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Raising TPPOA Dues

The TPPOA's dues have been \$15.00 a year since 1996. At the November 15, 2007 meeting a discussion and vote will be held to decide how much to raise dues, if at all.

The TPPOA Board believes the dues should be raised for a number of reasons:

- The community boardwalk will have to be replaced within the next couple of years.
- The community pier needs maintenance and upkeep.
- Community property requires routine maintenance and upkeep.
- Cloud field and the playground require routine maintenance and upkeep.
- Community signs, benches, pathways and beaches require routine maintenance and upkeep.
- Trash containers and recycling bins on community property need monitoring and maintenance.
- Repairs to community property damaged by storm surges and other weather events must be anticipated.

Turkey Point is a private community that allows all of us to enjoy exclusive access to our beautiful community beaches, overlooks, and private pier. Along with these exclusive privileges comes the exclusive responsibility (and expense) of protecting and maintaining community property. The county is not responsible for maintaining Turkey Point community property. In the past, a small consistent pool of volunteers has maintained the island. However, with jobs, families, and other concerns it is no longer possible to rely on volunteer efforts alone to maintain the island. Therefore, some or all of the necessary island maintenance will have to be contracted out.

Please attend the November 15, 2007 meeting to vote on the dues issue.

TPPOA Elections The election of President, Vice-president, Treasurer, Secretary and Board Members will take place at the general meeting on **November 15, 2007 at 7 p.m.** at the Kiwanis Club on Carr's Wharf Road. Anyone wishing to serve on the Board should contact Charlie Candon at **410-798-1848** or **cac@lawpga.com**. Board meetings take place on the second Tuesday of the month (none in July and August) at 7:30 p.m. The meetings last approximately one hour. Community involvement is important to maintain the quality of life on the island. Participating assures your voice in community choices. **ALL ARE WELCOME.**

Turkey Point Property Owners Association

November 15th General Meeting

The November General meeting of the Turkey Point Property Owners Association will be held early this year. Because our normal date (the third Wednesday in November) is the day before Thanksgiving the Board felt it wise to find an alternate date. The meeting will be held on November 15 with the social hour at the usual 6:00 p.m., a potluck dinner at 6:30 and the meeting at 7:00 o'clock. There will be important issues discussed. Three of the issues are a **progress report on the AED (automated external defibrillator), a possible Association dues increase, and the election of Board members for the upcoming year.** Everyone is encouraged to come to the meeting even if you cannot make the earlier doings. It's the best way to keep informed.

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

Automated External Defibrillator for Turkey Point Island

Each year more than 95,000 adult Americans die from cardiovascular disease, making it the number one cause of death in the United States.

Sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) strikes people, usually without warning, of all ages and all degrees of fitness. Lives can be saved if cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) is administered quickly and if an automated external defibrillator (AED) is readily available.

For some time our community has considered the possibility of an AED for Turkey Point Island.

Questions such as cost, location and security of the equipment and the training for residents in its use have been asked repeatedly but not answered.

At the September 19th general meeting Michele De Lalla spoke about the critical situation that exists for island residents. Michele is a Battalion Chief with the Anne Arundel County Fire Department. She cited statistics showing that in places where AED programs provide immediate CPR and deliver shock within three minutes after collapse the survival rates are good.

For each minute that passes without CPR and defibrillation the chance of survival decreases dramatically.

If a 911 call is made immediately and **if** the traffic is not too heavy emergency equipment could get to our island in approximately 12 minutes. That's the very best we can hope for—too long in most cases. Clearly, the availability of an AED right here on Turkey Point Island offers the chance of much faster response.

You can help make this a

reality by volunteering with fund raising and/or by making a monetary donation yourself. The AED is expected to cost approximately \$2500. Attendees at the September general meeting voted to contribute \$1000 from the Association treasury toward the purchase of an AED with the remainder to come from contributions. If you have any questions regarding this purchase please feel free to contact Charlie Candon at **410-798-1848** or online at **cac@lawppga.com**. **Donation checks should be made out to TPPOA and sent to Ralph DeLalla at 3717 Carroll Dr.**

Michele has volunteered to lend her time and expertise to help obtain the AED and the training we will need. You can find information about AEDs by searching the web or by calling the American Red Cross. Michele is also available to answer your questions online if you wish to contact her at **RDeLalla@comcast.net**. With your help we can implement one of the first truly public access AED programs and have the potential of saving someone near and dear to us and our community.

Financial Statement

At each general meeting of the Turkey Point Property Owners Association the current finances of the Association are reviewed and discussed. Any property owner who has questions or concerns regarding the finances should attend the general meetings. As always, the Board is interested in input from any islander.

Phragmites Sprayed

On Friday, October 5th Julie Slacum from the Department of Natural Resources, National Fish and Wildlife Service came to Turkey Point Island and sprayed the phragmites in the marsh area near the community pier. The chemical used was glyphosate. Glyphosate is a broad-spectrum aquatic herbicide that is virtually nontoxic to mammals, birds, and fish. It can be purchased at any store that sells agricultural chemicals. Friday's spraying was the first step in reducing these invasive plants that are spreading throughout the marsh.

