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FROM OUR BOARD PRESIDENT John Rhoads



I would like to thank all who attended the annual meeting on October 3. I was honored to have been elected as president for 2019. I also want to thank those members of the community who unselfishly give of their time to keep the London Towne Property Owners Association afloat.



Pam Brown - Secretary, Karen Porter - Treasurer, John Rhoads - President, and Randy Faulkner - Vice President are sworn in at the LTPOA annual meeting.

At this reading our clubhouse is under construction. The expected completion date is late March. It will be a fine venue for the association and its members to hold meetings and celebrations.



Have a great holiday season and get ready for spring.





The LTPOA Board of Directors would like to welcome all new residents to the community. Please check the Ramps & Credentials report on page 10 to see when you can come by to meet some of your neighbors, obtain information about the community and pick up your stickers for cars, boats, and trailers. If you do not have a copy of the Association Bylaws, you can get a copy at our website **Itpoa.info.**

Anne Arundel County 311

Anne Arundel County has launched a new 311 reporting system through an app. The system allows Anne Arundel County citizens to report **non-emergency** incidents and problems digitally through mobile devices. You can download the app through the App Store or Google Play. A simple signup process is required. The app enables Anne Arundel County citizens to report the following service requests:

-Lost and found pets
-Recycling cart requests
-Broken recycling carts
-Missing curbside collection
-Bulk pickup scheduling
-Potholes
-Drainage complaints
-County Recreation and Park concerns
-Unregistered vehicles
-Building violations



If you don't have a smart phone, you can call 3-1-1 to get help.



The beaches and park lands are closed from 11pm to 6am and is strictly enforced. We have experienced late night activity in the more secluded areas. This results in disturbances to nearby residents, broken glass, trash, and other paraphernalia being left behind.

Crabbing, fishing, swimming, and mooring of boats is restricted to designated areas.

On all Maryland state waters, a personal watercraft may **not** be operated at **greater than 6 knots (6.9 mph)** within 100 feet of any shore, wharf, pier, bridge structure, abutment, or persons in the water. No one under the age of 16 may operate jet skis in Maryland waters...It's the Law!





Did You Know? Recycle facts from AAC Department of Public Works:

- Plastic bags and plastic film are no longer accepted in the curbside recycling program. Return clean and dry bags to a local grocery store or County Recycling Center for recycling.
- If paper gets wet, it's okay We can still recycle it.
- When recycling shredded paper, put in a paper bag and staple shut. Include it with your other recycling on your collection day.



GRAY-MOTT SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION NEWS



By Pam Obee Sargent

The Gray-Mott Scholarship is awarded to graduating seniors who are residents of London Towne. Applications are due the 15th of April and can be found on line at **Ltpoa.info.**

Fundraiser are help regularly to help support this foundation. Check the Community Calendar at Itopa.info for upcoming events.

Interested in *My London Towne* note cards ? Please contact Pam Obee Sargent at **pam.obee@verizon.net**.

The Gray-Mott Scholarship Foundation is a 501-C, tax exempt foundation. Donations made to the Foundation are tax deductible to the extent of the law.



Section News

Section 1: Michael Ryan

Section One is hunkered down for the winter and we look forward to the work on our bulkhead getting started at last. We will continue with our experiment to discourage geese on our beach which seems to be working. They don't like crossing the line of flags in the sand. Who knows why....but whatever works !!

We hope the work on our clubhouse will be completed by the time our meetings resume in March. WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEIGHBORS ! To get on our section mailing list for all the latest updates, contact our Section One Secretary Trixie Ryan at tryanhc@verizon.net.



can remove it from the mailing list), and email address to **Itpoainfo@gmail.com** Please put Digital Conciliator in the subject field.

Section 2: Kim Miller

Londontowne Community Facebook group. Please join for community updates.

Next meeting: Please check the community calendar for more details. https://localendar.com/public/LTPOA.

Great turnout for the Section 2 party at Westminister Park. Lots of fun! Thanks to all who came, contributed goodies, and enjoyed meeting our section members. Special thanks to those that grilled and smoked the meat, helped setup, and cleanup!



