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NUT WIZARD – KEITH EBERT



At one time, we had five gumball trees in our backyard. Before we had four of them cut down, I was raking up many, many buckets of gumballs. The remaining gumball tree is required for shade for our large flower garden, or I would cut it down too! I still was raking up gumballs both on the lawn and in the garden until our son and daughter surprised me with a gift of a Nut Wizard. It operates with very little effort as you roll it back and forth, and it picks up the gumballs within its aluminum cage. When the cage gets full, just use the unloading frame that fits on a bucket or trash can. When ordering, you can

choose a handle that fits your height which will reduce bending, stooping, and straining. The cage comes in six different sizes to include picking up 9mm and .22 cal spent brass. For more information on the Nut Wizard, go to nutwizard.com

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**ANNUAL TABB LAKES HOMES
ASSOCIATION MEETING
WEDNESDAY,
OCTOBER 23, 2019
TABB LIBRARY
7 P.M.**



HURRICANE SEASON – LOU LAFRENAYE

September 10th is the statistical peak of hurricane season. Please ensure you and your family are prepared. Remember; **“Get a Kit, Make a Plan, Stay Informed”**. Make sure your plans are in place, and you have updated your supplies. Don’t forget additional emergency supplies for your pets. The “Virginia Hurricane Preparedness/Evacuation Guide” has a lot of good information on how to prepare for hurricanes and what supplies you need. You can download the document at:



<https://www.vaemergency.gov/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/Hurricane-Preparedness-Evacuation-Guide-Electronic-View-1.pdf>

Additional information can be found on the Virginia Department of Health web site at: <http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/emergency-preparedness/emergency-preparedness/hurricane-season/>



Virginia Department of
Emergency Management

SMOKE ALARM CHECKS – LOU LAFRENAYE

Are you overdue on checking your smoke alarms? The rule of thumb is:

- ⇒ Test your alarms each month.
- ⇒ Change the battery at least once a year (usually March when we change our clocks for daylight savings time).
- ⇒ Replace the alarm after 10 years, even your hard-wired alarms. The alarm manufacturing date is on the back side of the alarm.



You can learn how to test the alarm and replace the battery by going to the website of the smoke alarm manufacture of your particular model. Some of the newer smoke alarms come with internal lithium batteries that last 10 years. The instructions state that you do not need to change these batteries each year; however, the alarm still has a 10-year lifespan.

- without working smoke alarms.
- ⇒ More than one-third (38 percent) of home fire deaths result from fires in which no smoke alarms are present.
- ⇒ The risk of dying in a home fire is cut in half in homes with working smoke alarms.



Statistics from the National Fire Protection Association show that:

- ⇒ Three out of five home fire deaths result from fires in properties

BE SAFE!



YARDS OF THE MONTH – ANGELA HURST



CONGRATULATIONS!

May- 202 Richard Run
June-116 Tiger Paw Path

July -124 Leslie Lane
August- 105 Heath Place

SAFETY IN THE STREETS – SHIRLEY FLANAGAN

Folks, we need to slow down and be aware of where we are driving and walking. There are people walking themselves, as well as their dogs, on our streets; and no one seems to be paying attention to each other. People should be walking facing car traffic. If it is dark or close to dusk, reflective gear should be visible on people AND pets.

Reflective gear should be worn by bicyclists under the same

dark/dusk conditions. Cyclists should be traveling in the same direction as car traffic.

Please don't be looking at your cell phones while walking or driving. This poses a hazard for ALL.

Also, be careful while wearing earphones. Wear only in one ear so you can hear anything in your surrounding area, i.e. horns or yelling.

To my knowledge, we haven't had anyone hit in our neighbor-

hood; but we HAVE had many close calls and scares.

ALWAYS BE AWARE OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS!



