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# THE ISLAND TIMES

## Elections: Come One Come All, Take Part—Vote!

Each November all Turkey Pointers have the opportunity to elect a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Board Members for the Turkey Point Property Owners Association. This year the election will be conducted on November 18 at the TPPOA General Meeting.

The Board meets once a month except for July and August when meetings are suspended for the summer. The meetings last for approxi-

mately an hour. Board decisions are made concerning activities, upkeep of island property, and concerns of resident safety that affect everyone. It is important that as many Islanders as possible take part and vote.

If you are interested in participating and running for President, Vice President or would like to be a Board member, please call me at **410-798-1848** or send me mail at [ccandon@lawpga.com](mailto:ccandon@lawpga.com)



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## Pier Use and Trash

BY CHARLIE CANDON

Among the many enjoyable activities available to all Turkey Pointers and their guests is the ability to crab, fish or sunset gaze on the community pier. Anyone who has not engaged in at least one of these activities is not taking full advantage of our island.

One of the least enjoyable activities – I recently found out – is cleaning up and emptying the trash barrel and recycling bin at the end of the pier. A description of the smell of old chicken necks, bait and the sight of teeming maggots is beyond this writer's ability.

The Board has been trying to come up with an acceptable solution to this problem. The best solution so far seems to be to remove the trash and recycling containers and ask pier users to carry away all that they bring. Anyone with another suggestion is encouraged to send me mail at [ccandon@lawpga.com](mailto:ccandon@lawpga.com) or to contact any Board member with his or her idea. The Board will hold off removing the containers in hope that another solution is suggested.

Also, please remember that guests using the pier and beaches are to be accompanied by a resident. This prevents non-residents from using the pier and beaches, which I think, will eliminate a lot of the trash problem.

## Trespassing on the Island

The Anne Arundel County police department advises everyone to report any and all suspicious or unwanted activity on the island by calling 911—not the local phone number for the police. Recently an intoxicated homeless person was on the pier and in the water. Two islanders were crabbing and fishing from the pier. This made for a very uncomfortable experience. A call to 911 brought two officers in short order and the individual was escorted off the island. Shortly thereafter two young islanders were seen playing on the pier. A heartfelt thanks goes out to the Anne Arundel County police department and to the reporting islander.

## Turkey Point Teen Publishes Picture Book

Maggie Mei Lewis of Turkey Point Road autographed copies of her new picture book, *Moonlight Memoirs—Remembering That Family and Friends Are Forever* on Turkey Point Day, September 19, 2009. As a result of the sales, fifty dollars was donated to the Turkey Point Property Owners Association. The *Capital* did a nice piece on Maggie. Check it out at:

<http://www.hometownannapolis.com/news/09/2009/10/15-58/Edgewater-girl-pens-inspirational-book-Moonlight-Memoirs.html>

*Moonlight Memoirs*, illustrated by wildlife artist Melody Lea Lamb, is a story about two young

mice who venture out on a moonlit winter's night. Their outing turns into a life changing event when an old mouse beckons them to follow. This wise, old mouse—along with several other animal friends—teaches the two mice a comforting lesson about love's eternal nature. Appreciated by children and adults of all ages, *Moonlight Memoirs* is a wonderful book to read aloud or to give to someone you love. It is especially appropriate during times of loss.

For more information about *Moonlight Memoirs*, visit [www.moonlightmemoirs.com](http://www.moonlightmemoirs.com). If you would like to purchase a copy without paying shipping, we will deliver it to you! Call Greta Johnson at **443-822-4258**. Watch for book signings in local bookstores this fall!



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## Turkey Point Property Owners Association General Meeting

**WHEN:**  
 Wednesday  
 November 18th, 2009

**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

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## Flu Season is Now

The Anne Arundel County Department of Health's immunization program to provide free seasonal flu vaccines to county residents began in October. Note that this program is for vaccinations for the annual strain (not Swine flu) that the Center for Communicable Disease (CCD) suggests on an annual basis. Flu vaccinations are free to county residents; however, a \$20 donation is appreciated. Medicare Part B will cover the \$20 donation if residents bring their Medicare cards. Information about clinic dates and locations is available by



calling **410-222-7343** or visiting the web site at [www.aahhealth.org](http://www.aahhealth.org)

Dates are uncertain as to when the H1N1 vaccine will be available to all Marylanders. State health officials have announced that they are planning to administer it in three phases at more than 2,000 sites. Five manufacturers have been working on a vaccine, which will be distributed by the federal government. It is expected to be sent to states in weekly shipments and, although no firm date has been given, available in November.

## THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

As we usher in a new year for our officers and Board of Directors, it's time to say "THANK YOU" to our current Board and all of the many volunteers that worked to keep our island a beautiful and all around great place to live. Volunteers are responsible for such things as Island Clean Up Day, the Community Yard Sale, Dumpster Days, Turkey Point Day, the Halloween Party, Operation Santa, Turkey Point Island Clothing sales, delivering event flyers, posting events on the causeway sign, upkeep of the playground equipment and play area, set up and clean up for the General Meetings and *The Island Times* Newsletter.

