



Truro Trails

May 1, 2013



**Opening Day
Polar Bear Swim
11am – 12 noon
Hot Chocolate and Rice
Krispies Treats for those
who dare enter the frigid
waters...**



**Truro Pool Opens
Saturday, May 25th, 11am**

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May Events / Meetings

All are welcome!!

THA Board:	Wed, May 8, 6:30pm
#ACC:	MON, May 13, 8:00pm
THA Gen. Mtg:	Tues, May 14, 7:30pm
Polar Bear Swim!	Sat, May 25, 11am
POOL OPENS	SAT, MAY 25, 11am
Social Mtg:	TBD

*Meetings are held at the Clubhouse unless noted.
Held on Monday for this month only.*

Truro Web Site

www.trurohomes.org

username: truro

password: community

Facebook

facebook.com/TruroCommunity

Truro Pool Opens Saturday, May 25th 11am

By Mary Muratore, Pool Committee

It's time to pull out those swim goggles and swimsuits! The pool opens on Saturday, May 25th at 11 am. NV Pools will be returning as our pool management contractor this year. Also returning is Kara Halpin as our Pool Manager, Troy Chewing as Assistant Pool Manager and Nolan Meeks will be our Head Lifeguard this season.

The 2013 Pool Committee members are:

Marion Yanick: Board Member	703.503.1315
Steve Treger:	703.503.1152
Mary Muratore:	703.425.3653

Please feel free to contact any of us with questions or concerns via email at Pool@trurohomes.org or via phone. Although this committee exists to help manage the pool and its upkeep, please remember that the pool belongs to ALL of the pool members. As a member, please inform the committee and guard staff of needed repairs, persons mistreating property or suggestions. Remember, "It Takes A Village"! Thank you and see you at the pool.

Pool Hours

May 25th – June 17th:

Mon – Fri 1pm – 9pm
Sat/Sun 11am - 9pm

After June 17th: Daily 11am-9pm





THA Board of Directors Meeting, March 13, 2013

By Sue Chandler, THA Secretary

Call to order at 6:30pm. Members present: Hamp Oberle, Sue Chandler, Lynn Daft, Dave Watts. Also present: Chuck Roper (Treasurer), Dave Curtis (Parkland), Patty Vinall (Membership).

1. Open forum for comments and questions from THA and TCC members: no members present.
2. The board approved the minutes of the March board meeting as published in the April *Truro Trails*.
3. Treasurer's Report: As of 4/9/13, total assets equaled \$333,984.
4. Committees Reports:
Parkland: Dave Curtis reminded board of upcoming parkland work day on April 20, focusing on litter and storm damage. We are contracting with JL Tree Service to have two workers at \$90 hour using chain saws to break up large trees.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Pool/Clubhouse: Dominion Power will be here from April 11-14 to install new transformer boxes.
2. A new drainage system was installed in the club house to fix the leakage problem and a light was also replaced at a total cost of \$9,085.
3. The repair of the pool deck and the installation of the shade structure have been completed.
4. Marion Yanick is putting together a team to work on the ADA compliance issue at baby pool.
5. County pool inspection is in May.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Discussion still on-going with the county regarding the acquisition of the storm water management easement.
2. The final directory will be out and delivered to THA members in May. TCC members will pick theirs up at the club house. The board approved a limited amount of outside advertising in the *Trails*.
3. Patty Vinall (Membership) presented the new monthly board report on THA/TCC Memberships which we are able to get thanks to our new software

