

The Lamp Post

Announcement

Spring inspections in June.



President's Message

First, as President of your Board of Directors, it is my pleasure to present you with the inaugural issue of the 2011 River Oaks Newsletter. Over the years, the newsletter has provided our residents and owners with information and updates on many areas of interest to our community. Articles have included: information on proposed changes to River Oaks' governing documents along with a discussion on why the changes were necessary; updates on county rules including changes to trash pickup procedures; reports on the financial health of our community; notifications of annual inspections and the procedures that would be used; and articles on gardening and maintenance tips for our units. The Board hopes that you have found the information useful. We will do our best to continue to provide you with helpful information, updates, and reminders this year.

Next, now that Spring is here (?), residents are more "out and about" in our neighborhood. Please be aware of the information below.

1. Speed limit signs have been installed at various entrance points to the community. The speed limit on all of our streets is 15 miles per hour, the same as The Landings, the community that is next to us and shares our entrances. We ask that you remain mindful of that limit at all times and especially now that the weather is improving and lots of little ones are out and about. Please slow down!
2. A "No Parking" sign with a fire hydrant pictured on it has been installed directly behind the fire hydrant near the end of Tilden Way. The space had been marked with a yellow stripe to indicate "No Parking". The sign was installed to avoid any further confusion about the use of that space.

Finally, I want to alert you that the streets and curbs of our community are in some disrepair and must undergo maintenance this spring. The project will include resealing the streets, repairing and/or placing additional speed bumps as needed, and repairing crumbling and sunken curbs. Our vice-president, Kraig McNally is spearheading the project. Kraig will keep us informed of the schedule for the work, what we should be doing, and when we should be doing it. Our management company will also be involved in the process. This project will require the cooperation of everyone in the community. The Board thanks you in advance for your help as the project gets underway.

- Jyl Dupont

Vice President's Message

I am your newly elected, River Oaks, Vice President. My wife and I moved to R/O May of 05. We've enjoyed the past six years here at R/O and are looking forward to many more. Our community has a lot of positives going for it, too many to list here, and hopefully I will be able to add to that list during my tenure with the BOD (Board of Directors). I have a few ideas for our community that have been simmering for some time and will pitch them to you in the very near future.

That being said, I do have one major bit of information to pass along. Starting this month, all streets in our community will be sealed. Please see future mailings for details and final schedule. The general idea will be to seal one street at a time. Each street will take about eight hours to seal from start to finish. Ideally, the sealing company will start sometime around 8am and will wrap up around 4pm each day. All this is of course is dependent upon the weather. R/O has been broken up into six areas so the paving process should take six days.

It goes without saying; this project will impact all of us. Parking will be at a premium. As long as you are not blocking a homeowner's driveway on a street that is not being paved on that particular day, feel free to park your car wherever a "spot" is available. Your vehicle will not be towed unless of course it's parked on the street that is slated to be sealed that day. You will not be able to drive your vehicle on the street that is being sealed. You will still be able to access your house via the sidewalk. More information will be promulgated as the paving project approaches.

Look forward to working with all of you.

Thank you,
Kraig McNally



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Notes

Children's Play Areas:

Children practicing sports, or playing a sport that involves many kids, should do so in either the Tot Lot or the Braxton Park area.

Free Firewood:

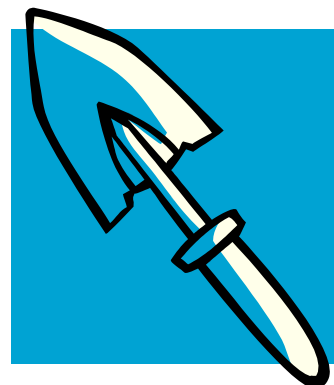
The Board is seeking individuals who want to take advantage of the fallen cut firewood that is now exposed in our wooded areas in the Courtyard and behind the Tilden Way units along the

path in the woods. There is no charge, it's free for the taking. Bring your own method of removal, and please respect the grounds around the areas where the fallen trees are laying.

Ken's Garden Tips

Every Spring, the thought of a new look to an old flower bed, a greener lawn than last year, a serene, flowing patio or tropical wonders, or a more colorful welcome mat of petals and pods all jump from our minds at the first rays of the warming sun through windows we can now open! Here are some helpful tips, as we break out the hand tools and head off to the nursery in pursuit of our dreams. I cannot claim ownership of all of the info here, a trip to WTOP.com's Garden Plot for more detailed advice has always been quite helpful.

