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TPPOA Election

On November 15, 2007 the Turkey Point Property Owners Association held its annual election of officers and members of the Board of Directors. The list of names for 2008 will be published in every newsletter for your convenience. Officers Charlie Candon as President, Charlie Rader as Vice President and Ralph DeLalla as Secretary/Treasurer volunteered to continue in their same capacity in 2008. All other current members agreed to continue for another year. In addition Bill Hague was welcomed to the 2008 Board. We are fortunate to have representatives from all around our Island. Members live on Turkey Point Rd., Carroll Dr., Boyd Dr., Bay Dr., Knox Dr., Paca Dr., and now Brice Dr. As neighbors everyone can help by volunteering with Island projects and activities. A little help from a lot of people makes any project easier. Thanks to the 2007 Board for their time and efforts this past year and their willingness to continue in 2008.

Volunteers

Much of the work done on the island for Turkey Point Day, the Spring Fling, Halloween, Holiday Decoration Contest, Yard Sale etc. is done by volunteers. Many people help out but one person is usually designated to coordinate or "chair" the event. Chairs are needed for Turkey Point Day and Playground Maintenance. A chairperson's primary responsibility is to coordinate the volunteers. Please contact any Board member if you would like more details or are interested in volunteering.

Santa Collects Toys

Darkness and rain couldn't dampen the spirit of Christmas on December 2 when Santa came riding in a fire truck (Woodland Beach fire engine) to collect toys for less fortunate boys and girls. Santa made stops at Brice Drive, Murray Drive and Knox Drive. He picked up the gifts that residents had thoughtfully protected from the rain (with umbrellas and plastic bags) and handed out candy canes to the children who were waiting for him. Of course he listened to the children's Christmas wishes too. There was no head count this year but it looked like Santa made a good haul. Many less fortunate children had gifts this year because of the generosity of Turkey Pointers. Thanks to Paul Mills and Charlie Rader for coordinating with the firemen to make this annual project a success.

Turkey Point Property Owners Association

General Meeting

WHEN:

Wednesday
February 20, 2008

WHERE:

Kiwanis Club
Carrs Wharf Road

TIME:

6:00 -Social

Sample Turkey Point clothing will be on hand

6:30-Dinner

Pot Luck-Please bring a dish to share!

7:00-Meeting

2008

Turkey Point Calendar of Events

February 20th	General Meeting
March 29th	Spring Fling
TBA	Dumpster Days
April 26th	Spring Cleanup
TBA	Yard Sale
May 21st	General Meeting
June 7th.....	Turkey Point Day
September 17th.....	General Meeting
October 31st	Halloween Party
November 19th.....	General Meeting
December 7th	Operation Santa

Visit us on the Web at: www.turkeypointisland.com

Annual Dues Raised

At the November 15, 2007 general meeting the Turkey Point Property Owners Association annual dues were raised from the current \$15 to \$50. The new rate will be effective July 1, 2008.

There was discussion before the vote on the reasons for the need to raise the dues. Several specifics were cited. There is an impending need to replace the boardwalk that leads to the community pier. Current estimates to replace the boardwalk are approximately \$30,000. Dues pay for upkeep of our playground area and equipment and upkeep of community signs, benches, and walkways. Donations and monies collected for the Halloween party, our annual Turkey Point Day and our Spring Fling

do not totally pay the expenses of these activities. The differences are paid with dues money. This newsletter and the stamps to mail it are paid for with dues money. Operating costs are ever increasing. Not soon, but somewhere down the road the pier itself will need major repair or replacement. A replacement is estimated at approximately \$50,000.

Many islanders present voted to raise the dues to \$100. However, by a slim margin the vote was to increase to \$50 a year. As always, any comments or opinions are welcome. Anyone with comments or concerns is encouraged to e-mail **Charlie Candon** at cac@lawpga.com or call Charlie at **410-798-1848**.

Did You Know That . . .

- ▲ There is a list of neighbors who own four-wheel drive vehicles that can help anyone in need by providing transportation should we have a "weather event" this winter season. Call any Board member listed on page one of the newsletter to find out who might be available to give a hand.
- ▲ You can receive e-mail messages concerning items of interest to Turkey Point Island residents. Just e-mail Ralph DeLalla at rdelalla@verizon.net and he will add your address to the list of those receiving messages.
- ▲ Downed power lines are dangerous—stay clear. If you see downed electrical wires, stay away, warn others and call BGE at **410-685-0123** or **1-800-685-0123** immediately..

- ▲ There are 189 voting precincts in Anne Arundel County.
- ▲ To stop those annoying phone solicitations you can sign up for the National "Do Not Call Registry" for both your home and cell phones at **1-888-382-1222**.

Valentine's Day is just around the corner!

Order your flowers or pick up a unique gift for that special someone in your life.

Peninsula Parties



410-798-0081
951 Central Avenue
Next to Sam's Market

Young Helpers Wanted

Is there a young person in your household who would like to earn extra money and help a neighbor? It could be babysitting, raking leaves, walking pets, shoveling snow or whatever. Call me (**Carole Rader** at **410-798-0095**) and tell me about it and I will put your information in the next newsletter. Between newsletters the information can be posted on our Turkey Point web site. We have two young men who will shovel snow if you give them a call. **Taylor Madden** can be reached at **410-798-8888** and **Billy Johnson** at **410-353-4435**. Thanks guys

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Holiday Decoration Contest

Over the holidays judges selected the winning homes in the Holiday Decoration Contest. First place went to **Bill and Denise Hague** at 1112 Brice Drive. Second was **Dave and Gloria Welch** at 3724 Bay Drive and third place went to **Dave and Carol Palmer** at 1158 Turkey Point Road. As always, the judging required tough choices. Thanks to the judges and congratulations to the winners. Thanks also to the Old Stein Inn and Ledo's Pizza for the prizes.

