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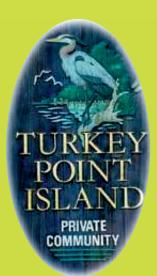
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Therapy Pets

THE ISLAND TIMES

urkey Point Island is seeing a puppy boom as families turn to adopting a new pet for comfort during the coronavirus. For many islanders, their favorite part of the day during quarantine was walking their dog. "It feels good

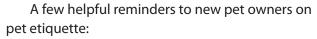


to get a change of scenery and see some of the other people and their cute dogs,"



says Claire Supple. The fresh air, water views, and bay breezes certainly help too. Gil Martinez says his family had been talking about getting a puppy. He was on the fence about it until the guarantine and decided that with so much

time at home, and a daughter who was eager to help, now was the perfect time. Neighbors with older pets are enjoying more time with their animals too.



Please remember that it is important to be considerate to neighbors without pets who may be



less able to block out nuisance barking. A dog should not be left out to bark hours on end. Bring poop bags with you on walks. If you forget, or your dog makes an unexpected pile, don't forget to go back and pick it up! Not all pets are happy to play or visit. Make sure to ask before petting or letting your dog approach another dog and remember to social distance.













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TPPOA General Meeting & Board Elections

We can all agree that Turkey Point Island is a special place to call home. Twice a year the TPPOA meets to discuss neighborhood issues that promote a better Turkey Point. Once a year we also hold board elections, adding new board members and electing officers for the executive positions of President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. Please join us on Zoom on October 14th at 7pm to hear news about our community, to see neighbors, and to vote for next year's board and executive officers.

All positions are taking nominations. Our current executive team (President, VP, Treasurer, and Secretary) is stepping down to allow other residents the opportunity to lead our community. All current executive officers plan to remain on the board and are happy to help the incoming team as necessary.

TPI's First Annual Kayak Day





This year Islanders tried a new COVID friendly event when they celebrated the first annual TPI Kayak Day. Many islanders enjoyed joining

neighbors on a paddling tour of the island. There is talk of making this event biannual (summer and fall), planning a history kayak tour, and setting up races. If you would like to help plan future kayak fun, please email TurkeyPointIsland@gmail.com with your ideas!

Halloween on Turkey Point 2020

There is one holiday that our community loves to celebrate together and that's Halloween!



Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, the TPPOA will be unable to sponsor the pizza party/costume contest this year. Homeowners may choose how they wish to celebrate Halloween. If you plan to participate in distributing treats, please determine a safe way to do so. As

always, be sure to put your light on so the little ghouls and goblins will know where to knock!



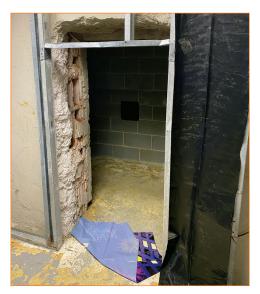
- Pumpkin Carving/Painting Competition entries due by Halloween! Winners announced by Email on November 2nd.
- Autumn Poetry/Photo/Art Competition entries due by Thanksgiving. Winners announced by December 5th.
- TPI Flag Design Competition—entries due by December 21st! Winning design announced January 1st.
- Gingerbread Decorating Competition entries due by December 13th. Winners announced by December 18th.

Prizes will be awarded!

More competition details to follow
via email and Facebook!

Submit all entries to: TurkeyPointIsland@gmail.com

Island History





In May 1923, a Baltimore hotelier, Harry Busick purchased what was then referred to as Big Island and Little Island as a personal retreat from the hustle and bustle of Baltimore. Mr. Busick quickly began construction on a large home at the point of the island (where South River and Selby Bay meet the Chesapeake). After completion, he used the house to entertain his friends during prohibition. Busick built a tunnel for rum runners to bring shipments from the water directly to his cellar, he built a vault for the storage of hundreds of



bottles of spirits, installed poker tables with push buttons to transform them into regular furniture, and built double walls throughout his home so people could move secretly throughout the house. The original drawbridge to enter the island was regularly raised once guests arrived to keep visitors from leaving and inspectors or police out. This allowed Mr. Busick and his guests the ability to indulge in illegal spirits, gambling, and harlotry without being caught in the act!

Work to preserve our island's history is in progress and interviews are taking place. Mr. Rodriguez, who owns Mr. Busick's property, recently invited us to see the original vault and tunnel. Here are a few pictures from the visit.

If you would like to help the Turkey Point Island History project by sharing stories and pictures, please email beth.supple@gmail.com or maggiewhitlatch@gmail.com

2020 Dues with PayPal

TPPOA Dues for 2020 were sent electronically to all islanders via our email database. You will have the option to pay via PayPal or by check. The new PayPal system has been tested by board members and works seamlessly, saving lots of volunteer hours! You do not need a PayPal account to pay this way.

If you are unsure if you have paid your 2020 dues, you can email TurkeyPointIsland@gmail.com to ask. If you would rather pay by check, you can request a paper invoice at the island email. Please make checks out to the TPPOA and mail it to: TPPOA, PO Box 56, Mayo, MD 21106.

A Big Thanks!

The TPPOA has recently negotiated a contract with a lawn care company to mow the grass along the Marsh at Cloud Field and at the end of Paca Drive. We are so grateful to Alex Szachnowicz for maintaining the community area next to his property at the end of Paca Drive for the last 18+ years. Also, a big thanks goes to Pat Snapp and Lee Ann Candon for digging up the invasive sand burrs from the beaches before they went to seed. We have one remaining set of community garbage and recycle cans at the end of Paca Dr. Thanks to Pat and Dar Snapp for regularly bringing them to the curb for garbage day! Vicki Bugtong did a spectacular job weeding the area around the Marsh sign and Patty and Ken Landry have been maintaining the grassy triangle at the top of Parke Drive.





