



Winter 2019

Church Point Post

Homeowners Association Quarterly Newsletter

President's Corner - Winter 2019

By Peter Burke, HOA President

Neighbors,

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a safe and joyful holiday season. On November 20th, we held the annual meeting at the Bayside Recreation Center. The meeting was well attended and thank you to all the homeowner's that did attend to help us achieve a quorum. The annual Board of Directors election had three candidates on the ballot with two incumbents running for re-election, myself and Matt Ripley, along with a new candidate from Bishops Court and a write-in candidate. Both incumbent candidates were re-elected to the Board and I know I speak for Matt when I say we are both honored to have been re-elected for another 2-year term to represent you, the homeowners, on the Board.

Annually the costs to maintain our aging trees in the common land continue to climb – especially along the carriage path (common path that borders the golf course). These costs can reach a couple thousand dollars per tree for the removal of an aged, tall dead tree. A terrific suggestion was made by our Landscape Committee Chairman, Ron Dennis, at the annual meeting to proactively eliminate the ivy growth on the trees that is detrimental to the longevity and health of the trees. Ron has taken his time to identify over 50 trees along the carriage path at risk from ivy by marking them with yellow spray paint. Myself, along with my wife and fellow Board member Jack Palmer, have worked several of the recent weekends in January tackling the ivy removal by cutting and removing ivy vines around the trunks of trees. The ivy vines can range from 1” to over 4” inches thick having been growing for decades or more. It is slow going and labor intensive thus, in an effort to continue to be good stewards of the HOA finances, we are seeking volunteers willing to donate an hour or so of their time on Saturdays during the month of February to help continue to clear the remaining 30 plus trees. If you are interested and able to assist, please send me an email at president.churchpointhoa@gmail.com and I will advise and coordinate meeting locations to tackle the ivy on the trees.



President's Corner continued...

Additionally, we recently had a couple of car accidents on First Court Road that damaged HOA property to include a couple sections of wooden railing down in the Mews along with a sign post and one of the brick columns along the main entry drive lane. The Board has pursued the insurance carriers for both accidents and all repairs will be covered with no expenditure of HOA funds.

Finally, December saw the neighborhood get into the Holiday spirit with many homeowners going all out decorating their homes with holiday lights. Thank you to the Social Committee for coordinating the annual lights contest which I'm sure was difficult to judge this year with all the great looking homes. A special Thank You to the Garden Club for going above and beyond to decorate the community entrances and Gazebo for the holidays, along with the lights on the Crepe Myrtles as coordinated by the Board. Let's hope this winter is a little milder than last year and the frigid temps don't return. Wishing everyone a safe, healthy and prosperous 2019.

AREC Corner – Winter 2019

By Ron Creamer, Chairman

Architectural Review and Enforcement Committee

Winter is a great time to begin the planning for your spring projects and getting quotes from contractors who may give special deals in the off season. 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 especially workman's comp) to protect yourself, should things not go right. Strangely there has been a large increase in owners requesting to install sheds in their yards – the rules are specific that no detached structures be built and that attached structures must resemble the primary home (same roof, same siding, same color, etc.)

In the 4th quarter of 2018, we saw a large increase in violation letters being sent out for lawn and leaf bags/tree limbs/etc. being put out at the curb early – in some cases even the Friday before trash day. Although we know most of the bags were put out by private landscapers contracted by the specific homeowner – it is the homeowner's responsibility to ensure the contractors are fully aware and compliant with our rules. The rules are specific to restrict putting trash / lawn bags and cans out at the street until Tuesday afternoon which is the day before trash day - please don't put bags and cans out on the weekend, Monday or even on Tuesday morning. The intent of the rule was to avoid the very issues we are encountering with bags at the curb over the weekend. The weekends are the primary time of the week when future potential neighbors are looking at homes to buy in our community and we need the community looking its best. Curb appeal increases the value of all our homes. Additionally, prompt removal from the street of all cans is required by end of day on Wednesday and please store your cans out of site from the street to maintain curb appeal and rules compliance. If you have questions about whether an application is required or not, please don't hesitate to contact us at arec.churchpointhoa@gmail.com.

Church Point Social Committee News

By Carrie Lauck

Happy New Year Church Point!

We are looking forward to another year of fun neighborhood activities. But first, let's review what happened since that last newsletter! The holiday season is always a busy one for our neighborhood and this last year was no exception.

Big thanks to Jenny Jacovides for chairing Santa at the Gazebo in early December! They had a terrific time and Santa reports that almost all of Church Point's children were found to be on the nice list. The judging for the Holiday Lights Contest gets more difficult each year. Congratulations to the following winners of the 8th Annual Holiday Lights Contest: Kurt and Nancy Kondas, Boo and Michael Sracic, Lin and Andrea Old, and Evelyn Kalagayan. These homes stood out for bringing a spectacular amount of holiday cheer with their beautiful decorations.

