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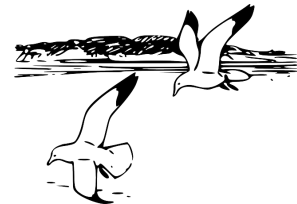
**FROM OUR BOARD
PRESIDENT
John Rhoads**



The Board of Directors and I would like to welcome our new residents to the community. You will find that our website www.ltpoa.info will help you with all your questions regarding your community association. I urge you to pursue this website. The main phone number for the association is 410.956.4808. Leave a message. We try to get back to you within 48 hours. Requests for clubhouse rental may take a little longer. You may be wondering about the addition to the clubhouse. In my opinion, the county has treated this small addition as a new urban center. This process has been long and tedious, but we are nearing the end. We hope to begin construction by September of 2018 with completion in early 2019. Have a safe summer and enjoy the many amenities offered in your water-privileged community.

Congratulations London Towne Property Owners' Association!

South River Federation 2017 Report Card named Glebe Bay as the "Best Looking" part of South River thanks to the living shoreline efforts of the London Towne Community.



WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

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 ltpoa.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!



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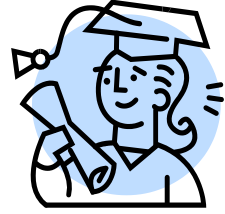
Recycle facts from AAC Department of Public Works:

- 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



2018 Gray Mott Scholarship Foundation Winners

The Gray Mott Scholarship Foundation committee reviewed the scholarship application and awarded this year's scholarships to Anthony Woods and Patrick Johnson. Anthony and Patrick are graduating from South River High School. Anthony will be attending the University of Maryland, College Park later this summer pursuing a Computer Engineering degree. Patrick will be attending Frostburg State University in the fall pursuing a Mechanical Engineering degree. Congratulations to Anthony and Patrick. We wish them great success in their college careers.

Note Cards and Calendars:

We have note cards and 2018 calendars for sale. Please contact Pam Obee Sargent at pam.obee@verizon.net.

Other Gray Mott Scholarship Foundation News:

There will be several fund raising events happening over the next couple of months. The dates/times of all events will be found on the community website (www.ltpoa.info). If you have any ideas for fund raising events, please contact us. We appreciate your input.

******HELP WANTED****** Join the Gray Mott Scholarship Foundation. Contact Pam Obee Sargent at pam.obee@verizon.net.

The Gray-Mott Scholarship Foundation is a 501-C, tax exempt foundation that awards two scholarships per year to graduating high school seniors residing in London Towne. Donations made to the Foundation are tax deductible to the extent of the law.



Section News

Section 1: Michael Ryan



The Osprey Family have built their nest and join the Bald Eagle Family in pulling fish from Glebe Creek. The new Kayak Beaching Area at Section One is underway and the ladder is installed on the Swim Platform. We are ready for Summer! Our meetings are held at the Dock, weather permitting, on the second Tuesday. Watch for the signs that remind us to come and meet our neighbors.

No animals are allowed in the fenced swim area, except for geese, and no fishing or motors either. Please be extra watchful for children and skateboards on Shore Drive near the beach. Have a safe and happy summer!

Section 2: Kim Miller

Next meeting: June 19, 2018. Please check the community calendar for more details. <https://localendar.com/public/LTPOA>.

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

New nettle nets have been approved and should be installed soon! Please do not climb or pull on the nets. Please refrain from jumping off the back of the swim platform outside the net area. Kayaks and jet skies are not permitted inside the net area or on the beach.



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 3: Karen Porter

We are very fortunate to live in a community with so much water access and the increasing amount of residents taking advantage of these great amenities is wonderful to see. I sincerely hope that the increase in use will trigger an increase in meeting participation!

Do you know that guest parking passes are available?

Do you know that picnic areas can be reserved for celebrations, reunions, etc?

Do you know what's happening at the community club house?

