



The Powhatan Signal

Powhatan Secondary Newsletter Fall 2021

President's Message

Kevin Fleming President PCSA Board

Winter is fast approaching, and with it come the year-end holidays. The PCSA Board is preparing the budget for the upcoming year and reflecting on this past year's successes and challenges. In addition, we are looking for new community members willing to join the PCSA Board of Directors and share their knowledge and expertise in service to our community.

1) We are aware that our landscape service company, Brightview, has had some difficulty maintaining the grass in common areas and some of the street shoulders this past summer. We are inviting Michael Lee, our account representative, and his branch manager, Shawn Scott, to come back before the Board as they requested to give us an update on the status of the landscaping industry and the state of labor availability.

2) The PCSA Board has examined the path around Lake Powhatan and has asked the county about the trees that were removed near the intersection of Monticello Road and Powhatan Secondary. We inquired about the purpose and frequency of any future planned tree removal. We have some invasive weeds that will be treated and cut back by Brightview as well. We are planning a general "clean up" for removal of downed branches and obstructions to the walking trail. We are also looking into improvements to the rock dam that mitigates trail erosion from the drainage flowing from the Rite Aid parking lot.

3) The Annual Picnic for the community was a big success, with better attendance than recent years. The

event was catered by Rocco's Smokehouse and the musical group "Joe's Day Out" provided the entertainment. Big thanks go out to the Social Committee who were deeply committed to the organization and success of the event.

In addition, the Fall festival and the simultaneous one-year anniversary of the Little Library was very well attended. There was pumpkin painting and a children's story time by author Tammy H. Kersey, a food drive, and more. The annual "Drool in the Pool" for dog owners at the close of pool season was held as well. Stay tuned for an email regarding the winter festival, which is currently in the planning stages.

4) The Pool committee and the Board have contracted for the pool refurbishment. Minor maintenance was done 10 years ago, but the current work was necessary for safety, as part of the structure around the sides of the pool was showing signs of deterioration when inspected. The work will bring the pool and its supporting structure, built nearly 25 years ago, back to top condition. Since the work is a non-emergency capital purchase with a long lifespan, the Board did not see the need for the community to pay all at once. The Board of Directors reviewed multiple funding options and chose to avoid any debt, and instead is drawing funds from the reserves. The community will slowly replace those reserves over a period of six years.

5) On September 23rd there was a presentation about the Fords Village development being planned to go in next door on News Road. The current plans call for only one entrance onto News Road for the development, which would be located directly across

News Road from Ford's Colony's entrance. If you have concerns, we encourage respectful and direct communication with the commission through their website or by attending the public sessions.

6) At our next meeting in November we will be discussing the 2022 Budget and looking for new Board members.

The Community Board is small, only 7 members, we need more diverse membership, which is challenging for a Board of that size. We will have two openings this upcoming year. We hope those of you with an interest in joining the PCSA Board will contact our manager Diane Clarcq at dclarcq@berkeley-realty.com and she will get your information to us for the election process later this winter.

That is all for now, enjoy the colors of fall while they last. As they said on Game of Thrones, "winter is coming". Winter brings with it a new year to look forward to, and a temporary pause to our Powhatan Secondary outdoor community activities until the return of Spring. I am grateful for the opportunity to live in and serve our wonderful community and hope you all have a wonderful holiday season. Thank you. Kevin Fleming – President, PCSA



Fair Housing is the Law

Powhatan Secondary Community Association is committed to inclusion and adherence to the Fair Housing Act.

All residents and visitors are to be aware of Fair Housing and that our community is a welcoming neighborhood for all. This includes equal opportunity for residents

and their guests to enjoy the community- which include our roadways, walkways, and recreational facilities.

Discrimination based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status or disability is illegal and a violation of federal law.

This law applies to our homeowner association and all residents and visitors are reminded to act accordingly in interactions with neighbors and their guests. For more information on the Fair Housing Act or how to report violations, please see the information on the Housing and Urban Development website: www.hud.gov.

