



Summer 2008

Church Point Post

Homeowners Association Quarterly Newsletter

Work Underway on First Court Road Landscaping Improvements

By the time the newsletter is distributed, you should see work underway on landscaping along First Court Road. The Board has adopted a recommendation from the ad hoc committee set up earlier this year, headed by Edie Schlain. The committee recommended that we undertake the project all at once, rather than stretch it out over a number of years doing a section at a time. The committee's main argument was that doing the job piecemeal would result in long periods of disruption and a hodge-podge of landscaping that would not be attractive. While this will require a greater outlay of money this year, it saves a lot of money in the long-run, because quotes provided for doing a section at a time were much higher than a one-time job. What makes it feasible to do the project all at once is that the committee – after extensive research and competitive bidding – came up with a price for the entire project of about \$15,000, or less than a third of what we thought the project could cost. The Board agreed with the committee's reasoning and felt this price was too good to pass up. It passed a resolution at the July meeting to approve the contract and begin work.

The project involves removal of over 350 dead or dying photinia along First Court Road from the shopping center to the main entrance. This work will be done now and should take a little over a week. The photinia will be replaced with 120 Nellie Stevens hollies, to be planted in October. The project will be funded out of our reserve accounts and will not require any new funding or increased homeowner fees at this time.

President's Corner

By Neal Curtin, HOA President

My thanks to Edie Schlain and all her committee members for their difficult and thoughtful work on the First Court Road landscaping issue. As you can read in the article above, we will be able to do the needed work quickly and at a very reasonable cost because of their efforts. Committee members were Gene Hamrick, Paula Larkin, Doyle Quisenberry, and Tom Robinson. (By the way, we wish Edie a speedy recovery from her recent back surgery!)

With removal of the dead/dying photinia this summer, it will allow a couple months of time for those residents along First Court Road to finish power washing their fences. Many residents who have crape myrtles behind their fence have already completed washing, and it looks great. The new hollies will not be planted until early October, so this will provide a good window to complete power washing where the photinia were. The new landscaping and the cleaned fences will really improve the look of that area.

Please take time to read the article on page 7 of the newsletter concerning Board review and approval of architectural changes to your homes or yards. Church Point's Covenants are very clear on the need for HOA approval of significant changes to the exterior of your home or landscaping. The Board has noted a number of cases recently where work was underway without approval. Select Group sends letters to those owners, and hearings, fines, or other sanctions can be taken against homeowners who do not comply with Covenants. We have put some new procedures in place that are described in the article and on our website. Before beginning any work on the exterior of your home, please contact Select (Gayle Pinero, 486-6000), Bob Whipkey (our focal point for this issue), or a Board member to see if you need to provide your plans for review and approval. It is important for the good of the Church Point community to assure that the Covenants are enforced thoroughly and consistently.

Neighborhood Watch by LaTanya Cole

The summer is here and along with the kids being out of school comes a few unwelcome visitors. Please read the below **crime alerts** and some suggested **crime prevention tips**. Be sure to share this information with everyone in your household including out-of-town guests.

Crime Alerts

7-8-08 – Tuesday - Early A.M. – Mews – 4600 Block Church Point Place

Car burglary #1- A briefcase was stolen which contained a computer, an I-pod, and a few other items. Note that this car was locked but also that the owner rarely leaves anything in car for fear of it being stolen. A police report was done and the officer commented that the device used to get into the car was a new tool used to get into the soft tops of jeeps (without damaging the top) and they can retrieve anything in the car. An item from briefcase was found on the bridge leading to the shopping center (Church Point Commons).

7-13-08 – Sunday - Unknown time - Commons – 4100 Block Church Point Rd.

Car burglary #2- A GPS unit was taken from an unlocked vehicle's glove compartment. Nothing else appears to have been taken. A police report was done and it was mentioned by the police that there was a lot of (crime) activity in this neighborhood on that day. If other crime reports are received, they will be posted to block watchers as soon as possible.

