



TUSCANY-CANTERBURY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION WORKS FOR YOU

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What's Happening in Tuscan-Canterbury

If you would like to include anything that's happening in the immediate area for the TCNA calendar or newsletter please send it to us at by the first of each month to "<mailto:presidentTCNA@gmail.com>"



See TCNA website for complete information of calendar events.

October 27 9:00–12:00 RAIN DATE October 28 10:00

Clean-up Stony Run Park

Meet at the small bridge on Linkwood at Ridgemedede

November 1 1:30

Planning Commission Meeting: Action on Sign Legislation (see article)

417 East Fayette Street, 8th floor

November 1 7:00

100th Year Celebration TCNA Committee Meeting

Home of Kenna Forsyth

November 2 5:30-7:00

Neighborhood Happy Hour

First Friday Happy Hour at Alizee Restaurant

November 7 7:00-8:30

TCNA Board meeting

The Broadview Apts, Lower level game room

November 9 All Day

Calvert School: Parent Conferences

November 14 9:00-11:00

Calvert School: Parents Considering Calvert School Visitation

November 14 7:00

Semi-Annual Membership Meeting

Wine and Cheese Social after the meeting

Calvert School – Middle School Building (off of Charles Street)

November 20 8:00-12:00

Calvert School Grandparent Day

Now through January 6, 2019 at the Baltimore Museum of Art

JOHN WATERS: INDECENT EXPOSURE

See the first retrospective of John Waters's visual arts career in his hometown of Baltimore. More than 160 photographs, sculptures, and video and sound works showcase the iconic artist and filmmaker's renegade humor and provocative insights. The exhibition concludes with objects from the artist's home and studio that inspire him and three peep shows that feature footage from Waters's rarely seen underground movies of the 1960s.

Tuscany-Canterbury Meeting Wednesday, November 14 7:00

Calvert School, Middle School Building
(entrance off of Charles Street)



Focus: Crime and Safety

Major Richard Gibson, Commander of the Northern District Police
What is happening in and around Tuscany-Canterbury and offer suggestions about ways in which we can help keep our neighborhood safe

Jennifer Mielke, Director of Local Government & Community Affairs,
Johns Hopkins University

Exploring the Future of JHU Security around the Johns Hopkins University Homewood Campus.

Discussion with Hopkins about options to augment the capabilities of the JHU security operation to ensure the safety and security of their community. Hopkins is considering a broad range of options and solutions, including the potential for building a best-in-class, university-based police unit. They are seeing input from all stakeholders including Tuscany-Canterbury.

(See letter at end of E-newsletter about their plans, other informational meetings, or visit Hopkins website <https://publicsafetyinitiatives.jhu.edu> to find out more information about their plans)

Wine and cheese social after the meeting to talk with your neighbors

Stony Run Path

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27 – 9 AM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28 – 10 AM

Saturday, October 27 at 9 am we will be weeding and removing invasives around the little bridge over Stony Run near the intersection of Linkwood and Ridgemedede Roads.

Please join us. Everyone is invited.

Thank You Troop 35

Every year Troop 35 takes on a project in Baltimore. This year they came to the rescue of the Stony Run Bridge.

A dozen members of Boy Scout Troop 35 from The Church of the Redeemer spent the day removing a year's worth of vines and growth that had taken over the entire large bridge and the area around it.

The bridge dedication was held just a year ago and this area was in pristine condition. A year of rain and hot weather created a nightmare of weeds for the neighborhoods surrounding the park. How would we be able to reclaim the bridge? The amazing Eagle Scouts did it!! Within a few hours there were no vines!.

Then the Scouts eliminated the mud-swamp that had formed under the overpass. The Parks Department delivered a truckload of mulch to Linkwood and Stoney Ford, and the Scouts moved it with a wheelbarrow, making dozens of trips over the bridge to the mud-swamp, where the mulch will absorb all the excess water that had accumulated from all the summer and fall rains.

