



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 on the community's website at www.cheshireforest.org

- Please do not feed the geese

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 2022 Annual Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 15. This meeting is a perfect opportunity to address the board on any concern you may have. Additionally, there will be at least two open board positions that will need to be filled. This package is scheduled to be in the mail in late October.

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BRAVO FROM THE BOARD!

Triathlon - Shout out from the Board to the **Lambert, Corcoran and Von Tersch** families for all of their efforts in helping to make our Triathlon such a great success.

Rib Cook-Off - Shout out to **Jamie Groves** for coordinating our fall Rib Cook-Off. Another delicious time had by all. Congratulations to our winner **Jack Wallace**. And a special thanks to our judges, **Steve Gallagher, Arnie Pluess** and **Patti Pluess**.

Adult Bash - Shout out to **Natalie O'Connor** for coordinating our Adult Bash event.

National Night Out - Shout out to **Cheryl Griner** for coordinating our National Night Out event.



The next regular Board of Directors Meetings are scheduled on
October 18, November 15, & December 20, 2022

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 1, 2022.

E-mail newsletter items to
anddumenigo@yahoo.com

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello fellow neighbors,

Although the thermometer does not concur, fall is upon us. School is in full swing, and many of us are already looking forward to the holiday season ... A season that brings opportunities for us to gather. Not only to gather with our family and friends but to gather with our community. Yes, we gather for many social options, but let's discuss an essential gathering in the Fall.

On Tuesday, November 15, 2022, at 7:00 PM, we will gather as a community to conduct the business of our Association. Our Annual Meeting of the Membership is held in our clubhouse every November as required by our By-Laws. We gather to review the state of our Association, approve the Minutes from our 2021 Annual Meeting, hold a Homeowners' Forum, and elect new Directors to the Board. This is an important meeting, essential to the operation of our Association. To conduct the business of the Association, we must have a quorum of the Membership through your attendance or by proxy. Please

be on the lookout for your Annual Meeting notice. It will arrive by mail the first week of November and include your proxy.

We gather nominations for our Board of Directors. If you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors, please reach out to the Chair of our Nominating Committee, Mrs. Casie Nash, at casielnash@gmail.com. We have two Director positions on the ballot this year. Director Jane McKlveen is seeking reelection. Her biography can be found in this issue of the Chat. Our current Secretary, Mr. Jamie Groves, has decided not to seek reelection, and we thank him for his time and dedication to our community.

I look forward to gathering with old and new friends at the many events listed in the Chat, especially our Membership Meeting.

Respectfully,
Erin Karol

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S NOTES

The Board did not hold the regularly scheduled meeting in July as a quorum was not established due to Board member availability. The Board conducted their regularly scheduled Board of Director meetings on August 16th and September 20th. The next monthly board meeting will occur on October 18th. Your Board remains focused on maintaining the material condition of the neighborhood's assets, responsibly managing your neighborhood's financial resources, and upholding our neighborhood's standards.

Recently Completed Actions:

- Clubhouse security camera installation and policy development
- Voted to approve My Green Condo as the future neighborhood Content Management System (CMS). The CMS will be active as soon as possible
- Contracted pool winter maintenance
- Accepted contractors proposal to repair/replace clubhouse deck railing
- Reviewed/discussed the neighborhood landscaping contract
- Developed the 2023 budget

On-Going and Future Actions:

- Neighborhood signage update
- Neighborhood trashcan replacement

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!"***

It's time for CFHOA board nominations!

Hello Neighbors!

We have two members of the board whose terms will expire this year, but only one running for re-election. This means we have an open spot on the board. Are you looking for a way to serve your community and make a difference? If so, please consider running! We have seen and heard so many passionate members in our community and would love to see you run for the BOD this year!

Directors are elected to the Board by the Membership, and each position on the Board is Elected by the Directors of the Board at the meeting following the Annual Meeting. This means you don't run for a particular position, just a spot on the board. The rest is ironed out after.

Some examples of duties include:

- Participating in Executive BOD meetings in addition to HOA meetings (occur the hour prior at 6pm).
- Participating in Due Process hearings.
- Voting on important decisions involving the community such as contracts.

The nominating committee has included a nomination application with the newsletter. You can submit your application to the nominating committee via email at casielnash@gmail.com. These are not to be submitted to UPA, our management company, nor John, our property manager.

