- 0147 or 368-4415	Doyle & Frances Quisenberry	Home maintenance and repairs.	Great repairs, none better and reasonably priced

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 <u>newsletter.churchpointhoa@gmail.com</u>

- 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, please contact Bob Garrett at Select Group or email <u>newsletter.churchpointhoa@gmail.com</u> .We'll send you a form with prices and other information you'll need. The form is also available at our website, <u>www.churchpointonline.com</u> on the News page. Newsletters are currently published quarterly.
- Past issues of the Church Point Post are available online at the Church Point web site (<u>www.churchpointonline.com</u>).

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