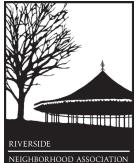
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Riverside Neighborhood Association Encompassing Neighbors from Lawrence Street to Light Street and from Key Highway to the Railyard

NEXT MEETING: June 30

7 pm at Langerman's (corner of Randall & Light)

"This is Why We Live Here" - Shane Laporte

"This is why we live here." This is a direct quote from an email sent the day after the first concert of the year. These words were also echoed in multiple conversations and other emails. June's

> concert was a great event by all measures. The band, Sac Au Lait, was the perfect backdrop for all of us to share

The next RNA meeting is a social gathering at Langerman's. Come out, meet your neighbors, and learn something new about RNA. Your

first drink is free!

To me, the most impressive part of an event like this is that it all came about by someone acting on an idea to make the neighborhood a better place. Credit falls mainly to a small group of volunteers that

came together to make that

a sunny day at the park with a

few hundred neighbors.

idea come to life. The idea that three or four people can create an event that brings joy to three or four hundred people is impressive. Credit must also go to our corporate sponsors. Too often businesses ask a neighborhood to support them without returning the favor back to the neighborhood. This is certainly not the case with our sponsors. We are so thankful that they see the value of partnering with the neighborhoods in which they do business. By helping to build a better neighborhood to live, they are in turn creating a better place to work. If you have the opportunity to thank them with your support, please do so.

Finally, credit must also go to all of the neighbors who came out to support the event. A few hundred people sharing time with

point.

July Meeting Guest Speaker: **Alex Dixon**, Vice President of Horseshoe Baltimore Casino

friends is the best way to strengthen a neighborhood, which, after all, is the whole

Throughout the Riverside

year, Neighborhood Association works hard to upkeep the park and the

neighborhood so that we can all have a nice setting to enjoy great days like these. Every volunteer that helps at a park clean up or tree planting indirectly helps to make park events a success. Likewise, every donation helps. If you want to participate in bringing about great events for the neighborhood, please consider volunteering and donating.

Develoment - Ann Fiocco

Development Committee Goals: RNA seeks to promote responsible development that will enhance life for everyone on the peninsula and within our neighborhood. We want to listen to our residents and balance resident concerns/wishes with the overall best interests of improving city life for everyone.

There are no updates this month. If you have any questions or concerns, all residents are welcome to contact me at annflocco@yahoo.com. Please remember to refer to baltimorehousing.org for any permit questions or concerns.

Upcoming Activities

Wednesday, June 18 Street Sweeiping - Odd Sides

Wednesday, June 25 Street Sweeping - Even Sides

Monday, June 30 7pm, Langermann's, Neighborhood Meeting & Social

Monday, July 7 7pm, Citizens on Patrol Walk @

Riverside Park Gazebo Saturday, July 12

9am, Park Cleanup *rescheduled due to holiday

Sunday, July 13 5-8pm, The Bumper Jacksons & Busia's Kitchen food truck



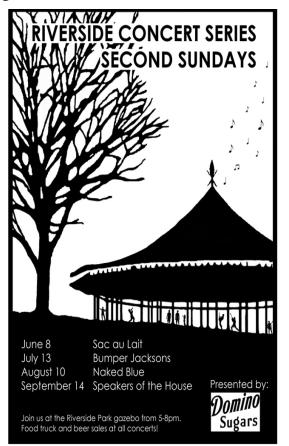


Sac Au Lait entertains a great crowd on June 8 at the Gazebo. Next concert is The Bumper Jacksons on July 13.



The Pool is OPEN - See p 5. for entire schedule

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Thanks to all who made the concert a success!

The summer music series is off to a fantastic start. It was a gorgeous evening, the food trucks and beer sales were a hit, and the attendance hit the 300 mark!

There are many people and organizations who helped to make it such a great event. Many thanks to:

- **-Domino Sugars**, for once again sponsoring the entire summer music series, donating \$5000 to our neighborhood group.
- these three amazing women. The work they put into the concerts is considerable and they deserve their fair share of credit:
- **-Joelle**, for coordinating the concert planning and tying all the pieces together
- **-Joyce**, who recruited the bands and found local restaurants to donate the band's meals
- **-Stefanie**, who recruited the food trucks, as well as designed the banners and hung flyers in various locations.
- **-Murphy Washo Gunsiorowski & Associates**, for the cups with the RNA logo. Make sure you bring them back to the next concert!
- **-Baba's Mediterranean Kitchen**, for their donation of dinner for the band and sound guys, and **Shotti's Point**, for the keg donation. Next time you visit these establishments, please remember to let them know how cool it is that they're helping make our little concerts even better.
- -Miss Twist and The Smoking Swine, for agreeing to take a chance on our concerts without requiring a guaranteed minimum. And double thanks to Miss Twist for her donation of 10% of her profits!
- **-The RNA board,** especially Jackson, Shannon and Ann, who did many little things that meant a lot.
- -the two neighborhood residents who took the time to clean the gazebo area on the morning of the concerts. Your efforts did not go unnoticed!