1. Mulch is good, different kinds of mulch are not. Composted mulch is the best source of protection and nutrients.
2. Mulch is good FOR the plants, not ON them.
3. Ants are a given, accept that, and treat them with boric acid bait traps.
4. Water plants early as the sun rises in the morning, don't let them sleep in it at night, we wouldn't.
5. Lawns need feeding just like we do, only not as often. They need water like we do, only not as often, deep soaking couple times a week, not daily showers (Mother Nature doesn't count.)
6. Spring rains bring early mosquito breeding grounds. BTI Mosquito dunk or granules are recommended and clean out of gutters and other winter leaf collection spots are highly recommended.
7. Plant bulbs now for summer blooms.
8. Clover loves underfed and overwatered grass.



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Website Updates

Please be sure to visit the website and see these new improvements and additions on the pages noted in **bold**.

- **Home Page** - New "Vendors We Like" and Classified Ads listed for display.
- **About River Oaks** - New "Forms and Applications" page added; Financial Reports documents added.
- **Architectural and Landscaping** - New "Adoption of Rules" page added to outline the MD Condo Act process that River Oaks follows in adopting new rules.
- **Blog** - New page added for ongoing conversation between the Board and the community members at large. Any site member can post to the Blog.
- **Classified Ads** - Wedding dress, fur coat, mobile phone accessories, furniture.
- **Contact Us** - Updated to reflect communication procedures for the Board and for VMI.
- **Home Resource Info** - Shutter replacement information added.
- **Parking and Towing** - "Storage Pods" page added which describes the rules for pods.

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Controlling Our Architecture

As the By-Laws remind us and the Rules and Regulations guide us, ANY change to the exterior condition of the townhouse, front or back, and ANY change to the landscaping with respect to trees, shrubs, hardscape, front and side welcome areas, with the exception of flowering annuals, and just about any other change dealing with the look or function of any areas within the property lines (Plats) outside the building itself, must first be requested by filling out and sending an Architectural Control Application to the management company (application is available on-line) and having that approved by the Architectural Control & Landscaping Committee (AC&L) prior to commencing any work.

The AC&L committee's responsibilities are not to disapprove submitted applications. We can count on one hand the number we have disapproved over the last three years. The committee's responsibilities are to ensure that there is a record of the work to be done, uniformity exists throughout the neighborhood while allowing some independence, no county or community laws are broken, and safety factors that ensure well-being for those about to dig things up, move things around, or add things to their property have been considered and prevention initiated before giving the green light to proceed with the change.

Please help us so we can help you.

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Real Estate in River Oaks

Our community saw a serious decline in value due to the number of short sales and foreclosures. The last short sale/foreclosure in River Oaks is currently under contract. Even better, we currently have no active homes. The last three homes listed were neither short sales nor foreclosures. All were under contract within a week!

Buyers are anxiously awaiting new listings in our community as evident from the speed with which they go under contract. If we are fortunate enough to keep the number of short sales and foreclosures down, we will see our values climb.

Keep in mind, the better the home presents, the quicker it will sell or rent. Buyers are willing to pay more money for newly listed homes.

The sale price of one home in our neighborhood affects us all, and yet it is buyers who determine the value. We can however, influence value. Buyers are looking not only for a well-maintained home but also a well maintained community.

Brenda Dunlap, Realtor and River Oaks resident
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Note: This analysis was contributed upon request of the Board of Directors Communications Committee. Other resident realtors are encouraged to submit articles with their views and perspective on the River Oaks real estate situation.



From the Architectural Control and Landscape Committee

The Architectural Control and Landscape (AC&L) committee has three main objectives: (1) present the ROCA complex in the best possible image to the neighboring community, (2) promote "sustainability" and "value" to prospective buyers, and (3) enable the Unit Owners and residents to feel good about their homes and property and to feel proud to live here.

AC&L committee members should (1) be good citizens, (2) have a genuine desire to improve the community's looks, image, and quality of life, and help promote the complex to the external community through their actions, (3) be able to understand, have respect for, and be willing to represent the published By-Laws, rules and regulations, BOD decisions and any other Association guidance documents, (4) be willing and able to devote time to inspections of community grounds, buildings, and both General and Limited Common Element areas, and (5) be communicative and willing to respond to questions from the unit owners and residents.

If you wish to serve on the AC&L committee, please contact Ken Via at 410-956-2276 or by email at dance4673@comcast.net.

