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The Nominating Committee and Covenants Committee do not hold regularly scheduled monthly meetings. The committee meeting schedule can be verified at fchoa.org.

Note: S&T Club = Swim and Tennis Club; CSB = Community Services Building (Rooms A or B)

ARC (Architectural Review Committee) Report for September 2019

Completed:
- Single Family
- Townhomes
- Eaglescliffe Condos

Total: 2,643

Under Construction:
- Applications YTD: 42
- Homestead 17/Section 33 – 220 Brickhampton
- Leeb Custom Homes
- Homestead 2A/Section 1D – 100 John Pot Drive

Homesite 46/Section 35 – 4704 Lochlomond
Gregory and Linsey Carter
J. Lloyd Builder, Inc.

ARC Submission

All construction, including additions and modifications to existing structures, must be approved by the Architectural Review Committee. Submission forms and guidelines are available at the Community Services Office, as well as on the fchoa.org website. Property owners may view any house or site plan on file with the ARC at the Community Services Office. The agenda for new construction and confirmation of meetings will be posted on the fchoa.org website (under Association, ARC tabs). The ARC meets on Tuesdays at 8:30 a.m. in the CSB on an as-needed basis.

When You Sell Your House. A Virginia-mandated HOA home compliance report must be provided to the buyer. Refer to the ARC webpage for more information.

Cover Photo by Sherry Doyle

ARTICLE SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Submit articles and any accompanying photos (with caption and photo credit) to Jenny Holland at jholland@fchoa.net. Submissions to the Activities section are due the 10th of the month preceding publication (target 200 words). All other material is due by the 5th (articles must be submitted as Word documents; target 500 words). Copy is subject to approval and editing by the Communications Committee.

PHOTO AND AD REQUIREMENTS

File formats PDF or JPEG (maximum quality)

To reserve ad space, contact Communications Coordinator Jenny Holland at 757-258-4270 or jholland@fchoa.net.

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The Capital Investment Fund (CIF) was established by the Board as part of the approved 2019 Capital Budget. The purpose of the CIF is to fund new capital amenities in Ford’s Colony and provide a mechanism for the approval of projects at times other than during the formal budget process.

Specifically, the Board of Directors’ Resolution states that “…the Ford’s Colony at Williamsburg Homeowners Association Board of Directors approves the Policy for the Capital Investment Fund as recommended by the Finance Committee for the purpose of accumulating sufficient funds, over a period of at least three to five years, to be used only for construction of new facilities or significant improvement of existing facilities that enhance the amenities available to FCHOA residents.”

BACKGROUND

Three years ago, when Eagle Parke acquired the land from the Manchester Gate, members of the Board met with the developers and negotiated a monetary “proffer” of $320,000 in exchange for permitting The Parke residents to become part of our HOA. The monies acquired were to be used to fund future FCHOA amenities.

In anticipation of this infusion of funds, the Facilities Committee conducted a survey to determine which amenities would most interest our community. Initially the thought was to take the top 10 items, work up a cost analysis and issue a second survey to see if we still wanted the amenities when we understood the cost.

Before the second survey was completed, the variances sought by Eagle Construction were rejected by the JCC Board of Supervisors, and Eagle Construction’s subsequent appeal was denied. The development did not move forward and, as a consequence, the FCHOA did not receive any monetary proffers. The Board then decided to establish the CIF as the vehicle for financing future amenities.

During the 2019 budget process, the Board established the CIF and started the funding with $105,000. Of that amount, $35,000 was specifically reserved for work on Parcels A, B and C at the Community Services Building (CSB) area and $70,000 was designated for future amenities. In addition, the Board designated $40,000 for each of the next four years in the Capital Reserve and Replacement Model (CRRM) as initial investments while work was done on choosing the projects and analyzing their costs.

Using the survey data, the Facilities Committee has developed an eight-year Capital Investment Plan (CIP) for new and/or improved amenities. The Plan is a proposal, not yet fully funded by the CIF. Included in it are many of the highly rated items from the survey.

ACTIONS TAKEN

Since the beginning of the year, the Board has reviewed the Facilities Committee-prepared CIP and taken the following actions:

- Funded plans for a bocce ball court.
- Accepted conceptual plans for Parcels A, B and C (which includes expanding the RV parking area and adding electricity, plus creating an employee parking area behind the CSB to increase parking for residents attending classes or meetings there) and funded $5,000 for design and engineering of these projects.
- Funded the design and engineering for the Westbury Park site plan, the pool slide and expansion of the Westbury Park parking lot.
- Reviewed a request for design and engineering money related to the Gordon Creek kayak launch project. (The Board has requested more information on two issues related to this project.)

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A Capital Investment, continued

BY SALLY FRAZER, SECRETARY

Other projects are being considered, such as extension of the roof over the picnic area at Westbury, evaluation of the best use of Bay 1 at CSB and a second bocce ball court. Additionally, there could be new amenities suggested by our residents.

BUILDING THE 2020 BUDGET

During the upcoming budget cycle, the Board, with advice from the Facilities and Finance Committees, will decide the extent to which CIP funding is included in the 2020 budget. This is one of many competing items for the 2020 FCHOA fees, and each expense will be reviewed thoroughly prior to becoming a part of the actual budget.

The Board will review the proposed 2020 budget at its October 22 work session. Following Board review, the proposed budget will be presented to homeowners at the Town Hall meeting scheduled for November 7. The meeting will be videotaped, and the video and presentation will be posted on fchoa.org afterwards. Board approval will take place on November 14 at the regular meeting of the Board of Directors. All residents are encouraged to attend these upcoming meetings, ask questions and be informed throughout the process.

BE INFORMED

The 2020 budget will be a topic at the following meetings, which are open to all homeowners:

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PAWS ON TRAIL

Dog Walking Service

Enjoy a day out knowing your four-legged friends will be exercised and loved! I live in Ford’s Colony and am available 7 days a week for your convenience. Call today!

Jane Coleman
Phone: 757-235-2694
E-mail: momontherun11@hotmail.com
The 2020 annual operating budget season kicked off in August as our staff focused their efforts to update projections, anticipate new spending priorities and discuss with committees what is working well versus recommended cutbacks and needed improvements.

Heading into October, the operating and replacement reserve budgets really start to come together prior to the November deadline to formally adopt the budgets. Thirteen committees are represented in the process, though more than 82 percent of the operating budget is represented in maintenance, security and facilities.

The 2020 replacement reserve budget will benefit from an updated Capital Replacement Reserve Model (CCRM) study completed this past summer. As previously reported in Talk of the Colony, an independent Reserve Study Specialist is retained by the FCHOA every five years to verify our inventory of capital assets and check assumptions on replacement costs and the remaining useful life of these assets.

Of particular concern this year is the need to repair or replace a significant inventory of drainage pipes. HDPE-type pipes were installed in several subdivisions. The first generation of these pipes were single-wall, corrugated plastic that were approved for the developer at the time as a replacement for metal pipes that were deteriorating rapidly in the clay soils. Unfortunately, many of these pipes did not hold up. Video inspection revealed open sections, split pipe and deflections.

The Board is working with the Roads & Project Maintenance and Finance Committees to develop plans to resolve these pipe issues over a period of years, including adjustments to capital replacement schedules and other budget items. The Board will prepare a long-term plan as part of the 2020 budget process. Stay tuned for more information in the next few months as the Board and committees analyze the financial impact and proposed resolutions.
It's my favorite time of year! Besides the cooler temperatures, there are so many fun fall festivities.

TRICK OR TREAT: HALLOWEEN TIPS
Come enjoy Ford's Colony Trunk or Treat, which is being held at the Ford's Colony Country Club on October 25 from 5 to 9 p.m. For those who plan on participating in trick-or-treating in the Colony on October 31, the hours are from 6 to 8 p.m.

Safety is our number one priority to ensure everyone has an enjoyable evening. Here are just some of the helpful tips for parents from the National Safety Council (NSC) to help keep everyone safe while trick-or-treating:

• Avoid masks, which can obstruct vision.
• If children are allowed out after dark, fasten reflective tape to their costumes and bags or give them glow sticks.
• Teach your children never to enter a stranger’s home or car.
• Instruct children to travel only in familiar, well-lit areas and stick with their friends.
• Tell your children not to eat any treats until they return home.