and database. 360 of the 377 THA members have paid their dues.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Clubhouse rental: The board agreed that the club house will not be available for rental on Fridays during swim/dive season, Memorial Day weekend, July 4th or Labor Day weekend.
2. Insurance/ clubhouse rental: THA insurance does not cover people who rent the clubhouse for private events, whether or not alcohol is served. The renters need to have their own coverage. Many insurance policies have provisions for this. This information is in the rental documents, and an acknowledgement that the THA is not liable must be signed in order to rent the clubhouse.
3. Insurance for THA/TCC sponsored events: Our insurance covers these events, provided alcohol is not provided as part of the entrance fee. If such is the case, extra insurance would need to be purchased.
4. Parking on side streets by NVCC students wanting to save money on parking continues to be an issue. The board supports all efforts to restrict the use of Truro for parking.
5. The board approved the expenditure of \$400 for the annual maintenance contract with A-1 Heating and Air Conditioning service for the big air conditioning units.
6. The board agreed that when a TCC membership is forfeited for nonpayment, the member will be notified via letter, return receipt requested.
7. The board approved Chuck Roper's contract as treasurer for three more years until 1/1/16.
8. Terms will be expiring for two board members (Daft and Watts) in November. Chuck Roper and Hamp Oberle are on the nominating committee and will be making nominations for the board.
9. **May board meeting: Wednesday, May 8 at 6:30pm.** All are welcome.
10. **General membership meeting: Tuesday, May 14 at 7:30pm.** All members are encouraged to attend or drop off their proxy votes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.



Alcohol at the Clubhouse

By Lynn Daft, THA Board Member

In the eyes of the Commonwealth of Virginia as well as THA's insurers, there is an important distinction between selling alcohol (e.g. as part of an admission charge to a THA-sponsored event) and providing alcohol at no charge. Not only does the sale of alcoholic drinks require an ABC license, as we have known and honored for many years, but as we have recently learned, it also requires expensive, event-specific insurance. The same requirements apply whether it is a THA-sponsored event or a private event hosted by a THA member, except in the latter case insurance is the responsibility of the member renting the facility. The cost of this insurance for a single event is approximately \$650. This is in addition to the \$55 for the ABC license. Neither requirement applies if alcoholic drinks are offered at no cost or if participants provide their own drinks.

Given the relatively steep cost of this insurance, attendees at future THA-sponsored events are likely to be invited to bring their own alcoholic beverages in lieu of raising the price of admission to cover the increased cost. Association members planning to serve alcohol at a private event should check their homeowner's policy for coverage. While the member's existing coverage could be adequate for an event where alcohol is provided at no charge, if alcohol is to be sold, supplemental insurance will probably be required.



Memorial Day, Monday, May 27



Committees



Architectural
Control
Committee

By Mary Johnson, ACC Chairman

A WORD TO THE WISE A recent long-time resident was ignorant of the fact that when you sell your home, we are *required* to furnish a statement that your home *is* or *is not* in conformance with the ACC Guidelines. Are you in conformance? This is not a last minute issue you wish to resolve before selling.

What do you care most about in Truro? The well-maintained community facilities? The numerous activities? your friendly neighbors? The trees? The parklands? The architectural unity? The monthly newsletter? The fiscal stability? The reserve fund? The web-site? These all come to you because hard-working **VOLUNTEERS ARE** this community! Thank a volunteer today. Let us know what **YOU** care about most!

At our April meeting Brad Oswalt, Eric Souder, Maggie Stehman, and Mary Johnson approved new colors for a home on Elizabeth Lane, replacement windows on Elizabeth Lane, and a new fence on Footstep Court. The Committee approved a concept of converting a carport to garage and has an on-going discussion concerning another home.

Trees were cut down at homes on Burbank Road, Pappas Way, and two homes on Elizabeth Lane. ACCTreeApproval@trurohomes.org is your key for quick approval on trees.

We ask that requests for *External changes to a Residence* be made on the official form which may be found in your copy of the "Guidelines" or downloaded from our website, www.trurohomes.org in the "Official Documents" section.

Next meeting will be Monday, May 14th at 8:00pm in the Clubhouse (changed from the usual Tuesday meeting time due to the THA General Membership Meeting). No need to mail your requests, just place them in the mail slot of the Clubhouse by Friday, May 10th, so that we may determine that they are complete. You want your project to get moving and so do we.



