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John Rhoads**



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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 18 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. The Association Bylaws and community rules and regulations are on the web site ltpoa.info.



Anne Arundel County 311

Anne Arundel County has a 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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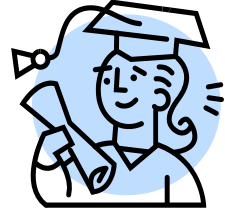
Recycle facts from AAC Department of Public Works:

- 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



We would like to announce our 2019 Gray Mott Scholarship recipients: Francis (Franky) Reicherter and Skylar Deichmann. They are both 2019 graduates of South River High School. Please join us in congratulating them and wishing them luck in their future endeavors.

I have known Francis (Franky) Reicherter for many years. As a part of the Boy Scout Troop 815, he has volunteered for many community events including the Crab Feasts, Craft Shows and yard sales. He has always been very helpful. Franky is an Eagle Scout. His Eagle Scout project was the cleaning and painting of the Pump House at the Section 3 Marina. Franky will be attending Frostburg State University in August 2019. His course of study will be Secondary Education.

Skylar Deichmann is a very active young woman. She attends schools, works and volunteers. She was the 2017 Girl Scout Girl of the Year. She received the 2017 NCSSEL Sportsmanship Award with her Equestrian Team. Skylar has balanced school, work and volunteering as well as being a caregiver for a family member with cancer. This situation has taught her that life is about balance and we should all appreciate our family and the little things in life. Skylar will be attending the University of South Carolina. She will be studying Sports and Entertainment Management.

The scholarships this year are in the amount of \$1,000. We welcome any donations to the scholarship fund. The Gray Mott Scholarship is administered by the Gray Mott Foundation, a 501-C, tax exempt foundation. Donations made to the Foundation are tax deductible to the extent of the law

Fundraisers are held regularly to help support this foundation. Check the Community Calendar at ltpoa.info for upcoming events.

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



Section News

Section 1: Michael Ryan

All the work on our docks has been completed and paid for. We are very grateful to our dock master, James Bertram and our LTPOA executive secretary, Sarah Trees for seeing this project through. Flags on the beach have been successful in deterring geese so far and we now have signs reminding folks to leave them alone. Check the LTPOA website for club house updates and remember that DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED on the beach at any time. Welcome Spring!!



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Section 2: Kim Miller

Londontowne Community Facebook group. Please join for community updates.

Section 2 meetings: 3rd Tuesday of each month.
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. Please note the location change due to the Community Hall renovation.

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

Questions/Comments/Suggestions/One time guest parking passes/Kayak rack slip rentals: Contact Kim Miller, 410-245-3128, phone or text or by email kmundorff@gmail.com.

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



Section 3: John Navarro

New sand has been put down at Beach Three and it looks really nice. In order to keep it so, please make sure everyone keeps dogs off the beach. Also, the little yellow flags that were at the water line were put there to keep the geese off the beach. If they start returning, let me know and we can put them back up.

Any questions or concerns, call John Navarro.

A few boat slips are still available. Contact Norm Pennington (410-956-6763) if you are interested.



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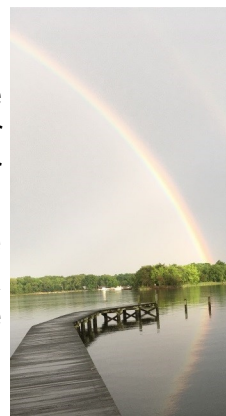
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Section Four: John Franco

Hello! Welcome Spring and Welcome New Neighbors! It's great to see many of you out and about – getting your exercise, sprucing up your property, enjoying the playgrounds, walking your dogs and strolling your children. And seeing all of the boats arriving in the community piers. Speaking of that, both the Bentley and Fullerton piers currently have very limited amount of availability. If you're interested in obtaining a boat slip or kayak rack space, Dockmaster contact information is on the last page of this newsletter.



The Animals of Section Four

If you would love to show off your pet(s) as much as we would love to see, please provide Candy Turner with a photograph to be displayed on the bulletin boards located at both the boat ramp and the Bentley pier/park/beach area. Please also provide pet name(s) and any other fun facts about him or her that you might like to include. Photographs can be placed in the Dockmaster mailbox at 1124 Shore Drive or sent via email or text to the contact information listed below.

