



August 2018

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President's Message

By Glen McEwen

For those of you that were not able to attend the July 4th festivities at the pool, you missed out on a wonderful day of sun, swimming, good food, and a chance to socialize with your neighbors. A big thank you to our local State Senator, Craig Zucker who sponsored the event. Mark your calendars now for the 2019 July 4th party so you don't miss it.

Through a lot of hard work and good coaching, the Tanterra swim and dive teams had a great year! The kids had a lot of fun, and there were numerous activities to keep everyone interested. Way to go Tanterra! If your kids were on the team this year or are just starting their swimming and/or diving careers, we hope they will join the team next summer. The Tanterra teams are a lot of fun and a great place to improve your abilities. The season was topped off with the annual swim and dive team party on July 21st.

Please remember the pool closing party on **SATURDAY, September 1st**. Come on by and enjoy the pool and the company of your great neighbors! Hot dogs, chips, drinks etc. will be furnished by the Social Committee. If you are not a regular attendee of the social events, please stop by and see how much fun they are.

If you have plans on traveling for vacation this month, please drive carefully and arrive back home safely.



Our crab feast is August 18th. This is always a lot of fun and sells out quickly so get your tickets today. See page 9 for details. There are two more family happy hours on August 10th and 24th.

Upcoming Events:

September 1
Final Pool Party

Please visit www.tanterra.com or the Yahoo listserv for changes to events. Residents, who have provided their email addresses to Liz Bialas for the use by the Board, may receive email updates on special issues, such as the Board elections.

A big shout out and thank you to these folks for contributing prizes to our Casino Night:

Christian Johnson - Olneyprint...Large format printing, banners, photo enlargements

Sharlene Monroe - ReMax Town Center at Park Potomac

Jackie Confrey - Summit Group...Providing branded items with your company logo



Hockey, Pickleball, and Tennis Reminder

Caps are champs! Summer is hot and the courts have been busy.

Come on out and play.



Community Events

Olney's 25th Annual NNO Celebration

August 7, 2018, 5-8 PM at the Fairhill Shopping Center

The Chamber of Commerce presents a family friendly event with food, music, and fun. There will be police cruisers, fire trucks, motorcycles, horses, and rescue dogs. Information on drug abuse, crime, and fire prevention will be provided. Crafts, face painting, and games for children will be available. FREE US Secret Service Child ID Kits and raffles will be done. (Items donated by local restaurants, businesses and organizations.)

Olney Evening Book Discussion

Tuesday, August 7, 1:30

PM at the Olney Library

Join us for a book discussion of "Girl on the Train" by Paula Hawkins.

Read to a Dog!

Thursday, August 9, 4 PM at the Olney Library

Come and read to one of our visiting therapy dogs. Recommended for 1st, 2nd and 3rd graders who want to improve their reading confidence. Drop in--no registration required. First come, first served.

Amazing Dog Tricks

Thursday, August 9, 2018 at 7 PM at the Olney Library

Meet Mario and Bella, two amazing Jack Russell terriers, who will perform for you! Sponsored by Friends of the Library,

Olney chapter.

Increasing Cash Flow and Debt Management

Saturday, August 11, 1 PM at the Olney Library

Discover \$100-\$200 that you did not know you had. Apply the principles of debt roll-up to get out of debt sooner!

Science in the Summer

Tuesday, August 14, 10 AM at the Olney Library

Through active, hands-on learning, children will explore the sun's energy, the phases of the moon, human survival in space, and how rockets overcome Earth's gravity. This is meant for children going into second and third grade.

New Neighbors Join Tanterra

Welcome to Matthew & Kathleen Bachiochi on Vandever Street, and Maria Dsouza on Brookepark Terrace.

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. The HOA has a small gift for each new homeowner.



Architectural Updates

Architectural Requests

UNFORTUNATELY, A HOMEOWNER HAS TO SPEND MONEY AND REDO WORK THAT WAS NOT APPROVED ON THEIR HOUSE.

I purposely remind homeowners in the multiple issues of the newsletter that any work on the outside needs approval as stated in our covenants and bylaws. We do this as the last thing we want is for a homeowner to spend money, do the work, and discover what they did was not allowed. The Bylaws and Covenants are very clear on homeowners obtaining approval prior to working on the outside of the house. If you see a neighbor doing work on the outside of their house, please ask them if they put in a request to the Architectural Committee.