THINGS TO DO IN YORKTOWN

SEPTEMBER

MARKET DAYS: Weekly through October 26 (except Oct. 5)
Saturdays, 8 a.m.-12 p.m.
Riverwalk Landing

RHYTHMS ON THE RIVERWALK CONCERT SERIES

September 6- October 4
Fridays, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Riverwalk Landing

ART STROLL

Sunday, September 29
10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Freight Shed and Participating businesses

OCTOBER

RHYTHMS ON THE RIVERWALK CONCERT SERIES

Friday, October 4
6:30-8:30 a.m.
Riverwalk Landing

WINE FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 5
12-6 p.m. \$
Riverwalk Landing

MARKET DAYS

Saturdays, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Riverwalk Landing
Fall Festival—October 12
Paws at the River—October 26

YORKTOWN DAY

Saturday, October 19
9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Victory Monument and Main Street

NOVEMBER

MARKET DAYS

Saturdays, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Maritime Festival—November 9
Harvest Festival—November 16

VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

Monday, November 11
12 p.m.
York Hall, 301 Main Street



THANK YOU TO ALL VETERANS!

IMPROVING SAFETY ON MID-ATLANTIC PLACE — ELLIS SHARADIN

If you're new to Tabb Lakes, Mid-Atlantic Place is the west entrance to our neighborhood off Rte. 17 (George Washington Hwy), between Andrea's Italian Restaurant and the Speedway gas station. If you've lived here for awhile, you may be painfully aware of three major problems with the Mid-Atlantic entrance:

1. Lack of sufficient street lighting makes it hazardous to walk along the roadway at night.
2. There are no sidewalks available to get pedestrians out of the street.
3. The "S" shape of the roadway makes it hard for cars exiting the Speedway gas station to see cars leaving the neighborhood, often resulting in near-misses between station customers and our residents.

Your Board of Directors is well aware of the hazards, and we are making efforts to address these problems. Here's what we're working on:

- ◆ We've informed the lighting problem to our contacts at Dominion Power, and they've assigned a "design team" to evaluate possible locations for a street light to illuminate the roadway. There are two potential lo-

cations: one near the Tabb Lakes entrance sign, where electrical power may be sufficient for the light; and opposite it, in front of the Mid-Atlantic Realty Company, where the light coverage would be better, but we're not sure if the available electrical utilities for lights in their parking light would be sufficient to support a light pole.

- ◆ Our property manager, Victory Community Management, has placed our neighborhood on a list of York County properties where the County may be willing to provide funds and engineering to install a pedestrian sidewalk (between Bridge Wood Drive and the back of Andrea's Restaurant and strip mall), to improve safety and beautify the county roads.



- ◆ We've met with the corporate manager of Speedway and asked them to (a) paint a STOP line at the Mid-Atlantic exit, and (b) also install a STOP sign in that location, in an effort to get customers to stop and look before they pull out onto Mid-Atlantic Place.

The safety of our residents, particularly children, is important to your Board of Directors and should be just as important to every one of you. YOU can help this process by voicing your concerns to our District Supervisor, Sheila Noll; and if you're a regular customer of Speedway, take time to voice your concerns about the Mid-Atlantic exit to their store manager. Meanwhile, we'll keep whittling away at the safety problems evident at our Mid-Atlantic entrance. If you have additional suggestions, please share them with any of our Board members. We appreciate and need your support in enhancing both car and pedestrian safety at the entrance!



LOOK BOTH WAYS AND CROSS QUICKLY!

EMERGENCY NUMBERS – LOU LAFRENAYE

Below is a list of emergency numbers that you should clip out and maintain in the event that you need to report a dangerous situation during and after a major storm.

For more information go to:

York County Emergency Management: <https://www.yorkcounty.gov/231/Emergency-Management>

Dominion Power: <https://www.dominionenergy.com/outages/downed-power-lines>

Virginia Natural Gas Safety: <https://www.virginiannaturalgas.com/safety>

Newport News Water Authority: <https://www.nngov.com/281/Emergency-Preparedness>

York County Fire and Police: Emergency 911, Non-emergency (24 hrs.) 890-3621

Electric (Dominion Power): 1-866-366-4357

- ◆ Power outage, electrical lines down or damaged, damaged pad-mounted transformer located in your front or back yard, etc.
- ◆ Also notify the Fire Dept (911) of any downed or damaged power lines or damaged pad-mounted transformers.

Gas (Virginia Gas): 1-877-572-3342 and 911

- ◆ Immediately notify the Fire Dept (911) and Gas Company if you suspect a natural gas leak in or around your home.
- ◆ Be aware that during a major storm, trees could be uprooted and pull up underground gas pipe lines buried in your yard. Listen for and learn about the distinctive smell (described as rotten eggs) associated with a gas leak.

