

COVENTRY

NEWSLETTER

SPRING ACTIVITIES IN THE COMMUNITY

Spring in Coventry is filled with our community exploding in color with our flowering trees, green areas and flowers. Some traditional spring activities are also on the schedule! See inside for more details!

BOARD MEETINGS

The Coventry Homeowners Assn Master Board generally meets on the second Monday of each month at 7 pm in the Clubhouse. All homeowners are invited to attend. To be considered for a seat on the board, interested residents must own a home in Coventry and be in good standing with paid dues and no infractions outstanding.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Coventry needs community volunteers. Just an hour of your time can make a big difference. Check out this newsletter for opportunities! This quarter we need help with our **Egg Hunt** and with **Beautification**.



SPRING INTO COVENTRY LIFE!

Spring is a great time for home improvement and upkeep of our properties! It's time to pressure wash our siding and weed our gardens. If you have a service provider you recommend, suggest they put an ad in our quarterly newsletter!

Are you thinking about exterior improvements to your property? Remember to review the community architectural guidelines to see if you need to get approval for changes from original features. Contact the office for an Architectural Review Committee request. We are currently looking at implementing a new form to make it easier for residents and the review committee.

If you haven't already, please sign up for our new online payments with Town Management and gain access to our information portal currently in development. Your dues are paying for the bookkeeping services so make sure to take advantage of the convenience and accessibility.

COVENTRY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

100 Wrought Iron Bend
Yorktown, Virginia 23693

757 867 9200

Coventryhoa@verizon.net

Hours of Operation:

Tuesday-Thursday

10 am-1 pm & 2 pm-5 pm

Friday 2 pm-5 pm

STAFF

Annette Sauer
Site Administrator

Eric Rowlands
Maintenance Manager

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President's Letter

By Gary Cusack

Master Board President

Dear Coventry Homeowners,

I hope this letter finds you well. As we continue working to enhance and maintain our community, I'm pleased to share some recent updates and improvements that will benefit all residents.

First, we are excited to announce the hiring of our new maintenance manager. This addition to our team will allow us to address repairs and upkeep more efficiently, ensuring our common areas and facilities remain in top condition.

Our two most significant and expensive contracts are signed. After an intensive search and negotiations, your board has selected Clearwater Pool Management to oversee our two pools on a one year contract. Your board also selected US Lawns as our landscape management service company for a two year contract. Both companies are familiar with Coventry and have a good past experience with us.

We have recently installed new signage throughout the community, reminding residents that our amenities are for the enjoyment of those who reside in Coventry.

Areas of our trail have been marked and soon we will gather quotes and make a selection to start making the needed repairs.

Lastly, we will soon install new lighting at our Coventry Blvd marquee. This will enhance the sign visibility and help you be aware of our upcoming activities. The marquees are one of the ways we notify residents of information.

We invite you to attend our monthly HOA meetings, to stay informed, share your input and help shape our community's future! We discuss important updates, upcoming projects and concerns affecting our community. Your voice matters! Engaged residents help make our community stronger, safer and more enjoyable.

Meeting Date: Second Monday of each month

Time: 7 pm

Location: Coventry Clubhouse

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in making Coventry HOA a great place to live. Please reach out before a meeting if you have any questions or topics you'd like to be addressed. We look forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely,
Gary Cusack
CHOA Master Board President

Want to make a difference?

Why not consider joining a committee?

We are always looking for volunteers to help make our community better!

**Beautification
Committee**

**Architectural Review
Committee**

**Newsletter/Social
Media Committee**

**Social & Recreation
Committee**

Master Board

President: Gary Cusack

Vice President: Theresa Swartzbaugh

Treasurer: David Dierberger

Secretary: Ruthann Gray Grabowski

Director: Stephen Orlando

SAVE THE DATES

APRIL 2025

- 8 Ferguson Glade Meeting 7:00 pm
- 12 Coventry Cleanup Day 9-11 am Clubhouse
- 14 Swim team sign up on line
- 14 Coventry HOA Mtg 7:00 PM
- 19 Spring Egg Hunt
- 21 Book Club 7 pm
- 22 Smithy Glen HOA Mtg 7:00 pm

