



Cheshire Chat

A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER FOR CHESHIRE FOREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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MANAGER'S CORNER

Schools Out, welcome to SUMMER!!!. It is great to see everyone out and enjoying the community.

With that in mind, I just want to pop in a few notes and reminders:

- All exterior alterations must receive prior approval from the Architectural Control Committee before any work begins. If you need an application, please email me at jkohlman@unitedpropertyassociates.com. They can also be downloaded from the community website (www.cheshireforest.org).

*****Please do not start a project without approval.*****

- The Architectural Committee is currently reviewing the current rules regarding Basketball goals and will be sending out a revision to the rule soon. In the meantime, please use the goals as you have been in the past.

- As always, pick up after your pet. Respect other people's property.

- Board Meeting dates and times, agenda and prior meeting minutes can be located on the community's website at www.cheshireforest.org

- Drive safely, the posted limits are enforced.

I am usually on property once the first three Tuesdays of each month. If you need to pick up or drop something off to me the best hours are from 1-4pm. I do inspections and meet with vendors in the morning time frame.

Enjoy the rest of the summer, and as always, if you need any assistance do not hesitate to call or email me.

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BOARD MEETINGS

The next regular Board of Directors Meetings are scheduled on Tuesday
JULY 20, AUGUST 17, & SEPTEMBER 21

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 John Kohlman at jkohlman@unitedpropertyassociates.com or phone 757-484-0759.

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BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S NOTES

The Board conducted their regularly scheduled Board of Director meetings on April 20th, May 18th, and June 15th. The next monthly board meeting will occur on July 20th. In addition, the Board held a Special Board Meeting on June 8th to review the Security Committee's Recommendations Report. Your Board remains focused on maintaining the material condition of neighborhood's assets, responsibly managing your neighborhood's financial resources, and upholding our neighborhood's standards. Specifically, the Board has tried to provide creative recommendations to committees and management to follow the Governor's phased restrictions and opening the community assets for use. The following list highlights some of the Board of Directors actions.

Recently Completed Actions:

- Contracted the trimming of the trees at the Parker Road/ Sheffield Drive entrance and other common area locations
- Contracted for the pressure washing of the pool deck, gazebo, pool building, and pool fence
- Worked to open the pool for use to all within Governor's phased restrictions
- Worked on a near daily basis with AAA Pools to ensure maximum pool services available for the community
- Approved the posting of monthly board meeting open session agendas on Cheshireforest.org

- Established the Communications Committee and an initial 4 topics to address from the Special Security Committee Report, one of those tasks is in partnership with the newly named Neighborhood Watch / Security Committee.

- Reinvested (3) CDs

On-Going and Future Actions:

- Recommending revisions of the ACC Guidelines to address basketball goals
- Begin upgrades of the Club House FIOS services and hardware

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!"*



BRAVO FROM THE BOARD!

Security Committee

For the Security Committee Recommendations Report

Christopher Bowers and Tracy Tucker

For the School's Out Party

Christopher Bowers

Jamie Groves

Savannah Bowers

Lainey Groves

Amber Bowers

Alexis Curtis

Courtney Von Tersch

Jude Donato

For the 4th of July Bike Parade/Cookout

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Summer Is Here...

Hi Neighbors,

This summer brings us the normal warmer weather, but one bonus this year is the reduced restrictions that we endured last year. It is great to see the young people heading to the pool in the mornings for swim team practice, it is great to see so many residents using the pool, and it is great to see so many residents out and about throughout the neighborhood.

Speaking of the pool, our pool management company is still hiring lifeguards and luckily for us, have been able to staff our pool on most days. We have had a few days of closure, and we may have a few more, but lifeguard manning levels have greatly improved from the projection made just a few short weeks ago. Management and the Board still maintain close coordination with the pool company. Our goal is to have the pool open every day and will do what we can to ensure that happens. We will still post any scheduled pool closings on our website, Nextdoor, and Facebook.

I want to give a big “Thanks” to the Security Committee for their efforts in putting together a recommendations report for the Board of Directors. As most know, we formed a Security Committee a few months back to review security issues and make recommendations to the Board. That recommendations report was the subject of a special board meeting on 8 June. During that meeting, there were discussions on how to best accomplish some of the recommendations. Ultimately, the decision was made to form a new committee, the Communications Committee, that will

focus on how best to engage the neighborhood via online communications/social media. We also renamed the Neighborhood Watch committee to the Neighborhood Watch/Security committee. This committee will focus specifically on those security items addressed in the report to include security cameras and lighting. Once these two committees coordinate proposals, those proposals will be reviewed by the board for implementation.

As I mentioned the swim team earlier, I must applaud the Flying Fish team efforts this year! After an abbreviated and virtual season last year, it is great to see the team back in action this year. Tracy Tucker has been our Swim Team lead for a few years now, and I think everyone knows that is not an easy task. Thanks Tracy! Thanks also to the many parents who volunteer to assist Tracy in ensuring the Swim Team have a fun and rewarding season!

One last note, for those of you wondering what I can do for the neighborhood, I would please ask that you consider volunteering for one of our committees or to assist with a neighborhood event. If it were not for the volunteers in the neighborhood, most of the activities/ events we host would not be possible. I know many of us are busy, but please see if you can carve out a few hours here or there to assist. The committees, and committee leads contact info are listed on the last page of this newsletter.

Enjoy your summer and hope to see you around the neighborhood!

Regards,
Al Jacobs

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Email ads in PDF format or ask Ann to design one for you at: anndumenigo@yahoo.com

4th of July



Cheshire Forest 's Flying Fish Swim Team is 119 Swimmers Strong!

