

# THE ISLAND TIMES



## Island Clean-Up Day

Many thanks to all the ISLANDERS who joined in the ISLAND WIDE CLEAN-UP on April 30th. In addition to those who strolled the Island with trash bags picking up trash, many projects were also accomplished.

New steps were put on the beach end of the pier, many boards on the boardwalk were replaced and a crew walked the length of the pier and boardwalk generally inspecting and securing all of the nails and screws.

The bulkhead at the end of the pier was repaired and re-fortified and new dirt and sod was put in place around the bulkhead to prevent further erosion. The street area leading to the pier was cleaned up with a recently fallen tree cut back and shrubbery removed. The channel for water run off was redone so as to prevent the runoff from washing away the new sod and dirt at the bulkhead.

The Marsh dedication sign was spruced up by planting new vegetation and putting in a timber border. The corner of the Marsh at Boyd Drive was trimmed and the Marsh at Paca Drive was cleaned up.

More gravel was put on the path to the beach at the end of Turkey Point Road to allow more access to the beach.

The playground got a weeding and cleanup. Then

new wood chips were delivered and spread about to make the playground look almost like new again.

Many loads of debris and marsh clippings were taken to the county landfill. As you can imagine, many volunteers participated in the activities. The Board and ALL Islanders thank the many participants who joined in beautifying OUR ISLAND.

This participant had a great time working with fellow islanders for a common cause.



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Turkey Point Day ≈ September 10th
- General Meeting ≈ September 21st
- Halloween Party ≈ October 31st
- General Meeting & Board Election ≈ November 16th
- Operation Santa ≈ December 4th

## WANTED NEWSLETTER EDITOR BY CAROLE RADER

The current editor of the Turkey Point newsletter is retiring after the November 2011 edition. After six years in the job I feel that we need new blood with new ideas and new input on what is important to our residents. If you would like to be an active part of our community in this capacity or know of someone who would, please contact me at **410-798-0095** or Charlie Candon at **410-798-1848**.

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## Turkey Point Property Owners Association General Meeting

WHEN:

Wednesday  
September 21st

WHERE:

Kiwanis Club  
Carrs Wharf Road

TIME:

6:30 - Social  
Sample Turkey Point  
clothing will be on hand

7:00 - Dinner  
Pot Luck - Please bring a  
dish to share!

7:30 - Meeting

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# Marylanders Grow Oysters Program On Turkey Point Island

For many years now, residents with waterfront piers have participated in growing oysters off their docks in an effort to support the native oyster population.

Currently, the oyster growing program, *Marylanders Grow Oysters*, is managed by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources in conjunction with the Oyster Recovery Partnership, the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science, and local organizations, including the South River Federation.

By hanging cages of baby oyster spat off private piers, as well as our Community pier, we are able to protect young oysters during their vulnerable first year of life, so they may be planted on local sanctuaries where the oysters enrich the ecosystem and our oyster population. The oyster



PHOTO BY DAVID PECOR

*Selby Bay oyster growers Emily and Brooke Szachnowicz, Lee Ann Candon and Becky Fitzsimmons plant buckets of baby oysters onto the sanctuary reef in Glebe Bay.*

After about nine months of protection in cages, volunteers are able to plant the oysters onto sanctuary reefs (we plant our oysters right here in the South River) that are closed to harvesting. Many thanks to our oyster volunteers! Anyone interested in helping care for this year's spat may contact **Lee Ann**

population today is only about 2% of historical numbers. Participation in this program helps the local population flourish and helps clean the water, as oysters are able to filter about two gallons of water per hour.

**Candon 410-798-1848**. More information on the program can be found at [www.oysters.maryland.gov](http://www.oysters.maryland.gov) or by calling **South River Federation 410-224-3802**.

## Turkey Point Day is September 10th!

### COME JOIN THE FUN!

Mark your calendar—September 10th — 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. It's the 2011 Turkey Point Day at Cloud Field. *It will happen come rain or shine!*

There will be a Moon Bounce, games for all ages and our Island DJ Rex. Food and drinks are free for island residents. Guests are welcome: admission for guests is \$10 for adults, \$5 for children ages 6–12 and free for children under 6 years. Expect to enjoy pit beef, chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs, baked beans, salad and dessert. Drinks will include water, sodas, beer and wine.

Residents attending are asked to fill out the menu by bringing a non-perishable dish or dessert to share. Fruit, salads, cookies, brownies and cupcakes are always favorites.

A lot goes into Turkey Point Day preparation. Setting up and taking down tents, tables and chairs for the event is a big job. Help manning the grill is always appreciated. More help means less time and work for all. If you can, plan to come early to help set up or plan to stay a little while after 6 o'clock to help take down. It's always a good time to visit with your neighbors and enjoy lots of good food. If you can help, please call **Marlene at 410-798-4070 or Patti/Duane at 301-742-2975**.