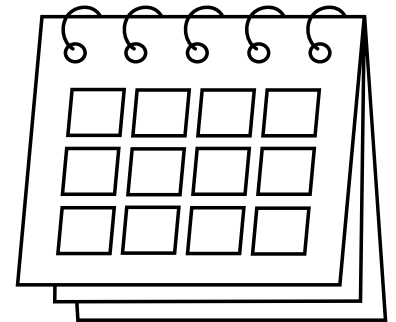
MAY 2025

- 1 Pool Pass Updates begin
- 3 Community Yard Sale 8-2
- 7 Finch Terrace Quarterly Mtg 7:00 pm
- 12 Coventry HOA Mtg 7:00 PM
- 13 Ferguson Glade HOA Mtg 7:00 pm
- 19 Book Club 7 pm
- 24 Pools Open
- 27 Smithy Glen HOA Mtg 7:00 pm

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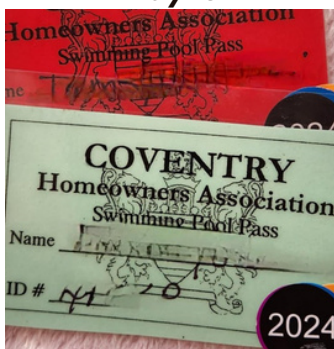
- 9 Coventry HOA Mtg 7:00 pm
- 10 Ferguson Glade HOA Mtg 7:00 pm
- 16 Book Club 7 pm
- 24 Smithy Glen HOA Mtg 7:00 pm

WATCH THE MARQUEE FOR DATE CHANGES FROM POSTED INFO



HIGHLIGHTS

May 1st



Pool pass updates
Bring last year's passes
New tenants bring lease
Replacement passes \$5

May 3rd



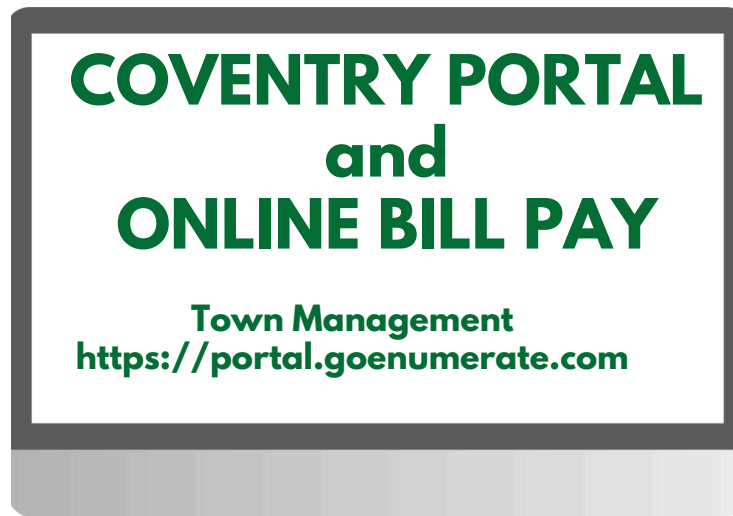
Community Yard Sale
8 am to 2 pm
Open to all residents
to participate

May 24th



Pools open
See page 12 for hours

**YOU ASKED!
WE DELIVERED!
BE PART OF OUR NEW
EASY WAY TO PAY!**



After many years of homeowner requests, we are excited to offer online bill pay with an information portal through our new bookkeeping service with Town Management. We really hope you will take advantage of this new service.

Our reduced office staff, as a result of our contract bookkeeping service, is no longer able to check on your accounts or log payments. All of this is now done by Town Management. You will want to mail your checks to the address provided, or set up a bank draft or autopay. If you choose to drop your check off at the office, be aware that they are simply gathered and picked up by Town Management for processing with Alliance Association Bank. Please allow time for your individual account to be updated by Town Management.

The Portal offers the following features for you to use:

- Check your association's account transaction and make a payment
- Update your resident profile with the latest information
- Access the latest documents uploaded by your community
- Contact your board or association manager
- View announcements and alerts for the community

SIGN UP TODAY! IT'S EASY AND FREE

**Questions? Contact Danielle Cooke
danielle@townmanagement.net**



How to set up online payments with Alliance Association Bank, one-time payment or mail to:

Information needed for all payments

- Management ID: 7067
- Association ID: CHOA
- Account Number: *your residence account number*

Assistance with recurring bill pay set-up – contact Alliance Association Bank at **844-739-2331**.

