



THE LONDON TOWNE CRIER

The London Towne Community Newsletter

June 2010

London Towne HOA Approved Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

February 25, 2010 Meeting

ATTENDANCE:

Michele McCormack, President; Linda Evans, Vice President; Henri Stein-McCartney, Secretary; Sally Saucedo, Treasurer; Robin Peralta, Member at Large; Samantha Winterstine, Sequoia Management; Ryan Courtney, Sequoia Management.

CALL TO ORDER:

Ms. McCormack called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

RESIDENT FORUM:

A resident expressed concerns about the lights being out on Gatwick Square. The Board responded that people have been through the violation process are accruing rules violation charges for the lights.

MINUTES:

The Board reviewed the January 28, 2010 Board of Directors meeting minutes. Ms. Stein-McCartney made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Ms. McCormack and Ms. Peralta seconded the motion. Ms. Saucedo and Ms. Evans abstained.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board reviewed Architectural Applications.

- a) 14814 Palmerston Square – Change house color, windows, remove dead tree, and front door – House color disapproved; Windows, dead tree, and front door approved.

The Board reviewed the financial report.

The Board reviewed the draft Reserve Study

(B) The Board is to review the draft Reserve Study and come with questions to the next meeting.

The Board reviewed the operational calendar.

The Board reviewed the new homeowners list.

The Board reviewed the monthly McBees.

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2010 LTHOA Annual Meeting

On May 5, 2010, London Towne held its Annual Meeting at Stone Middle School. Part of the agenda for that meeting was to elect members to the Board of Directors. We proudly introduce to you the London Towne Board of Directors for 2010-2011:

President: Michele McCormack

Vice President: Linda Evans

Treasurer: Sally Saucedo

Secretary: Henri Stein McCartney

Director at Large: Philip Moore

The Board of Directors is elected to serve the London Towne Community and its Residents. It is the commitment of each elected Director to uphold all of the Governing Documents of the Community, while representing each Homeowner and Resident in the fairest means possible. The Board of Directors can be reached by email at lthoa1@verizon.net or through Sequoia Management at 703-803-9641.

*London Towne would like
to Congratulate all of our
2010 Graduates.*

Good Luck!



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LONDON TOWNE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Michele McCormack, President
 Linda Evans, Vice President
 Sally Saucedo, Treasurer
 Henri Stein McCartney, Secretary
 Philip Moore, Director at Large
*London Towne's Board of Directors meets on the
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 Meetings are held at Sequoia Management
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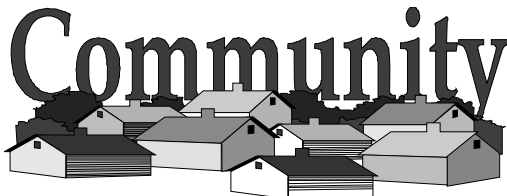
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The deadline for submission is the 5th of each month.

Written material **MUST** include name, address, and phone number.

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London Towne HOA Approved 2009 Annual Meeting Minutes

May 6, 2009 Meeting

At the May 5, 2010 Annual Meeting, the 2009 Annual Meeting Minutes were approved.

ATTENDANCE:

Michele McCormack, President; Linda Evans, Secretary; Sally Saucedo, Treasurer; Samantha Winterstine, Sequoia Management; Melissa Wolyneq, Sequoia Management, Recording Secretary.

CALL TO ORDER:

The President called the meeting to order at 7:12 pm. Notice of the Annual Meeting was presented. Attendance was comprised of 36 proxies and owners.

MINUTES:

The last name of Linda Evans was corrected. A motion was made to approve the amended minutes from the 2008 Annual Meeting. All in favor, no opposed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Ms. McCormack discussed the upcoming plans for Summer of 2009. She announced the date of the London Towne cleanup day as June 13, 2009. It was also noted that dumpsters would be placed at the intersections of Gothwaite Drive and Paddington Lane, Billingsgate Lane and Gothwaite Drive and Hoxton Square and Paddington Lane.

