



Happy New Year,

It is hard to believe another year has passed and we are halfway through January already. The teaser weather this past weekend had me yearning for a boat ride. I realize we've still got lots of winter and cold weather left, but there's no harm in wishing...

The Gregg Neck Park Civic Association (GNPCA), through its members and volunteer board, works hard year-round to maintain and improve our community. GNPCA is responsible for the maintenance of Maryland Avenue, Oxford Road, Sassafras River Avenue and South Mill Road, the community beach, and the boat ramp at the end of Gregg Neck Road. This includes the annual snow removal, repairs and upgrades to the roads, necessary tree removal in community areas, maintenance and mowing of the beach area and maintenance of the boat ramp.

During 2019, GNPCA funded repairs, grading and millings on several of our roads, cleared and dredged the boat launch area for easier and safer access, made repairs to the community beach area, including bulkhead repairs, pier repairs, permanent anchors for the swim area rope markers and plantings to limit erosion. These projects can only be completed and funded through the annual dues paid by the 80 properties that make up Gregg Neck Park and the generous volunteer hours of so many of our members.

You may have also noticed the new mailbox supports and mailboxes on the corner of Oxford and Gregg Neck Roads. If you had an existing mailbox on this corner and would like to continue to receive mail, we are asking for a donation of \$35 per box, to help offset the cost of this community improvement. A letter was recently sent to those properties with existing mailboxes at this corner. A gentle reminder that if you no longer wish to receive mail, please text the words, "no mailbox" and your street number to 610-306-6968. If you don't text, you can call the same number and leave a message.

With the support of our residents, financially and/or through volunteering, we can undertake these projects and request an annual dues contribution of \$125.00 per property.

To make paying easier, we accept payment through the GNPCA website, using PayPal or credit card. The website address is (<http://www.mygnpca.org/>). Click on "Pay Dues" and follow the instructions. If you prefer to pay by check, please make it out to GNPCA and mail/deliver it to:

Teri Balog, Treasurer, 14258 Gregg Neck Road, Galena, MD 21635.

You may also pay the mailbox donation through the website or you can mail/deliver a check to Teri at the above address.

A gentle reminder that a few years ago, our Association was broke, infrastructure improvements were minimal. Fortunately, through the diligent work of volunteers and the payment of dues and donations, we are in a much better position today. We invite you to be part of the Community and encourage you to pay your dues today.

Wishing you a very happy 2020!