

Tantallon Citizens Association, Inc.

newsletter

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From the President

Dear Neighbors, Happy New Year!

The deadline for registering to vote in the April 28th primary election is April 7th. And please also don't forget to vote in the general election on November 3rd. I encourage you to study the candidates and issues to make the best decision.

I have received several inquiries about the future of the brick walls at many of our entrances. I surveyed these entrances with a contractor about five years ago, and none appear to be in immediate danger. However, addressing the eventual failure of these walls will take planning, many hours of volunteer work, and a cumulative total of tens of thousands of dollars. If there were genuine interest, I would be happy to appoint a committee to work on the issue.

There is also interest in flooding, erosion and other water-related issues as they affect the community. We are currently seeking a venue for a community meeting on this subject and hope to announce this shortly.

I look forward to seeing you at our February 26th membership meeting which will be held at the District VII Police Station at 7pm.
--Carter Ferrington

National Golf Club Dinners/Brunch

A group of us decided to check out the return of the National Golf Club at Tantallon Friday/Saturday night dinners and Sunday brunch. Since Darrah's closed, there are no local places for brunch and few for dinner. Both groups were very happy with their meals. The staff is friendly and welcoming. The new general manager, Jim Butler, was there at the Friday night dinner to assist and make sure everyone was happy, and Chef G also checked in with us.

I had the slow braised short ribs, which melted in your mouth. Others enjoyed the chicken and pork chops. Salads were also good. Sunday brunch had an omelet station, Belgian waffles, scrambled eggs with cheese, breakfast casserole, smoked salmon, and sausage, among other options.

Dinners are held Friday and Saturday evenings from 5 PM to 9 PM, and Sunday brunch is 11 AM to 2 PM. Reservations are required, and they are open to the public, though members pay less. Contact Christine Kuhn at 301-292-1100, x103 or email at catering0013@nationalgolfclubusa.com. It was great not to have to drive to get a nice meal and to be able to hang out and chat after dinner.
--Jamie Crist

Tantallon Control Committee Reminders

Dear Homeowners,

Spring is around the corner, and you might be thinking of improvements around the house. Please remember that any improvements *outside* the house need TCC approval. You may submit your request by email at tantalloncontrol@gmail.com or by mail at Tantallon Control Committee, P.O. Box 44069, Fort Washington, MD 20749 by the 20th of the month.

When submitted by the 20th of the month, the Control Committee members will have sufficient time to review the request. Committee members will be available to review and inspect requests (if necessary), on the Saturday after the 20th of each month between 10 and 11 a.m. We will contact you to schedule a convenient time to discuss, if applicable.

--Henrieta Dzurikaninova, Chair, TCC

Future TCA Membership Meetings

February 26 & May 27

District VII Police Station

11108 Fort Washington Road

Spring Clean Up Day Saturday, April 4, 2020

Please join us for our annual spring clean-up day on Saturday, April 4, from 9 to 11 AM. We'll meet at Potomac Landing Elementary School to clean along Fort Washington Road and West Tantallon Drive.

We will also do some tree trimming, so feel free to bring tools for that. Bags will be provided. Please contact Jamie Crist if you are interested in joining or just show up.
jamedoc@aol.com or 703-966-8757.

TCA Membership Status

Thank you to all who sent in their 2019-20 *Tantallon Citizens Association* dues. Since Nov. 12, 2019, 24 more households have paid dues bringing the total count to 164. See p. 4 for a list of these households.

We still need your support. If you haven't yet paid your dues, you may use the form on the back page of this newsletter or follow the instructions (including a PayPal link) on the TCA website at www.tantallon.info.

— Larry Carbaugh



Exciting things are happening at National Golf Club (NGC). On Friday, Jan. 30, the dining room opened to the *public* for dinner service on Fridays and Saturdays. Many enjoyed dinner on opening night. Frances Bowie of Surrey Circle Drive said the wait staff was excellent; they responded courteously and quickly, and the food's presentation displayed deep rich hues. Her braised short ribs were tender and delicious. Frances is ready to go again. Then National Golf Club brunch returned on Sunday, Feb. 2. Carter Ferrington sampled every dish and said each one of them was delicious! In addition to the restaurant opening, renovations are scheduled for various parts of the clubhouse.

Have you thought of volunteering for the Accokeek Foundation? Their Volunteer Open House, Sat., Feb. 22, (10 am-12 pm), is the perfect opportunity for you to come and meet their program managers, discuss volunteer opportunities, and explore their site. They are looking for people to fill regular volunteer positions: on invasive plant management and bluebird monitoring; working with livestock and gardening, and more! Challenge yourself this year, learn a new skill, give back to your community, and get outside regularly.

