



May - June 2012

HARBOUR HEADLINES

COLINGTON HARBOUR ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING
SATURDAY, JUNE 9TH AT 10:00 AM AT THE CLUBHOUSE

Board of Directors Elections

The terms of three (3) Board of Directors are currently set to expire: John Collins, Frank Hendricks and Steve Ornstein. For the upcoming 2012/13 fiscal year, three (3) members in good standing filed statements of candidacy with the Secretary of the Association for election as a Director of the Association for the term beginning immediately following the annual meeting of the Association. As a result, per the Colington Harbour Association Bylaws, the event is a non-contest, and Board vacancies will be filled by the following members (with accompanying bios):

John E. Collins - I moved to Colington with my wife of 49 years, Frances, in January 2000 after retiring from Keyspan Energy as the Corporate Technical Security Manager. From July 2009 to present I have served as the treasurer of Colington Harbour Association and I would like to continue in that capacity to help ensure the long term financial stability of the Association. Since July of 2009 we have made great strides in that direction and I ask for your continued support.

William (Bill) P. Froehlich - Married to Patricia for 54 years, and raised our four children in Babylon, Long Island (three of which are current Colington Harbour homeowners). We purchased our Colington Harbour home in 1992, becoming full-time residents in 1997. I owned and operated my own manufacturing business for 25 years, at one time employing 55; then worked construction for another 16 years. Ex-Chief and Life Member of the 175 member Babylon Village Fire Department. Also served as Fire Inspector for the Village of Babylon, and served the Parish of St. Joseph's Church on the Management and Financial Committees.

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Steve Ornstein - Presently, Steve is serving as "Member at Large" on the CHA Board of Directors, as appointed by the Board to fill an unexpected vacancy. He now wishes to be a candidate, for election, as a Director of the Association.

Steve was raised on Long Island, New York. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Salem College, WV; then worked there for 15 years in Admissions, as well as Computing Services. In 1986, he was hired at Frostburg State University (MD) as the Academic Computing Coordinator, and retired from FSU in February 2011, as the Director of Networking and Telecommunications.

He and his wife, Barbara, purchased a house in Colington Harbour in March 1998, after vacationing in the Outer Banks for 13 years. Both enjoy sailing and the wonderful community. In 2010, they had a new home built in the Harbour, and while Steve is now spending a large amount of time here, they are both planning to retire full-time in Colington Harbour in the near future.



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IF THE CHA OFFICE DOES NOT RECEIVE PAYMENT FOR ADS BY THE DUE DATE, THEY WILL NOT BE PRINTED.

Manager's Report



Why the Harbour Has a Design Review Process

Like many community associations, Colington Harbour has a set of written design review standards and processes. Some homeowners mistakenly believe these standards restrict their freedom of individual expression; actually they provide a framework within which each homeowner can express individual tastes and preferences. The standards have been carefully developed to reflect a balance between individual rights and the good of the entire association—that is, property values.

OK, but why do we need processes and guidelines to maintain architectural standards?

Perhaps most important, we need a basis for treating all homeowners fairly and reasonably. Written guidelines allow you and the design review committee to work from the same criteria. Sometimes architectural requirements

can be complex. The guidelines show you exactly what is required, and help you design improvements that comply with the community's standards.

And then there is the application and approval part of the process. The Architectural Control Committee members assure you they want the paperwork to be as simple as possible for everyone. The guidelines take the guesswork out of your application and their decision making.

In fact, the guidelines not only provide criteria for the current Committee to make appropriate decisions, but also for successive Committee members to make consistent decisions in the future. Without the criteria in the guidelines, the application approved today may result in construction deemed unacceptable by new Committee members upon completion.

One last purpose of the guidelines is to clarify the Association's authority in this area. State statutes and CHA's governing documents give the Association a legal right to enact and enforce design review standards. The guidelines spell this out so everyone understands they must comply even if they don't agree.

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Youth Sailing Program 2012



The Colington Yacht Club will again offer sailing for youths between 8 and 15 in the harbour this summer. A US Sailing Certified Instructor will give instruction to youths on the Optimist and Sunfish. Basic skills in sailing and water safety will be provided to allow participants to learn the fundamentals of sailing.

