

The Conciliator

London Towne Community Neighborhood Newsletter

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From the President
"Tigger" Ralph T. Brady

As we enter into summertime, we need to remember summer safety. More people are out walking their dogs, biking and children are outside playing. Please slow down and be aware of your surroundings. We all are neighbors and want everyone to be safe when in the community. The beaches are open, and the sun is shining! Remember to put on sunscreen and keep an eye on everyone in the water. The water is fun, but it can also be dangerous. Boaters be sure to take it slow around the swim areas and obey the 6 mile knot. Fishing and crabbing are a great way to spend a day at one of our designated piers.

I would like to thank our volunteers for all the hard work they continue to provide. They have successfully put on comedy nights, bingo and yard sales at the clubhouse, a sock burning/tug-of-war/spring party, plus, they have organized a first ever barn dance. This community does not run without its selfless group of volunteers.

I would like to remind everyone it is important to get community stickers on your vehicles if you wish to park at the beaches and parks. I am happy to report that we have hired on more police officers to patrol our community. We are continuing to create a safe and fun environment for our residents.

Everyone have a fun and safe summer in our community!



Don't forget to check the community calendar for upcoming events (ltpoa.info/communitycalendar).

Community Awareness Week Calendar can be found on page 14. Come join us at one or more of the fun events we have scheduled.

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 5 to see how you obtain stickers for cars, boats, and trailers. **The Association Bylaws and community rules and regulations are on the web site ltpoa.info.**



In order to prevent disturbances to residents and damage to our property, all LTPOA property is closed from 11pm to 6am. Overnight parking for boaters is available by arrangement but overnight habitation on boats is strictly prohibited.

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!



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.



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- Family Struggles
- Divorce - Separation - Blending
- Personality issues
- Coping with Illness
- Career development



HELP WANTED!!

London Towne runs on volunteers and is always looking for folks to help serve the community.

Events, Park Planning, and Erosion, are just a few of the committees looking for volunteers. However, you do not have to join a committee to participate. You can volunteer for a specific event or whatever fits your schedule.

Send an email stating your interest in getting involved to ltpoainfo@gmail.com.



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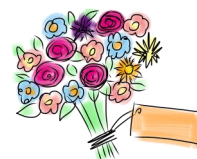
Gray Mott Scholarship Foundation News

The Gray Mott Scholarship Foundation met earlier this year to discuss the Foundation and how to move forward with our mission. We discussed what we have done to obtain scholarship candidates. We have placed information about the scholarship opportunity for graduating seniors in the Conciliator and the community website. We were in contact with the local high school guidance department as well as the vocational arm of South River High School. Gave out flyers at the yard sales and other community events and had contacts in each section talk about the scholarship. Even with this push to get more applicants, we did not get any applicants again this year.

The board met again after the scholarship deadline. The board reviewed the foundation mission and discussed concerns on dwindling number of donors and the lack of applications (2023 is the fourth year without an application submitted) despite the continual outreach via local school administrators, the community newsletter and community events and fundraisers. During that meeting the board voted to dissolve the Gray Mott Scholarship Foundation. The vote was unanimous to dissolve the foundation.

The board then made the decision to donate the balance of our scholarship account to Anne Arundel County Community College Foundation (AACC). The Gray Mott Foundation has had many students attend AACC. AACC Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that promotes the mission of AACC. We donated our funds to the AACC Foundation Scholarship for Associated Degree Completion. We worked with Holly Cole, the Donor Relations and Scholarship Specialist at the Foundation to transfer the money to them.

All paperwork has been submitted to dissolve the Gray Mott Scholarship Foundation. We would like to thank everyone who donated to the Gray Mott Scholarship Foundation over the past decade. We would especially like to thank Devin Capizzi for all the time that he donated to the monthly yard sales and other events that benefited the Gray Mott Scholarship Foundation. Devin, your time and talents benefitted our mission and we truly appreciate you. My personal thanks go to the board members. Your guidance has been invaluable. If you are interested in making a tax-deductible donation, please consider donating to the AACC Foundation. Should you have any questions, feel free to contact me (pam.obee@verizon.net).





RAMPS and CREDENTIALS



LTPOA IDENTIFICATION STICKERS

Vehicle/vessel/trailer credential stickers and boat ramp keys are available through online communication (see below). They are **NOT** available during community meetings.

Credential stickers are only needed to park on our LTPOA community property (ie beaches, parks, playgrounds, marinas, etc.).