The Church Point Holiday Party took place on Sunday, December 16th at the Bayville Golf Club, and it was a beautiful night of fun with friends and neighbors. Huge thanks to the team at Bayville for putting together such terrific food and decor to make the event spectacular. We were also thrilled with the addition of live music and appreciate Matt Redford for sharing his talents with us that night. We are already looking forward to next year's event!

The Social Calendar for 2019 is complete and attached in this newsletter! Be sure to mark all dates on your calendar now so that you don't miss a thing!

Book a sitter for the first Happy Hour of the year on Wednesday, March 13th! We will be meeting at 1608 Craft House on Pleasure House at 5:30PM for cocktails and fun. Each guest is responsible for their own check and there is no RSVP required.

The annual **Church Point Easter Egg Hunt**, sponsored by your local CHKD circle, Circle by the Bay, is scheduled for **Sunday, April 7th at the gazebo from 2-4PM**. Be sure to look for more information next month!

The Annual Church Point Yard Sale will return to its old position on Mother Day weekend this year and be held on Saturday, May 11th from 8AM-1PM. There is no need to RSVP, you may simply organize your own sale on that day, and we will place an ad in the Pilot to advertise it. As a friendly reminder, following our HOA regulations, this is the only time of the year that we are permitted to have a yard sale, so begin to gather your treasures!

The 2019 social calendar is filled with many of the outstanding neighborhood events you have come to enjoy and expect and we look forward to sharing them with you. As always, please follow us on FB at www.facebook.com/churchpoint for the latest updates and information. If you are interested in receiving email updates or joining the committee, email us at social.churchpointhoa@gmail.com.

Hope to see you soon!



2018 Holiday Party at Bayville Country Club





2019 SAVE THE DATE

CHURCH POINT NEIGHBORHOOD 2019 EVENT SCHEDULE



March 13 - Wednesday
5:30 pm
Happy Hour
1608 Crafthouse



July 17 - Wednesday
5:30 pm
Happy Hour
Commonwealth Brewery



April 7 - Sunday
2:00 - 4:00 pm
Easter Egg Hunt
Church Point Gazebo



September 8 - Sunday
5:00 - 7:00 pm
Music in the Park
Church Point Gazebo



April 24 - Wednesday
5:30 pm
Happy Hour
Buoy 44



October 16 - Thursday
5:30 pm
Happy Hour
New River Taphouse



May 11 - Saturday
8:00 am - 1:00 pm
Church Point Yard Sale



December 14 - Saturday
1:00 - 3:00 pm
Meet Santa @ the Gazebo
Church Point Gazebo



May 15 - Wednesday
5:30 pm
Happy Hour
Mermaid Winery



December 18 - Wednesday
7:00 - 9:00 pm
Holiday Lights Competition



June 9 - Sunday
5:00 - 7:00 pm
Music in the Park
Church Point Gazebo



December 22 - Sunday
7:00 - 10:00 pm
Church Point Holiday Party
Bayville Country Club



Church Point Garden Club

Submitted by: **Suzie Duckworth, President**

We hope the Holiday Season proved to be a joyous time with family and friends.

I'd like to thank our members for providing the Holiday décor for the entrances and Gazebo.

To kick off the new year our group toured the newly renovated Thoroughgood House. I highly recommend a visit to the Thoroughgood House as it is an important part of our local history. Their docent was impressive of her knowledge of our areas history as well as the Thoroughgood family. It's also within walking distance of our neighborhood.

Our calendar for the year continues with programs focusing on incorporating our Virginia Coastal native plants into our existing landscapes with speakers from Norfolk Botanical Gardens and Lynnhaven River Now. I'm especially looking forward to our April program as we will learn more about appropriate choices in our yards as dog owners.

Landscape of the Month Award Program:

By **Bobbie Hart, Chairman**

Landscape of the Month Awards will resume in March (weather permitting) – late Fall 2019. Thank you for all your efforts in keeping Church Point a beautiful place to live.



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Neighborhood Watch – Winter 2019

By Kim Burke and Betsy Guglielmo

Happy New Year! We attended the Citizen's Advisory Committee meeting on 1/17 for the Virginia Beach PD 3rd Precinct. We have a new Captain for the Third Precinct, Captain Reo Hatfield. Captain Hatfield informed us there continues to be an increase in motor vehicle break-ins along the Shore Drive corridor. The individuals are going around flipping door handles and very rarely busting windows out unless they see items of value. The vast majority of the thefts are from unlocked vehicles. Please keep your vehicle doors locked and set car alarms if you have them. The new buzz words in the 3rd precinct are: **“Beep It To Keep It”**. Overall, crime continues to be down in the precinct and especially in Church Point.

Even though the holidays are over, on-line ordering is becoming routine and subsequently porch thefts continue year-round. Below are a few tips we would like to share with you from the Virginia Beach Police Department's Community Engagement Unit (CEU) reminding everyone to stay vigilant year-round.

