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OH LONDON TOWNE!



The warmer weather is here and the community is throwing off its winter slumber. The trees are lush with leaves and flowers are blooming. The piers and kayak racks are slowly filling and the parks and playgrounds are teeming. Some folks have even braved the still cool waters of the South River. As more folks venture out let's remember to keep safety in mind. Whether you are in a car, on foot, on a bicycle or golf cart please be aware of those around you.

The Events Committee is gearing up for Community Week. This year's celebrations will start on Saturday, August 13th with a parade followed by fun activities for all ages at the LTPOA clubhouse. Back again this year is **the fishing and crabbing contest**, **the children's bike parade, rambling raft race, volley ball, My London Towne photo contest, community yard sale and water parade.** The week will wrap up on Sunday, August 21st with the **annual crab feast**. Winners for the fishing and crabbing and photo contest winners will be announced at the crab feast. See the schedule on page 11. Crab ticket prices and how to purchase them will be posted on the LTPOA web page and London Towne Facebook page closer to the event date. We hope you will join us and we celebrate with our London Towne neighbors.

If you have questions or would like to volunteer (even an hour is helpful) send an email to **Itpoaevents@gmail.com**. Volunteering with LTPOA has, in the past, been accepted to fulfill school-required community service.







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 8 to see how you obtain stickers for cars, boats, and trailers. The Association Bylaws and community rules and regulations are on the web site Itpoa.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 habituation 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 **Itpoa.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 **Itpoainfo@gmail.com** Please put Digital Conciliator in the subject field.

Would you like to ensure your child's safe swimming in summer?

Consider the pollution from stormwater pipes which empty water contaminated by oil, gas, copper from brake linings, rubber from tires, etc. from driveways and roads into our Creeks, as in Beach One, a pipe empties right beside the beach.

You can reduce rainwater into roadways and thus into the Creeks and swimming beaches by capturing rain from your roof and driveway. Direct roof drains into water-barrels which have a faucet at the bottom to which you attach a hose emptying into a planted area or directly into a raingarden. See #2055 and #1925 Shore Drive, where new house construction's roof drains empty into raingardens.

And view my rain-barrel which empties roof runoff into shrubs, benefiting them in dry periods. Its faucet can be turned off to fill the rain-barrel, which then provides water for indoor plants, more beneficial than well-water. In winter, with freezing conditions, the faucet is left open and drains into the garden successfully.

I have also eliminated runoff from my driveway by spreading tree mulch from companies who empty their load free of charge. Spread 4-6" deep, it captures even rapid rainfall. In winter, it is easy to shovel snow from its surface.

Anne Arundel County estimated that it would cost over a billion dollars to restore developed areas whose creeks have been ravaged by stormwater piped into them, destroying their natural life.

We can all help.

Anne Pearson Director, Alliance for Sustainable Communities 2041 Shore Drive Edgewater, MD 21037 207-752-6183







GRAY-MOTT SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION NEWS

By Pam Obee Sargent

The Gray-Mott Youth Scholarship was established in 1989 by the LTPOA. The scholarship is named after two very special men in our community, who dedicated their time to volunteer service in London Towne, Mr. Charles Gray and the Mr. Ralph Mott. Each year LTPOA has recognized up to two students who have demonstrated excellence in community service work. The original awards were \$250.00 each and have been increased based on fundraising efforts. The awards are non-renewable grants for the graduating high school senior who will continue his/her/their education at either a four-year college or university, a two-year junior or community college, or an accredited trade, technical or business school. The Gray-Mott Scholarship Foundation is a 501-C, tax exempt foundation and depends on fundraisers and donations for support. Donations made to the Foundation are tax deductible to the extent of the law.

This year the scholarship was \$2,000.00 unfortunately <u>we received no applications</u>. Help us get the word out for next year! The application is simple with a short essay about schoolwork, community service, etc..