Turkey Run Stream Restoration Update

By Dave Watts/Dave Curtis

We are having ongoing discussions with County on the storm water easement legal requirements for the Turkey Run stream restoration project. As you may recall, the project was overwhelmingly supported by the Truro community by a vote of 150 to two. In recent days, a THA representative has met with the County Attorney's Office to discuss the appropriate steps for the County's acquisition of the easement. We are proceeding cautiously to ensure all the necessary steps are taken.

We have also asked the County to continue the planning process while the various legal issues are resolved. It is our goal to have the project commence this winter.

THA will continue to work closely with the County to see that the project will proceed, as planned, and that the principal interests of Truro are appropriately accommodated. We will continue to keep the Truro community informed of progress as it unfolds. In this regard, it may be several weeks or months before we have any new information to provide the community.



Lawn Thoughts...

By Dave Curtis, Parkland Committee

Jim McGlone is an urban forester with the Virginia Department of Forestry who has worked with us in our parkland. He recently wrote two articles on lawns which have been posted in the Parkland Section of the Message Board on the Truro website. His second article, in particular, provides some technical discussion of how to have a healthy lawn and gives some specific eco-friendly recommendations on lawn care.



Successful Parkland Cleanup Day

By Maggie Stehman, Parkland Committee

On a recent sunny, but cool, Saturday morning, almost 30 Truro neighbors gathered litter from the path and streambed, stripped English Ivy from parkland trees and cleaned up storm debris. An old scooter, tennis balls, water bottles, a stuffed bear, a boogie board, a baseball cap, old car parts and plastic bags were among the items collected in many, many trash bags by volunteers. Additional bags were filled with ivy tendrils in an effort to mitigate the damage to trees and underbrush this invasive species causes. Using hand saws and clippers, others worked to reduce and scatter brush piles. Also, one of the companies that does tree work for Truro provided (at little cost) a two person professional crew who, working with a Truro volunteer, used chain saws to cut-up and flatten and scatter limbs of storm damaged trees to promote decay of dead wood. This work was done in accordance with the Parkland Resource Policy to leave trees in place to allow them to decay naturally. (The Parkland Resource Policy may be found in the Documents Section of the Truro website: www.trurohomes.org.)

Everyone worked hard, had a good time and contributed to improvements to our Parkland. Thank You, Thank You to everyone who participated and made the day a huge success.



Celeste Lucado at Parkland Clean-Up Day

Social Committee: Join the Fun!

By Anne McKenzie, Social Committee
social@trurohomes.org

We sincerely thank social committee member Margaret Jacobs for organizing and leading the Spring Egg Hunt. We were thrilled with the turnout for the event which has grown exponentially in the past few years. Also, thanks to the bakers and to those who assisted with other details to make the event a success.



We were delighted to host award-winning author and illustrator Janet Stoeke for her talk, "Creativity and the Arts." All in attendance were in admiration of Janet's artistic ability, and we certainly appreciated her personal and heartfelt remarks. We will resume our *Truro Talks* speaker series in the fall so please stay tuned.

MAY: Over Memorial Day weekend on the pool's opening day, **Saturday, May 25 from 11:00am to 12:00 noon**, we will host our annual **Polar Bear Swim**. We will award a complimentary hot chocolate and rice krispies treat to anyone who ventures into the frigid waters of the Truro pool. A reminder insert is included on the last page of this edition of the Truro Trails.

JUNE: On **Tuesday, June 18 from 4:30 to 5:30 pm**, we will be celebrating the end-of-school with complimentary icy treats and a fun raffle. Date is subject to change if the school year is extended. Again, please refer to reminder insert on the last page of this issue.

JULY: Please *save-the-date* -- this year's **Adult Summer Party** will be held on **Saturday, July 20, 2013!**

Next social committee meeting: Contact Anne for details on our May meeting.



Swim/Dive/Tennis Summer Registration

Did you miss swim/dive/tennis registration? It is never too late to sign up. Contact the reps below for more information or to register.

