

The Islander

Your Rumsey Island Residents Association Publication



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After a brief hiatus the R.I.R.A. Newsletter is back in business and will be delivered to your door monthly.

Next R.I.R.A. Meeting

The next Residents Association Meeting will be held at 6:30 PM on **Monday March 19th** at the Joppatowne Library.

Holiday Home Decorating Contest Winners

Rumsey residents showed their holiday spirit with sparkling light displays and ornaments. Congratulations go out to the town home owners of 754 Town Center Drive for receiving 1st place and 643 Shore Drive for receiving 2nd place. The private home winners were 719 Town Center Drive for 1st place and 601 Monterey Court received 2nd place. An honorable mention for creativity goes to the homeowners that displayed 'Sailor Santa' in their yard. Thanks to all the residents that lit up our Island during the holidays!!

Special Recognition

The R.I.R.A. would like to recognize the homeowners of 700 Town Center for beautifying their property. They have done an exceptional job with the landscaping which contributes to the beautification of Rumsey Island!

Redners Market Opening Soon!

We are anxiously awaiting the grand opening of Redners Market scheduled for March 14th. A hiring center has opened in the shopping center parking lot for those who wish to apply. Redners has also obtained approval to install 5 gas pumps.

What's Going On?

What's going on next to Rite Aid on Route 40? Construction of a Stack and Store Mini-Storage Facility. The completion date is not yet known.

Be Alert

It has been brought to our attention that some residents have had their outboard motors stolen from their property. Although the police are informed, if possible, please make certain to secure your personal property to discourage any future incidents.

Understanding Tax Assessment

Due to the many complaints regarding the new tax assessments please review your tax bill as well as the Homestead Tax Credit.

Building and Zoning

A Committee has been formed to address neighborhood complaints in reference to Harford County Planning and Zoning. Rumsey Island Covenants: It is the homeowners responsibility to comply with the zoning rules and regulations as well as the Rumsey Island Covenants.

The Examiner Newspaper

A suggestion was received regarding discontinuing the delivery of The Examiner. The Island can become cluttered with these newspapers as many residents don't read them. To stop delivery of The Examiner to your home the process is easy. Please call 1-800-387-6090, or visit mbarnum@baltimoreexaminer.com.

Community Telephone Numbers

Community Police
410-612-1670

Dept Public Works
410-638-3285

Parks & Rec
410-612-1608

Planning & Zoning
410-638-3103

Health Dept
410-879-8322

B G & E
410-685-0123
1-800-685-0123

New & Upcoming R.I.R.A. Merchandise

New Rumsey Island decals are available now.



\$3.00 for 1; \$5.00 for 2

To order, send a self addressed, stamped envelope along with check or money order to:
R.I.R.A.. PO Box 196. Joppa, Md. 21085

Winter is Surely Upon Us!

In the event of snowfall, please remember to shovel & salt your sidewalks and walkways as soon as possible for your safety and the safety of the Community.

Volunteers Needed!

We would like to add some new faces to the already very much appreciated group of volunteers we have now. Volunteering is a valuable resource and the R.I.R.A. is always looking for folks to help with: organizing the Island parades, crab feast, hanging holiday lights on the Guard House at Bridge Drive and all sorts of other events that would not be possible without our VOLUNTEERS! Please send a note to info@rumseyisland expressing your desire to help or simply let us know at the monthly meetings.

WANTED

Start a satisfying career in the Emergency Services Industry. EMS & Fire personnel are needed for volunteer fire service in our area. Training will be provided. If interested, please call Joppa-Magnolia Volunteer Fire Company Emergency Medical Services at 410-679-3319 for more information.

The Open Door Café

Former residents of Rumsey Island, Bob & Sandy Glock, are the owners of The Open Door Café at 528 Baltimore Pike (Rt. 1) in Bel Air. Visit their fine restaurant for good food in a lovely atmosphere. Phone 410-838-4393 for additional information.

Spring Cleanup

We will be scheduling the Spring Yard Waste Pick-Up at the next meeting. Remember, to participate your 2007 dues must be paid.

Spring Yard Sale

Come to the next R.I.R.A. meeting to help pick the date for the Spring Yard Sale.