If you need a ramp key only or ramp key and stickers, please send requests for online purchase to **candr.ltpoa@gmail.com**. In the email include a picture of your registration(s), your London Towne address and cell phone number. After your information is validated, you will receive an invoice via Square (online payment system). Once the invoice is paid by credit/debit card a representative will contact you for key/sticker delivery

If you need stickers only, please send requests for online purchase to **stickers.ltpoa@gmail.com**. In the email include picture of your registration(s) along with your London Towne address and cell phone number. After your information is validated, you will receive an invoice from a STICKER representative via Square (online payment system). Once the invoice is paid by credit/debit card, stickers will be delivered.

Sticker and Ramp Key Fees

Property Owner Stickers (Valid for 3 calendar years beginning in the year issued) are \$6.00.

Stickers for Renters and Dependents of Property Owners (Valid for the 1 calendar year in which it is issued) are \$10.00.

Ramp Keys are \$50.00. The key is valid for the calendar year in which it is issued. Turn in your old ramp keys to avoid additional fees.

What Documentation Is Required to Purchase Stickers?

- Property Owners - Proof of Property Ownership (Deed, Tax Bill or Settlement papers)
- Tenants/Renters Proof of Residency A fully executed current lease with names of all parties, property address and the expiration date
- All current vehicle, vessel and/or trailer registrations. The documentation must be registered to your London Towne address if you are not a property owner
- Please see the R&C page on **ltpoa.info** for complete requirements.

Section News

Section One: Michael Ryan

Summer season has started off well with many families taking advantage of the early warm days to picnic and play on the beach. The refurbished merry-go-round has been a big hit with young and old. It has continually been in use since its return to our beach area.

Kayak racks and boat slips are fully subscribed; just waiting for placement of vessels. Remember that racks are for active use, not just for storage. If you find that you won't be using your slot please let the kayak coordinator know so space can be reassigned. The weather is heating up and is great for spending time on the water.

The police and police committee have been actively reminding people about parking on LTPOA properties without the required sticker. Stickers information is available at LTPOA.info. At least 1 arrest has been made at section 1 beach for drug possession. Drug dealing in our area seems to go in cycles and we all need to be aware of any signs of drugs and report it to the police when observed.

Remember--if you see suspicious activity on LTPOA property, or anywhere in the area, contact the police.

The geese are starting to return to our beach so it's time to start putting the pinwheels on the beach. They go out about sundown each evening and are taken up in the morning. If anyone would be willing to help either in evening or the morning, please contact Trixie at tryanhc@verizon.net.

Reminder : Dogs/pets are NEVER allowed within the fenced area of ANY of the beaches.



Section News

Section Two: Michele Brady:

Happy Summer 2023!

We have a lot of new faces in the neighborhood! Welcome and please join us on the 3rd Tuesday of each month for our Section Meetings or contact me with any questions or interests!

The porta potty has been placed at Section 2 beach (Delmar Rd.). Donations appreciated! Cash or checks made out to LTPOA Section 2 & dropped off to Kim Miller, 1721 Forestville Rd.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone in the neighborhood and at all of the upcoming community events! The next Comedy Show is on July 1, 2023, at 7pm. Advanced tickets are only \$25 or a table of 8 for \$180. These events have been amazing! Tickets are available at souljoels.com. All the proceeds for the comedy shows will go to the Section 2 Pier Fund! Check ltpoa.info and the London Towne Facebook page for this and other event details.

Thank you to everyone that has updated their LTPOA vehicle stickers. The stickers help the community ensure that the park and beach parking is available to community members.

Please remember to let me know if you would like to reserve the picnic tables at Westminister Park or Beach 2 for gatherings over 10. We do request a \$25 donation for the porta potty when making these reservations at Westminister or Beach 2.

Section 2 Meetings: Meetings are held at the Clubhouse on the 3rd Tuesday of the month (March through October) at 7:00pm.

Section 2 and Committee Meeting Calendar Dates/Times: [https:// localendar.com/ public/LTPOA](https://localendar.com/public/LTPOA)

LTPOA Board of Directors – Section 2 2023 Members: Michele Brady, Kim Miller, Melvyn Heyes, Ryan Stroschein & Chris Derr. Dock Master: Contact Chris Derr: 240-886-3216, cderr11@comcast.net

Kayak Masters: Westminister Park: Kim Miller, kmundorff@gmail.com; Loreley (SW): Jack Valenti, johnmartinvalenti@gmail.com. Rentals are \$50 per year. Please contact Kim or Jack for your reservation requests.