Swim: Mindy/Tim Cunningham
swim@trurohomes.org

Dive: Erin Monette/Tamara Johnston
dive@trurohomes.org

Tennis: Shelley Gebler
sagebler@gmail.com
www.rjtennis.com
(Click on 2013 Truro Summer)



Junior Spring Tennis at Truro with RJ Tennis

Register today at www.rjtennis.com

Monday Afternoons – May 14 through June 17* - 5 week program (*No Tennis on Memorial Day, May 28)

3:00 to 3:45 PM – 8 & under – Cost: \$57
3:45 to 4:45 PM – 9 to 11 year olds – Cost: \$75
4:45 to 6:00 PM – 12 & older – Cost \$94

Wednesday Afternoons – May 15 through June 12 – 5 week program

4:00 to 5:15 PM – 12 & older – Cost: \$94
5:15 to 6:15 PM – 9 to 11 year olds – Cost: \$75
6:15 to 7:00 PM – 8 & under – Cost: \$57

Friday Afternoons – May 17 through June 14 – 5 week program

4:00 to 5:15 PM – 12 & older – Cost: \$94
5:15 to 6:15 PM – 9 to 11 year olds – Cost: \$75
6:15 to 7:00 PM – 8 & under – Cost: \$57

For summer junior program information, go to www.rjtennis.com, or contact Shelley Gebler at sagebler@gmail.com.

This-N-That

W.T. Woodson Precisionettes Book Fair, Friday, May 10th

Please come and support the W. T. Woodson Precisionettes at a book fair on Friday, May 10, 6-10pm at Barnes & Noble, 12193 Fair Lakes Promenade Drive, Fairfax. The Precisionettes will receive a percentage of sales all day on May 10th if you present a book fair voucher or mention the Precisionettes at the register when purchasing your items. Kids can enjoy face painting, bookmark making, and story time. Online purchases at www.bn.com/bookfair also count if you use Bookfair ID 11058757. A book is a great gift for Mother's Day!



Fairfax County Government Information Security Notice: "Phishing Alert"

By Fairfax County Information Security Office

Criminals and hackers are exploiting the April 15 explosions at the Boston Marathon in attempts to collect money intended for charities and to spread malicious code. Fake websites and social networking accounts have been set up to take advantage of those interested in learning more details about the explosions or looking to contribute to fundraising efforts. Please exercise caution when interacting with social media accounts that claim to represent the best interests of those involved in the incident, and directly visit established news sources rather than conducting general search engine queries, as it can be difficult to tell which search results may lead to scam sites.

Phishing email campaigns are also circulating using subject lines related to the Boston Marathon explosions. When dealing with spam, the best practice for unsolicited or questionable emails is not to respond, forward, or click any links. Delete these messages from your Inbox and Deleted Items.

If you have further questions, please contact your agency technical support staff or the IT Service Desk at 703-324-HELP, option 1, TTY 711.



Truro Remembers... *George W. Gerner*

GEORGE W. GERNER (Age 79) Of Annandale, VA (longtime Truro resident on Wakefield Drive, and dedicated community member) passed away peacefully March 15, 2013 at The Virginian, Fairfax, VA. George was a resident there for two years. George was born in Eau Claire, WI, and was



a graduate of The University of Wisconsin at Madison. He served in the United States Navy as LTJG for three years. He then began a career serving our national security with the Central Intelligence Agency. He was also the recipient of Career Intelligence Medal, retiring after

35 years. He traveled extensively, living in Hong Kong, Tokyo, and Rome. He spoke Japanese and Italian. In 1958, he was married to Margaret Duvall, with whom he had four children, Ann Birkmire of Orlando Florida, Eric Gerner of McLean Virginia, Paul Gerner of San Antonio Texas, Mark Gerner of Aliso Viejo, California. He is survived by eight grandchildren. He is predeceased by his sister Lory Crouch. In 1989, he was married to Virginia Gallo Curran, who survives him. He will be missed by her four children, Stephen Curran of Marietta Georgia, Daniel Curran of Fairfax, Virginia, Katherine Prouty of Haymarket, Virginia and Virginia Schrank of Warrenton, Virginia; and 11 grandchildren.

