

Podickory Point of View

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NEW PPCA MAILING ADDRESS

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The 2007 Board of Directors resolved that the Community Association should establish a set mailing address, which would not change from year to year, at the annual turnover of each new Board.

In addition, the Board transitioned over to a new PPCA email address this month: podickorypoint@yahoo.com

A past Board member had volunteered the use of an email address as a courtesy on their Comcast account. It was a convenience in order to launch the community e-commerce activities in 2006. PPCA Web Site URL is:

[http:// www.neighborhoodlink.com/aacounty/ppca/](http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/aacounty/ppca/)

"Pockickory" survey boundary marker stone Dateline: Dec. 16, 2006

Photos and Article
Contributed Courtesy of
Gerry & Margie Preis and
Tina Zercoe

Some of this area's history
is still evidenced by artifacts

that can be seen in the vicinity today. Part of that history was recently explored by a small band of Podickory Point residents and friends. Greg Zercoe organized the December 16, 2006 expedition into the Corcoran area to try to find the "Pockicory" survey boundary marker stone. Gerry Preis provided him with the plat showing the location of the ancient survey marker stones and Greg used his handheld GPS to help locate it. The group

members (pictured below) were Tina & Greg Zercoe (with Peter and Anna), Gerry & Margie Preis, Monica Preis (with Brendan), Chary Izquierdo & Jack Kocka (with Stephanie).



"Pockickory" article continued...

The land survey boundary marker in the Corcoran area is the one with the inscription "Here stood Jn.^o Homewoods Pockicory".

[Where did our community's name of Podickory Point likely originate?](#)

reported that according to the Provincial Court index and according to usage in other land records, a "Pockicory" was a hickory nut tree and was called either a Pock Hickory or a "Pockicory". The Provincial Court land record from 1763 indicates that the marker is at the location of a tree which was

Whitehall Creek and the property extended up to this area (a.k.a Burle's Marsh) and to the creeks feeding the Little Magothy.

In a follow-up conversation, with the neighboring Park Police at Sandy Point some weeks later, Tina Zercoe learned, regrettably, these ancient boundary marker stones have suffered at the hands of vandals and thieves in the recent past. At the sincere request of Park Police, we have refrained from posting the exact locations of the known marker stones. It would be in the best interest, we agree, of history and the preservation of these artifacts that vandals not be conveniently directed to the locations.

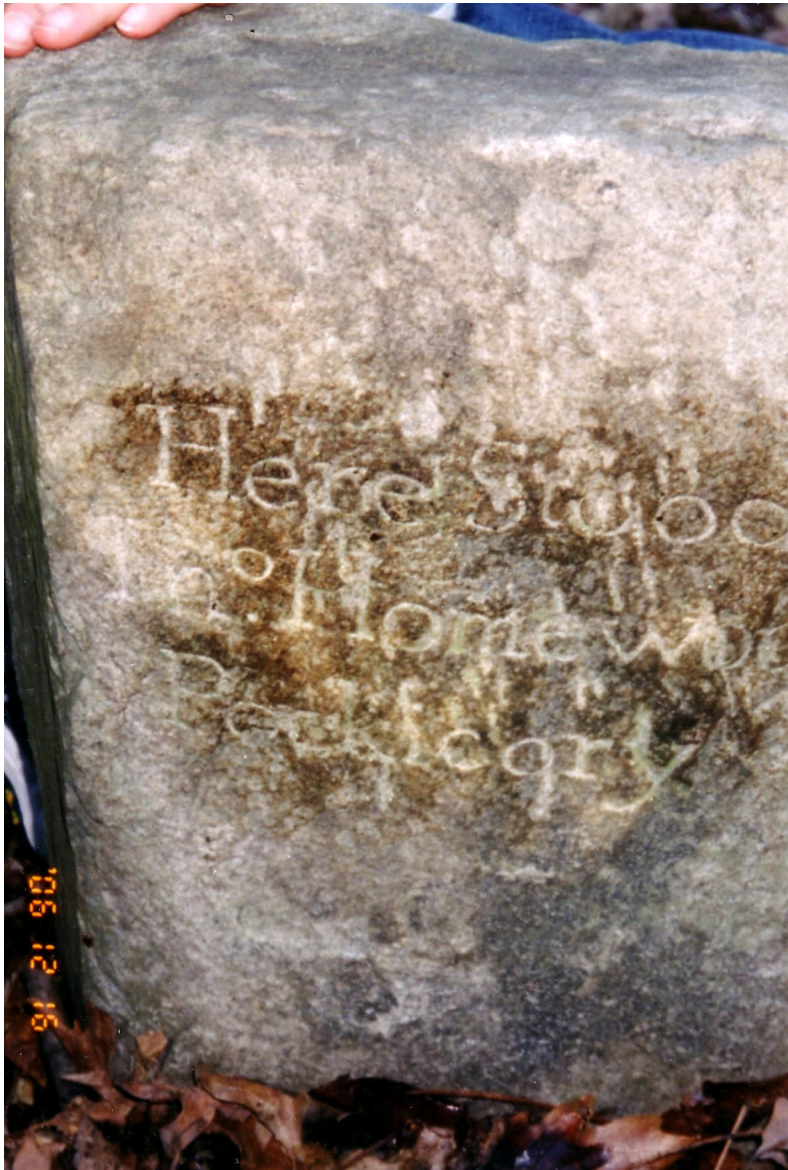


Photo: Homewood boundary marker

Documents and original land transaction records can still be reviewed in the Maryland Archives Hall in Annapolis, for these tracts. Gerry Preis has compiled some of this historical material. Gerry