If you have any questions at all about being on the board or how to run, please reach out to your nominating committee!

Thank you!

Chair- Casie Nash

Members- Carrie Fair and Hannah Green

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NOMINATION APPLICATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

November 15, 2022

I desire to be placed in nomination for a position on the Board of Directors of the Cheshire Forest Homeowners Association. Please include my name on the ballot for the election to be held at the 2022 Annual Meeting.

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION

NOMINEE

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Please attach a copy of a personal biography or brief description of activities that you believe qualify you to serve on the board.

I hereby certify that I am willing to serve in the position for which I am elected.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

This form must be completed and returned to the nominating committee chair, Casie Nash on or before Thursday November 10, 2022 by e-mail to casielnash@gmail.com in order for your name to be printed on the ballot sent prior to the annual meeting.

Jane McKlveen current HOA Director and candidate for re-election in November.

Two years ago I ran for a board position because I wanted to improve security in and around our common areas and I also wanted to help update and improve HOA communication. We now have security cameras and we just voted on a new content management system. This will mean that we will have online calendars so we can book the clubhouse and tennis courts more easily, a central website and app to log on see everything HOA related. Somewhere to easily pay your bill, see our documents, make an architectural application and lots

more. I'd like to stick around for another two year term to help implement the system. You can vote for the two Director spots that are to be filled on November 15th at our annual meeting. I've lived in the neighborhood since 2011 with my husband and three kids. I'm looking forward to working with the board to get things done and help improve and preserve our neighborhood. Contact me any time - text/call 757.434.0857 jane@mcklveen.com



1. At the HOA board meeting tonight the board voted to approve a security camera system. The cameras will be installed as soon as the vendor can get us on their installation schedule. More information coming soon. A big thanks to the security committee who have been working on this for the last two years.
2. The board would like to stand up a landscaping committee. Calling all gardeners, interested members, (experienced or not) to help us oversee the landscaping contract and help us to come up with ideas to make things more beautiful. Anyone interested in helping us out please contact Erin Karrol our HOA president erinkarol3@gmail.com
3. A reminder to please don't feed the geese. We have a lot geese in the neighborhood right now and they are doing a lot of damage to the landscaping and creating a bit of a nuisance. As much as we appreciate and love our wildlife the goose population is getting out of balance and is pushing out the other wildfowl. Please let's don't encourage them.
4. Pickle Ball lines have been added to the tennis courts. We look forward to seeing the new pickle ball league in action.

Many thanks for your continued support of our efforts as your board.

Jane McKlveen
757.434.0857

The Cheshire Forest Book Club (CFBC)

is a newly formed group open to residents of Cheshire Forest. Meetings are held monthly on the first Tuesday at 6pm in the clubhouse. The club strives to include a wide variety of genres throughout the year. Please join our facebook group for the most up to date information. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2741969056069697/>

The CFBC has a new group leader, Vanessa Deighan. She and her family are new to the neighborhood, moving into their new home here in Cheshire Forest this past summer. Vanessa has over 4 years experience organizing and facilitating book clubs in person and online, and has enjoyed them as a participant for a lifetime. The schedule for the next 5 months is:

October: No meeting

November 1st: Potluck Meeting. Participants will sign up to bring a dish from the Cookbook: The Complete America's Test Kitchen TV Show Cookbook 2001–2022

December 6th: The Christmas Letters: A heartwarming, feel-good holiday romance by Jenny Hale

