



# Cheshire Chat

A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER FOR CHESHIRE FOREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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## MANAGER'S CORNER

Happy Quarantine and Happy Spring! First and foremost, I hope everyone is staying safe and practicing social distancing as much as possible. During this quarantine I will not be in the clubhouse office on Tuesdays and all Chesapeake Bay Management Offices will be closed to the public, but we are all available by phone and/or email.

In times like this it may seem petty to discuss spring inspections within the community however work still needs to be completed to keep our community looking great and inspections will still be conducted.

### *Spring items that may need to be addressed on your home or property:*

1. Cleaning and/or power washing any mold and mildew from the home, to include brick steps and/or mailbox structures
2. Painting items such as trim, doors faded shutters, etc.
3. Replace any rotten wood and paint (if necessary)
4. The landscape beds are free of weeds
5. No dead trees and/or bushes
6. Driveway is free of grass in the cracks
7. Clean fencing and make any necessary repairs

### *Some items that are friendly reminders:*

1. Replace Smoke detector batteries
2. Check screens for holes
3. Clean out the drain pans to your HVAC units
4. Clean out your dryer vents
5. Clean chimneys
6. Clean out gutters

Your community is what you make it. I would urge each of you to get involved in the community in one capacity or another. Whether you serve on a committee or run for the Board of Directors, your input is valued and will continue to make Cheshire Forest the type of community that you will be proud to call home.

I look forward to meeting each of you in the months to come. If you need my assistance, you can reach me via phone at 757-534-7751 or if you prefer, you may email me at [JWilliams@1cbm.com](mailto:JWilliams@1cbm.com)

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Williams, CMCA, AMS Regional  
Manager, Chesapeake Bay Management



## BRAVO FROM THE BOARD!

- All residents doing their part to end the pandemic
- Residents inventing and participating in safe community projects
- Aimee Curley - For years of leading the Social Committee, your contributions are too many to list!
- Randi Corcoran - For volunteering to take over the lead on the Social Committee!

The next regular Board of Directors Meetings are scheduled for Tuesday  
APRIL 21, MAY 19, & JUNE 16, 2020

All MEETINGS BEGIN at 6:00 p.m. At 7:00 p.m. there is a 15 minute Homeowners Forum, allowing residents the chance to address the Board with general comments and questions. Anyone with a specific agenda item must call in advance to have their topic included on the agenda. Contact Jennifer Williams at [jwilliams@1cbm.com](mailto:jwilliams@1cbm.com) or phone 757-534-7751.

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NEWSLETTER INPUTS FOR  
THE SUMMER ISSUE ARE DUE  
NLT JUNE 1, 2020.

E-mail newsletter items to  
[anndumenigo@yahoo.com](mailto:anndumenigo@yahoo.com)

## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

We're living in a very interesting time and it remains pleasant to see things residents of Cheshire Forest do to keep this a wonderful place to live.

Residents are developing many exciting and engaging activities community wide as we continue to fulfill our responsibilities for social distancing, quarantining, and generally taking care of ourselves. The events like the zoo hunt or animal hunt where residents walked around identifying stuffed animals people had placed in trees and other interesting places was a hit. Additionally, the sidewalk chalk artists transformed many driveways into magnificent images. All of these developed to arrest the monotony of having to be at home doing our part to assist our Nation, our State, and our community to overcome the Corona virus. It is a wonderful community and many thanks to all residents participating safely in these types of events. Check our media sites for other events. All created by caring and energetic residents of our community.

As many also may know, the management company of our HOA is also taking precautions to assist in ending

the virus spread. There is no walk-in traffic to the management offices, mail delivered to management will sit idle for three days to ensure no potential infections occur, and managers are working from home. We fully support these actions and all Board members are willing to assist as needed should information be required from management. All emails for management continue to be monitored.

An additional precaution your Board has taken was to close the Club House. No rentals are executed for the Club House until our Governor relaxes parameters set in his executive directives. Among other things the Board considered the health and safety of all residents when making this decision. We look forward to the time when all things return to normal.

