

# **Tantallon Citizens Association, Inc.**

## *newsletter*



SUMMER 2018

<http://www.tantallon.info>

### **FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Dear Neighbors:

September marks the beginning of the TCA's fiscal year, so I hope that we can approach the business of our community with a few *Fiscal New Year's Resolutions*:

Please do make a resolution to attend our next general membership meeting on Wednesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 7 PM, at the new District VII Police Station, 11108 Fort Washington Road. We always discuss issues of great importance to the community, invite guests who can address these issues, and of course, paid members will vote on TCA's annual budget at the September Meeting.

Resolving to pay your annual dues of only \$75 would be a great help to our community. And do consider joining the members who donate additional amounts to beautification and preservation funds

Volunteer opportunities abound in our neighborhood, so let's each resolve to spend at least a few hours this year making the community better. While a volunteer fair is in the planning stages, you are welcome now to volunteer by:

Submitting community-related articles for the newsletter (to Rosemary Weller);

Becoming a newsletter delivery person (call Rosemary Weller);

Indicating willingness to serve on the Control Committee (contact Richard Krueger);

Help welcome new members to the community (with Ruth Williams);

Volunteer for the fall audit of the TCA's books (notify Carter Ferrington);

Report overgrown lawns and other community nuisances to County Click (at 311).

I hope you'll join your neighbors in improving the community this year, and I hope to see you at the general meeting on September 26<sup>th</sup>.  
—Carter Ferrington

### **Next TCA General Membership Meeting**

**September 26, 2018 7:00 PM**

**District VII Police Station**

**11108 Fort Washington Road**

### **TCA Membership 2018 – 2019**

September 1 is the beginning of the Tantallon Citizens Association's (TCA) 2018–2019 Dues Year. Now is the time to renew your membership in the TCA. Why is the TCA important to you and why does TCA need your membership dues?

In general, if you get a copy of this newsletter, you are part of a community (Tantallon on the Potomac and Tantallon Hills) of about 950 properties subject to a series of covenants which puts restrictions on the use of these properties and provides guidelines on what can be built or stored on them. The purpose of the covenants is to help maintain our attractive community and its property values. A copy of the covenants is available at <http://www.tantallon.info>.

Here are six of TCA's top financial priorities:

**Enforcement of covenants:** TCA, through its Control Committee, is charged by these covenants with their enforcement. So, you at least have some level of comfort that the restrictions will be enforced resulting in a community that you can be proud to live in. In some past years, the TCA incurred over \$10,000 in legal fees to maintain this series of architecture and property use standards

**Community beautification**  
**Regular contact with elected officials**

**Communication with property owners**

**Community safety**  
**Mosquito control**

We need the commitment of all residents to keep TCA viable and to fund the necessary items to keep the community beautiful and safe. If you were a dues-paying member last year and will do so again this year, we thank you for your continued support. If you did not pay membership dues in prior years, we ask that you consider participating this year by joining those neighbors who currently bear the financial load for the TCA. Remember we all share in the benefits!

If you are new to the neighborhood, please let us know. Our Welcome Committee wants to introduce you to the services and activities available to residents of Tantallon and southern Prince George's County. Contact Ruth Williams at 301-292-4427.

If you have questions about TCA membership, please contact me or members of the Board of Directors. Their names and numbers are on p. 3 in this newsletter. We have included a membership form and return envelope for your use. Also we've made it easier to pay your dues by offering the use of PayPal or credit cards on our website at [www.tantallon.info](http://www.tantallon.info). We look forward to your support.

—Larry Carbaugh, Membership Chair, 301-292-2102



Will it ever stop raining? When is this dry spell going to end? These are just a few of the comments we heard throughout this summer. Here's hoping that September brings us pleasant temperatures and less humidity. The many men and women that walk the Tantallon Drive circuit are eager for some relief. However, the weather did not stop the Tanta-Cove Garden Club from maintaining the *roundabout*, a beautiful entry into our neighborhood.

Donna and Dwight Lee, formerly of Gleneagles Dr., and now residents of Pauley's Island, SC, sent graduation news of their grandson, Matthew Lee, from Winthrop U, Rock Hill, SC with a B.A. in Mass Communication. (Donna handled the *TCA Newsletter* circulation for several years, and Matthew regularly helped deliver the newsletter packets and Donna's home-made bread during the December holidays to the 34 delivery team members.) Matthew's graduation was on the same date in May his grandfather, Dwight, graduated fifty years ago from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. Dwight and Donna attended a special reunion at West Point, saw many classmates, and enjoyed spending time in the Hudson Valley where Donna grew up.