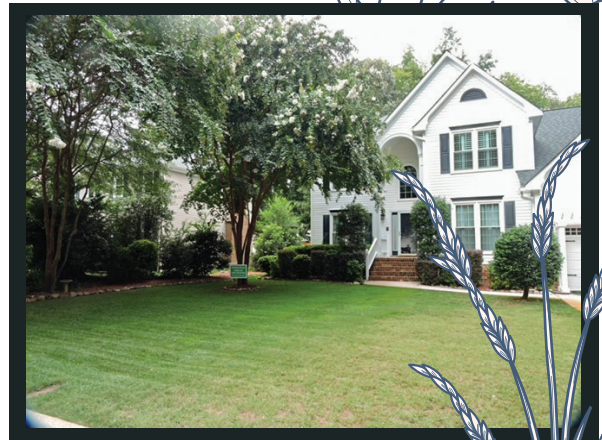
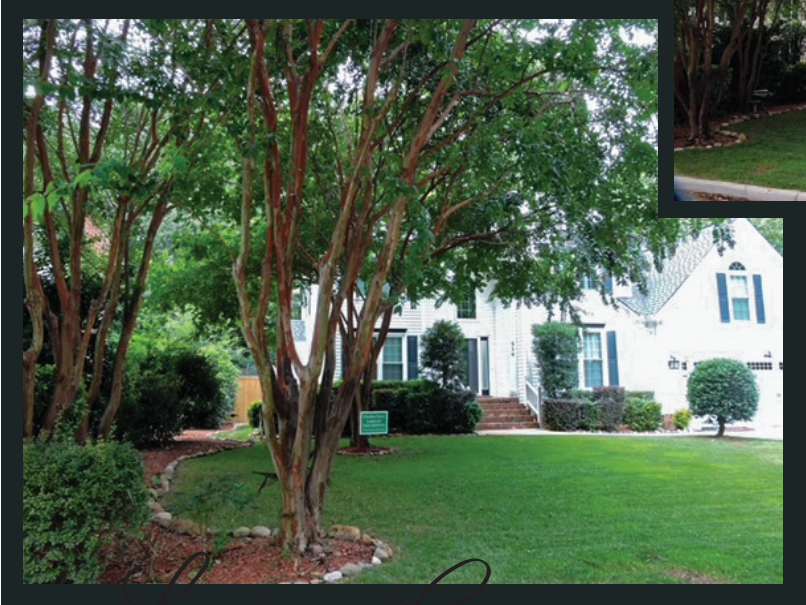
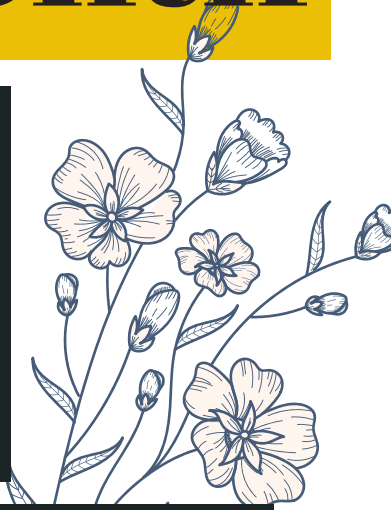
January 3rd: Short story, A Good Man is Hard to Find by Flannery O'Connor.

February 7th: Atlas of the Heart by Brent Brown.



Yards of the Month

July 516 Piping Rock



Lawn Care

August
700 Keeling Ct.



Flowers



September

300 Cheshire Forest Dr.



Landscaping

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.



Neighborhood Watch Corner: **NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**

In August we held the police-community awareness-raising event National Night Out at the club house. Police officers, firemen (and their truck), McGruff (the crime fighting dog), the fire marshal, and the most popular dog Cinco the AFT accelerant detention K-9 all came out to share in the fun and teach us more about safety. Chris Bowers served his famous soft serve ice cream and Cliff Krebs lead a bike ride around the block.

As always, 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 on-line using the Citizen's On-Line Reporting System on their website. And of course, in an emergency call 911.

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



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

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
October 23rd	Kids Halloween Party
Nov 24th.....	Turkey Trot / Food Drive
Dec 4th.....	Cookies & Cocoa with Santa
Dec 31st.....	New Year's Eve Bash

AND REMEMBER...VOLUNTEER!!!





Committee Members

COMMITTEE	DESCRIPTION	CHAIR/CO-CHAIRS	PHONE	EMAIL
Nominating Committee	Coordinates and oversees the election process of board officers up for re-election and those wishing to run for office during our annual meeting held in November of each year.	Casie Nash	Cell 757.679.3177	casienash@gmail.com
Architectural Control	Evaluation of applications for improvements (new additions, fences, etc.) for compliance with existing guidelines/standards.	Mitch Gold	Cell 757-277-5617	Mrgold1@cox.net
Communications	Coordinates Neighborhood Engagement via online comm./social media.	Jane McKlveen	Cell 757-434-0857	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	monnikendamchoa@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.	Courtney Von Tersch	TBD	swimcheshire@gmail.com