The Women's Golf Association, TWGA, at National Golf Club, is sponsoring three free clinics. These clinics are open to all ladies that are members of the NGC, whether they are beginners or experts! Participants will get advice from the pros and practice time with the Short Game (March 10 at 11:00), Long Game (March 17 at 11:00), and Indoor/Outdoor Rules Session (March 24 at 10:30). To participate, NGC members must sign up in the National Golf Club ladies locker room or call the pro shop. Bring your clubs and get warmed up for the upcoming golf season.

The National Colonial Farm invites everyone to participate in *Lattes with Lambs*, Sat., April 4, 10 am-2pm. Join the Accokeek Foundation for this annual celebration of sheep, cows, pigs, and poultry. Meet rare breeds of your favorite barnyard animals, enjoy live music, and try your hand at making butter -- all while sipping on delicious coffee and lattes from Wee Bean Coffee! \$8/person online (children under 3 yrs. free), \$10/Person at the gate (Cash Only).

Catching up with the mailbag: In May, Cristina Nassif, daughter of Tom and Cristina Nassif, formerly of Arrow Park Drive, gave a concert at Shannondell Retirement Community, her parents' new residence in Pennsylvania. The 500 seat auditorium was filled as Cristina sang, accompanied by her father on the piano. Her mother, Cristina, sang an opera aria and joined her daughter for two duets. It was so successful that Shannondell wants to make it a yearly event; (their next concert is scheduled for May 15, 2020). Since then, Tom and daughter, Cristina, had a concert in Ardmore, PA, and their annual recital at Tom's hometown in Rowlesburg, WV, during the Memorial Day's River City Festival. Tom and Cristina are enjoying their twelve grandchildren and their proximity to most of them.

In December John, JoAnn, and Laura Dullahan of Firth of Lorne Circle traveled to Seattle for their daughter/sister Erin's promotion as an Army Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO). Erin graduated from the NCO Academy near the top of her class and received the Commandant's Award.

Congratulations to Ian McDonald, grandson of Jacques Zuker-Akselrad of Castleray Circle, for his induction into the National Honor Society in New Jersey. Ian, who spent many summers here at the National Golf Club swimming pool, was a familiar presence to many pool members, kids and adults alike. In fact, Ian learned to swim right here at NGC pool. Ian is the son of *Sam and Jill Zuker* (who grew up in Tantallon) *McDonald*.

Barbara and William Brooks of Asbury Drive reported that their granddaughter, Leana Gould (age 12) of St. Martin's Lutheran School in Annapolis, joined her classmates and others in the *Big Polar Bear Plunge* in the Chesapeake Bay on Thurs., Jan. 30, to raise money for Special Olympics. Her grandmother's reaction (who was there to cheer her on) was: Brrrrr.

Passages

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

Barbara Peters, 83, of Saint Michaels, MD, died on Thursday, Nov. 21 at the U. of MD Shore Medical Center in Easton, MD. Barbara and husband, Dudley, lived on W. Tantallon Dr. and Tartan Lane before moving to St. Michaels several years ago. Services were held at the Kalas Funeral Home & Crematory in Edgewater, MD. Barbara is survived by her husband of sixty five years, four children: Dudley (Kristine) Peters, Jr., Lou Anne Parlett, Susan (Wayne) Stoll, and Virginia Stoll; 5 grandchildren, and 1 great grandchild.

Lucie Giselle LeVan, a longtime resident of Braeburn Drive, born in France, was married to Herbert, an American soldier during World War II, for 63 years. With a master's degree in French, she taught at Stillman College, AL, and at middle, high, and college levels in Maryland. An avid gardener, watercolorist and seamstress, Lucie is survived by a son and his wife, two grandchildren, and three great grandchildren. A memorial service was held on January 26, 2020, with burial at a future date in Arlington National Cemetery.

Did You Know?

*In 2019, 44 homes were sold in Tantallon. The *median asking price* was \$405,000; the *median sold price* was \$400,000. The *minimum sold price* was \$217,000. The *maximum sold price* was \$715,000, and the *average sold price* was \$405,618. Properties stayed an average of 41 days on the market; the *median stay* was 21 days on the market, and the *minimum stay* on the market was 1 day.

*Sad news: Irvin Peterson, the director of the Fort Washington Community Chorus, recently lost his home to fire. While he is unharmed, he lost all his professional instruments, music, and musical programming notes from many years. He has expressed concern for not being able to prepare and conduct the next two concerts (the *Patriotic concert* in July and the *Messiah* in December), and is assisting the FWCC with possible interim *replacements*.
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TANTALLON CITIZENS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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TCA Home Page-

<http://tantallon.info/>

Tantallon Blog-

<https://tantalloncitizensassociation.blogspot.com/>

District VII Citizens Council (CAC) Blog

<https://dviicac.blogspot.com/>

If you have news to share with your neighbors, send it to
tantallontoe@gmail.com.

Smart shopping tips? Need assistance? Check our advertisements.

Looking for a volunteer job? The newsletter needs a co-editor, a layout editor, and substitute delivery persons.