Thoughtful, Considerate Neighbors

BY CAROLE RADER

Everyday, thoughtful consideration for and from your neighbors is something we pride ourselves on as part of the Turkey Point Island community. Every now and then, as newsletter editor, I get a call or e-mail from someone about something we could do that would make life nicer “if only people would stop and think” about the little things.

1) Care in putting out trash and recyclables. We all know how strong the winds can be and how quickly a calm day can become a windy one, especially in winter. Unsecured newspapers, lightweight plastic bottles, and trashcan lids are particularly susceptible to the wind. Putting a weight on paper helps. Newspapers placed in a bag on top of plastic ware also helps to keep those items contained. Plastic trashcan lids secured to their base

with rope will help keep them from being flying saucers. It really only takes a little more effort and your neighbors will appreciate it.

2) Picking up after your animals. Most of us do a good job with this. There are a few that either don't pick up or who let their animals roam without supervision. Reducing animal waste that would make its way into the Chesapeake Bay is a big environmental plus. And anyone who spends time outside will find it more pleasant to smell the flowers. We can't help what the wild animals leave behind but we can clean up after our pets.

3) Riding pocket bikes and gas-powered stand-up scooters. Do you know that these toys are only legal on private property? They are illegal on all public roadways and sidewalks. This is because they

present a danger to their riders and to other people or vehicles that must travel around them. To legally drive a motor scooter on a public road, a driver must have a valid license or state moped operator's permit. The roads on Turkey Point are public roads and highway laws apply. If you or your child gets stopped driving a pocket bike or ATV on a public road, you could be charged with:

- ▲ Driving an unregistered motor vehicle on a highway—\$275 fine
- ▲ Driving on a highway without the required license or permit—\$315 fine
- ▲ Causing a child under the age of 15 to drive a motor vehicle on a highway—\$275 fine
- ▲ Driving a vehicle on a sidewalk where prohibited—\$55 fine
- ▲ Parent or guardian authorizing a minor to violate motor scooter laws—\$35 fine.

Automated External Defibrillator (AED)

Everyone should be aware by now that Turkey Point Island is in the process of purchasing two AEDs. A vote was taken at last September's general meeting to devote \$1,000.00 from the Association treasury for this worthwhile purchase. Islanders generously donated additional money that allowed the Island to receive a MATCHING GRANT of \$1,600.00.

Division Chief Michele DeLalla is graciously giving her time and expertise to coordinate the purchase of the two AEDs and everything that is needed to make them operational. She has also conducted classes in her home that included CPR training and hands-on use of an AED. Michele placed the AED order in November. As of mid January one cabinet had been received. She was still waiting for the second cabinet and the actual AEDs. The Board of Directors will be sure that everyone receives the information on where and when the AEDs are available for use. There will also be information on the times and locations for the CPR and AED training classes that are given by the Anne Arundel County Fire Department. Watch for an update in the May newsletter or online at www.TurkeyPointIsland.com.

SHIVER ME TIMBERS

It's Almost Time for Spring Fling

Mark your Calendar!



March 29th is the date for this year's Spring Fling and **Pirates of the Caribbean** is the theme. Channel your best Jack Sparrow and join us for a swashbuckling good time! Great food, great music, great

company! Watch for a flyer coming soon with more details.



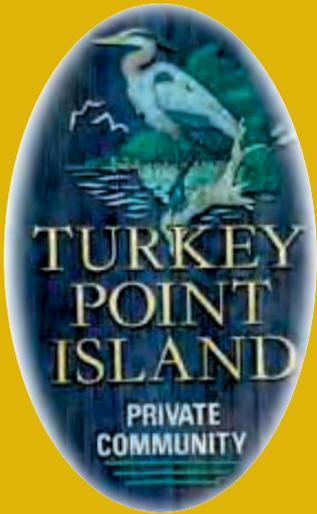
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Primary Elections February 12th

[Let Your Voice be Heard!](#)

Maryland's primary elections will be held on February 12, 2008. The voting location for Turkey Point residents is the United Methodist Church on Old Turkey Point Road. At exactly 7:00 a.m. the polls will be open for voters and they will remain open until 8:00 p.m. Only registered Republicans and Democrats may vote in the primary. The deadline to register for the primary has passed (January 22nd) but there is lots of time to register for the general

election on November 4th. The deadline for that is October 14th. Registration forms are available at the information desks in libraries, at the Post Office, at the Department of Motor Vehicles and at most senior centers. If you have access to a computer you can download the form from the Board of Elections web site (www.elections.state.md.us). The forms must be signed and mailed to the Board of Elections at the address provided on the form. An "original" signature is

necessary on an application.

There are strong candidates in both parties. Since the primaries decide who will represent each party in the general election, the primary is every bit as important as the general election. Also, it is a fact that politicians listen harder to communities that turn out large numbers of voters. We want our views and concerns heard. Several of your Turkey Point neighbors will be working at the polls. **Come say hello and VOTE.**