The NSC also offers these additional safety tips for drivers – and anyone else who plans to be on the road during trick-or-treat hours:

• Children and adults are reminded to put electronic devices down and keep heads up.
• Watch for children walking on roadways, medians and curbs.
• Enter and exit driveways and side streets carefully.
• At twilight and later in the evening, watch for children in dark clothing.
• Discourage new, inexperienced drivers from driving on Halloween.

For more information, visit nsc.org.

FIRE SAFETY
As we enter the time for cookouts with s’mores by the fire, I want to remind everyone that burning yard debris such as leaves and sticks is prohibited in Ford’s Colony. You can, however, burn logs in a small firepit unless a burn ban is in effect. If you have any questions, contact the James City County Fire Administration Office directly at (757) 220-0626.

A Fun Time of the Year
BY CRYSTAL BOWERS, SCOP, CHIEF OF SECURITY

SECURITY
Come “carve out” some time for Halloween fun with friends and family. The annual Trunk or Treat will be held on October 25 from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Ford’s Colony Country Club. There will be a parade and Pumpkin Party to follow the trunkin’. Members and non-members are welcome. If anyone is interested in hosting a “trunk” for this festive occasion, contact Priscilla Caldwell at priscilla.caldwell@clubcorp.com or 757-258-4111 or Jenny Holland at jholland@fchoa.net or 757-258-4270 to reserve your space by October 18. See the Ford’s Colony Country Club insert. The S&T Club and Community Services also will have donation boxes for goodies.

Thanks go to the Activities Committee, Friends & Neighbors and Newcomers volunteers and Ford’s Colony Country Club team for collaborating together to make a memorable event for the kids of Ford’s Colony.

BLOOD DRIVE
October 25
10 a.m. - 4 p.m. | S&T Club

Our next bi-monthly Red Cross Blood Drive takes place October 25 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the S&T Club. To learn if you qualify to donate or to make an appointment, go to www.RedCross.org or call 1-800-RedCross. You may be surprised to know that 40 to 50 residents donate at each drive and there is a need for more donors. In fact, one donation can potentially save three lives.

Check out the LOVE button on the fchoa.org home page to view and apply for volunteer openings or contact Volunteer Management at fcvolunteerchair@gmail.com.
COMMUNICATIONS

Your Picture-Perfect Opportunity Awaits
BY TERRY WEISZ, COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE CHAIR

In June 2016, we introduced full-page photography for the front covers of Talk of the Colony. Since then, we’ve been delighted and honored to feature photos from talented residents whose work has graced the covers and interior pages of this magazine, as well as our web and social media channels.

The Communications Committee is doing some “housekeeping” to freshen up our photo archives. On our wish list are images that help tell the story about the aesthetics, lifestyle and natural beauty of Ford’s Colony. In particular, we’re looking for photos that showcase:

Architectural Elements (ranging from the classic and distinctive to the unique and whimsical – such as interesting angles of front porches, stairways, windows, fences, roof lines; gazebos, statuary and bird houses, or outdoor spaces with inviting features such as rockers, hammocks, swings and decorative tablescapes)

Active Lifestyle (scenes with one or more residents enjoying pastimes such as golf, cycling, dog-walking, running, fishing or just taking in the beautiful surroundings)

Seasonal Views (landscapes, gardens, residential decor or other elements that feature the change of seasons or celebration of the holidays)

Of particular need is to build our library of future cover photos for each season. While vertical photos work best for covers, don’t discount horizontal images which often can be cropped. Images should be high resolution (300 pixels per inch at 100 percent printed use) JPEG files. Send them to photos@fchoa.net. Be sure to include the name of the photographer.

Looking for a little inspiration? See the January 2019 issue of Talk of the Colony (page 43) for a round-up of the 2018 cover photos by these talented resident photographers: Chris Shenefiel, Rich Rosania, Judy Kroeger, Mike Jaskowiak, Jim Goodridge and Lin Rosania. (Visit fchoa.org> About Us> Talk of the Colony to see current and past years’ issues.)

Who knows? Your photo might be the next cover everyone’s talking about in the Colony!

Celebrating the Year in Pictures

Talk of the Colony wants special thanks to these photographers who helped tell the Ford’s Colony story through an array of memorable cover photos that showcase what makes our community unique!

Thank you to:
Chris Shenefiel
Rich Rosania
Judy Kroeger
Mike Jaskowiak
Jim Goodridge
Lin Rosania

Join us anytime

A Standing Invitation

As with all the standing committees, the monthly Communications Committee meetings are open to all residents. During the meeting, we discuss the upcoming editorial calendar and brainstorm ideas for visual and editorial content. We meet the first Wednesday of each month at 9 a.m. in the Community Services Building, Room B. Join us anytime.
MARKETING

A Virtual Approach to Boosting Realtor Outreach

BY CARMEN HEGGE-KLEISER, VICE PRESIDENT, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

After tripling the Ford’s Colony marketing website viewership compared to last year, the FCHOA Marketing Committee is now focused on adding a virtual, 24/7 Realtor Toolkit to the fordscolonyliving.com website to further enhance the Ford’s Colony brand with both prospective buyers and realtors.

In a marketing update to the HOA Board of Directors for the first half of this year, Marketing Committee Chair Jon Klem reported that content and visual updates to the website and a targeted Google Ad campaign had dramatically increased viewership compared to the prior year. The greatest viewership during the first half of the year occurred on the website’s “Homes” and “About Ford’s Colony” pages. However, during the July and August timeframe, the bulk of the viewership shifted from “About Ford’s Colony” to the “Lifestyle and Clubs” pages where more images of families and children have been added.

“With the Google Ad campaign, any time a Google search is initiated using select keywords, our Google ads and website link automatically pops up in the listing,” said Jon. Keywords are the terms that act as “triggers” for Ford’s Colony ads. The most successful keywords of the campaign are “Williamsburg VA,” “Ford’s Colony,” “golf community” and “houses in Williamsburg.” In addition, some ads target those seeking an “active multigenerational, award-winning community.”

Google states that an average CTR (Click-Through Rate) is around 2 percent for a Google campaign. Generally speaking, for the keywords that are being triggered for the Ford’s Colony campaign, the majority are performing well – at or above average, with some performing high above average (10 percent). The average viewer coming to the website via Google Ads is 55+ in age, and viewers now are evenly split between men and women. Viewers are also spending more time on our website pages of interest.

A Realtor Toolkit is the newest feature being added to fordscolonyliving.com. It will provide all realtors with easy-to-find, one-stop access to marketing tools, documents and resources needed to more effectively and efficiently sell Ford’s Colony properties. As one resident who is also a realtor noted when shown the conceptual overview for the online tool kit, “I like the fact that everything I might need is in one spot… This will make us all look good and make it easier to serve our clients.” It will be especially helpful to realtors not as familiar with Ford’s Colony.

The formal launch of the Realtor Toolkit on fordscolonyliving.com will be coming soon. The initial rollout will be publicized with all Williamsburg realtors via the Williamsburg Area Association of Realtors. After that, the Committee plans to extend the outreach to Richmond and Hampton Roads realtors to encourage their use of the virtual online toolkit as well.

A new Realtor Toolkit coming soon to FordsColonyLiving.com will provide information and resources to help realtors promote our award-winning community.
Students are back to school, and the Ford’s Colony Volunteers for Education (VFE) are gearing up to maximize the learning experience serving as tutors in the public schools. Founded in 2008 by Ford’s Colony resident Eric Ziaman, VFE has been making a difference in students’ academic advancement. This award-winning program places volunteers in local Williamsburg-James City County public schools to provide reading and mathematics assistance for students in all grades. The schools which service Ford’s Colony residents include D.J. Montague Elementary, James Blair Middle School and Lafayette High School. VFE seeks to recruit volunteers to meet the requests for assistance from each individual school within the WJCC school district.

For the last eight years, VFE has been passionately led by Muriel Slaughter. Although she did not have a background in education, Muriel became a volunteer at the start of the program. She worked for the federal government at the Smithsonian, both for its museum exhibits and its magazine. Muriel poured her life into the lives of students and ensured that the schools had the requisite number of volunteers. Unfortunately, Muriel is now unable to continue in this capacity but is hoping to assist in the future.