Parking On Tantallon Streets

The Tantallon neighborhood is so lovely. We work hard at it. However, we need to work harder. Please do not park cars, trucks, vans, trailers, motorcycles or other vehicles in the street. They clutter up the streets, make driving difficult, and pose a safety hazard for children playing in the streets and residents enjoying a walk or run through the neighborhood.

All Tantallon homes have garages. Use them for your vehicles. If you have more vehicles than garage space, use your driveway. Please do not use the street, but if you must, try to avoid parking in front of a neighbor's driveway.

--Maureen Brady

Attention Coffee House Lovers

There is a cozy, comfortable, and eclectic coffee house in Indian Head next-door to *Obo Pizza* and *Black Box Theatre* called "Clarity" Coffee House.

All their coffees are roasted locally by Chesapeake Bay Roasting Company, and their menu offers a lovely variety of gourmet coffees and teas. Coffee beverages include Espresso, Latte, Cappuccino, Americano plus (Spanish style) thick and rich hot chocolate, (sugar-free) skinny hot chocolate, and Swiss Processed Eco Reef Decaf. Gourmet teas, including black, green and herbal are delicious. Cold beverages, smoothies, frappes, and lunch are available as well as fresh scones baked on the premises each day and a variety of pastries and sweets.

We have enjoyed our visits there, so do visit soon. In warmer weather, there is a nice outdoor seating area as well as cozy seating inside. Located at 4175 Indian Head Hwy; phone 240-377-8190. Hours: Tues.-Fri. 7 am.-5 pm; Sat. 8 am -3 pm; Sun 9 am -3 pm. www.MyClarityCoffeeHouse.com

--Jacque and Ed Akselrad

Thai Food - LaPlata

For those who enjoy well-prepared Thai food, we highly recommend trying the *Kaow Twai Restaurant* the next time you happen to be in LaPlata.

We recently discovered that there is a tie (excuse the pun) between the Kaow Thai and our very popular Bangkok Golden here in Fort Washington. The chef at Kaow Thai is a close relative of Jack and Sow, owners of Bangkok. The advantage of the Kaow is that the chef there offers a little more variety of dishes and a little different preparation.

On Dec. 20, 2019, 16 Tantallonites attended a fabulous holiday party at Kaow Thai and enjoyed the wonderful music of singer/songwriter Steve Gellman & his Trio. Steve is a long-time friend who for many years had a regular gig at St. Elmo's coffee house in Alexandria, VA.

Steve has done this party for a number of years and will be returning for another evening of food and music in December of 2020. When we asked him what motivated him to travel to LaPlata all the way from Upper Frederick, Md., he replied that the food and the friendliness of the staff and customers were well worth the sometimes three-hour drive. That pretty much says it all.

Hours: Mon -Thurs. 11 AM--9 PM;
Fri.-Sat. 11 AM--10 PM;
Sunday 12 PM.--9 PM.

Website: www.kaowthaimd.com

-- 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
Councilmember Monique Anderson-Walker.....	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, Inspections & Licensing	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

TCA General Membership Dues:

Sept. 2019—Aug. 2020.....	\$75.00
Optional Beautification Contribution.....	\$ _____
Optional Tantallon Preservation Contribution	\$ _____

(Please print all information.)

Name(s):

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Address:

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Phone :.....

E-mail:

Send to: TCA Membership Chair,
PO Box 44069,
Fort Washington, MD 20749

Did You Know?

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*For those of us in Fort Washington, there is now Panera Bread -- with a drive-thru open in Clinton on the other side of Rte. 5 across from Walmart and Lowe's.

**Majestics*, an E-Gaming Lounge, had a grand opening recently at St. Charles Town Mall in Waldorf. A state-of-the-art social gaming lounge, their motto is "Play Games! Have Fun!" There are parties and open-play packages. Phone: (240) 518-8752.

*The Tanta-Cove Garden Club meets the first Wednesday morning of the month at St. John's Episcopal Church. Upcoming programs are: March 4, "Home-grown Solutions to Local Problems;" and April 1, "Spring Flower Arranging Workshop." There will be a "Garden Walk" in June by invitation. Call Membership Chair, Zsara Hamlin (phone: 301 292-0029) if you would like to attend a meeting.

*The Tantallon Community Players will present "Gypsy" at Harmony Hall Regional Center beginning May 1.

New TCA Members as of February 1, 2020

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME
Aleman/ Tsao	Juan & Jenny
Anderson	Drs Ronald & Beverly
Bearden	Helen
Brandon	Jose
Dunning Sr/ Rodrigues	David W. and Eileen
Geraldo	Manuel & Ingrid
Giannetti	Kathy
Harms	Ralph
Harris	Leo
Harris	Arnold & Ejiro
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King	Therman & Alice B.
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McGehee/ Drumtra	Meredith & Jeff M.
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