

*Fall 2011*

# *Church Point Post*

*Homeowners Association Quarterly Newsletter*



## **Church Point HOA Annual Meeting Nov. 10 At Bayside Rec. Center**

All Church Point homeowners are invited to the annual HOA meeting at Bayside Rec. Center on **Thursday, November 10**. Registration will start at 6:00 pm, and the meeting will be called to order at **6:30**. The main purpose of the meeting is to elect new Board members, but there will also be a President's report and an open forum for homeowners to ask questions and raise issues for the Board.

If you can't attend the meeting in person, please submit your proxy forms to Select before the meeting date. This will assure that we have a quorum for the meeting and that your vote for Board members is counted. You can also have a neighbor bring your proxy to the meeting.

### **President's Corner**

By Peter Burke, HOA President

The last couple of months have been challenging for Church Point with an earthquake, wind storms, hurricane and a flash flood. Fortunately, throughout these events, damage to HOA Common Areas was minor, restricted mostly to tree damage. Unfortunately, the residual effects of the flash flood will be felt for sometime by our neighbors. The Mews was hardest hit with over a dozen cars swamped and totaled plus numerous homes with upwards of three feet of water intrusion. Several homes are currently still undergoing significant restoration work as a result. Throughout all the bad that came with the floods, there was good as could be seen with neighbors helping neighbors as well as stranded strangers. The unselfish acts of kindness of Church Point neighbors bringing food and drink to those stranded, providing shelter for strangers, and transporting neighbors on kayaks who otherwise couldn't get around is exactly what makes this neighborhood special and a great place to live.

Although Fall signals the end of summer, it is not the end of hard work. Homeowners may be focusing on their yards to take advantage of the cooler weather by planting, pruning, seeding along with pressure washing / painting for general maintenance and upkeep. Your Board of Directors has been hard at work finalizing the 2012 budget with reviews of 2011 expenditures and the new Reserve Study along with plans for the annual meeting to be held on November 10<sup>th</sup>. This year, there will be three seats open on the Board as we bid thank you and farewell to two long standing Board Members, Edie Schlain and Paula Larkin. I encourage any homeowner who wants to get involved and make a difference in their neighborhood, to consider a Board position. As always, candidates represent the homeowners of Church Point and should be current on all dues and should have had no rules violations.

Everyone should have received in the mail recently the candidate nomination form for open Board positions and will receive shortly, a second mailing with the bios of candidates and the newly printed rules booklet.

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## Neighborhood Watch by Kim Burke and Betsy Guglielmo

On Tuesday, October 4th we celebrated our 1st ever National Night Out in Church Point. National Night Out is designed to heighten crime awareness and safety along with strengthening neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships. Neighborhood Watch along with the Social Committee partnered together to provide an evening full of events. We were fortunate to have Captain Hebert with the VBPD 3rd Precinct stop by along with Officer's Nieves, Bell, Johnson, and even McGruff the Crime Dog. Thanks to Carrie Lauck who arranged for a special visit by the VBFD allowing the kids to see and climb on 2 fire trucks and the Social Committee for providing snacks. We also would like to thank everyone who turned on their porch lights in support of this National Event.

As a reminder, October 31st is just around the corner, please be sure to watch for children out trick-or-treating and remember to keep your speed down.

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 [cpnw.churchpointhoa@gmail.com](mailto:cpnw.churchpointhoa@gmail.com).

Scenes from National Night Out at the Gazebo Park



## President's Corner, continued from p. 1

The rules booklet is actually not new rules but just a new, easier to read reference tool for homeowners to use instead of digging through the larger, more challenging to read covenants. Although this is not an all inclusive rules book or in any way overrides or replaces the covenants and bylaws, it is intended to highlight the more common and frequent rules in an easy to read format. While the Board of Directors focuses on maintaining the appearance of our common areas, the Architectural and Rules Enforcement Committee (AREC) will be supporting the Property Manager in frequent rounds of the neighborhood to ensure homeowners are doing their part to maintain the appearance of our neighborhood.

Finally, I am pleased to announce we have completed repairs to the main entrance lighting system which required boring a new electrical circuit in conduit under the asphalt drive lanes to restore power to the East side of the entrance.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the annual meeting.

# Church Point Garden Club

By Laura Jacobson, 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

Organic treatments are certainly more advisable given our recent experiences with flash flooding. Seeing first-hand the debris that washed past my home in the Mews section of our neighborhood and the clean-up that followed made that even more apparent. For more information about organic gardening visit this website [www.organicgardening.com](http://www.organicgardening.com).

Our calendar for the remaining year is filled with programs from gardening concepts to historic home tours. Our floral workshop, a fall-inspired arrangement, was a nice complement to our fall home décor.

Our annual Santa and Mrs. Claus at the Gazebo date, pending approval from the North Pole, is scheduled for Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, with a rain date of Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>.