May all continue to be healthy and safe as we see this pandemic run its course.

Thank you,  
Lonnie Harrelson

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*Did you know?* Cheshire Forest has it's own website!  
**cheshireforest.org**



**Where you can find...**

- HOA documents
- Contact Information
- Board of Directors
- Committee Members
- Clubhouse Reservation Forms

# BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S NOTES

The Board conducted their regularly scheduled Board of Director meetings on February 18th, March 17th, and the next is scheduled for April 21st. Your all-volunteer Board of Directors remains laser-focused on maintaining the material condition of neighborhood's assets, responsibly managing your neighborhood's financial resources, and upholding our neighborhood's standards. The following list highlights some of the Board of Directors actions.

## Recently Completed Actions:

- Contracted the replenishment of mulch for the playground
- Power washing the pool house and fence surrounding the pool
- Revised Architectural Control Committee Guidelines
- Updated Pool Rules
- Closed out 2019 Budget

## On-Going and Future Actions:

- Obtaining estimates to replace the 3-rail fence at the main entrance
- Club house common area safety

- Obtaining estimates to resolve Clubhouse drainage issues
- Obtaining estimates for replacement of club house deck/patio
- Executing the 2020 Reserve Study plan and operating budget
- Obtaining a new reserve study

More detail concerning these issues and actions can be found in the Board of Directors Meeting Minutes which are published monthly. All residents are cordially invited to attend the Monthly Board Meetings (third Tuesday of each month) and participate in the Homeowners Forum. The Homeowners Forum provides residents insights into upcoming events, actions taken by the Board of Directors, but most importantly provides you an opportunity to voice suggestions or concerns with the Board.

We are always looking for volunteers who can help make a difference in our neighborhood. Positions are open in several of the committees. Please consider stepping forward to help keep Cheshire Forest the envy of Great Bridge and "The best community in Hampton Roads!"

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## NOTE FROM THE BOARD:

### Neighborhood Driveway Conditions

In the Fall of 2019, the HOA Manager sent out violation letters to some homeowners identifying issues with deteriorating driveway conditions. Subsequent to those violation letters, the Board has had discussions on how to address deteriorating driveways. The Board understands concrete will crack over time and since the bulk of our neighborhood is over 25 years old, cracks in the concrete are there. The Board also understands replacing a driveway can be costly.

One of the Board's goals is help maintain our neighborhood's property values by ensuring our homes, common areas, and infrastructure are maintained.

There are some homes where driveways have broken up concrete, sunken areas, lifted sections, and potential safety hazards.

There are some concrete repairs that can be done without replacing the entire driveway. Sections of the driveway and/or specific trouble areas can be replaced. Professional contractors can lift/level sections of driveways. Some concrete repairs could be a homeowner DIY project, but most would hire a professional.

The Board asks homeowners to please ensure driveways are given the same attention the home receives as it relates to routine maintenance. With everyone's efforts, we can keep Cheshire Forest looking like the great neighborhood it has always been. Thanks!



# 2020 CHESHIRE FOREST POOL INFORMATION

\*\*\*The 2020 Pool Rules are included in this edition of the Cheshire Chat, but be advised dates/times of pool opening could be affected by current COVID-19 restrictions. Although the Board is hopeful restrictions will be lifted by the time pool season arrives, it is uncertain what impact the COVID-19 restrictions will have on opening date, or our Pool Management Company's ability to open the pool, staff lifeguards and staff, and ensure the pool is safe. The HOA Manager remains in contact with the pool company as we move forward. As we get closer to pool opening, updates will be provided via Facebook, Nextdoor, and the Cheshire Forest website [www.cheshireforest.org](http://www.cheshireforest.org). Thank you!\*\*\*

## GENERAL INFORMATION

In preparation for the summer pool season, the following information, to include the 2020 Pool Rules, is provided. Please keep this information available for future reference.