Clubhouse Committee News

The Louise Pearson Clubhouse is open for reservations for your parties and events. The application, general information, and the reservation calendar is available on the website: www.powhatansecondary.org.

To check clubhouse availability or submit your application, please contact Assistant Manager, Danielle Cooke, at dcooke@berkeley-realty.com or call Danielle at 757.229.6810, ext. 204.

Architectural Review Committee (ARC) Notes

This continuing segment in the Powhatan Signal is intended to inform homeowners on requirements and to highlight recurring issues.

The ARC is dedicated to assisting the residents in processing their plans for renovations to their home and landscape. The guidelines and forms are available on the website, www.powhatansecondary.org.

The spotlight this issue is on the removal of trees and the installation of hardscaping per the community rules and regulations: excerpt below:

i) Vegetation:

- (1) No live trees with a diameter in excess of five (5) inches, no flowering trees in excess of three (3) inches, no live vegetation on slopes of greater than 20% gradient, may be removed without the consent of the ARC.
- (2) Removal of any tree or trees deemed a danger to any home will be approved if requested.

ii) Hardscaping:

- (1) Hardscape involves stonework including stone retaining walls, patios and walkways, grading and drainage including terracing, site grading, and storm water management.
- (2) Retaining walls are expensive and often difficult to construct; thus, other alternatives are usually preferable. However, retaining walls will be permitted if well-designed and constructed properly of approved materials (such as colored decorative block).
- (3) All such proposed installations must be approved by the ARC.

The ARC has also fielded questions in regard to basketball goal/hoops. The excerpt from the ARC Guide is below:

i) Portable Basketball Assemblies:

- (1) While assemblies in the Owner's driveway are permitted, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) does not allow them within their right-of-way (which includes not only the paved street but also the grassed area to a point approximately five feet back

from the pavement. Individuals leaving them within the right-of-way (such as on a cul-de-sac) run the distinct risk of having the apparatus confiscated by VDOT.

If you have a general ARC question or need an application, please contact Kimberly Mills at 757-229-6810, ext. 216, kmills@berkeley-realty.com. Kimberly assists the ARC and homeowners through the application process.

Household Chemical Collection and Computer Recycling Event

The next collection event will not be held again until 2022. If you have household electronics/tv/computers for recycling, you can also take them to Best Buy—for information, visit their website at:

www.bestbuy.com/site/services/recycling/pcmcat14990050025.c?id=pcmcat14990050025

For additional information on recycling, you can visit the Virginia Peninsula Public Service Authority website: www.vppsa.org.

[Updated Information from James City County on Convenience Center location/operating hours for those who drop off recycling materials and / or trash disposal](#)

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Would you like to advertise your business to the owners and residents of Powhatan Secondary? Consider an ad in this newsletter as part of your marketing plan! The Powhatan Signal is published four times a year and distributed email to the community and is also placed on the website: www.powhatansecondary.org.

Contact Diane Clarcq at 757.229.6810, ext.209 or by email at dclarcq@berkeley-realty.com for additional details.

Important Contacts for Powhatan Secondary homeowners and residents

Master Association: Berkeley Realty Property Mgt

Assessments/money owed to PCSA contact Talaya Spratley, 757-229-6810, ext. 212 tspratley@berkeley-realty.com

Clubhouse reservations contact Danielle Cooke, 757-229-6810, ext. 204 dcooke@berkeley-realty.com

Architectural control/covenant enforcement, all areas, except the sub-associations, contact Kimberly Mills, 757-229-6810, ext. 216 kmills@berkeley-realty.com

Sub-association contacts

- Cromwell Ridge Condo Association –Melinda Settle Harris/Danielle Cooke, Berkeley Realty Property Management, 757-229-6810
- Waterford HOA- Chesapeake Bay Management, 757-706-3019
- Powhatan Place HOA – Melinda Settle Harris, Berkeley Realty Property Management, 757-229-6810

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