



Cheshire Chat

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MANAGER'S CORNER

With winter upon us, we are certainly looking forward to the warmer days of spring.

It is always a pleasure for me to note the obvious pride in community and ownership as I drive up and down the streets within our Association.

With that in mind, I just want to pop in a few 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).
- As reminder basketball goals are no longer permitted to be placed at the street. They can be stored in driveways as long as they are no closer than halfway down the driveway to the street. They also can not be weighed down with sandbags, bricks, concrete etc.
- As always, pick up after your pet. Respect other people's property.

• Drive safely, the posted limits are enforced.

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

• Just as a reminder that Dominion Energy wrapping up their work in the easement areas of our community, please stay clear of these industrial work areas they are not walking paths or areas to play in. They are private property and signs are posted. Please also be respectful and do not trespass on other owners' property.

If you need any assistance do not hesitate to call or email me.

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THE SPRING ISSUE ARE DUE
NLT MARCH 20, 2022.

E-mail newsletter items to
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BOARD MEETINGS

The next regular Board of Directors Meetings are scheduled on Tuesday
January 18, February 15, & March 15

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.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S NOTES

The Board conducted their regularly scheduled Board of Director meetings on October 19th, November 16th and December 21st. The November meeting was the Annual HOA meeting. The next monthly board meeting will occur on January 18th. 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:

- Planned/Conducted the Annual HOA Meeting
- Approved the annual budget for 2022
- Reviewed/Approved the 2021 Audit
- Security/Neighborhood Watch Committee attended the Chesapeake Crime Prevention Council (CCPC)
- Assessment conducted to determine options for clubhouse security camera and lighting upgrades
- Completed Pool/Playground drainage repairs
- Clubhouse HVAC repairs
- Reviewed/Approved AAA Pools contract for the 2022 pool season

Recent neighborhood events:

- Halloween Party
- Christmas Party

On-Going and Future Actions:

- Pickle Ball Court(s)
- Clubhouse Security Camera / Lighting
- Clubhouse repairs
- Mole treatment (lawn in front of clubhouse)

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!

Halloween Party- Lambert and Cochran Families

Food Drive/Turkey Trot- Aimee Curley

Christmas Decorations at the Club House- Caroline Flint and crew

Christmas Decorations at the Front Entrance- Cheshire Forest Bunco Group

Christmas Party-Allen, Arrington, Bowers, Pardee, Granata, and Trudeau Families

Volunteers from Great Bridge Crew Team and neighborhood teens that helped with clean-up!

Rebecca Monnikendam Director

My husband and I and our seven children moved to Hampton Roads in 2017. After re-searching the area extensively, we knew that Cheshire Forest was the neighborhood for us! We love the area, the neighborhood, the neighbors, and all the wonderful activities that we have here in Cheshire Forest. I'm thankful for the opportunity to serve on the board of directors and to give back to this terrific community.



Casie Nash Director

My family and I moved to Cheshire Forest in July of 2020. My husband (Jason) and I have 2 daughters, Evie and Abbie. They attend GBP and GBMS and joined the swim team last summer. During my first 6 years in accounting I worked for DesRoches & Company, the same company that audits our annual financial statements. I look forward to serving our community as a board member!



Hello Fellow neighbors,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I wish you a happy and healthy New Year.

I was elected to the Board in November of 2021 at the Annual Meeting of the membership. During a brief Board of Directors meeting, I was asked to serve as your Board President. However, I am not new to Cheshire Forest or serving on a homeowners association board. My husband George and I have owned our home in Cheshire since 1995, and we raised our four children here. We were gone from the community for twelve years when we had the opportunity to move a few miles down the road into a multi-generational home. While renters enjoyed the benefits of this fantastic community, I was learning the role and responsibilities of volunteering to serve on a Board of Directors. I served for nine years, the last four as President. I am looking forward to the opportunity to bring that experience to the Cheshire Forest Board of Directors.

Also new to the Board, please help welcome Cassie Nash and Rebecca Monnikendam, who were elected in

November 2021. They join our seasoned volunteers, Jane McKlven, Jamie Groves, Mitch Gold, and Cliff Krebs. Collectively, we look forward to serving our community in the coming year.