## POINTS OF CONTACT

Pool Committee members are Jim and Mary Burres, 757-714-0806, [jebcw3retired@cs.com](mailto:jebcw3retired@cs.com)  
Association Manager is Jennifer Williams, 757-534-7751, [jwilliams@1cbm.com](mailto:jwilliams@1cbm.com)

## POOL OPERATING SCHEDULE

May 22-25, May 29-31, June 5-7

Fridays: 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Saturdays/Sundays: 11:00 AM – 8:00 PM

Monday (Holiday): 11:00 AM – 8:00 PM

June 12-September 7

11:00 AM – 8:00 PM

September 11-13

Friday: 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Saturday/Sunday: 11:00 AM – 8:00 PM

## FLYING FISH SWIM TEAM

Cheshire Forest is proud to have our own Swim Team, the Flying Fish! For information on joining the swim team, contact the committee members listed below. Please come out and support our Flying Fish!

\*\*\*Please remember there may be a few days and nights when the pool is reserved for our neighborhood swim team. Notice of those closures will be posted in advance.

Swim Team Committee chairperson is Tracy Tucker at 407-963-1094, [swimcheshire@gmail.com](mailto:swimcheshire@gmail.com). More information can be found on their website at [www.swimflyingfish.com](http://www.swimflyingfish.com)

## POOL PASSES

All residents, age 6 and above, require a pool pass for entry into the pool. Last year's pool passes (photo ID) will be used again, so please look for them. If you can't

find yours, please check at the lifeguard station before requesting a new one. Many passes have remained in the lifeguard station box from previous seasons.

All residents that are in good standing with the Homeowners Association regarding payment of dues and fees, and already have a pool pass, may obtain a new "year" sticker by coming to the clubhouse, when the manager is on duty, or from the guard shack.

For those new residents, or for residents that have never had a pool pass, the Manager and/or Pool Committee will be able to issue pool passes during Manager work days at the clubhouse. Specific pool pass issuance dates to be published by the Manager on Nextdoor, or that info can be obtained by calling the Manager or Pool Committee rep. In addition, if you have a babysitter that takes care of your children on a regular basis in the summer, a pool pass can be issued for the sitter for the season. Only one sitter pass per family can be issued and it will expire at the end of the season.

If you or any family member come to the pool and do NOT have a pool pass, please bring identification, the lifeguards will have a homeowner listing to verify residency.

## POOL GUESTS

Residents bringing guests to the pool will be asked to sign guests in the guestbook at the lifeguard station. Adult residents may bring up to 5 guests at one time. Young adults, ages 11-17, may bring 2 guests at one time. 6 or more guests require being registered as a semi-private pool party, (see below for more info on how to register) and must be scheduled in advance. Remember, guests must be accompanied by a resident.

## POOL PARTIES

### **Semi-Private Pool Party**

Semi-private pool parties are scheduled 2 weeks in advance with the management company, as additional staffing may be required. Semi-private parties are held



during normal pool operating hours and are confined to the pool deck. Due to space limitations during operating hours, no semi-private parties larger than 30 guests will be allowed. Semi-private events will not be allowed to be held in conjunction with community social events, (ie., pizza by the pool, etc.). Cheshire Forest HOA events will have scheduling priority.

***Pricing as follows:***

Refundable Security Deposit: \$100.00

6 to 15 guests: \$25 for 2 hours.

Up to 30 guests: \$50 for 2 hours.

**Private Pool Party**

Private pool parties are held outside of normal pool operating hours, from 8:00 pm until 10:00 pm, and must be scheduled 2 weeks in advance of your event with the management company. Please note: if the clubhouse is also rented, no wet clothes are permitted in the clubhouse. Private parties must be for a minimum of 2 hours and must be staffed by 2 lifeguards.

***Pricing as follows:***

Refundable Security Deposit: \$100.00

Pool Fee: \$40.00

Lifeguard Fees: \$25.00 per guard per hour.