(M) Mrs. Winterstine will contact local high schools and girl scouts in the area to help clean up as part of their community service.

NOMINATIONS:

Ms. McCormack asked if there were any nominations from the floor since no one had submitted a nomination form prior to the meeting. A resident nominated Henri Stine-McCartney, she accepted.

ELECTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

The new member of the Board of Director by acclamation is Henri Stine-McCartney.

NEW BUSINESS:

A resident expressed concerns about lights not working on homes in the neighborhood.

(B) The Board will evaluate the light situation in the neighborhood.

(B) The Board will put a reminder that residents must have their lights on from dusk to dawn each night.

A resident expressed concerns about the amount of pesticides being sprayed on the lawn.

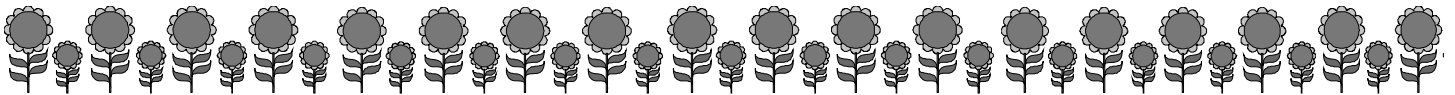
A resident expressed concerns about the amount of trash being left around the neighborhood.

A resident expressed concerns about parking in the neighborhood and businesses in the residence.

(M) Management to contact Supervisor Frye's office to check on moving bus stops to yellow areas or move the yellow areas to bus stops.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to adjourn at 8:33 pm.



February 25, 2010 Board Minutes

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Ms. McCormack made a motion, Ms. Peralta seconded to enter Executive session to discuss violations on homeowner's accounts at 7:30 pm.

Ms. McCormack made a motion to reconvene in open session at 8:19 pm, Ms. Stein-McCartney. All in favor.

ADJOURNMENT:

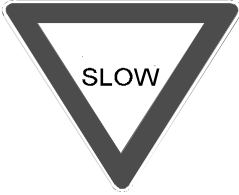
Ms. McCormack made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm, Ms. Peralta seconded, and all were in favor.

Calendar of Events

JUNE

24 Thursday: HOA Meeting
Offices of Sequoia Management
7:00 pm





SLOW DOWN!

The weather is warmer and children are playing outside day and night. Posted speed limits in London Towne are 25 miles per hour

on the County roads and 15 miles per hour on private residential streets.

Please obey these speed limits at all times. Children are unpredictable and fearless and will run out in front of your vehicle at a moment's notice without thinking. It is our responsibility, as driving adults, to watch out for London Towne's children at all times. Our children's lives are in our hands every time we drive through London Towne. Please, slow down and save a life.

Dog Owners:

Please remember to pick up after your pets when taking them for walks. Leaving pet droppings is not only unsanitary, but also against Fairfax County regulations. Please be a scooper, not a pooper.



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Help Prevent Bicycle Crashes

(A message for parents and children)

Bicycle safety is a concern for everyone, especially with summer fast approaching and kids out of school soon. Did you know that more than one-third of all bicyclist deaths occur among

school-age children? Did you also know that head injuries are the most serious type of injury and the most common cause of death for bicyclists?

Although most deaths occur as a result of bicycle and motor vehicle collisions, crashes can happen anywhere – in parks, on bicycle paths and in driveways. It is imperative that we teach our children that a bicycle is not a toy. It's a vehicle and is subject to the same rules and regulations as a motor vehicle. Additionally, Fairfax County Law states that children 14 years of age or younger must wear protective helmets.

So what can we do as parents to stop fatalities and injuries? Insist that your child wear a helmet every time they ride their bike and replace the helmet if it has been damaged. In an effort to get your child to wear their helmet, let them pick it out. You should make sure; however, that they choose a helmet that has a sticker indicating that it meets either the Snell Memorial Foundation or the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standards. After purchasing the helmet, instruct your child on the correct way to wear it, making sure it

fits snugly and covers their forehead. Wear your helmet too. Kids learn by example and what better role model do they have than you?