Our Executive Board Meeting is always held on the third Tuesday of every month. Our meeting is always open to our membership and begins promptly at 7 pm with a 15-minute Homeowner Forum. This Forum is your opportunity to address the Board with any questions or concerns.

I want to take this opportunity to thank my predecessor, Al Jacobs. Al served on the Board for ten years, his last post as President. Anyone who has served as a volunteer on an association board knows it can be a thankless job. Al served Cheshire with grace and professionalism, and I thank him for his dedicated service.

I look forward to meeting new neighbors and reconnecting with old friends.

Respectfully,
Erin Karol



Neighborhood Watch/Security Corner: WINTER SAFETY TIPS

Keep unattended vehicles locked. Vehicle thefts increase in the winter months when people leave their unlocked cars running to warm up in the driveway. This can allow an auto thief to hop in and steal your car. Many vehicle "break-ins" are not break-ins at all but were left unlocked. If you leave valuables in your car, lock them in the trunk or hide them from plain view.

For those evening outdoor exercisers, as it is dark earlier in the winter, remember to carry a flashlight. It is helpful to wear lighter colors and/or reflected gear. Remember to

walk/run facing traffic and use sidewalks when possible.

Continue to lock your homes and keep your garage door closed and secured.

Be a good neighbor, when you see something say something. The Chesapeake Police non-emergency number is 382-6161, or you can file certain incidences online using the Citizen's On-Line Reporting System on their website. And of course, in an emergency call 911.

Working together as neighbors, we all can ensure our neighborhood remains safe! Thanks, and until next time, **BE SAFE!**

YARDS OF THE MONTH

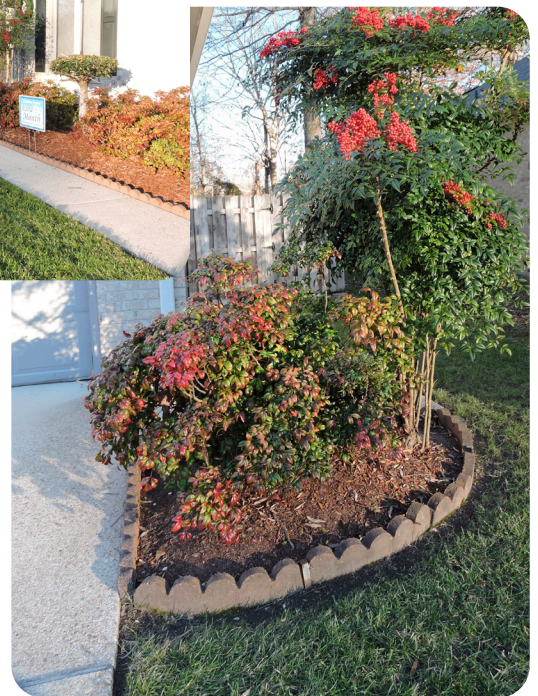
NOVEMBER

813 Satinwood Ct.



DECEMBER

515 Liverpool Ct.



Upcoming Social Events



Please consider volunteering a little of your time for neighborhood events

The following community events are tentatively scheduled for 2022. 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

Date	Event
Feb 26th	Adult Winter Social – Karaoke Themed Party
April 8th	Teen Outdoor Movie Night
April 24th	Kid’s Spring Party
Jun 16th	School’s Out Pool Party (for teens)
June 24th	Pizza by the Pool for Adults / Movie Night
July 4th	Bike Parade / Cookout
July 16h	Pizza by the Pool for Families
August 2nd	National Night Out hosted by the Neighborhood Watch
August 6th	Adult Bash
Sept 10th	Youth Triathlon
Sept 24th	Rib Cook-off
October 23rd	Kids Halloween Party
Nov 24th	Turkey Trot / Food Drive
Dec 4th	Cookies & Cocoa with Santa
Dec 31st	New Year’s Eve Bash

*It's Santa!!!
I know him!*



*Christmas movie
on the big screen*





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.	Rebecca Monnikendam Courtney Von Tersch	Cell 501.837.9830	monnikendamcfoa@gmail.com cheshire@vontersch.com
Social Committee Chair	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