

SEPTEMBER 2014



The Long Pointer

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Upcoming Events

September 9, Tuesday
Annual General Meeting,
open to all; LPIA Hall, 7:30
PM

October 26, Sunday
Kids' Halloween Party in
the Hall, 1:00 PM. RSVP
Tricia at 410-360-4915

**November 21-22, Friday-
Saturday**
Community Dumpsters arrive
at 8:00 AM Friday morning
and are picked up at noon on
Saturday

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LPIA President:

Jennifer Adams, 410-360-1591

Hall Sign (messages):

Bill Smeltz, 410-360-9330

Hall Rentals:

Bob Johansen, 410-935-6575

Long Pointer Editor:

Cathy Frank, 410-507-5235

Dear Neighbors,

Happy Fall everyone!

The kids are back to school and the leaves are changing as we head into autumn in the Long Point community. Summer was filled with changes. Our hall has gone through a major face lift in hopes of attracting new rentals. Bob Johansen has done a terrific job with managing the hall, which can be a full time job at times.

We are looking forward to planning some social events in the coming months and gathering the social committee together, as well as any community volunteers who would like to help with this endeavor. Some thoughts are a bus trip to New York, a chili competition, and some fund raising efforts. Again, we only see about 25% of our community pay annual membership dues, and we support beaches, a boat ramp, and the community hall. We continue to find it difficult to make ends meet as structures age and need repair or replacement.

As we launch into a new year, it's time to reflect on what we have accomplished this year, thanks to the hard work of our community volunteers!

- Our community Hall received a new floor, new tables, new paint, new landscaping, and a new sign.
- We reduced the number of board meetings to a more manageable 4 times a year.
- We are continuing to survey our properties.
- We are looking into an oil co-op for the coming year to try and save community members fuel costs.
- We tackled a long and complicated community issue, which has had some temporary resolution.
- Our Christmas party for kids and an Easter Egg Hunt brought our biggest numbers yet in attendance.
- We replaced the fire extinguishers with safer, more updated ones.

A sincere thanks to everyone who supports our community!

Jen Adams, President LPIA

LPIA Elections and By-Law Changes, 2014

In the last newsletter (June 2014), a call went out for nominations to fill upcoming vacancies on the Board.

It is now time to vote, and ballots will be accepted at the September 9, 2014 General Meeting. Please print the Ballot/Proxy Voting page and bring it/have it submitted at the September 9th meeting

Also, at the September meeting proposed changes to the By-Laws will be discussed . These changes can be found on pp. 4-6.

Current (2014) LPIA Leadership

Board of Governors

Officers:

Jennifer Adams, **President**

Term expires: 2015

Randy Bode, **Vice President**

Term expires: 2014

Tricia Roe, **Recording Secretary (unofficial)**

Term expires: 2014

Lori Osowski, **Treasurer**

Term expires: 2016

Joan Hillier, **Corresponding Secretary**

Term expires: 2016

Board Members:

Dave Lurz

Term expires: 2014

Ruth McGovern

Term expires: 2015

Bob Johansen

Term expires: 2016

Dave Zaruba

Term expires: 2016

Committees:

Rick Ries

Boat Ramp (Chair)

Pat McClanathan

Boat Ramp;
Membership

Bill Smeltz

Hall Sign

Bob Johansen

Hall Rentals

Tricia Roe

Welcoming; Social;
Kids Activities

Ruth McGovern

Social; Kids Activities

Dave Zaruba

Legal Liaison

Cathy Frank

Long Pointer; Webmaster

By-Law Suggested Changes: The following by-law changes will be presented at the September General Membership meeting. The Board is asking members to participate and discuss the proposed changes, with a special open Board meeting in October to vote on the proposed changes. If unable to attend, please consider a vote by proxy.

Proposed by law changes-September, 2014:

ARTICLE IV

DUES

Section 1. LPIA

(a) The dues for each calendar year shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00) per family, and twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per family for residents age 60 and over.

Proposed Change: The dues for each calendar year shall be a **MINIMUM** of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per family, and a **MINIMUM** of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per family for residents age 60 and over.

