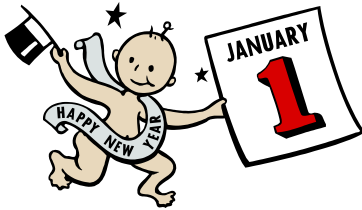


Tanterra Today

JANUARY 2012



President's Message

by Curt Barrett

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. I would like to extend my warmest wishes to all for a Healthy and Happy 2012!

The Tanterra HOA will continue its efforts to improve our community in 2012, from maintaining our pathways and tennis courts and providing architectural oversight of homeowner improvements, to a major pool reconstruction beginning this Fall. If any homeowner finds an item they believe deserves attention, please email me or another Board member with your concerns or attend one of our monthly Board meetings to discuss the matter. Remember, we are here to serve you and our community.

Please note our invoices for 2012 dues will be mailed out no later than January 31st, with payment expected by March 17th. 2012 dues increased by \$20 for homeowners and \$10 for associate members, with assessments now at \$345 and \$505, respectively. Our

covenants require us to assess late fees and penalties for those who do not pay on time, as well as remove pool privileges and other activities, so your prompt payment is greatly appreciated.

As a reminder for those who chose the three-year payment plan for the 2011 special assessment of \$1,000, please note your next installment of \$350 is due by June 15th.

Don't forget to join the Tanterra Email Group! We have created a group email (TanterraHOA@yahoo.com) that allows us to quickly and easily reach homeowners with news relevant to our immediate neighborhood and the greater Olney community as well. If you would like to join, please email Carri Wheatley at carri_wheatley@yahoo.com.

Lastly, we're always looking for new volunteers, so if you'd like to help serve your community, please let us know; we'd love to have you join our ranks!

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Tanterra Today can also be found online at www.Tanterra.com.

Check our website for announcements and other community news!

Please submit all items for publication in the newsletter by the 20th of each month to TanterraToday@hotmail.com.

Upcoming Board Meetings

January 18 ♦ February 15 ♦ March 21

All meetings begin at 7:30 p.m.
and are held in the Pool Shed

All homeowners and associate members are welcome and encouraged to attend our Board Meetings each month.

NOTICE: TO ALL TAN TERRA HOMEOWNERS

Pursuant to Article V of the Re-Statement Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions for the Tanterra Homeowner's Association, Inc., all Tanterra property owners are hereby notified that the Annual Assessment for 2012 is \$345.00. Further notice is given that the Board of Directors for the Tanterra Homeowner's Association, Inc. has approved a dues policy that will obligate homeowners to additional fees and charges in the event the assessment mentioned above is not paid on or before March 17, 2012. The approved Dues Policy is listed below. If you have any questions, please contact the Treasurer.

Tanterra Homeowner's Association Dues Policy

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|-----------------|---|
| By Jan 31, 2012 | Bills are issued for calendar year 2012. |
| By Mar 1, 2012 | If for some financial reason you are not able to pay your bill in full by the due date, you must submit a written request for an extension of making payment(s). All extensions must include the specific date(s) you are proposing to make the payment(s) and the amounts. All extensions of payment must be approved. |
| On Mar 17, 2012 | Payment is due in full unless an extension has been approved.

A late fee of \$15.00 will be added to each delinquent account.

Finance charges of 18% per annum will start to accrue. |
| On Apr 1, 2012 | Letters are sent to homeowners who have not paid and who do not have an approved extension. |
| On Apr 17, 2012 | Names of all homeowners who have not paid and who do not have an approved extension are forwarded to the attorney who sends a demand letter. At this time, there is a \$25 charge for this service.

If payment is not received with all finance charges and attorney fees within 30 days after the attorney mails the collection letter, we shall instruct the attorney to file a Notice of Lien in the land records for Montgomery County. At this time, there is a \$50 fee for serving the notice and a \$200 fee for filing the lien.

Any homeowner or their renter who has not paid and who does not have an approved extension will not be permitted to use any of the association's recreational facilities. |
| By Sept 1, 2012 | Action may be taken to have a suit filed in the appropriate court for payment of any past dues and/or fees. Currently, the attorney charges \$200 per hour plus court filing fees, and \$50 for process of this service. |

The above mentioned fees are subject to change without notice.

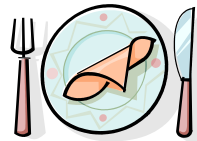
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COMMUNITY CORNER

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16th ANNUAL MARYLAND STATE POLICE POLAR BEAR PLUNGE
Jan 28 8am - 6pm



Sandy Point State Park
 1100 E. College Parkway
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Participants raise money for Special Olympics by taking a dip in the Chesapeake Bay. **Must register; see website for more info: www.plungemd.com.**

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thru February 1st
 10am - 4pm



Hampton National Historical Site
 535 Hampton Lane, Towson 410-823-1309 x208

In honor of the 150th anniversary of the beginning of the Civil War, the Hampton N.H.S. will present an exhibition on life during the Civil War for everyone who lived on the Hampton estate, freedman and slave. For more info see <http://www.nps.gov/hamp>.