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Soccer Nets

The net shown below, located to the west side of Braxton Way along the fence, as well as one located between 257 and 259 Braxton Way, are about to be confiscated and locked up in storage if not removed from the General Common Elements.

We're on the Web!

See us at:

www.riveroakscondos.webs.com



The Lamp Post

Spring
inspections in
June.

**Your Board of
Directors meets
on the FOURTH
Thursday of
every month at
Landings pool
clubhouse. The
BOD welcomes
your attendance.**



“A Work in Progress” – 2012 Outlook is Good!

by Jyl Dupont, President

Here we are starting another great year together and I can hardly believe it! This will be my eleventh year here – yes, I am an original owner - and sometimes it is hard for me to remember how this place looked “back in the day.” When I came to see the property for the first time in spring, 2000, all that was here was a trailer on Mayo Road and behind it, the start of Millhaven Court. The model home was not yet built so prospective buyers had to use their imagination to envision how River Oaks was going to look. There was a large architectural model on the table at the front of the trailer, but that was it. Route 2 had not been widened and there was no Valvoline. Safeway was in the building where Edgewater Fitness is now and Giant was across the street on Route 2. I noted the close proximity of those two stores. I knew that, even in a “Snow-mageddon,” I would not starve because I could walk to buy food. Oh yes, and with Adams’ Ribs and the Edgewater Inn nearby, I would never lack for a hot meal! All was good!



I became an owner on April 10, 2001 and moved in slightly afterward. Boy was I excited! I had never owned a house all by myself and I was proud of how far I had come, but also a little nervous about the unknown road ahead. By that time the trailer was gone, Millhaven Court had been finished and we had a model unit. Tilden Way was really shaping up and the builder was busy working his way from the front to the back of the community. You could tell how far he had gone by how many new carriage lights had been installed in front of the houses and were brightly twinkling to light the way. Oh, how I miss that twinkling look that invites prospective buyers into the community.

One day as I left for work there was a HUGE mound of dirt by my house. When I returned, the mound was gone and the ground leveled in preparation for the installation of the Tot Lot! Those guys could really move! After that, the community continued to grow and sold at a rapid pace. Once the community reached the required level of unit ownership per the By-Laws, the community became self-governing, and formed its first Board of Directors.

As I said before, I was a new homeowner and had not a clue about most of the responsibilities that I had undertaken, but I learned! I learned that I needed to read – and reread - the documents that I had signed so I would understand how a townhouse community is set up and maintained for the quiet enjoyment of all the unit owners and residents. I learned that it was my responsibility to get up on a ladder to clean my carriage light and all three of my outside lights, and to keep them in good working order so the area is safe and looks bright and cheery. I learned that I had to follow the plat lines for my house and could not have a big fenced-in back yard as I wanted, but could have a deck and a patio.

While I learned many more things too numerous to list here, the most important thing I learned is that, to paraphrase a comment from Susan L. Taylor, former Editor-In-Chief of Essence magazine, all communities are “a work in progress.” Owners come and go, Boards come and go, climates come and go, vendors come and go. While all those things are ever changing, one thing remains constant – the desire of everyone in River Oaks to have the very best living environment for our community. I truly hope that we will continue in this positive mindset as we move forward this year.

Meet Bill Sutton, Vice President

Hello, River Oaks!



"I find it very important to be involved in the community I call home."

My name is Bill Sutton and I wanted to give you a little bit of background on your new Vice President. While only moving into the community in 7/2011, I find it very important to be involved in the community I call home. I want this to be the best community possible! I am 41 years old and have a wonderful bride of 19 years named Kelly. We have 3 children- Andrew (20), Kerrie-Anne (15) and Daniel (14). I grew up in Shady Side and lived in South County all my life. I am employed with Atlantic Millwork, which specializes in custom commercial kitchen cabinetry (restaurants, cafeteria's etc). I also have 12 years experience as an insurance agent and a bit of restaurant management in there as well.

When I found out there were openings on our BOD, I instantly became interested. I had heard some of the grumblings on Facebook and the appearance of disconnection between the BOD and the community members. That is one of my biggest priorities to correct. While I might not agree with everyone on every issue, I will treat all with respect and ask that you return that favor. We are neighbors and I feel that we need to keep that in mind. I also have a difficult job to do in upholding our rules and by-laws. This can sometimes appear as a personal attack on our residents, but I assure you that will never be the case. It is my responsibility to hold our community to a standard set forth by our governing by-laws.