**THANKS TO EACH AND EVERY ONE WHO VOLUNTEERS!**

## FYI—Cell Phone Numbers Go Public

Cell phone numbers are going public. Soon, if not already, cell phone numbers are being released to telemarketing companies and you will start to receive sales calls. You can expect to be charged for these calls. Even if the message is not answered but is saved on your phone, you will be charged for the minutes to listen to it.

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) is the Nation's consumer protection agency. They have established a telephone line and an Internet site for consumers to use to register their cell phones on the FTC "Do Not Call" list. There is no cost to you to register.

To register your phone number, dial (using your cell phone) **1-888-382-1222**.

You must use the phone with the number you want blocked to make this call. Online, go to [www.ftc.gov/donotcall](http://www.ftc.gov/donotcall). When registering online you will be required to respond to a confirmation email before registration will become valid.

Telemarketers have up to 31 days from the date you register to stop calling you. Your cell phone number will remain on this list for five years.

The FTC has specific steps consumers should take if they have put their phones on the National Do Not Call Registry and they are called by telemarketers. Information about what constitutes a violation and specifics about how to file a complaint are available at the [www.ftc.gov/donotcall](http://www.ftc.gov/donotcall) site. See "How to Make A Telemarketing Complaint" for complete information.



## Financial Statement

At each general meeting of the Turkey Point Property Owners Association the current finances of the Association are announced. Any property owner with a question or concerns regarding the finances should attend the general meetings. As always, the Board is open to input from any islander.

## Census 2010 is Coming

The U.S. Constitution requires the count of people living in the country every 10 years, regardless of their citizenship status. Early next year the U. S. Census Bureau will be sending out a 10-question form to every household in the United States. Clout in Congress and billions in future federal dollars ride on the once-a-decade head count. In the 2000 count, 69 percent of Marylanders returned census questionnaires by mail or submitted information in another form, over the phone or by Internet. The nation averaged a 67 percent response rate.

The 2010 census timeline calls for questionnaires to be

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mailed in February 2010. April 1, 2010 will be Census Day. Between April and July 2010 census takers will visit households that did not mail in their questionnaires. In December 2010 the Census Bureau will deliver population counts to the president. Finally, in March 2011 the Census Bureau is scheduled to complete delivery of redistricting data to states.

Per the U.S. Constitution, each U.S. House district has roughly the same number of people. The census is used to determine how many representatives each state will have. The 2010 census will be interesting in that states like Minnesota, Massachusetts and New York, as well as a handful of others, face the possibility of losing seats in the 435-member House to faster-growing states in the South and West.

## Did You Know That...

- ▲ You can pick up a FREE recycling container or compost bin at the Anne Arundel County recycling Office at 2662 Riva Road, Annapolis.
- ▲ The median size of new houses in the U.S. shrank last year and are nearly 200 square feet smaller than two years ago.
- ▲ Robins like to eat earthworms in the morning and fruit later in the day.
- ▲ Colors influence mood; orange activates excitement about life, blues are relaxing, and yellows naturally lift your spirits.
- ▲ This and back issues of *The Island Times* are always available on the Web at: [www.turkeypointisland.com](http://www.turkeypointisland.com)



## Visibility at Our Intersections

There is a visibility problem at several intersections on our Island. Shrubs and grasses too close to the corners make it dangerous not only for cars but also for walkers—young and not so young—and anyone on a bike.

If you own a corner lot, take a walk along the street to the intersection and look to see if your shrubs or grasses need pruning. It could save someone serious injury.

## A Warm Turkey Point Welcome!

The past few months have seen a number of property turnovers on Turkey Point Island. From all of us who have been here for a long, long time and from those who have come to our Island more recently, we send a genuine WELCOME. We hope you will enjoy living here and will become an active member of our community.

Participation in our property owners association (TPPOA) is totally voluntary. Volunteers plan and participate in all of the social events and most of the general upkeep of community property.

General meetings of the TPPOA are held the third Wednesday in February, May, September and November. Volunteering is one of the best ways to get to know not only Turkey Point Island, but the entire Mayo peninsula as well. And, there is no better way to meet your neighbors. The General Meeting on November 18th at the Kiwanis Club on Carrs Wharf Road is a good place to start.

## Operation Santa—December 6th

December 6th is the date this year for the annual "Operation Santa" gifts for kids collection. Once again the Woodland Beach Fire Department will be collecting gifts for children who would otherwise not have quite as happy a holiday. The designated "Santa Stops" (traditionally along Turkey Point Road) will be marked for easy identification. The gifts should be wrapped and marked for a boy or girl and indicate an appropriate age for the particular gift. Watch for the causeway sign to confirm the actual time that the fire engines are expected. And, be sure to get the kids involved as they really enjoy piling up the gifts and seeing Santa come by.

