

SNUG HARBOR PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

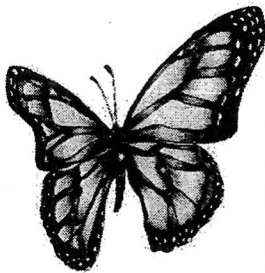
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SPRING 2013 NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It has been a busy four months for your SHPOA Board of Governors and Office staff. Together we processed Assessment Invoices and collected and recorded all payments in a timely fashion. Our Newsletter Editor published her first Newsletter late February. Your SHPOA Board updated our Aesthetic Policy and has prepared it for delivery as part of this Newsletter. This Policy is rather lengthy, well worth the reading, and one you should keep on file. For Property Owners who maintain their property this Policy will be a good reminder to keep doing what you are doing. For those Property Owners needing to be reminded what makes a property look aesthetically pleasing, read and compile a list of items you probably could be doing as part of your spring clean-up.



Preparations are well underway for the opening of the pool Memorial Day weekend which kicks off the entire season of summer holidays and fun. All activities will be organized by your SHPOA Board and Civic League.

A timely article appeared in the March 30th Virginia Pilot entitled "Why it Pays to Serve on your HOA Board". The article mentions that serving on a board of directors is a thankless job; the hours are long and there is no pay. The article also reminds owners that their property is their investment and they need to make sure all appropriate steps are taken to preserve and enhance that investment. I share parts of this article as a reminder to all property owners that in five months nominees will be needed to fill three seats on the Board.

Please consider becoming a board member. The SHPOA Board has, over the last two years, found ways to lighten the load. We have doubled the number of hours of office support. Most paper work is now completed in the office and not at home. Our goal was to lighten the load for our Officers and Committee Chairperson. We have met that goal.

Please don't sit back and wait for a current board member to ask you to serve. Call the office, or call a board member and inquire as to what is expected of a board member. Please consider helping a nine member board preserve and enhance the investment you made, and continue to make, in Snug Harbor.

Jeanne Cullings



Aesthetics

An updated Aesthetic Policy was approved on 13 April 2013. The major updates were:

- Changed the 10, 30, 60, 90 day aesthetic deficiency notices to 15, 60 and 90.
- Fines will now be administered until the deficiency is corrected. Also provides the board the ability to initiate legal action once \$300 in fines are reached while continuing the fine process..
- Tarps only authorized for emergency repairs.
- Updated /added several "Definitions"

Added: Owners are encouraged to maintain their yards to the road to assist water drainage, help control mosquitoes and to keep snug harbor looking beautiful.

Please see the enclosed new policy and place in your files!



Need to get in touch? Here's how:

President Mrs. Jeanne Cullings 203 Evergreen Drive 426 7136
Vice President Mr. Bill Toney, Jr. 132 Navajo Trail 426 5078
Secretary Mr. Ken Minster, 111 Huron Trail 426 7884
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Maintenance/Camping Section Mr. Joe Nicklin 123 Iowa Trail 426 1698 home, 562 1150 cell
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Office 252 426 5172 anytime, but office hours are Tuesdays and Saturdays from 10 AM to 3 PM
CR&G Peter LeRoy 148 Pine St. 426 1089
Civic League President Ms. Barb Nicklin 123 Iowa Trail 426 1698

Maintenance

The comfort station in the camping section had the men's room side closed for the winter. During that time the interior was refreshed with new paint and the showers were pressure washed. Some drainage work was done at the bottom of Columbus in order to facilitate water runoff more efficiently. It is planned to do additional ditch and covert work on Columbus to improve the drainage in that area.

We recently completed installing a new leach field for the septic system in A section park. This should help alleviate problems we have had with the field during times of heavy use. We will be hydroseeding the area in May in order to facilitate grass. We also recently installed benches in A sec. Park, Beaver Cove, F section boat ramp and H section boat ramp. We will be installing a bench on the pier C section boat ramp.



It is planning to work to get the pool ready for opening Memorial Day weekend. Part of the preparation includes replacing the meter base which is severely corroded due to the chlorine in the area of the swimming pool. We are also planning to apply weedkiller to several of the association on dirt roads to reduce the amount of grass growing in the middle of the roads. Other road maintenance will be done as needed including grading and box blading and adding gravel as necessary.



Aesthetics

First, let me take a look at what I have been able to enjoy as a property owner in Snug Harbor. The past two years since I retired and started living here has been so nice and peaceful. It is nice to see that Snug Harbor property owners with all the good Spring weather are beginning to help get our community looking better by taking care of their property.

