

TUSCANY-CANTERBURY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION WORKS FOR YOU

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Events Happening in Tuscany-Canterbury



April 5 5:30-7:00 Neighborhood First Friday Happy Hour Alizee Restaurant, Colonnade

April 6 9:00-12:00 Project Clean Stream (Stony Run) Meet at Overhill and Linkwood Road

April 12 8:40-9:30 AM 8th Age Play Calvert School, Tuscany Road

April 20 9:00-12:00 Neighborhood Dumpster Available Tuscany and Linkwood

May 1 7:00-8:30 TCNA Board meeting

The Broadview Apts, Lower level game room

• Board meetings are always open, and time for comments and concerns can be raised at the end of each meeting

May 4 10:00-12:30 Baltimore Heritage Tuscany-Canterbury Walking Tour: The Masterworks of Architect Clyde Nelson Friz

• Tickets needed- Tour starts at Scottish Rite Temple on Charles Street (See article below)

May 18 9:00-12:00 Neighborhood Dumpster Available Canterbury Road at Highfield

June 4 7:00 TCNA General meeting & Residential Parking Permit Pick-up before meeting starting at 6:00; Calvert Middle School auditorium

June 8 10:00-2:00 RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT PICK-UP Residences at the Colonnade (lobby) 3801 Canterbury

Other Community Events of interest (These events have

been recommended by members of TCNA. If you have any events that you would like to be included please email presidentTCNA@gmail.com by the first of the month.) See links for more information.

March 17 7:30 PM Chamber Music by Candlelight

Second Presbyterian Church Community Concerts - 4200 Saint Paul Street

 Baltimore Symphony Orchestra performs chamber works in a beautiful candlelit setting. Concerts and parking are free. For complete program information www.communityconcertsatsecond.org

Stony Run

March 28 6:00-8:00 Annual Meeting: Friends of Stony RunScott McGill, Ecologist, Founder & CEO, Ecotone, Inc, a design build ecological restoration company in Maryland

Azafran Space Telescope Science Institute, 3700 San Martin Drive Enjoy a panoramic view of the Stony Run at sunset and light refreshments. Free Parking directly across the street in JHU Physics Building Garage

March 31 7:30 PM Chamber Music by Candlelight

Second Presbyterian Church Community Concerts – 4200 Saint Paul Street

 Baltimore Symphony Orchestra performs chamber works in a beautiful candlelit setting. Concerts and parking are free. For complete program information www.communityconcertsatsecond.org

April 4 6:30-7:30 Rain Barrel Workshop, Civic Works Center for Sustainable Careers, 3501 Brehms Lane, Suite B, 21213

• Sponsored by Baltimore City Department of Public Works

April 4-7 Art Expo John Held (neighbor on Ridgemede Road) will be exhibiting his artwork at one of the world's biggest art expos, at Pier 90 in New York City

• Tradespeople such as gallery owners, interior designers, architects, hospitality industry folks, and individual collectors come from all over to this event. If you would like a free pass to the event, email kirstenheld71@gmail.com.

April 7 5:00 Chamber Jazz Society: Bill O'Connell's Latin Jazz All Stars Baltimore Museum of Art

• Information is available at <u>baltimorechamberjazz.org</u>, on Facebook, or by calling (410) 385-5888.

Spring Walk - Baltimore Heritage

Tuscany-Canterbury by Foot: The Masterworks of Architect Clyde Nelson Friz May 4 @ 10:00 am - 12:30 pm

Limited number of tickets available Click Here for tickets: https://baltimoreheritage.org/event/tuscanycanterbury-neighborhood-by-foot-the-masterworks-of-architect-clydenelson-friz/

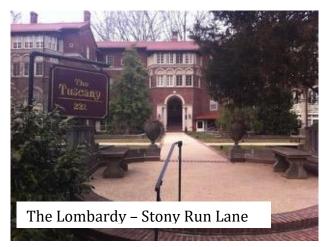
Architect Clyde Nelson Friz may be known for the Beaux Arts designs of his later works—the Pratt Library Central Branch and The Scottish Rite Temple (both begun in 1928)—but when he arrived in Baltimore right before the turn of the century, he was already a self-made man. He found plenty of demand for his trade after Baltimore's Great Fire of 1904 and the burgeoning residential growth of the city as it pushed into the surrounding farmlands. One such area was the Tuscany-Canterbury neighborhood—a 90-acre residential treasure, just north of Johns Hopkins University Homewood Campus, celebrating its centennial this year.

