



The Aquia Harbour Newsletter – August 2011 Edition
Official Communications from the AHPOA

Notice

On June 22, 2011, the board of directors passed a resolution whereby 'upon the commencement of the fifth Legal Compliance Committee case against an individual or property owner for an unresolved violation, the association will commence seeking legal remedies to collect all monetary sums due or subsequently due the AHPOA'. The resolution became effective immediately. A full copy of the resolution is available at the business office and can be viewed on-line at www.aquiaharbour.org.

**General Manager
Review**

(Chuck Halt) 659-3050

In an effort to get more community participation the Board of Directors have made the fees for annual memberships at the golf course so low that it's virtually a steal. There's no better time to take up the sport or sharpen your skills. Lessons are now available from a golf professional. Likewise the annual slip fees at the new marina are also a bargain. A special three month trial slip rental fee is available. Now's the time to get that boat out of the yard or the driveway and avoid a tow and the aggravation of a launch.

At long last Stafford County has finished the basic installation of the new pumping station on Aquia Drive. That had to be the longest running local government project on record. They will be installing a screening wall and plants. The final touches won't take place until the weather cools. Recently numerous internal upgrades were made at the entry gate. New counters and cabinets were installed, walls painted and a troublesome door replaced. The computer system was upgraded and dual monitors were installed. It may not show on the outside but it certainly makes for a better and more efficient work environment. Just a reminder- Please call the gate to announce any expected visitor or workmen. It speeds things up for everyone.

Recently there's been a proliferation of signs sprouting up. The association does have a sign policy and it's pretty straight forward. If you want to erect a sign please come to the business office and we'll explain the policy and assist. This includes for sale and political signs. Work has started on stabilizing the bank of Austin Run on the entry way into Lions Park (just before the bridge over to Government Island). This work is being funded by a grant from the Tri County & City Soil & Watershed Conservation District.

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Recently an Army Special Forces Reserve Unit brought several large power boats into our waterways for training. Our narrow channels provide an ideal training ground. Due to their size and draft they assist in keeping the channels open. Expect to see them again in the future.

As part of keeping our facilities from showing their age interior painting and complete restaurant/bar, ceiling tile replacement took place at the Country Club. Additionally, one of the bathrooms was upgraded. Recently a Professional Tennis Instructor has asked if there's interest in the community for lessons. Please let the business office know if you have interest and if the response is great enough we'll pursue possibly having lessons.

The biannual road paving project is out for bid. This year's project will be the largest ever undertaken and will include the complete marina parking lot. As soon as the contract is awarded and details available information will be posted on the web site and available at the business office. Anticipate paving in August or September

This year marks the tenth anniversary of the 9-11 incidents. A memorial service is planned at Schnopp Park (just across the bridge on the left) for Sunday September 11th at 2:00 p.m.. More details will be posted on the web site.

Mark your calendar for the Annual Meeting scheduled for 1030 a.m. October 15th.

Aquia Harbour Police

(Chief Harman)

TEEN TIME



I hope everyone is having a great summer. We are very fortunate in that we have some terrific teens here in the Harbour and the police department has an excellent rapport with many of them, but a few issues have come up that have created an opportunity for safer kids.

Sleep Overs – It is one of the best perks of summer but it also creates the best opportunity for mischief. When your kids ask to sleep over at a friend's, you should consider making direct contact with the hosting parent to make sure that they are going to be home and aware of the plan – many times they are not. They should also be people that you have had a least one face-to-face meeting with to ensure that your parenting philosophies are similar. We have taken home numerous teens this summer on their way to unsupervised parties while parents thought they were at “sleep overs”. It's not about trust – it's about due diligence. This practice will make it easier for your kids to make good decisions. Keep your kids safe - MAKE THE CALL.

Prescription Drug Abuse – Prescription drug abuse is up and yet it is often overlooked as a threat to your kids. Prescription drugs should be secured in a locking container or properly disposed of (go to www.drugfree.org for more information). Most families have 5 to 20 drug prescriptions in their home that are ripe for abuse or resale. Don't risk it – lock them up.

