



Cheshire Chat

A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER FOR CHESHIRE FOREST HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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MANAGER'S CORNER

It was great to see everyone out and enjoying the pool and other community activities and amenities this past summer.

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

- School is back in session, and we have lots of young folks at the bus stops so please drive safely, the posted speed limits are enforced by the Chesapeake Police.
- 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****

- As always, pick up after your pet and respect other people's property.
- Board Meeting dates and times, agenda and prior meeting minutes can be located below and the community's website at www.cheshireforest.org

The Architectural Committee has approved the following change regarding basketball goals: Permanent basketball goals are prohibited unless approved by the ACC and shall at all times be kept neat, clean and maintained in a good state of repair. Portable basketball goals are permitted and shall be kept neat, clean and maintained in a good state of repair. Basketball goals shall be a product that is commercially produced and purchased for use. Homemade goals are strictly prohibited. Both

permanent and portable basketball goals are to be placed/situated on the homeowners' lot no less than 50% of the way up the driveway from the street to ensure the safety of those at play. Both permanent and portable basketball goals shall be anchored and stabilized consistent with the manufacturer's guidelines. The anchoring and/or stabilizing of basketball goals with cinder blocks, rocks, concrete bags or the like, is strictly prohibited.

The manager is usually on property the first three Tuesdays of each month. If you need to pick up or drop something off to the manager, the best hours are from 1-4pm. The manager does inspections and meets with vendors in the morning time frame.

The 2021 Annual Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, November 16**. This meeting is a perfect opportunity to address the board on any concern you may have. Additionally, there are several open board positions that will need to be filled. If you are interested in serving on the board, please fill out the board interest form that will be included in the Annual Meeting package and send back to the manager. This package is scheduled to be in the mail in late October.

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BOARD MEETINGS

The next regular Board of Directors Meetings are scheduled on Tuesday
October 19, November 16, & December 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.

NEWSLETTER INPUTS FOR
THE WINTER ISSUE ARE DUE
NLT JANUARY 10, 2022.
E-mail newsletter items to
anndumenigo@yahoo.com

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S NOTES

The Board conducted their regularly scheduled Board of Director meetings on July 20th and August 17th. The September Board of Director meeting was canceled due to multiple Board Members being unavailable. The next monthly board meeting will occur on October 19th. 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.

Recently Completed Actions:

- Upgraded the clubhouse FIOS service and hardware
- Revisions of the ACC Guidelines to address basketball goals
- Communications Committee established a Facebook account
- Purchased and provided a pool lane line for lap swimming
- Reviewed and submitted Reserve Study
- Contracted for pool winter maintenance
- Security camera comparison received from Security/Neighborhood Watch Committee

Recent neighborhood events:

- Adult Bash
- Flying Fish Swim Season

- Movie night by the pool
- National Night Out
- Youth triathlon
- Rib Competition

On-Going and Future Actions:

- Pool / Playground drainage.
- Contract pool company for 2022 pool season.
- 2022 budget
- Plan /coordinate 2021 annual meeting

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!

Movie Night at the Pool - Christopher Bowers, Tracy Tucker and the Swim Team

Flying Fish Swim Team- Tracy Tucker and Volunteer Parents

National Night Out - Cheryl Griner

Adult Bash - Christopher Bowers

Youth Triathlon - Aimee Curley, Squires Nolan, Danielle Nagy, Christy Thrift

September Rib Competition- Jamie Groves

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi Neighbors,

Not sure about everyone else, but I enjoy the cooler October temperatures as they provide a welcome relief from the summer heat and humidity. It was a busy, and warm, summer here in the neighborhood, and it was exciting to see the number of new faces and younger families out and about. The turnover of families breathes new life into the neighborhood. As with every summer, the pool and the different neighborhood events were a big hit, and of course the Flying Fish swim team had another spectacular season!

Speaking of new faces, this will be my last letter as the Board President. After serving on the board for 10 years, it's time to move on and let a fresh face take my seat. I've enjoyed my time on the board, and I've enjoyed the opportunity to meet and speak with many residents over the years. Even though we may have not always agreed on issues, we've always shared the same goal, and that's to ensure we keep our neighborhood the place we all want to live. There are a couple of items I would like to mention before signing off:

Annual Meeting – The HOA's Annual Homeowner Meeting is scheduled for 16 November. Be on the lookout for the Annual Meeting mailing which you should receive the first week of November. At this meeting, it's the board's chance to share with the homeowners the current status of the HOA, those actions that have taken place, those actions planned for the future, and a chance for all residents to engage in a Homeowners Forum. Also, this

is the time when board members are elected/re-elected. This year we have five (5) board seats up for election/re-election. Serving on the board is not glamorous but it is crucial that we have volunteers/board members that are interested and engaged in the neighborhood. For those interested, I would encourage you to reach out to the HOA Manager or a board member if you have questions about board responsibilities or requirements. Remember, if you want to make a difference for our neighborhood, please consider volunteering some time.

Thank You! - I would like to thank all of the Board members I've worked with over the years. Board members don't often receive thanks for the work they do, however, there are many things that board members do behind the scenes that go unnoticed. Additionally, would like to thank those volunteers that chair the neighborhood committees. Those committee chair names are on the last page of this newsletter and without those people, many of the things we all enjoy in the neighborhood would not be possible.

As I've mentioned before, we are always looking for volunteers to help out in the neighborhood so if there is something you'd be interested in helping with, please contact the respective committee chair. Thanks! Hope to see you at the Annual Meeting on 16 November!

Regards,
Al Jacobs

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Cheshire Forest Homeowners Association
5849 Harbor View Blvd Suite 200
Suffolk, VA 23435

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



Neighborhood Watch/Security Corner: National Night Out

It may have rained, but the National Night Out at the clubhouse was still lots of fun with a big turnout. We had several police officers, city representatives, the fire marshal, fire truck, McGruff, and Cinco – my favorite AFT accelerant detection K-9! “Special thanks” to Chris Bowers who served ice cream from his famous soft served maker.

The CPD is still reminding people to not hesitate to call for any suspicious activity. They reiterated that while

people often discuss issues on Facebook or Nextdoor, CPD needs proper reporting so that they know which areas to patrol. The non-emergency number is 382-6161, or you can file certain incidences on-line using the Citizen’s On-Line Reporting System. To access the on-line system, search City of Chesapeake, then go to Police Department, and you will find the on-line reporting system. Working together as neighbors, we all can ensure our neighborhood remains safe! Thanks, and until next time, **BE SAFE!**



YARDS OF THE MONTH

JULY

804 Waterfall Way



AUGUST

704 Pleasant Way



SEPTEMBER

302 Cheshire Forest Dr.



OCTOBER

733 Yorkshire Trail



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

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



Cheshire Forest 2021 Triathlon





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