The process is easy to do, and the turnaround by the committee is usually very quick. Remember to complete the Architectural Change Request for any work being done on the outside of your house. This includes window, door replacement, staining your house, driveway expansion, shingles, gutters, sheds,

fences, solar panels etc. just to name a few of the items. You can obtain this form on the Tanterra website: www.tanterra.com.

You can call me or email Hank Griffith at (240) 461-7536 or skayhank@comcast.net to obtain a general idea if what you want to do will be OK. We want to make this process as easy as possible.

Staining/Painting

Keep in mind Tanterra homes do not have paint. Instead, they have a stain. Many homes were done with a latex stain and others used an oil base (most were with latex). It is important before doing anything to understand which was done beforehand. We approve stain on Tanterra homes only.

NO GLOSS FINISH IS ALLOWED.

Even if staining the same color, you must submit an Architectural Request prior to starting work.

Commercial Signs

As a reminder we do not allow commercial signs advertising a homeowners business to be placed on the property. We do allow signs for candidates

running for office during the election season and they need to be removed from the property immediately after the election. In addition, we also allow a contractor who is working on the outside of your house to place a sign of their company while performing work, but needs to be removed one week after the work is finished.

Commercial Vehicle

If you have a commercial vehicle that you drive to and from work, it must be parked in the driveway and not on the street. It must meet the size limits of what is allowed in a residential neighborhood as set by Montgomery County which can be found on their web site. All trailers, mobile homes, boats, etc. must be parked in the driveway.



Thinking of Remodeling?

Design for Life is a project of the Montgomery County Department of Permitting Services.

It is a service to promote accessible home design to Montgomery County residents and building professionals. Homeowners can receive up to \$3,000 property tax credit for remodeling that meets Level I Veritable Accessibility Standards and up to \$10,000 for work that meets Level II Livable Accessibility Standards.

Building professionals can benefit by:

1. Fast track through the permitting process.
2. Valuable tax incentives.
3. Community recognition as a featured project on DFL website.
4. Improved marketing — offer the opportunity for accessibility options and property tax incentives for their buyers!

Details are at: <https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/design/>

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 tanterrahoa. Click on the "Join Group" link and follow the prompts.
- 3) To subscribe without setting up a Yahoo account, send a blank email to tanterrahoa-subscribe@yahoogroups.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: June Board Meeting Minutes

By Richard J. Bertin, Secretary

June 20, 2018
APPROVED July 19, 2018

The Tanterra Homeowners Association monthly Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by President Glen McEwen.

Guests

A. Two homeowners appealed the Architectural Review Committee advising them they could not place chairs and a loveseat in a mulched area in their front yard. They believe it provides a front porch atmosphere where there is no front porch and promotes neighborly conversation. They offered to provide a proposed modification to the front yard usage policy. This generated a Motion to Table the Appeal until the next Board Meeting, currently scheduled for July 18, 2018, pending receipt of the proposed modification for Board consideration. The Motion to Table, raised by Glenn Wasik and seconded by Dave Bouve, passed unanimously.

B. Another homeowner appealed a refusal to allow the placement of a Little Free Library in her front yard. After discussion, a Motion to Approve the Installation of a Little Free Library (with specified parameters) was raised by Glenn Wasik and seconded by Dave Bouve. It was approved by a 6 to 0 vote with 1 abstention.

C. Another homeowner appealed the Architectural Review Committee advising certain items needed to be removed from that yard, including a trampoline, a hammock, and a partially painted picnic table. The Board was presented with photographs of the yard at various times. The homeowner felt that the items in that yard promoted neighborly interactions, and most of the items were present during a time when there was ongoing construction at the home. Discussions revealed many items remained. The homeowner requested suggestions as to what to do to resolve the issues. This situation was included in the Motion to Table the Appeal until the next Board Meeting, currently scheduled for July 18, 2018, pending receipt of the proposed policy modification for Board consideration. That Motion to Table passed unanimously.

Minutes

Glenn Wasik moved to approve the minutes of the May 17, 2018 HOA Board Meeting as drafted. David Bouve seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Clerk Elizabeth Bialas distributed the current Balance Sheet (as of May 31) and the June 12 Profit & Loss YTD statement. She briefly recapped our bank balances and the status of dues payments, extensions, and liens. Overdue homeowner dues are now subject to additional fees, and non-paid associate memberships will be opened to the waiting list. Members in arrears will not be admitted to the pool.