Lastly, I would encourage each of you to come out to our monthly board meeting. This is the best place for you to bring a comment or concern. You can also get to know the board members face to face. Somewhere along the advancement in technology, we lost touch with our peers and rely on emails and Facebook too much. While they are great tools, nothing beats meeting face to face.

Sincerely,
Bill Sutton
255 Braxton Way

Notes

What's in your backyard?

Please be considerate of your neighbors and the overall appearance of the community by keeping your patio, deck and backyard neat and maintained.

Thank you!



Parking and Towing

by Jonathan Catrow, Member-at-Large

Being new to the River Oaks Board, I was unaware of how detailed our community parking and towing regulations are. It did not take me long to discover that they are complex, and it took me even less time to realize that they are often hotly contested. This makes sense, given the small amount of space available for each unit in the community. I have begun to work with residents and North County towing to address situations as they arise.

Here are the top three reported violations in the past two months:

- 1. Parking commercial vehicles in the community**

This was by far the most debated topic this month. Please remember that commercial vehicles are not allowed in River Oaks unless they are obviously doing work on a home, or are loading or unloading equipment.

- 2. Parking on the curb**

Several cars were photographed parked on the curb. Watch where your tires end up, as they shouldn't go past the seam between the curb and the sidewalk.

- 3. Leaking fluids**

More photographs were taken of vehicles leaking fluids. Take care of this unsightly mess, as you can be towed for this offense.

We have all agreed to the same set of By-Laws about parking in our community and now we need everyone's cooperation to make sure River Oaks looks its best at all times.

Please be aware of where and how you park your vehicle. No one wants to see any of their neighbors faced with the cost of towing, just as no one wants to have their vehicle towed.

Meet Jonathan Catrow, Member-at-Large

Hello! I was recently elected to the Board and appointed Member-at-Large. This means that I will be handling the Board duties that fall outside the typical parameters, which includes parking and towing.

I am very familiar with Edgewater. I grew up in South County, attended Central Middle School and was a South River Seahawk. I decided to run for the Board to become a larger part of the community that I've lived in for almost four years. There have always been things happening around me in River Oaks, and the only way for me to effect positive change was to get involved myself.

I look forward to serving the community. You can look for me walking my dog on Millhaven Court, and of course at Board meetings, held the fourth Thursday of every month.



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Website Updates - Resources at a Glance

by Bev Wright, Secretary – www.riveroakscondos.webs.com



"Register on the website as a Member and receive email notifications of website updates."

- [Home Page](#) – On being an election judge, the 2012 Board members, how to set up and manage your online account with the management company, and TWO new home-based childcare businesses.
- [Financial Reports](#) – Treasurer's Reports from 2011.
- [Safety and Security Incidents](#) – One River Oaks incident.
- [Police-Community Relations Council](#) - January 2011 Meeting Notes.
- [ACA process](#) and [Architectural Change Form](#) updated to include submissions directly to VMI via your online account.
- [Buildings and Common Areas](#) - AACO Property Maintenance Code
- [Lawn Care](#) page added.
- [Parking and Towing](#) – Vehicles with expired tags.
- [Trash Guidelines](#) – 2012 Holiday Trash collection schedule and upcoming AACO changes to regular trash collection.
- [Snow Guidelines](#) – All new information regarding new contractor.
- [Home Maintenance](#) – AACO Property Maintenance Code.
- [Shutter Replacements](#)
- [Maintenance Alert](#) about a water pipe break.
- [Vendors We Like](#) – Electrical, hypnotherapy, photography, plumbing, powerwashing, roofing, siding and others.
- [Home-based Businesses](#) - Child care.
- [Classified Ads](#) – Prelit 7' Christmas tree, best offer!
- [Management Company](#) – Web account and dues payments.
- [BOD and Committees](#) - New Board members and committee chairs.

Meet Amy McCarthy, Treasurer

Hello Everybody –

I'm Amy McCarthy and have been the Treasurer since last summer when I was appointed to the Board to fill a vacancy. The Board was looking for someone with a background in finance and budgeting issues and found me through my consulting business website. I'm an offsite owner and am happy to have the opportunity to participate even though I don't actually live in the community.

It's been great to meet many of you either in person or through the website or via Facebook. I look forward to contributing to River Oaks' long-term development. That's my focus – watching the finances and ensuring that we have enough reserves for emergencies and enough money to spend on things that will make the community even more inviting than it already is.

