



Summer 2005

Church Point Post

Homeowners Association Quarterly Newsletter

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Summer is in full swing, and your Church Point neighbors are out enjoying the pleasant weather. With school out, this is especially true for the children of the neighborhood. Whether walking, running, riding bikes, on skateboards, scooters, or roller blades -- the kids are out in force -- adults, too!

While vigilance and proper speed is always important within the development, it's especially important now at this time of year. We've had increased police patrols and higher fines for speeding the past couple years. But it only takes a moment's inattention to create a tragedy. Let's all be extra careful and make this a safe summer on Church Point's roads.

Dead Trees?

During a recent storm, a dead tree fell from HOA property onto a homeowner's property and damaged a car. Luckily, no one was injured and the homeowner's insurance covered the damage. We want to remove any dead trees in the common areas that might be a hazard to residents. Please, if you know of any near your property or see some in the common areas, let Select Group know right away. Hurricane season is here and we want to eliminate any potential hazards.

President's Corner

By Tom Fitzgerald, HOA President

Dear Homeowners: Your Board of Directors continues to represent your interests to the best of our abilities. As a dynamic community with people moving in and out of the community, we are always looking for additional participation in our various committees that make things happen. This is the same opening paragraph I put in the April issue just to emphasize that we always need the participation of our homeowners in order to make this a dynamic community. For example we need a welcoming committee to simply say welcome to new neighbors. Any events like the picnic we used to have at the beginning of summer or could have during the early fall needs a Social Committee to help organize such events. If you are interested in participating please contact me or our management company, Select. See contact info for Board members and Select Group on p. 6.

Neal Curtin, who does our Newsletter, has graciously agreed to serve as a Director at Large on your Board at least until the annual meeting in October. At that time he may wish to continue in that capacity by running in the annual election.

Our committees continue to provide a service to us all. Our Flood Control Committee is working with our attorney and the City engineers to address the flooding issue behind some of our homes in the Mews. The Architecture Control Committee (ACC) continues to work with our residents and early submission of any construction plans makes it easier on all. The Landscape Committee works hard

Presidents Corner, continued

to keep us aware of the need to maintain a well kept appearance. Thanks to the Garden Club for the plantings around our neighborhood.

I would like to thank my fellow Board members for their support and a special thanks to all the committees and to the homeowners for all your efforts to make Church Point the best place to live in Virginia Beach.

With the Fourth of July just behind us, I would like to acknowledge that it is because of the men and women in uniform that we are able to celebrate our freedom. We live in an area that has seen these heroes make the ultimate sacrifice for us all. At our house before our July 4th meal with a few friends and neighbors, I simply read the last sentence of the Declaration of Independence: *“And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the Protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor”* In Congress, July 4th, 1776

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Tom Fitzgerald, President

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Church Point Garden Club

By Joan Curtin, Vice-President of the Garden Club



The Church Point Garden Club will begin its' 11th year with an historical tour of the Church Point shoreline of the Lynnhaven River on September 13th. Our regular meeting schedule, the first Tuesday of the month at 9:30a.m., will begin in October. Our new meeting place is Baylake United Methodist Church on Shore Drive.

Our program schedule for 2005-2006 includes floral workshops, including one conducted by our own talented Southern Living Home consultant, and educational programs on weather and gardening with Duane Harding, container gardening and butterflies in the garden.

If you would like to join our active group, please call Suzie Duckworth at 363-1050. She will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Landscape of the Month Award Recipients

Church Point Garden Club members select a "Landscape of the Month" from March through November. We have divided the neighborhood into three sections: The Mews, The Commons & Bishops Court and The Commons East & the Quays. The awards selection is rotated among these three areas. Homeowners that are selected will receive a certification of recognition from the Garden Club. Once selected, there is a two year restriction period before an award winner can be eligible for selection again. Judges evaluate seasonal interest and color, lawn and plant maintenance along with overall harmony and balance. Perfection is not the goal, but neatness does count. With so many enjoyable landscapes to choose from, it is an honor to receive this very special award of recognition. Here are this year's winners so far:

April 2005 The Commons East & Quays
Marilyn & Bill Fox
3816 Church Point Road

June 2005 The Commons & Bishop's Court
Keira & Steve Banks
4096 Church Point Road

May 2005 The Mews
Tina & Katherine Simmons
4536 Church Point Place

July 2005 President's Choice
Leslie & George Asfari
4156 Church Point Road

Congratulations to these Church Point homeowners who have "gone the extra yard" to create a landscape of distinction.

Garden Club Poinsettia Sale

It may seem early to think about Christmas poinsettias, but here's a heads up. In late Fall the Church Point Garden Club will be selling poinsettias as its fundraiser. What a great way to decorate for the holidays and at the same time help the Garden Club. Please keep an eye out for info on pre-sales.



www.churchpointonline.com

That's the URL for the all new Church Point community web site now up and running. The HOA Board asked John Holladay to serve as webmaster when the previous webmaster moved away, and John has done a great job pulling the site together. Some of it is still under construction, but there is plenty of good info there now, so visit the site often. Eventually, each of the association committees will have a web page describing their activities and membership. The site is hosted by NetLink Solutions at no charge to the HOA. John is looking for additional ideas and content for the web site, so be sure to contact him if you want to help. Just click on the "Webmaster" link on the home page.

With more and more people using the internet regularly, the Church Point Online website could be a great communication vehicle for the neighborhood. Check it out!

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Church Point Community Bulletin Board

- **LOST and FOUND:** A pair of prescription sunglasses was found in the park near the gazebo recently. If you lost a pair, call the finder at 363-1050 to see if these are yours.
- You'll notice several ads in this issue, placed by Church Point residents and business owners. 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 would be interested in placing an ad in a future newsletter for a nominal fee (to help defray the printing and mailing cost of the newsletter), please contact Ali Mercer at Select Group or email nealcurtin@cox.net. We'll send you a form with prices and other information you'll need. The form is also available at our website, www.churchpointonline in the Newsletter section.

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