Come to a meeting and get the answers to these and any other questions you may have. Meetings are held at 7:30pm on the second Wednesday of the month from March thru October and generally take place at the community club house. However, the community club house is undergoing some much needed renovation, so John Navarro has offered to host our meetings in his garage located at **447 Silver Run Road (intersection of Shore Drive and Silver Run Road)**...THANKS JOHN!

We are in need of a secretary and we have a couple seats open on the board of directors. Minimal time is required to fulfill the duties of these positions and it's a great opportunity to give back to the community. If interested, please come to our next meeting or email us at **LTPOAsection3@gmail.com**.

Our annual summer picnic will be held on Saturday, September 15, 2018 from 2pm to 5pm. Just bring your beach chair and a dessert or side dish to share....burgers, dogs and beverages are supplied. Information/updates will be posted on the information board located on the exterior wall of the pump house at the boat docks and on the web page located at **www.ltpoa.info**.

Hope you all have a fabulous summer!



Park Planning: Tom Walsh

The Park & Planning Committee takes its responsibility to the LTPOA parkland, playgrounds and beaches very seriously. As we are in the middle of the outdoor activity season, we urge all our residents to take advantage of the many and varied areas our community has to offer.



In our park areas, we have benches placed along the shoreline where we want our residents to come and enjoy the pleasant surroundings and look at the spectacular views that we have from our shorelines. The five playgrounds offer a variety of different equipment for your children & young people to enjoy. OK, so I even use the swings and am on the far side of being young. Our beaches offer swimming & just playing in the sand. There is no better way to spend the day than to put a chair at the water's edge, put yourself in that chair & your feet in the water and read a book, just before you take a nap.

For the past several years, the Committee has placed 'nettle nets' at the Section 2 beach which is located at the end of Delmar Road. There is limited auto parking [don't forget your parking sticker] but lots of room for bikes, wagons and strollers. The nets do not keep all the nettles out, but do a good job limiting the large nettles.

At Section 1 & 3 beaches, there is an area on the right side of the beach for temporary kayak & canoe beaching. These are not launching areas as each Section has launching areas. These places were set up for paddlers who are on the water & would like a short break to just sit in the sand for a while. The community will have these areas clearly marked for swim areas & kayak/canoe use. Please cooperate with our efforts to accommodate all water sport users by keeping any vessels out of the swim areas.



Thanks for all your support & if you have suggestions for the Park & Planning Committee, please contact us at ltpoainfo@gmail.com.





Talking Trash


Mother Nature thwarted our efforts for the scheduled Mayo Rd cleanup in April so we rescheduled for Saturday, June 2nd. Thank you to everyone who came out and assisted. Your continued effort helps us to keep that part of our community looking good. Our next pick up will be in the Fall.

The date will be posted to our website (ltpoa.info), listed in the next Conciliator and signs will be posted on the club house fence.





Remember


With the warmer weather more residents will be out and about. Please take care while driving through the community. Parents, please remind your children that they need to be aware of cars when they walk and bike. Safety is everyone's responsibility.


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Mosquito Season is Here.

The following is an excerpt from the Maryland Department of Agriculture on mosquito control:



The primary goal of the Maryland Department of Agriculture Mosquito Control Program is to prevent mosquito-borne diseases in humans, pets and domestic livestock. Different mosquitoes can carry and transmit different diseases, and the methods for combating one species can differ from how the department combats another. Managing mosquito populations across the state generally requires the department to undertake several tasks.

Details about the program and spraying program, including application for exemption from spraying, may be found at: http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Pages/mosquito_control.aspx

Spraying for the London Towne community will take place on Monday evenings.

Underwater Grass Mystery



On the 12th annual South River Report Card, the Executive Director of South River Federation, Elizabeth Buxton, reported that there is much to celebrate regarding the stable health of the South River. However, there is still work to be done to address the recent algae blooms, high chlorophyll levels and fickle underwater grasses.