Committee Reports

Pool Committee:

Chairman Wayne Johnson briefly discussed the event certificate process for the Montgomery County Department of Liquor Control as it relates to Tanterra Pool events. A discussion was held regarding the placement of cornhole boards and concrete pads on the parking lot side of the pool for players under the age of 21 and the placement of an additional concrete pad in the current cornhole and horseshoe pit area to accommodate cold boxes. An anonymous letter to the Board regarding the pool operations was discussed as well.

Grounds Committee:

A chair for this committee is still needed.

Greater Olney Civic Association (GOCA):

Tanterra Homeowners Association: June Board Meeting Minutes Continued...

By Richard J. Bertin, Secretary

Aleka Kapatou reported on the May GOCA Meeting and indicated the Olney Sunoco wants to open a carwash.

Social Committee:

Jacquie Weed reported Happy Hour on 6/29/2018, the Fourth of July Celebration with Hot Dogs and Coin Toss, cancellation of 7/6/2018 Happy Hour, and Casino Night on 7/14/2018.

Website:

The website calendar continues to be updated.

Welcoming Committee:

We are continuing to receive new families into the Tanterra community.

Old Business

Rumble Strips - Dick Bertin will be responding to this issue at the next Meeting and in *Tanterra Today*.

New Business

None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

* *Board Members in Attendance:* Glen McEwen, Wayne Johnson, Dave Bouve, Jim Cagley, Aleka Kapatou, Erwin Hesse, Glenn Wasik

* *Others in Attendance:* Elizabeth Bialas (Tanterra HOA Clerk), Hank Griffith, Kay Griffith, and Ted Karp (Architectural Committee), Carolyn Reiss (Newsletter), Dave Stout (Pool Committee), Jacquie Weed (Social Committee). Homeowner guests: Daniel DeCiero, Amy Mascott, Carrol and Mike Mercurio, Ginger Naglee.



**Last Friday Night Family Happy
Hours of the Summer . . .**

*** Please Bring an Appetizer or Dessert to Share ***



☀ **August 10 & August 24** ☀

5pm - 8pm

*** Iced Tea and/or Lemonade for All ***

Flyer by Sharlene Monroe

CRAB FEAST



Spiced Shrimp, Chicken,
Salad, Sides and Dessert

Adult Beverages and
Soft Drinks Provided

AUGUST 18
8-pm -12 am

Crab Eatin' Folk:

\$35/person Tanterra Members
\$45/person Non-Pool Members

Non-Crab Eaters:

\$25/person Tanterra Members
\$35/person Non-Pool Members

SPACE IS LIMITED - RESERVE YOUR SPOTS EARLY !

RSVP to Pool Lifeguard by August 15 with check

Questions? Contact Jacquie Weed at JSWeed1@verizon.net or 301-774-3431

***** WE NEED VOLUNTEERS *****

If you can help make this event a success - contact Jacquie Weed. Thank you !

LABOR DAY WEEKEND
POOL CLOSING PARTY
SATURDAY, SEPT 1

12 - 2 p.m.

HOT DOGS

CHIPS

BEVERAGES



2018-2019 MCPS

School Year Calendar

- SEP 4 First day of school for students
- SEP 10 No school for students and teachers
- SEP 19 No school for students and teachers
- OCT 5 Early release day for all students (K-12)
- NOV 6 Holiday (Schools and offices closed)
- NOV 7 Early release day for Students (K-12) End of Quarter Planning
- NOV 12 Early release day for all students (K-12)
- NOV 13 Early release day for all students (K-12)
- NOV 21 Early release day for all students (K-12)
- NOV 22-23 Thanksgiving (Schools and offices closed)
- DEC 24-31 Winter Break (Schools and offices closed)
- JAN 1 New Year's Day (Schools and offices closed)
- JAN 21 Martin L. King, Jr. Day (Schools and offices closed)
- JAN 25 Early release day for Students (K-12) End of Quarter Planning
- JAN 28 No school for students. Professional day for teachers
- FEB 18 Presidents' Day (Schools and offices closed)
- MAR 3 Early release day for all students (K-12)
- APR 3 Early release day for Students (K-12) End of Quarter Planning
- APR 17-22 Spring Break (Schools and offices closed)
- MAY 27 Memorial Day (Schools and offices closed)
- JUN 5 No school for students. Professional day for teachers
- JUN 13 Early release day for Students (K-12) Last day of School



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