A completed Pool Reservation Agreement and the rental fee must be returned to the Manager at least 2 weeks prior to the event to reserve the pool. Pool Reservation Agreement can be obtained from the Association Manager.

**SWIM LESSONS**

Cheshire Forest's Pool Management Company, High Sierra Pools, can offer group swim lessons. Please contact High Sierra Pools at 757-595-0080 for rates and scheduling.

**POOL RULES**

The following rules are for the protection and benefit of all pool patrons. Your cooperation will help maintain a pleasant and safe atmosphere for everyone. Parents are requested to caution their children to observe the rules and to obey the lifeguard's instruction. Lifeguards are asked to enforce these rules to ensure the safety of all.

**CONCERNS AND/OR SUGGESTIONS**

Questions or concerns about the pool should be communicated to the on-site pool manager, pool committee or Association Manager.

**LIABILITY**

All persons using the pool do so at their own risk. The Homeowners Association (HOA) assumes no responsibility for any accident or injury, or for any loss or damage to personal property. Individuals using the pool area agree not to hold the HOA liable for any actions of whatever nature occurring within the pool area. All residents shall be responsible for the actions of their children and guests.

**POOL AREA RULES**

1. The pool is for the use of all Cheshire Forest residents and their guests. Your annual Homeowners Association fees help to cover the cost of our pool; therefore, all residents must be current with all fees and dues before use of the pool is authorized.
2. Pool passes (photo ID) are used to control entry into the pool. Each resident, age 6 and above, entering the pool deck must present his or her pool pass to the lifeguard at the pool entrance:
  - a. Children, age 5 and younger, must be accompanied by an adult 18 or older. No pool pass required for age 5 and younger.
  - b. Children ages 6 to 10 must be accompanied by a responsible person age 14 or older
  - c. Babysitters (that are not residents of Cheshire Forest) can obtain a pool pass. See Pool Pass information above. Absent a pool pass, babysitters are considered guests.
3. All persons shall obey the rules, regulations, and instructions of the lifeguards. No person shall use the pool/pool area unless it is officially open and a lifeguard is on duty.
4. Swim Test. A swim test may be required for any individual who does not appear confident in the water. Lifeguards will administer the test, one on one. Test will include swimming a distance equal to max width of the deep-water swimming area, jumping into the water and treading water for one minute, and exiting pool independently.
5. A resident MUST accompany all guests. Guests may leave the pool area and return to the pool during the day of swimming.
6. Admission shall be refused to all persons having any infections, disease, sore or inflamed eyes, colds, nasal/ear discharges, or any communicable disease of any kind. Persons with excessive sunburn or open sores, poison ivy or bandages of any kind will not be permitted.

7. All persons must take a shower before entering the pool.
8. All children in the wading pool MUST be supervised by an adult within the wading pool fenced area. There is NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY IN THE WADING POOL AREA.
9. The pool may be closed at any time by the on-duty lifeguard or pool manager in case of inclement weather, breakdown of equipment or operational malfunctions.
10. Children who cannot swim must be accompanied by an adult in proper swim attire while in the pool/pool area. Flotation devices may be used at the discretion of the lifeguards, however an adult in proper attire must be within arms' reach of the child always.
11. ONLY DISPOSABLE SWIM DIAPERS will be allowed in either pool. Cloth diapers or training pants will be worn with plastic/rubber pants, swim panties.
12. The following are NOT permitted in the pool or pool area:
  - a) Hard sole shoes
  - b) Glass containers and breakable objects
  - c) Pets
  - d) Chewing gum
  - e) Tobacco products
  - f) Intoxicated persons
13. I-Pods and MP-3 players with ear buds/ headphones only (no speakers), will be permitted. Exception is during private pool parties/events.
14. All persons must stay clear of life guard stations and not loiter at the check-in area.
15. No running, pushing, dunking, rough play, jumping, diving or profane language will be permitted in the pool/pool area.
16. All trash must be removed upon leaving pool area and put in the proper containers. Recycling containers are also available.
17. There is no diving into the water from the poolside. Feet first entries only.
18. The use of kick-boards, tubes, balls, rafts, etc. will be regulated by the lifeguards based on the size and character of the crowd. The lifeguards will regulate all play and other equipment.
19. Spouting of water and similar non-hygienic actions

are not permitted in the pool/pool area.

