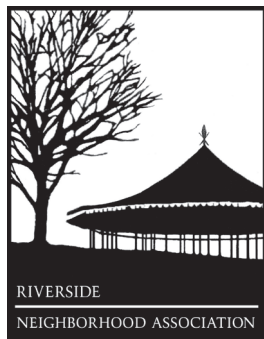


# Riverside Neighborhood Association

Encompassing Neighbors from Lawrence Street to Light Street and from Key Highway to the Railyard

**NEXT MEETING: Monday, October 24**  
**6:30 pm at Wiley Gunter's (823 E Fort Ave)**



Despite the threat of rain, Mother Nature could not stop the October 8th Riverside Neighborhood Association community yard sale from being a



Pickers at the Fall Yard Sale

success. The yard sale held each spring and fall are primarily a fundraiser for the RNA. Proceeds from table rentals and sales donated to the RNA table are used for beautification projects for Riverside Park. And beautiful it is! Riverside Park is the centerpiece of our neighborhood, and thanks to the hard work of volunteers and proceeds from RNA fundraisers, becomes more beautiful every year. Thank you to all the sellers who rented space, those who gave donations to the RNA table, and all the neighbors who came out to shop. Hope to see you all again in the spring!

**Early Meeting date for October RNA Social @ Wiley Gunter's 6:30 pm**

## What is RNA up to?

### October

- Oct 1 Daffodil Planting
- Oct 1 Community Dumpster
- Oct 1 Civic Works Day of Service
- Oct 8 Community Yard Sale
- Oct 24 Community Meeting
- Oct 30 Halloween Bash
- Oct 31 Halloween trick-or-treating

### Coming this Fall..

- Nov 5 Garden Club/Park Clean-up
- Nov 6 Crime Walk
- Nov 12 Tree Planting (tentative)
- Dec. 4 Gazebo Lighting 5:30pm
- Dec 12 Nov/Dec meeting

5th Annual

# SOBO HALLOWEEN BASH

## Sunday, October 30th

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at Riverside Park

1-6 pm



**Featuring Live Music, Food & Beverages and Fun for all!**

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COSTUME CONTEST WITH AMAZING PRIZES

**LIVE MUSIC FOOD BEER AND WINE**

**LAWN GAMES FOR ALL AGES CRAFTS Moonbounce**

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## Test Your Knowledge of Voting Trivia – *John G. Paré Jr.*

With Election Day right around the corner—Tuesday, November 8, it's a great time to brush up on your voting trivia. Answer the below questions true or false and see how you fare.

### True or False—

**\*\*\*Votes** cast by absentee and early voting ballots are counted only if there is a tie.

Answer: False. Votes cast during early voting and by absentee ballot count just like votes cast on Election Day.

**\*\*\*Maryland has 10 electoral votes to cast for the President of the United States.**

Answer: True. Maryland has 10 electoral votes, which is 1.8 percent of the 538 total electoral votes and 3.7 percent of the 270 electoral votes needed to win the general election.

**\*\*\*George Washington paid off voters with Election Day drinking**

Answer: True. In 1758, George Washington ran as representative in Virginia for the House of Burgesses. He spent his entire campaign budget, 50 pounds, on 160 gallons of liquor served to 391 voters.

**\*\*\*I cannot vote if I have been convicted of a felony.**

Answer: False. Effective, July 1, 2007, if you have been convicted of a felony and have completed serving a court-ordered sentence of imprisonment, including any term of parole or probation, you are eligible to register to vote.

**\*\*\*In 1872, Susan B. Anthony was arrested for attempting to vote in the presidential election.**

Answer: True. American women did not win the right to vote until 1920—less than 100 years ago.

**\*\*\*I have to already be registered to vote in order to vote during the early voting period.**

Answer: False. Although registered voters have always been able to vote during early voting, now individuals who are eligible but not yet registered can register and vote during early voting. To register and vote during early voting, go to an early voting center in the county where you live and bring a document that proves where you live. Early voting for the 2016 general election is from Thursday, October 27, through Thursday, November 3, 2016 from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m.

**\*\*\*I can find all the voter information I need online.**

A: True. The Maryland Board of Elections at [www.elections.state.md.us](http://www.elections.state.md.us) can answer all of your voter and Election Day questions.

It has been said that “bad officials are elected by good citizens who do not vote.” Regardless of which candidate wins—this year's election will be historic. I personally believe that voting is one of the most important civic obligations citizens have. This is true not just for our national leaders, but for our state and local leaders. I encourage you to take advantage of this privilege, make your voice heard, and vote.

## Recreation & Parks – *Jackson Fisher*

### Daffodil Planting

Keep a eye out in the spring for several new sets of bulbs along Johnson and Randall Streets. Special thanks to the volunteers from Civic Works who came to Riverside Park for their annual Ricky Myers Day of Service. Despite the damp and wet weather, the volunteers were able to plant 500 new bulbs in four flower beds.

### November Tree Planting

Now that the bulbs are in, it will soon be time to plant some new trees in Riverside Park. At this point, the exact date in November hasn't been determined but I am leaning towards Nov 11 or 12. I'll post the date/time on the Riverside Neighborhood Facebook page when I can confirm the delivery of trees from TreeBaltimore.

### Gazebo Renovation

Riverside Park has received some funds from the Horseshoe Casino Area Impact funds and Rec and Parks has decided use the money on the Gazebo. The Gazebo will receive a new roof and a fresh coat of paint. At this point, it is still in the planning phase so the exact time frame of the project has not been determined.

### Street Trees

Forestry has been marking pits in the neighborhood and I would expect them to start planting activities in late October and early November. Historically, the sidewalk crews have been switched over to concrete removal for tree pits when the weather turns cold. Street planting

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activities should continue until freezing weather arrives in late December/January. If you have any questions, please contact Jackson (jfk42@yahoo.com)

**Gazebo Lighting/Thomas Johnson Elementary School Choir Concert**

Ring in the holiday season Riverside Neighborhood style! Please join us for a lighting of the gazebo and a holiday concert by the Lyrical Lions of Thomas Johnson (#84) Elementary School. The choir will perform at 5:30, a special guest arrives at 5:45, and the gazebo lighting will be at 6. Please join RNA for hot cocoa and cookies after the performance. Hope to see you there!



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## AVAM'S FREE FALL HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION

Tour the museum, make a eerie luminary lantern & catch a Free Fall Flick!

When: **Thursday, October 27**

5pm-7pm: **FREE** Museum Admission

5pm-7pm: **FREE** "Lumin-Eeries" Lantern-Making Workshop in the Barn (all-ages, last workshop entry @ 6:30pm)

5:30pm **FREE** "Ride of Frankenstein" Join AVAM & Race Pace Bicycles for the first ever, pre-Flick bike ride.

7pm: **FREE** Flick on Federal Hill: Young Frankenstein

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### The Great Baltimore Oyster Festival

to benefit the Chesapeake Bay Foundation & Waterfront Partnership's Healthy Harbor Initiative will be held on **Saturday, November 5th** from 1pm to 5pm at West Shore Park. Enjoy live music, oysters, food trucks, seafood options from local restaurants, and family-friendly activities.



### Proud to be part of our community.

I'm pleased to support our local Riverside Neighborhood Association.

**Jim Craig**  
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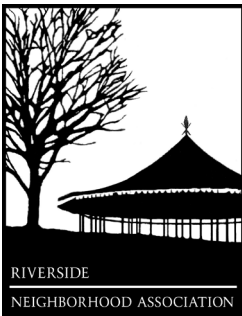
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