



The Long Pointer

December, 2008

Calendar of Events

December 8th
7:00 - 9:00 PM
General Meeting

**Holiday Decorating
Contest**
Dec. 13, 2007

(note the early date)

December 14th
Kids' Christmas Party

January 24th
8:00 PM
2nd Annual "Dressed to
the Nines Cocktail
Party"

March 7th
7:00 - 9:30 PM
Chili Making Contest
and Dinner

April 18th
11:00 am
Brunch in the Hall

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Holiday Greetings

And "Welcome" to our new residents! We look forward to seeing you at our activities.

Speaking of that – the Social Committee is planning some nice activities this winter for the families in our community. We are looking forward to gathering with old friends and meeting new ones! Watch our community board in front of the hall for dates and times.

In the last couple of years we've had many new homeowners move to

Long Point, and we would like to get to know you! Please call Sherry Maguire at 410.360.7963 so the Welcoming Committee can present you with information about our neighborhood and its surrounding area. Please also come to the General Meeting on December 8th for introductions.

LPIA invites all our residents to the monthly Board meetings to see what Long Point on the Magothy is all about and also to get information on

what is going on in the community!

We strongly encourage everyone to join our Association and to get involved in our activities and committees. It is very important as a community to be active and enjoy our time together!

Long Point is a wonderful place to live, and has great neighbors, too! We are hoping that 2009 is the year when everyone gets involved and hope that you love it as much as we do!

2009 Membership form included in this issue. Please join!

Membership Dues remain the same – a real bargain at only \$50 a year per household! For Seniors it is only \$25. PLEASE support your community and promptly send in your dues.

As we go over expenditures at our board meeting, we see our membership numbers dropping, yet expenses continue to increase, especially hall heating and cooling costs. At present, our expenses are exceeding our income because our budget is based on everyone's projected

contribution. Our dues are voluntary, and we ask so very little. We rely on each and every one of our residents to contribute their fair share.

Take advantage of this opportunity to renew your commitment to Long Point and use the enclosed membership form to promptly pay your dues!

Many thanks in advance for showing your support and commitment to our terrific community!

Another opportunity to vote!

As if we all haven't had enough of voting and the ads and announcements that go along with it, the LPIA has come up with a change to the by-laws that we wish to vote on at the General Membership meeting in December.

Fear not, we are not going to import the infamous touch screen machines that we had to use to elect our new President and Congressman. A simple paper ballot or a voice vote will do for this polling.



A change to the By-Laws is proposed to define the area encompassed by the Boat Ramp. This will be accomplished by rewriting Article 1 - Section 8 – Committees – Paragraph (k)

The new section becoming:

(k) The Boat Ramp Committee shall be composed of a minimum of three (3) members. Their duties shall be the administration of keys to the boat ramp, make periodic inspections of the boat ramp, and make recommendations for repair, replacement, etc. The Boat Ramp is defined as the ramp structure including finger pier, bulkhead, gravel driveway and everything on Long Point property from the water up to, and including, the gate. They shall also monitor for appropriate usage to insure that members are using the ramp in accordance with their signed agreements.

The changes are the sentence in Italics and Underlined.



Galilee Fine Arts Series Continues

The Fine Arts Series of concerts are currently winding down at the Galilee Lutheran Church up on Mountain Road. This series, which started back in September, brings to our neighborhood some excellent choral and instrumental groups.

The concert remaining for the year is:

Dec. 21 Chancel Choir with A Festival of Carols

Concerts begin at 7 pm. There will be a free will offering. Light refreshments will be served.

What's Happening on the Social Calendar



HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST

THE JUDGING FOR THE "HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST" WILL BE HELD IN THE EVENING OF DECEMBER 13TH

All who wish to help with the judging, please meet at the home of Beth and Stu Dulin, 1689 Grandview Road at 6:30 PM. Bring a "heavy appetizer" or dessert and a bottle of wine to enjoy, prior to teaming up for the judging.

KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14TH



DRESS TO THE NINES COCKTAIL PARTY

January 24th @ 8:00 PM – 2nd Annual "Dress to the Nines Cocktail Party" for ALL the Dinner Clubbers in Long Point and for Dinner Club "Wannabees." Attendees must RSVP to 410-360-4199. Depending on the number attending, we will either hold it in the Hall or at someone's home.