Here are some of the aesthetic items that get checked during the year: grass cutting, buildings kept in good repair, inoperative vehicles or boats, household trash piled up outside and not in closed sturdy containers, broken or discarded appliances in the yard, and the accumulation of storm and yard debris. Last year there were a total of 59 letters for violations mailed out and 52 were corrected in a timely manner. This year so far we have mailed out 10 letters that are currently in the process of being corrected.

Remember if there is a structure on your property, the grass must be cut and maintained, which during the summer growing season in Snug Harbor roughly means cut twice a month. Some aesthetic issues in the camping section will continued to be reviewed. We all want our community to look good, so many thanks for taking the time to keep Snug Harbor looking great.

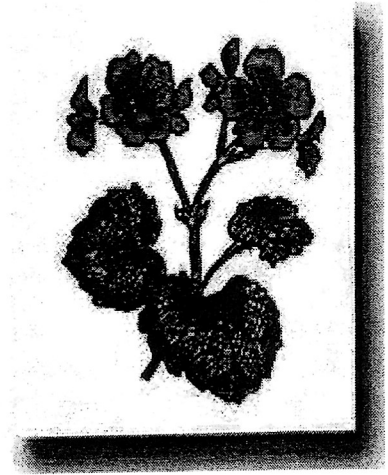
ASSESSMENT REMINDER

It is time for the Board reminder regarding the 2013 Snug Harbor assessment payment. Will you please check your records to be sure that the annual assessments had been paid by the end of March. If not, it would be appropriate to call the SHPOA office, 252 426 5172 to determine the amount owed. Remember, monthly interest charges also accrue to your account.

SHPOA Board of Governors

COVENANTS & BYLAWS

The Snug Harbor Board of Governors continue to review the draft covenants and bylaws. It is a long process, but we are starting to see some light at the end of the tunnel. Once the Board of Governors completes it review, and votes to accept the new version. A copy will be sent to all members for their review and comments. The Board of Governors will then review and discuss the comments. There will be some town hall type meetings to discuss the covenants and answer any questions. This process will not happen overnight, it will involve community discussion and ultimately community approval. That's the good thing about updating our covenants and bylaws. It takes community approval to revise it and make any improvements.



2013 PHONE BOOKS!

New 2013 phone books are available in the office for \$1.50. Remember, if you did not tell us you want to be in it, you are not in the book. We do this because people move or have other phone numbers and need to weed, just as we do our gardens.



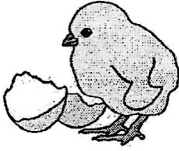
LEGAL

There are still many owners who have not paid their assessments for 2013. These assessments are what keep the lights on, the grass cut, the pool clean, and our parks safe. The board would ask owners to please catch up on your payments.

If a lien has to be filed it will add \$50 to your payment. Unfortunately, if your assessments are not paid, you are not allowed to purchase pool passes or use Snug Harbor common areas.

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Civic League News



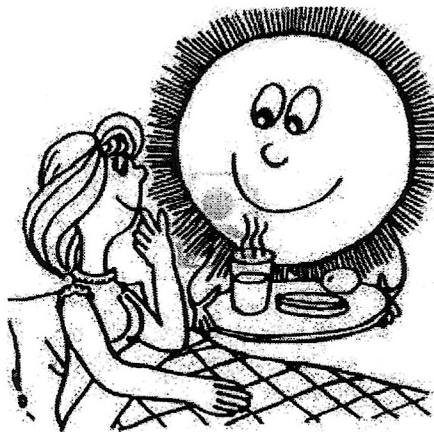
The Civic League Board has been busy so far. **Easter** was early this year but the inclement weather held off until after our **Easter Egg Hunt and Sunrise Service** were held. The annual Hunt was held as usual at the Park. Although our older egg hunters numbered a scant 4 young ladies, a good time seemed to be had by all. Bethany Thompson added a personal touch by reading Easter Bunny stories to all the children. Thanks to all who came out to help and participate.

A new venue for the Sunrise Service was selected this year because of extenuating circumstances at the Park. The Easter Cross and participants' seating was set up on the front lawn of the Clubhouse. Refreshments following the Service were served inside the building, giving the participants an opportunity to visit with each other out of the impending rain. The new venue appeared to be such a success that the Civic League Board may consider it as a permanent change for future Easter Sunrise Services.

