



November 2017

Tanterra Homeowners Association General Membership Meeting

Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. at Greenwood Elementary School

The Board of Directors will present the 2018 Budget and elect three, new board members. If the County changes the date, updates will posted at <http://www.tanterra.com> and by email to the group at <https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/TanterraHOA/info>.

The ballot is for Tanterra homeowners only. Associate members do not vote. Additional nominations for board members are encouraged and will be taken from the floor at the General Membership Meeting. You can nominate yourself to be on the ballot.

Ballot for the November 8, 2017 General Meeting

Please mail this ballot to THOA, P.O. Box 25, Brookeville, MD 20833 before November 1, 2017 or have a neighbor bring it to the meeting in a sealed envelope (see instructions below). Vote for no more than three candidates, one of whom must be an associate member. The following candidates have been nominated by the Nominating Committee for election for the three-year term ending in 2020:

Tanterra Representative (Vote for 2)

_____ Erwin Hesse _____ Aleka Kapatou _____ Bryan Moffett _____ Write In

Associate Representative (Vote for 1)

_____ Jim Cagley _____ Write In

Proxy for the November 8, 2017 General Membership Meeting

I, _____ of _____,

Brookeville, MD 20833, authorize _____ to meet the quorum and vote for the

following specific issue(s): _____

conducted at the November 8, 2017 General Tanterra Homeowners Meeting.

_____ (signature) _____, 2017

Note: Only one proxy per household is permitted. You must include your address in the proxy statement. Each envelope must be marked 1/390 on the back and separate envelopes are required for proxies and absentee ballots.

Your Candidates

Jim Cagley

It has been my pleasure to serve on the Tanterra HOA Board of Directors since 2006. As a practicing Maryland attorney for 33 years, I believe I have provided assistance and insight for the betterment of the Tanterra community during my time on the Board. My wife, Michelle, and I have been Associate Members of Tanterra for 25 years and active members of the Social Committee. All three of our sons participated on the Tanterra Tarpons Swim and Dive Team, and I am currently the Team Treasurer. I look forward to continued service on the Board of Directors and would appreciate your vote.

Erwin Hesse

I have lived in the Olney/Brookeville area for over five years. My wife, three boys, and I are proud to be a part of the Tanterra neighborhood. When I am not at the Tanterra pool, local parks, or walking trails with my wife and children, I am commuting to Johns Hopkins as the Associate Director of Admissions at the Carey Business School. Also, I am in the final year of my doctoral degree in Education at John Hopkins. My professional role consists of managing employees, a budget of over 10 million in scholarships, and numerous recruitment events. I hope to receive your vote.

Aleka Kapatou

Aleka Kapatou has served as a Tanterra HOA Board member since November 2011. One of her most important contributions to the Board is to represent the Tanterra Home Owners Association in GOCA (Greater Olney Civic Association). As the Tanterra representative, she attends monthly meetings at GOCA, votes on our behalf, and updates the Tanterra HOA Board on the current events that are taking place in Olney, especially those that may affect our homes and our way of life. Professionally, Aleka has been a statistician for over two decades. She has extensive experience in teaching and research in academia. She has also worked as a mathematical statistician for the US government and as a statistical consultant in industry. Currently, she is a faculty in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics at American University where she teaches and is the Director of the Statistical Consulting Center. Aleka Kapatou and her husband, Anup Mathur, have been Tanterra residents since 2003.

Bryan Moffett

I'm Bryan Moffett, and I've lived in Tanterra for more than 10 years with my wife, Allison, and daughters, Annabelle (6) and Audie (4). I've served two terms on the Tanterra HOA and look forward to more. When I'm not running around the neighborhood, I manage corporate sponsorship sales for NPR in Washington, DC.



President's Message

By Glen McEwen

Even though we had 80 degree weather a few weeks ago, the leaves are starting to change color, the nights are getting cooler and will soon need raked and— Fall is here. Your children should be better acclimated to the school day and those that are involved in the local sports teams should have their seasons well underway.

Thanksgiving is coming up at the end of the month and it will be time to stuff yourself with turkey and pumpkin pie and celebrate the holiday with your families. Before we know it, it will be the end of another great year in Tanterra.

Please remember that the **Tanterra Annual Homeowner's Association meeting** will be held at **Greenwood Elementary multi-purpose room on Wednesday November 8th at 7:30.** We will be discussing many topics that concern the neighborhood including a recap of

the last year's events, the 2018 budget, and the election of board members and upcoming items for 2018.