JoAnn Giesen has stepped in to provide leadership and serve as a liaison between the WJCC school district and Ford’s Colony. A retired educator, she taught special education for 25 years. Currently, there are over 30 Ford’s Colony residents volunteering in our local schools, and JoAnn is always looking for more. An education background is not required to volunteer. The desire to make a difference in young lives is all that is required.

VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT

Volunteers for Education: Enriching Our Community

BY JOHN CRYER, ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE CHAIR

Muriel Slaughter (center) has been an enduring advocate for students and the value of quality education. She’s shown here with neighbors Val and Bill Vanzetta in front of the White House at the March for Science held on Earth Day 2017.

SAVE THE DATE

COME TO THE FORD’S COLONY PUBLIC SCHOOL INFORMATION FORUM
MONDAY, OCTOBER 7 | 5 TO 6 P.M. | S&T CLUB

Principals from the three public schools attended by Ford’s Colony children will discuss their schools’ program and performance highlights as well as focus areas for the coming year. Parents and other interested residents are encouraged to attend. Light refreshments will be provided. Drop-off babysitting for the hour will be provided for toddlers and older children. Questions about babysitting should be directed to Jenny Holland at jholland@fchoa.net.
Hallie Rubenstein, a 2019 Lafayette High School graduate and granddaughter of Ford’s Colony resident Robert Rubenstein and his late wife, Leah, was recently awarded a $2,500 Star Scholarship by the BQ Chapter of P.E.O.

The highly competitive scholarship is open to graduating high school senior women who demonstrate outstanding leadership, academic achievement, extracurricular activities and community service. P.E.O. (which stands for Philanthropic Educational Organization) is an international organization dedicated to “women helping women reach for the stars.” The organization celebrates the advancement of women and motivates them to achieve their highest aspirations through scholarships, grants, awards, loans and stewardship of Cottey College, an all-female accredited college. Hallie is using the scholarship to study nursing at the University of Virginia.

According to Sue Spencer, chair of the Chapter BQ P.E.O. Star Scholarship Committee, “We had a number of strong applicants for the scholarship. However, Hallie stood out above the rest.”

An outstanding scholar, Hallie not only was selected for the National Honor Society, but also the Spanish, English, Math and Science Honor Societies at Lafayette. Her varied extracurricular activities ranged from drum major captain for the marching band, being selected as one of only four Virginians for the 2018 Macy’s Great American Marching Band, competing as an athlete in two sports, and serving in the Pep Club and Key Club to being on the Principal’s RAM Advisory Council.

In addition, Hallie volunteered in two hospitals and served as a member of Sentara’s Medical Explorers. She was a 4-H counselor and, as a member of Pet Pals, took a therapy dog to nursing homes and schools. She worked with young children in sports programs and served on the Williamsburg Library Teen Advisory Council.

Community service through educational outreach is a family tradition for Hallie. In 2018, her grandparents received the Hugh M. Jenkins Award from the NAFSA Association of International Educators. It recognizes individuals who have demonstrated a commitment to promoting global understanding and international exchange in the local community. Robert and Leah Rubenstein became involved with the Reves Center for International Studies’ Global Friends Program at William & Mary shortly after their retirement to Ford’s Colony. As noted in the award citation, they, along with their family, have gone above and beyond the requirements of the program, which matches William & Mary international students with members of the community to foster cross-cultural friendships.

P.E.O. has almost 250,000 members in chapters throughout the U.S. and Canada, with five chapters here in Williamsburg. As Ford’s Colony resident Sue Wagner, president of the Chapter BQ of P.E.O. noted, a substantial number of the chapter’s members are Ford’s Colony residents. “Participating in P.E.O. is a wonderful way to make new friends, inside and outside our gates, while making a positive difference in women’s lives,” says Wagner. “We are delighted to recognize Hallie Rubenstein’s achievements and support her educational pursuits with this scholarship.”
The theme for this year at D.J. Montague Elementary is “Choose Kind.” This was demonstrated before the school year even started thanks to the annual donations from Ford’s Colony residents of much-needed school supplies. Every August for more than 10 years, residents have graciously provided donations of backpacks, paper, crayons and more.

Our team of volunteers barely got the supplies inside the front door of the school before the teachers heard of their arrival. They were so excited to be able to stock their classrooms with supplies for students whose families are unable to provide for them. One family who came in mentioned they were facing unexpected medical expenses. We were able to give them two backpacks filled with needed supplies.

Principal Cathy Vazquez had the idea to have school supplies and other donations from local churches available to families on the night of the school’s Open House. The items were displayed at the entrance to the building along with signs posted that read, “Take what you need, need what you take.”

We had tremendously positive feedback from families who were so grateful for the help. Other donors supplied shoes, hats and gloves, so we were really able to help a lot of students get prepared for the school year. The involvement of Ford’s Colony in our schools is very much appreciated, and the kids know that our community supports them.
Fall greetings from the Library Ladies! School is starting for the kids, and many clubs are gearing up for fall activities. The changing of seasons is always exciting.

Things are gearing up in the S&T Library, too. Thank you to all the active Book Clubs in the Colony for their contributions of current books. We really appreciate receiving them, and our patrons are thrilled when they find their current book club selection on the shelves.

Although we don’t have space for older books and collections, we currently have over 2,200 books from which to choose. Fiction books are more popular with our readers, so most of the shelves are dedicated to novels, but we also have two cases containing non-fiction biographies, memoirs, American and world history, travel, entertainment, contemporary politics and home and garden books.

NOTE: The Library Ladies use canvas bags to carry books we don’t shelf to local libraries for their fundraising activities. If you borrow these bags to bring a stack of books home with you, that’s great. However, please return them so we can continue carrying books safely to the local libraries.

Please keep donations of current books coming and thank you for your support. Happy reading!
Good Times at the Belvedere celebrated its sixth year with a perfect combination of music, food and neighbors coming together on the evening of September 8. This year introduced a new festivity, a motorcade and exhibit sponsored by the Colony Auto Enthusiasts Club (CAE). Approximately 20 vintage cars, ranging from 1927 to 2019, and their owners participated in this event. The motorcade circled the Belvedere, and then the cars were on display in the Ford’s Colony Country Club parking lot. Another new addition was a 50/50 raffle, which raised $595 to benefit Olde Town Medical Center.

The main attraction was the music provided by The Ford’s Colony Dance Band (FCDB), which provided two hours of delightful music accompanied by great weather.

Many thanks to Larry Stowe who coordinated this event sponsored by the Ford’s Colony Country Club, Marriott’s Manor Club and Ford’s Colony HOA. Thanks to FCDB and CAE clubs making this annual event a success.

Photo by Mike Jaskowiak

Photo by Frank Ruth

Photo by Sherry Doyle

SAVE THE DATE

Colony-wide 5K Run and Walk | November 3 | 8 a.m. | Westbury Park

The Ford’s Colony Running Club is hosting its inaugural colony-wide 5K Run and Walk on November 3. Runners and walkers of all ages and levels are welcome, with an emphasis on family participation. The start/finish line will be in the Westbury Park parking area. Pre-register by emailing Karen and Joe DiNuzzo at running.fchoa@gmail.com. Water and after-race snacks will be provided. The club is asking for a voluntary fee of $2 per family, which will be collected at the race site. The Running Club is hoping this event will become a yearly tradition in Ford’s Colony.

Photo by Lenora Oldham
Six new pickleball courts were opened on August 24 at the S&T Club during a special dedication ceremony. Approximately 60 guests attended, including many of the Pickleball Club members and officers, HOA Board members and Ford’s Colony employees.

In his dedication address, Pickleball Club Co-President Chuck Deschaine outlined the history of the courts and the tremendous teamwork required to make this new HOA asset a reality. From chalked lines on tennis courts four years ago to these professionally designed courts, this project showcases all the good that is possible when groups “put their heads together and work cooperatively.”