Section News

Section One: Michael Ryan

It looks as if our spring/summer is about to begin. Rain is done for awhile, beach is being used daily, and James has installed the ladder to the swim platform. Thanks are offered to Bernie, Jackie, and Linda for re-staining our picnic tables at beach and docks. This mighty labor of love is truly appreciated.

With all our recent storms much debris has washed up on our beaches. Tides have been high carrying it almost to the fence. With rakes, shovels, trash cans, and much hard work the beach has been cleaned. Thanks to all who participated, especially Devin and his crew.

Welcome to the new residents in our section. To be added to our section mailing list and receive announcements of our section, send your email address to **mryansings@verizon.net.** Section meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Weather permitting, we will meet at docks, otherwise we'll meet at the Clubhouse (watch for signs). Meetings begin at 7:30 pm

Check out our new metallic pinwheels, they really sparkle! Pinwheels at beach for the last few years have worked at keeping beach area mostly free of goose poop during the swim season. They go up each evening about sunset, as close to next high tide as possible, and are gathered up each morning.

Kayak Space Availability

We should be receiving our new kayak rack in a few weeks. If you are interested in a slot, please send your information to **tryanhc@verizon.net** to be put on the list. Cost is \$55 for the season and current sticker required. Lottery will be held for those on the list as soon as rack arrives. Current rack is fully subscribed although the rains and cold have kept some from putting up their kayaks. Let's get those vessels up and get more of you out on the water.

Dock Area

Please note, our sign at the dock area has been replaced due to age and perhaps some vandalism. It looks great, thanks to all who were instrumental in having it done. Flower beds have been spruced up and most are thriving. New dwarf Crepe Mrytle in front bed has sustained damage due to animals. Hopefully it will revive. While we can't do much about the goose poop in this area, the dog poop is a different matter. Please, clean up after your pets and try to keep them from peeing on the flower beds.

Have a great summer season and check **Itpoa.info** neighborhood events throughout the season.

Extra pinwheels (20+), non-metallic, available for other sections, if interested.

Section News

Section Two: Michele Brady:

Section 2 held a cleanup on Saturday, April 30th. Thank you to all who helped get Westminster Park and the beach area ready for warm-weather fun.







We will be holding a potluck picnic on Saturday, June 4th at 5:00 pm. Bring your favorite dish to share. Looking forward to seeing you at Westminster Park!

Section 5: Tony Sledge:

Summer Is right around the corner and warmer days are here ★, please be vigilant while driving, children are outside taking advantage of our beautiful community.

The next meeting of section 5 will be at 7:30 pm on June 15th and will be held at the LTPOA clubhouse.

The current officers are Anthony Sledge, President, Matt Pickering, Treasurer, Vicky Pickering, Secretary, Vice President

There are limited boat slips available for the 2022 season in Beach 5. For more information contact:

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:

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 2022, please email **beach5kayaks@yahoo.com**. We give priority to Section 5 members and then those who had rack space with us the previous year. To be in compliance with LTPOA policy racks must be cleared for the winter months. All kayaks or canoes must be removed as of December 1, 2022.







Section News

Section 5: (cont)

Let us welcome all new section 5 neighbors to the community. We have an email distribution list for our section, for the most 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 etc....

Please enjoy our beautiful beaches \underline{a} , fishing piers \underline{a} , and docks*. Please be mindful to take your garbage with you, when cans are full. 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!



TALKING TRASH



After a two year hiatus, LTPOA and The Pointe are working towards resuming **Mayo Rd cleanup.** Due to COVID restrictions we were forced to suspend cleanup but have now reached a point where we feel it is safe to start again.

The clean up team from our community meets at the LTPOA clubhouse at 9:00 on a designated Saturday. Trash bags and safety vests are provided, long pants, closed-toe shoes and gloves are recommended. The clean up team walks along Mayo Rd towards Central Ave meeting the team from The Pointe part way. Cleanup usually takes about an hour.