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The GOCA Leadership Team would like to extend our wishes for a very happy and most healthy 2012!

We would like to inform everyone of these important upcoming events in January:

First, there will be public meeting regarding the proposed "land swap" between The Farquhar Middle School Site and future adjacent parkland. This meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 3rd at 7:00PM at Farquhar Middle School Cafeteria. Complete meeting details including location can be found by opening this link: <http://www.goca.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/12/Farquhar-Neigbor-lrt-12-12-11.pdf>

Second, our regular monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 10th at 7:30PM. Our featured speaker will be Montgomery County Executive Ike Leggett, he will be discussing "The State Of Montgomery County heading into 2012". The meetings take place at the Community Room of the Buffington RE/MAX Building at 3300 Olney-Sandy Spring Road in Olney, MD.

Third, Montgomery County Executive Isiah Leggett is sponsoring five budget forums throughout the County during January to seek input from residents about Fiscal Year 2013 Operating Budget priorities. *"These public forums give our residents an opportunity to tell me what's important to them as I prepare next year's operating budget for submission to the County Council on March 15,"* said Leggett. There are five forums scheduled throughout the county but **the one for Olney and our Mid-County area will take place at 7 p.m. on Jan. 17, Mid-County Community Recreation Center, 2004 Queensguard Road, Silver Spring.**

All Olney residents are invited to these public meetings.



OLNEY MOURNS THE PASSING OF RON BERGER

We regret to inform you that Ron Berger, one the founders of the GOCA and a dedicated, respected leader in the Olney Community, passed away on December 29th. For over 30 years everyone in GOCA has benefited from Ron's wisdom and guidance and his presence will be truly missed.

The funeral took place at the Danzansky Goldberg Funeral Home in Rockville on January 2, with interment at the Judean Memorial Gardens on Batchellor's Forest Road in Olney. Ron and his family have requested that in lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to either of the following:

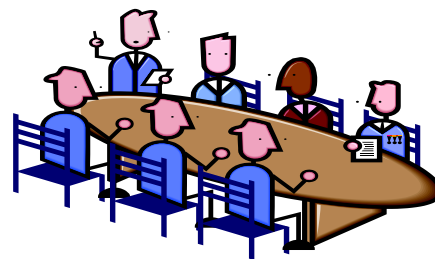
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Olney, MD 20830

OR

The Infusion Center
Montgomery General Hospital
In memory of Ron Berger
c/o MGH Health Foundation
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Olney, MD 20832

(Editor's Note: GOCA is also very concerned about safety issues at the intersection of Georgia Avenue (Rt. 97) and Norbeck Road (Rt. 28), and the risk of vehicles turning from both north and southbound lanes. GOCA is requesting all Homeowners/Condominium/Citizens/Civic Associations read and endorse a letter GOCA wrote December 20, 2011 to the State Highway Administration, and have similarly requested all Presidents of GOCA member associations send a similar message/letter to the Maryland SHA. Please visit the GOCA website at www.goca.org for more information on this matter.)

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General Meeting Minutes

Please note there was no December 2011 meeting of the Board. Consequently, the November 2011 meeting minutes will be published in the February 2012 newsletter.



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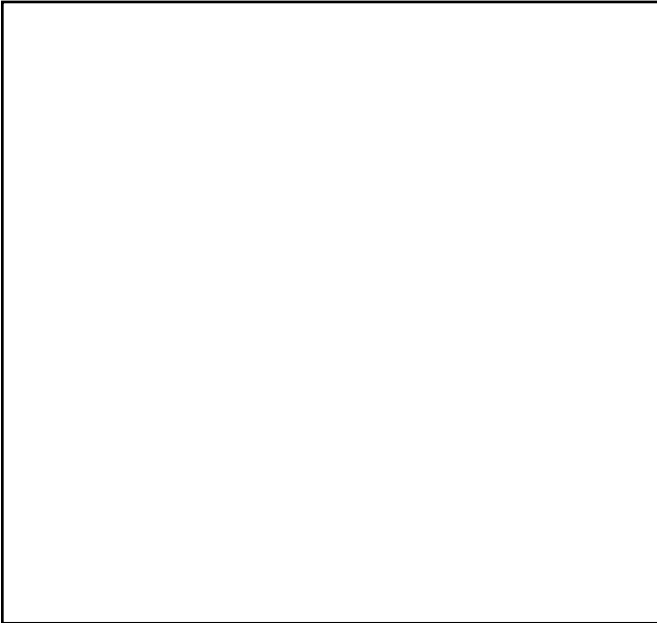
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