**\*\*In the spring of 2012 the Garden Club will host a 3-part Seminar for Church Point residents featuring local Master Gardeners and Conservationists, on the topics of organic gardening, our waterways, and landscape design. More information will follow in our next newsletter including dates, times, location, and cost.\*\***

Upcoming Council activities include a Floral Design Program at the Library on November 9<sup>th</sup>, a Holiday Bazaar at the Lynnhaven House Education Center on November 19<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 3pm, arrangements for the Francis Land House, and wreaths for the city buildings at the Municipal Center. Council programs are open to the public and info can be found on their website and in the local newspaper.

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 Winners:

Submitted by: Mary Jane Morewitz/ Chairperson

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

AUGUST (The Garden Club President's Award) – Brian and Betty Dorsey, *"The Quays & Commons East"*

SEPTEMBER – J.K. Cunningham and Sharon Hammond, *"The Quays & Commons East"*

OCTOBER – Chuck and Linda McCurdy, *"The Mews"*

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## Yard Debris Reminder

With the hurricane and freak thunderstorm in September, a lot of debris accumulated and sat in Church Point's streets for days or weeks. Let's not get in any bad habits, however. Remember that in normal times, yard debris – grass bags, tree trimmings, etc. – should not be placed at the curb until the evening before pickup on Wednesdays. Let's keep Church Point beautiful!



# Church Point Social Committee News

By Carrie Lauck and Bobbie Hart



Your neighborhood Social Committee is now six months old and it is wonderful to see so many faces that we used to only know as neighbors, we can now recognize as friends. With the support of the Board of Directors and the talent of our friends, the Tiki Bar Band, the Music in the Park series that opened and closed the summer were a big hit for all ages and we look forward to building upon that trend for next summer (see photo below). The wine tasting at Lubo in late July drew a rowdy bunch and had us all so busy tasting the wine and cheeses and chatting our way through the evening that we didn't take a single picture. I guess what happened at Lubo is actually staying at Lubo. Teamed with the Neighborhood Watch, National Night Out was a successful evening, drawing TWO fire trucks, multiple police officers and even a visit from McGruff! The children enjoyed activities and snacks while hopefully shining a light on the importance of neighborhood safety and encouraging our community to sign up for Neighborhood Watch.

Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> is the date for our first annual Church Point Halloween Parade! Dress up your ghosts and gorillas and meet at the gazebo for the 4PM parade. A local police car will guide our march from the gazebo, headed west to the entrance at Caversham Mews and back to the gazebo where there will be a contest for the best pre-carved pumpkin (so don't forget to bring yours along), and even a DJ to set the mood - so you may want to brush up on your monster mash before the 30<sup>th</sup>! Thanks to DJ Johnny Starks (757.353.8552) for donating his time that afternoon, this event is FREE, open to all Church Point residents and we hope to see you there.

Joining Social Committee is a terrific way to meet energetic neighbors, contribute to the quality of life in our beautiful neighborhood and have a great time doing it. The events and activities from this past spring and summer were fun to plan and even more fun to attend, thanks to our terrific team of neighbors who have all contributed in multiple ways to their success. There are committee members who have joined us since the very first brainstorming meeting, like Jojo Lotuaco who has designed and managed the distribution of all of the flyers, Vanessa Szajnoga who set up the ice cream truck for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and even got a DJ for the Halloween parade, Edie Schlain who has been a terrific unofficial treasurer and liaison to the BOD, and Tracy Jackson who created and manages the Church Point Facebook page. Along with multiple contributions from Michelle Timms, Gary Lauck, Colleen Jakubowski, Debbie Hall, Deanne Irwin and Betsy Guglielmo and many more who have helped deliver flyers, donate snacks, set up and break down events, and we are grateful for every single one of their efforts. The meetings we have are easy-going and fun and we welcome and encourage new members to jump in at any time. It would be terrific to have you!



## 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

*(If you would like to be added to the list, please contact [npcchurchpoint@cox.net](mailto:npcchurchpoint@cox.net) with your contact info and the types of work you're available for).*

## Church Point on Facebook!

Be sure to "like" us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/ChurchPoint](http://www.facebook.com/ChurchPoint) to stay up to date on all things Church Point. Please let us know if you have any suggestions or ideas for future events, or send us an email that you wish to receive social committee updates via email at [social.churchpointhoa@gmail.com](mailto:social.churchpointhoa@gmail.com).

We look forward to hearing from you and can't wait to see all of the kids costumes on October 30<sup>th</sup>!



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## **“The Perfect Party”**

So come eat, drink, be merry, and SHOP!

**November 13, 2011**

**2:00 - 5:00 p.m.**

**Church Point Manor House**  
4001 Church Point Road, Virginia Beach

**Music by Ryan LaRock, Pianist**

**Admission is \$5 at the door**

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**More Information:**

*www.kingsdaughters.org/holidaybazaar or call The King's Daughters' office 757.668.7098*

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Contractor	Recommended by	Type of Work	Comments
No new ones this month!			Send us your recommendations!



### 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 [npchurchpoint@cox.net](mailto:npchurchpoint@cox.net).

Name	Age	Phone	Info

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