We hope to see you there but if you cannot make it, please be sure to give your proxy vote to someone that is going so we can be assured of a quorum. Also, if you would like to run for a board seat, please feel free to do so. Just show up to the meeting and raise your hand. Even if you do not want to run for the board, please remember that the Homeowner's association can always use some new ideas so please feel free to let someone on the board know your ideas.

Remember, our community works best when we have lots of volunteers available to help serve on our various committees. Please see page 8 of this newsletter for a list of our various committees and the names, emails and phone numbers for

each committee chair; I know they'd love to have some new members! We have a small percentage of the residents (and associates) who perform 90% of the volunteering. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Also, please be careful and slow down when driving through the neighborhood. There are many children going to and from school and playing outside before it gets too cold and we all want them to be as safe as possible.

Please have a Happy Thanksgiving and if you are traveling, please be careful. I hope to see everyone on the 8th.



New Neighbors Join Tanterra



Welcome **Alexander Bieber and Laura Viets Heninge** on Heritage Hills Drive to the Tanterra neighborhood! If you have new neighbors or new additions to your family, please email brookemarshall@live.com. Also, contact us if you are new to Tanterra and have not been contacted by the Welcome Committee. We rely on settlement information, but do not always receive that. The HOA has a small gift for each new homeowner.

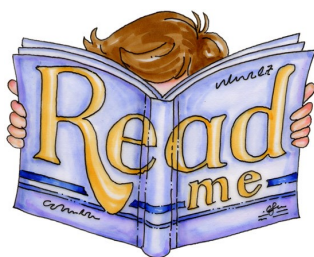
Baby Storytime

Date:
November 6, 2017

Start Time:
9:30 AM

End Time:
10:00 AM

Description:
For ages birth to 18 months, but all ages welcome! A storytime experience for our youngest library users and their caregivers. These 20-30 minute storytimes introduce a diverse collection of books.



Trail Buddies

Tue. November 7th, 2017 10:00am to 11:00am Fee: \$6
Brookside Nature Center

Discover nature and develop important skills together on the nature center trails! Preschoolers will have the opportunity to work on important skills with other preschoolers and their favorite adults. We'll collect, count and sort different natural materials (pre-math), recognize shapes and patterns in nature (art) and invent our own outdoor nature games as we improve and develop social skills like sharing and cooperation. Intended for ages 3 -5

Connect with the Tanterra Community!

Website

<http://www.tanterra.com/cm/>

Email Tanterra Today

Email LizBialas@verizon.net with your name, street address, and the email address you wish to use. The street address is needed because the board's database is set up by address rather than by owner name.

Swim and Dive Teams

<http://www.tanterratarpons.org/Home.jsp?team=recmcslttstmd>

Facebook Pages

Tanterra Tarpons Swim and Dive Team
Tanterra Hockey
Tanterra's Social Events

Yahoo Newsgroup

If you are not signed up you can sign up in several ways:

- 1) Go to the Tanterra Website <http://www.tanterra.com/cm/> and click on the link "Subscribe to Email." Then enter your email as indicated and you will become a Tanterra HOA Yahoo Group member.
- 2) Go to Yahoo.com and either enter your Yahoo login information or sign up to join Yahoo (you can use any email account). Select groups and search for tanterrhoa. Click on the "Join Group" link and follow the prompts.
- 3) To subscribe without setting up a Yahoo account, send a blank email to tanterrhoa-subscribe@yahoo.com
- 4) If the above three methods do not work for you, send Amy Matathias (matathi@aol.com) a request to join the TanterraHOA yahoo group. She will send you an invitation.

Tanterra Homeowners Association: September Board Meeting Minutes

By Richard J. Bertin, Secretary

September 20, 2017
APPROVED October 18, 2017

The Tanterra Homeowners Association monthly Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by President Glen McEwen. Two guests were present.

Guests Barbara Cawood and Elizabeth Gay presented their concerns about ongoing speed problems on Heritage Hills Drive. Speeding on that (and other Tanterra roads) continues to pose problems of both safety and property damage. They have consulted the Montgomery County Dept. of Transportation, and propose submitting a formal request (co-signed by many surrounding homeowners) for corrective action – possibly “rumble strips” on the road to audibly signal excessive speed to drivers. The Board acknowledged that this is an ongoing issue, and the president indicated that the Tanterra would provide a letter of support for their petition to the County. This will likely be an issue at the annual Homeowners meeting in November.

Minutes

Glenn Wasik moved to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2017 Board meeting as drafted. Jim Cagley seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Clerk Elizabeth Bialas distributed the current Balance Sheet (as of August 31) and the 9/18 Profit & Loss YTD statement. Treasurer Jim Frye briefly recapped our bank balances and the current status of dues payments, extensions, and liens. There is only one remaining lien and 6 outstanding extensions. Homeowners not in compliance with established payment plans will be charged overdue fees in compliance with policy. The 2018 Budget will be considered as New Business later in the meeting.