No one knows for certain why the underwater grasses have all but disappeared from the South River while grasses in other parts of the Chesapeake Bay are thriving. We are observing a resurgence in springtime aquatic grasses, like horned pondweed, but a severe drop in summertime grasses, like widgeon grass. These beds are a vital component of the Bay system, and their absence is cause for alarm.

Both humans and animals depend on thick beds of grasses for many reasons. Those include:

- Underwater grass beds improve water quality by trapping loose sediment in their roots and removing pollutant, such as excess nitrogen, from the water column.
- These beds are home to spawning fish and crustaceans, including juvenile crabs.
- Waterfowl feed on the grasses throughout the year, while their seeds and tubers sustain populations of migratory waterfowl during the winter.

Despite the losses, there is still reason to hope for underwater grasses in the South River.

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, Community Hall, 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 permanently display a current LTPOA sticker on all vehicles, vessels and trailers.

Stickers are available for purchase from the Ramps & Credentials Committee at the Community Hall on regularly scheduled TUESDAY evenings 7PM – 8PM.

The 2018 schedule, the regulations and requirements – are all posted on the community calendar at www.ltpoa.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.

****Plan ahead and save time - complete the top of the form on the following page and bring it with you to R&C****

DATE _____ ISSUED BY _____ FEE Collected \$ _____

STICKER/RAMP KEY Agreement

London Towne Property Owners' Association, Inc. (LTPOA)

NAME _____ PHONE # _____
Last First M.I.

Email _____

Street Address _____ Owner / Renter / Dependent (circle)

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Renters: Current valid lease _____
Property Owner Name _____
Address _____

Owners: Tax Assessment Bill _____
Deed of Property _____
Settlement Papers _____

Auto Sticker Issued # _____ - _____ Auto License # _____
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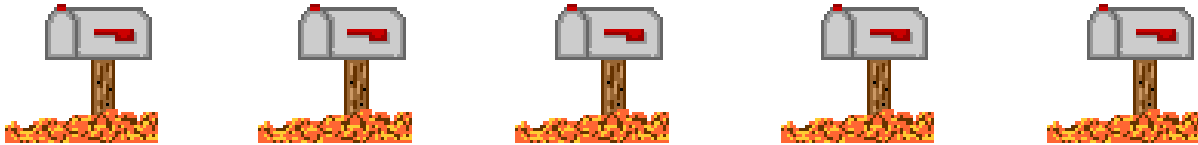
Key # returned _____ Key # issued _____


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I, _____ hereby have read the rules and regulations applicable to sticker use AND/OR ramp privileges. I agree to adhere to all rules set

You've Got Mail.....

How can we help our dedicated mail carriers? One way is to please keep your mailbox clear. Over the years, more and more vehicles are parked on our streets sometimes blocking mailboxes. Also, the placement of large recycle bins, trashcans, and bagged yard waste also block access to mailboxes. So please, be considerate to your letter carrier, say hello and wave! They are important members of our community.




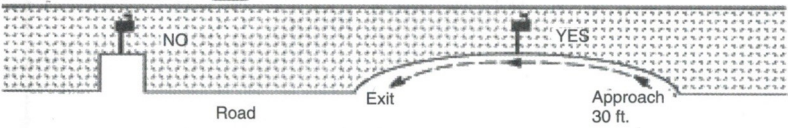
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Approaches to Curbside Mailboxes


Dear Customer,

The Postal Service depends on you to meet postal requirements regarding delivery and collection of mail to curbside boxes. *Please keep the full approach and exits to your mailbox clear, as illustrated in the examples below.* Removing trash cans, snow, vehicles, and any other objects from the area allows the carrier to deliver your mail safely and efficiently without exiting the vehicle. Your cooperation in this matter is sincerely appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact us. Thank you. Your Postmaster

Example: Snow Removal 




Example: Obstructions (trash cans, vehicles, etc.)