When applied to the foliage of actively growing plants, glyphosate is absorbed and transported throughout the plant tissues. The herbicide kills the entire plant: leaves, stems and rhizomes. This is especially important since phragmites spread through rhizomes. The phragmites are already turning brown and will die in 6-8 weeks. Once dead they should be mowed. The treatment will be repeated as necessary to manage new growth.

The aggressive invasion of phragmites into Chesapeake Bay wetlands is contributing to further loss

and degradation of our wetlands. By managing invasive species such as phragmites, we can begin to restore the natural

ecosystem balance necessary for a healthy Bay. More information is available from the Chesapeake Bay Program – Phragmites at www.chesapeakebay.net/exotic.htm and from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources – Phragmites at www.dnr.state.md.us/wildlife/phrag.htm.



Flu Season



It's November and the flu season is upon us. Once again the Anne Arundel County Department of Health is providing flu vaccination clinics in several locations.

Although immunizations are free, the Health Department appreciates donations to help the cost of administering the vaccines. The suggested donation is \$20. Medicare Part B will cover the \$20 donation. Pneumococcal vaccine will also be available for \$20 and is recommended for persons over 65 and for persons with chronic heart or pulmonary conditions. Below is a list of sites with dates, addresses and hours of operation.

November 6th at the South County Senior Center, 27 Stepneys Lane, Edgewater from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

November 8th at the Pasadena Senior Center, 4103 Mountain Road, Pasadena from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

November 13th at the Health Services Building, 3 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

November 27th at the Maryland City Fire Station, 3498 Fort Meade Rd., Laurel from 9 a.m. to noon

November 28th at the Glen Burnie Improvement Association, 19 Crain Highway South, Glen Burnie from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

November 30th at the Anne Arundel Community College, CALT Bldg., Rm. 100, 101 College Pkwy., Arnold from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

December 6th at the Arnold Senior Center, 44 Church Road, Arnold from 9 a.m. to noon

December 11th at the Health Services Building, 3 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

If none of the above times and locations are convenient, watch the newspapers and store ads for locations, hours and prices in our area. Think about this. Flu is no fun!

Did You Know That . . .

▲ Christmas and New Years fall on Tuesdays in December and January. Our curbside trash collection that would be Tuesday will instead be Wednesday (December 26 and January 2) on these two weeks.

▲ Our community pier has two litter containers – one for recycle items and one for trash. The “recycle “ barrels are for bottles and cans. Bottles and cans should not go in the “trash” containers.

▲ Bikes and skateboards on our community boardwalk or pier are dangerous for both the riders and walkers. The surface is not even and is unsafe for either bikes or skateboards.

▲ For safety sake, taper and pillar candles should be extinguished when they get down to two inches from the holder. Containerized candles should not remain lighted when they are down to one-half inch of wax.

▲ Emergency Service Dispatchers take calls 24 hours a day, seven days a week. If you see water bubbling up from the ground and running down the roadway, call Emergency Services at **410-451-4118**.

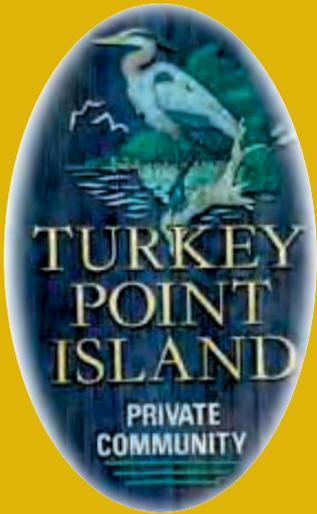
▲ If you misplace your copy of The Island Times you can find it online at **www.turkeypointisland.com**.

Upcoming Events

Island clothing will be on sale at the November 15th general meeting at the Kiwanis Hall. Lee Ann Candon will have clothing (including children sizes) for purchase on the spot and will take orders for items not on hand. She will place the order immediately after the meeting so that those items will be sure to be in before Christmas. These items make great gifts and are a community fundraiser.

Mark your calendars for the annual **Operation Santa on December 2nd**. This is a chance for all of us to help the less fortunate by giving wrapped Christmas gifts to children who might not otherwise have the thrill of gifts at this holiday time. Last year we had approximately 75 islanders waiting at the designated stops with gifts. Let's see if we can have an even larger turnout with more gifts this year. Watch for a flyer with details as the date gets closer.

The **Second Annual Turkey Point Island Holiday House Decoration Contest** is scheduled for late December. Last year several of our younger residents served as judges and did a great job. The decorations were quite varied and made our island bright and beautiful to see. There will be more information as the details are worked out.



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**Turkey Point Island
 Calendar of Events
 for 2007**
*Nov. 15th General Meeting
 Dec. 2nd Operation Santa*



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410-956-6700