Three more concerts are left in the season, on the second Sunday in July, August, and September.

July 13: The Bumper Jacksons, food truck: Busia's Kitchen

Aug 10: Naked Blue, food truck: Bistro Lunch Box

Sept 14: Speakers of the House, food truck: Da Rua



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Parks & Recreation - Jackson Fisher Kayaking

The Outdoor Recreation division of Baltimore City Rec and Parks has three area kayaking options for interested people. For \$2, kids and adults can learn the basics of paddling in the safety of a pool every Sunday at the Cherry Hill Splash Pad from 1 to 3pm. For the more adventurous types, there are two options in the open water. On Friday evenings (6-8pm), paddles start from the rowing center at Middle Branch Park (just on the other side of the Hanover Street Bridge). On Sunday mornings (9-noon; \$20), there is a paddle around the inner harbor

that starts in Harbor East at the Living Classrooms dock. Outdoor Rec provides all of the boats, paddles, and life vests. Please visit the BCRP-Outdoor Recreation for more info.

Riverside Park Activities

The roses are blooming. The blue stone area by the Riverside Park sign was completed. The flower beds were mulched. The trees were transplanted. The sunflowers were planted. It's been a busy spring in the park. We were hoping to have the beginnings of the Johnson/ Heath garden, but that project has been pushed back to the fall so we can take advantage of the cooler fall temperatures. We have plans to do some pruning this

summer, do some touch up painting to the park sign, and work on the entrance garden fencing. Our next park cleanup will be pushed back one week to July 12 from 9-noon. Hope to see you there!

Recent RNA **Activities**

April

- Park Cleanup
- Citizens on Patrol Walk
- Concert Planning
- BaltCity Rec and Parks Leadership Summit
- Pool Program Discussions with Aquatics Dept

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Riverside Park Pool Schedule



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Phone:

Regular Season Schedule 6/21/14-9/1/2014

SUNDAY	POOL CLOSED	WATER POLO 10:00-11:00 AM	POOL CLOSED	OPEN SWIM 1:00-3:00 PM	HEALTH AND SAFETY INSPECTION 3:00-3:30 PM	OPEN SWIM 3:30-6:00 PM		POOL CLOSED	
SATURDAY	LEARN-TO-SWIM 9:00 AM-12:00 PM BABY COUNTRY CLUB	11:00 AM-12:00 PM	OPEN SWIM	12:00-2:00 PM HEALTH AND SAFETY INSPECTION 2:00-2:30 PM	OPEN SWIM 2:30-4:30 PM	HEALTH AND SAFETY INSPECTION 4:30-5:00 PM		OPEN SWIM NIGHT OPEN SWIM 4:00-7:00 PM 5:00-7:00 PM 4:00-7:00 PM	
FRIDAY	POOL CLOSED	RECREATION AND PARKS SUMMER CAMP LEARN-TO-SWIM 10:00 AM-12:00 PM	HEALTH AND SAFETY INSPECTION POOL CLOSED 12:00-12:30 PM	OPEN SWIM	12:30-3:30 PM		FAMILY NIGHT LAP SWIM 4:00-7:00 PM		
THURSDAY				OPEN SWIM	12:30-3:30 PM	STION		OPEN SWIM 4:00-7:00 PM	
WEDNESDAY				OPEN SWIM 12:30-3:30 PM		HEALTH AND SAFETY INSPECT POOL CLOSED 3:30-4:00 PM	FAMILY NIGHT LAP SWIM	CAMP CAMP 7:00 PM CAMP 7:00 PM	
TUESDAY				OPEN SWIM 12:30-3:30 PM		НЕАГТНА	OPEN SWIM 4:00-7:00 PM		
MONDAY				OPEN SWIM	12:30-3:30 PM		ADULT SWIM LAP SWIM	PLUID MOVEMENT 4:00-7:00 PM BOOT CAMP 7:00-8:00 PM	

*Schedule subject to change at any time, please call before arriving to any program.

Code Red Schedule:

Session 1 12:30-3:30 PM Session 2 4:00-6:30 PM Session 3 7:00-Dusk

Riverside Pool Summer Activities

It is important to note that all pool activities listed below are outside regular pool business hours requiring special staffing and added expense for Aquatics. For this reason, activities are subject to cancellation if there is a lack of interest and pricing is set and non-negotiable.