Notice 38, April 2000

There are five carriers that deliver mail in Woodland Beach. These Edgewater carriers appreciate their customers and try to accommodate their needs and serve them as best they can. They thank you for keeping your mail boxes clear of vehicles and all other obstacles between the hours of 11am and 2pm

 Prefer a digital version of The Conciliator? You can read The Conciliator, in color, on our web page at ltpoa.info, or it can be delivered to your inbox.

For electronic delivery send your name, mailing address (so we can remove it from the mailing list), and email address to ltpoainfo@gmail.com Please put Digital Conciliator in the subject field.



H i s t o r i c *London Town & Gardens*

Great Summer Programs!

Love archaeology? There'll be public dig days & lab nights onsite. Visit www.historiclondontown.org/events for more.

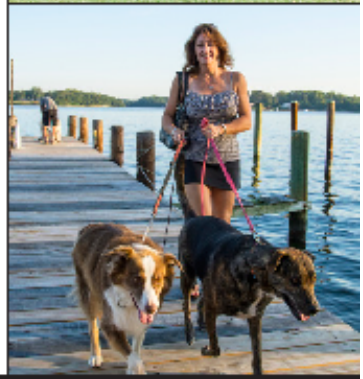
Bring the little ones **Tot Time in the Gardens** on the third Saturday of the month from *10am - 12pm!*

Come out Independence Day and extend the celebration **Revolutionary London Town, Saturday & Sunday, July 7 - 8, 10am - 4:30pm.**

Save the Date for the **Summer Concert Series - Sundays, July 29 - August 26, 5 - 7pm**

Special 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 (www.historiclondontown.org). Members visit for free, and dogs are welcome!



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



The Pet Corner
by
Rita Robertazzi

Reminder: it is time for heart worm protection, and flea and tick collars to protect your cats and dogs. Remember to follow package instructions. Rabies vaccines should be up to date.

Lost and found pets should be reported as soon as possible to the Anne Arundel County animal control at (410) 222-8900. They also have a website to enter posts when the office is closed. The posts will be reviewed and put up on the web promptly. There are multiple lost pet sites on the internet and I find Facebook and Lost and Found Pets of Anne Arundel County to be two good sites to start with. Other options, if you find a lost pet, is to bring it to a local veterinarian to scan for an identification chip if no ID tag is present.

Firecrackers are extremely disturbing to all animals as well as your neighbors.

The new Edgewater Dog Park's location is 3424 Pocahontas Drive in the Loch Haven neighborhood. Construction of this new county dog park is slated for completion Spring 2018. The dog park will include large and small dog areas as well as one rotational field. A dog drinking fountain will be provided. Parking is available on site.

Remember with pet ownership comes responsibility. Pick up after your dog, intervene in bad behavior i.e. digging, barking excessively, or other bad manners. Have extra poop bags available just in case bag dispenser is empty.

Reminder L.T.P.O.A, rules require dogs to be leashed at all times, do not allow dogs on beaches, and signage specifies to stay off wetland grass sites.

Maryland law pertaining to dogs 'running at large' (off leash) Article 12, Title 4, Subtitle 10-1001 Penalty:

Anyone violating Title 4, Subtitle S of Article 12 may be subject to a fine not less than \$50.00 and up to \$500.00.

See county laws pertaining to above at: <http://www.aacounty.org/departments/animal-control/animal-laws/index.html>



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, ltpoa.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%)

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Bentley - Paul Nelson	410-956-0278
Section 5: John Davidowski	410-212-2083

Administration 443-458-8449

Hall Rental 410-956-4808

Stickers?? Ramp Keys??

Ramps and Credentials meets at the Community Hall 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
John Gleeson, Vice President	410-956-4808
Karen Porter, Treasurer	410-956-4808
Pam Brown, Secretary	410-956-4808

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Michael Ryan, Section 1	410-956-6157
Kim Miller, Section 2	410-965-4808
Karen Porter, Section 3	410-956-4808
John Franco, Section 4	410-956-4808
Will Hottle, Section 5	410-956-1594

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 Community Hall unless otherwise announced