Helpful Hints and Tips

Do you have a helpful hint/tip/article that you would like to share with your Island neighbors?

The R.I.R.A. welcomes your positive input for publication in the Islander, and you may email suggestions to: info@rumseyisland.com.

Special Offers!

Beauty Salons

Aurora Hair Studio & Day Spa, located at 620 Town Center Drive (across from the library), features gifted NY stylist Linda Monaro formerly of PASSAGE Long Island a Premiere New York Salon.

- * Men & Women Design Cuts
- * Multi-Dimensional Color
- * Up-Dos
- * Perms
- * Relaxers
- * Massage Therapy
- * Skin Care Treatments
- * Spa Manicures & Pedicures
- * Waxing Treatments
- * Hair Loss Related Services

10% OFF FOR R.I.R.A. members.
Call for appointment! 410-538-4049!
WALK-IN'S WELCOME!!

Boating

All Rumsey Island Residents Association Members will receive a **Free** Chesapeake Bay Assist Associate Membership for Deckelman's Marine Towing, Courtesy of Captain Ted Ostrowski. Call 410-391-6482 and use Code 085 to activate your free membership.

Visit them on the web! www.chesapeakebayassist.com

Computers

Prize WebWorks now offers One-on-One computer software training for all ages and experience levels. Rumsey Island Residents Association members receive a 15% discount. Call for more details. 410-538-5220.

Visit them on the web! www.prizeworks.com

Financial

Premier Mortgage Funding Inc. is a full service Mortgage Banker/Broker and has over 300 lenders. As a Professional Mortgage Banker/Broker, we can help you obtain a home loan with competitive interest rates and innovative programs. As a Mortgage Banker/Broker we have many investors and loan products to choose from therefore, we are able to shop around to find competitive interest rates and a wide variety of loan plans. We are able to service loans in over 35 States including clients with "Credit or Tax issues" plus we can refinance your existing home. Call Dan Steen at 410-335-1522.

Food & Beverage

Tollgate Liquors located in the Tollgate Marketplace on the corner of Rt 24 and Rt 1 between the Giant and Staples in Bel Air is offering all Rumsey Island Association Members huge discounts.

Present your Association Membership card at any time and get:

- * 20% off any 750 or 1.5L wine,
- * 15% off any jug or box wine,
- * 15% off any 750 spirit
- * \$1.00 off any 1.75L spirit.

(Excludes sale items, cannot be used with any other offer.)

Home Improvement

Robert Wilson, Master Electrician. Residential, Commercial, Industrial, Service and HVAC. Licensed and Insured. Phone 443-872-8765.

Real Estate

Everything We Touch Turns To SOLD"

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Is your business interested in advertising on the R.I.R.A. website?

Promote your business and help support the Rumsey Island Resident's Association for just \$50.00 per year.

Contact Sharon at 410-538-5220 for more details.

2007 Meeting Dates

All Rumsey Island Residents Association general membership meetings are held at the Joppatowne Library beginning at 6:30 p.m.

March 19 – Monday	August 16 - Thursday
April 26 – Thursday	September 27 - Thursday
May 31 – Thursday	October 18 - Thursday
June 21 – Thursday	November 15 - Thursday
July 19 – Thursday	December 20 - Thursday



Respect your neighbors, your neighbor’s property and our cherished Island.



NOW ACCEPTING 2007 MEMBESHIP DUES

WHY JOIN RIRA ?

RIRA Membership is open to all residents, both homeowners and renters. Membership dues support community activities (including two Island parades each year), landscape maintenance, fund our growing web site, fund the new Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, and pays advertising cost for seasonal yard sales. In addition a membership allows you to purchase a discounted ticket to the Annual Crab Feast and to participate in the Yard Waste Pickup.

RIRA annual membership dues of \$25.00 are payable each calendar year and are in effect from January to December of that year.

!.....Cut along the dotted line and mail in with your membership dues.....!

Enclose \$25.00 payment for annual membership dues.

**R.I.R.A.
PO Box 196
Joppa, Md. 21085**

Name _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

YES! Send me notification of meetings and upcoming events via E-mail