Chuck noted that pickleball has grown tremendously in the area and nationwide. It was featured on the “Today Show” at Rockefeller Center. The new courts at the S&T were highlighted on the home page of the Williamsburg Pickleball website, Pickleburg.com. He also indicated that several new residents indicated the courts factored in their decision to purchase a home in Ford’s Colony.

Chuck also mentioned the support and enthusiasm of the club members. Advanced players help new players. New players go to tournaments to cheer on advance players. Players of different age groups play together. The philosophy of “People over Points” is a key reason for the enthusiasm and welcoming nature of this group.

If you are interested in making friends, getting a workout, laughing a lot and always leaving happier than when you arrived, check out the new courts. If you want to join them, stop by. The club has quiet paddles available for you to borrow.

Pickleball ribbon cutters (from left) Beverly Thomas, Ted Hanson, Chris Alsop, Mark Hunt and Chuck Deschaine

Photos by Mike Jaskowiak
CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

UPCOMING MARSH HAWK PERFORMANCES

BY JOE DINUZZO

Ford Colony’s rock band, Marsh Hawk, will be performing at the Billsburg Brewery on October 4 and at “A Night At Gatsby’s” at the Ford’s Colony Country Club on November 13. These outside-the-gate events are the band’s follow-up to a successful gig at Kiskiak Golf Course in June. The group intends to stay grounded as the “house rock band” for Ford’s Colony, but welcomes opportunities to play before new and expanded audiences. To complete its schedule for the year, Marsh Hawk will be hosting another Pre-New Year’s Show on December 29 at the S&T Club.

The band is happy to introduce its newest member, John Shifflett. John, a seasoned bass player and singer, and his wife, Nancy, moved into Ford’s Colony last May. Marsh Hawk’s former bass player, Von Jose Roberts, plans to stay busy by playing in the Tom Euler Band (which recently released a CD) and other groups locally and abroad.

The band invites all its Ford’s Colony friends and fans to support them at the Billsburg Brewery and at the Ford’s Colony Country Club charity event. Reservations will open in mid-November for the Pre-New Year’s show.

Marsh Hawk is made up of Chris Odle (vocals), Drew DeBlass (drums), Dan Blue (trumpet), Eric Chason (sax), Mike Botts (baritone sax), Kerke Johnson (keyboards), Elijah Mas (guitar), Bob Lambert (harmonica), John Shifflett (bass guitar) and Joe DiNuzzo (guitars).
On the final day of this summer’s Snazzy Youth Tennis Camp, players gathered for kids’ tennis and a pizza party, complete with lemonade as well as parent-provided watermelon, cookies and grapes. Our tennis pro, Ruth Condro is shown here with the kids. A fall program is planned for Fridays after school. For more information, contact Bob Warren at raw13@cox.net.
COLONY AUTO ENTHUSIASTS SUPPORT RIDES

Colony Auto Enthusiasts Vice President Kirby Lindtveit (right) recently presented a check to Gerald Patesel in support of the Peninsula Agency on Aging RIDES program. This year’s $1,500 contribution represents the proceeds from the club-sponsored 11th Annual Williamsburg Invitational Car Show at Merchants Square.

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GENTLEMEN
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Pete Parsons

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LOW GROSS SCORE
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Howard Bloom, Debbie Bond, Bridget Alexander, Christine Noonan – 35

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Ed & JoAnn Youhas, Larry Zensinger, Ida McNamara – 36

STABLEFORD HIGH SCORE
Gary Brynes, Ken Joss, Mark Winters, Joan Farnum

“GOLF IS HARD” AWARD
Ted Cors, Don Seyka, Vince Sarro
Ford’s Colony Country Club

Monday, November 11, 2019

“On this Veterans Day, let us remember the service of our veterans, and let us renew our national promise to fulfill our sacred obligations to our veterans and their families who have sacrificed so much so that we can live free.”

Dan Lipinski, Representative D-IL 3rd District

Inviting all veterans and their family members who are residents of Ford’s Colony to join us.

Breakfast (Omelets & Carving Station) 10:00 a.m. in the Garden Pavilion

Veterans Day Program / Featured Speakers

Missing Comrade Table / Songs of Services

Optional golf for 9 or 18 holes

Breakfast Only - $28 / Breakfast and 9 Holes - $38 / Breakfast and 18 Holes - $48

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The Artists League meets every Tuesday at the S&T Club from 12 to 3 p.m., except in July and August. We bring our current project to work on while we relax and paint with other artists. We have artists who use oils, acrylics, watercolor, pencil and pastel. Members range from beginners to others who have been painting for quite a while. We enjoy and are often inspired by each other’s work. Although some of us take lessons at various places, and others enjoy experimenting on their own, we are always ready to help each other if asked. If you are interested in the arts and would like to join us, we are always open to new members. Contact Elaine Napoda at 757-903-2785 or napolarbear@aol.com or just stop by any Tuesday afternoon.

The arrival of fall signals the beginning of an exciting new year of Women’s Bible Study. Weekly meetings are held on Tuesday mornings, 9:30 to 11 a.m. at the S&T Club. All Ford’s Colony women are invited to join us anytime they can.

Our theme this season is “Timeless Truths for Life”, with the following studies: Loving Commands of the Creator – a study of the Ten Commandments; Winter: Beautiful Attitudes of Jesus Christ – a study of the Beatitudes; and Spring: Personalities of the Passion – a study of key characters in the passion story of Jesus.

We offer a warm and welcoming atmosphere and a study with no homework and stand-alone lessons, allowing you the freedom to travel when necessary and still enjoy the continuity of the study. Each lesson connects the timeless truths from the Bible with real life as we live it day-by-day. A team of teachers rotate to present the Bible lesson each week, followed by Table Talk discussion around tables to help us process the teaching and apply it to our lives. We even record the lessons!

Please mark Tuesday mornings on your calendar and plan now to come and meet some wonderful women from our neighborhood, doing life together with the Bible as our textbook. If you have questions, please call Stephi at 757-291-4888 or email stephib1@cox.net.
As usual, we hope to see you at our breast cancer support group meetings. All breast cancer survivors, as well as newly diagnosed breast cancer patients, are invited to participate. Other cancer survivors are also welcome. For details, contact Lois Nervitt at 757-258-9669 or lsnervitt@cox.net.

Our Fall Tournament is scheduled for October 12. Email our Activities Director, Jas Stubert at jas.stubert@gmail.com if you’d like to sign up or have any questions. It’s the last chance to win a prize on our temporary grass court.

As usual, we hope to see you at our monthly play time on October 5 starting at 9 a.m. Email us at fcbbc1@gmail.com if you’d like to borrow our club equipment.

This breast-cancer support group meets on the third Thursday of each month at 2 p.m. in members’ homes. Those with newly diagnosed breast cancer, as well as all breast cancer survivors, are invited to participate. Other cancer survivors are also welcome. For details, contact Lois Nervitt at 757-258-9669 or lsnervitt@cox.net.

The Mixed Bowling League is looking for new members to join the Monday or Tuesday Bowling League. Bowlers of all abilities are welcome as we currently have members with averages below 100 and over 200 on the league. The league is holding an organizational meeting on October 22 at 1 p.m. at the S&T Club.

Free bowling is available after the meeting at the AMF Williamsburg Bowling Center on Olde Towne Road. League Bowling begins on October 28 and concludes with a banquet on March 31. There is no bowling the week of Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year. Come join us. It’s a fun league. For more information, contact Jeff Marston at fcmondaybowling@gmail.com for Monday or Jodi Shrievs at fcTuesdaybowling@gmail.com for Tuesday.

The Duplicate Bridge Club meets each Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. at the S&T Club. These are sanctioned duplicate games, and master points are awarded. It is not necessary to be a member of the ACBL to play, but you must come with a partner or contact the director. If you need a partner contact Cathy Hildebrand at 757-345-3793 or childebrand1@me.com. All levels of players are welcome. Table fees are $7 per person, but may be higher for special games. Contact Bonnie Hoopengardner at 757-903-4246, fcduplicate@gmail.com for further information.

Information on other duplicate games in Ford’s Colony may be obtained at bridgewebs.com/colonial.

The Intermediate Bridge Club was organized to create a fun and competitive game for better bridge players who want to continue improving bidding and playing skills. This is not a duplicate or beginners’ game. We play 24 hands per afternoon session and use Chicago scoring. Players must understand bidding that includes weak 2s, transfers and Stayman.