Meeting Information

We encourage and welcome Section 4 residents to attend our meetings. We want to see you, we want to hear you, and we want to know you! The 2019 Spring and Summer meeting dates are Thursdays, May 30, June 27 and August 29 beginning at 7:30 p.m. Please mark your calendar and come join us! Locations for these meetings are to be determined due to the ongoing Clubhouse renovation project. Also, please send a request to **sec4ltpoa@gmail.com** or **443.223.2263** if you are unable to attend these meetings but would like to be included on the distribution list for our meeting minutes.

Questions/Concerns/Comments/Suggestions?

Candy Turner is our Section Secretary and is happy to receive and disseminate your questions/concerns/comments/suggestions regarding our Section for response by the appropriate individuals. Please submit them via email at **sec4ltpoa@gmail.com** or **text message to 443.223.2263**.

Until the next Conciliator.....

We wish all of you a wonderful Summer full of all the things you love – like eating! Try this quick, easy and delicious recipe! ENJOY!

Dottie's Clam Dip

8 oz. cream cheese, softened; 1 6.5 oz. can minced clams, undrained; 1 tbsp. Worcestershire sauce; 1 tsp. lemon juice; 1 tsp. onion powder; salt and pepper to taste; potato chips for dipping.

Combine all, mix well, and refrigerate. YUMO!

Section 5: Deb Ament

Officers & Committee Chairs are:

President- Deb Ament

VP- Tony Sledge

Secretary- Vicki Picking

Treasurer- Matt Pickering

Budget & Legislation Committee- Tony Sledge

Continuing to serve:

Erosion Committee- Deb Ament

Parks & Planning- Maria Princi

Police- Logan Hottle, Richard Pippin

Ramps & Credentials- Randy Faulkner, Vicky Bergmann

Events- Randy Faulkner

Dockmaster is Mike Painter, michaelfpainter@comcast.net

Kayakmaster is Vicky Bergmann, beach5kayaks@yahoo.com



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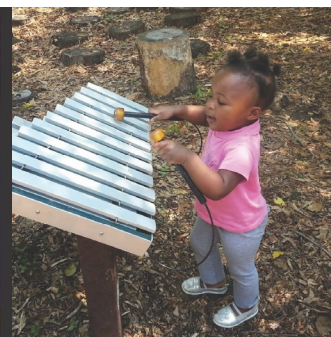
Our next Section 5 meeting will be held Wed, July 17 at 7:30 at Deb's house.

We still have several slips available on both docks!

Please respect our beach and dock rules over the summer months. The week of July 4th will be a busy time at the beach, please be respectful of your neighbors.

Join us for family movie night on July 13th.





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

Great Summer Programs!

Visit www.historiclondontown.org/events for a complete list

Come out **Independence Day**, Thursday, July 4, 10am - 4:30pm, and extend the celebration **Revolutionary London Town**, Saturday & Sunday, July 6 - 7, 10am - 4:30pm.

Our **Summer Family Days** offer great kid-friendly workshops on select Saturdays in July and August! Visit the website for dates and themes.

Save the Date for the **Summer Concert Series** - Sundays, August 4 & 18, 5 - 7pm. In between will be **Celtic Weekend**, Saturday - Sunday, August 10 - 11, 10am - 4:30pm.

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!



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PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR COMMUNITY

- Your Community's assigned fog night is: **Monday**
 - Your community will only ever be fogged on Monday nights during the 2019 season
- Fogging can occur anytime between 7:00 PM and 2:30 AM
 - The fog program will begin on May 29.
 - Fogging will not begin until the community has been notified and we have received the Community Notification Verification Form
 - October 1 is the estimated last day of fogging for 2019
- Residents who do not wish their property to be fogged may file an exemption. The exemption policy and form can be found on our website: <https://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Documents/Exemption%202018.pdf>
- Please stay indoors while fogging operations are being conducted
- For Further information:
 - http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/pages/mosquito_control.aspx
 - mosquito.control@maryland.gov
 - 410-841-5870, mosquito.control@maryland.gov
 - For information on the products used: http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Pages/mc_product_labels_material_safety_data_sheets.aspx



Pet Corner

Rita Robertazzi



I have been asked by neighbors to mention something on wild fox...

Please know that unintentional or intentional feeding of wild fox will promote them staying in the area which usually does not end well for the fox.

