

Conjurer's Neck Spring Newsletter 2021

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HOA President's Note

Fellow Homeowners:

My name is Richard "Mike" Yates and I am the new president of your HOA. I have served on the Board since the Fall of 2020. My wife, Diane and I built our home at 318 Waterfront and moved in August, 2018. We have been married for 40 years and have one son, Justin, who lives in Winter Springs, Florida. I am retired from the Colonial Heights School System where I was employed as a guidance counselor for 34 years. I then served 8 years on the Colonial Heights School Board, with 5 years as Chairman. I am currently the Chairman of the Southside Health Education Foundation. I am active in the Colonial Heights Lions Club and a member of Wesley United Methodist Church, where I serve on the Board of Trustees.

My wife and I feel very fortunate to live in a neighborhood that has such caring and friendly people. We knew many of our neighbors having lived and worked in Colonial Heights since 1975. We look forward to getting to know those of you that we have not met. Please call me if you have concerns, 520-7428.

Hospitality Update

Wow what a wild year with Covid. We have still tried to make the most of it the best way we could. February brought us some **neighborhood scavenger hunts** (weather permitting of course)



Our friendly neighborhood **Easter Bunny** hopped on by for Easter egg drops on the porches of our youngest neighbors.

We have gotten to enjoy some culinary delights thanks to **Food Trucks** in the neighborhood.



Let the cleaning begin with our upcoming event on June 5th, our **Neighborhood Yard Sale!** There is still plenty of time to get on the list. Please email mrsrbmartin@yahoo.com by May 25th.

A private neighborhood **resident only Facebook page** has been created to let our neighbors know of any emergencies, things to be on the lookout for and more. If you haven't been able to join please reach out and we will send the link to you.

ACC Update

The Architecture Control Committee has been updated to include 3 members (Steve Neece, Mark Martin, and Austin Anderson). Please remember that most exterior changes need review, and the appropriate forms can be found at www.conjurersneck.com. Please send requests to PO Box 1297, Colonial Heights VA, 23834. If you have questions, you can contact Steve Neece at 804-894-0317.

With Spring comes a lot of activity to work outside. There are a few items that do not need ACC review and approval such as:

- Planting flowers in existing flower/mulch beds
- Exterior maintenance that maintains same style and colors (i.e. replacing faded shutters)
- Removal of dead trees
- Removal and replacement of unhealthy bushes/trees with ones of similar type and size

Financial Update

The Association overall is healthy financially. The operational fund is at desired levels and the association is working well within a balanced budget. A summary of the budget for fiscal year 2020/2021 is below:

Expected Income: \$26,000

Expenses:

- Utilities: \$750
- Activities: \$3,500
- Insurance/Accounting/Legal Fees: \$3,000
- General Operations/Capital Expenses: \$6,750

Conjurer's Neck Homeowners' Association's Elected Board of Directors and Board Elected Officers

Members of the Board are elected to a three year term by the homeowners present at the annual Homeowners Association meeting held in the Fall of each year. Ten percent of all lot owners must be present (in our case that means 18 lots represented) and no proxies are allowed per the by-laws of the Association. That's why it is important to make an effort to be present when you hear there is an annual meeting scheduled. Notice of the meeting is usually included on your annual maintenance dues invoice. Officers of the Association are elected by the members of the Board and serve at the pleasure of the Board for a one year term. Officers are usually elected at the first Board meeting of each new Association year (generally at the October Board meeting).

PRESIDENT	Mike Yates	Oct. 1, 2017 - Sept. 30, 2021(Extended for Covid, filling opening)
VICE PRESIDENT	Vacant	TBD
TREASURER	Steven Neece	Oct. 1, 2019 - Sept. 30, 2022
SECRETARY	Pauline Loftis	Oct. 1, 2018 - Sept. 30, 2021
HOSPITALITY	Blair Martin	Oct. 1, 2019 - Sept. 30, 2022
CONSULTANT	Larry Davis	Appointment
CONSULTANT	Rita Feasenmeyer	Appointment
CONSULTANT	Mark Martin	Appointment
TRUSTEES	JoAn Jones, Kay Wynn, Chuck Wilusz, Bill Poorbaugh	

There will be 3 Board openings up for election in the September meetings. If you are interested in a role on the board, please reach out to a board member. Other communications will also go out prior to the meeting

Colonial Heights Police Department

A year after much of the country entered strict lockdowns designed to contain the coronavirus, you may notice that some states are starting to loosen the restrictions. With the country beginning to “go back to normal,” some families may be considering traveling in their future. This in mind, Colonial Heights Police Department would like remind citizens of the dangers of distracting driving and new driving laws you may not be aware of since the pandemic struck.

As of January 1st 2021, in the state of Virginia, it is unlawful for any person, while driving a moving motor vehicle on the highways in the Commonwealth, to hold a handheld personal communications device (ex: cellphones). If you are in your vehicle and are legally parked or stopped and/or attempting to report an emergency, you may use your cell phone. Any other use of a cell phone is a traffic infraction:

1st offense: a fine of **\$125.00**

2nd offense: a fine of **\$250.00**

If a violation of this section occurs in a highway work zone, it shall be punishable by a mandatory fine of \$250.



More information can be found at:

<https://phonedown.org> <https://www.nhtsa.gov/campaign/distracted-driving>

<https://www.drivesmartva.org/current-projects/phone-down-its-the-law>

The Colonial Heights Police Department would also like to remind you and your passengers to wear your seatbelts as required by Virginia law.

Also, drivers are reminded to Slow Down and Move Over. The intent of this law is to protect police and public safety officials who frequently work on the side of the road. Drivers must:

- 1) yield the right of way to any stationary vehicle that is displaying a flashing, blinking, or alternating blue, red, or amber light or lights;
- 2) reduce speed when approaching emergency vehicles stopped alongside the road;
- 3) move to a travel lane further away from the stopped vehicles, when traffic conditions safely permit such a move.

Non-adherence to this section of the Code is punishable as a Class 1 misdemeanor traffic infraction, which is punishable by up to **12 months in jail, and/or up to a \$2,500 fine**. In certain cases it could also result in suspension of the driver's privileges to operate a motor vehicle.