We play Wednesday and Thursday at 1:30 p.m. for about two and a half hours at the S&T Club. The cost is $1 per session. We play full tables with players being accommodated on a first-come, first-served basis. If you would like to join our group or for answers to any other questions, contact Jay Applegate at jappleg981@gmail.com, or John Greene at jgreene551@gmail.com. You can also call us at 757-741-8430.

This group meets on the third Monday of the month from 7 to 9:30 p.m. at the S&T Club. Join us if you have recently learned to play bridge, or if your game is “rusty” and you’re learning the new
This is not a class, and all levels of players are welcome with a different partner for each round of bridge. Join us Mondays at the S&T Club at 6:45 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month. You do not need a partner.

We play five rounds, four hands each, for a total of 20 hands of casual “Chicago-scoring.” We start off our season with a fee of $20, of which $15 goes toward the end-of-year prizes and $5 goes toward the expenses for the year. Monthly scores will count toward cash awards provided annually. We do not meet in the summer. Our next game will be October 10 at 6:45 p.m.

Contact Ida McNamara at idalmac@cox.net or 757-645-3763 if you are interested in joining the group or have any questions. You can join the group any time of the year. We do have make-up games for any games missed. Carolyn Irvine is in charge of make-up games.

Round Robin Bridge Group welcomes any bridge player who would like to join us at the S&T Club at 6:45 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month. You do not need a partner.

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The Canasta/Hand, Knee & Foot interest group meets every Friday from 12:30 to 4 p.m. at the S&T Club. Each week, several tables of players gather for both the card game and the socialization.

Residents who play Hand, Knee & Foot, Hand & Foot, Triple Play or any form of Canasta are welcome to join us. Copies of the rules that the group uses are available every time we play. Participants may play as often as they wish. This is a great opportunity to play cards, see and interact with friends and neighbors and not be committed to attend every week. A roster is maintained of all participants who will receive a weekly email asking if they plan to play that week. We calculate the number of tables to request and the quantity of supplies to bring by
your email responses. To add your name to the list or to request additional information, contact us at feckandf@gmail.com or June Rhodes at 757-345 6308 or Laurie Rowe at 757-258-5323.

Caring Neighbors exists for the purpose of helping our neighbors who, due to illness or incapacitation, may be in need of a meal, minor repairs, transportation services or medical items such as crutches or wheelchairs. We also loan items for grandchildren’s visits and send cards when there is a death or illness of a loved one. We exist to show someone cares.

Anyone needing services can contact us via phone, email or directly from fchoa.org. In the dropdown menu, choose Caring Neighbors and submit information on a neighbor who needs assistance.

If you would like more information, refer to the Caring Neighbors contact list that appears under the Activities Committee representatives listed on the previous page. We welcome new members. It’s rewarding to give back to our community.

Following a major disaster such as a hurricane, first responders who provide fire, rescue and medical services will not be able to meet the demand for these services. People may have to rely on each other for help to meet their immediate life-saving and life-sustaining needs.

The James City County Ford’s Colony Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) organization has been in place since 2004, working to help the community prepare for, respond to, and cope with the aftermath of disasters such as hurricanes, ice storms, floods, nor’easters and more. James City County provides free training for CERT volunteers to prepare residents to help themselves, their families and their neighborhoods in the event of such an emergency.

Don’t become a victim, become empowered. The team meets at 3 p.m. on the first Wednesday of January, April, July and October at the S&T Club. In a disaster situation, everyone can do something to help themselves and others. For more information, contact Don Alms at draims@cox.net or at 757-645-7925.

The Chess Club meets on the first and third Monday of each month from 2:30 to 5 p.m. at the S&T Club. Contact Greg White at ecozuluwhite@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Our club’s next activity will be an overnight road trip and visit to the Simeone Foundation Automotive Museum in Philadelphia. The Simeone was recently voted the number one car collection in the world by the Classic Car Trust, an international organization based in Europe.

Our September 4 meeting featured a presentation on the new, mid-engine 2020 Chevrolet Corvette given by Chad Bingman and Clint Payne of Holiday Chevrolet and Cadillac.

On September 8, twenty member-owned vehicles spanning the years 1927 to 2019 took part in the Good Times at the Belvedere motorcade.
Our November activity will be a viewing of the upcoming “Ford v Ferrari” theatrical movie. We will close out 2019 with a holiday party in early December. Planning has already begun for informative meetings and road trips in 2020.

New members are always welcome and for $15 annually a family can enjoy the variety of all our events. All regular meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the S&T Club. For more information on membership or any of our events, contact Milt Berube or Kirby Lindrveit at FCAutoEnthusiasts@gmail.com.

Colonel Wine and Cheese events are social gatherings, held in the homes of residents on designated Sunday evenings from 5 to 7 p.m., and open to all Ford’s Colony residents. No membership is required, and each is stand-alone. There are regular attendees, but we always welcome new faces. We ask that participants bring a “heavy” hors d’oeuvre for 8 to 10 people and $5 per person to cover the cost of beverages and paper products.

We are working on a possible November event. If you might be interested, please contact Bob Brennan at rbrennan6@cox.net or Bob Lund at bolund@cox.net, even if you have attended previously, to make sure your current email address is on the list to receive details for specific events.

When an upcoming event is established, we contact those interested by email. Generally, there are two contacts. The first is to confirm those interested in attending a specific evening. The second comes from the host with final details.

We look forward to you seeing you at a future Wine and Cheese gathering for an evening of wine, appetizers and friendly conversation.

We do not have an event scheduled for October.

Join us October 21 at 7 p.m. at the S&T Club for our inaugural Computer 101 series. Tom Lamb, will focus on the power and versatility of the Windows 10 Start Menu, which allows the user to navigate the Windows 10 Operating System. Questions are always welcome. We welcome new members. Our dues are $10/year per person. Be sure to visit our website www.fcct.club to learn more about our club and to access information from previous presentations.

The Craft Club meets year-round, every Thursday from 1 to 4 p.m. at the S&T Club. Meetings are informal and provide great opportunity for fellowship, working on personal or outreach projects, and learning new skills. All skill levels are welcome. We have many talented members who are willing to teach a variety of skills like basket weaving, beading, card making, counted cross stitch, crocheting, decorative painting, knitting, quilting, etc. There are no attendance requirements.

Members come as often as they like and their schedules allow. The month of January is dedicated to outreach programs, and club members commit to work on projects to donate to local and remote charitable organizations. Dues are $10 and collected annually by the club treasurer. If you have questions, contact Marianne Phillips at mphillips1226@gmail.com or call 757-645-2378.

Our 6th annual “Good Times at the Belvedere” concert/picnic was a big success! Many thanks to those who came out in uncomfortable weather to partake of the festivities. The Motorcade was spectacular. Watching these beautiful automobiles circle the Belvedere was very special. The concert was well received, the kids had fun activities on the golf course, people had their picnics, and best of all, the event raised $595 for Olde Towne Medical and Dental Center. Our next concert will be at the Williamsburg Regional Library on November 21. We’ll be paying tribute to the great Count Basie. If you’re interested in playing with us, or if you know of someone who is, please let us know. Also, if you’d like us to play at one of your club functions, a wedding reception, a community fundraiser, etc., we’re just a phone call or email away. Contact Larry Stowe at 757-564-8550 or FCDB@cox.net. Follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/fordscolonydanceband.
DANCE CLUB

Dance Club is inviting all Ford’s Colony residents to join us for a night of fun on October 8 at the S&T Club from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. with music provided by Taste of Love. They have delighted audiences on Carnival Cruise Lines, at the Yorktown Wine Festival, and many venues throughout Virginia and Florida. They cover popular hits that span the decades from the 1960’s up the present and are sure to keep you dancing all night. But even if you don’t dance, come to listen and enjoy their music. If you missed them at our last party be sure to come and see what the excitement is about! Cost: $5 for Club members, $10 for non-members. BYOB, light snacks provided. Contact danceclub@gracewalk.net for more information and to make reservations. Space is limited. Make reservations soon!