Recurring Bill Pay with Alliance Association Bank

- We recommend and encourage you to use the bill payment service provided by Alliance Association Bank. To establish this service please go to the website:
<https://pay.allianceassociationbank.com/Home?cmcid=C7AF7C19>
- Click on the Create Account link.
- Follow steps to create an account.

One-time eCheck or Credit Card Payment

- Go to the same website
<https://pay.allianceassociationbank.com/Home?cmcid=C7AF7C19>
- Click on either One-time eCheck or Credit Card Payment
- A processing fee will be charged for all credit card payments.
- Follow prompts to set up payment.

Mailing in payments or Online Bill Pay through your bank

You will need to use the following address:

Coventry Homeowners Association Inc
c/o Town Management
PO Box 97164 Las Vegas, NV 89193-7164

Note: Owners of more than one unit MUST SEND A SEPARATE CHECK and/or SET UP A SEPARATE ONLINE BILL PAY ACCOUNT FOR EACH UNIT because EACH UNIT has its own unique Account Number. Make all payments payable to your Association - **Coventry Homeowners Association Inc.**



Coventry HOA Welcomes New Maintenance Manager

by David Dierberger

The Coventry Homeowners Association is excited to welcome Eric Rowlands as our new Maintenance Manager! Eric brings a wealth of experience in property maintenance, repair, and community upkeep, making him a perfect fit for our neighborhoods!

In his role Eric will oversee the maintenance and care of Coventry's common areas, ensuring our community remains safe, clean and well maintained. Whether routine maintenance, repairs, or improvement projects, Eric is dedicated to keeping Coventry a great place to live. He has lots of ideas and focus.

Please join us in welcoming Eric to our community. When you see him around the neighborhood, don't hesitate to introduce yourself and let him know you enjoy his efforts!

We look forward to a long relationship and his positive impact as part of our community.



Eric Rowlands, Coventry Maintenance Manager



Coventry Egg Hunt

The Coventry Spring Egg Hunt, a more than 30 year tradition in our neighborhood, will be held again this year on **Saturday, April 19th, 2025** at the Clubhouse. The hunt is cosponsored by CHOA Social Committee and Kitty Holzbach, Keller Williams Allegiance. There will be more than 2500 filled eggs. They are filled with Easter candy and you will want to make sure the contents are appropriate for your child.

The event will begin **PROMPTLY** at 10 am. Traditionally the egg hunt is over in just minutes, so if you arrive even a minute after 10 am it is likely all the eggs will be gone.

The egg hunt is for Coventry children ages birth to age 10/5th grade. There is a special area only for children 3 and under where parents may assist. Children ages 4 to 10 will hunt without parents in the large area, unless your child has special needs requiring a parent to assist.

Assistance is needed with filling eggs at the clubhouse on Friday morning, April 18th at 9:30 am. Coffee and donuts provided! Coming for even 15 mins will help!



Assistance is also needed with hiding the eggs on Saturday morning at 8:30 am. Even a few minutes of your time on your morning walk will help!

Coventry Spring Egg Hunt

When: Saturday, April 19th

Time: Promptly at 10 am

Place: Clubhouse

For: Coventry kids ages
birth to 10/5th grade

Free! Bring your own basket

SPRING HAS COME TO COVENTRY!

By Stephen Orlando, Chair, Beautification Committee

Enjoy the benefits of the spring season! Daffodils are in full bloom, deciduous forsythia shrubs, ornamental pear, and cherry trees grace our beautiful community.

We are very fortunate to have such surroundings in our neighborhoods. We are even more fortunate to have volunteers on several committees to to maintain a sense of unity.

Food gardening such as growing fruits and vegetables in limited space, containers, or in your own yards can be practical and productive, even if our busy lifestyles can be somewhat overwhelming. 100 years ago, roughly 30% of the population was engaged in family farms. Today, 2% of the population feeds 98% of our population.

To encourage interest in growing food, the process starts with our youth. Our children and grandchildren need to know simple gardening practices to encourage growing a food in a garden.

The Beautification Committee has moved forward to inform the Master Board how important it is to create a children's community garden. We are in the process of looking at and applying for grants. The design process includes accessibility and the practical concerns of maintaining a garden in our community.