The schedule for Credentials & Ramps (Stickers/Keys) is on the Community Calendar.

Winter boat docking fee. If you keep your boat in the water through the Winter months into Spring we will be charging a \$25 fee for electricity beginning next year for 2019 (Spring 2019 to Spring 2020). You will need to pay the amount when submitting your paperwork this Spring.

We have an email distribution list for more up-to-date information. If you want to receive the emails please send me your email address at **kmundorff@gmail.com**.

Questions/Comments/Suggestions/One time guest parking passes/Kayak rack slip rentals:

Contact Section 2 President, Kim Miller, 410-245-3128 phone or text.

Dock Master: contact Shaun Hamill: 202-345-5735, phone or text.





Section Four: John Franco

Hello! New to the neighborhood? A lot of new folks to our community don't understand how it's divided up. These are the streets (in full or part) that encompass Section 4: Londontown Road, Shore Drive, Arundel Road, Bishop Road, Fullerton Road, Grange Road, Knoxville Road, Bentley Road, Midland Road, Darlington Road, Barton Road, Oldtown Road, Quantico Road, Ridgely Road, Tacoma Road and Chesapeake Drive. Check out the Itpoa website (**Itpoa.info**), under Sections, for a detailed Google map.

What's New You Ask?

Please be sure to check out one of the Information/Bulletin Boards located in Section 4 by the Fullerton Boat Ramp and the Bentley Pier and Beach, where you will find helpful, interesting and fun information. These Boards will be updated monthly so be sure to check back regularly.



Section 5: Deb Ament

Section 5 is celebrating a great year with many new neighbors utilizing our beaches and the newly completed dock area. We had more people attend our Section meetings in 2018 than ever before!

We are happy to see so many neighbors get involved. And we started our 1st family movie night on the beach!

We will not have any more Section meetings this year. We will begin meetings again in February, 2019.

Announcements:

Kayak racks- we still have 2 empty spots, if you want to stow your kayak or paddle board. Vicky Bergmann is our Kayak Master and can be reached at **beach5kayaks@yahoo.com** Please check out the Sections page on LTPOA: http://ltpoa.info/sections.html

Boat slips- please renew your slip as soon as you can so we can plan for a busy 2019 season. Rental forms can be found at http://www.ltpoa.info/incoming/SLIPFILL2018.pdf

Winter 2018 Slips – Any available slip can be rented out for \$ 200 from 12/15/18 to 3/15/19. Contact Dockmaster Mike Painter if you are interested. Beach5dockmaster@gmail.com

Our newly elected officers for Section 5 are as follows:

Deb Ament- President Tony Sledge- Vice President Matt Pickering- Treasurer Vicki Pickering- Secretary Mike Painter- Dock Master Vicky Bergmann- Kayak Master







Erosion Committee Report Deb Ament

During the past decade the Erosion Committee has completed fourteen major shoreline restoration projects on the community's 3½ miles of shoreline. The projects have restored 5,690 linear feet — over one mile — of degraded and eroding community shoreline using ecologically appropriate living shoreline techniques. The Committee has won over \$420,000 in highly competitive State and Federal grants to help subsidize the cost of these projects. Granting agencies have included the Chesapeake Bay Trust, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. The South River Federation recently named Glebe Bay as the "Best Looking" part of South River thanks to the living shore-line efforts of the London Towne Community.

This winter we will complete a large project to replace the deteriorating 250 linear foot bulkhead in Section 1. The project is scheduled to be done during the winter months in order to be minimally disruptive for boaters.

Consistent with our established practice and policy, the Erosion Committee has continued to work hand-in-hand with the Park and Planning Committee to maintain and improve our community parks and shorelines. We have continued our ongoing program of repairing any damaged shoreline areas and controlling invasive vegetation such as phragmites. We have also been encouraging the spreading of desirable species such as rose mallow and marsh hibiscus.

Any questions, please call Deb Ament, Erosion Committee Chair.





Dear Neighbors wishing you and your beloved pets a happy and safe holiday season.

