



# Olde Point News

Olde Point Property Owners Association, Inc.

December 2013



*A Great Place to Live – And Play!*

## OPPOA Important Events

- Thursday, January 30, 2014 – Annual Membership Meeting, 7:00 PM, Topsail Middle School Library.
- January 1, 2014 – Annual dues notices go out for \$50.00 payment due on or before March 1, 2014
- February 1, 2014 – Expected distribution of new Olde Point telephone directory.

## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Two important items on the agenda for the OPPOA annual membership meeting on Thursday, January 30, 2014 at 7:00 PM at the Topsail Middle School Library are a review of the financial status of the association to include the presentation of the 2014 budget approved by the Board of Directors at its last meeting, and the election of Board of Directors candidates and members of the association's Architectural Control Board.

The proposed budget for the new calendar year is included on page 2 of the newsletter, and the ballot identifying Board of Director and Architectural Control Committee candidates has been inserted. Please take the time to vote, and either mail the completed ballots to OPPOA, P.O.Box 202, Hampstead, N.C. 28443, or bring them with you to the annual meeting.

Nominations for Board of Directors members serving a three-year term can still be made at the annual meeting, and there are vacancies on the 12-member board that can be filled by appointment by the board for a one year term. Anyone interested in serving on the Board of Directors can contact any of the current board members for more information.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS**

## 2014 OPPOA BUDGET

<b>INCOME:</b>	<u>2013(For Comparison)</u>	<u>2014(Proposed)</u>
Membership Dues	\$27,500.00	\$27,500.00
Voluntary Dues	\$ 300.00	\$ 3,000.00
Interest Income	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$27,830.00</b>	<b>\$30,530.00</b>
 <b>EXPENSES</b>		
Administrative	\$2,900.00	\$2,900.00
Architectural Control	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Beautification	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00
Community Relations	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Copying, Printing	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Legal Expenses	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Mailing	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Membership	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Neighborhood Watch	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Office Supplies	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Road Repairs	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Website	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$23,050.00</b>	<b>\$19,850.00</b>
<b>Road Maintenance Fund</b>	<b>\$27,500.00</b>	<b>\$47,500.00</b>
<b>Checking Account Balance(As of 10/31/13)</b>	<b>\$34,500.53</b>	
<b>Money Market Acct. Balance(As of 10/31/13)</b>	<b>\$17,366.78</b>	

### MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Annual dues notices will be sent out during the first week of January. All notices will be sent out by regular mail, except for those who have previously agreed to receive the invoices by email. The \$50.00 payment of the annual dues should be remitted on or before March 1, 2014. Dues payments received after that date is subject to a \$20.00 per month late fee. The support we received from our voluntary members(those residents in Olde Point who are not mandatory members of OPPOA) last year was especially appreciated. We hope you will continue to support our community-wide projects and events by renewing your membership and participating in our association.

Last year we had four mandatory members who failed to pay the annual dues, and as a result liens were placed on their properties, which resulted in two additional payments received. Recently, the Board of Directors voted to initiate a Small Claims action in Pender County against two members who have decided not to pay dues for a number of years. The Small Claims action will attempt to obtain a judgment for three years dues, late fees, legal fees, and other expenses incurred during that time period.

### COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Plans are underway for the publishing of the community-wide Olde Point telephone directory, which is anticipated to be delivered to all Olde Point residents on or about February 1, 2014. A number of advertisers have already reserved space in the book, but there is still time for any local business or organization to be showcased in the directory. Community Relations chairperson Beth Brigance and board member Kim Karach should be contacted for addition information.

Have some ideas or thoughts about events or activities that might bring our community together? Let us know!!!