"fallen down and almost decayd" in 1763. It is a survey boundary marker for part of Homewood's Lott, and a plat from 1940 shows its location relative to Tydings Road and to the abandoned house that recently burned to the ground. The Homewood house was located on



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Congratulations to the northern branch Podickory Creek waterfront property owners on their success in bringing about their dredging contract. North branch dredging is slated for Spring 2007. This should give quite a nice boost to the property values along that branch with navigable MLW at 4 to 5 feet, and bring a long awaited morale boost to the homeowners who are boating out of that branch. No more waiting for high tide to leave the creek, or launch from your boatlift!!!

Private Permits for the southern Podickory Creek branch were issued in December 2006 for maintenance dredging, thanks to the diligent efforts of The Wilson's and The Joneses on Harbor Drive. ...cont'd Pg. 3

Waterway Improvements cont'd...

Disposition of the southern creek branch dredging is still uncertain though. It is hoped that the southern branch project will be able to proceed this year.

Should the southern branch permit holders be unable to count on equitable financial participation in a dredging contract by all 6 creek front lot owners, then other alternatives to accomplish the much needed dredging work on the southern branch (see photos) may be reopened through DNR & the Anne Arundel County proposals for a limited tax district program.

Additional efforts are being made by the PPCA Waterway Improvements Committee, to request that AA Co. DPW provide repair efforts to stop the downstream damage, stemming from what we believe is the neglect of maintenance on the storm drainage culvert at the head of the creek at Tydings Road.

The silting at the head of the creek from the Tydings Road location, is tantamount to an uncontrolled mudslide pushing it's way downstream toward the junction of the two creek branches. This phase of the efforts by PPCA Waterway Improvements Committee is currently led by Jeff Wilson. This Committee hopes that we can get corrective action in time!



Photo: a point downstream from the head waters of lower branch of Podickory Creek, looking in direction of the Marina inlet-taken March 6, 2007



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS 2007

NEXT REGULAR PPCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

**Wednesday
APRIL 18, 2007
7:00 PM @ PPYC**

The Board of Directors will consider making Community Association endorsement, based upon the amount of advance notice, clear details and appropriateness of the purpose, of resident's proposals for organized activities such as a Golf Outing, Fishing Tournament, or any similar recreational event open to the PPCA members. If a member is willing to organize any of these types of recreational activities, the 2007 Board wants to hear from you.



Photo: evidence of silting on lower creek branch from the upstream culvert near PPCA Community Lot.

**ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY
CAN MAKE A TRASH
DUMPSTER AVAILABLE
AGAIN THIS YEAR, AT THE
PPCA COMMUNITY LOT ON
TYDINGS ROAD, FOR THE
ANNUAL CLEANUP OF
THOSE ATTICS OR
GARAGES!**

**SPECIFIC JULY 2007 DATES
WILL BE CONFIRMED &
NOTICE SENT TO THE
COMMUNITY AT A LATER
TIME**

2007 ANNUAL DUES

It is that time of year again! Please be sure to tender your PPCA Annual dues payment of \$50.00 per household, immediately to Bob Heimbuch, Treasurer.

Sending out dues invoices, and 2nd and 3rd notices through the US Mail to those PPCA Members who are yet unpaid, contributes to an unnecessary drain on the treasury funds for postage and mailings. Please get your dues sent in! Thank you.

Last year, the Board had resolved that an annual contribution of \$25 per year would be raised from those who do not reside as lot owners within the Podickory Point Subdivision, but who wished to maintain a social membership with the Podickory Point Community Association. These members have traditionally resided on Tydings Road and Chesapeake Road, or in the near vicinity. Our community welcomes those neighbors' continued participation in the social and recreational events sponsored by PPCA.

HOMEOWNER'S TIPS

How often should I pump out my septic tank?

According to Anne Arundel County Dept. of Health, by performing periodic septic tank pump-outs, you can save on costly repairs to your septic system. The frequency of septic tank pump-outs will depend on the current use of the system and the number of people living in the household. Septic tank pump-outs for residential use are recommended at least once every three years. For more information on the frequency of pump-outs, consult with a licensed liquid waste hauler or disposal system contractor.

A list of Anne Arundel County licensed liquid waste haulers or disposal system contractors can be mailed to you by calling the A.A. County Sanitary Engineering Program at 410-222-7189.

Welcome! New Community Residents

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Brian & Carolyn Jackson
2109 Bay Front Terrace

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Mrs. Kerry Wilson of Harbor Drive has agreed to assist the Board this year as the Welcome Committee Chairperson. Kerry will assure that new residents are introduced to Podickory Point with a personal welcome and delivery to them of a planter or floral arrangement on behalf of the Community Association.

Thank you, Kerry!

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Did You Know...

- ✚ The Web site production and maintenance is not costing the Community Assn. any money and is a 100% volunteer project. Contact the NEW general delivery email: podickorypoint@yahoo.com
- ✚ Community Members are invited to submit articles & photos to the Newsletter or for the Web site.

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