There will be a \$5.00 registration charge for the program that includes junior membership in the CYC. The two forms to fill out can be found on the CYC web site, www.colingtonyachtclub.com.

The program will normally run from 5 to 7 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Participants must bring their own personal flotation device, take a swim test and wear shoes that cover their feet. The age of 13 is usually recommended for the Sunfish. The rule for sailing small boats is that the sailor must be able to right the boat if capsized. Parents are encouraged to assist in the program and take part in the cook outs, drinks, and treats.

For more information, please contact Don Dow or Louise Dow at 480-1934 or visit www.colingtonyachtclub.com.

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Outstanding Colington Harbour Association Dues Update

11/12 Dues	10/11 Dues	09/10 Dues	08/09 Dues	Prior Years	Late Fees, Interest, Legal Fees, Etc.
\$18,103.33	\$7,476.70	\$4,857.72	\$1,742.52	\$302.53	\$50,514.80

The Colington Harbour Association, Inc.
Homeowner Accounts Receivable Report
 As of April 25, 2012

While Cape Management's financial management and collections efforts have markedly improved our Association's dues payments, your Board of Directions wanted to provide you with the above updated amounts due to the Association, by year incurred. Please note that the Association's collection policy now not only includes placing liens against

past due accounts (including most of the above), but also the Association has now begun legally foreclosing on the largest and most overdue homeowner accounts. As always, your Board encourages you to pay your dues in a timely manner to keep our Association financially strong and your neighborhood in good shape.

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Colington Harbour Vacation Safety and Crime Prevention: May - June, 2012

When a family vacations in Colington Harbour

The vacation season is here! Although those vacationing in the Outer Banks are key to our economic growth, we expect them to understand that our community takes crime against persons, property and our common community grounds and waterways seriously.

Vacationers to Colington Harbour are being given a 'Vacation Guide 2012' by their rental agency, or at the front gate when they enter. A copy of the 'Vacation Guide 2012' is on our web site for your reference. The guide provides our guests with general tips while in Colington Harbour and the Outer Banks to help them have a safe vacation. They are also being given a copy of the 'Incident Reporting Guidelines' that contain important numbers to call in the event of an emergency.

Here are a few things to consider that could keep you, Colington Harbour, and vacationers safe during the vacation season.

Say hi!

This opens a communication dialogue that tends to establish respect for our residents and community.

Answer Questions...

They may need directions, or clarification of Harbour rules.

Share the Road...

There will be even more bikers, walkers, and joggers for us to share our narrow roads.

When things don't look right...

- Trust your judgment and knowledge of Suspicious Activities, Sounds and Smells. If in doubt, call the authorities immediately! Do not intervene or confront. Observe and Report Only!

When you take a vacation...

- Protect your property at all times.
- Most property crimes are crimes of opportunity. When you are away from your home, gardening, or working in your yard make sure to close the garage door and lock windows and doors; even if you only step away for a short time.
- Keep your car 'clean'. Theft of valuables left in UNLOCKED cars is our number one crime.
- Trim your shrubs and check the outside lights. Trimming shrubs and trees and replacing burned out lights gives your property visibility
- If you have kids, make sure to talk with them about their safety this summer. Check in with them about where they are going and who they are with.

When you go on vacation...

- Stop your mail, arrange for the grass to be mowed, and let neighbors/friends know where you can be contacted in case of an emergency.
- Leave a light on a timer to provide light during the evening hours.
- Enjoy your vacation!

Have a safe and happy summer!

Doug Miller,

Chairman, Community Watch, Colington Harbour

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Colington Fire Department Update



Play is Safe with Flammables

As temperatures begin to rise and our lawns and gardens once again need attention, countless gardeners will begin hauling out their lawnmowers and rototillers. To ensure that this summer's yard chores will be free of accidents, a few timely precautions should be observed.

Equipment Safety

Be cautious when fueling and using power mowers. Never refuel garden tractors, lawnmowers, rototillers, etc. while the motor is running. Always fill gas-powered equipment outside, never inside the garage, and never in the presence of a source of ignition such as open flame, a lit cigarette, etc. Remember that gasoline and petroleum product vapors are heavier than air and will seek lower levels.