Good sites to learn more are:

https://dnr.maryland.gov/wildlife/Pages/plants_wildlife/Redfox ,
Foxes | University of Maryland Extension, and
<https://www.humanesociety.org/resources/what-do-about-foxes>

The University of Maryland site states that in order to help control foxes around suburban areas a homeowner should eliminate all food sources outside. This includes cat and dog food, bird feeders, exposed trashcans, and even compost piles. Compost piles and bird feeders attract small mammals and birds, which in turn, attract foxes.

Although it is natural for fox to be out during the day a mange-stricken fox may be mistaken for a rabid one because of their sickly appearance and seeming lack of fear. Mange-afflicted animals try to maintain their body temperature seeking any warm places they can find. Death may arise from a wide variety of causes, including starvation and hypothermia.

You may contact one of the following for rehabilitation information:

Kathleen Handley (Second Chance Wildlife Center located in Montgomery County)
Kathleen Woods (Phoenix Wildlife Center, Inc. located in Baltimore County)
Mary Martin (Back to the Wild Rehab & Rescue located in St. Mary's County)
Suzanne Shoemaker (Owlmoon Raptor Center located in Montgomery County)
Judy Holzman (All Creatures Great and Small located in Howard County).

The Humane Society site discusses that dens under porches, decks or sheds are not uncommon in urban areas. Further if you find a fox family in an inconvenient spot, consider allowing them to stay until the young are old enough (9 weeks) to begin accompanying their parents on foraging outings. At this point they are nearly ready to say goodbye to the den site and move on for good.

Regarding pets and contact with a fox, the basic precautions are the very same things that are appropriate to do for your pets even if foxes were not around. The Humane Society of the United States site gives the following information:


Pets (continued)

A typical adult cat is almost the same size as a fox and has a well-deserved reputation for self-defense, so foxes are generally not interested in taking such cats on. Kittens and very small (less than five pounds) adult cats, however, could be prey for a fox. The best way to avoid encounters between foxes and cats is to keep your cats indoors—a practice that will keep your cats safe from other hazards as well, such as traffic, disease and fights, to mention only a few.

Most dogs are not at risk from an attack by a fox unless they have threatened its young, but they still should not be left outside unattended for a host of safety reasons, including harassment or dog-napping! Miniature dogs are especially vulnerable to harm from any number of predators, though, including foxes, so they should be even more closely monitored when outside.

Other small animals such as rabbits and guinea pigs should be kept indoors for their health and safety, especially at night. If kept outside in the day, they should be housed in structures that are secure enough to keep out both bird and mammalian predators.




Reminder dogs are prohibited, not allowed at all, on beaches or playgrounds. Leashing dogs will help you to keep track of, and, pick up their waste especially after dark. Wishing all pets and owners a safe summer!



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“A Landscape That Will Make A Difference”

Clean water through the Backyard Buffers program

The Potomac Watershed Partnership, in cooperation with the Maryland DNR Forest Service present the Backyard Buffers Program. This program is designed to assist homeowners who have a stream or other waterway on or adjacent to their property to create a streamside buffer of native trees and shrubs. A streamside buffer can create habitat for wildlife, reduce peak winter temperatures, and reduce the amount of sediment, fertilizer, and toxic materials that enter our waterways. Deep-rooted trees and shrubs can also stabilize streambanks, protecting them from erosion.



What’s in the bag?



The Backyard Buffers program provides a free “buffer in a bag” to help get homeowners started in buffering their streamside. The bag includes 20-30 native tree and shrub bare-root seedlings, approximately 1 to 2 feet in height, of various species that are well suited to streamside conditions.

Also included are fact sheets on the tree species included in the bag, tree planting techniques, proper tree maintenance, and additional information for those who wish to learn more.

How do I get involved?

If you are a homeowner and have a stream or other waterway on or adjacent to your property, and are interested in creating a streamside buffer, call or e-mail your local Backyard Buffer coordinator.



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Backyard Buffer packet reservations are typically taken during the month of March, with bags available for pickup at a designated local site in time for the spring planting season. A limited number of bags are available each year on a first-come first-served basis.

If you need assistance with planting due to a disability, contact the Maryland DNR Forest Service at one of the numbers below.

For more information on riparian forest buffers, visit <http://www.dnr.state.md.us/forests/publications/buffers.html>.