Teaching your child to wear their helmet is just the first thing you should do. You should also teach them to look left-right-left before entering a roadway or intersection.

Children should never ride a bike at night, as drivers have a difficult time seeing them, and they should never ride a bike while listening to headphones. It is also important that their bike fits them correctly and their bike has properly working parts and reflectors.

As a parent you should stress the need to ride defensively since many drivers do not see bicyclists and teach your children to ride single file on the right side of the road, just like cars, being sure to signal their intentions to other road users.

Finally, you should enroll your child in a bicycle safety education program. Remember, proper bike safety is no accident, and children who are properly trained can prevent accidents.

For more information about bike safety please contact the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Departments Public Information and Life Safety Education Section at 703-246-3801, TTY 703-385-4419 or visit www.fairfaxcounty.gov/fire.

ONE WAY STREETS



Every court in London Towne is clearly marked by a One-Way street sign. Unfortunately, not everyone who drives our streets pays attention to these One-Way signs.

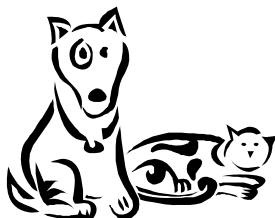
Too often people are seen entering the wrong way on these One-Way streets, sometimes as a matter of convenience because their home may be located closer to the end of the Do Not Enter signs and they don't want to take the few extra seconds to go the right way to get home safely, or sometimes it's a matter of people just not paying attention and not seeing the signs.

More and more now, children are going to be outside playing and not paying attention to drivers entering courts the wrong way. Every time a driver enters a

court the wrong way, they are taking the chance of hitting one of our children. They are also running the risk of hitting an unsuspecting driver traveling the correct direction on their court.

If you are one of these people who enter your court the wrong way, please refrain from doing so. It sets a bad example for our young drivers, and can potentially put your own safety at risk. If you have friends who visit London Towne, and are unaware or don't see the Do Not Enter signs, please make them aware that they are going the wrong way. If you see someone you don't recognize travelling the wrong way, please try to get a plate number and report it to the Board of Directors or the non-emergency police number.

The Board continues to look for options into preventing wrong way traffic on One-Way streets. Although prevention may be a nuisance to some, the safety of all residents is the Board's main concern.



2010 Reduced Cost Rabies Clinics

2:00-4:00 pm on Sundays, August 22, September 19 and November 14

The August clinic will be held at the Sully District Govt. Center, 4900 Stonecroft Blvd.
The September clinic will be held at the Fairfax Co. Animal Shelter, 4500 West Ox Road.
The November clinic will be held at Deepwood Veterinary Clinic, 7300 Ordway Road, Centreville.

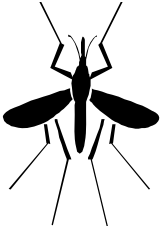
- * Dogs, cats and ferrets will be eligible for vaccinations. Cost is \$12.00.
- * Dogs MUST be on leashes; cats and ferrets MUST be in carriers.
- * All pets will receive a 1-year rabies vaccine. To obtain a 3-year vaccine, bring your pet's rabies certificate showing your dog's current rabies vaccination and expiration date. Only those who are able to show proof will be eligible for the 3-year vaccination for their pet.
- * Only rabies certificates will be issued (no tags). 2010 dog licenses will be sold at each clinic for \$10.00.

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What's the Buzz?

Summer has arrived and mosquitoes are rearing their ugly, and painful, little heads. There are things you can do to make sure that you are not providing breeding sites in your own yard. Mosquitoes prefer to breed in all sorts of still water held in artificial containers. Any water feature with continuous flowing water, or ponds with predators such as fish, frogs or dragonflies are not good breeding sites for mosquitoes.

