

Fall 2015



# Drum Point Light

## Drum Point Property Owners' Association

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### Welcome New Neighbors



If you have recently moved to the neighborhood, or would just like to learn more about our community, please join us at the Drum Point Property Owners' Association Office on **Thursday October 22nd at 7:00 p.m.**

The Welcoming Committee and some Association Board members will be there to tell you about upcoming activities and answer any questions that you may have. We will also share what we know about the area; restaurants, shopping and other interesting opportunities, that you might not have yet discovered.

Light refreshments will be served. Come and meet your neighbors and find out what a great place Drum Point is to live. RSVP - DPPOA Office (Rhea Webster) 410-326-6148.

We look forward to meeting you!

### The 4th of July Holiday Weekend

The Drum Point Property Owners' Association and the Drum Point Club joined together this year to celebrate The 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

The festivities began on July 3<sup>rd</sup> with an outdoor movie night at the Club. The fragrance of freshly-popped popcorn filled the air, while the movie "1776" brought the politics surrounding the Revolutionary War to life for the movie goers.

The fun continued the next day with the Club gates opening at 1:00 so would-be picnickers could swim at the beach before enjoying hotdogs, hamburgers, potato salad and coleslaw.

Gary Heal and Ralph Swartwood manned the grill, while other volunteers were kept busy

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Residents relaxing during the festivities!

# President's Column

## Gary Heal, President

### DPPOA Board of Directors



This is the first time in a while that I do not have to talk about budgets, spending cuts or austerity programs. The Community (we /you) approved a budget that allows your Association to operate normally again!

This season we've gotten back on schedule with maintenance and paving. Right of Way trimming is back on track, and we have just completed repaving about .75 miles of our roads; the plan is to pave this amount or more each year to keep our roads in outstanding condition over the long run.

Steps are also being taken to improve your Association office at 401 Lake Drive so that it will continue to function effectively as a Community Emergency Service Center (CESC) in the event of a disaster. Systems are in place to provide some shelter, communications, and relief in emergency situations. Please stop by to take a look when you have time.

With fall and winter coming, we are prepared for the storms we hope do not materialize. We will be relying on the same contractors and volunteers that we have had in the past and expect the same result - that is clear roads when you need them. Please take time to read the related article on page 3 in this newsletter.

We have renewed the Board of Directors. Four of the nine Directors have never served on this Board before and are bringing new ideas and new life into the group. It is always a good thing to have differing points of view presented and discussed. Board meetings can be viewed by going to the DPPOA website at [www.dppoa.org](http://www.dppoa.org) each month. Click on the link (Meeting Videos) at the top of the page.

Gary Heal

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## Holiday Weekend

with setup for the picnic, running of the games for the kids and manning the popcorn machine. The popcorn was more popular with the kids than potato chips, and the machine was humming for the better part of the day. Peggy Waldheim and her crew were a hit with the youngsters with games and face painting the order of the day.

Once the afternoon's festivities wound down, everyone settled in for an evening of fireworks. Unfortunately, the barge from which the fireworks are set off was moved further north from the Point than usual, so were not as visible as in past years. However, as luck would have it, a local group had organized their own display, and the sky was ablaze with color and the night with noise!!

Despite the onset of rain, at some point during both evenings, the weekend was a success in no small part due to the volunteers: Gary Heal, Ralph

Swartwood, Nancie Ririe, Virginia Swartwood, Peggy and Dan Waldheim and their children, Rachel and Daniel, Mindy Krupp, Kyle Smithers, Maria Miller, Dennis Baker, Thurland Wilkinson and Peter Holt. Thanks to all who stepped up.



Friends and neighbors enjoy the day's activities  
and each other's company



## Time for Winter Already?

We can expect that we will have sufficient snow this season which will require plowing. In past years, we have had complaints about the snow plow pushing snow into a driveway that has been shoveled out. Some of these complaints come from people who live on dead-end streets or cul-de-sacs. Others come from owners who have driveways that are perpendicular to the street road surface. In both cases, our snow plow operators make every effort to be as kind as possible in the placement of snow.

For driveways off of streets, it is not possible to keep snow from accumulating at driveway entrances as the roadway is plowed, we simply do not have the money or the time to open up each driveway entrance as the snow plow passes.

For dead end streets and cul-de-sacs, the operators have to determine where to put the snow at the end of their plowing run. Sometimes, especially when plowing at 3:00 a.m., it is difficult to determine where a driveway enters the cul-de-sac or where the road actually dead ends. In these cases we will make every effort to not block anyone in.

Drum Point Property Owners Association does not budget for or pay for the plowing of driveways. The driveway and the entrance to it are the responsibility of each homeowner.

We appreciate your understanding. Please call the office if a problem arises.

### Keeping our Community Clean



If you walk your dog in Drum Point, please remember to clean up after your pet. It's not only the considerate thing to do, there's a County ordinance which states that a person may allow their dog to defecate on common areas of a community, but the feces must be "immediately removed by a sanitary method and disposed of in an appropriate trash receptacle." (§7-6 702 B-3)

## COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP RETURNS

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### DRUM POINT



The DPPOA budget this year includes funds for the community cleanup, which has been scheduled for Saturday, October 10th. The dumpsters will be available from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

For those of you unfamiliar with the community cleanup, dumpsters are placed on the vacant lot across from the DPPOA office at 401 Lake Drive. Residents, who wish to, can bring their unwanted items to the dumpsters.

One dumpster will be set aside for the recycling of metal. This is your opportunity to get rid of that old grill and anything else made primarily of metal.

#### Items which can be accepted include:

- Stoves
- Grills
- Lawn mowers, weed eaters etc.
- Furniture
- Exercise Equipment
- Metal for recycling

#### Items which cannot be accepted include:

- Household trash/garbage
- Building material
- Tires
- Batteries
- Tree branches and other yard debris
- Paints, stains and other hazardous material
- Televisions and computer monitors
- Refrigerators and AC units.

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## **General Membership Meeting**

**September 9, 2015**

All meetings will be conducted according to Maryland Code, Corporations and Associations, Title 5, Sub Title 2, section (§) 5-206. which states, If the number of members present at a meeting does not meet the requirements of a quorum, those present may call another meeting to meet quorum requirements. At the additional meeting, the members present in person constitute a quorum.\*

\*Per DPPOA Attorney - Any and all business of the Association can be discussed at the meeting.

## **General Membership**

### **Meeting Agenda**

**7:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 9, 2015**

**Drum Point Club**

**Call to Order**

**President's Remarks**

**Approval of Minutes**

**Committee Reports**

**Old Business**

**New Business**

**Public Comments**

**Adjournment**