Dr. Henry DiLorenzo of Swan Harbor Circle retired on July 19 after spending 54 years in general dentistry, a private orthodontic practice, and service with the U.S. Air Force. It is estimated that 22,000 braces were fitted on patients in MD, DC and VA. Henry, we thank you for so many beautiful smiles

Congratulations to another member of the DiLorenzo family: Michael DiLorenzo, the son of Henry and (the late) Marian DiLorenzo, will be awarded the Attorney General's award on October 24 in Constitution Hall for his successful prosecution of one of the Benghazi terrorists.

More good news: Bryson and Rockcee Stewart of Alisa Viejo, CA are proud and happy to announce the birth of their daughter Kai Morgan Stewart. Kai arrived a few weeks early on August 8 weighing a healthy five lbs, 14oz. Grandparents: Byron (Gleneagles Dr.) and Marty Stewart of Kilburnie Circle are thrilled to welcome their new granddaughter.

Larry and Caroline Carbaugh of Inverness Lane celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in France in early August. They began with a busy week in Paris (exploring Montmartre, Luxembourg Gardens, and the Louvre), Versailles, and Giverny. A rental house in Normandy, right on Omaha Beach, was their base for the second week when they welcomed their children and spouses and three grandchildren. They visited many D-Day

historical sites and Mont-St-Michel. It was a wonderful way to celebrate a milestone anniversary!

In late August Carol and Rick Pica of Surrey Circle Dr. enjoyed visiting Sequoia National Park and Kings Canyon in California with their son, Justin, and his family. The grandchildren, George and Emily, were astounded by the size of the trees and the abundance of stars at night.

Rosemary Weller of Tartan Lane, the pen behind *the Toe* for some time, has decided to lessen her workload with the newsletter. Rosemary will continue her other newsletter responsibilities to insure that our neighborhood stays informed of community news.

*The Toe* has a new address! If you have news to share with our neighbors, please send your information to [www.tantallontoe@gmail.com](mailto:www.tantallontoe@gmail.com).

**Passages:** Our deepest sympathy and condolences to the families and friends of the deceased.

Eric Jackson, 52, of Gleneagles Drive, and father of Sydney, Julian and Ellis, died suddenly on June 22 of natural causes. Eric, a trial attorney at the Sack law firm in Virginia, was a Stanford U. Alumni Admissions Volunteer Interviewer. He enjoyed manning his grill and hosting friends for a fish fry, and his favorite role was spending time with his family.

Ullysee Wood, Jr., 52, husband of Sheila and father of Elijah, who lived on Settles Ct. for several years, died on July 3. A real estate appraiser, he worked in information technology and as a web designer. Family gatherings were a mainstay in his life. He had a rich tenor voice and sang in several choirs. A celebration of his life was held at Capitol Hill Seventh Day Adventist Church on July 12.

Joseph E. Henry, Sr. of W. St. Andrews Dr., 81, died peacefully surrounded by family on July 22, 2018, after a brief illness. He is survived by Judith Richardson Henry, his wife of 43 years; his daughter Laurice Henry-Ross (Richard); three grandchildren, one great grandson; and two siblings. A native Washingtonian, Joe had a long career with the U.S. Postal Service as a letter carrier, and Executive Vice President and President of Local 142. After retirement he served as a Formal Step A Representative and as an Arbitration Advocate. Funeral services were held at St. Columba Catholic Church on August 17.

Angela (Angie) Peloquin Moss, passed away on July 23. She grew up on Ballina Court where her parents, (the late) Robert and Patricia Peloquin were longtime residents. A celebration of her life was held in Bowie on August 3.

Norma C. Merritt, 92, of Riverview Rd., wife of the late Harold William Merritt, Jr., and mother of T. Brooke (deceased), Mark, Scott, W. Todd and Catherine, died on July 27. Described as a Renaissance woman of her time, Norma had a wide range of interests; e.g, League of Women Voters, Women's Committee of the National Symphony Orchestra, Smithsonian Docents, PTAs, and the Tanta-Cove Garden Club. She enjoyed her dachshunds, her home overlooking the Potomac River, and challenging her grandchildren at the ping pong table in her 90s. A memorial reception will be held in the autumn.

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Vicki Athanason, 90, a traditional Army wife and a former neighbor on Candlelight Circle, died on May 4, in Florida. Survivors include her husband of 66 years, Colonel Frank Athanason (ret.); their children: Nickie Athanason, Debbie McCaffrey, and Michael Athanason; and six grandchildren. A funeral Mass was held in Boca Raton, FL, on May 7 with burial at Arlington National Cemetery on August 2.