October 4: We are honored to welcome Frank Schatz whose presentation will be “Surviving Hitler; Fleeing Stalin.” He is the author of Reports from a Distant Place, a compilation of his selected columns about being a journalist in communist Hungary to surviving Stalin. His column “World Focus” appears in the Virginia Gazette.

November 1: Mark Schneider will present his “Napoleon Chat.”

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, December 14: Christmas Party at S&T Club. Custom Culinary Connections will cater our dinner and entertainment by The Sound Investment, featuring “Broadway Comes to You” and favorite holiday music. Cost is $30 per person.

If you wish to participate in any of our monthly meetings, please join us by completing a registration form available on FCFAN.ORG and drop it off at the John Pott Guardhouse along with your check. Annual dues are $10 per person. We welcome all residents and property owners on the first Friday of each month (September through June) at 6:45 p.m. at the S&T Club.

FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

Speaker Mr. Peter Armstrong, Senior Director of Museum Operations and Education, for Jamestown Yorktown Foundation.

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GENEALOGY CLUB

The Genealogy Club, comprised of beginners to the quite experienced members, meets at the S&T Club on the third Thursday of the month, and will next convene on October 17. The Ancestry User’s Group, with a participant led agenda, will meet at 10 a.m., and the general meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

Our October program, will feature club member Dean Risseeuw, a retired career Army officer, who has self-published his family genealogy using Family Tree Maker, which he significantly enhanced using Microsoft Word. In this very creative presentation, Dean will share the techniques, which he developed. If you have any thoughts on self-publishing your work, this is an absolute must-see program.

Genealogy Club resources on fchoa.org, under “Clubs and Activities,” are available to everyone, not just club members. It contains listings of reference books owned by club members available for you to borrow; power point presentations of prior lectures; Tidewater Genealogy Society bus trip schedules to Washington, DC (DAR Library, National Archives, Library of

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

The Emergency Preparedness Volunteers assist Ford’s Colony Security, Ford’s Colony CERT and Project Maintenance during storms, natural disasters and community events. For example, volunteers may direct traffic in flooded or ice-covered areas, or answer phones for non-members. Volunteers, who work outside, work in teams. As we restructure the group, past members and those interested in joining this group are asked to contact Paul Cieurzo at 757-229-7067 or pcieurzo@cox.net. Training is offered and information is shared throughout the year in community seminars and by email messages from the coordinator and team leaders.

October is a busy month for the Garden Club! The next general meeting is October 9 at 9 a.m. for social time. This meeting will feature Peggy Krapf, the owner of Heart’s Ease Landscaping, who will speak on “Containing Gardening- Not Your Mother’s Geraniums.” She will give insider tips to add appeal to your containers and outdoor spaces. Containers can add style, texture and color to your garden, deck, or landscape.

On October 23, the club will travel to Gloucester to the world-renowned Brent & Becky’s Bulbs for a tour of the lovely gardens and participate in a workshop creating a take home container filled with spring bulbs. Luncheon will follow at the Riverwalk in Yorktown.

FLY FISHING

If you are interested in fly fishing, contact Mike Harbin at 757-775-8183 or michaelcharbin@cox.net. Anglers can also see fish caught on recent club trips on our Facebook site at facebook.com/fordscolonyflyfishingclub. Beginners are welcome as we pair them with experienced club members for casting and learning the sport.

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Congress); and much more. Finally, like us on Facebook, which contains updates to meetings, Tommy’s pointers for researchers, and more contemporaneous information than that found on our website.

Golfaround provides residents of all ability levels the opportunity to play area courses at a reasonable cost. Each event is non-competitive unless you want to organize your own game. We try to accommodate groups, who would like to play together, but you are welcome to sign up as a single and we’ll place you in a group.

If you want to stay informed of plans and signup arrangements, contact John Tinker at jtinker48@aol.com to be added to the email distribution list.

Looking forward to seeing you on the golf course!

The Golf & Dine Society (GDS) outing on August 25 at Ford’s Colony Country Club was held in near perfect weather, on a sunny, but cool Sunday afternoon. A large number of golfers and then dining members enjoyed a wonderful meal in The Dining Room. See the scores and prizewinners on page 27.

The next GDS outing will be at The Club of Vinterra on October 13, followed by dinner and awards back in Williamsburg. All residents of Ford’s Colony and their close friends and relatives are welcome to join the group outings. GDS charges annual dues of $7 per family, which supports the prize pools and some small administrative costs, such as nametags. If you should like to inquire about further outing details or desire to receive the latest reservation form send an email to gds-golf13@cox.net, include your name(s), email, and telephone number.

In November, GDS will play at Williamsburg National. This will be the final event for the year and will feature some special awards. GDS is always looking for folks to help coordinate the outings. It’s not difficult and assistance is always available for every outing. Please send an email to the above address. GDS is all about good golf, good friendships and good food!

The Mah Jongg Mavens are an enthusiastic group of ladies who come together twice a week to indulge their love of playing Mah Jongg. We play at the S&T Club on Wednesday afternoons from 1 to 4 p.m. and again on Saturday from noon to 3:30 or 4 p.m.

We play American Mah Jongg for points and only play hands that appear on the official 2019 National Mah Jongg League card. On Wednesdays, the player with the highest point total earns the Mahj Queen crown for the week. Saturdays are just for fun. New players are always welcome.

For information and to register to play, contact Kim Krieger at kkrieger1954@gmail.com, or just drop by. Happy Mahjing!

The next meeting of the Ford’s Colony Model Railroad Club will be at 7 p.m. on October 3 at the Norge Depot on Croaker Road in Toano. Please note the different location. After the business portion of the meeting, Phil Brooks will talk about the Norge Depot and the HO that the club is building in the Depot.

Dan Gaske entertained the members with his experiences riding the rails in Italy. Dan’s photographs of trains and the Italian towns were outstanding. As a bonus, he shared photographs from his visit to the Lake Superior Railroad Museum in Duluth, Minnesota.

The club finalized the 2020 date for the next Open House Layout Tour. It will be
March 22, 2020. Currently the planned hours are from 1 to 4 p.m.

Barry Beckman placing a building on the Norge Layout.
Photo by Paul Cieurzo

We welcome anyone with an interest in model railroading to come to the meeting. With over 65 members, we have modelers of just about every scale. The club meets at 7 p.m. at the S&T Club on the first Thursday of every month, except July and August. For further information, visit our club webpage at FordsColonyNewcomers.com or contact Paul Cieurzo, President, 757-229-7067 or pcieurzo@cox.net.

NEWCOMERS

For those of you who have not yet joined us, Newcomers is a social club of about 450 members. Our purpose is to introduce new residents to each other and to Ford’s Colony, help them find people with similar interests, make new friends, and learn more about living in Ford’s Colony and the Williamsburg area.

At our next Newcomers “Night Out” on October 18, Mark Summers, Public Historian for Historic Jamestowne, will talk of the colonists, and to Ford’s Colony, help them find people with similar interests, make new friends, and learn more about living in Ford’s Colony and the Williamsburg area.

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The goal of the New Resident Welcome Committee is to welcome all new residents. Volunteers visit and provide a packet of information on what is available within Ford’s Colony as well as the greater Williamsburg area. Our sole purpose is to impart information about the many activities, clubs and non-profit organizations available in the community.

If you’re a new resident who has not been contacted yet, email Paula Wahler or Jackie Speigel at newreswelcome@gmail.com. We look forward to meeting you!

NEW RESIDENT WELCOME COMMITTEE

PICKLEBALL

Pickleball now has 6 courts! Our schedule has changed to be more inclusive and flexible for our players.

For October, Pickleball is offering the following schedule of play:

Open Play on 6 courts- Monday through Saturday starting at 8:30 a.m. and Monday through Sunday starting at 5 p.m. All levels are welcome! Note: during open play there will be one court designated ‘Easy Going’ for beginners or a softer game, and two courts designated ‘Challenge’ for more competitive play.

The courts are also open for non-club play if these hours do not meet your schedule. Please remember to use “quiet” paddles only whenever playing.

Whether you are a new player, or have some experience with the game, come join us. The group that plays is extremely friendly and has a lot of fun playing together. We play Round Robin style to keep it interesting. We welcome new members. Feel free to stop by and watch, or join us for a game. It’s great exercise, a good way to make new friends and enjoy some time out in the fresh air.

