



The WREporter

The Voice of West River Estates

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Message From Our Outgoing President

Joe Sullivan

Last month, elections were called for by the Board of Directors and proxies were tallied at the April 3 WREHOA annual meeting. The purpose of this election was to re-structure the Board of Directors to be in compliance with our By-Laws. The By-Laws call for the community to elect three voting Board members. The Board members then, in turn, appoint the President, Vice President, Secretary & Treasurer. This group of three Board members and four officers comprises the HOA Board of Directors. At the April 3 meeting, I was voted in as a 3-year term Board member.

In past years, limited community participation has called upon members of the Board to wear several hats. We have been fortunate this year that many new faces have come forward. Having been elected as the Senior Board member, I have decided to step down as President. This will allow us to expand our Board of Directors to the full seven individuals.

I am very pleased to introduce our West River Estates Board of Directors:

President – Allie Braswell
Board Member (3 yr) – Joe Sullivan
Vice President – David Burch
Board Member (2 yr) – Bob Moltz
Treasurer – Lisa Williams
Board Member (1 yr) – Matt Texier
Secretary – Mark Stahl

As a Board Member, I will continue to be as active in the community as I have been as President. I will work very closely with the new President, and the Board as a whole will continue to work toward improving our community.

The last year has been very busy, and I hope that we have stayed the course outlined in my first

letter to the community a year ago. We have made necessary fence repairs, replaced trees and shrubs, resurrected the permit for the path at the recreation area, and have our website up and running. Most importantly, however, I hope that we have increased the sense of community and camaraderie within West River Estates. With your help and involvement, the Board will continue on this course.

There have been so many people that have been involved in the past year that I cannot thank everyone individually. To all of you who put in your valuable time, energy, and ideas, know that your contribution to our community is appreciated by many.

I would like to extend a heartfelt “thanks” to Cathie Harrison, who has stepped down as Vice President. She has been a tremendous source of support and information and has helped our community to be a better place to live.

As I have said numerous times, this is an exciting time for our community. I am overwhelmed by the number of homeowners who have expressed interest in getting involved with the Board, committees, and community activities. There is a lot planned this year, so keep your eye out. I’m looking forward to another busy year, and to seeing many of you at our upcoming activities.

As always, if you have any comments or questions, please e-mail me at jas5998@msn.com or through our web site at www.westriverestates.org.

Thanks,
Joe Sullivan

From Our New President

Allie Braswell

The WREporter is published for the residents of West River Estates. Contributions are always welcome. If you have an article you would like included in the next issue of The WREporter, please contact:

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Greetings to the West River Family! I am Allie Braswell, and it is my pleasure to greet you as the new President of our Home Owner’s Association. Over the past few years, several great people have volunteered their time and sweat to create this incredible community. First, I would like to thank them for their dedication and hard work. Second, I

would like to encourage their continued participation and support of the Board Members as we embark upon the next generation of growth within this community.

Our Community

By definition, the word community means to belong, or be a part of the whole, and to share in the work of creating or improving the well being of a group. With this in mind, I request your increased involvement in the HOA. Now is the time to seize the moment, and get involved in maturing our great community. We have before us an opportunity to foster greater community involvement and fellowship amongst old and new neighbors. With the activities planned for the rest of the year, we can make this organization a catalyst for change.

- ✓ Community Block Party
- ✓ West River Estates Golf Tournament and get together
- ✓ Holiday Party

With that said, I encourage you to participate on one of the committees within the HOA. The welcoming committee is a great opportunity for you to meet and greet new members of the community. The other committees also offer you an opportunity to participate in the growth of our sense of community, rather than to be a spectator on the sideline. Simply put: “Let’s get in the game and jointly foster a feeling of community and caring that makes West River Estates, the community to live in within Southern Anne Arundel county.” Please contact me, or one of the other board members to continue to help make our community a wonderful place to live.

Meet and Greet

As a means of bringing our HOA to you, over the next month, I plan to do my best to “meet and greet” each homeowner. I want to encourage you to do the same with old and new members of our community. Again, it is an awesome privilege to serve this great community. If I can be of assistance in any manner, please give me a call at (410) 867-9717.

Sincerely,
Allie L. Braswell, Jr.

From the Treasurer

Lisa Williams

Attached please see our revised 2001 Operating Budget.

Covenant Committee

Lisa Williams

The community has been doing a great job in maintaining the covenants. If a violation is noticed, we have taken a more neighborly approach by face-to-face communications. We have found that this approach has been appreciated.

Please be aware that the following are the most common violations:

- ✓ Statues Displayed in the front yard.
- ✓ Portable Basketball Hoops left out overnight.
- ✓ Other children's play equipment left out overnight.

Recently we have noticed motorcycles and four wheelers from outside the community riding on Plantation Blvd. going to the construction site. I have spoken to some of the kids and made them aware that

it against Maryland State law to drive an unlicensed vehicle on country roads. If you notice these vehicles on our roads, please take the time to inform them of the Law. The kids I spoke with were very respectable; I have not seen them back. Again, direct communication goes a long way.

News From Shady Side Boys and Girls Club

Lisa Williams

As the Commissioner of Shady Side Boys and Girls Club Clinic baseball, I would like to thank all the parents for staying involved with our club. As in other programs, volunteers run our boys and girls club, and the more involvement we get from our community the more our children benefit.

My husband, Tom Williams took the roll of commissioner of Clinic Basketball this past season, and we both can honestly say it has been an eye opener to see the excitement in the kids eyes when learning how to play as a team and to see the new friendships emerge from having the chance to be a part of a TEAM. If you would like to become a part of Shady Side Boys and Girls Club, join to our monthly meetings, held the first Tuesday of every month at the Avalon Shores Firehouse.

West River Estates Upcoming Events

<i>Event</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>
Golf Tournament	August 6	12 noon	Old South Country Club
WRE Summer Block Party	August 25	1 - 5 pm	Plantation & Sweetwater

Local Upcoming Events

<i>Event</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>
Shady Side July 4 th Parade	July 4	10 am	Shady Side Road

Editor's Note: If you would like your school or organization's upcoming events in the WREporter, please forward your information to the editor when WREporter deadlines are announced.