I am again reminding all dog owners that part of pet care is appropriate waste disposal to protect animal and human health from the spread of disease. If you are walking dogs after dark bring a flash light to retrieve waste. Leaving waste on the road or side of road is still illegal as Maryland does not allow you to 'curb' your dog.

Dog owners can help LTPOA in supplying doggie bag dispensers by reporting empty dispensers to main LTPOA number.

Speaking of dark walks, drivers please especially watch for neighbors and dogs on dark mornings and evenings. Dog owners should try to utilize reflective merchandise for dogs and, or carry a light to alert cars to their presence on the road.

I ask dog owners to please respect your neighbors on walks. Do not allow your dogs to incessantly bark on walks no matter what the time of day. Noise is intensified along the water and even an average volume conversation can wake neighbors, let alone a barking dog. Please refrain from 'visiting' dogs, and the barking it elicits, along your dog's walk in early morning. Remember not every-one has to wake up early everyday and neighbors may still be sleeping. A few simple changes can benefit many and would be greatly appreciated .

Please note address correction from April Conciliator for the new Edgewater dog park. The correct address is **660 Loch Haven Road Edgewater**, **Maryland**. This dog park is a beautiful and well maintained space for both small and large dogs and I encourage you to visit when weather is suitable.

Reminder old bread is deadly for water fowl (ducks) even in small amount. Mold spores are present long before growth is visible.

Wildlifecenter.org recommends :

Corn (canned, frozen or fresh) Duck pellets (sold online and at pet stores) Lettuce, other greens (torn into small pieces) Frozen peas (defrosted) Oats (rolled or instant) Seeds (including birdseed or other types)



*Editor's note. LTPOA discourages the feeding of water fowl in our community. Feeding these wild animals makes them dependent on humans for their food and they leave behind a mess on our beaches and parklands.



Talking Trash

The final Mayo Rd cleanup took place on Saturday, September 29th. Thank you to everyone who participated. The next cleanup will place in the Spring. Date and time will be posted on the webpage, and in the Conciliator. This is a group project between The Point and LTPOA and it usually takes about an hour. So come on out and meet some new folks and help your

community at the same time.









Well welcome to winter. It was a great summer. There were either very few or N0 nettles, so our beaches were used by a lot of our people. That's the good news, but there is some bad news about the beaches. The geese and ducks have found a home on all of our beaches. There is nothing worse than seeing our youngsters digging in the sand and digging up poop. Please discourage anyone from feeding the geese and ducks. It creates a very unhealthful environment for our beaches & especially the children playing in the sand. The President & Secretary of Section 1 are doing their best to keep geese and ducks off Section 1 beach. There are small flags along the waterline. When these flags are placed on the beach, the geese and ducks stay away. This is a pilot project, but if it is successful, we will be extending this idea to other beaches. Parks & Planning extend our thanks to Michael & Trixie Ryan for trying to have a clean & save environment on Section 1 beach.

In other news, every once in a while, there is a vehicle that drives over our parkland. This really digs up the grasses & we have to have to pay have it filled in with top soil & plant grass seed. If anyone can give us a description of this vehicle, please either call 410-956-4808 and leave a message or email us at **Itpoainfo@gmail.com**. All information will be strictly confidential. We do have some leads from observant residents and our police force is trying its best to identify this vehicle.

Last item is that the Park & Planning committee is planning a community involvement for Earth Day in April 2019. If you would like to volunteer or have any ideas how we can get our community members involved, please send your ideas to **Itpoainfo@gmail.com**. We will have a detailed plan in the spring newsletter.

Our committee wishes everyone a very happy holiday season & please keep using our parks, beaches & most important, out playgrounds.



RAMPS and CREDENTIALS





LTPOA IDENTIFICATION STICKERS

Rules and regulations are in place to control the unauthorized use of LTPOA property which includes the boat launching ramps, boat docking facilities, fishing and crabbing piers, beaches, parks, Club House parking areas, and all LTPOA parklands and other property.

For access to, and parking on, LTPOA property, owners and bona fide tenants of London Towne are required to <u>permanently</u> display a current LTPOA sticker on all vehicles, vessels and trailers.