As our community approaches 40 years, we need your strength, your input and your concepts. Get involved in our community more vigorously this year. Just like in nature, it will pay back ten fold.

GARDENING PSA! Let daffodil leaves turn completely brown before removing them to provide nutrients for next year!

COVENTRY CLEAN UP DAY
Saturday, April 12
9 am to 11 am
Meet at the Clubhouse

Please come out and help!



Vandalism is Everyone's Problem

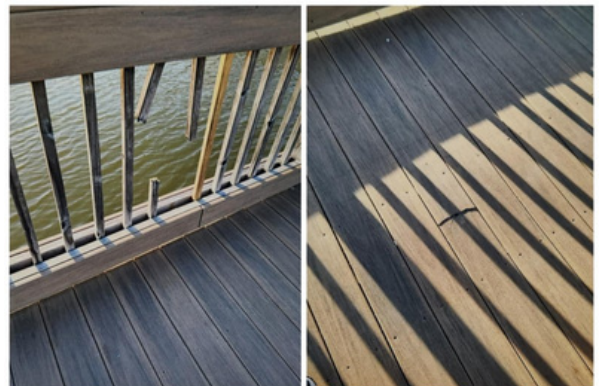
Vandalism in Coventry is significantly increasing, and your dues are paying for the repairs for the damages caused, generally by unsupervised children and teens who live in our community, and their friends.

Many families in Coventry have raised kids here, and there has always been vandalism - bikes stolen, cars driven on the grass, trash thrown in the lakes ... But recently, unsupervised children have destroyed the rip rap in the lakes, making them unsafe and expensive to repair, kicked out railings on the bridges, used fishing hooks to ensnare wildlife, thrown rocks to break the shells of turtles, used implements to break the wooden walkways on bridges, tearing up the pool fencing, and have been seen being destructive to common areas in a myriad of ways.

One way we can combat this destruction is to issue fines to the adults responsible for the offenders. The board frequently receives reports of witnessing the damage being done, and generally Coventry residents want the common areas protected and kept in good repair. When the damages involve safety concerns, it limits access and availability of the areas. The cost of repairs diverts funds from the needed projects in the budget to repairs of damaged areas.

If you see damage or vandalism, please provide any information you have to the Coventry office so we can look into it and try to identify the offenders. If you observe a crime or vandalism occurring, consider calling the York County Sheriff and making a report. Make sure you do not put yourself at any risk of harm or retaliation.

We will be installing security cameras and will make every effort to identify offenders. If it is your child or their friends know where they are and what they are doing. Don't be caught by surprise by a knock on the door from the sheriff.





LEMONADE STANDS

In the summer it is common to see teens and children set up an old fashioned lemonade stand to make a little money. Growing up, many of us did the same thing. So what is the problem? The Virginia Department of Health states that basically, lemonade stands are actually illegal in Virginia! Really???

In fact, there are only 14 states that allow lemonade stands, and Virginia is not one of them. The Virginia Food and Drink Law requires permits and inspections and states it is unlawful to operate without them. Fines will be issued to violators. This includes any food or drink, including from your home, that you make, process, pack or sell.

The law does not just pertain to lemonade. It is any food or drink. Many of us set up our kids with selling cookies and koolaid at yard sales, but this is not permitted under the Virginia laws that govern these sales.

To apply for a temporary Food Establishment Permit, you can complete an application and fee of \$40, at least 10 calendar days in advance of the day prior to your sale. The local health department will approve or disapprove the permit. Cottage food laws offer some exemptions, and you will want to check with the VDACS Food Safety Program at foodsafety@vdacs.virginia.gov

Please let your neighbors, teens and children know that lemonade stands/food and drink sales in Coventry are not permitted to avoid any fines or bad feelings.

Come spend your summer with the **Sailfish Swim Team**

REGISTRATION
OPENS ON
APRIL 14
ONLINE!



The Coventry Sailfish Swim Team is a summer swim team that is open to all Coventry Residents and Affiliate members, ages 5-18, regardless of swim experience. We want your kids to swim this summer!