Date of the next cleanup will be posted on the LTPOA website and Facebook page.











It will be a MONSTER BASH

The second annual LTPOA Monster Bash will be held in late October. Check the news letter, the LTPOA web page (Itpoa.info) and the London Towne Facebook page for updates regarding date and time. Meanwhile..... time to start thinking about your Trunk-or-Treat decorations or you costume.







RAMPS and CREDENTIALS



LTPOA IDENTIFICATION STICKERS

Vehicle/vessel/trailer credential stickers and boat ramp keys are available through online communication (see below).

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 Itpoa.info for complete requirements.

The First Annual Sock Burning and Tug of War

Was held at on Saturday, April 30th. Good food, good company, and good fun. Thank you to Sections 3 and 5 for their donations and support and to all who brought food to share. Special thanks to Karen Porter for organizing the tug of war. Section vs Section next year?



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 your real estate related questions. Maria Princi Realtor, Londontowne Resident Allison James Estates and Homes Licensed in MD, VA and DC 703-405-7557 maria@iknowdc.com mariaprinci.com



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PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH YOUR COMMUNITY

- > Your Community's assigned fog night is: Sunday
 - Your community will only ever be fogged on Sunday nights during the 2022 season
- > Fogging can occur anytime between 7:00 PM and 2:30 AM
 - The fog program will begin on June 1.
 - Fogging will not begin until the community has been notified and we have received the Community Notification Verification Form
 - October 4 is the estimated last day of fogging for 2022
- 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: <u>https://mda.maryland.gov/plants-</u> pests/Documents/MosquitoControlExemptionForm.pdf
- > Please stay indoors while fogging operations are being conducted
- > For Further information:
 - <u>http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/pages/mosquito_control.aspx</u>
 - <u>mosquito.control@maryland.gov</u>
 - 410-841-5870, 443-875-7798, mosquito.control@maryland.gov
 - For information on the products used: <u>http://mda.maryland.gov/plants-pests/Pages/mc product labels material safety data sheets.aspx</u>









LTPOA 2022 COMMUNITY WEEK PRELININARY SCHEDULE Saturday, August 13 to Sunday, August 21



8/13 to 8/20	Annual Fishing and Crabbing Contest – contest rules and signup at Marty's Bait and Tackle, 95 Mayo Road.
8/13 1:00 to 6:00 pm	Parade and Community Week Opening events. After the parade (parade route TBA), join friends and neighbors at the LTPOA Clubhouse Parking lot for games, family fun, community organizations and local vendors. Anyone interested in participating in the parade or fun night should email Itpoaevents@gmail.com .
8/14 1:00 pm	Children's Bike Parade . Decorate your wheels (bikes, trikes, wagons, strollers and wagons welcome) and yourself and join us for the annual ride from Section 5 to Section 3. Drinks, prizes, and bike safety trips will follow the ride. No motorized vehicles please
2:00 pm	Rambling Raft Race . Bringing back an old favorite. Use your imagination and building skills to construct a unique entry for this fun race. Challenge your friends, family members and neighbors for prizes and bragging rights. All raft occupants must wear appropriate PDFs. All entries must be people powered – see Itpoa.info for details
8/17 6:30 pm	Amelia Mott Volley Ball game . Annual Section vs Section volley ball game. Will Section 1 remain the title holder or will another section unseat them? Game will take place at Section 3.
Midnight	My London Towne Photo Contest entries due. Rules and submission in- structions can be found at Itpoa.info. Winners including People's Choice will be announced on Sunday, August 21 at the Crab Feast.
8/20 8:00 am- 12:00 pm	LTPOA Community Yard Sale in the LTPOA Clubhouse parking lot.
1:00 pm	Community Week Water Parade. Line up at Section 1 kayak launch area. Decorate your people-powered floatable and yourself with water-safe items. All participants must wear appropriate PFDs.
8/21 2:00 pm	LTPOA Crab Feast . Close the week with crabs and fun. Cost TBD closer to the event. Cake wheel, silent auction, people's choice voting for My London Towne Photo contest. Prizes for Fishing and Crabbing contest winners and Photo Contest winners will be awarded.