Water (Newport News Water Authority): 234-4800 or 926-1000

- ◆ Report any water main breakage. Situation could occur from uprooted trees.
- ◆ Report any damaged or obstructed fire hydrants to the Fire Department (911).

STAY INFORMED – YORK ALERT PROGRAM



To stay informed, we recommend you sign up for York Alert Emergency Notification System. You can register to receive emergency alerts which may be sent to your cell phone or email, so you have instant access to information to help you protect yourself and loved ones. Go to their web page at <https://www.yorkcounty.gov/376/York-Alert> to register.

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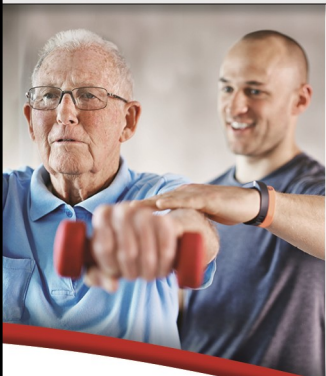
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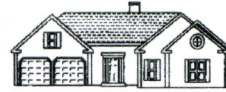


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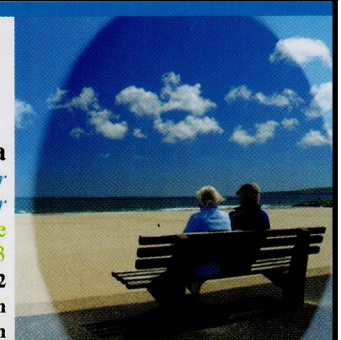
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Architectural Review Committee (ARC) Request for Approval

Name: _____ Date of request: _____

Address: _____ Email: _____

Telephone: _____ Alt Telephone: _____

Type of modification: (deck, patio, outbuilding, addition, fence, etc.) _____

Plans and specifications: Please attach a copy of plat with a sketch of proposed modification. Show location, shape & all measurements. Provide a list colors, materials to be used, and any other construction details.

Homeowner check list:

- County permits: 890-3522. For room additions (including screened porches) a copy of the York County building permit must be attached to this application.
- Call Miss Utility before digging, to locate underground utilities: 1-800-552-7001
- York County Code 24.1-280, General Requirements for Home Occupations

Estimated project completion date: _____

(Allow up to 3 weeks for the processing of ARC approval; projects may not be started until approval has been obtained.)

In addition to any required county inspections, the Association reserves the right to review the completed project to determine whether or not the work was accomplished in accordance with the approved application. Please notify the Association when the work is finished. Projects found to have deviated from the specifications of the approved ARC request will be cited through the Association’s Covenants Compliance Inspection process.

I have provided an accurate representation of the planned modification. I have contacted my immediate neighbors to inform them of my proposed project. I will notify the ARC of any deviation from the plans submitted or changed from using “like kind” building materials to those specified in this application.

Homeowner’s Signature: _____ Date: _____

Questions or to confirm project completion: Contact Sarah Knaub at 757-593-0166 or VictoryComMgt@gmail.com.

To Submit:

- E-mail form and attachments to Victory Community Management: **VictoryComMgt@gmail.com**.
- Mail form and attachments to the following address: **TLHA ARC Committee, c/o Victory Community Management
5007-C Victory Blvd. #240, Yorktown, VA 23693**

NOTE: This form can be downloaded from our webpage: www.tabblakes.org/arc.php

Committee Action

Date of receipt: _____

____ Approved as submitted

____ Approved subject to modifications as required by covenants

____ Disapproved for reason listed on reverse side

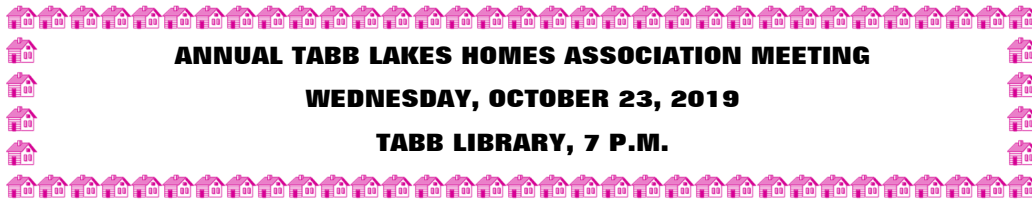
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