George expressed his deep faith in service to others through his religious ministries to the Adult Detention Center of Fairfax and with his wife to the Juvenile Detention Center and to Leewood Nursing Home. He created and led the Woodson Area Interfaith Council for many years. He worshipped at Mount Tabor Catholic Community in Vienna, Virginia where he will be sorely missed. George was an excellent writer, speaker, and organizer. At The Virginian, he was greatly loved and appreciated by both residents and staff. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated as was the interment. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Holy Cross Abbey, Berryville, VA or to Mount Tabor Catholic Community of Vienna, VA. Arrangements were under the direction of Fairfax Memorial Funeral Home. www.fmfh.com



Classified

FOR SALE

- **SMALL ENTERTAINMENT CENTER:** Measurements are 35.5 wide, 18 inches tall, 19.5 inches deep. Wood is a light oak color, has a shelf for component storage, with two magnetic glass doors on the front. Hole cut in the back for cords. If interested contact Alison Wright at 703-425-3787 or wrightfam22003@verizon.net. Excellent condition, \$40.
- **FOREVER STAMPS:** Now cost 46 cents at the Post Office. For sale at 44 cents each. Bill Ulman 703-323-6496.

AT YOUR SERVICE

- **LAWNCARE:** Experienced, reliable Truro high school senior available to assist you with mowing your lawn or other yard work this summer. References available. Reasonable rates. Call Ryan Taylor at 703-508-4322 or 703-978-4737 to schedule an appointment.
- **NEED LAWN HELP?** We are two graduating high school seniors looking to mow your lawns, and do any other sort of yard work this spring/summer. If interested, please contact Bryan Perry at (703)-425-3559, or Chris Chandler at (703)-851-5542.
- **READING TUTOR:** I am a certified Reading Specialist with 9 years of experience teaching first grade. I am looking to help students K-2nd grade enhance their reading skills and develop a love for reading at an early age. Please contact me at Lori.Thomas23@gmail.com if interested.

- **BABYSITTER:** Sadie Cunningham, age 11, is a Red Cross certified babysitter who can sit for ages 1-7 and work as a Mother's Helper. Please contact her at home: 703-323-0911.
- **MATH/SCIENCE TUTOR:** I have been a high school math and science teacher for 10 years and would love to continue tutoring this summer. Tutoring references from neighborhood families available upon request. Please contact me at apbiowhetzel@gmail.com.
- **MATH TUTOR:** Experienced mathematics tutor available. This Truro resident has 36 years of high school teaching experience at all levels of mathematics through calculus. Reasonable rates. Telephone 703.272.7989.
- **RACQUET STRINGING:** Get those racquets ready for summer! Tired of running all the way to the club or Sports Authority to get a racquet strung? Stay close to home and have your tennis and racquetball racquets strung right here in Truro. Call Michelle Lucas at 703-503-7952, or mwsmile20@yahoo.com.
- **PET SITTER:** Hi, my name is Sara Hartmann, I am 17 and I am a pet sitter! I have been sitting for pets since I can remember! I'm great with dogs, cats, birds, lizards anything, you name it! I'm always happy to watch or help out. Even if it's just once a week for a walk. It can be short term or long term. Call 703-323 1976.

TENNIS PLAYERS WANTED

- 60 year old male tennis player (rated 3.0 – 3.5) seeking similar level players interested in playing on the Truro tennis courts. Contact Dan Levitan at daniel.levitan@nlrb.gov, or cell-703-401-7090; home- 703-323-6729.



Truro Social Committee invites members to the:



“ANNUAL POLAR BEAR SWIM”

Venture into the frigid waters of the Truro Pool on opening day and be rewarded with a complimentary hot chocolate and rice krispies treat.

Saturday, May 25

11:00-12:00 noon at the pool

Truro Social Committee invites members to the:

“LAST DAY OF SCHOOL CELEBRATION”



Stop by for a complimentary icy treat at the pool and enter your name into a complimentary raffle for fun summer prizes.

Tuesday, June 18*

4:30-5:30 pm at the pool

* based on Fairfax County's current school calendar; subject to change