



Martin's Point Board of Directors President's Report – February 2015

Everyone should have submitted their 2015 vehicle sticker applications by now and received their stickers. Beginning March 1 all vehicles not displaying a 2015 sticker will be stopped by the gate attendants. Please avoid this inconvenience to yourself and others waiting to enter Martin's Point. Contact Shannon Bracy (shannon@seaside-management.com) if you still need vehicle stickers. If you want help installing them, board member *Paul Bowen* has graciously volunteered his time to do this for you. If you want to take advantage of this offer please call Paul (261-0137).

In the near future the gate attendants will begin using the gates at night. Please be on the lookout for this and approach the gates with caution. Maintenance issues had prevented their use but thanks to the efforts of our Reception Chair, *Paul Bowen*, and also *John Finelli* and Seaside Management, the gates are now operable.

As mentioned last month, the Martin's Point Homeowners' Association website is being updated. If you have never visited our website or if it's been some time since you did I encourage you to take a look (<http://martinspointhoa.org/>). Continue to check back from time to time. Our new property manager has been hard at work making gradual changes and improvements. In the coming months our website will have a fresh new look and expanded capabilities.

Our goal is to make it a *comprehensive, up-to-date* repository of all news, events and pertinent info for our members and prospective members. The MPHA website is Martin's Point's face to the world – why not make a favorable impression? We are fortunate to live in perhaps the most beautiful and desirable neighborhood on the Outer Banks. Of course, we know that but let's make those shopping for a new home or property aware of just how attractive Martin's Point is as a place to live and own property.

To that end we are creating a website section containing photographs taken in Martin's Point (and nearby surrounding waterways), which displays the beauty of our community. Have a photo of an amazing sunrise or sunset, a heron stalking prey in one of our ponds, a sailboat making its way up the sound? If you have any photos (digital JPG files) that you would like to share which demonstrate the beauty of Martin's Point please email them to Shannon Bracy using her above-mentioned email address. We ask that they not include any identifiable personal images – we will leave those to the private section described below.

Eventually, there will be three types of website access: public, private - group level and private - individual level. The private pages will require a PIN to enter and will be for the exclusive use of Martin's Point property owners. The difference between the two private sections is that all of the information in the private - group level section will be viewable by all members (e.g., member directory, newsletters and financials). The private – individual level pages will be specific to each individual property owner, providing their payment records and outstanding balance, and allowing them to make payments.

Looks like I've used up my allotted space this month. 'Til March stay warm!