WWW.COVENTRYSAILFISH.SWIMTOPIA.COM

Not interested in swimming, but still want to have a good time at the pool? We're hosting 3 summer fun nights at the Harvest Lake Pool this year, with music, prepackaged snacks, and more!

Mark your calendars for June 20, July 11, and July 25 from 6pm - 8pm!

IMPORTANT NOTES FOR RESIDENTS:

Harvest Lake Pool will be closed for swim team events at 4pm on the following dates: June 11 (Time Trials), June 26 (Meet with Hidenwood), July 14 (Meet with Warwick Yacht Club), July 23 (Meet with Kiln Creek), August 3 (End of Year Swim Team Celebration and Awards)

Bring your camp chairs, enjoy some concessions, and cheer your Coventry Sailfish on!

Coventry Homeowners Association

2025 Swimming Pool Operations & Regulations

Pool Hours

	May 24 – Jun 11 & Aug 25 – Aug 28		Jun 12 – Aug 24		Aug 29 – Sep 1		Sep 2 – Sep 14
	CH Pool	HL Pool	CH Pool	HL Pool	CH Pool	HL Pool	HL Pool
Sun	11 - 7	12 - 8	11 - 7	12 - 8	11 - 7	12 - 8	12 - 8
Mon	closed	closed	11 - 7	12 - 8	11 - 7	12 - 8	closed
Tues	closed	closed	11 - 7	12 - 8	closed	closed	closed
Wed	closed	closed	11 - 7	12 - 8	closed	closed	closed
Thurs	closed	closed	11 - 7	12 - 8	closed	closed	closed
Fri	closed	closed	11 - 7	12 - 8	11 - 7	12 - 8	closed
Sat	11 - 7	12 - 8	11 - 7	12 - 8	11 - 7	12 - 8	12 - 8
Holiday	11 - 7	12 - 8	11 - 7	12 - 8	11 - 7	12 - 8	n/a

Closure Policy

The pool will close at 3:00 PM on days when there are home swim meets. Dates of the meets will be posted at both pools.

Management may close the pools due to inclement weather, safety concerns, operational difficulties, emergencies, or other causes outside our control.

Management will enforce procedures for lightning and thunder based on rules established by the American Red Cross and the National Lightning Safety Institute.

1. Rainfall: All swimmers may remain in the water upon rainfall.
2. Lightning: The pool and deck areas will be closed upon the sight of lightning and remain closed for 30 minutes after the last sight of lightning. The Harvest Lake pool deck area includes the breezeway.
3. Thunder: The pool and deck areas will be closed upon the sound of thunder and remain closed for 30 minutes after the last thunder sound. The Harvest Lake pool deck area includes the breezeway.

Pool Rules

The following rules are for the protection and benefit of all and to ensure the safe and sanitary operation of the pool facilities. Your cooperation will afford everyone pleasant relaxation and recreation. Parents are requested to caution their children to observe rules and obey lifeguard instructions. Any failure to comply with these rules shall be considered sufficient cause for the pool manager to deprive members of using the pool.

1. All persons using the pool do so at their own risk. The Association assumes NO responsibility for any accident or injury in connection with such use or for any loss or damage to personal property.
2. Persons using the pool agree not to hold the Association liable for any actions occurring within the pool area. Members are also responsible for the actions of their children and guests.
3. All persons shall obey the instructions of the lifeguards. No person shall use the pool unless it is officially open and a lifeguard is on duty.
4. Persons must stay clear of the lifeguard stations and not loiter at the check-in desk.
5. Children 12 years and under must be accompanied and supervised by a responsible person 18 years or older while swimming in the pool. The pool manager can certify that children between 10 and 12 are able swimmers to attend alone. The pool test must be done each year. This policy applies to members as well as guests.
6. Persons unable to demonstrate their ability to swim are not permitted in deep water.
7. All persons must shower before entering the pool.
8. Admission shall be refused to all persons with colds, coughs, inflamed eyes, infections, infectious diseases, or wearing bandages.
9. Infants and toddlers not potty trained are prohibited in the pools unless they wear swim diapers.
10. Glass containers and breakable objects are not permitted in the pool area.
11. All trash and refuse must be placed in the provided waste containers. All members are urged to assist in keeping the pool area and shower rooms clean. Chewing gum and blow pops are not allowed in the pool and restroom.