20. Standing or sitting on another's shoulders is not permitted.

21. A 10-minute break will be called each hour to accommodate bathroom inspections, water/equipment testing, and clean-up. During this break, all swimmers must be out of the water.

### SUSPENSION OF POOL PRIVILEGES

If a person fails to respond appropriately to lifeguards for infractions of pool rules, the lifeguard may ask the person to leave the pool area until the following day.

The Homeowners Association Board of Directors, on the recommendation of the lifeguard, may suspend individual pool privileges. The lifeguard will prepare a written report stating the name, date, time, restriction, and the violation, and provide to Pool Committee Chair no later than close of business on the day offense occurred. Pool Committee Chair will review and inform the Board of Directors, via email, of recommended suspension no later than the day following day of offense. The following actions will be taken:

1st offense: 1 day suspension

2nd offense: 5 days' suspension

3rd offense: Suspension for the remainder of the pool season

Appeals of suspension of privileges may be made in writing to the Board of Directors, via email, addressed to the President with a "cc" to all members of the Board. The Board of Directors will have 5 days to review and respond.



# CHESHIRE FOREST FLYING FISH SWIM TEAM

Did you know that Cheshire Forest normally has a summer swim team? With practice starting the Tuesday after Memorial Day and running through July, this is a great way to get to know your neighbors! Whether your child is a beginner swimmer or on their way to states, there is a place for your family on our team! We also offer leadership roles for teens and experienced swimmers! We offer professional coaching led by GBHS Swim Coach Manon Romash.

To be eligible to swim, your child must live in Cheshire Forest at least part of the year and should be between 4-18 years old.

We are in a holding pattern right now with this Summer's program waiting for the 'rona to leave our shores. Info will be posted on Facebook, Next Door and on signs posted throughout the neighborhood when we have more information.

If you have any questions, please contact Tracy Tucker at [swimcheshire@gmail.com](mailto:swimcheshire@gmail.com)





### Aggressive Dog Awareness

This year's National Dog Bite Prevention Week takes place April 12-18. Sponsored by the American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA), it is a campaign that seeks to educate the public on the general prevention of dog bites. While this campaign produces useful information on these potential hazards, it does not address the risks of bites from specific breeds that are considered aggressive.

Aggressive dog breeds do not fall under one single definition; they may vary across different state and local entities. However, for the purpose of this article, aggressive dog breeds are breeds that have inflicted the highest number of severe attacks, including fatalities. These breeds include Pit Bull Terriers, American Staffordshire Bull Terriers, English Staffordshire Bull Terriers, Rottweilers, and hybrids of these breeds. As such, this article has two goals in mind: raise awareness of the hazards of aggressive dog breeds and educate residents of our local dog bite laws.

Aggressive dog breeds are prevalent in the greater Hampton Roads area, and they have caused many severe injuries or fatalities. The most recent fatality was the gruesome death of a two-year-old girl on March 9th in Portsmouth, caused by an attack from a one-year-old male Pit Bull. Over the past decade, many similar attacks have occurred across the country. Lawsuits that followed some of these incidents have even been adjudicated up to the state supreme court level. Overwhelmingly, the most vicious and violent attacks occurred from the aforementioned breeds. More than delivering only minor bite wounds, these breeds have the capability of causing incredible injuries or death.

To our knowledge, there have been two dog attacks in the past year in Cheshire Forest. Both attacks were caused by either a pit bull or a pit bull hybrid, and they were dog-on-dog attacks. While the injuries to the

victims were, fortunately, not life-threatening, the attacks shocked the dog owners.