Now hikers and dog walkers had their walking path back for another year.



THANK YOU TROOP 35

Crime and Safety Committee

Paul and Maria Gallo, Committee Chairs, CrimeSafetyTCNA@gmail.com

Message from Major Gibson – Northern District

"We all love to jump into a warm car once the weather starts getting cold. However, leaving your vehicle running attended is not only illegal but its an invite for car thieves. Today (October 22) there have been 3 reports of vehicles stolen with keys in the ignition in the Northern District. Please pass this message to community members to raise awareness on this important issue." Source Next Door Neighbor

Safety Suggestions

REMEMBER...

- **Call 911 if you see something suspicious!!!!**
- **Do not start your car, leave it running with the key in the ignition** and go back into your home while the car is warming up.
- **Lock your cars** every time you get out and **don't leave anything visible.** There have been reports in our neighborhood that thieves are getting into cars even if they are locked. Many cars have a keyless remote entry system.



How to avoid being a victim of keyless car theft

Instances of keyless car theft typically occur in residential areas, especially at night, so motorists are advised to be on their guard when at home. These are some suggestions you can take to protect your vehicle.

Thieves have purchased a relay signal device that can be used to steal cars and unlock car doors. This signal can pass through house doors, walls and windows to access information from your car key, but it cannot penetrate metal. Storing your keys inside a metal container, a signal blocking wallet or even a microwave may safeguard your vehicle against a thief. A signal blocker pouch can be purchased to block this signal that enables thieves to get into your car.

Ambassador Apartments Construction Update

Progress has been made during the past month. Over a thousand small and large plants, bushes, and trees have been planted in the new gardens. Construction on the ramp and the steps to the back garden is beginning. This means that the dumpsters and fencing will be gone and the sidewalks and parking will return for neighborhood use as soon as this work is completed.

Outside work is still scheduled to be completed by the end of December 2018

TCNA Neighborhood Picnic

The picnic was lots of fun for the nearly 50 neighbors who attended.

Special Thanks

- **Alonzo's** for the hot dogs and rolls
- **Hopkins Deli** for 4 great pizzas and lots of water
- **Calvert School** for donating the tables and chairs
- **Chefs Dave Baker and Garth Thompson** who were the Grill Chefs for the day
- All **the neighborhood volunteers** who donated specific dishes.
- **Volunteers** who organized the Treasure Hunt, Frisby Tic Tac Toe, and lots of other games for the children and adults
- **Several neighbors from Wickford** who attended because TCNA wanted to say a special thank you to them for all the work that they do to help maintain Stony Run Park.
- Special thank you to **Ann Christopher**, TCNA board member and chair of the Events Committee who organized a great afternoon.

PARKING ENFORCEMENT ALERT: University Parkway

We recently heard from some TCNA members that the Parking Enforcement Officers work on Sundays and give tickets to cars that are parked (or slightly parked) in crosswalks on University Parkway (Johns Hopkins University side). The tickets are \$77.



Zoning Issues: Illegal Signs in the Neighborhood

The Tuscany-Canterbury Board voted on June 6, 2018 to oppose any permits that would allow advertising flags. With the help of Councilwoman Clarke the oversize wall signs advertising the Social Apartments have been removed. The large banner hanging from the roof has also been cited by zoning enforcement and does not adhere to the zoning code. The City legal office is pursuing measures for the removal of that sign.

TCNA will continue to work with the City and management at the other buildings in the neighborhood to make sure that any outdoor marketing efforts are consistent with City zoning requirements.

City Council Legislation: Signs

A City Council Bill has been introduced that would remove from the zoning code "Feather Flags and other Attention Getting Temporary Signs." If this legislation without amendments becomes law, feather flags will be allowed in all areas of Baltimore City. The introduced legislation is a complete rewrite of the sign regulations in Baltimore City.

The TCNA board voted to fight this regulation and attended the Planning Commission Hearing on September 7 with Councilwoman Mary Pat Clarke to oppose these changes. They proposed an amendment to prohibit feather flag signs from all residential areas.