Friz was deeply involved in helping to form the character of the neighborhood, where he lived. He designed its architecture over several decades (between the 1910s and the 1930s), drawing from such Revival styles as Half-Timbered Tudor, Italian Renaissance, and the Mediterranean. Few may know of these tucked away projects today, but at the time, Friz received numerous accolades through national architectural publications.

Join us on a walking tour to explore some of Baltimore's most significant apartment houses. Our tour guides are Jillian Storms, AIA, who has been studying Clyde Friz's life and grew up in the neighborhood, and Baltimore historian Charlie Duff. The tour will begin at The Scottish Rite Temple and include The Tuscany, The Lombardy, and The Gardens of Guilford. We'll be treated to a peek inside numerous apartments, including the maid's quarters that made this genteel living possible in its day.

Please note: This tour will involve hilly terrain and stairs. The apartment houses on this tour do not have elevators.

Buildings designed by Clyde Nelson Friz in Tuscany-Canterbury









Volunteers Needed



- TCNA board members and officers
- Neighborhood Watch Volunteers
- Photographer
- Calendar Events
- Distribute flyers to your block
- Sign up for Stony Run Clean-Ups

New Board Members & Officers for 2019-2020

The TCNA Nominating Committee is looking for interested members to join the Board of Tuscany-Canterbury. It's an opportunity to meet neighbors from all over the neighborhood who have all kinds of talents and experiences. Many hands make light loads. The new board will be elected at the annual TCNA meeting on June 4, 2019 and serve from July 2019 through June 2020.

Responsibilities of board members

- Attend 6 board meetings a year (every other month)
- Attend 2 general association meetings a year
- Support TCNA by participating in other activities such as the yearly picnic or attend First Friday events
- Chair or co-chair a TCNA committee or hold an active position on the board
- Recruit new members to join TCNA and encourage lapsed members to renew their dues
- Write articles for the E-newsletter each month

If you are interested in being on the board contact

- Ann Christopher, chair (Tuscany Road) EventsTCNA@gmail.com
- Jo-Ann Orlinsky (St. James)
- Julia Frazier (Canterbury Road)



Paul Gallo & Maria Gallo, Co-chairs TCNA Safety Committee

Volunteer for Neighborhood Watch

Looking for volunteers who walk or travel along Linkwood Road near University Parkway.

Continue to look for suspicious activity any time of the day or evening and call 911 to report activity and let TCNA Safety Committee know what you have seen. In November 2018, neighbors reported seeing possible drug activity. Neighborhood Watch was formed and by December 2018, all activity disappeared. We don't want any activity to reappear this spring and need anyone willing to help. Any time you walk or drive Linkwood Road and see a person sitting in a car for a period of time and waiting, get the tag number and report information to the TCNA Safety Committee. If you see anything suspicious, call the police to report activity. More people who are watching this area will help eliminate any possible problems.