In the course of our research of aggressive dog attacks, one common thread we've found is that previous dog attacks were often not reported, unless the attacks either caused serious damage, or the attacks caused fatalities. Victims may be reluctant to report attacks for a variety of reasons: fear of reprisal, social pressure, embarrassment, and other personal reasons. Unfortunately, not reporting an attack prevents a record from being established. As a consequence, the same dog may attack again, which limits another victim's legal options. A report may prevent a future attack also.

In the City of Chesapeake, the laws concerning dog aggression are limited to certain instances. A dog may be declared a "dangerous dog" only after an incident occurs, not in anticipation of an occurrence. Following an attack, it is up to law enforcement to gather evidence and then provide it to the court. The court then makes the determination that a specific dog is dangerous to public safety. In severe attack cases, a court may find a dog to be a "vicious dog." Euthanasia, in accordance with state law, follows thereafter. Both of these definitions are discussed in Chesapeake City Code Sec. 10-47.

Neither the City of Chesapeake nor the Commonwealth of Virginia list specific dog breed restrictions. The City of Chesapeake only states that wolf-canine hybrids (and other exotic animals) require a specific permit issued by the Animal Services Unit (Sec. 10-49). There is no legislation against specific breeds.

It is our opinion that Chesapeake and Virginia dog laws are outdated and inadequate. While it would take a more concerted effort to amend the laws of these jurisdictions, Cheshire Forest itself can mitigate these limitations for its own residents.

The Cheshire Forest Architectural Control Guidelines set the community standards for Animals; these standards are listed under the Lot Guidelines section. The Guidelines permit the ownership of dogs, and they generally defer to local laws and ordinances. However, unless the dog is considered to be a "nuisance," then the Guidelines are limited.

Many local communities, companies, and governing bodies have recognized the hazards of aggressive dog breeds, and they have responded accordingly. In the course of our research, we have discovered that many HOAs or apartment complexes in Hampton Roads outright ban aggressive dog breeds. Many insurance companies will not cover these aggressive breeds for liability purposes. All US Air Force, Army, and Marine Corps bases have bans against specific aggressive dog breeds.

In light of the information above, we summarize with two points. One, it is absolutely imperative for the victim of a dog attack to report the attack to Chesapeake Animal Services (Animal Control). If the victim is reluctant to do so, then a helpful neighbor can offer assistance. Two, in light of the hazards posed by aggressive dog breeds, Cheshire Forest needs to reevaluate its community regulations. This issue directly concerns the safety of Cheshire Forest residents and their pets. We'd like to pose a question to the community: amid the prevalence of aggressive dog breeds, do we want to continue to live in a residential area in which there is no restriction to owning these breeds?

Further statistical information can be found in the Cheshire Forest Homeowners Association Board of Directors Meeting Minutes from March 17, 2020.

*Andrew and Ali Jones*



# 2020 { CALENDAR OF EVENTS }

Due to COVID-19 all upcoming Cheshire Forest Social Events are cancelled. As Governor stated, until the curve is flattened, and the key is social distancing, Cheshire Forest will follow his restrictions. Once the Governor's restrictions are adjusted, the Communities Social Events Calendar will be updated.

**Please follow the Cheshire Forest Social Events page on Facebook and the Cheshire Forest Neighborhood Page on Nextdoor** for all "virtual community events" and ideas to keep our neighborhood connections strong.

Below was the social calendar of events prior to the COVID-19.  
Once the governor lifts the distancing ban we will pick up with what was planned.