Crime Prevention Tips:

1. Please LOCK your cars and DO NOT LEAVE ANY ITEMS OF VALUE in your car (laptops, GPS units, I-pods, cell phones, money, etc.) If you must leave something in your car, put it in your locked trunk.
2. If your neighbors are out of town, please bring in their newspapers, mail and solicitor flyers for them.
3. Call the emergency number (9-1-1) if you see a crime in progress or if you think you see a crime in progress.
4. Call the 3rd precinct police at 385-5000:
 - a. If you see suspicious people walking up and down the street especially if they are looking up at each house/driveway as they are walking.
 - b. If solicitors are in the neighborhood. We have a posted "No Soliciting" sign.
 - c. If you have any information regarding any reported crimes or if you need to report another crime. Tell police operator your name/address/phone, that you are part of CP Neighborhood Watch, and give them a description of the suspicious person(s) and/or crime.
5. Report crimes to your Block Captain after you have notified the police. Your Block Captain will make sure the information is disseminated to others.
6. Curfew in Virginia Beach is 11 pm for those under 18 years of age. Please do not allow your children to be outside after this time unaccompanied by an adult.

If everyone will follow these tips, it will deter crime because the thieves will not keep coming back if the valuable items are not easily available for them to steal.

If you are not a member of our Neighborhood Watch and receiving our crime alerts as they occur, contact me immediately to sign up: elcee62@msn.com or 460-3157.

Welcome, New Church Point Residents!

The following residents have moved into Church Point since Oct. 2007. Please update your directories with these new entries:

COWEN, Carl R. and Christine L.

1660 Church Point Lane

Church Point Garden Club

By Joan Curtin, 1st Vice-President of the Garden Club



Church Point Garden Club received a number of honors at the annual Council of Garden Clubs of Virginia Beach Awards Luncheon held on June 4th at Princess Anne Country Club. Notably the Club received one of the Council's **Awards of Beautification & Conservation**. The Club received *First Place for a Maintenance Project*, the front entrances to Church Point. A Maintenance Project is one which a club previously completed as a New Beautification Project and currently provides the upkeep of that project through repair, replacement of plant materials and general clean-up.

We have moved our meeting day to the **first Thursday** of the month. Our first meeting of 2008/2009, on **September 4th**, will be the annual **President's Welcome Coffee**. We will meet in the home of our First Vice President, Joan Curtin, at 1705 Ware Parish Court. If you have considered joining the Garden Club, please come to meet our members and hear about our activities for the coming year. The coffee will begin at **9:30 a.m.** If you would like to join us on the 4th, please **RSVP** to Joan at **460-6493** or Suzie Duckworth at **363-1050**. More information on the Garden Club is available at www.churchpointonline.com, select **Teams**.

Heads up, Pansy Lovers: The Garden Club will be conducting a **pansy sale** in October to raise funds for the Council Beautification Project at the Japanese Garden in Red Wing Park. More information will be provided later this summer.

Landscape of the Month Recipients:

May	<i>The Mews</i>	David & Gail Maxon	4548 Church Point Place
June	<i>The Commons & Bishops Court</i>	Bill & Mary Allsbrook	1700 Lambs Creek Lane
July	<i>Commons East & The Quays</i>	Our Neighbors at	1640 Spring House Trail
August	<i>The President's Award</i>	All homes in Church Point are eligible for this award	

New Church Point Ladies Group Forms

We are the newest dynamic group in Church Point and if you haven't already joined us, you are truly missing out. We have already met for drinks and appetizers at the new restaurant, "The Cellars" (we Ladies definitely recommend!), at the Church Point Manor House (www.churchpointmanor.com) and we are actively planning our future activities. Our get-togethers are every other month at different locations so if you could use a break once in awhile, please join our group. The next official "ladies night out" will be in either August or September. Don't believe the rumors... there is no fee and no "initiation" ritual to join (smile), but you must become a member to receive details about our events in advance!

To sign up or for more info contact La Tanya Cole elcee62@msn.com or 460-3157.

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What's in a Name?

A Primer on Church Point Street Names


You probably know that Church Point is named for the original church located on this property along the Lynnhaven River. Some of the street names – like Church Point Road/Place/Court/Lane – are pretty obvious. Some of the others, though, may make you scratch your head.