Please be sure to contact us to get on the pickleball distribution list. We have a Ford’s Colony Pickleball App that facilitates communication between players without using email. This app lets us know who is interested in playing the next day. We’ll provide complete instructions on how to use the App if you are interested.

Contact Beverly Thomas (lead) at 215-350-9762 or Chuck Deschaine (co-lead) at 757-707-9529 or Fordcolonypickleball2019@gmail.com.

PILATES CLUB

The Pilates Club meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8:15 a.m. at the CSB Exercise Studio. Contact Nelia Lamoureux at nowheide@aol.com or Dorothy Tibbetts at dmcdown5174@aol.com with any questions.

Do you enjoy playing cards? Do you like meeting new people? Whether you’re an old hand or just learning, we would love for you to join us. We play double deck pinochle every Thursday from 1 to 4:30 p.m. at the S&T Club. The rules have never changed but a set of rules is available.

If you would like to know more about the Pinochle Club or would like to try us out, contact Ralph Johnson at 757-345-0806 or rjohnson278@cox.net or Gene Topping at matopping@cox.net. Let us know in advance so we can reserve a seat at one of the tables.
The RC (Radio Control) Sailing Club is a group of sailboat enthusiasts sailing on the Chisel Run Creek Pond at Williamsburg West Drive. The Club meets at the pond every Wednesday and Saturday mornings at 10:30 a.m., weather permitting.

Our Club members sail the Dragon Force 65 (DF-65) and the Dragon Flite 95 (DF-95) boats. We are sanctioned by the American Model Yacht Association (AMYA), and belong to the DF-65 and the DF-95 Class Associations.

We welcome anyone with an interest in model RC sailing to come down to the pond and try sailing around our five-buoyed course. Club members are available to assist and answer questions.

For additional information, contact the Club representative listed under the Activities Committee Section in the Talk of the Colony magazine.

Our schedule for the rest of the year includes: Billsburg Brewery, October 4; Ford’s Colony Country Club Charity Event, November 13; and Pre-New Year’s Eve Show at the S&T Club, December 29. The Rock Band, stage name Marsh Hawk, brings together rock and blues musicians for pre-arranged jam sessions and performances. The group includes singers, guitarists, keyboard players, drummers, horn players and other musicians interested in classic rock and blues, as well as some soft rock and modern country music. All qualifying musicians are welcome to guest-play or sing. The band also has acoustic sessions and theme nights from time to time. Email your interest to Joe DiNuzzo at fcrandrjamgroup@gmail.com.

Please join us for a Colony-wide 5k/1-mile run/walk at 8 a.m. November 3 at Westbury Park. Runners and walkers of all ages and levels are welcome. Pre-register by emailing Karen and Joe DiNuzzo at running.fchoa@gmail.com. Race-day voluntary fee is $2 per family.

The club welcomes runners of all ages and levels, with an emphasis on family participation. We have one club-member run per month, Sunday morning at 8 a.m., except during July and August. Contact Karen and Joe DiNuzzo at running.fchoa@gmail.com for more information and to sign up.

Silver Sneakers® is designed to improve well being through fitness education involving strength training, balance and flexibility. Think fall prevention. The goal is to improve physical and mental health and minimize age-related physical degeneration, as well as enhance cardiovascular endurance, muscular strength, flexibility, agility, balance and coordination. Exercises are done seated on a chair or standing, while always keeping one foot on the floor.

Silver Sneakers® meets twice weekly on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the CSB Exercise Studio. Morning classes are from 11 a.m. to noon, while afternoon classes are from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

All classes are open to men and women. Weights, stretch bands and a ball are provided. Participants must wear sneakers and clothing appropriate for exercising. Bring a bottle of water to drink throughout the session. Some healthcare insurance providers will cover the $25 monthly cost.

Also available are Silver Sneakers® Line Dancing classes, which are taught standing (but participants may sit at any time). This weekly class is held from 11 to 11:45 a.m. at the same location on Mondays only. If you also take Line Dance, your total out-of-pocket cost will be $35 monthly.

To register, contact our fully qualified Silver Sneakers Flex instructor Sonya Thomas at 757-254-4917. She is also trained in First Aid, CPR and AED. For general information, contact Dorothy Fischer at 757-345-6663 or dnfischer830@gmail.com.

Our fall season is underway. Come join us, even for just a single game.

Ford’s Colony Softball is a co-ed, slow-pitch, recreational softball group. We play pick-up games Saturday mornings at the Westbury Park recreational area. Our “split” regular season goes from April through June, and again from September through November. New members and guest players are always welcome.

Contact Joe DiNuzzo at softball.fchoa@gmail.com for more information and to sign up.

The Solitaires started its new year last month with a breakfast at the S&T Club. Between bites of sweet rolls and coffee, we discussed plans for the upcoming year.

Our October activity will be an excursion to Gloucester October 10 to tour the historic Rosewell Plantation ruins. Consult rosewell.org for background information. Cost will be $20 each for the guided tour, which will take about 2 hours. Afterwards, we will motor to Gloucester Village for lunch at Olivia’s where we have reservations at 1 p.m. We will meet at the Westbury Park parking lot at 9 a.m. and leave by 9:15 a.m. Drivers are needed. Contact Joan Emerson at joan.emerson@yahoo.com or 757-229-4703, if you wish to be included on this trip and if you are willing to be a driver.
Our third Thursday dinner, October 17 at 5:30 p.m., finds us back at Murdoch’s. Contact Barbara Post at brimat@pacbell.net or 661-373-2986, by October 12 if you wish to be included.

November 6, we will enjoy ‘An Architectural Treasure Trove of Genuine Smithfield’ walking tour. Walking will be less than 1 mile over brick streets. The cost will be $2 for the museum and a donation for the church. Lunch will follow at Smithfield Inn. This activity is being planned by Chris Noonan. Contact Chris by October 30 at CDFNoona@cox.net or 757-897-5580 if interested. Further details will be communicated by separate email to the membership.

Solitaires is a singles social group which enjoys monthly activities and dinners. Anne Waas, treasurer, accepts dues and can be reached at paswa10@aol.com or 757-258-3393. For further information contact Joan Emerson, president at joan.emerson@yahoo.com or 757-229-4703.

TAI CHI

Join us Wednesdays from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. for the study and practice of Tai Chi and Qigong. Our club meets at the CSB Exercise Studio and welcomes beginners and those with experience. Join us to improve your balance, your golf game, or to meet your neighbors. We are currently studying the “24 Form.”

Wear comfortable clothing and flat supportive shoes. Cost is $50 per 10-week session. Or you may join anytime for a pro-rated fee.

Tai Chi has been practiced for centuries and modern medicine has acknowledged its benefits for improving balance, strengthening joints and muscles, improving flexibility, and reducing stress. It is a slow motion, low impact exercise that focuses the person’s attention to their movements and breathing. It is beneficial for people of all ages and physical abilities. The forms can be performed while seated if standing is an issue. More information can be found on our instructor’s website: williamsburgtaiji.com.

For information, contact our officers: Gwen Schatzman, President, at 757-564-9305, Susan Deane, Treasurer, at 757-849-2404 or Elmer May, Vice President at 757-259-9905.

TAKE CHARGE FITNESS

Looking to meet some new people with whom you can connect? Need a new exercise routine now that the warm weather is coming to an end? Or maybe you just need a new challenge or to jumpstart your fitness and health? Regardless of your motivation, Take Charge Fitness (TCF) has your solution.

Bi-weekly workouts composed of low impact aerobics; agility, balance, and coordination drills; and flexibility and strength training make exercise challenging yet fun. Angie, a certified group fitness and personal trainer, keeps classes innovative yet comfortable by incorporating numerous fitness tools, exercises and techniques. But that is not the best part. The group of participants is the real reason to attend. They are welcoming, fun, energetic and committed. Time will fly as you actually enjoy an invigorating workout surrounded by friends and neighbors. All body types, ages and genders are welcome, and safety cues and modifications are incorporated, keeping exercise safe, efficient and productive for all.