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**Aquia Harbour
Golf Club**

(Terry G. Ryalls, Mgr.)

Well the grass in the fairways has filled in beautifully with the warmer weather, and we have put more Bermuda seed down both in the fairways and on the tee boxes. While we heard complaints early in the season about the sparse clumps in the fairways, we have been transitioning from ryegrass to Bermuda for several years. With the Bermuda grass spreading more and more each year, we did not over seed last fall with the ryegrass. This is the recommendation for this kind of transition, as the ryegrass just makes it harder for the Bermuda grass to take over completely. Hopefully within a year or two we will have nothing but the Bermuda grass on the course.



The Aquia Harbour Golf Association held their 2011 Member-Guest Tournament on June 24, 25 and 26, 2011. There were 27 men's teams and 4 ladies' teams that participated. On Friday we had Hole-in-One prizes sponsored by Bruce Polanski which included a 2011 Jeep Wrangler. Saturday's Hole-in-One prizes were sponsored by Mick's Restaurant and Sports Bar and the Target Hole Prize was \$10,000 cash. We had no Hole-in-Ones during the tournament, but there was plenty of excitement over the prizes that were offered. There were many guests from all over, with one even travelling from Dubai to play.

The Red, White and Blue Tournament was held on Monday July 4th. The following were the winners from that tournament:

Ladies Flight 1st Place – Brenda Shauver
Tied 2nd – Anne LeDoux and Connie Gordon

Men's 1st Flight 1st Place – Steve Freyler
2nd Place – Mike Mishoe
Tied 3rd – Will Bosworth and Mark Smith

Men's 2nd Flight Tied 1st – Buddy Pullen, Frank Martinelli, John LeDoux and James Lupo
5th Place – Jack Patterson
Tied 6th – Alan Bartley and Jerry Rowe
Tied 8th – Scott Ballard, Chuck Barber, and Bill Campbell

Our Teaching Pro, Todd Webb, has conducted two Junior Clinics so far with the last one beginning August 1-4, 2011. There was a Junior Clinic in June and one in July. Participants from all three clinics will play in a Junior's Tournament on Saturday, August 13, 2011. The time for the tournament will be announced at the close of the August Clinic.

Don't forget Mondays are Family Days. Children from 6-16 play for free when accompanied by an adult. Come out for some family fun!

Aquia Harbour Preschool

(Melissa Hamilton)



It's amazing how fast the time flies while we are relaxing and enjoying our family time together. This summer has been great and while it's not over yet, this new upcoming school year is quickly approaching us! We are striving along with our new certified teachers to plan out an amazingly fun year where our children will continue to thrive in learning and building upon new and old friendships.

Our **Orientation** is scheduled and will be held at the **Harbour Inn** located inside Aquia Harbour on **Thursday, August 25th, at 6:30 p.m.** Important information will be discussed concerning this upcoming school year, and you can receive your first five co-op points of this school year, so you don't want to miss this meeting! This is a wonderful opportunity to meet the teachers and Board Members, as well as complete last minute paperwork or pay any fees needed before your child may attend school. Please arrive prepared.

- The Co-op fee of \$250.00 (refundable)
- The supply fee of \$30 is payable by check.
- You can also pay your first month's tuition must return your child's medical forms (including a current copy of your child's immunization record) at Orientation.

The first clean-up for this upcoming school year is scheduled for **Saturday, August 27th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** Please come out, and help! This is a big clean up for our Preschool, and is an excellent opportunity to receive 10 co-op points, and complete a clean-up responsibility early. Come out and help us get the school ready for the first day of class. If any students or anyone in the community needs to fulfill community service requirements please call us at (540) 659-5771. We would love the help and you can earn community service hours.