FOR _____

AGAINST _____

(b) In the event the property owners vote to create a Special Community Benefit District in accordance with the Anne Arundel County Code, Article 6, Sec. 2-103, and the County shall accept our petition to become such district; the preceding sentence shall become null and void. The method of taxation shall be a uniform assessment per tax account not to exceed \$50 per annum. An operating budget will be submitted by the Board of Governors to be voted upon and approved at the designated General Membership meeting. Written notice will be given by mail a minimum of 15 days prior to the general meeting.

Proposed Change: b) In the event the property owners vote to create a Special Community Benefit District in accordance with the Anne Arundel County Code, Article 6, Sec. 2-103, and the County shall accept our petition to become such district; the preceding sentence shall become null and void. The method of taxation shall be a uniform assessment per tax account.

An operating budget will be submitted by the Board of Governors to be voted upon and approved at the designated General Membership meeting. Written notice will be given by mail a minimum of 5 days prior to the general meeting.

FOR _____

AGAINST _____

(c) An annual operating budget will be submitted by the Finance Committee of the Board of Directors to be voted upon and approved by the Association membership at the Membership & Elections meeting which is held annually in June. Written notice will be given to the current year’s members via e-mail and/or postal delivery of the “Long Pointer” newsletter at least five days prior to the Annual general meeting.

Proposed Change: (c) An annual operating budget will be submitted by the Finance Committee of the Board of Directors to be voted upon and approved by the Association membership at the Membership & Elections meeting which is held annually in September for the following calendar year. Written notice will be given to the current year’s members via e-mail and/or postal delivery of the “Long Pointer” newsletter at least five days prior to the Annual general meeting.

FOR _____

AGAINST _____

Section 3. Boat Ramp

Membership in the Long Point Improvement Association, Inc. shall entitle the Long Point resident/property owner to use a boat ramp key during the current calendar year for additional dues of twenty five dollars (\$25.00). Boat ramp dues shall be used solely for expenses related to upkeep, maintenance and repairs to the boat ramp.

Proposed Change: Membership in the Long Point Improvement Association, Inc. shall entitle the Long Point resident/property owner to use a boat ramp key during the current calendar year for additional dues. Boat ramp dues shall be dedicated for expenses related to upkeep, maintenance and repairs to the boat ramp.

FOR _____

AGAINST _____

LPIA Budget for FY 2015 (January 1, 2015 - December 31, 2015)

INCOME

Boat Ramp Donation	\$ 25
Boat Ramp Income	2,100
Capital Reserve Fund/Donations	250
Fundraisers	1,500
Donations	220
Interest	100
Legal Fund	55
Hall Rental Income	23,500
Membership Dues	5,000
TOTAL INCOME	\$32,750

EXPENSES

Administration	\$ 20
Boat Ramp	900
Community Property	100
Fundraisers	150
Dues & Donations	100
Thank Yous	100
Insurance	4,600
Kids Activities	300
Land Surveys	2,500
Legal	2,500
Hall Cleaning	2,844
Hall Maintenance	4,500
Hall Management	2,200
Hall Real Estates Tax	1,526
Hall Supplies	700
Hall Trash Removal	1,800
Hall Utilities	6,000
Newsletter	500
Petty Cash Fund	400
Special Events	25
Tax Prep	900
Web Site	85
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$32,750

Boat Ramp News

Things at the Boat Ramp are going well.

If you have any questions about the Boat Ramp, contact Pat McClanathan at 410-255-9623 or Rick Ries at 410-255-7374.



For parking, please remember:

- To avoid tire ruts at the ramp which make the grass hard to cut, please do not park on the grass when the ground is soft after heavy rains.
- LPIA parking areas on Magothy Road and Twin Beach Road are to be used **only as overflow parking** for boat ramp trailers/vehicles, and **not** for trailer storage. Thank you.

LPIA Community Events and News, from Tricia Roe

Recent Events

Hall Open House: In July we held our Open House at the hall! We wanted to show everyone our beautiful updates that we have done!

50 people came bringing food to share, and spent 3 hours chatting with neighbors, meeting other neighbors and checking out the hall! It was so much fun! We have a new floor, freshly painted walls, new tables and new lighting! Perfect for your parties or meetings!

Beach Social: In late August we had our Beach Social at the Twin Beach Rd. beach and it was really nice!!! Stayed till dark, lots of snacks and beverages and great conversation! Bugs weren't too bad either!

3 new families came to the gathering! One family had not even moved in to their home yet!! This is great!!