Join us Tuesday/Thursday from 8 to 9 a.m. in the CSB Exercise Studio. For your convenience, attend for $7.50/class or $40/8 sessions. Have questions or want more information on the group class or personal training, contact Angie Moore-Lobach at 757-869-4571 or lobach13@yahoo.com.
Fall has arrived and with it comes new playing times. Check with your group coordinators regarding the change in your group’s start time.

October 14 is the last day to turn in your used tennis balls for donation to the Golden Retriever Rescue organization (SEVA GRREAT). Used balls (preferably in the can) may be given to Nancy Marsh on Mondays & Fridays between 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. at Westbury Park.

New players are always welcome. Open groups for women and men play on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Some groups are skill-level based. Residents are encouraged to check the bulletin boards at S&T or Westbury Park for group court assignments. To join a group, contact the TC at FCTennisBoard@gmail.com.

What is the world’s largest Volksfest? No, not Cirque du Soleil, or Macy’s Thanksgiving Parade? Not even close. Dropping the ball on New Year’s Eve? Oh, come on, think suspenders, white blouses, dirndls and flat shoes. Why it’s Oktoberfest. Now is your chance to wear all things Bavarian! Oktoberfest is right around the corner, and the Theatre Club is bursting with excitement to usher you into a different world and find out just how much you know about it.

How many people go each year? When did it start? Can you wear jeans and jacket? What cities hold a fest? How many euros does it cost to enter the Oktoberfest? What are three favorite foods served during the fest? What is the favorite beverage? Here’s what else you need to know:

When you enter the Theatre Club’s Volksfest on October 11, you’ll pay $10 for this season’s membership (if not paid before) or $5 for a non-member single show ticket (your kinder under 12 will be free). You’ll be treated with fine German biers (compliments of the Theatre Club), German songs (you get to sing-along), German jokes (if we can find some) and German Dancing (Polkas & the Chicken Dance). Prizes will be awarded for: the best German costume (be adventurous, get out your lederhosen and suspenders); the best German Bier Stein; and the best ugly or unusual drinking mug.

The “fest” starts at 7:30 p.m. and you may reserve a table for 5 or more by emailing fctheatreclub@gmail.com and providing your name and number of friends. And, as you read through this notice, prepare your answers for our German Quiz.

Trailblazers will meet October 14 at 6 p.m. at the S&T Club. The meeting will begin an hour earlier than usual for the annual potluck supper. In addition to lots of delicious food, we will have a short annual meeting, a presentation by Robert Lund from the Colonial Soil and Water Conservation District, and video highlights from our adventures last year. Come and enjoy good food and good conversation with your fellow outdoor lovers. Attendees are asked to bring a dish to share: those with last names starting with letters A through E bring a hot main dish; letters F through O bring a side dish, salad or finger food; and P through Z bring desserts.

Come and “travel” the Trans-Siberian Railroad on October 22. The fare is only your dues of $10 per person, which also covers the entire Travel Club season of outstanding speakers and trip opportunities. On October 22, 7 p.m. at the S&T Club, Fred Kurasiewicz will discuss the history and building of the railroad. Fred and his wife Barbara
spent 10 days making this trip and will share impressions of what they saw along the way. This is considered by many to be the ultimate railroad journey.

At last month’s kickoff meeting, we outlined the destinations and itineraries for possible trips in the coming year. First up is an afternoon dinner theater performance of “Grease” at the Riverside Performing Arts Theater in Fredericksburg, Virginia on January 19, 2020. March 18, 2020 you can spend 11 days and 10 nights enjoying the natural history, biodiversity and friendly attitude of Costa Rica at a leisurely pace that allows you to learn the true meaning of “pura vida.” Members can sign up for trips for which they have serious interest. If you have not seen the trip presentation, or have yet to indicate your interests, come to the October meeting where more details will be discussed. It’s always more fun to travel with friends from Travel Club. Want to help out? Volunteer to coordinate a trip for your friends that have already had a lot of the planning work already done. Using travel agents and tour operators the job is pretty straightforward, and there are others to help you too.

Save the Date for the Travel Club Holiday Party that is scheduled for December 11 at the S&T Club.

An award-winning program recognized by the WJCC community for several years, this program focuses on making a difference in the lives of students attending the WJCC public schools. Ford’s Colony residents volunteer to tutor students with reading, math, science and other required subjects. As a volunteer tutor, you must offer a minimum of one hour per week to as many hours as you would like. No previous experience as an educator is required. WJCC teachers and subject specialists will provide an orientation to the school, training and on-going assistance. Each volunteer is partnered with a teacher who assigns a child or a group of children requiring additional attention to help them on their way to learning success. Volunteers for Education is a valued community partner, because of the enriched learning experience our residents provide for the students. For further information on becoming a Volunteer for Education, contact JoAnn Giesen at jug725@hotmail.com.

WHAT: Walk Walk Walk is an indoor power-walking club. We walk in place on a flat surface to DVDs paced to a 15-minute fat-burning mile up to 4 miles, in 1-mile segments. We recommend newcomers to build up slowly and walk at their own pace.

WHY: This program is designed for anyone interested in a group walking activity that is low impact, low risk for injury, aimed at the CDC heart-healthy goal of 150 minutes a week of moderate cardiovascular exercise. Besides improving health and weight control, walking also improves mood, boosts energy, promotes sleep, and is fun and social.

WHO: Any Ford’s Colony resident of any endurance level, who has paid membership dues of $18 per calendar year or $5 per quarter and checked with their doctor if they have concerns over exercising, may participate.

WHERE: CSB Exercise Studio
WHEN: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 4 to 5 p.m. Wednesdays 3 to 4 p.m.
HOW: Members have unlimited annual access, one to five days a week, and may stay for all or part of any session. Simply come any day with cash or a check made out to Walk Walk Walk. You will sign a liability waiver each session. Wear a good pair of walking shoes and comfortable clothing. We start promptly. Join us, we are right around the corner!

WINGS: BIRDERS

WINGS resumed monthly meetings in September. Local expert, Nancy Barnhart from the Williamsburg Bird Club, presented characteristics of and ways to identify finches that we can expect to see in Ford’s Colony. Also, President Patti Ralabate outlined a proposed Charter and Bylaws for WINGS, necessary for the interest group to become a full-fledged club.

WINGS holds bird walks every Tuesday. The group meets at the Westbury pool parking lot. All are welcome!

Walk schedule during the month of October:
October 1: 8 a.m.
October 8: 1 p.m.
October 15: 8 a.m.
October 22: 8 a.m.
October 29: 8 a.m.

Nancy Barnhart discusses finches at the WINGS meeting on September 9.

Photo by Mike Jaskowiak
Year to date, birders have identified 83 species during the weekly walks. If you have any questions, contact George Martin at grm0803@gmail.com.

The next WINGS meeting will be October 7 at the S&T Club, starting with socializing at 6:30 p.m. and a presentation starting at 7 p.m. Bob Schamerhorn, well known for his excellent bird photography will discuss Attracting Birds with Water.

The Woodworkers’ Club began their 2019-2020 year with an annual “Meet and Greet” meeting at the S&T Club. The Club’s activities in support of the 400th Anniversary of the first legislative assembly were reviewed. New ideas for meeting subjects were elicited.

Ed Hayes set up a “You Tube” video that described the use of a free program that allows the user to describe a project as input. The output is a list of materials needed to accomplish that project.

Anyone wishing to join the Ford’s Colony Woodworkers’ Club should email Ralph Spohn at ralph@alum.mit.edu.

Even with the a/c unit out in the Exercise Studio, the FCHOA Zumba Club didn’t stop.

Photo by Gwen Schatzman

Ditch the workout and join the party! Come learn the steps and rhythms that make up a Zumba class in a friendly, supportive group. A variety of music is used. Regular classes meet for one hour, three times per week: Mondays at 9:30 a.m., Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m., and Fridays at 10:30 a.m. Classes are held in the CSB Exercise Studio and are subject to change based on holidays and inclement weather. Comfortable clothing and dance-able sneakers are needed, along with a filled water bottle to maintain hydration. Regular weekly communication via email keeps everyone informed. For more information, contact Dawn Ridgway, Zumba Instructor, carsridgway@msn.com or 570-204-3180.

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