

THE ISLANDER

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Next RIRA
Meeting
April 18
6:30 Joppa Library

All Board of
Directors and
Officers will be
elected.

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Upcoming Board & Officer Nominations & Elections

MEETING DATE

April 18, 2013

6:30 p.m. – Harford County Library – Joppa Branch

Please mark your calendar for this important meeting. On April 18th, we will elect a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and a Board of Directors.

At the March 21st RIRA meeting, the focus of discussion surrounded the Board & Officer nomination process and elections. It was duly noted, that because the by-laws were written in 1966, the majority of members felt a revision was necessary. In light of this, a By-laws Committee was established whose purpose will be to review the by-laws and present amendments to the membership by April 4th. Two specific items discussed were reducing the size of the Board of Directors and combining the two separate Secretary positions into one (currently the by-laws call for a Recording Secretary and a Corresponding Secretary).

In preparation of the elections, the President, at the December meeting, appointed a nominating committee. According to the by-laws, the chairman of the nominating committee, chosen from among the committee members by the committee, shall preside over the elections and elect two tellers. The Nominating Committee is chaired by Joyce La Padula and the two elected tellers are Jon and Holly Travers. It is the duty of the nominating chair at the April meeting to present the nominees for each vacancy for which elections will be held. The role of the tellers is to tally the votes and announce the results.

Please note the following regarding nominations:

- ◆ Nominations from the floor are also accepted.
- ◆ All candidates shall have signified their willingness to accept the office if elected and must be a member in good standing.
- ◆ Each candidate shall provide a brief verbal presentation (3 minutes) to the membership as to their interest and qualifications for the position sought.

Please note the following regarding voting:

- ◆ You must be a member in good standing in order to cast your vote.
- ◆ Proxies are NOT accepted.
- ◆ There is only one vote per member household.
- ◆ Votes shall be taken and tallied by the tellers and the results announced.
- ◆ All elections shall be determined by a plurality of votes, and shall be by ballot except where there is only one nominee for the office.

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Want to know how *you* can help our community?

RIRA BLOCK CAPTAINS

Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds!! Please know that we appreciate their dedication to the delivery of our newsletters. They are:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DELIVERY AREA</u>	<u>Copies</u>
Beverly	Towne Center	74
Bob & Dottie	400 Shore Dr to Ravenswood (both sides)	46
Cheryl	Neptune	70
Ed	Driftwood	28
Holly	641 Shore Dr to Towne Center	108
Joanne	Shell Cove	17
Joyce & Russ	Old Church & Court Dr	60
Kathy & Jim	Old Sound & Monterey Ct	56
Linda*	Ravenswood	35
Marita	Anchor	60
Nancy	Breakwater	34
Sandy	Bridge Dr, Stone Harbor & Beacon Point	65

We are looking for a new Block Captain for Ravenswood Court. If you would like to serve as a Block Captain or as a back-up please join us at the next RIRA meeting.

SHORE DRIVE PERPETUAL CLEAN-UP!

The entrance to Shore Drive from Joppa Farm Road serves as a main entryway to Rumsey Island. Its beautiful tree-lined drive is often marred by trash whether tossed by drivers, walkers or blown in from the neighboring grocery store. For a number of years Rob Howard picked up the trash as part of his daily walk. Upon his 'retirement' a volunteer residents campaign began in December 2012 to continue to keep this area clean (Shore Drive between Joppa Farm Road & Towne Center Drive). Below are the neighbors that have signed on to-date. A huge thank you to each of you. To sign up, please contact **Joyce La Padula** at joycelapadula@gmail.com or 443-372-5783.

Trash collected may be tossed into the dumpster surrounded by enclosure at the corner of Shore and Towne Center (thank you, Margaret Steen, for permission.)

December 22nd weekend - Joyce La Padula & Gina Donoghue
 December 29th weekend - Debbie Pitsenbarger
 January 5th weekend - Judy Gonzalez
 January 12th weekend - Sharon Wilcoxson & Patty Brockmeyer
 January 19th weekend - Jessica Sharkey
 January 26th weekend - Dion Guthrie
 February 2nd weekend - Rachel Fitzpatrick
 February 9th - Holly Barnhart
 February 16th - Peggy Giesecking
 February 23 - Joyce La Padula & Gina Donoghue
 March 2 - Barbara Risacher
 March 9 - Patty Brockmeyer & Sharon Wilcoxson
 March 16th—
 March 23 - Joann and Nick Radgowski
 March 30 - Kathy & Herb Reedy (have their own bags & grabber)
 April 6 - Tricia Howard (previously scheduled for March 15th weekend)
 April 13 - Judy Gonzalez
 April 20 - onward **Open for you to help!**

✂Cut here and mail or bring to the next RIRA meeting

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