Other Volunteers Needed



Photographer: Take pictures on a regular basis as needed for the TCNA E-newsletter. You would work with the newsletter editor to get pictures to support the articles each month. Pictures need to be in a digital format to be able to upload to the E-newsletter. Contact Linda Eberhart for more information, presidentTCNA@gmail.com



<u>Calendar Events</u>: Person to collect all the information about events that are happening in Tuscany-Canterbury and area. Put events in a MS Word document for the TCNA E-Newsletter, and that information will be added to calendar on the TCNA website. Contact Linda Eberhart for more information, presidentTCNA@gmail.com



<u>Distribute flyers</u> several times a year to your block or post on bulletin boards in business and condos in neighborhood. Need volunteers for Cloverhill, Canterbury, Ridgemede, and Tuscany. Contact Dave Baker, Co-Chair TCNA Communications Director, communicationstcna@qmail.com



Stony Run Clean Ups

There will be two cleanups along Stony Run next month. We will be removing trash as well as dead stuff and the invasives that are choking healthy growth. It is really important to get ahead of all those vines that will get harder to remove later in the summer. Please bring gloves and garden tools.

Saturday, April 6, 9-12 Meet at Overhill and Linkwood at 9 am.

We will be working with Project Clean Stream, Friends of Stony Run and neighboring communities along Stony Run between Cold Spring Lane and University Parkway. Natalia Drichko is the team leader. drichko@qmail.com

Saturday, April 27, Mayor's Spring Clean-Up 9-1,

Meet at Overhill and Linkwood Roads at 9 am to continue work. Please get in touch with Chris Whitaker skybluebye@hotmail.com to participate. Details to follow.

Safety Committee

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



TUSCANY-CANTERBURY CRIME STATISTICS Past 30 days

Some neighbors have requested updates about crime data in the neighborhood. Tuscany-Canterbury is one of safest areas in Baltimore. Specific information can be found at https://www.crimereports.com

During the past 30 days the **only** crimes in Tuscany Canterbury have been break-ins of two cars. Both of them were parked on Stony Run Lane. The previous 30 days the two car break-ins were on the 200 block of Tuscany Road and the 3800 block of Canterbury Road. Car break-ins occur in condo and apartment garages as well as cars parked on the street.



if you don't want someone who knows how to break into a car to break into your car, the most important advice is **not** to provide a reason to do so:

"It is physically impossible for a thief to steal something that isn't there. "

Your goal, therefore, is to leave nothing of value, or that appears to have value, inside your car to pique the interest of a thief. If there is nothing inside your car to steal, the thief will quickly move on

Remove all valuables. This also seems like a no-brainer, but people leave things in their vehicles all the time. Remember: No Profit, No Crime. To clarify, this DOES NOT mean "let's just put everything in the trunk" as most trunks are very easily accessible

If you see something say something and call the police.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES IN TUSCANY-CANTERBURY

Ambassador Apartments Construction Update



Final construction of ramp and wall near the sidewalk is almost finished. Much progress has happened since February. Construction to reinforce north section of building is finished. Last part of the project that remains is the landscaping between the sidewalk and the ramp; this will happen in early April. Then the fence will be removed and the sidewalk and parking will be available.

Roundabout Canterbury and 39th Streets

The multiple gas leaks in January 2019 under the roundabout left a large hole in the brickwork in the roundabout. The contractor for the Baltimore and Gas Electric Company recently finished the work repairs. The repair delay was due to the cold weather and snow.



Bricks dug up due to the gas leak.



Construction Site at Overhill and Meadow Lane

We're working on it...

For the past several months we have been reporting on the progress of the BGE construction. The work is completed.

Trying to find out when the stones at the construction site at Overhill and Meadow Lane will be removed and the parkland reseeded.

Neighbors Have Asked?

We are constantly asked questions about things that are happening in the neighborhood. Questions are referred to board members and officers to answer and respond. We thought you might be interested in some questions that were asked over the last several weeks and so are including them in our E-newsletter.

If you have a neighborhood question or issue that you cannot resolve (by calling 311 or checking the TCNA website), please email presidentTCNA@gmail.com and we will try to answer your question or help resolve the issue.

Linda Eberhart & Anne Perkins, Co-Presidents TCNA



Who do we call when the volume at the Hopkins stadium is too loud?