To keep your family, your pets, and your community healthy you should check for the following:

- * *Roof gutters*—clean out leaves and debris frequently to ensure water flows freely.
- * *Flexible plastic pipes for downspout drainage*—treat with larvicide.
- * *Buckets, watering cans, containers, or trash cans*—store indoors or turn over. It only takes a few teaspoons of water for mosquitos to breed.
- * *Bird baths*—change the water or flush out and clean with a garden hose at least once a week.
- * *Ornamental ponds*—stock with fish, or aerate the water with a recirculation pump, or treat with larvicide. “Mosquito Dunks” work great.
- * *Puddles and wet, soggy areas*—drain the water or fill with dirt and other landscaping material. Treat the area with larvicide.
- * *Potted plants with saucers*—empty saucers or flush out with a garden hose once a week.
- * *Swimming/wading pools*—when not in use, drain or keep covered. Keep hot tubs covered also.



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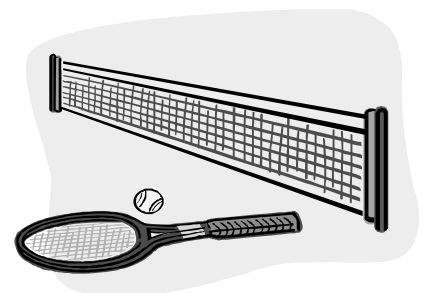
Sequoia Farms Pool & Tennis Club Memberships Available

Sequoia Farms Pool & Tennis Club, conveniently located in the Centreville-Chantilly area at 5562 Sequoia Farms Drive, has a limited number of summer memberships available for the 2010 season. Membership not only entitles your family to unlimited pool use, but also includes access to our two tennis courts, affordable swim lessons and fun social events for the entire family planned at the pool . . . all for only \$420. If you register before May 1st, you can receive a discounted membership of \$380! Also, in 2010 we are offering a special Military Rate of \$200, with proof of valid active duty Military ID.

The Sequoia Farms Pool is also the home of the Sequoia Farms Stingrays Swim Team. Summer membership allows your children, ages 5-18, the option to swim on this fun Colonial Swim League Swim Team. It's a great way for youth to meet new friends, improve their swimming skills and have fun participating in weekly competitions with local swim teams. (You must register separately. Please email President@SFStingrays.com).

In addition to enjoyable social events planned at the pool and a fun water slide, our pool allows families to bring their own snacks, meals and drinks to the pool. Or if you would prefer, you may purchase drinks from the vending machines. We also have Pool Specials for pizza that can be delivered to the pool. All these options make summer days at Sequoia Farms Swim & Tennis Club fun, affordable and convenient.

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London Towne Homeowners Association, Inc. Architectural Improvement Request Form

To: London Towne HOA Architectural Review Committee
c/o Sequoia Management Company, Inc.
13998 Parkeast Circle
Chantilly, VA 20151-2283
(703) 803-9641

Name of Applicant: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: (H) _____ (W) _____

Proposed Improvement: Fence Deck Lighting Windows Color Change

Other (please describe):

APPLICANT MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING WITH THE APPLICATION:

1. Site plan showing size, shape and location of improvement to residence and to adjoining properties (including specific dimension of improvement and distances to adjoining properties).
2. Manufacturer's brochure, if available.
3. Color samples, if applicable.
4. Architectural plans/drawings (for major additions/improvements).
5. Grading plan (if applicable).
6. Detailed written description of improvement.

Applicant hereby warrants that Applicant shall assume full responsibility for:

1. All landscaping, grading, and/or drainage issues relating to the improvements.
2. Obtaining all required State or County approvals relating to said improvements.
3. Complying with all applicable State and County ordinances.
4. Any damage to adjoining property (including Common Area) or injury to third persons associated with the improvement.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Architectural Review Committee

Date Application Received: _____

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Samantha Winterstine, Sequoia Management Co.
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