# TPPOA Stickers for Vehicles

BY CHARLIE CANDON

Recently all Islanders should have received TPPOA stickers for vehicles so that those using community property are easily identifiable. While it is not often that community property is unlawfully used, it does happen. All Islanders are asked to affix a TPPOA sticker to their car windshield. This is the easiest manner to insure lawful use of community property that will allow all Islanders use and enjoyment of community property. If you did not receive a TPPOA sticker or need additional



stickers please feel free to contact any Board member (listed on the TPPOA web site at [turkeypointisland.com](http://turkeypointisland.com)).

If there are any questions or concerns regarding this or any other matter that concerns our community please feel free to call or contact Charlie Candon at your convenience ([c.la.candon@verizon.net](mailto:c.la.candon@verizon.net)).

It goes without saying we live in a wonderful community and we should do all we can to enrich and enjoy our island life.

## Cleaning Up Without Clogging Up

Cleaning up after a meal is a chore. It is convenient to wash everything down the kitchen sink. Fats, cooking oils and grease poured down the drain can build up in pipes causing severe plumbing problems. The following tips may help prevent a clogged drain and decrease the chance of costly repairs:

- \* Freeze small amounts of fats, oils and grease in a container with a tight-sealing lid and dispose of them in a trash receptacle.
- \* Mix cooking oil with an absorbent material such as cat litter or coffee grounds, place in a tightly-sealed container and dispose of them with regular trash.
- \* Scrape and wipe excess grease from pans and dishes with a paper towel before washing.
- \* Use a strainer in your sink to catch scraps. Dispose of scraps with your regular trash.
- \* Use environmentally safe cleaning products instead of harsh detergents that can damage sewer systems.

It is important that large amounts of grease not be placed directly in the trash as containers may leak causing problems for garbage trucks and solid waste facilities. Large amounts of fats, oils and grease can be disposed of at any of the County's Convenience Centers.

**NEW TIME FOR GENERAL MEETINGS!**

Just a quick reminder of the slightly later time for the TPPOA quarterly meetings. The social portion will begin at 6:30, dinner at 7:00 and the business meeting at 7:30 p.m. The later time will hopefully allow more residents an opportunity to attend the meetings and be a part of the planning and decision making for the community.

## Mosquitoes Are Still Around



Remember that mosquitoes will be with us well into the fall season. Mosquitoes are active until the first HARD freeze. For us that could be as late as December. The Thursday evening sprayings done by the Maryland Department of Agriculture will end in early September when the college students who provide the help return to school.

The best defense is a combination of insect repellents and light colored clothing that is secure at ankles and wrists.

Standing water, even in small containers, is an invitation for the Asian Tiger mosquito to breed. Flowerpot saucers are excellent breeding places. Keep your yard free of standing water and you will have gone a long way toward eliminating mosquitoes from your yard.

## Did You Know That . . .

- \* Historic tide records show that sea level increased by approximately one foot in the Chesapeake Bay over the last 100 years.
- \* Buying locally raised meat, eggs and dairy whenever possible keeps money in the local economy and reduces emissions from transporting the food.
- \* A banana a day may help lower your blood pressure, prevent your arteries from clogging and reduce your risk of stroke.
- \* More residents of Miami Beach are tattooed than are people of any other city in the United States.
- \* According to PETA, Washington D.C. is America's most vegetarian friendly city.
- \* Sea salt is a healthy choice because it is more flavorful than other salt and that makes us more likely to use less.



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## ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL YARD SALE

The (almost) annual Turkey Point Yard Sale was a great success for all who participated. Mother Nature gave us a beautiful day that made it comfortable for both sellers and buyers. Fishing gear and tools of all sorts seemed to be particularly popular sale items. Those of us who participated thank Mike and Tracy Sweeney (and their helpers) for doing the preparations that made this event rewarding for all.

## HALLOWEEN PARTY!

October 31st is Halloween and again this year the Property Owners Association will be sponsoring a party for Turkey Point residents. There will be pizza, drinks, costume contests and lots of fun for all. Watch for a flyer with specifics on where and times as the date draws near.

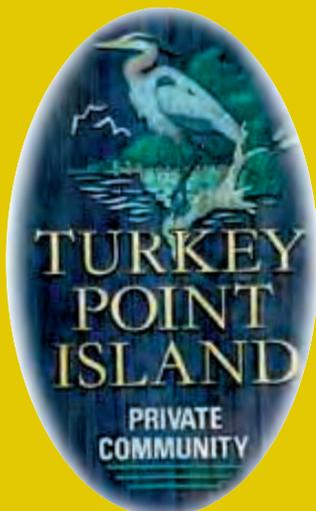
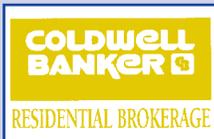
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