## **PEOPLE YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT**

### **LORETTA GREENOUGH**

After serving many years on the OPPOA Board of Directors and also as the Chairperson of the Architectural Control Committee, Loretta Greenough is “retiring”. As a long time resident of Olde Point with vast knowledge of the area Loretta has been instrumental in guiding both the board and the ACC through numerous challenges and changes over the years. Her work on the ACC alone required an extraordinary amount of time chairing a committee dealing with new construction, additions, and administering and monitoring the rules and regulations of our restrictive covenants

Also leaving the ACC at year’s end is long-time member Evelyn Carpenter, who has been a valued and important volunteer who has worked for the betterment of the community. Loretta and Evelyn’s dedication and work on behalf of the Olde Point community will be missed.

Also leaving the Board of Directors after the annual meeting will be current President Leah Swiffen and Neighborhood Watch co-chairman Ken Rice. Leah has been a board officer since volunteering to serve, initially as Treasurer, as well as revamping and updating the association website, and directing community relations events. She has agreed to stay on to handle the website. Ken, along with board member Sam Thompson, has organized an efficient and impressive Neighborhood Watch program over the past three years.

### **GEORGE HARTNER**

George, an Olde Point resident and OPPOA member, owns and operates Outdoor Illumination, an outdoor lighting landscaping and design company, donated the lights and other equipment for the new Olde Point sign at the intersection of Country Club Road and Ravenswood Road Extension. In addition, he and board member Scott Kehoe did the installation at no charge.

Board member Paul Godridge was instrumental in the location, design and completion of the new Olde Point sign, and he and his wife Karna provided the Christmas lights and decorations for both signs.

### **JEFF PITTS**

Jeff, an Olde Point resident and voluntary member of OPPOA, has been cutting the grass for years at the old tennis court site at Olde Point Road and Olde Point Loop. In addition, he provided the cooker, and did the cooking for the Olde Point picnic hosted by OPPOA this summer. As the owner Custom Design Builders, Inc. he is also an invaluable member of OPPOA’s Architectural Control Committee.

## **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH**

The weekly Neighborhood Watch schedule for driving through the Olde Point community to observe and report unusual or suspicious activities is posted on the website, [www.oldepoint.net](http://www.oldepoint.net). Anyone interested in participating in the program can contact Ken Rice or Sam Thompson for additional information.

***For those of you who have offered to receive our newsletter by email – thank you! That savings of paper, printing and mailing is significant and allows us to reduce association expenses and keep our annual dues to a minimum. If you are receiving the newsletter by mail and would like to change to email, or would like to receive it by mail, please contact our newsletter chairperson. Also, if you would like your club or organization recognized in our newsletter or community website, or have information changes, please contact us.***

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**OLDE POINT COMMUNITY INFORMATION**  
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**OPPOA BOARD MEMBERS**

**President** – Leah Swiffen  
**Vice President** – Paul Godridge  
**Treasurer** – Kim Karach  
**Secretary** – Terry Peters  
**Beautification** – Paul Godridge  
**Board Member** – Jerry Bessey  
**By Laws** – Paul Godridge  
**Community Relations** – Beth Brigance  
**Covenants** – Loretta Greenough  
**Liaison to the ACC** – Loretta Greenough  
**Membership** – Alicia Pickett  
**Newsletter** – Terry Peters  
**Roads** –, Scott Kehoe  
**Security Patrol** – Ken Rice, Sam Thompson  
**Web Site** – Leah Swiffen

**OLDE POINT CLUB CONTACTS**

**Olde Point Men’s Golf Assoc.** – Ray Dutkiewicz  
**Olde Point Ladies Golf 9 Holers** – Elaine Tassi  
**Olde Point Ladies Golf 18 Holers** – Robin Keeler  
**Olde Point Tennis Association** – Bonnie Piccolo  
**Hampstead Garden Club** – Karen Saari  
**Olde Point Couples Bowling League** – Mary Deheck  
**Ladies High Kickers Bowling** – Lois Berlin  
**New Girls on the Block Bridge** – Dot Murphy  
**Olde Point Book Club** – Jay Heidel  
**Bridge Club** – Clem Bribitzer  
**Ladies Marathon Bridge Club** – Evie Dyer

(Please contact us online if your club contact changes or if you want to add your club or organization to our newsletter or website)