London Towne Community Facebook Group. Please join for community updates. We have a Section 2 email distribution list for more up-to-date information, meeting agendas and minutes. If you want to receive the emails please send your email address to Kelli Blades, kellibladesltown@gmail.com.

Questions: Contact Michele Brady, 443-223-0231, phone or text or by email at shelgw@yahoo.com

Section News

Section Three: John Navarro

As beach three continues to become more popular each summer, let's all make an effort to keep it clean. I will begin putting down pinwheels on May 26 to help keep the geese off the beach.

With our popularity growing, we also start to see people that don't live in London Towne, at all hours of the day and night. If you see something, say something. There is a non-emergency number for the police and you can call them anytime you see any suspicious activities going on. You can remain anonymous. The number is 410-222-8610.

Make sure your vehicles have a LTPOA sticker on them. If you need a sticker, please go online to ltpoa.info to get one.

Our next section 3 meeting is on June 14 at 7:00 at the Club House.

Section Four: Mike Hrubik

Happy Summer 2023!

Section 4 has two grills and accompanying picnic tables that are available for London Towne residents to use at the Bentley Pier area. Both tables have trees offering shade.

Our dockmaster, Rick, has been busy getting maintenance work done at the Fullerton and Bentley piers including electrical upgrades and deck staining. I am very thankful for his efforts in handling these projects and continuing to maintain the strong legacy of our prior dockmasters.

Section 4 Meetings: Our next Section meeting will be held at the Clubhouse at 7pm on June, 29th.



Section News

Section Five: Tony Sledge:

It's time to roll out the grills and enjoy the beaches, please be vigilant while driving, children are outside taking advantage of their summer break.

The next meeting of section 5 will be June 21st at 7:00 pm, held at the clubhouse.

The following are section 5 officers: Anthony Sledge, President, Matt Pickering, Treasurer, Vicky Pickering, Secretary and Vice President

Beach 5: Docks & Kayaks: We have limited boat slips available contact a dock master for more detailed information.

Dockmasters – Vicki Pickering & Tony Sledge dockmasterbeach5@gmail.com or Vicki Pickering cell 202-437-4932 or Tony Sledge cell 240-882-1250

The Kayak/Canoe racks are back in use “yay”

The racks are for the benefit of those who use their kayak or canoe, they are not meant for storage only. If you wish to be considered for rack space in 2023, please email beach5kayaks@yahoo.com. We give priority to Section 5 members and then those who had rack space with us the prior year.

Let us welcome all new beach 5 neighbors to the community. We have an email list for beach 5, for more up-to-date information. If you want to receive the emails, please send your email address to dockmasterbeach5@gmail.com Keep in the know about movie night on the beach, section 5 events, meet and greet and etc.

Friendly Reminder, dogs are not allowed on the beaches or in the playground area. Thank you to those neighbors who volunteer to keep the community beautiful! Special thank you to Bill Parke for tackling the task of staining Dock A and B and Brad Bergmann and Will Hottle for lending a helping hand. Section 5 appreciates you all.

TALKING TRASH

The Mayo Road clean up team from our community meets at the LTPOA clubhouse at 9:00 am. Trash bags and safety vests are provided long pants, closed-toe shoes and gloves are recommended. Cleanup usually takes about an hour.



Watch the Community Calendar and the London Towne Facebook page for the next scheduled cleanup. We hope you'll join us and residents of The Pointe as we help to tidy up our neighborhood.



Park Planning: Tom Walsh



Thanks to all who came & cut the vines killing our trees. It was great seeing everyone. There will be more volunteer opportunities scheduled by your Section. Usually, we have a beach cleanup so check with your Section & help make our community the best ever.

Also, all the beaches are cleaned and open for use as are the playgrounds and parkland. Please be a good neighbor by abiding with the regulations posted on LTPOA signs. Parking at LTPOA beaches, play grounds, boat docks, etc.. is by permit only, so please get your stickers.

Have a great summer and enjoy our community lands/beaches etc.



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.

