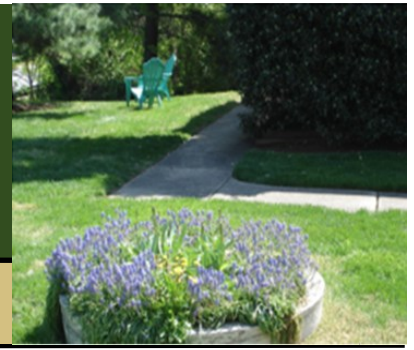




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UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

The HOA Board meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month. Contact Laura De Leon for location information.

August 4 * September 1 *
October 6 * November 3

Residents Welcome

Dear Residents,

We are most of the way through summer. It has not been as hot as some year's but we still have the dog days of August coming up. Please be mindful of the heat and stay hydrated.

We recently have had a return of the fire pits being used too close to the house and too close to overhanging trees. Please be aware that county code require fires to be 15 feet away from homes and not in a position to ignite overhanging vegetation or structures.

There is an ongoing issue with rats this year. We have contacted the county and out supervisor, Kenny Boydee. They are being helpful built there a limits to what they can do. We must be sure that there are no food or water sources on our properties that will attract rats and other varmint. Also, they are always looking for shelter.

Lastly, the plans for a major revision of the intersection of Old Bridge Road with both Gordon Blvd. (123) and Occoquan Road are moving forward. Please be aware that there will be construction in the wooded area behind Admiral Drive; the cut throughs on 123 at Admiral and Flagship may be permanently closed. Also, there will be major changes to the traffic pattern at Old Bridge and Occoquan Road.

Thank you, Have a safe and happy August!

Steven Heath, President



BOARD SEATS OPEN IN 2022

There will be at least 2 board seats open in 2022 as Steve Heath and Laura De Leon will no longer be on the board. Please seriously consider running for one of the positions. This community runs on volunteers. It is time to step up!



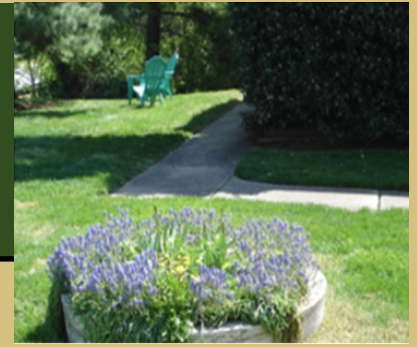
Participate in our Facebook closed group and find updates and discussions on issues pertaining to OCLA. Search "Occoquan Landing Community Association" and request to join.



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KEEP YOUR HOME SAFE!



While fire pits can be fun and relaxing, they can also be a safety concern. Fire pits should not be used on your deck. They also must be 15 ft. away from any structure. Prince William County's Fire Marshal Office has more information at: <https://www.pwcva.gov/department/fire-marshals-office/burning-regulations>

RAT INFESTATION AND CONTROL

May neighbors have reported seeing rats scurrying through the neighborhood. Rats thrive when food, water and shelter are easily available. The Board and homeowners are in contact with Prince William County for guidance concerning the issue. In the meantime, here are some tips:

- Don't leave pet food or other types of food out or easily accessible.
- Put your garbage in cans with tight lids
- Flush out holes with water and bait and then refill them with soil.

For more information and tips please see <http://ipm.ucanr.edu/PMG/PESTNOTES/pn74106.html>

WHAT DOES YOUR DUES GET YOU?

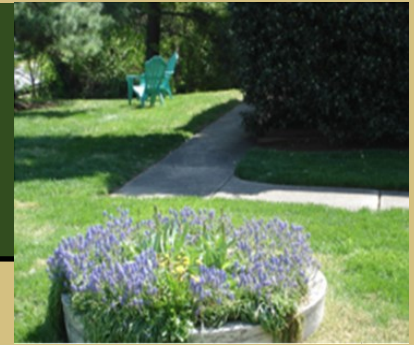
Occoquan Landing homeowners pay \$195 each quarter in dues. That amounts to \$65 per month. The Board of Directors is a volunteer group and do not receive any compensation for their services. So what does your dues go toward? We maintain our own roads, common areas, playgrounds, streetlights, sidewalks and more. Here is a list:

- ⇒ We maintain our own roads—a portion of your dues goes into a sinking fund that will be used to repave our 5 neighborhood roads and Rivershore Drive, in the near future.
- ⇒ We maintain our own sidewalks—In 2018 we completed a major sidewalk repair project.
- ⇒ Lawncare—grass cutting, edging, leaf pickup twice a year, etc.
- ⇒ Snow removal
- ⇒ Trash pickup
- ⇒ Playground maintenance—mulch to be added this year
- ⇒ Tree trimming
- ⇒ Capital Improvements / Cleanup & Repair
- ⇒ Street Lights
- ⇒ Collections
- ⇒ Lawyer Fees
- ⇒ Insurance
- ⇒ Licenses and Fees
- ⇒ Website
- ⇒ Administrative Fess—postage, paper, envelopes, review for tax filing, parking supplies, etc.



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Architecture Control

This year, the Architectural Control Committee will conduct a Fall walk through beginning the weekend of September 11. The Committee is mindful of the comments received at the 2019 Annual Meeting. To that end, we will include pictures and vary the time frame for completion of projects. Thanks so much to everyone who has kept up with their maintenance and home repair especially during COVID-19!

MEMBERSHIP DUES ELECTRONIC PAYMENT

We are fortunate to live in an area that is not likely to suffer as much unemployment as other areas. In order to diminish the number of checks that need to be mailed, now is a good time to set up electronic deposits where you can. The HOA is one such place. If you need help please reach out to Steve Heath and we will try to help you. If you find yourself falling behind, please contact a member of the board, we will work with you to try and get through this difficult time.

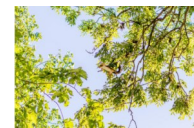


TRASH



When vultures and rats get into trash bags, they can leave a mess at trash sites. If you put your trash in group areas and notice trash strewn around, **PLEASE PICK IT UP!!!** Work with your neighbors and come up with a rotating schedule of cleanup duties. No one wants to live in neighborhood full of trash. **Don't forget**—household trash should **NOT** be placed in the community garbage cans. Let's work together as a community and keep it clean!

KEEP OUR NEIGHBORHOOD CHILDREN AND TREES SAFE



Please ask your children not to climb the community trees and jump on the branches. There is a risk of injury to both themselves and the neighborhood trees.

SLOW DOWN!!!!



There are many children in our neighborhood. They are riding their bikes, skateboards, scooters and more. **PLEASE SLOW DOWN** on our neighborhood streets to prevent accidents and injury. Help keep our youngest community members safe.

FIND US ON THE WEB

For more information – **homeowners and renters alike** – please visit our website at:

<http://occquanlanding.org/>