So thanks for giving me this opportunity and I look forward to working with all of you.

Amy McCarthy



Architectural Controls Help Prevent Costly Errors

As the By-Laws remind us and the rules and regulations guide us, an Architectural Change Application (ACA) must be submitted to the management company and reviewed by the Architectural Control & Landscaping (AC&L) Committee BEFORE any change is made to the exterior of the front, side or back of a unit, to the landscaping, including trees, shrubs, hardscapes, fences, front and side welcome areas, and for just about any other change to the look or function of areas within the property lines of each unit. The ACA is available on-line. The AC&L committee must review and act on the ACA prior to work commencing. The AC&L committee will recommend disposition of the request to the management company for recording purposes. The management company will then inform the requesting owner by letter of the disposition.

ACAs ensure that: (1) no River Oaks By-Laws, rules or regulations, or Anne Arundel County laws are violated, (2) neighboring properties or General Common elements are not impacted by the proposed change, (3) safety factors are considered to ensure the well-being of those about to dig things up or move things around, (4) due diligence is initiated before the green light is given to proceed with changes, and (5) a record exists for inspection and resale purposes.

Disapprovals do occur from time to time, but are definitely the exception and not the rule. We can count on one hand the number of ACAs that have been disapproved in the last three years.

Small Committee Upholds Large Mission

by Ken Via, Chairman, AC&L Committee

The Architectural Control & Landscaping (AC&L) Committee has three main objectives: (1) present River Oaks in the best possible visual image, (2) promote curb appeal to add value to prospective buyers, and (3) enable unit owners and residents to feel good about their homes and property and to be proud of living in River Oaks.

AC&L committee members:

1. Desire to improve the community's appearance and quality of life;
2. Understand, respect and represent the Association's By-Laws, rules and regulations and Board of Directors' decisions;
3. Make time to inspect the buildings and General and Limited Common Element areas;
4. Communicate and respond to questions from unit owners and residents;
5. Are good stewards when dealing with agencies and people outside the community as representatives of the River Oaks Condo Association.

The committee is always looking for on-site owners interested in spending a few hours a month helping with committee responsibilities and helping residents feel good about their properties and the image of the community as a whole. If you have been thinking about serving or wish to serve on the AC&L committee, please contact Ken Via at 410-956-2276 or by email at dance4673@comcast.net.

An ACA must be submitted BEFORE any changes are made to the exterior front or rear of a unit or to the landscaping."



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River Oaks Web Account Benefits

by Shannon Irizarry, Property Manager, Victory Management, Inc.



L-R: Shannon Irizarry, River Oaks Property Manager; Vickie Burnett, VMI Owner; Kary Leddy, Property Manager.

Victory Management (VMI) is constantly looking for new ways to improve the services that we provide to your community. With this in mind, we are **excited** to announce that River Oaks now has a customized and **secure** website that is fully integrated with Victory's software. This new system may be accessed 24/7 and will streamline all business activities for your association and allow owners to view their records directly. Please be sure to visit www.victorymgt.com and join the other 80 River Oaks owners who have set up their web accounts. Owners with web accounts enjoy the following features and benefits:

- Ability to view your account history & correspondence in real time
- Submit & monitor the progress of architectural change requests & work orders
- Make online payments or setup e-Check (*automatic withdrawal*)
- Access your association's resource library (*forms, minutes, rules, directories, budgets, etc.*)
- Update change of address & maintain your personal preferences with regard to association communications ... **and so much more!**

If you have not set up your account, please go to www.victorymgt.com, click on Communities in the top menu, then select River Oaks and register. If the registration information that you enter does not exactly match the information in Victory's records, it will take 24—48 hours for Victory to manually set up your account. If you have any questions about setting up your account, please contact me at shannon@victorymgt.com or by telephone: 443-249-0172 extension 24. If you do not have a computer or do not wish to set up your own account, Victory will send you a form to complete to set up recurring payments and set up your account for you.

We are now using a different bank, so if you make your dues payment electronically from your own bank or you mail in your coupons, you will need to **change the PAYEE INFORMATION** and use the following mailing address:

Payments c/o Victory Mgmt
PO Box 1610, Commerce, GA 30529.

Bank routing number is 7021 00000100.