Welcoming Committee: Speaking of new families - welcome to our community and please become active and join us in our activities!

We are now keeping up with the new families moving into the community and presenting them with a gift and community information. If we have missed anyone, please

contact Tricia Roe - 410-360-4195. Please leave a message if I don't answer!

We have 5 homes welcoming new families!!



Upcoming Events

Kid's Halloween Party: Sunday, October 26th at 1:00 P.M. in our hall!

Residents of Long Point, bring your children, nieces, nephews and grandchildren in their costumes for games, snack, treats, goodie bags and parade! Let's make this one the biggest ever!!

RSVP - Tricia Roe - 410-360-4915. We want to make sure we have enough snacks and goodie bags!! Candy donations are welcome!

Halloween Parade: Long Point Residents - please join us to see the Halloween Parade on Sunday, October 26th at the hall! Bring your cameras to take pictures of our kids in costume and let's start a tradition!! Spread the word!! The kids will be so excited to see everyone there!!

Happenings at Your Mountain Road Branch Library

410-222-6699

For Adults - Book Clubs

And When She was Good by Laura Lippman

Tuesday, September 30th at 7:00 PM

Suburban madam Heloise, with no one left to trust, decides to get out of the game when another suburban madam is brutally murdered, forcing her to stay one step ahead of a killer – and the father of her child.

The Distance Between Us by Reyna Grande

Tuesday, October 28th at 7:00 PM

This book is the One Maryland One Book selection for 2014

The Invention of Wings by Sue Monk Kidd

Tuesday November 25th at 7:00 PM

Inspired by the true story of early-nineteenth-century abolitionist and suffragist Sarah Grimke, the author paints a moving picture of two women inextricably linked by the horrors of slavery.

7th Annual One Maryland One Book

2014 Selection: *The Distance Between Us* by Reyna Grande

Reyna Grande brings to life her tumultuous early years in this story of a childhood spent torn between two parents and two countries. As her parents make the dangerous trek across the Mexican border to “El Otro Lado” (The Other Side) in pursuit of the American dream, Reyna and her siblings are forced into the already overburdened household of their stern grandmother. When their mother at last returns, Reyna prepares for her own journey to “El Otro Lado” to live with the man who has haunted her imagination for years, her long-absent father.

*Mountain Road Discussion group meets
Tuesday, October 28th at 7:00 PM*

Storytime

Babies in Bloom

Babies from birth to 18 months (with caring adult) enjoy songs, action rhymes and playtime while building early literacy skills. A great way to get to know other families in your community!

Mondays at 10:00 AM

except October 13th and November 24th

Toddler Time

Children ages 18 to 36 months (with a caring adult) enjoy a variety of developmentally-appropriate stories, songs, rhymes, and movement activities for while building early literacy skills.

Wednesdays at 9:30 AM except November 26th

Preschool Storytime

Children ages 3 to 5 (with caring adult) build the early literacy skills needed for school readiness through engaging books, songs, and activities.

Wednesdays at 10:30 AM except November 26th

Family Storytime

Families with young children enjoy a variety of stories, songs, rhymes, and movement activities while building early literacy skills.

Wednesdays, September 10th and 24th; October 8th and 22nd; November 12th at 7:00 PM

Happenings at Your Mountain Road Branch Library (continued)

410-222-6699

STEM@ Mountain Rd - Science ♦ Technology ♦ Engineering ♦ Mathematics

Shoot for the Stars!

Monday, October 20th, 6:30 PM.

Come star gaze with us! Cassandra Witiver from AACC will be here with telescopes to start gaze and talk about comets, planets, and meteor showers – there is a big one expected that night.

STEM and the Baltimore Museum of Industry are teaming up!

Show your AACPL card at the Museum on Sunday, September 21st and receive ½ price admission. Library staff will be there as well between 1-3 to add to the fun by reading stories in many of the galleries.

Special Events for Teens

Okay? Okay.

Wednesday, October 15th at 4:00 PM

Celebrate the massively popular book *The Fault in our Stars* by John Green with food, fun, and games.

Teen Halloween Bash

Saturday, October 25th at 2:00 PM

Celebrate Halloween with snacks, crafts, and a screening of *The Nightmare Before Christmas* (rated PG, 76 min.).