William Smith, 87, of W. Tantallon Drive, died on August 2. His wife of 31 years, Marva, died in March 2018. A native Washingtonian, he graduated from Howard University and retired from the U.S. Naval Research Laboratory as a research chemist. He had four children, Ernest (Deceased), Keith, Ingrid and Paris "Peter"; and 3 stepdaughters, Karen, Kathy and Kara. Funeral services were held at St. Columba Church on Aug. 14.

Francis Peter "Frank" Milone, M.D., 86, died on Aug. 16. He lived on Firth of Tae Drive before moving to Easton, MD, in 1998. An orthopedic surgeon, he is survived by his wife of 60 years, Marti, three sons: Patrick (Cathy) Milone, Dr. Francis (Mary) Milone, Michael (Ruth) Milone; three daughters: Terry (Allen) Wood, Kate (Bill) Wilkerson, Susan (Kayle Watson) Lovine; 14 grandchildren, and many other relatives.

Mark Anthony Gibson, Sr., of Norwood Lane, 71, died on Aug. 20. He is survived by his devoted wife, Beryl Swann Gibson, and his son, Mark Gibson, Jr. Funeral services were celebrated at St. Columba Catholic Church on August 29.

### Did You Know?

Sept. 21 --- Sept. 30 See "*The Addams Family*" presented by the Tantallon Community Players at Harmony Hall.

Sept. 29 (Sat., 10 am - 4 pm) See displays, exhibits, & talks on *Good Neighbor Day* -- in the Fort at Ft. Washington Park on a FEE FREE DAY!.

Oct. 5 (Fri., 9 AM - 1:30 pm) Attend the DOE Green Summit 2018 given by the County Dept. of Environment - to learn and empower action on environmental and health issues. Where? - at Kentland Community Ctr, Greater Landover, MD

Oct. 6 (Sat., 12-3 pm) Silesia Citizens Foundation and the National Park Service are looking for volunteers to help clean the Harmony Hall grounds.

Oct. 24 (Wed. 7:30 PM - 9:00) Lecture at Harmony Hall by Luke Pecoraro of Mt. Vernon on the history of our area and George Washington's connection to Harmony Hall.

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### The newsletter needs assistance

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### RESTAURANT CORNER

If you enjoy the nostalgia of the 1950's, and the comfort food of a 50's style diner, then hop on down to the *Lunch Box Diner* on Bryans Road off Indian Head Highway past Accokeek. The Diner is located at the corner of the little strip next to the Bryans Road Post Office and the bar-b-q store with the big cow on top.

The current owner, Krissy Greer, has been there for more than 21 years, and along with her cook and wait staff, offer breakfast and lunch in a very welcoming and efficient manner -- always service with a smile. The diner serves home-made soup every day (we have tried two of them) and delicious old-fashioned milkshakes.

There is a long 50's style counter with stools as well as tables and chairs. The diner is open M-F 6:30 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. and Sunday 7:30 to 2 P.M. The breakfast and lunch menus are both varied and delicious, and breakfast is served right up until 2 P.M. Time and space pretty much stand still at the *Lunch Box Diner*. Enjoy! --Jacque & Ed Akselrad

## Frequently Called Numbers

Abandoned vehicles .....	301-952-1873
Animal Management .....	301-780-7200
Bulky trash collection.....	301-952-7600
Comcast customer service .....	301-499-1980
Community/property standards .....	301-883-6100
Congressman Steny Hoyer.....	301-474-0119
Councilman Obie Patterson.....	301-952-3860
County Click Services .....	311
Crime Solvers.....	866-411-8477
Crisis Hotline.....	211
Environmental Crimes (illegal dumping).....	301-772-4402
Fire Dept., 10900 Ft. Wash. Rd.....	301-292-4920
Fire/EMS.....	301-583-2200
Fort Washington Post Office.....	301-292-3658
Fort Washington Hospital.....	301-292-7000
Household hazardous waste.....	301-883-5045
Litter .....	301-499-8530
Maryland Poison Control Center.....	1-800-222-1222
Motor Vehicle Administration.....	1-800-950-1682
Pepco.....	1-877-737-2662
Permitting, Licensing & Inspections.....	301-636-2000
Police, District VII, Fort Washington .....	301-292-5300
Police non-emergency.....	301-352-1200
Public works and transportation.....	301-499-8520
Recycling program info.....	301-883-5045
Refuse collection, service complaints.....	301-952-7630
Tucker Road Ice Rink.....	301-265-1525
Verizon.....	1-800-837-4966
Washington Gas Light.....	703-750-1400
Wash. Post: Start/Stop/Missed Delivery .....	202-334-6100
Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.....	301-206-4002

## Mosquito Control 2018

The Mosquito Control program for 2018 runs from May 24 into late September. The TCA appropriated \$1031 to participate in the Prince George's County Spraying Program.

