

River Bank Woods Newsletter

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From the Board...

HOA Meeting

The River Bank Woods Homeowners Association (HOA) meeting for fall 2008 was held on Tuesday, October 21, 2008, at the Great Falls Chase HOA Clubhouse.

Update on Brockman Farm Lane

The County Attorney's Office has begun working on the abandonment of Brockman Farm Lane. Since this is a legal process and one that involves the execution of easements by third parties like Dominion Power and Fairfax County Water Authority, the process will take several months to complete. In the meantime, District Supervisor Susan Buckley will work with the homeowners associations responsible for maintenance of the trail upon abandonment, so an action plan to maintain and prohibit public access to this area can be implemented at the appropriate time.

Deputy J.D. Spurlock with the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office Special Operations Division has placed the area on extra patrol.

If you see any loitering, littering and/or dumping or any public safety issues in this area, please report them as follows:

- Littering/Dumping – Report to VDOT. Submit a request to [Highway Helpline Report](#) or call (800) 367-ROAD (TTY users, call 711).
- Loitering/Public Safety – Report activity to the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office Non-Emergency number at 703-777-1021. Ask the deputy for a case number and a business card.

River Bank Trail (sidewalk)

The River Bank Trail is one of several projects that will come before the County's Transportation and Land Use Committee with the objective of recommending to the Board of Supervisors sidewalk funding options and selection criteria for future strategic decisions about where, when and how to construct sidewalks in our communities. Per Supervisor Susan Buckley, not only is River Bank Trail critical to improve the safety in our community, but it will provide connectivity to other neighborhoods and the near by commercial shopping center.

We were not successful in getting a VDOT grant to fund this project. However, Supervisor Buckley has proposed that the Board of Supervisors ask the Transportation/Land Use Committee to determine whether proffer funds could be used for the project. If those are not available, gas tax funds could be an alternative funding stream.

****River Bank Woods Directory****

We would like to publish a new edition of the River Bank Woods Directory soon and would like to include all 78 homes if possible. We have received about 15 directory listings. If you have not sent your information in, please complete and return to Amy Nolasco at 20529 Mason Oak Court (RBW Section II). Or, you can email the information (Names of those in household, address, phone number, email address and indicate if you give RBW permission to include in the directory) to Amy at amynolasco@gmail.com.

Even if you would prefer your information not be published in our directory (select appropriate option), it is important for us to have contact information (including email) on record for use in the Neighborhood Watch program. Having this information helps us keep our neighborhood informed and safe!

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RBW HOA Meeting Dates

January (Annual Meeting) – date TBD

HOA Contact Info

River Bank Woods Homeowners Association

Laura Poole, Community Manager

Loudoun Management Associates, Inc., Managing Agent for River Bank Woods HOA
(540) 751-1888, laura@lmainc.com

Activities Committee Update...

Annual Halloween Gathering – Thanks to the Landrys for hosting the annual Halloween gathering!!

Annual Garage Sale

The 4th **Annual Community Garage Sale** was held on October 18th, 2008. Only four families participated this year, but those four families raked in the dough! Plan ahead for next year's sale and start putting aside items today!

New Ideas

If you have a recommendation for a new activity, event, or club, please let us know. We are always looking for new ideas. If you have an idea or a column for the newsletter, please

contact Amy Nolasco at secretary@riverbankwoods.org. If you have photographs of a community activity, we would like to include them in the newsletter.

Neighborhood Watch Update...

Crime Reports - Access

www.crimereports.com is now available. Any person can go online and request free crime reports by entering an address. You can also sign up to get crime reports delivered to you via email.

Free Security Checks

As a community service, the Loudoun Sheriff's Office Crime Prevention Unit offers security checks to county residents and businesses. Sheriff's deputies who are trained in crime prevention will come to your home or business and check the interior or exterior and make suggestions on ways to reduce your chances of becoming a victim of crime.

To schedule a free security check, contact **Nathan Payne or Deputy Specialist James Spurlock via phone or email:**

- **Nathan Payne** 703-777-0477 or nathaniel.payne@loudoun.gov
- **Deputy Specialist James Spurlock** 703-771-5749 or james.spurlock@loudoun.gov

We still need volunteers for **Neighborhood Watch Block Captains.**

For additional information, e-mail director@riverbankwoods.org or call (703) 406-0088

Recommended Service Providers

If you are in need of repairs, cleaning, painting, power washing or other services, below is a list of recommended providers that have been used in the neighborhood along with contact and some pricing information:

- Potomac Falls Handyman & Home Improvement
 - Rick Widman, 703-470-9744, pfhandyman@aol.com
 - General Home Maintenance, Improvements & Repairs
 - Carpentry, Plumbing, Electric, Drywall, Trim Repair, Painting, Custom Moldings, Custom Build-in Cabinetry, Decks, Porches, Kitchens, Baths, Basements and more...
- Crystal Window Cleaning Company – 703-661-0655
 - Great job – cost was \$300 to clean all windows and screens, inside and out
 - Took 2 ½ hours to complete the job
- Capital Services Network Power Wash – 703-862-8596
 - Normal rate is \$300, previously did 11 homes for \$275
 - Email Amy Nolasco @ secretary@riverbankwoods.org if you are interested in looking into a group rate on this
- MDB Painting – 703-724-0263

- Previously did mailbox painting for \$30
- E.Q. Mowing Service – 703-231-2551
 - Good job, mulched and edges property for \$300
 - Lawn mowing – \$30
- Chameleon remodeling and Painting (does shutter repair!) – 703-984-9848
 - Contact is Vince Arcuri
 - Charged \$120 to repair 4 bottom shutters
 - Also does remodeling and painting

Reminders...

Catch Up and Plan Ahead

Please **catch up and plan ahead** for exterior home improvements. These include things like decks, fences, patios, recreation and play equipment, landscaping, storage sheds, storm doors, etc.

For these home improvements and others, please review the RBW Architectural Standards and complete an **Architectural Modification Request Application** (both available on www.riverbankwoods.org). We have included a request application in this mailing for your convenience.

Please submit completed applications to:
 RBWHOW
 PO Box 2070
 Purcellville, VA 20134

Or you can email to:
laura@lmainc.com

It takes 2-3 weeks to receive written confirmation of approval. Be sure you include the following when completing your application:

- Signatures of surrounding property owners
- A copy of your plat with the location of improvement(s) indicated on it
- Include complete information including, photographs, sketches, building permits

Please do not rake and pile leaves without picking them up. They will just blow into your neighbor's yards making more work for them!!

Announcements / Comings and Goings / Helpful Information...

Welcome to the Neighborhood

The HOA would like to welcome **Mehdi and Parisa Grayeli** to the neighborhood! They have recently moved into RBW Section I.