As this is being written your neighborhood team is heading into the final home meet of our regular season vs the Lionfish on Saturday, July 10th. Practices started the day after Memorial Day and our team continued to grow! Morning practices began after school was over--starting at 7:15 a.m.! No matter the hour of the day, we are excited to be able to host in person meets again and to host some other fun events as well!

New For the Whole Neighborhood! In conjunction with the Social Committee, we are hosting a Pizza by the Pool and Movie Night on Thursday, July 15th 5 p.m.-10 p.m. This event is open to the entire neighborhood! The Social Committee is providing pizza and drinks. The Swim Team is paying for the extra lifeguard hours so we can have late night pool time while watching a movie! We appreciate our neighbors' support of the team and wanted to include everyone in this event!

Congratulations to our Junior Coaches! These are high schoolers who volunteer their time to help our 6 and under swimmers. They are: Jaylen Bright, Davis Curley, Annika Lavin, Josie McKlveen, David Monnikendam, Mary Monnikendam, Lexi Ryel, Claire Reed, Anna Williams, and Jack Williams.

Here is a schedule of for the rest of the summer:

- July 10th:** Home meet vs. Lionfish 7:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
- July 15th:** Pizza by the Pool and Movie Night 5 p.m.-10:00 p.m. (open to whole neighborhood)
- July 24th :** Away meet vs. Greenbrier Country Club
- July 25th:** End of Year Party 5:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. (Pool and clubhouse will be used for the party.)
- August 7th:** Divisionals hosted by Cheshire Forest 7:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Note: The day of meets the pool will open at 1:00. If the meet ends early, we will post the pool opening earlier on facebook (Cheshire Forest Neighbors group) and on NextDoor.

If you are looking to learn to swim, our two assistant coaches and our junior coaches offer swim lessons. You may contact our assistant coaches directly at: Jack Curley (757-201-8473) and Logan Baker (757-375-3136.) Contact Tracy Tucker to get in touch with one of our Junior Coaches.



Neighborhood Watch/Security Corner: Neighborhood Engagement

My name is Cheryl Griner and early this year I become the new lead for our Cheshire Forest Neighborhood Watch Program. My husband, our daughter, and I moved here from Charlotte, NC the summer of 2019. We choose this awesome neighborhood because of the trees, ponds, neighborhood pool, and community activities.

In February the Cheshire Forest Security Committee was formed to explore ways to deal with security concerns and illegal activity around the common areas. Officer Jason Saburn, our Community Resource Police Officer, came to one of our first meetings. He advised, as always, if you see anything suspicious that you feel is not an emergency you may call 757-382-6161 (non-emergency police number) and of course 911 for immediate response. We met with Officer Everette, of the Chesapeake Crime Prevention Unit for a security review of the common areas around the clubhouse. Her top recommendations are cameras and good lighting. This

Crime Prevention Report can be found in the Security Committee Recommendations Report on our HOA website (cheshireforest.org/documents).

The Neighborhood Watch and Security Committee are now joined together and are currently focused on trying to get cameras installed on the outside of the clubhouse.

National Night out is August 3, 7 PM at the clubhouse. Come learn about crime prevention, meet some of our police officers and enjoy ice cream, followed by a flashlight walk!

Pictured below from our March Cheshire Forest Security Committee meeting is Jude Donato, Jane McKlveen, Officer Saburn, Ali Jones, Christopher Bowers, Coleen Lively, Cheryl Griner, and Mitch Gold.

Working together as neighbors, we all can ensure our neighborhood remains 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

YARDS OF THE MONTH

MAY



828 Cheshire Forest Dr.

JUNE



712 Lincolnshire CT



Upcoming Social Events



Please consider volunteering a little of your time for neighborhood events



The following community events are tentatively scheduled for 2021. Events will be held in accordance with state and local health regulations. If you would like to volunteer for any of the listed events, please contact Christopher Bowers, Social Committee Chair— phone: 330-431-8545, email: christopher.bowers@gohpt.com

July 17th

Pizza by the Pool (FOR FAMILIES)

August 7th

Adult Bash

August 3rd

National Night Out hosted by the Neighborhood Watch

September 11th

Youth Triathlon

September 25th

Rib Cook-off

October 24th

Kids Halloween Party

November 25th

Turkey Trot / Food Drive

November 27th

Decorating the Clubhouse/Entrance

December 5th

Cookies & Cocoa with Santa

December 31st

New Year's Eve Bash

*rain date



Committee Members

COMMITTEE	DESCRIPTION	CHAIR/CO-CHAIRS	PHONE	EMAIL
Architectural Control	Evaluation of applications for improvements (new additions, fences, etc.) for compliance with existing guidelines/standards.	Mitch Gold	Cell 277-5617	Mrgold1@cox.net
Communications	Coordinates Neighborhood Engagement via online comm./social media.	Jane McKlveen	Cell 434-0857	jane@mcklveen.com
Yard of the Month	Selects Yard of the Month seasonally and in December.	Ric & Imelda Barrera	Cell 621-6740	imelda.barrera@cox.net
Neighborhood Watch Security	Network of Block Captains. Collaborate with local law enforcement. National Night Out sponsor.	Cheryl Griner	704-619-3727	cherylgriner@bellsouth.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.	Christopher Bowers	330-431-8545	christopher.bowers@gohpt.com
Swim Team	Coordinates team events. Maintains budget. Season is May-July.	Tracy Tucker	Cell 407-963-1094	swimcheshire@gmail.com