Committee Reports

Pool Committee:

The pool year ended very successfully.

Grounds Committee:

No report. Peter Szwec continues to obtain bids for needed grounds work for completion this fall.

Greater Olney Civic Association (GOCA):

Aleka Kapatou reported on the recent meeting, which focused on environmental issues presented by County staff. Some homeowner-oriented information will be included in an upcoming Tanterra Today.

Newsletter:

No issues to report. The proposed budget will go out in the next issue.

Social Committee:

Jacque Weed reported that the social year ended successfully, and generally within budget. Volunteer recognition will be scheduled in a few weeks.

Web Site:

Jim Frye reported on our modest web site hosting fee, which is within budget.

New Business

The Finance Committee presented the proposed budget for 2018. Several elements were discussed by the entire Board. It was moved by Dick Bertin and seconded by Glenn Wasik that the draft budget be presented to the homeowners for review at least 30 days in advance of the General Meeting, in accordance with Tanterra By-laws. The motion was approved unanimously, and the draft budget will be printed in the upcoming Tanterra Today and posted to the Tanterra web site. Final approval will be by Board vote following input from homeowners at the Annual Meeting on November 8.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Board members in attendance: Glen McEwen, Jim Cagley, Wayne Johnson, Aleka Kapatou, Jim Frye, Richard Bertin, Glenn Wasik

Others present: Elizabeth Bialas (Tanterra HOA Clerk), Carolyn Reiss – (Newsletter Committee), Jacquie Weed (Social Committee), Barbara Cawood and Elizabeth Gay (Homeowners).

Submitted by Richard J. Bertin, Secretary (richardbertin@verizon.net).

ARCHITECTURAL NEWS



STREETLIGHTS

Help keep our neighborhood safe. If you see a streetlight that is leaning, turning on and off, or completely out please report it to Montgomery County. It is easy to do and takes very little time. **Just** report it to Montgomery County by dialing 311. You will need to give the address where the street light is located and the county will send someone out to fix it within a couple of days.

In addition, if we as a community would leave a couple of lights on outside of your house throughout the night this will help deter people from outside your house. If you see something on your street that doesn't look right, don't hesitate to call Montgomery County Police. There are two ways to reach them. One is through the emergency line at 911 and the other is their business line that they will send someone out when an officer is available. The business line number is (301) 279-8000 and you can report anonymously if you are more comfortable.

Architectural Requests - We've been getting great cooperation from homeowners regarding changes to their homes. Remember that it is required that you fill out an architectural form before any work is started on the outside of the house. This includes staining, roofing, windows, doors, gutters, fences, decks, sheds, driveway expansion etc. We have had instances in the past where a request was not made and the work had to be redone to meet the community standards. This ends up being more costly for the homeowner which is something we'd much prefer to You can get this form at the Tanterra Web site at www.tanterra.com

If in doubt give me a call or send an email. Should you have any questions, concerns etc., when it comes to the Architectural issues in Tanterra, please don't hesitate to give me a call or email. Hank Griffith at (240) 461-7536 or skayhank@comcast.net.

Snow Removal - Remember if you have a sidewalk in front of your house that it is your responsibility to shovel this when it snows. The county can issue a citation for failure to do so. These sidewalks were installed to keep the kids off the street when going to school.

Drive Like Your Kids Live Here

Motor vehicle accidents are the leading cause of death for children 14 years of age and younger!

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- Every day motor vehicles kill more children than any disease!

Please Slow Down!

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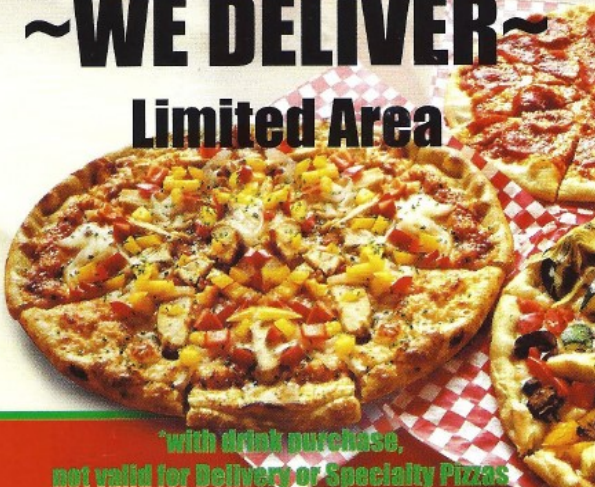
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