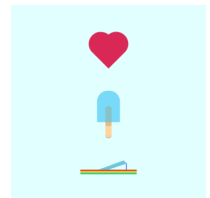
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Second Annual Community Sock Burning and Tug-of-War



London Towne Property Owners Association

2023 Bingo Schedule:



June 25, 2023	5pm-7pm	Join us for a LTPOA Bingo, 50/50 raffle, wine/gift raffle & snacks and drinks
July 23, 2023	5pm-7pm	
August 27, 2023	5pm-7pm	Location: London Towne Clubhouse, 170 Mayo Road Edgewater, MD
September 17, 2023	5pm-7pm	
October 15, 2023	5pm-7pm	
November 19, 2023	5pm-7pm	
December 10, 2023	5pm-7pm	

Saturday
July 1, 2023 and
September 30, 2023
7:00 pm
LTPOA Clubhouse

Souljoels Comedy Show

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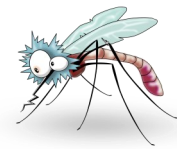
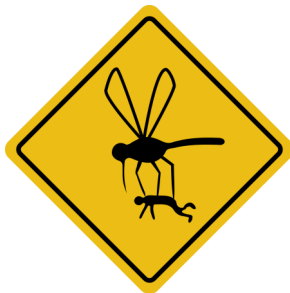


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PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR COMMUNITY

- Your Community's assigned fog night is: **Sunday**
 - Your community will only be fogged on Sunday nights during the 2023 season
 - If we need to fog on a different night due to mosquito borne illness, a press release will be issued and residents with exemptions will be notified.
- Fogging can occur anytime between 7:00 PM and 2:30 AM
 - The fog program will begin on May 31.
 - Fogging will not begin until the community has been notified and we have received the Community Notification Verification Form
 - October 3 is the estimated last day of fogging for 2023
- 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/MosquitoControlExemptionForm.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, 443-875-7798, 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



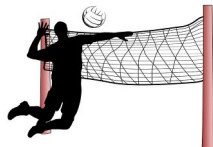


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2023 Community Awareness Week Final Schedule



Saturday August 12, 2023	Parade and Community Week Opening Event	12:45
August 12 to 20	Annual Fishing Contest	Rules and Sign up at Marty's Bait and Tackle
Sunday August 13, 2023	Children's Bike Parade	1:00 pm Line up at Section 5
Sunday August 13, 2023	Rambling Raft Race	2:00 - 3:00 pm Section 3 beach area
Wednesday August 16, 2023	Amelia Mott Volley Ball Contest	6:30 pm Section 3
Friday August 18, 2023	My London Towne Photo Contest Deadline	Rules & submission details at ltpoa.info
Friday August 18, 2023	London Towne Pet Show	7:00 pm Club House
Saturday August 19, 2023	Community Week Yard Sale	9:00 am - 1:00 pm Club House parking lot
Saturday August 19, 2023	Water Parade and Beach Picnic	3:00 pm - 4:30 pm Section 1 Kayak Launch
Sunday August 20, 2023	Annual Crab Feast	1:00pm - 5:00 pm LTPOA Club House



Schedule subject to change due to bad weather. Updates, rules and submission deadlines will be posted on the LTPOA community Facebook page and the LTPOA Community Calendar (ltpoa.info). .





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Please, No Dumping

Spring cleanup is underway throughout the Community and several incidents of dumping on LTPOA property have been reported. Not appliances, tires, or mattresses though they would be bad too, but yard and garden waste. "Hey" you say, "its natural, it'll degrade". Yes, it will, eventually, but adding leaves, branches, grass clippings, etc.. to an area can overwhelm the natural decomposition and disrupt the delicate balance of nature. Plant loss can result in shoreline erosion, more vegetable material in the water encourages algae growth dropping oxygen levels which can effect underwater grasses.

The Erosion and Park Planning committees have long and short-term plans for shoreline and community-owned land. They are aware of erosion and other imperfections and while they appreciate your well meaning attempts to correct these issues, they ask that you use County-provided services to discard your yard waste.



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Section 4: Rick Gammage	443-610-1625
Section 5: Vicki Pickering	202-437-4932
Tony Sledge	240-882-1250

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John Navarro, Section 3	301-892-0534
Mike Hrubiak, Section 4	410-956-4808
Anthony Sledge, Section 5	240-882-1250

Section Meeting Times:

Section 1 - 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
 Section 2 - 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
 March-October.
 Section 3 - 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
 March-October.
 Section 4 - Last Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
 February, March, May, June, August, September, and October.
 Section 5 - 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
 March to October.
 All meetings are at the Club House unless otherwise
 announced