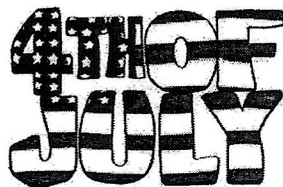
Although the **Snug Harbor Clean-up** had dwindling participation, 7 persons showed up on April 6 to help Tom Dabolt keep our community roads free of trash. Thanks to Kent and Anne Carper, Bob Yerger, Wynn McCallister, John Price, Emerson Cullings and Barb Dabolt for their time and effort. Our own unofficial trash lady of Snug Harbor, Annis Murphy, single-handedly picked up 8 bags of trash during her interim forays. Thank you, Annis!

Our final event is in cooperation with the SHPOA Board for our **4th of July Celebration** being held this year on July 6. There will be a **Picnic** in the Park, following our annual **Snug Harbor Boat Parade**. If you have never participated in this fun event, decorate your boat in the Holiday spirit and show up around 11 AM in the water in front of C section and get ready for a water Parade! **Horns, cheering and laughing children are encouraged!**

There will be no additional events of Civic League during July and August. We'll see you again in September!



Civic League Calendar



May 3 – set up 1 PM

4 - Breakfast - 8 – 10 AM

18 – Covered Dish Dinner – 6:30 PM (set up at 9 AM)

June 1 –. Clean up Snug Harbor, Meet at Clubhouse parking lot

15 – Covered Dish Dinner – 6:30 PM (set up at 9AM)

July 6 – Tentative 4th of July Celebration - 12 PM Sect. A Park

August – No Civic League plans

September 6 – Set up 1 PM

7 – Breakfast 8 – 10 AM

21 – Covered Dish Dinner 6:30 PM (set up at 9 AM)

29 – Clean-up Snug Harbor – 9 AM

October 4 – Set up 1 PM (postponed)

5 – Breakfast 8 – 10 PM (postponed)

19 – Covered Dish Dinner – 6:30 PM (set up – 9 AM)

30 – Tentative Game Day?

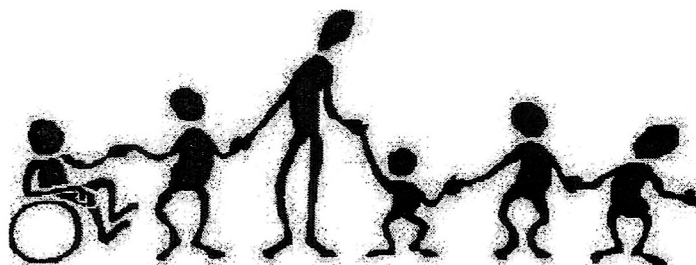
November 1 – Set up 1 PM

2 – Breakfast 8 -10 am

16 – Thanksgiving Covered Dish Dinner – 6:30 PM (set-up 9 AM)

30 - Trim the Tree – 10 AM Coffee and doughnuts will be available

December 14 – Christmas Covered Dish Dinner – 6:30 PM (set up 9 AM)



Treasurer Report

In 1st quarter, the assessment invoicing and payment processing has been the focus in the SHPOA office. To date collections are at 83%. Assessments comprise the overwhelming source of income in our budget, along with pool tags, advertising & rental income. As of the quarter end, our total income received is 85% of our annual budget.

Expense in 1st quarter totaled 17% of the 2013 budget. Utilities, staff & ongoing maintenance are on track to budget. The one major project completed was the replacement of the septic system in A section park.

COMMUNITY WATCH

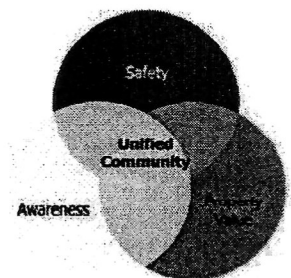
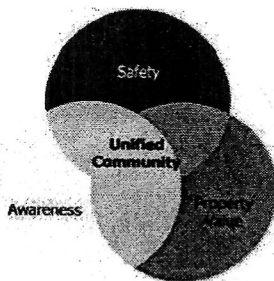
I am happy to report that warmer weather is forthcoming. Daylight Saving Time has extended our days, although early rising workers will still be driving on dark roads for a while. Warmer weather has brought about more folks walking, jogging, being exercised by their pets, bicycling and any other means to shake the rust from cold weather. Folks are beginning to do yard work, building improvements, or whatever projects that have been assigned to the Monsieur to do now that there is better weather. With the increase in outside activities, it is important to remember that people and animals are likely to appear unexpectedly and out of nowhere. Please watch your speed while in the Snug Harbor confines. Speed limits on both sides of Snug Harbor Road is 25 MPH. Snug Harbor Road is 35 MPH. Think about how you would feel if you were walking, biking, or jogging and some driver failed to give you clearance and dusted you off by really speeding. It is not safe and can be dangerous so let's slow down and be careful.

