



Colonial Charles Community
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August 2026

NEWSLETTER

Message From the President -

Snow Assessment Update: Our July 2026 Accounts Receivable shows \$57,911.86 collected for the Special Snow Assessment fee to repay the Reserve account. Balance due: \$82,088.14. This is 41.37% of the total amount due. Great news. Thank you!

Waste Management (WM)

WM uses an automated side loader to collect our community's waste. The side loader is operated by a single driver from inside the truck, the automated side loader utilizes a mechanical arm with a claw to pick up a cart from the curb. After dumping waste into the top front of the truck, the driver is able to then reset the cart in its original curbside position. To ensure the pickup runs smoothly, waste materials should be contained *within carts*.

The team at Waste Management wants each resident to create an account so they can report and track issues directly at www.wm.com. The Associations account number is not necessary, you only need to input your property address.

Residents who did not turn in the **Evergreen Disposal Bins** should call the company for pickup at 240-468-6677. The company may charge.

The National Counsel on Aging (NCA) are advising seniors to be aware of the increase in scammer activities that have increased significantly. NCA statistics show people age 60 and over lose billions of dollars combined to fraud each year. Common methods include the "grandparent scam" (where AI is used to clone a loved one's voice), government or tech support impersonation, and romance or investment fraud. Scammers are not just strangers hiding in the shadows but may be family, friends or neighbors.

Homeowners have received official-looking letters with the Washington Gas logo, on envelopes and letterhead. The letters aren't a scam but not from Washington Gas. They're from a Connecticut-based company that partners with utilities nationwide to sell optional home repair insurance. The product is legitimate, the letters are real, but the service is optional and approved by Washington Gas.



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The branding, frequency, and urgent language in the mailings have left residents wondering what exactly they're being asked to sign up for. You do not have to buy this coverage. The aggressive "Act Now" warnings are just sales tactics.

To be clear, homeowners, not the HOA, are responsible for the service lines running from the main utility connection to your house. Check your current homeowners insurance policy. You might already be covered. Some basic plans already cover outdoor water and sewer lines. If you are concerned about your water lines, contact Charles County Government Water & Sewer Billing to learn about local policies. For gas line questions, contact Washington Gas directly using the number on your bill. Charles County News Release warning of fraudulent invoice scams is attached.

Approved Motions - July 2026

High Sierra Pools, Phosphate Reducer treatment, midsummer chemical treatment, \$857.54

Architectural Design

Any exterior work (additions, changes, etc) to your home must first be approved by the Architectural Design Committee. Please be considerate to your neighbors by sharing plans for exterior work.

Design Review Applications are available at the Clubhouse, on the community webpage and on the Majerle Management portal. Applications can also be emailed or dropped off at the Clubhouse.

Grounds Maintenance

Questions regarding landscaping (mowing, trimming, pruning, etc.) should be directed to Groundsmaintenance@colonialcharles.org.



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GreenTouch Landscaping

Mowing: 8/7, 8/18, 8/28

Roundup Application: 8/18

Clubhouse

Facility Manager Hours:

Monday - Thursday, 9a to 5p; Friday 9a to 2p

Saturday - Sunday, Noon to 6p

Social Committee

Great Birthday Celebration Party— Lots of fun and beautiful, delicious cakes for each month.

Photos will be displayed in the Clubhouse during the birthday month.

Thank you ladies!

Community Upcoming Events

The Colonial Charles (CC) Riders are sponsoring the 2026 NNO on 4 August, Rain or Shine.

(See flyer)

Theater Group

Crab Cruise & Wine Tasting, 21 August

Ledisi Concert, 22 August

Contact Ricky Blackwell for future outings at: thewell243@verizon.net



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Management & Community Inquires should be addressed to:

Majerle Management Services, Inc.
6401 Golden Triangle Drive, Suite 315
Greenbelt, MD 20770

Community Manager: Stephanie Martin, 301-220-1850

Register for the online portal at: <https://mmi.cincwebaxis.com>

Colonial Charles Webpage: *colonialcharles.org*

2026 HOA Board Meetings Schedule

No Board Meeting Scheduled



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Karla Costello
Treasurer



Jacqueline Green
President
Architecture
Newsletter



Cozette Holt
Secretary
Architecture
Security

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Wilbert Ferguson
Vice President
Grounds



George Via
Member-at-Large
Clubhouse
Architecture

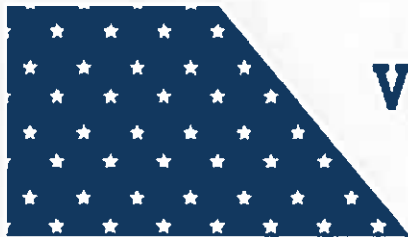
Clubhouse Managers



Reva Ware



Shannon Key



**VETERANS
CORNER** 



[1-800-MyVA411 \(800-698-2411\)](tel:1-800-MyVA411)

[Veterans Crisis Line: Dial 988, then press 1](#)

[Health Benefits Hotline: 877-222-VETS \(8387\)](#)

Serving America's Vietnam Veterans

Did you know that Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) advocates exclusively for Vietnam-era Veterans and their families? With nearly 90,000 members, VVA provides a community of fellowship for people with shared experiences, needs, and hopes for the future. Visit one of the 700 chapters across the country and abroad, VVA Service Officers are available to provide VA claims support, financial advising, and job placement, while advocating on behalf of Veterans through legislative initiatives.

https://vva.org/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery

Public Disability Benefits Questionnaires (DBQs)

DBQs help collect necessary medical information to process your disability claims. You can use these forms to submit medical evidence from your health care providers. This information helps to support your claims for disability benefits. Please have your health care provider fill out and submit the appropriate forms for your claimed conditions.