The Planning Department realizes that this is an issue that needs to be resolved. October 18 Planning Commission was postponed and will meet on **November 1 at 1:30** and vote on the bill and any proposed amendments. Then the legislation will return to the City Council for final approval. For more information contact presidentTCNA@gmail.com

BLUE DISCHARGE INTO STONY RUN STREAM NEED YOUR HELP



The Baltimore Brew has an article about this several weeks ago.

https://www.baltimorebrew.com/2018/10/09/bright-blue-discharge-a-mystery-so-far-flowing-into-stony-run/?utm_source=Baltimore+Brew+Contacts&utm_campaign=18cf948590-the_grind&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_bfe8fc4b48-18cf948590-184540961

This issue has been reported to Department of Public Works (DPW) which is trying to find the source of the discharge. Friends of Stony Run has reported that this has been an issue (on and off) for a number of years. TCNA will continue to follow-up with DPW to get to the bottom of this discharge.

You can see this discharge pipe from the large bridge facing east (toward the Hopkins House). If you walk across the bridge please, look for the pipe and determine if there is any discharge from that pipe and if the discharge is clear, a milky cloud, a color similar to the picture, or no discharge. If you're interested, you would record the date and time that you observe this discharge. Then send this information to StreetsandGreensTCNA@gmail.com each week and let us know. This way we can alert DPW that this is happening again.

With everyone monitoring this pipe, the source of the discharge can be located and then eliminated.

PLANS FOR BISHOP'S SQUARE PARK

(work is postponed until Spring 2019)

Last month the newsletter had the plans for The Bishop's Square, small park located at the northwest corner of University Parkway and Charles Street. The Cathedral of the Incarnation and One Water Partnership are paying for 27 new trees to be planted in late October or early November. This project has been postponed until the Spring.

Tuscany-Canterbury 100th Year Celebration

Committee Meeting: Thursday, November 1

7:00 3911 Cloverhill Road

The committee was formed in September and has met several times. If you want to get involved with the neighborhood, meet great neighbors, like history, or like to plan events, this is the place to come. Lots of ideas have been brainstormed to have a fun celebration in the fall of 2019. Kenna Forsyth is the chair of this working group and we need all types of volunteers to help. Come to the next meeting and get involved.

Leaves and Storm Drains



It's that time of the year. Please do not rake or sweep leaves into the street. Make sure they are bagged. You can call 311 by Sunday each week if you need a special leaf pick-up on Monday.

If you have a storm drain near your house or condo building, please check it to make sure that it remains clear of leaves and other debris. If this isn't done, then flooding on the streets will occur during the winter. If you live in a condo, ask your building management to be responsible for the storm drains near your building.

September & October Sale Prices of Homes & Condos

Members have suggested that sale prices of homes could be included in our E-newsletters. Thanks to our board member and realtor, Julia Frazier will provide this information each month.

Address and Closing Price

3800 Canterbury Road (Unit E) \$120,000

4000 Charles Street (Unit 508) \$110,000

4100 Charles Street (Unit 702) \$331,000

Johns Hopkins University Plan for Security

Below is a letter from JHU President Ron Daniels and Paul Rothman, Dean of the JHU Medical Faculty explaining what Hopkins wants to do and offering opportunities for neighborhoods to get more information:



Dear Johns Hopkins Students, Faculty, Staff, and Neighbors:

In March of this year—following a sustained increase in armed robberies and other criminal activity on and around our Baltimore campuses—Johns Hopkins sought the enactment of state legislation on an urgent basis that would have allowed us to add a sworn police unit to our current security operation, with powers and responsibilities similar to those of other universities in Baltimore and across the country.

This legislation was met with intense interest on and off campus, and we and the legislature decided that the proposal needed a more comprehensive and deliberative discussion with members of our community and surrounding neighborhoods.