We are looking for additional volunteers to help us make the week great. Can only spare an hour or two? We'd love to have you join us. Contact the Event's committee at Itpoaevents@gmail.com. Keep this page handy for future reference.





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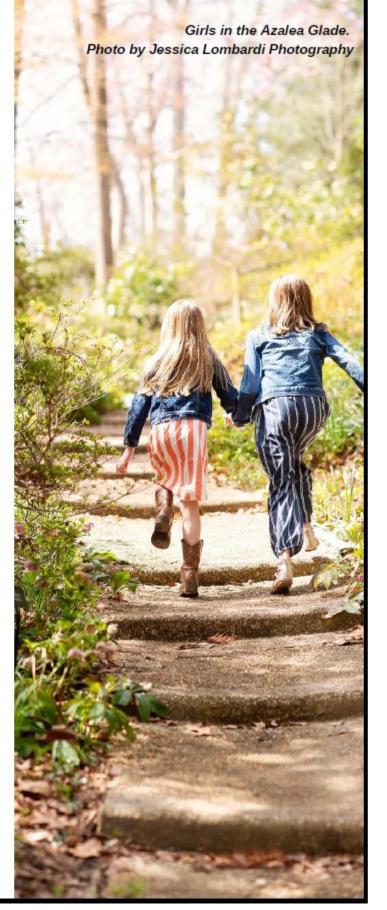
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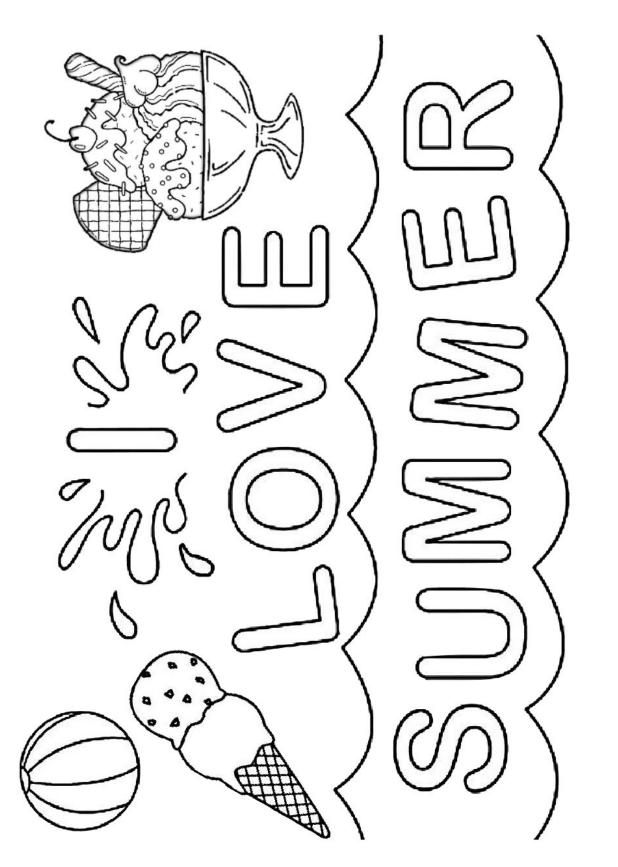
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Color me and bring me to any Community Week event and receive a prize.

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Consider advertising in The Conciliator, the London Towne Property Owner's Association Newsletter. Circulation for the Conciliator is approximately 2000 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 (Spring issue), the 15th of May (Summer issue), the 15th of August (Fall issue) and the 10th of November (Winter 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%)

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





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, Section 4	410-956-4808
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, Section 4	410-956-4808

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 7:00 p.m. March-November.

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