Councilwomen Mary Pat Clarke just sent TCNA this question and the answer that she gives to residents who call her. Hopkins has a process in place with the residents across the street at the Colonnade when there are games and they feel the noise levels are elevated. Hopkins hasn't changed or adjusted the volume from the agreed upon volume with that community - sometimes the weather and atmospheric changes (humidity, wind) can carry sound. Any resident can call Campus Safety and Security at 410-516-4600 to explain what is occurring. Hopkins Security will contact athletics immediately to make any adjustments. Be sure to leave your contact information. If this doesn't work, please let us know. presidentTCNA@gmail.com

UPDATE: What can be done so police, fire, medics don't get lost when responding to 911 calls at the Tuscany-Lombardy Co-op and the Gardens of Guilford - all located on Stony Run Lane adjacent to Stoney Ford Road?

City Council Member Mary Pat Clarke and TCNA board members met with officials from the Baltimore Police Department and Baltimore City Fire Department and representatives from the Tuscany-Lombardy residences on Friday, 1 March 2019, to discuss the difficulties first responders have in finding addresses in the vicinity of Stony Run Lane and Stoney Ford Road. It was decided that issues could be resolved with better signage and lighting.

March 6, 2019 Councilwoman Clarke met with Director Taylor, Baltimore Department of Transportation to review the desired signage changes and pavement markings along Stoney Ford Road and Stony Run Lane. The signage improvements will happen as soon as possible. The pavement markings will be completed when the weather is better.

Why do the salt trucks have to blow their horn when they are spreading salt?

The salt trucks aren't blowing their horns. When the salt truck is making its rounds, it makes a loud electronic 'buzz' when it is actually distributing the salt. Some people might think it is a cheap, high-pitched 'horn', but it is actually the sound of men at work. It could be a sound that we appreciate because we know when we have to go out, the streets



have been treated and will be safer for all. For many years, most of the streets in the neighborhood were never treated.

Sometimes members just send comments.

SNOW COMMENTS

...I just wanted to let you know about a nice thing that happened during the last snowstorm. Tuscany Court was out shoveling its little head off, and the salt truck which had been going up and down the road, did a six-point turnaround, backed into the court all the way to the top, turned on the salt, and slowly drove out. That has never happened before in the history of mankind. He said he saw us out there working so hard. We applauded him,

we told him we loved him. And now we're telling you. (Resident Tuscany Court)

...I needed to take my Mom to dialysis earlier today. I was impressed that the streets in Tuscany Canterbury were in better shape than Charles Street. Thanks for all you & Mary Pat do for our special neighborhood! (Resident Tuscany-Lombardy Co-op)

...Snowstorms this winter – and last – have been mild, melted quickly, and have caused few problems. We got a call asking why there was a big truck going through our streets honking before the snow began to fall.

After a near blizzard several winters ago there was great confusion and upset about what are the neighborhood's and what are the City's responsibilities for removing snow. With the help of Councilwoman Clarke the Tuscany-Canterbury Snow Plan was clarified with the City. (It is available on the TCNA website and has been included in earlier ENewsletters.) We were pleased that the City recognized that it needed to treat and plow Stoneyford and Stony Run Roads because those streets had been missed before. One component of the Plan is that the City will pretreat our streets before the first flake of snow hits them. That's what the horn-honking snow plow was doing before the snow began to fall several weeks ago.

We must admit that hearing the horn was a bit of a relief to know that the snow plan was actually working and that the trucks in charge of work in our neighborhood were on the job. Anne Perkins & Linda Eberhart, Co-Presidents TCNA

Are there trees being cut down along Stony Run?

Last week on Next Door someone asked why trees were being cut down in the park along Stony Run so we looked into it. A truck from a tree cutting company was broken down and parked in the 200 block of Overhill near Linkwood for several days last week. It was hauled away by the end

of the week. The company had had a stump grinding call in Roland Park and then ran into trouble with a pot hole. The truck was taken away late last week. Although there are many dead trees that need to be cleared away along the stream, there are no efforts in that we know of to remove living trees.