We are scheduled for adult mosquito surveillance and possible spraying on Monday nights except when rain is expected within the next 24 hours. Most of us are unaware of the spraying because it is done during the night. Traps have been set at convenient locations throughout the community to gather and count the number of mosquitoes captured in a set period as a reflection of the total population in the area, as well as the Asian Tiger Mosquito populations which may be responsible for West Nile disease.

In August a Tantallon resident tested positive for West Nile. The area within a half mile of the residence was given additional spraying immediately upon the county learning of the disease. None of the Asian Tiger mosquitos that have been trapped in Tantallon have tested positive for West Nile, and it is assumed that the disease was contracted elsewhere. The spraying was done as a precautionary measure.

Some tips when planning your yard so it does not attract mosquitoes: do not use containers that can hold water; check gutters; make sure screens are intact; for sheltered areas in your yard, plan on using insecticides labelled for adult mosquitoes.

-- Mary Downs

## Save the Date for Clean Up, Green Up 2018

Volunteers are needed for the 2018 Prince Georges' County "Clean Up, Green Up" day, to be held on Saturday, October 20, 2018 from 9 AM to 11 AM.

We will be planting 10 trees (most likely red bud) and 50 daffodil bulbs this year. We need volunteers to help pick up the trees, mulch, and bulbs, dig holes and plant them, and to clean up trash and other debris along Fort Washington Road.

We will meet at Potomac Landing Elementary School. If you are interested in participating, please let Jamie Crist know. You can reach him by phone/text at 703-966-8757 or by email at [jamiedoc@aol.com](mailto:jamiedoc@aol.com).

-- Jamie Crist

## Three Cheers

Hats off and a round of applause to the faithful band of volunteers who see that the residents of Tantallon receive the *TCA Newsletter* and various flyers four times a year. Special appreciation goes to Emmy Stuart, our business manager who sells the ads (which pay for the printing), and to Jim Davis, who does the layout of the ads.

At the counting and sorting sessions of newsletters and inserts four times during 2017-2018 were your neighbors: Jan Kohout, Joe Weller, Janet Crews, Judith Henry, Jo Ann Davis, Helen Aviles, Lynne Barden, Jim Davis, Carolyn LeCrone, and Rosemary Weller. Then Keith West delivered packets of 15 to 60 newsletters to the homes of the 35 neighborhood distributors who in turn brought them to your door.

The neighborhood distributors were: Jacque and Ed Akselrad, Barbara Yentzer, Marybeth Dority, Bernard Robinson, Constance Taylor, Christine Cacik, John and JoAnn Dulahan, Howard Nelson, Don Kiser, Jo Ann Davis, Diane Micelli, Carol Pica, Judith Henry, Ammie Laguilles, Maureen Brady, Pam Ritter, Barbara Brooks, Kathy Giannetti, Ruth Williams, Olivia Powell, Jean Rositol, Trish Gallahan, Maria Liggins, Calvin Martin, Lynn and Lynne Barden, Judy Meade, Suzanne Callahan, Peggy Hibler, Ron Weiss, Deborah Raw, and Rosemary Weller.

The TCA thanks each of you for your important service to the community. Well-done!

## Join the Fort Washington Symphonic Winds

Do you play a musical instrument and are looking for an ensemble? Do you have an instrument in the closet and are looking for an opportunity to play again? Are you a beginning musician looking for an opportunity to play?

If so, the Fort Washington Symphonic Winds, under the baton of Mr. Walter Harley, begins its fifth concert season with the first weekly rehearsal on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 from 7:00 to 8:30 PM. The ensemble meets in the band room of Oxon Hill High School. The 2018-19 concert season currently includes performances in October and December of 2018 and February and May of 2019.

If you are interested in joining our musical family, please contact Walter or Janis Harley by phone at (240) 273-1715 or email at [fortwashingtonsymphonicwinds@gmail.com](mailto:fortwashingtonsymphonicwinds@gmail.com).

--Darrell Spires