VA do not pay or reimburse any expenses or costs incurred while completing and/or submitting DBQs. In most instances, you're entitled to a no cost disability examination by the VA. In some instances, we may determine an additional disability examination is required to complete the claim. If an exam is scheduled, you must report for the examination.

Fraud Alert: Beware the "Veterans Savings Program" Postcard Scam

There is a new scam targeting Veterans. The latest tactic involves sending fraudulent postcards claiming you (or your spouse) are entitled to "extra VA benefits" or additional payments, including CHAMPVA, TRICARE, and dental coverage, regardless of a VA disability rating.

https://news.va.gov/147334/veterans-savings-program-postcard-scam/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery



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Uniformed Services Identification Cards for Retirees, Spouses, & Dependents

Legacy paper-based USID cards with extended expiration dates issued to retirees, dependents over age 65, and permanently incapacitated dependents, will remain valid until DoD determines when those legacy paper-based cards will be terminated – no termination date has been set.

Sponsors are encouraged to access their identification (ID) card records via the ID Card Office Online (<https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/>) "My Profile" option to ensure their record reflects both their current mailing and email addresses in advance. Card holders have the option to update their legacy paper-based USID card to a new USID card. There are several ways to obtain a new USID card:

- Visit the ID Card Office Online website (<https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/>), select "Continue" under the "Family ID Cards" header and follow the prompts for Online USID Renewal. Note: A myAuth account is required for logon, or
- Visit the RAPIDS ID Card Office Locator website(<https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/locator>) to find the closest ID card office and schedule an appointment.



Charles County Government **NewsRelease**

News Release # 2026-003

Friday, Jan. 9, 2026

Charles County Government is alerting residents, businesses, and development applicants of a fraudulent email scam currently circulating that falsely claims to be associated with County planning and development services.

The scam email references fabricated invoices, application review fees, and development projects, and instructs recipients to wire funds to settle alleged balances. These messages do not originate from Charles County Government and should be considered fraudulent.

What Residents Should Know

- Charles County Government never requests payment by wire transfer.
- While the County may send legitimate email notifications regarding outstanding invoices, all payments are made exclusively through the County's Citizen Self-Service (CSS) portal using an official permit or application number.
- Any request to wire funds, provide banking information, or urgently settle fees outside of the CSS portal is not legitimate.
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What to Do If You Receive a Suspicious Email

- Do not respond to the message.
- Do not click links or provide personal or financial information.
- Do not send payment of any kind.
- If you are unsure whether a message is legitimate, contact the Department of Planning and Growth Management directly to verify before taking any action.
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Charles County Government is actively working to raise awareness of this scam and encourages residents and businesses to remain vigilant. If you believe you have received a fraudulent email or have questions about legitimate County billing procedures, please reach out to County staff for confirmation. Additional information about payments, permits, and official County communications can be found on the Charles County Government website.



Hosted By The CC Riders Bike Club

★ Join Us for an Evening of Community Fun ★

Tuesday, August 4, 2026 • 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

At the Clubhouse Parking Lot

National Night Out is a chance to strengthen our relationships and show pride in our Colonial Charles Community.

Come meet your neighbors, connect with first responders, and celebrate a safer, stronger community.

◆ **Games — Music — Line Dancing** ◆

Bring your own snacks and drinks

or you can purchase our Hot Dogs Or Half Smoke

Boxes (includes chips and a drink)

— Bring your chairs —



AUGUST WORD SEARCH

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DESK	TRAMPOLINE	MATH
HAMBURGER	SCHOOLHOUSE	TEACHER
SUMMER	BICYCLE	SCHOOL BUS
CAMPFIRE	STUDENT	CHAIR
HOMEWORK	HOT DOG	RECESS
SPRINKLER	SCIENCE	PARK
VACATION	BACKPACK	HISTORY
CALENDAR	LAWN MOWER	SWIMMING



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Colonial Charles Clubhouse

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 CC Riders 9:00a Clubhouse Parking Lot
2 Grand Room Rental 2:00p	3 Choir Aerobics 12p Bid Whist 2:00p	4 CC Riders 4:00p Clubhouse Parking Lot National Night Out 6:00p Rain or Shine	5 Choir Aerobics 12p Social Committee 4:30p	6 Phase 10 Sequence 2:00p	7 Pokeno 2:00p CC Riders 6:30p Clubhouse Parking Lot	8
9 Grand Room Rental 11:00a	10 Choir Aerobics 12p Bid Whist 2:00p Theatre Group 6:00p	11	12 Choir Aerobics 12p	13 Phase 10 Sequence 2:00p Pool/Spa Closed 2:00p	14 Pokeno 2:00p	15 CC Riders 9:00a Clubhouse Parking Lot Pokeno Night 5:00p
16 Grand Room Rental 2:00p	17 Choir Aerobics 12p Bid Whist 2:00p	18 Virtual Bible Study 7:30p Request logon	19 Choir Aerobics 12p Social Committee 4:30p	20 Men's Luncheon @ 12:30p Phase 10 Sequence 2:00p	21 Pokeno 2:00p	22
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