April 25th .....	SPRING RIBOFF .....	Jude Donato
June/August TBD.....	PIZZA BY THE POOL	
July 4 .....	BIKE PARADE/COOKOUT	
August 1st .....	ADULT BASH	
August 4th .....	NATIONAL NIGHT OUT .....	Neighborhood Watch
September 12 .....	YOUTH TRIATHLON.....	Aimee Curley
September 19 .....	CHESHIRE FOREST RIBOFF.....	Jude Donato
October 25th .....	KIDS HALLOWEEN PARTY	
November 26th .....	TURKEY TROT/FOOD DRIVE	
December 2 .....	DECORATING THE CLUBHOUSE	
December 6th .....	COOKIES AND COCOA WITH SANTA	
December 31 .....	NEW YEARS EVE POTLUCK	

**Please consider volunteering your time and effort for some of the worthwhile neighborhood events.**  
If you are interested in helping with upcoming events, please contact Randi Corcoran at [RJCorcoran8@gmail.com](mailto:RJCorcoran8@gmail.com).

Please check out the CF Social Events Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/284275111591152//>

## CHESHIRE FOREST SOCIAL DISTANCING NEIGHBORHOOD ACTIVITIES

**MARCH 30TH** – Easter Egg Seek and Find (details to follow via CF social media pages)

**APRIL 5TH – APRIL 12TH** – Virtual talent show week (for children and adults)

**APRIL 13TH** - Bear Hunt (details to follow via CF social media pages)



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## Neighborhood Watch Corner: SAFETY

Given the current State of Virginia COVID-19 restrictions, there are many more parents and children in the neighborhood every day, all day. You will notice this by the amount of people out walking, running, riding bikes, etc. It's a great thing that we live in a walkable neighborhood with sidewalks, common areas, tennis courts, and a playground.

With many more people out and about every day, we must focus on the safety of our streets within the neighborhood. When school is in session, the streets are mainly empty during the day, and that's not the case now. Please ensure when you're out in your car to control your speed and watch out for pedestrians, giving them the right of way, they deserve.

Working together, we can all ensure that our neighborhood stays safe! Thanks, and until next time, **BE SAFE!**



### Important Chesapeake City Numbers

Non-emergency Police Phone Number: 757-382-6161  
City of Chesapeake: 747-382-CITY (2489)  
[www.CityofChesapeake.net](http://www.CityofChesapeake.net)

# YARDS OF THE MONTH

## YARDS OF THE MONTH STARTS IN MAY!!



Every month from May thru December a Cheshire Forest "Yard of the Month" is selected.

Criteria for the YOM includes but is not limited to neatness consistency in keeping the yard well groomed, overall beauty, landscaping and so on...

A YOM sign is placed on the yard and a photo is taken. The homeowner will receive a Home Depot gift card in recognition of the hard work it takes to create and maintain a beautiful yard.



## Committee Members

COMMITTEE	DESCRIPTION	CHAIR/CO-CHAIRS	PHONE	EMAIL	VOL NEEDED
Architectural Control	Evaluation of applications for improvements (new additions, fences, etc.) for compliance with existing guidelines/standards.	Julie Halsnoy	Cell 705-6466	juliehalsnoy@yahoo.com	
Yard of the Month	Selects Yard of the Month seasonally and in December.	Melissa Dominek Imelda Barrera	Home 410-4888 Cell 621-6740	m.dominek@yahoo.com imelda.barrera@cox.net	
Neighborhood Watch	Network of Block Captains. Collaborate with local law enforcement. National Night Out sponsor.	Al Crouch Al Jacobs	Cell 560-7816 Cell 478-2965	alancrouch@msn.com anjacobs@cox.net	
Newsletter	4 editions per year. Coordinates article submissions, editing, layout, and advertisements.	Ann Dumenigo	Cell 910-554-8531	anndumenigo@yahoo.com	
Pool	Support pool functions and facility. Maintains budget. Pool open May-Sept.	Jim and Mary Bures	Cell 714-0806	jebcw3retired@cs.com	
Social	Coordinates social events. Maintains budget.	Randi Corcoran	Cell 912-414-1518	RJCorcoran8@gmail.com	
Swim Team	Coordinates team events. Maintains budget. Season is May-July.	Tracy Tucker	Cell 407-963-1094	tracyltuck@aol.com	