12. Footwear is not permitted near the pool edge or ladder for safety reasons.
13. Audio players will only be used with earbuds or headsets to avoid disturbing other patrons.
14. No smoking or vaping inside the pool fence and entrance areas.
15. No pets are permitted inside the pool fence area.
16. No play equipment or playpens are allowed on the pool deck.
17. No food or beverages are allowed in the pool or near the pool's edge.
18. No intoxicating beverages or intoxicated persons are permitted on the pool deck.
19. No articles or toys will be thrown in or around the pool area. Dive sticks and toys of the same idea will be dropped, not thrown into the pool.
20. No running, pushing, dunking, rough play, or profane language will be permitted in the pool area. Standing or sitting on another's shoulders is not allowed. Spitting water and similar non-hygienic actions are not permitted. The lifeguards will determine the use of tubes, rafts, etc., based on the crowd's size and character.
21. The pool operation hours are noted elsewhere in this publication. Hours are subject to change based on swimmer demand and guard availability. The Pool manager, CHOA Board members, or management may close the pool at any time due to operational difficulties, inclement weather, or professional discretion in resolving situations they deem to pose a risk to patrons.
22. Coventry Homeowners Association is not responsible for personal property lost, damaged, or stolen in the pool facility. The pool staff will hold "found " articles for two weeks before disposing of them.

Enforcement Policy

The Master Board has instituted the following enforcement policy to be implemented by a Board Member, Pool Manager, or Lifeguard:

First Violation – Suspension of pool privileges for 2 to 7 days.

Second Violation – Suspension of pool privileges for 8 to 30 days.

Third Violation – Suspension of pool privileges for the entire season.

Guest Policy

Coventry has adopted the following policies for guests using the Association's pools. In all cases, pool members are responsible for their guests' compliance with Coventry rules.

Members' guests will be permitted to use the pool only when signed in by a member who is over 18 years of age. Each member over 18 is allowed five (5) guests. Each guest will be charged a fee of \$5.00 per day and must register with the gate guard upon arrival. Members must accompany their guest(s) at all times.

Out-of-town families visiting for one week or more will be charged a fee of \$15.00 per person per week. Passes will be available from the CHOA Office. Please notify the office of the visit dates at least 72 hours in advance. Houseguests issued passes may attend the pool without their host if they are 18 or older.

Working parents with a daycare provider may include the provider's name on the registration card, noting that they are the provider. The provider will be issued a special pass allowing them to accompany the dependents to the pool. Only one daycare provider pass is allowed per family.

Updated rules and policies***

- Members over 18 may have 5 guests per day, \$5 each guest per day
- Members with a daycare provider may have a pass for the provider to accompany member's children
- No beverages or food at pool side or in the pool
- No footwear at the pool side (do not leave your shoes near the pool)
- No smoking, vaping or alcohol on the pool premises
- No public music or speakers (use headphones or earbuds)
- No throwing of objects in the pool (balls or other objects from one person to another)



Springtime in Yorktown

Coventry is located in York County, a history filled area of the Virginia Peninsula area of Tidewater. There are many activities in and around the area you may want to enjoy or bring your visitors!

The *American Revolution Museum at Yorktown* is FREE for York County Residents, as is the *Jamestown Settlement* in Williamsburg, VA. Both are living history sites run by the Jamestown Yorktown Foundation.

Chilled Ponds, the Ice Rink located behind Kroger on Victory Blvd also has free skating for York County residents on Wednesdays and Fridays mid day sessions.

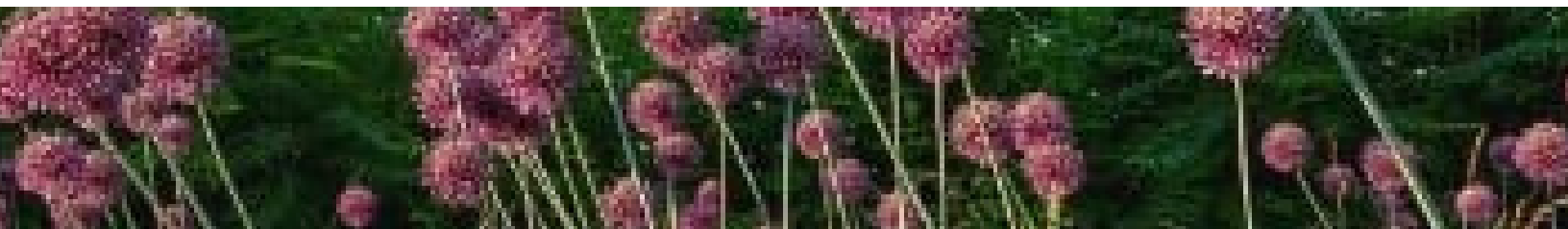
Yorktown Market Days on Saturdays include a Farmer's Market of fresh local produce, homemade goods, crafts and live music with waterfront views.

