

# The Saunders Point Citizen

Newsletter of the Saunders Point Citizens Association, Inc.  
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**'Tis the Season...And News Your Can Use..**

**“Operation Santa”—Toys for Kids Drive!**

**Sunday Afternoon, December 8  
Between 4:30 and 5:30 P.M.**

Once again, **The Woodland Beach Volunteer Firefighters** will be coming through Saunders Point on the afternoon of December 8, picking up toys for children who would otherwise go without this Christmas. Buy a toy or two or more, label each with the age and sex of the child for whom the toy is intended and leave at your mailbox, or with a neighbor, or be there when the fire truck comes by. Questions? Call Millie or Bert Bowers, 410-798-7870.

## **Highlights of the November 14 Membership Meeting**

**John Scarborough**, the Anne Arundel County Department of Public Works official overseeing the \$479,000 project to upgrade the drainage and some roads in Saunders Point, was among the guest speakers. He reported that the design phase is about 70 percent complete, that funding for construction—about \$450,000—has been approved and that work is scheduled to begin in June or July. Construction will take four to six months to complete, he said. At the moment, the county is in the process of getting various permits for the work. Scarborough made himself available to several residents who raised issues about their properties. And he indicated changes may be made in the plans in light of special drainage problems in some areas.

Other speakers were **Bob Stevenson** and **Shirley LaCovey**, volunteers representing the county's Emergency Management Bureau, who provided some valuable advice to the community on actions householders could take to prepare for emergencies, such as a hurricane or a paralyzing snowstorm. They passed out various pamphlets, including how to prepare a “family disaster plan,” which are available at 410-222-8040.

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## **Some Community Problems**

Residents raised several community problems, some of which have been around for years. Triton Beach Road has once again become a favorite for illegal drag racing, and the police have been notified. But it's up to homeowners who live close enough to hear the screeching of rubber to call the cops when it's happening.

Also, the community is accepting suggestions for making the median strip on Carvel Lane more attractive, once the drainage construction is finished, and to prevent cars from parking on the median or making illegal turns across the median. One suggestion: Make Lee Way a one-way street. But which way? And how do we do it? Those were among the questions discussed.

## **We're Not Exactly Rich But....**

**Kim Prochazka** delivered the treasurer's report, which showed that the Saunders Point Citizens Association had \$1,213.39 as of October 31. Why not join the association so you can have a voice in your community? Dues are only \$10 for the year. Send your check to the Association address at the top of this newsletter.

**President Bob Chidester** delivered the report on the Community Improvement Fund (formerly the road fund), in the absence of its chairman, Dave Shrewsberry. The balance in the checking account was \$8,133.93, and the fund holds a certificate of deposit worth \$9,390.14, for a total of \$17,524.07. That raises two questions: Are you up to date in paying your required fee of \$20 per lot? And do you have any ideas for the use of the fund for community improvement, say for the expansion of the beach? That possibility was discussed briefly.

## **The Elections...**

**By acclamation**, the association approved the recommendations of the nominating committee and elected as president, Jerry Oosterhaus, who has been serving as vice-president. Outgoing President Chidester was elected vice-president, and Kim Prochazka and Carole Bartolini, were re-elected treasurer and secretary, respectively. Saul Friedman was elected to a three year term as director, and Leon Kestenbaum, was elected as director for one year to fill out the term of Jerry Oosterhaus. Remaining directors are, Chidester (as the immediate past president), Dianne Morris, Valerie Webster and Charles Reese.

## **And Thanks!!!**

**Chidester** sends his deepest thanks to the community for its help during the year and your newsletter writer wishes to do likewise, thanking Bob for a job well done, as usual.

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