Announcements and Community News

Our “Helping Hands” are ready to help out if you have a temporary need, like a ride to an appointment, someone to pick up something from the store for you, or just a visit from a caring neighbor. Please call 360-4199 if you know of a neighbor who could use a helping hand.

If you have new neighbors, birth announcements, weddings/engagements, graduations, etc. that you would like to include in the newsletter, please call 360-3218.

Long Point Neighborhood Clubs

Looking to meet some people, get out of the house, and have some fun? Then join one of our neighborhood’s many clubs!

Dinner Club: If you like dinner parties, you need to join the Long Point Dinner club! Currently there are 4 groups totaling over 16 couples that are in the club. Call Joan at 360-4199 or Ruth at 439-9399 if you are interested.

Garden Club: If you have a green thumb, give the Garden club a call. The Garden club meets at the Hall once a month. Call Beverly Death at 437-0734.

Horseshoe Club: The horseshoe club meets on Wednesday nights outside at the hall for a few games of horseshoe on those warm, summer evenings.

Here’s Your Chance to Shine!

Sorry to be rushing the season, but the calendar is closing in on us and there just doesn’t seem time to fit in the Decorating Contest any later.

On December 13th, we’re having our annual Holiday Decorating Contest.

So put up the decorations and be sure to turn on your lights by 7:00 PM for our judges as they cruise the neighborhood.

Good luck, and thanks for making our community so beautiful!



Chesapeake Bay Restoration Fund



Through a state grant, the Anne Arundel County Department of Health is offering **grants for septic system users** to add nitrogen-reducing pretreatment units.

Who should apply? Anne Arundel County property owners with existing private septic systems

What funding is available? Part or all of the cost of the pretreatment unit and its installation, a 5-year service contract and County permit and application fees

What are the benefits? The units can help prevent algal blooms, low dissolved oxygen and fish kills. They can keep waterways cleaner and extend the life of a septic system.

Application materials are available on the Department's Web site at
www.aahealth.org.

For more information or to schedule a community presentation,
Call 410-222-7193.

Anne Arundel County Department of Health
3 Harry S. Truman Parkway • Annapolis, MD 21401



Be kind to the Bay and bag your leaves!

Please **DON'T** blow them into the street without bagging them for pick-up. Leaves in the street get washed into the storm drains and end up in the Chesapeake Bay.

VOTING PROXY

THIS PROXY MAY BE USED TO DESIGNATE ANOTHER LPIA MEMBER TO VOTE ON YOUR BEHALF AT THE GENERAL MEETING **IF YOU DO NOT PLAN TO ATTEND AND WISH TO VOTE ON THE AFORE-MENTIONED BY-LAWS CHANGES**. PLEASE INDICATE A YES OR NO NEXT TO EACH PROPOSAL. YOU MAY DESIGNATE ANY OTHER LPIA MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING.

YOU MAY ALSO SIGN AND RETURN THE PROXY WITHOUT NAMING AN INDIVIDUAL, IN WHICH CASE YOUR PROXY WILL BE VOTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

KNOW ALL PRESENT: That I, _____, current LPIA member in good standing for year 2008, do hereby constitute and appoint _____ as agent for me, in my name, place and stead, to vote as my proxy at the December 8, 2008 general membership meeting of the Long Point Improvement Association, Inc., on any and all matters which may legally and properly come before the meeting, and said agent may act for me as if I were personally present, and I do hereby approve, ratify and confirm all that my said agent may do by virtue hereof.

I have hereunto set my hand this _____ day of _____, 2008.

Signature of LPIA member

Address of LPIA member

Long Point Hall Rental Rates:

*Basic Rental (4 hours)		*Outdoor Functions		All fees are to be paid with signed contract.
Non-Members	\$350	(4 hrs)		
Members	\$250	Non-Members	\$350	To book your event, call Bob at 410-935-6575
Cleaning Fee	\$75	Members	\$250	
Meetings (per hour)		*Plus a \$100 refundable security deposit.		
Non-Members	\$30			
Members	\$15			
Cleaning Fee:	\$15			