UPDATE: Why hasn't anything been done about the parking violations on Stony Run Lane between 39th Street and Stoney Ford?

Back in January 2019 we replied to this question, stating that 18 parking tickets had been given to cars parked in that spot and we would be working on a longer-term solution.

Dave Baker, TCNA board member who lives on Stony Run, explained that the problem started when the streetlight was replaced, the no parking sign was removed and never replaced. We alerted Councilwoman Mary Pat Clarke to the issue and a new sign is now up on the light pole. This should make it clearer to anyone that parking in this space is illegal.



Before without sign



New sign just installed!

What can be done about the paper trash blowing everywhere on recycling days?

March Winds - -- blow trash around

Please remember to make sure that all your papers and boxes are securely tied

down on recycling pick up days. This is particularly important for the apartment complexes that have numerous containers of trash for

TCNA is working with the condos, businesses and homeowners who do not secure their trash. Everyone is making an effort to do better job, getting additional trash containers and picking up the trash that is blown away. See suggestions below.

Recycling Suggestions from Baltimore City Department of Public Works



recycling.

Please put your recycling out in paper bags, cardboard boxes or recycling bins. Plastic bags tangle up the recycling process. Help make sure our recycling system works as efficiently as possible.



Please note the yellow recycling bins are **NOT** required to recycle. Residents may use any labeled container, including old trashcans or storage totes. Call (410) 396-4511 to request a sticker to label your can. Residents are also able to use paper bags and cardboard boxes to recycle.

Follow these tips from the Baltimore Department of Public Works to keep recyclables in the bin and off the streets:



- Use a recycling bin or dumpster with a LID
- Layer recyclables so heavier items such as magazines and glass bottles or jars are on the top.
- Take recycling outside the morning of collection instead of the evening before.
- Place additional recycling in a paper bag or cardboard box, if your container is overflowing.

Sale Prices of Homes and Condos in Tuscany-Canterbury (February 2019)

Thanks to board member and realtor, Julia Frazier, who provides this information for each newsletter. To see previous sales go to TCNA website where the previous newsletters are available.

Address and sale price

310 Ridgemede Road (Unit #215) \$ 90,000 303 Tuscany Road \$515,000

Note: This data represents real estate activity from January 1 to January 31, 2019 in the Tuscany-Canterbury neighborhood. The information is deemed reliable, but not guaranteed.

Source; This information is gathered from BRIGHT MLS, Inc and is provided courtesy of Julia Martin Frazier of Monument Sotheby's International Realty, 4800 Roland Ave, Baltimore, MD 21210 Cell: (410) 908-1760; Office: (443)708-7074 email: julia@monumentsothebysrealty.com

Tuscany- Canterbury Neighborhood Association

PresidentTCNA@gmail.com www.tuscanycanterbury.com

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** (Ridgemede 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 Committees; Representative to North Baltimore Community Coalition
- Maria & Paul Gallo (Tuscany Court), Crime & Safety Committee & Representatives to Northern District Police Community Council
- **Hannah Mazo** (Ridgemede 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 (Ridgemede 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 to offer ideas and thoughts or to write the Co-Presidents, Linda Eberhart and Anne Perkins presidenttcna@qmail.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, email communications, lit drop notices and delivery of flyers to condos and apartment buildings

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 $100^{\rm th}$ Year Celebration of our neighborhood. This committee also encourages residents to join TCNA.

100th Anniversary Celebration: The committee is planning activities to learn more about the history of the neighborhood and activities to meet neighbors and have fun!

Safety Committee and Neighborhood Watch

CrimesafetyTCNA@gmail.com

Alert neighbors about ways to maintain a safe enighborhood, monitor crime issues in the area, or become a neighborhood watch volunteer

Streets and Greens

<u>StreetsTCNA@gmail.com</u> <u>GreensTCNA@gmail.com</u>

This active committee maintains our 4 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).