Our preschool offers 3 and 4 year old classes, both with AM and PM sessions available. **Aquia Harbour Preschool is available to both residents and non-residents of Aquia Harbour. We still have a few openings for classes this upcoming year, so act now to ensure your child(ren) can attend our wonderful school!**

To receive more information visit: <http://aquiaharbourpreschool.org/>

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To enroll a child in the preschool call and leave a message at (540) 659-5771. Our Vice President, Amy Viccari, will get in contact with you.

We hope that you and your families will continue to enjoy the rest of the summer and see you all at Orientation.

The logo for the Aquia Evening Lions is a blue rectangular button with rounded corners. The text "Aquia" is on the top line and "Evening Lions" is on the bottom line, both in a yellow, sans-serif font.

(Dodi Bunker)

MEET OUR 2011 SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

During the June dinner meeting we met the three scholarship recipients. This year is unique in that we have a set of twins as two of our winners, Emily and Lelia Schutzenhofer. Both are graduates of Colonial Forge High School. Emily ranks as number 1 out of 493 in her class and has a GPA of 4.86, and was just recently named as Valedictorian of her graduating class. Lelia ranks as number 6 in the class and has a GPA of 4.56. Since the beginning of high school, both sisters have taken classes with the Commonwealth Governor's School. Both are members of the National Honor Society along with a very lengthy list of Academic Excellence Awards for AP classes. Emily loves music and is an accomplished pianist as well as a flute and piccolo player. Lelia chose to play the trumpet and was a member of the Forge Sound and Guard. Lelia and Emily are members of the Leo Club that was recognized locally and internationally and awarded the Leo Club Excellence Award for 2010. Emily serves as the Club's President and last year Lelia was the Treasurer. As members of this Club, each girl has completed over 40 hours of community service yearly, conducted fundraisers, collected eyeglasses and been involved in many projects. Both girls will be attending the University of Virginia next fall and will be majoring in Chemistry and Biology. Emily will be attending as an Echols Scholar. Their ultimate goals are to be physicians

Our third scholarship recipient is Kaitlyn Baumann. She graduated from North Stafford High School with a GPA of 4.30 and ranked number 8 in her class of 426. She is a member of the National Honor Society and Students Serving Stafford and is also the class representative for Health Occupations Students of America.. She is an AP Scholar, Early College Scholar, and a Scholar Athlete. Kaitlyn attended Girls State and received the Bronze Presidential Service Award for her 100+ hours of community service in a 12-month period. She is a Leader in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and devotes several volunteer hours to church activities. Kaitlyn earned 3 varsity letters in High School soccer and served as the Team Captain. In addition she is a Team Captain on a Travel Soccer team. She has worked as an Assistant Referee for Soccer, and has provided after-school care for an autistic neighbor and currently works as a Cashier at Chick-fil-A. Kaitlyn will major in Human, Nutrition, Food and Exercise while attending Virginia Tech this fall. Her ultimate goal is earn her Doctorate of Physical Therapy.

We salute these fine young ladies and wish them success in their future endeavors.

My thanks go to the fellow Lions who rated the applications. Thanks to Linda Whitson, Ruth Ann Morrison, Jo Holland and Jane Stoll. It is not that easy to pick out three winners from the applications because all were deserving students.



Kaitlyn Baumann from North Stafford High and her mother and twins Emily and Leila Schutzenhofer from Colonial Forge pose with their parents in front of the Aquia Evening Lions Club banner.

Women's Club

(Melissa Dileo)



The Aquia Harbour Women's Club will resume meetings on the second Tuesday of September. The purpose of the AHWC is to promote friendship among women in the Harbour through the pursuit of mutual interest in civic, cultural and social activities.

Some of the activities that the Women's Club has run past are Aquia Harbour's Annual Christmas Tree Lighting, the Head Start Coat Drive in Aquia Harbour, and the Easter Egg Hunt. We have made donations to Adopt a Classroom, the AH Rescue Squad, and we have given an annual scholarship to a Brooke Point High School Senior. The Club's

meetings are always lively with lots of good food and fun like a Halloween Party, Bingo, Holiday Party, Chinese Auction, Bunko, Cinco de Mayo Party and Dinner Theatre!