The Sheriff's Office report for Snug Harbor Activity has been issued but only for January, 2013. There were no arrests, no property crime reported. Buildings were checked 29 times, one domestic response, 2 citizens complaints, no animal control calls, and two EMS assists. As of last week, we have had two breaking and entering situations involving unoccupied properties. There are no details available as to what information that investigation may have uncovered.

Now that we are getting warmer weather, people are out and about. Community Watch urges neighbors to be alert for folks wandering around the streets, or a strange car parked on the shoulder of the road or anything that doesn't seem to be natural. If so, it probably isn't natural so be alert. ANY suspicions, call the Sheriff's Office, 426-5615. Neighbors protecting Neighbors! That's the name of the game.

Bob Ascher

Emerson Cullings



Pool 2013

Again this year we will be opening the swimming pool on Memorial Day, May 27th; and will remain open until Labor Day September 2. For those of you who have not purchased your swimming passes, you may pick them up at the SHOPA office. Family passes are still \$5.00 for the season. Day passes for guests are \$2.00 per day.

Only members in good standing are afforded pool passes and family residing with them. Up to two guests have the privilege of using the pool. You must fill out a form and sign it. You will be validating the members of your family year round at your permanent home address. You cannot resell these tags to anyone, or give any tags to other people living in Snug Harbor or anywhere else. Falsifying family information, selling pool tags, or giving them to others will result in a recommendation that your SHOPA pool and common area privileges be suspended for the summer.

Please come in the SHOPA office and pick up your passes and enjoy the swimming pool and common areas. The pool attendance are there for you safety any protection, give them your respect and have a pleasant summer. The SHOPA office number is 252 426 5172, call them for any additional information.

Remember this is your pool come and enjoy it this summer!



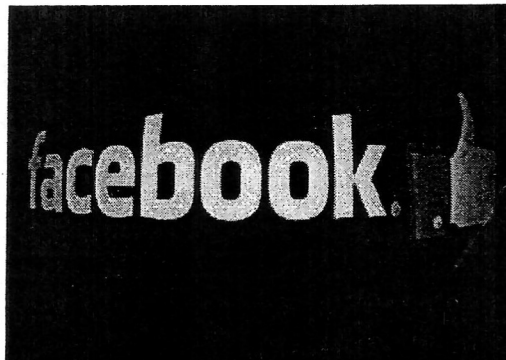
JOIN SHPOA FACEBOOK FOR MEMBERS

Snug Harbor Members now have a Facebook Page. Watch for upcoming events, meeting dates and other items of interest to SHPOA Members. Get involved and get informed!

Go To:

Snug Harbor Members Page
On Facebook.

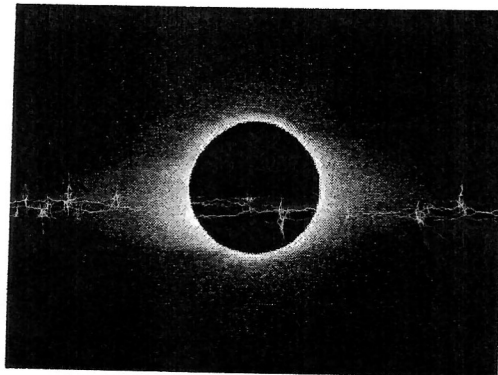
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DID YOU KNOW...

2013 has lots of eclipses for us? We can't enjoy all of them because they won't be visible where we live. But, if you are curious and like to get online, check out this NASA website:

<http://eclipse.gsfc.nasa.gov/OH/OH2013.html>



SNUG HARBOR COMMUNITY CHURCH

Our worship services begin at 9:00 am! We welcome everyone!

Youth Leader: My name is **Shana Winslow** and I was born in Pasquotank County, living most of my life in Perquimans County. I am the wife of J. Brian Winslow, the assistant Pastor of Snug Harbor Community Church. We have four children and four grandchildren. I'd like to introduce our new Pastor and Assistant Pastor

Pastor: Howard Sutton, 426 3111 or 426 4110. Call on me and my family any time. I am blessed to be the new Pastor here; I was Youth Pastor here from 1984 - 1989. It is good to be back.

Assistant Pastor: Brian Winslow, 331 3378 or 312 4217. Please feel free to call me. I look forward to meeting each and every one of you, whether in the church or on the street.



THINGS TO DO AT THE CLUBHOUSE

Ladies' Exercise M - W - F

8 - 9 AM

Senior Exercise T and TH

8:30 - 9:30 AM

Quilters 2nd and 4th Tuesdays

10 AM

Water Aerobics M T W Th F

9 - 10 AM Starting Memorial Day Weekend



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