Stickers are available for purchase from the Ramps & Credentials Committee at the Club House.

The 2019 schedule, the regulations and requirements – will be posted on the community calendar at www. Itpoa.info.

In order to purchase stickers ALL applicants must present valid registration for all vehicles, boats, and trailers (yes, even renewals).

Proof of ownership is also required. No exceptions.

- Owners must provide deed, property tax bill or settlement papers.
- Tenants must provide a copy of a current lease.

A property owner sticker is valid for three calendar years and the cost is \$3.00 each. Renter and dependent stickers are valid for one calendar year and the cost is \$5.00 each.

Ramp keys are issued each calendar year and the cost is currently \$40.00.

Prior-year keys must be returned to avoid additional fees.









Historic

London Town & Gardens

Special Member Discount for LTPOA

We love our 21037 neighbors! Enjoy a discounted rate on 2 or 4 person memberships. Save \$15 - 25! Join onsite or online: historiclondontown.org/member. Members visit for free, and dogs are welcome!

Illuminated London Town

Fridays & Saturdays, December 7 - 22, 6 - 9pm Experience the magic of a winter evening!

- Sip hot cider beside a roaring fire in the Lord Mayor's Tenement.
- Roast s'mores in the gardens, illuminated with festive lights.
- Enjoy special performances each week
- Discover colonial nighttime at the candlelit historic William Brown House, decorated for the season.
- Doggie s'mores station provided by Dogwood Acres
- Purchase hot drinks from the Coffee Table food truck

Bring the family to celebrate wintertime and the holidays! More at **www.historiclondontown.org/illuminated**



839 Londontown Road, Edgewater * www.historiclondontown.org * 410-222-1919

Advertising in the LTPOA Conciliator

Consider advertising in The Conciliator, the London Towne Property Owner's Association Newsletter. Circulation for the Conciliator is approximately 200 households and includes absentee property owners and some local businesses. In addition, the Conciliator, is posted, in color, on our web site, **Itpoa.info**.

Ad copy is due by the 15th of February (March issue), the 15th of May (June issue), the 15th of August (September issue) and the 10th of November (December issue).

Ad rates are listed below. We offer a 15% discount on ad rates if one full year is purchased and paid for up front.

Business Card: \$50.00 per issue, \$170.00 per year (\$200.00-15%)

Quarter Page: \$110.00 per issue, \$374.00 per year (\$440.00-15%)

Half Page: \$130.00 per issue, \$442.00 per year (\$520.00-15%)

Full Page: \$160.00 per issue, \$544.00 per year (\$640.00-15%)

Insert; \$180.00 per issue, \$612.00 per year (\$720.00-15%)

Contact Marian at Itpoaconciliator@verizon.net for more information.







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Club House Office:

410-956-4808

Boat Slip Rentals/Dock Masters:

Section 1: James Bertram Section 2: Shaun Hamill Section 3: Norm Pennington	203-464-9650 202-345-5735 410-956-6763
Section 4:	
Fullerton - Candy Turner Bentley - Paul Nelson Section 5: Mike Painter	443-223-2263 410-956-0278 301-404-1148
Section 5. Wike Fainter	501-10-11-0
Administration	443-458-8449
Hall Rental	410-956-4808

Stickers?? Ramp Keys??

Ramps and Credentials meets at the Club House on regularly scheduled Tuesdays from 7pm to 8pm. Check the calendar on the community website (**www.ltpoa.info**).

LTPOA Officers:

John Rhoads, President	443-458-8921
Randy Faulkner, Vice President	410-956-4808
Karen Porter, Treasurer	410-956-4808
Pam Brown, Secretary	410-956-4808

Section Presidents:

410-956-6157
410-965-4808
410-956-4808
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410-804-6989

Section Meeting Times:

Section 1 - 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

March-November. Meets at Sec. 1 boat docs if weather permits Section 2 - 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

March-November. Section 3 - 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

March-October.

Section 4 - Last Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. January, March, May, June, August, September, and October. Section 5 - 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m.

February to October.

All meetings are at the Club House unless otherwise announced