The developer's original notes indicate that many of the street names came from actual churches in the Tidewater area and from the names of Captain Adam Thoroughgood's crew members in his colonial party. Most of streets in the Mews, for example, seem to have come from crew member surnames: **Hepplewhite, Ladysmith, Caversham, Fletcher, Causson, Dalwood, Lanckfield, Pilgrim**. Based on a little Virginia historic research, here are the likely origins of some of the street names in the Commons and Quays:

Benn's Church Ct.	Benn's Church, located in Isle of White county near Smithfield adjacent to old St. Luke's
Hungers Parish Ct.	Hungers Church is on Virginia's Eastern Shore, built around 1742 near Nassawadox.
Jordan's Parish Ct.	Perhaps named after Jordan's Point on the James River in Prince George County, established by Samuel Jordan in 1619.
Lambs Creek Ct.	Lambs Creek Church was built before 1750 in King George County. It was the site of a Civil War skirmish in 1863.
Lower Church Ct.	The Lower Methodist Church is in Middlesex County, near Saluda and Piankatank. It was built around 1717.
Merchant's Hope Ct.	Merchant's Hope Church, one of the oldest in Virginia, was built in 1657 in Prince George County near the James River.
Timber Ridge Dr./Ct.	Timber Ridge Church is a Presbyterian church built in 1756 in Rockbridge County near Lexington (admittedly a long way from Tidewater!).
Ware Parish Ct.	Ware Church was built in 1693 in Gloucester County

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Contractor Compliments – for a job well done!

No new recommendations have come in during the past quarter, but Church Point residents are always looking for competent, high-quality contractors to work around their homes. If you have good success with a particular contractor, let us know so we can share it with your neighbors in the Newsletter. Just email your recommendations in the form below to npcchurchpoint@cox.net. You can check past issue of the newsletter for recommendations at our web site www.churchpointonline.com.

Contractor	Recommended by	Type of Work	Comments
Greener Vision Tree/Shrub Care 235-4174	Doyle Quisenberry	Plant and tree spraying	Independent contractor, outstanding service
Highlander Carpet Cleaners 502-0287	Doyle Quisenberry	Carpet and upholstery cleaning	Family business; superb service with no hidden charges
Enzo's Pool Service – Tony Poggioli 672-3270	Maria Oehninger	Swimming pool repair and maintenance (patched liner, open and close pool, filter work, etc.)	Tony and his assistant Johnny are thorough, knowledgeable, and hard working, and their price was adequate.
Randolph "Ray" Henderson 314-4638	LaTanya Cole	Insurance	"Great guy to work with"



Your Church Point Babysitting Resource

Many residents have asked about the availability of babysitters here in Church Point, so we have started this feature in the *Church Point Post* as a service. Help keep the list current for future editions by updating ages and removing anyone who no longer wants to be considered. Just email me at npcchurchpoint@cox.net. Here is the current list:

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Broken Street Lights Leaving Us Dark and Frustrated

Eight street lights at the main entrance to Church Point have been out since December. We have repeatedly reported these outages to the City of VB and to Dominion Power, but after months of frustration, we are still in the dark.

We were originally told they would be fixed by April 23 (as confidently reported in the last newsletter!), but that date came and went with nothing. Dominion Power crews finally showed up on May 9 and reported that they had "fixed" the problem – just one thing, though, the lights still didn't come on at night!! So we told them the problem wasn't fixed after all, and they scheduled another work order. Dominion Power said that numerous emergency power outages caused by thunderstorms had pushed back their ability to work on our lights.

We have impressed on them that this many lights out at a critical intersection in Church Point is a serious safety issue to our residents and visitors.

The street lights affected are the decorative-type lights, called "Carlisle" lights by the city, which the developer had installed when Church Point was first built. Part of the problem in getting them fixed, we've just recently learned, is that the City considers these Church Point's responsibility, while the City is responsible for the standard street lights that are installed throughout Church Point. Regardless of who ultimately pays for the repairs, we are anxious to get these lights working again. The Board has made it a priority for Select Group to help solve this problem quickly.

