

March 2023



Dear Neighbors,

Well, I guess its safe to say that Spring has finally arrived! Mother Nature has been determined to hold onto cold to cool weather far longer than some of us would like, but with the approach of April comes warmer weather and the anticipation of Spring flowers from April showers. During the month of April there will be several religious holidays that bring families together and reflection, so enjoy this precious time as we learned from COVID that life can experience unexpected and drastic changes.

Our first event of the Spring season was the Woods of Tabb Homes Association Annual Egg Hunt in Champions Path Park. A huge THANK YOU goes out to Donna Victorio and her group of volunteers that put on a great event. There were a large number of residents in attendance it appeared to be fun for all. The next community event is the Annual Yard Sale on April 29th—see additional information later in the newsletter. Stay on the lookout for future activities and events—the Board is looking to coordinate another Community Day in the near future. Contact a Board member to nominate projects for the Community Day, or if you would like to volunteer for the effort.

A major project has been approved by the Board of Directors for the coming months. We will be rejuvenating the community's Tennis Court with surface repairs and repainting. We'll put out specific dates for the rejuvenation and ask that you stay off of the court during this activity. Yes, we will be marking the court for both tennis and pickleball.

We are always looking for additional help in managing/running our neighborhood and ask that you look at our different committees to see if there is something that interests you. Some of our residents have raised their hands in the past and I ask that you reach out to the committee leads to coordinate volunteer efforts. You should note that Robert "Bob" Keefer has taken over the Grounds Committee and I will be turning over the Lakes Committee to Mike Laborte over the coming months. Additionally, we have started the 2023 WOTHA Yard of the Month program up and awarded the first winner—hard work done on your home/yard makes our community look all that much better—a little bit of friendly competition never hurts either.

Thank you to everyone that has paid your annual dues. For those of you that have not paid your annual dues, please do so as soon as possible. The funds that are assessed enable us to run our community and we tightly budget to our requirements with little fluff—we only assess what meets our projected needs. Additionally, if you haven't paid your dues there is a penalty that accrues monthly.

Sincerely,

James "Jim" Kirby President, Woods of Tabb Homeowners Association

Next meeting is April 11th at 7:00 and is an on-line meeting.

WOTHA WEBSITE

www.WoodsOfTabb.org

Go to the website to find the governing documents, Architectural Review Request form, contact information for Board members/committee members/block captains, a convenient form to use to submit any questions you have about the neighborhood or the Association, and lots more!

Remember that the governing documents clearly define how we keep our neighborhood a place of pride for all of our residents. Please be cognizant of our do's and don'ts, especially when contemplating any changes to your property. Being familiar will help avoid potential issues and could even save you money if changes made to your property violate your agreed to covenants and must be redone.



DISCLOSURE PACKAGE INFORMATION

If you are selling your home, you are required by law to get a Resale Disclosure Package from the Association. To request a package email us at wothainfo@gmail.com. If your agent is handling the Resale Disclosure Package request for you, please advise them to do the same.







Woods of Tabb Welcoming Committee

Greeting from the Woods of Tabb Welcoming Committee! We are excited for the opportunity to recruit any interested people who would like to join this committee as additional members to help welcome new neighbors to our community. Please contact Marianne Gustafson at mgus74@gmail.com or Teresa Mummert at teresa.mummert@gmail.com if you are interested in participating as a block captain or assistant block captain on your street!

New Residents:

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ARC Request Reminder

Before starting any exterior project on your property you probably need to obtain approval from the Association through the ARC approval process. The request form can be found easily on WoodsOfTabb.org and doesn't take long to fill out. Make sure you talk to all of your adjacent neighbors and get their signature before you turn in your form—they are signing that they are AWARE of your proposed project, not that they approve of it. *If you have a concern about a project that one of your neighbors has proposed and do not feel comfortable discussing it with them, please contact the Association President @ wothapresident@gmail.com right away!*

Projects requiring ARC approval are:

- Sheds and other detached structures to be constructed on your lot
- Fences
- Decks, porches, sunrooms, room additions
- Solar panels
- Swimming pools and hot tubs/spas
- Driveway, sidewalk and patio additions and extensions
- Dog houses/pens
- Any other structure or substantial change to the exterior of your home, your home's footprint, or your lot.

When in doubt, contact our Architectural Review Committee to discuss your project. The ARC is happy to discuss potential plans with you to make sure you are aware of relevant WOTHA guidelines and restrictions. All approval decisions are based on the Association's governing documents with emphasis on maintaining the aesthetic of the neighborhood and limiting visual impact and disturbance to neighbors.





March Winner! Harrison Family

Shredding Event, DEA Drug Take Back Day Saturday April 22



On Saturday April 22, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 pm., the York County Beautification Committee will partner with Sheriff Ron Montgomery and the York-Poquoson Sheriff's Office to provide citizens with an opportunity to shred personal papers, and drop off expired or unneeded prescription pills and patches.

The event will take place at the **Public Works office at 105 Service Drive**, **Yorktown (off Route 17, off Goodwin Neck Rd)**. Citizens can bring up to five boxes of paperwork, and the Beautification Committee will provide a container to collect plastic bags at this time as well.

Attendees are encouraged to drop off non-perishable canned or boxed food items for donation to a local food pantry.

Please contact the Waste Management/Recycling Facility with any questions about the shredding event and food drive at (757) 890-3780.

Please contact the York-Poquoson Sheriff's Office with any questions regarding the Drug Take Back event at (757) 890-3630.



SPRING CLEANING: Keeping your home well-maintained and cared for helps ensure it stays in great condition for years to come and will retain its value when it comes time to sell. The benefits of a clean house are immense! When decluttering and deep cleaning your home, you can help reduce stress, improve your efficiency and even combat seasonal allergens!

Create a Housework Checklist: Don't become overwhelmed by the thought of cleaning your entire home. Tackle one area and one room at a time. There are a lot of free resources, checklists and templates online you can tailor to fit the needs of your home. Turn on some music, open a window and start working your way through your list!

Declutter Your Space: A great place to start is by decluttering your home and donating the items you no longer want or need. With fewer items taking up space in your home, it's also much easier to clean! *Participate in the Woods of Tabb Spring Yard Sale, April 29, 2023 – that will help too!*

Deep Clean Neglected Areas: Rid your home of hidden dirt by dusting areas that may be neglected during a regular cleaning, such as blinds, windows and curtains. Vacuum behind and under furniture and appliances, and wipe down walls and cabinets. Consider having your wood floors waxed and your carpets professionally cleaned.

Do a Safety Check: Check your smoke and carbon monoxide detector systems in your spring cleaning routine. This helps ensure all safety measures are working properly and gives you more peace of mind. Detectors need to be replaced 10 years after manufacturer date on back of them.

Add Life to Your Home: Now that your home is clean, think about adding some fresh flowers or houseplants to celebrate the new season!

Recharge Your Mind: Reward yourself along the way! Don't forget to set aside some time to recharge after all of your hard work! Come out to the park, go for a walk, or relax in your newly cleaned home!

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