The AHWC 2011/2012 Officers are: Dolena Sinclair, President; Jennifer Turpin, Vice President; Dawn Teague, Treasurer; Melissa Dileo, Secretary; Deb Johnson, Membership; and Maggie Bacheller, Historian.

New members are welcome to join our Club. We will be meeting at 7:15 PM on September 13. The location has not yet been determined but please check our article in the September Harbour View for the location. Dues

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are only \$10 a year. Please contact Deb Johnson at *JDJOHN123@aol.com *for more information about joining.

If you need a message posted on the front signboard during August please contact Maggie Bachellor at gogirl297@aol.com.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

**Venturing
Crew 840**

(Jennifer Neuhard)

Venture Crew 840 is rapping up its first year and we are open to new members. We have tons of events planned for our second year as a crew, including hiking and a beach trip. If you are interested in joining, swing by the Carl Lewis building (Telegraph Road) on the first or third of any month at 7:30(to 8:30) pm and sit in on one of our meetings. Any girl or boy between the ages of 14 and 21 are welcome to join. Our meetings for August will be on the 2nd and 16th, so come by and see if Crew 840 is the group for you!

If you would like more information about Crew 840 please contact Cindy Patishnock at jgowild@aol.com or any current member.

2011 ANNUAL ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS



Elections for Board Members occur every October. This year's election will take place on Saturday, October 15, 2011. The Nominating Committee is now accepting resumes from prospective nominees.

Information and guidelines for prospective nominees are as follows:

1. Resumes shall include information as to desired goals for the Community, in addition to abilities, training, and related community service experience that would qualify the member to serve the property owners and their interests. Resumes shall be no less than fifty (50) words or more than one hundred (100) words in length, not including the words 'a', 'an', 'the' and 'and'. Resumes should also include an acknowledgement of the nominees' availability to satisfy the time commitment associated with the position of a director on the AHPOA Board.
2. Nominees must be of legal age. Nominees must be, at the time of his or her election, a U.S. citizen and an active member in the Association.

3. A standard AHPOA petition form bearing the written signature of thirty (30) different Lot Owners who are active members of the Association at the time of signing must be submitted as a prerequisite to nomination. The written petition and accompanying resume must be submitted to the AHPOA, Inc. Business Office by September 1, 2011. All signatures will be attested to by the person collecting the signatures.
4. Resumes submitted to the Committee, which do not meet the established requirements, will be returned to the person about whom the resume pertains for compliance prior to being published. All such resumes must be modified and returned to the Business Office no later than 5:00 PM on Monday, September 12, 2011.
5. Two open meetings will be held by the Committee to provide an opportunity for active property owners to meet and question the nominees. Proper advance notice, of at least 10 days, will be published in The Harbour View. All prospective candidates should attend this meeting. Notification of the inability to attend a meeting should be submitted in writing to the Nominating Committee Chairperson.
6. The Committee will file with the Board of Directors not later than September 1, 2011, a written report in accordance with the By-Laws, Article XXIII (Article X) Section 1.e.
7. The Committee will contact the Property Owners Association Office to determine whether persons being considered for nomination are eligible for election to the Board and to verify the Active member/lot owner status of those persons whose signatures appear on a petition. The Committee will not make corrections to a deficient petition or resume, but will promptly attempt to notify the person who submitted the petition and/or resume.
8. The Committee will present to the Board, no later than September 15, 2011, one copy of the resume for each Active member of the Property Owners Association, Inc., plus 100 additional resumes, in accordance with the By-Laws, Article XXIII (Article X), Section 1. The Committee will determine the number of Active Members of the Association by contacting the Association office.
9. All persons accepted or rejected by the Committee for nomination to membership on the Board will be promptly notified in writing of the Committee's action. If rejected, the person will be informed of the reasons.
10. The Committee will make a verbal statement on its nominations for membership to the Board of Directors at the annual meeting of the Aquia Harbour Property Owners Association, Inc. in accordance with the By-Laws, Article XXIII (Article X), Section 1.
11. The Nominating Committee Members are:
Beth Barg, Chip Collins, Jane Gill, Jo Holland and Bea Klapak
12. Committee Schedule:

Sept. 1 Deadline: Submission of resumes with 30 signatures by prospective nominee.
Sept. 8 Notify candidates of any resume discrepancies.
Sept. 12 Corrected resumes due back to the committee.
Sept. 15 Committee submits resumes to the Board.
Oct. 15 10:30 – Noon. Annual meeting, Nominating Committee report and election.

Complete Nominating Committee procedures are available at the AHPOA business office

School Board Update

School Board Update – Griffis-Widewater District **By Dana Reinboldt, Member Stafford County School Board**

SALES TAX HOLIDAY, AUGUST 5-7, 2011: The annual Virginia Sales Tax Holiday for School Supplies, Clothing and Footwear will take place **August 5-7, 2011** this year. During these 3 days, certain school supplies, clothing and footwear will be exempt from Virginia State Sales Tax. Each eligible school supply item must be priced \$20 or less. Eligible clothing and footwear items must each be priced \$100 or less. For more details, go to the Virginia Department of Taxation website at <http://www.tax.virginia.gov/salestaxholiday>.

STUFF THE BUS - SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE **Help us Stuff the Bus with School Supplies**

As you may be aware, not every student begins the school year with the school supplies they need to make the grade. Together we can help make a greater difference in the lives of our students. All school supplies collected will be distributed to students in need at the beginning of the school year.



Our drop off locations are Apple Federal Credit Union at 50 Dunn Drive, Chick-fil-A at 25 Dunn Drive and 1094 International Parkway, GEICO at One GEICO Blvd, NextCare Urgent Care at 15 S. Gateway Drive, 330 White Oak Road and 325 Garrisonville Road, Stafford County Public Schools at 31 Stafford Avenue, Stafford County Social Services at 1300 Courthouse Road, Storage 2000 at 2865 Jefferson Davis Hwy and 521 Garrisonville Road, Walmart-Stafford Lakes at 11 Village Parkway. Other business partners are Booz-Allen-Hamilton, Costco and Ricoh. **Donations are needed by August 20.** School supply lists and details are available at www.AppleFCU.org/StufftheBus.

As always, if you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at 540/659-1487, or reinboldtdh@staffordschools.net

EVENTS

The Aquia Harbour Property Owners Association will host a memorial ceremony and reception at Schnopp Park on Aquia Drive at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 11.

The Memorial Garden there was dedicated nine years ago to all those who had given their lives for our country and in special remembrance for those who perished on September 11, 2001.

Please take this opportunity to join fellow residents in honoring the past and expressing gratitude for our community and our great nation.



AQUIA HARBOUR PARENTS!

WOULDN'T IT BE NICE TO HAVE A RELAXING DAY AT THE POOL AFTER YOU HAVE SENT YOUR CHILDREN OFF TO SCHOOL?

The Aquia Evening Lions and the Aquia Harbour Property Owners Association are sponsoring a "Back to School Pool Party" on the first day of school, Tuesday, September 6th from 9 AM to 2 PM at Harbour Inn Pool.

Come and enjoy "Adults Only" at the pool for a nominal price of \$2.00.

Please contact Gina Long at 657-8739 or email laundryladyx5@hotmail.com by August 19th if you plan to attend.

Want to know how to get involved? Call an organization and see how you can help!

Aquia Harbour Board of Directors

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Amenities

Country Club – 288-0091
Golf Course – 659-4478
Marina – 659-4232
Parks & Harbour Inn – 659-3050
Police – 659-4600
Pools & DOLPHINS SWIM TEAM – 659-4003
Pre-School – 659-5771
Stables – 659-5024

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