General Rules

Never store flammable liquids such as lawnmower fuel, Coleman fuel, charcoal lighter fluids, etc. in glass or breakable containers. If plastic containers are used, make sure they are approved for the storage of flammable liquids. Otherwise, use metal flammable liquid containers, preferably safety cans. Storing flammable liquids within the residence (including the garage) is not recommended. If, however, it is necessary, it should be limited to the garage only, and should be limited in quantities not to exceed those necessary for normal use (lawnmowers, etc.)



Open Burning

The laws covering open burning are very strict. Permits are required for all open burning and may be obtained by calling the Colington Fire Station at 441-6234. Currently, only limbs, yard clippings and small piles of brush may be burned. No construction debris or household trash may be burned.

If An Emergency Occurs

Dial 9-1-1 to report all emergencies. Be sure to give as much information as possible so the call taker can send the correct type of help. Never hang up until you are told to do so by the call taker. Is your address clearly marked? Having large, contrasting numbers on your home and at the street may make a difference in getting help promptly. Perhaps you have noticed your neighbors have a reflective address sign on their mailbox. Your fire department offers these signs for only \$20, plus we'll install them at no charge in the Colington Fire District. Give us a call at (252) 441-6234 for more information.

Emergency Dial 911

The Colington Volunteer Fire Department has openings for volunteer firefighters and support personnel. Call or stop by the station for more information. And remember, the department hosts Bingo every Wednesday evening. Doors open at 5 P.M. and play begins at 6:30 P.M. Come enjoy an evening with your neighbors and support the department at the same time! As a matter of fact, our Support Group is always in need of new members. No firefighting required, just the desire to help your fire department be the best it can be.



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As many of our full time residents know, the Colington Volunteer Fire Department holds Bingo weekly. It is a vital part of our funding during the year. Bingo is run by a small but dedicated group of folks that know that what they are doing makes a big impact on the fire department and on the level of service we are able to provide to the community. While attendance has grown over the years, our staff of volunteer Bingo workers has not. The fire department is in need of several people that want to help out by working Bingo occasionally. Games are held every Wednesday evening. Doors open at 5 p.m. and play begins at 6:30. We offer a full concession lineup too. We are looking for folks that are interested in being callers, floor workers, cashiers and kitchen staff. Volunteering to work at Bingo can be a fun opportunity to meet new people, talk to folks you may already know and most importantly, help out the firefighters. You do not have to be a member of the fire department to help with Bingo. There are no emergency activities involved. So, what are you doing next Wednesday? Why not call or stop by the Colington Volunteer Fire Department to get more information on how you can be involved with a great bunch of people, and help us continue to help you! Our phone number is (252) 441-6234.

And Finally

The Colington Fire Department would like to say Thank You to everyone that made our annual Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner a huge success. More than 200 people enjoyed the meal prepared by the fire department Support Group. Money collected during all of our fund raisers goes toward purchasing new equipment such as defibrillators, a smoke training machine, thermal imaging camera, and many other necessary items as well as help in our flood recovery here at the station.

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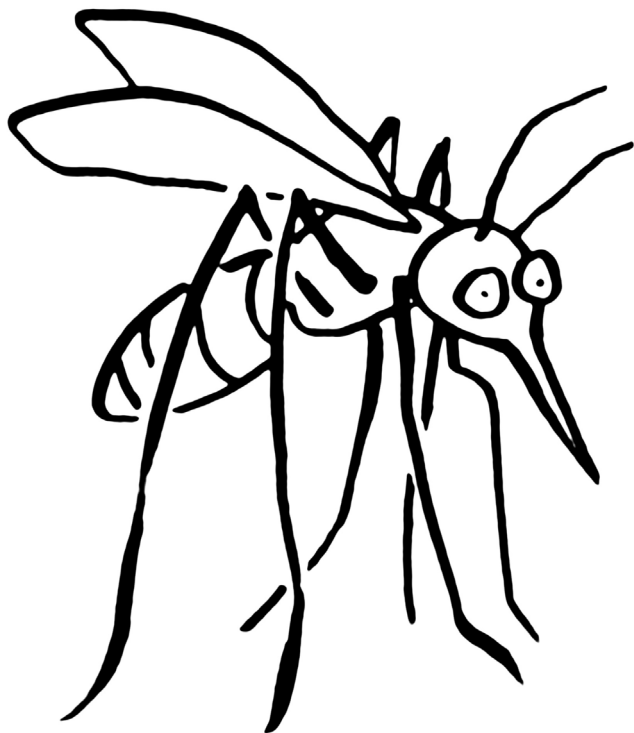
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Mosquito Control