Is it Safe to Swim?

The Anne Arundel County Department of Health tests the water at more than 80 beaches in the county. The water is tested for bacteria that are associated with fecal contamination and the results are used to monitor water quality trends in recreational areas. Testing is carried out based on the location, use, ecological factors, pollution source and overall risk of contamination. Many factors that may affect the readings including runoff, waterfowl and tidal action. Test results may be viewed at <http://www.aahealth.org/recreational-water-quality-report/>.



Please keep in mind that after a rainfall of 1/2 inch or more, all Anne Arundel County beaches remain under a no swimming/no direct contact advisory for at least 48 hours. This advisory is due to the increase of health risks from elevated bacterial levels caused by the rainwater run off.

If you are an empty nester, growing family, or simply ready for a change, I can help. Let me put my 19 years in real estate to work for you.

Contact me with all contact and with all related questions.



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Park Planning Tom Walsh

A special Thank You to all who came out to Westminster Park to help with our Earth Day activity. Volunteers cleared ivy and other vines that were growing on the trees. Left unchecked, the trees will eventually be smothered by the vines and die. Additional work will take place throughout the year at other areas in the Community. Dates will be announced on the web page and in the Conciliator.

Please remember that cutting vines/underbrush from LTPOA land without supervision and permission is strictly forbidden. Any clearing must be approved by the Park Planning and Erosion committees.



Thank you to everyone who came out to assist in the most recent Mayo Rd. cleanup. Our next cleanup will be in the fall. Check the Community Calendar and the LTPOA web site for the exact date.





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

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

The date and location information for Credentials & Ramps (Stickers/Keys) is on the Community Calendar.

Plan ahead! One location will be the **Police Station Meeting Room on June 25th, July 16th & 30th from 7-8PM**

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.

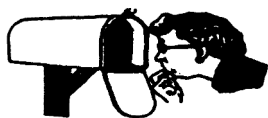
COMMUNITY WEEK

Recent developments with the rehab and construction of the Club House have caused the completion date to be pushed back again. It looked as though we could not hold Community Week at all, but Section Presidents have stepped forward and each have volunteered to sponsor an event during the week of August 11 to August 18. As of this printing, Section 2 will host the **Children's Bicycle Parade and contest** at 10:00 on Saturday the 17th and Section 3 will be hosting the **Volley Ball Game**. Section 5 is looking into **Movie Night** on the beach, and we are looking forward to hearing from Sections 1 and 4. Details (times, dates, and locations) will be posted on the LTPOA web page (ltpoa.info), the Londontowne Community Facebook page, and on the fence outside of the Club House. The Fishing and Crabbing contest, sponsored by Marty's Bait and Tackle will go on as usual. Please contact Marty's to register and for the rules of the contest. In addition, we will be reviving the **My London Towne Photo Contest**. Submit your favorite photo of our community to the Events Committee at ltpoaevents@gmail.com by August 13th. Images will be judge in two categories: Youth (17 & under) and Adult (18 and above). All images will be posted to the Londontowne Community Facebook page. First, Second, Third and People's Choice prizes will be awarded. Visit the Facebook page and vote for your favorite in each category. Winner's names will be posted to the LTPOA web page and announced in the Fall Conciliator. Unfortunately, there will be no crab feast this year as we lack a venue.

If you are interested in volunteering or if you have an idea for an event, contact your Section President – listed on the last page of this newsletter. Not sure what Section you live? Find the answer on the LTPOA web page (ltpoa.info)



London Towne Property Owners
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Club House Office:

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Boat Slip Rentals/Dock Masters:

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Section 2: Shaun Hamill	202-345-5735
Section 3: Norm Pennington	410-956-6763
Section 4:	
Fullerton - Candy Turner	443-223-2263
Bentley - Paul Nelson	410-956-0278
Section 5: Mike Painter	301-404-1148

Administration 443-458-8449

Hall Rental 410-956-4808

Stickers?? Ramp Keys??

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

LTPOA Officers:

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Randy Faulkner, Vice President	410-956-4808
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Pam Brown, Secretary	410-956-4808

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Kim Miller, Section 2	410-245-3128
John Navarro, Section 3	301-892-0534
John Franco, Section 4	410-991-0234
Deb Ament, Section 5	410-804-6968

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