While there was broad agreement that the level of crime around our campuses and across our city is untenable, there was less consensus

on how this threat should be addressed. Many of those we heard from appreciated Hopkins' willingness to take on added responsibility and cost in order to enhance the protection of our campuses and nearby communities, particularly given the challenges facing the Baltimore Police Department (BPD). Others were concerned that Hopkins might become too closely affiliated with the BPD and expressed a general distrust of police, particularly with regard to bias or profiling. Some shared negative experiences with our current security personnel that needed to be addressed. And some were concerned this effort might cause us to pull back on our university's commitment to support efforts to address the root causes of violence in our city.

All of these perspectives are legitimate and deserving of further clarification, debate, and discussion. In fact, the common theme across all of the feedback we received was the desire to learn more about the options and best practices for improving safety and to have greater input in the university's decision-making.

In that spirit, we recently restarted informal conversations with students, faculty, staff, neighbors, and city leaders. We also want to share with you a number of upcoming [opportunities for dialogue and engagement](#), including:

- A discussion series on policing with local and national experts;
- Open forums for dialogue with university leaders;
- Web posting of events and information; and
- An [online comment box](#) to send input or request meetings.

Crime has not abated since last year, and we have not wavered in our belief that Hopkins must take steps to augment our capacity to protect our campuses and surrounding areas. Establishing a model university police unit that sets the bar for constitutional and accountable policing remains one of the most promising options we see. But there are a number of approaches that peer universities have taken, and we are actively looking for and open to alternative models and solutions.

Our objective in doing so is this: To explore options for augmenting our current security operation so that we can respond as effectively as possible, 24-7, to the crime we face locally, and the threat of active shooter incidents we see nationally—and to ensure that every step we take is driven by the values of this institution and the community at large, and shaped by the input of the Hopkins community and our neighbors.

Here's how you can participate in this important dialogue:

- **Discussion Series.** Our first event will be a public panel discussion on the current landscape in university policing on October 29 at the Schafler Auditorium on the Homewood campus. This will be followed by events to discuss topics such as constitutional and community policing, law enforcement accountability, public safety training and technology, and understanding and addressing the root causes of crime.
- **Open Forums.** Public events with university leaders will include forums in Charles Village on November 13 at the 29th Street Community Center and in East Baltimore on November 26 at HEBCAC (Historic East Baltimore Community Action Coalition).
- **Small Group Meetings.** University leaders and security personnel have scheduled small group meetings through the fall with a broad range of student, faculty, and community organizations, and would welcome the opportunity to meet with others upon request.
- **Information and Materials.** A [dedicated website](#) will be updated regularly to include applicable research and crime data, draft proposals, and documentation of the feedback and recommendations we receive in meetings and forums.

It is our expectation that these multiple avenues for discussion and input will allow us to fully examine relevant research, consider the pros and cons of security models adopted by other universities, and gain a deeper understanding of the concerns that have been raised and how best to address them. We are mindful of the pressing nature of the security issues we currently face, and therefore are committed to preparing and circulating by early 2019 a full report on our consultations and to proposing a path forward.

We look forward to hearing from you and hope to see you at one of the upcoming meetings.

Sincerely,

Ronald J. Daniels
President

Paul B. Rothman
Dean of the Medical Faculty
CEO, Johns Hopkins Medicine

Tuscany- Canterbury Neighborhood Association

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TCNA has two membership meetings a year, one in November and the other in June (second Wednesdays at 7:00 with a social following the meeting), at the Calvert School Middle School building. Members and non-members are welcome. Resident Parking Permits are distributed from 6:00-7:00 prior to the June meeting.

Board meetings are held 6 times a year in July, September, November, January, March, and May (first Wednesday of the month at 7:00). Meetings are held at the Broadview Apartments (105 W 39th Street at the lower level Game Room). All are welcome. A comment time is provided at the end of the meeting for comments and thoughts.