Book a sail on the Schooner *Alliance* at the Yorktown waterfront, relax at the beachfront, or dine at one of many locally owned restaurants or patronize one of many small businesses .

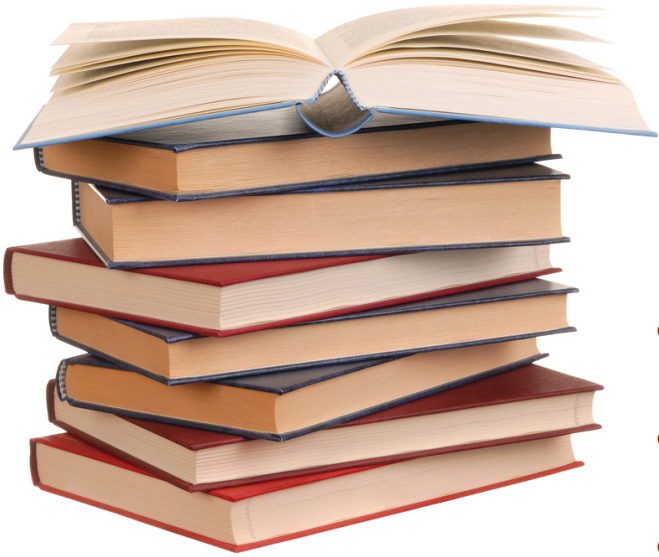
Visit the *Yorktown National Battlefield Park*, the *Colonial National Historical Park* or the *Jamestown Island* for walking or bike trails, and enjoying our natural scenery.

Visit local wineries and breweries, and attend seasonal events like Blues, Brews and BBQ Festival, the Yorktown Wine Festival, or Art at the River. Spring festivals like the Gloucester Daffodil Festival April 5th and 6th are popular during the season.

In late May to early June see (but don't pick!) the protected Yorktown Onion in the fields along Water Street and the battlefield. The Yorktown Onion is not native, but is from the 'Olde World' and is unique to our area.



BOOK CLUB UPDATE



**3rd Monday of each month
7pm - Clubhouse
Join us anytime!**

- **April theme - New Beginnings (your choice of this theme)**
- **May theme - Queens (any queen from Victoria to Freddy Mercury!)**
- **June - *The Berry Pickers* by Amanda Peters**

Contact Mary Ann Dawson via the office
for book suggestions or questions

Check out our Little Library
near the clubhouse!

SPRING HOMEOWNER INSPECTIONS

No one likes to receive a door tag to keep up with the requirements of homeownership in Coventry. Here are some common areas to address:

- Pressure wash siding / driveway
- Weed garden areas
- Keep trash receptacles hidden
- Keep front yard and porch area free of stored items (toys, tools, debris)
- Insure exterior changes from original home are ARC approved
- Paint faded and chipped areas
- Insure campers, boats, large vehicles and non operable vehicles are not visible
- Keep exterior in good repair, no broken or torn or worn elements, including mailbox
- Keep garage doors closed when not in use



*Failure to correct infractions can result in fines
Let the office know if you need an extension*

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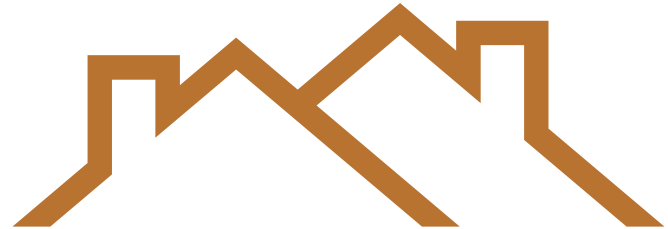
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