Learn to Swim

Session Dates are July 5th to August 23rd - \$55/8 weeks of lessons per child

- 9-9:45am Level 1&2
- 10:25am- 11:10am Level 4&5
- 11:15am-12pm Level 3
- 11:20am-11:50am Preschooler

The preschooler class will take place in the baby pool, and the level 3 class uses a combination of shallow and deep water we will work it out so that they do not interfere with the Boot Camp class.

Registration is at the pool. Classes do have a limited number of participants so they will be on a first come first serve basis. Any class that does not have at least 3 participants will be cancelled with a full refund.

Baby Country Club – (formerly known as Mommie/Baby swim) – June 21st-August 30th, 10am-11:00am, This is your opportunity every Saturday to take your baby and/or toddler into the large pool for a little playtime. It is a flat fee for the summer of \$55/child.

Water Bootcamp

Get your exercise on in the cooling atmosphere of the pool. Great instructors and a full body workout set to fun music. Classes begin June 21st. Class fee is \$7/ class or you can buy the season pass for \$30 and pay \$5/class. This makes for a great deal as you can come back anytime during the week and use your season pass.

Early Bird Lap Swims

Pool is open every weekday morning from 9am-10am for lap swimming at \$4/day or \$50/season.

Family Fun Day – Sunday, July 27th – 1-6pm Pay \$2 for a day at the pool and RNA will be there grilling up free burgers and dogs for all attendees. First hour of the day is free admission.

Twilight Swims – July 18th, August 1st, and August 15th - 8pm-11pm

This event was such a success last summer that the pool is offering 3 Twilight Swims for the neighborhood this summer. This is the only time that coolers are allowed. Come out and enjoy an evening dip with your neighbors.

Kayak Lesson and Roll – Sunday, June 29th -

10am-12noon

Bring the family for a few kayak basics and maybe a kayak roll lesson.

Water Polo

Currently a private group will be using the pool for training on Sundays from 10am-11am, but this may open to the public. Stay tuned...

General Info

- Daily Open Swim is \$2/person or \$30/person for a season pass.
- Family swim nights must include an adult 21 or over.
- Lounge chairs are available at the pool this year. You must leave your license with the attendant while using the chair and it will be returned to you at the end of your stay at the pool.
- Register for all programs at the pool house.
 Please show up a few minutes before the scheduled program.
- The pool only accepts cash, so come prepared.

Finally, we have a wonderful, friendly pool staff who has worked hard to make this year a success with a variety of extra activities. Please remember to treat them with the kindness and respect they deserve.



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Greetings and Peace, Riverside Neighbors

I hope and pray that this letter finds you in good health and good spirits. I have to say, I'm in great spirits because as the weather has gotten warmer, I've been able to get out more and meet some of you fine folks who live in our neighborhood. It's been such a blessing to get to know you, and your dogs, and find out what your story is. Our peninsula is blessed with such great people and we at Salem are thankful to serve in this community. In urban neighborhoods such as Riverside, our living conditions bring us close together personally and spiritually. Whether we see you at our 10am Sunday worship or passing on the streets, we're glad to share this space with you.

Speaking of community, we're doing something slightly different for our Love Thy Neighbor Gatherings this summer: a religion and film series. We're exploring some classical movies and the religious/philosophical themes behind them. Fiction, whether in print or cinema, can often help us in discussing life's bigger questions in the way that current or historical events cannot. The movies for this month are The Matrix (6/11), Fight Club (6/18), Kundun (6/25), and Star Wars (7/2). You do not need to have watched the movie in advance of the discussion, however, spoilers have the green light so homework is encouraged (especially since they are all great movies). We meet every Wednesday night at 7:30 at Captain Larry's Bar and Grill (601 E Fort Ave) and we sure hope to see you sometime.

Last but not least, we have transitioned from searching for space for a food pantry to using our own backyard space to form an urban garden. Folks who are on food assistance often do not have the financial means to



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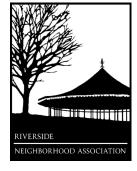
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purchase healthy food items and we hope to help alleviate that burden by providing free, freshly grown fruits and vegetables. We feel that this can meet a real and unique need to help our neighbor. If you are interested in being a part of it, you can either come to our social

Ministry meeting on June 17 at 7pm (location at a private residence) or e-mail me (pastorjacob@ salemsouthbaltimore.org) for more information. We look forward to providing this service to those in need.

All the best,

Pastor Jacob Simpson



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