Officers: 2018-2019

- Co-Presidents: **Linda Eberhart** (Tuscany Rd)
- Co-Presidents: **Anne Perkins** (Tuscany Rd)
- Vice President: **Garth Thompson** (Ridgemedede Rd)
- Secretary: **Ron Shultz** (Linkwood Rd)
- Treasurer: **Bill Bass** (Cloverhill Rd)
- Past President: **Sue Talbott** (Charles St)

Board Members

- **Gretchen Anderson** (Cloverhill Rd), Vice-Chair Streets & Greens
- **Dave Baker** (Stony Run Lane), Co-chair Communications
- **Ann Christopher** (Tuscany Ct), Co-chair Events and Membership
- **Julia Frazier (Canterbury Rd)**, 100th Anniversary & Calvert School Liaison Committee
- **Maria & Paul Gallo** (Tuscany Court), Crime & Safety Committee & Representatives to Northern District Police Community Council
- **Hannah Mazo** (Ridgemedede Rd), Co-Chair Events and Membership
- **Rosalyn Mansouri** (Charles St), Coordinator of First Friday
- **Mona Mohamed** (Charles St), Website Manager
- **Brooke Murdock** (Stony Run Lane), Chair, Calvert School Liaison Committee
- **Jo-Ann Orlinsky** (Charles St), Coordinator with Condo Associations
- **Steve Summers** (Ridgemedede Rd), Co-chair Communications
- **Chris Whitaker** (Tuscany Rd), Co-chair Streets and Greens

Neighborhood Committees 2018-2019

Please contact any of the committees via our new emails to volunteer or with ideas and thoughts or the Co-Presidents, Linda Eberhart and Anne Perkins
presidenttcna@gmail.org

Calvert School Liaison Committee, CalvertTCNA@gmail.com

This committee meets with the Calvert School Headmaster four times yearly to discuss neighborhood issues. This committee has representatives from areas surrounding Calvert School.

Communications, CommunicationsTCNA@gmail.com

Website management, E-newsletters, and email communications

Crime and Safety Committee, CrimeSafetyTCNA@gmail.com

This committee has just been created. The goal is to alert neighbors to ways of continuing to maintain a safe neighborhood.

Events & Membership,

EventsTCNA@gmail.com & MembershipTCNA@gmail.com

TCNA sponsors an annual picnic for all neighbors, organizes the First Friday Happy Hours, hosts socials after the membership meetings, develops ways to welcome new residents in the area, and --new for this year -- will plan 100th Year Celebration of our neighborhood. This committee also encourages residents to join TCNA.

100th Anniversary Celebration: Kenna Forsyth, chair

They are planning activities to learn more about the history of the neighborhood and activities to meet neighbors and have fun!

Streets and Greens

StreetsTCNA@gmail.com GreensTCNA@gmail.com

This active committee maintains our 3 neighborhood gardens, is developing a comprehensive plan for improvements for Stony Run Park, works with the City on snow renewal on streets (not alleys or sidewalks), and will be developing a plan to maintain our street trees. The committee also works jointly with the Broadview Apartments on the 39th Street traffic-calming plan.

Woods Committee

is no longer active because it accomplished the goal of monitoring the sale of the Tuscany Woods. Our neighborhood reached an agreement with Calvert School in April 2018. (See website for complete agreement).

Why we love Tuscany-Canterbury!



Thank you to Hannah Mazo for sharing the pictures of the before and after pictures of the small bridge in Stony Run Park.

A year ago we celebrated the opening of the new bridges across the Stony Run Stream. It is hard to remember what the wood-and-metal small bridge looked like, and the large bridge didn't even exist.



It took ten years and dozens of volunteers in Tuscany-Canterbury to make this happen. Now everyone can enjoy the Stony Run Trail and Park.

Help us keep the park beautiful and available. It takes volunteers and money every year to maintain it. Tuscany-Canterbury dues and volunteers help with park upkeep each year.



If you have a picture of Tuscany-Canterbury that you love and would like to share, please send it to Steve Summers at CommunicationTCNA@gmail.com to include in our E-newsletter.