Church Point Security Patrols Resuming

The Board has hired Citywide Protective Services to patrol Church Point at random times for the next couple months, to enhance security during the busy summer months. We used this same firm during the holidays last year. Look for their patrol vehicles and uniformed officers.

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New Procedures In Place for Reviewing and Approving Architectural/Landscaping Changes


Church Point's Covenants require homeowners to submit any plans for significant changes to the exterior of their home for review and approval by the HOA Board of Directors before beginning work. Changes covered by the Covenants include such things as additions, decks, fences, pools, major landscaping, etc. Failure to submit plans and obtain Board approval is a violation of the Covenants, and homeowners who do not comply are subject to fines and other sanctions.

To help enforce this Covenant, the Board has adopted new rules. The most significant change is that approved projects will be given a permit that must be displayed on a front window of the home while the work is going on. This permit is similar to the red city permit that is required for some projects. Church Point's permit will be blue. If your project requires a city permit, the Church Point permit should be posted next to the city permit. At the completion of your project, you are asked to contact Select to let them know the project is finished, and a representative of the Board will visit to look at the final project to see that it was built as submitted and approved.

These new procedures are spelled out on the Church Point website (www.churchpointonline.com), and a copy of the permit is shown below. (The actual permit will be printed full-page size on blue cardboard).

In adopting these new procedures, the Board felt that there were several reasons to make a change. First, we and Select have noticed that several projects have been undertaken lately without proper review and approval. Second, some projects that were approved were not built according to the plans submitted to the Board. Third, there was no way for the Board to determine if and when the approved project was completed.

This Covenant requirement was established to help assure that the high standards set for Church Point are maintained as the development matures. The Board urges all residents to follow these procedures and obtain proper approval for all exterior changes to your property. It's for your good, and the good of Church Point as a whole.

SELECT GROUP DATE & STAMP	
SIGNATURE	
THIS PERMIT MUST BE PLACED IN A WINDOW VISIBLE FROM THE STREET	
	
Church Point Homeowners Association WORK APPROVAL PERMIT	
ACC Reference Number: _____	
Board's initial approval Date: _____	
<small>NOTE: If there are any changes to the work as originally approved, please contact The Select Group immediately at 757-486-6000.</small>	
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<small>NOTE: Upon completion of approved work, contact The Select Group at 757-486-6000 to schedule a final inspection.</small>	
<hr/> FINAL INSPECTION	
<small>I certify that all work as outlined on this permit has been completed and meets the Church Point Homeowners Association ACC guidelines.</small>	
<small>BOARD MEMBER OR DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE</small> _____	<small>DATE:</small> _____
<small>Homeowner:</small> _____	
<small>Address:</small> _____	
THIS PERMIT MUST BE PLACED IN A WINDOW VISIBLE FROM THE STREET	

Kudos to Church Point Neighbors!

Leanne Hillery – “My wife Leanne Hillery graduated with her M.B.A May 10 at Regent University. Working full time and with two small children she knocked it out in two years so I am very proud of her. We are celebrating with a two week cruise to Hawaii! Sorry kids this is just for Mom and Dad.”

--Submitted by J. David Hillery

Whitney Daniel – Whitney, daughter of Bart Daniel and Patty Daniel, is a rising senior at Cox High School. She recently received the silver medal in Tae Kwon Do at the World Junior Championships (May 2008 in Izmir, Turkey) and she is the first person in Virginia to ever do so. She is working towards a spot on the 2012 U.S. Olympic team so watch out for Whitney!

--Submitted by LaTanya Cole

Wesley Chavis --Wesley, son of Dr. Cyril and Arwonder Chavis has made the dean's list at Cox High School with all A's and although he is a rising junior, he was recently recognized in the Virginian Pilot alongside rising seniors and recent graduates. Besides doing well in school, Wesley is a humble and kind young man – as are all of the Chavis children.

--Submitted by LaTanya Cole

If you know someone who deserves recognition in future issues, please email npcchurchpoint@cox.net with your submission.

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 npcchurchpoint@cox.net.
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