Spring has arrived and with it our mosquito population. Between Hurricane Irene's contribution to standing water and a mild winter, mosquitos are plentiful. As a result, Dare County started spraying operations a month sooner than normal this year. Not only are they spraying for adult mosquitos, but for larvae, as well.

Everyone can help with stopping larvae development. Standing water is the enemy: Anything that contains standing water can breed thousands of mosquitos a day. The list is long, but take note of possible sources in your yard:

- Flower Pots
- Buckets
- Tarps
- Old Tires
- Anywhere water pools or enough moisture is present
- Tall Grass

The smallest amount of standing water will contribute to the adult mosquito population. We will still have mosquitos because of our location, but we'll have less if everyone helps by reducing standing water. There are products available for larger bodies of standing water that inhibit larvae. Please check with the local hardware stores.

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After ten years of investigation with the help of an international team of researchers, he has documented a tale of buried treasure which began at Ocracoke Inlet in 1750. After the treasure was stolen from the galleon it was buried in the BVI at Norman Island. This story would later inspire Robert Louis Stevenson. Without the popularity of this great adventure tale there would be no *Pirates of the Caribbean* today.



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Colington Harbour Yacht & Racquet Club News



Annual Pig Pickin and Pool Opening

ALL Residents of Colington Harbour - Set your calendar to be here on Saturday, May 26, to join in the community activities. The day begins with bringing your boats up to the harbour area for an 11:30AM Blessing of the Fleet to include a Coast Guard Plane Fly Over. The Pool will be open at approximately 11AM to all residents on this day so bring your swimsuit and towel too. There will be the

ANNUAL PIG PICKIN starting shortly after the boating activities are completed. We ask each family to bring a side dish (salad, beans, dessert, etc) to the Club house kitchen no later than noon to be shared. The Pig, drinks, and set ups will be provided. Come early if you can help set up; your assistance with clean up afterward would be greatly appreciated too.



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Colington Harbour Yacht & Racquet Club News

Membership Renewal or New Application for membership

Enclosed in this Harbour News is the renewal/new member application. During the month of May the initiation fee is waived for new members. Membership is required for residents using the pool, attending dinners, socials, aerobic activities, etc. Reduced rental fees for the private use of the building apply to members too.

Pool Hours and Usage

There will be some changes as well as many continuing activities at the pool. Normal hours are from 11AM until 7PM (or as advertised at house and/or the gate bulletin board). Wednesday evening the pool will remain open for a late evening swim. We are planning to have 2 lifeguards on duty during the busy hours.

Water Aerobics

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings from 9:30 until 10:30 AM Tuesday & Thursday evenings 7 – 8PM

Volunteer instructors for water aerobics are needed so please let us know if you are interested in helping with this activity that is very well attended by our members all summer long. Water Aerobics usually starts in mid June when the water warms up and ends in mid September as long as the summer weather holds out. Watch the Gate Bulletin Board for the starting date.



Childrens Swimming Activities

We will have an instructor to provide swimming lessons for a nominal fee and you can sign up for this on May 26 at the Pig Pickin or at any time at the pool house once the pool is open.

If any parent is interested in managing a competitive youth swim team please let us know and support will be provided to organize the team. Volunteers will be needed to help in this venture.

New Facilities at the Pool

There will be a new deck and new toilets located near the pool for your use near the diving board. This new building and decking will make it easier for families with small children.

Dinners and Socials

Volunteers are needed for hosting monthly dinners and Saturday Socials. Please let us know if you would be interested in helping with one of these events.

YOGA

In order to continue offering this activity on both Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 5:30PM we will need more attendance. So if you have been thinking about coming and just haven't gotten to a class yet please come out now. Call 252-202-6970 for details.



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