1. Sign up for delivery alerts so you know when your delivery is scheduled and when the package has arrived.
2. If you are not able to be home when a package will be delivered, ask a trusted neighbor to hold it for you.
3. If, possible, require a signature for all deliveries.
4. Consider shipping packages to your place of work or use the ship to store option.
5. Be a good neighbor! If you see a package on your neighbor's doorstep, reach out and ask if they would like you to hold it until they are home.
6. Keep an eye out in the neighborhood. If you see someone attempting to take packages get a description and a license plate, if possible. Use your phone to take a picture. DO NOT approach a criminal, and call 911 immediately.

Additionally, if you are not aware, the USPS also offers photo delivery, so you can see what mail is being delivered each day to your mailbox. You need to sign up through the App for your phone; it is available in the App Store and is called “Informed Delivery.” As always, if you see suspicious activity in the neighborhood, please call the VBPD non-emergency # 385-5000. If you do not know who your Block Captain is or you are interested in being a Block Captain, you can contact us directly at cpnw.churchpointhoa@gmail.com or bguglielmo2@gmail.com.



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The Neighbor's Turn

By Gary Lauck

In the last edition, Kristen Carter asked to share some SAVE THE DATE information regarding Circle by the Bay, a King's Daughters Circle, that holds neighborhood events to benefit Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters (CHKD). There are two events remaining on the schedule prior to summer:

Crock-Pots and Pints at Pleasure House Brewing from 6:00 - 9:00 pm, 3025 Shore Dr. Enjoy local craft beers coupled with a Nacho bar and wings theme. Suggested donation for buffet is \$10.00, with a portion of beer sales also benefitting CHKD. Friday, March 22, 2019

HOP TO IT! Annual Egg Hunt in the Church Point neighborhood on Sunday, April 7th from 2:00 - 4:00 pm.

For Ticket sales and event details, please go to: <https://www.kingsdaughters.org/circle/circle-by-the-bay> and www.kingsdaughters.org

Please feel free to contact Kristen for more information about any of these events at kcarter757@icloud.com or (757) 685-1117.

This group of philanthropic women get together on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm at the Mermaid Winery or Buoy 44 and are always seeking new members.



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If you found someone who does good work at great prices, let your neighbors know! To make a recommendation, email newsletter.churchpointhoa@gmail.com and provide the information below.

Please note - To maintain an effective and updated list, recommendations should be limited to contractors who have recently performed a service. Older recommendations will be removed after one year of posting.

Company	Recommended by	Services	Comments
Premium Exterior Cleaning 757-500-1020 premiumexteriorcleaning@gmail.com	Peggy Carnes	Window cleaning and additional exterior cleaning services	Small family business. Did a great job washing our windows inside and out. Made sure we were completely satisfied before they left.
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
Mr. Clean Services Ray Taylor 757-406-2731 raytaylor@cox.net	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
Pawsitively Priceless Pet sitting 757-553-6687 info@pppvb.com http://pppvb.com/	Ron and Doris Likens	Pet Sitting	Entertained our kitties - texted and sent pictures every visit. Normally timid kitties loved them. Best pet sitting company!
SMEETON Staging & Design Kristi Smeeton 757-816-4878 SMEETONSTAGING.COM	Ron and Doris Likens	Home sales staging and design	Knows how to maximize the potential of a home. She knows her business – wholeheartedly recommending her!
Cutt-N-Loose Hairstyling Jackie Fordyce 363-00Hair02	Rita Hindman and Barbara Hart	Hairstylist	Does a great job with cuts and color; very happy with the service!
Ramirez Electric, Robert Ramirez, Sr. 757-635-4228 rarsr@hotmail.com	Maria Parizhkaya	Electric repairs and installation	Great job at a reasonable price



Your Church Point Babysitting Resource

If you wish to be added to the list, just email newsletter.churchpointhoa@gmail.com. Also, PLEASE UPDATE YOUR INFO IF IT HAS CHANGED.

Ads will run for one year from posting and can be continued by emailing the newsletter editor with appropriate updates.

Name	Age	Phone	Info
Parker Kreiser	16	757-705-0151	Available for babysitting
Javier Martin	16	757-867-3572	Speaks English and Spanish; experienced
Allyson Moseley	17	757-752-0059	Red Cross certified, experienced
Molly Case	16	757-818-7393	CPR certified, available on weekends and after school most days, lots of experience volunteering with younger children
Alejandra Lopez de Ayala	16	757-617-8656	Eldest of 7 children; much experience with kids! Getting qualified in first aid. Speaks English and Spanish.
Meg Hillary	13	757-395-4821	Red Cross certified

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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	Phone	Services
Alex Dworetzky	757-353-2809	Dog-walking/sitting in your house; also, lawn mowing and edging.
Cary Greco	757-460-5680	Drum Lessons for beginners & advanced students
Scotty Carter	757-313-6111	Dog walking-sitting and also lawn mowing
Gonzalo Lopez de Ayala	757-617-8656	Loves pets! Would love to walk dogs or take care of any pet.

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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

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