Mockingjay Movie Release Party

Thursday, November 20th at 4:00 PM

Revisit the world of Panem before *Mockingjay, Part 1* hits theaters with crafts, snacks, and a showing of the second movie in the series. (PG-13, 146 minutes)

Special Events for Children and Families

Paws to Read - Read to a Therapy Dog

Kids love to practice reading when they have the rapt attention of a furry friend! Time slots are available during the specified time. Register at the library or call the branch.

Thursday, September 25th at 2:00 PM

For elementary school students 410-222-6699

Drop in Knitting

Thursdays, September 4, October 2 and November 6 at 7:00 PM

Bring yarn and knitting needles to our drop-in knitting group. All levels welcome!

For adults and teens.

Exhibits and Displays in the Meeting Room

September: Oils and Pastels by David Lawton

October: Artwork by Brooke Lamplough

November: Acrylics by Fernando Alvarez

Book Sale - all Branches of the Public Library system

Saturday, October 11th, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Here's your chance to stock your own library! For \$7 plus tax, you get a Library tote bag AND all the books you can fit inside! Individual items will also be available for purchase. All proceeds benefit the library.

Long Point Improvement Association, Inc.

2014 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION DUES - Per Household

Dear Long Point Resident/Property Owner,

It's never too late to show your support of our community by joining the Association. Funds from our membership dues are used for activities and improvements that benefit all of us.

There are two ways to pay:

- 1) By check. Please make your check payable to Long Point Improvement Association (LPIA) and send it with this form to: **Mrs. Patricia McClanathan 81 Wileys Lane Pasadena, MD 21122**, or
- 2) Online through PayPal on our website at www.longpointpasadena.com

Please use the space below to enter contact information:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Amount Enclosed</u>
Family Dues	\$50.00	_____
or	or	
Family Dues for Seniors (Age 60+)	25.00	_____
<u>Donations:</u>		
Capital Reserve Fund		_____
Legal Fees Donation		_____
Total		\$_____

(Boat ramp dues will be collected when keys are distributed to LPIA members who complete the boat, trailer & vehicle information)

Name: _____

(Long Point) Address: _____

(Home/ mailing) Address/P.O. Box: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

*** Please check here if you would like to have the quarterly "Long Pointers" and other neighborhood announcements e-mailed to you.**

(Newsletters will be posted on the LPIA web site: www.longpointpasadena.com)

Areas of Interest (for which you might volunteer to help):

Social Events ____ Hall Maintenance ____ Grass Cutting ____ Beach Cleanup ____ Boat Ramp ____

Fundraising ____ Membership ____ Welcoming ____ Board Member ____

Community Yard Sale ____ Long Point Kids' Activities ____ Helping Hands ____

Thank you for your interest in and support of our Community and its Association!

**Are you having an Autumn Event?
Why not have it at the Improvement Association Hall?**

Long Point Hall Rental Rates

Basic Hall Rental (4 hours): Monday-Thursday	Basic Hall Rental (4 hours): Friday & Saturday	Basic Hall Rental (4 hours): Sunday
LPIA Non-Members: \$325 LPIA Members: \$225 *Additional hours: \$50 per hour *Plus a \$100 refundable security deposit	LPIA Non-Members: \$475 LPIA Members: \$375 *Additional hours: \$50 per hour *Plus a \$100 refundable security deposit	LPIA Non-Members: \$375 LPIA Members: \$275 *Additional hours: \$50 per hour *Plus a \$100 refundable security deposit
Meetings (per hour)	Additional fees:	
LPIA Non-Members: \$35 LPIA Members: \$20 Cleaning fee (flat fee): \$30	Use of kitchen facilities: \$20 per rental Putting Message on outside sign if available: \$10 per event	
All fees are to be paid with signed contract. To book your event, call Bob Johansen at 410-935-6575		

Community News through E-mail

Did you receive this newsletter through your e-mail?
If not, would you like to?

Only the December issue of the newsletter is printed and mailed to residents, and that is an abbreviated version of the full issue as well.

Of course, *The Long Pointer* is available on the community's website, but why not get the convenience of receiving it by e-mail?

We use e-mail for community announcements at times as well. We do not solicit, just send information at times, similar to what is posted on the Hall sign.

If you would like to be added to the community e-mail list for newsletters and other neighborhood announcements, send a message to Cathy Frank, webmaster@longpointonthemagothy.com