Your account number is your address and street abbreviation: TW (Tilden Way), BX (Braxton Way), MILL (Millhaven Court) and MD (Millhaven Drive). Example: 215TW, 255BX, 8MILL, 2117MD.

Please note: If you set up online payments through YOUR bank (not via automatic e-check withdrawal), your bank sends a PAPER CHECK to the association's bank which takes longer than if you did the same thing, and can still get lost in the mail. Online banking is actually more secure.

"Owners with web accounts enjoy many features and benefits of 24/7 access to their River Oaks records."

CS Lawn & Landscaping Plans for Improvement

By Ken Via, Chairman, AC&L Committee

CS Lawn & Landscaping will be grooming our lawns, trimming our shrubs and removing our snow under a new two-year contract, with a third year option at the same price. The AC&L Committee solicited and reviewed bids, checked references and visited properties of prospective bidders before recommending CS Lawn & Landscaping, based in Stevensville, MD.

In the landscaping world, CS Lawn & Landscaping has an excellent reputation for performance and community awareness. Their work ethic focuses on customer service. They have a landscaping design center for new ideas and planning. CS has a local Davidsonville office so they are not far away.

CS has promised to try to restore the beauty and lushness of our grassy common areas, some of which are deeply engrained with chickweed and other weeds. They will spruce up our shrubbery and improve the look of the flowerbeds.

Despite the warmer weather, we are still in the winter months and the potential for real winter weather of the "white" variety still exists. CS asked us to consider a **Snow Clearing Plan** that has worked well in other tightly built communities with restricted roadways. The plan is to reserve certain parking spaces as "snow deposit" areas during snow events, whenever pushing and plowing are required. The goal is to avoid bottlenecks at intersections and turns, prevent snow piles on bushes and sidewalks, minimize chemical impacts on grassy areas and enable

better "curb to curb" roadway cleaning during snow clearing operations.

We had not considered a dedicated plan before. The committee walked the complex with the CS snow clearing team, and put together a plan that the Board approved for implementation. The details are still being fine-tuned, but the plan involves reserving a total of 20-21 unnumbered parking spaces as "No Parking during Snow Event" areas throughout the community. These spaces were selected to minimize impact to the residents while providing efficiency in placing pushed snow so as not to block intersections and to eliminate "one lane" entry and exit points. We hope this plan will reduce the time it takes to move the snow and the total cost of the service. Signs will soon be posted at these spaces indicating the "No Parking" restriction during snow events, but are free to be used as normal as soon as the snow melts or those spaces themselves are cleared and at all other times during the year. The Board is addressing enforcement procedures, and the parking plan for the community will also be updated. We anticipate that the residents will receive sufficient notification either from public sources or from the committee of an oncoming storm that has potential to create a snow-clearing situation, so those spaces remain clear.

As we implement this new strategy, comments are welcome and appreciated as we work together to add efficiency to our snow response process.

News

Be an Election Judge

Anne Arundel County Board of Elections is planning to hire 3500 Election Judges for the Presidential Primary Election to be held on April 3, 2012 and the Presidential Election to be held on November 6, 2012. If you're interested, contact the AACO Board of Elections at 410-222-6600 x 3139 and ask for the Election Judge Department or visit the website at www.aacounty.org/elections or email them at electionjudges@aacounty.org.

Noelle & Jeff Duo

River Oaks owners Noelle and Jeff Packett (159 Tilden) are an acoustic duo with Noelle on lead vocals & rhythm & Jeff on guitar & vocals. They play all genres of music from your favorite artists like Lady Gaga, The Temptations, U2, and so much more. Check out their [Facebook page](#) and the River Oaks website [Calendar](#) to find out when & where they are playing - a frequent spot is The Rockfish Grill in Annapolis.



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2nd Annual "Hope in the Harbor" Tasting and Auction to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Date: April 26, 2012
Time: 6:00 - 10:00 PM
Place: [American Visionary Art Museum](#), 800 Key Highway, Baltimore, MD, at the Inner Harbor.
Details/Tickets: Contact Ken Via at 410-956-2276 (call or text) or by email at dance4673@comcast.net

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Publicize Your Event!

If you have a fundraising, musical or social event that you want to publicize and put on our website calendar, please send your event information to Bev Wright at bev.wright@verizon.net.

Music, Food & Fun!

Noelle & Jeff Duo

*at
The Rockfish*

*Thursday 2/16
Thursday 3/8
Saturday 3/31*

*at
Brian Boru*

Thursday 3/24