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A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER
FOR THE CIVIC ASSOCIATION OF PALISADES

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2027 MEMBERSHIP NOW OPEN!

Membership is annual. Your membership grants you the opportunity to rent the pavilion, use the boat ramp, rent a kayak rack space, and vote. You'll also enjoy community sponsored events and maintained common areas. Membership form can be found on our website or in print at the beach pavilion. Join or renew online or by mail today.

General Meeting Nov. 19th at 7pm

- Committee Reports
- Elections

Giving Thanks for our Community!

- Mary Yee secured grant funding for additional planting in our community garden. With the help of her husband, Ming, and neighborhood volunteers, the additional plants were installed on 10/30.
- The Mazur family organized and executed another successful Halloween Celebration on 10/31.



Thank you to all our neighbors for making 2026 memorable. We appreaciate everyone who has volunteered and attended meetings, and enjoyed all our coummunity gatherings. Looking forward to 2027!

Looking Ahead!

Sunday Dec. 6th - Palisades Holiday Party - Time and location TBD, invitation to follow



Pavilion Progress:

- Builder has been hired! Chesapeake Cornerstone Builders (CCB), owner Jim Hooper, a member of the Palisades Community. Formal proposal was accepted.
- Engineers prepared a foundation design and a site plan.
- Documents for permiting are being submitted for review before end of year, anticipate 3-4 months for approval.



Volunteer Opportunities

Many hands make light work!
Please consider volunteering for one of our committees, **Social, Property Maintenance, Membership, Communications, and External Affairs**. Serving on a committee is not a formal board seat, but a volunteer role to help carry out the functions of that committee.

CAP would like to connect willing and able neighbors this winter to help those in our community who need it when winter weather hits. If you'd like to assist with snow removal please email palisadesonthesevern@gmail.com

Find us on the web at: palisadesonthesevern.com and join our Facebook group: Palisades on the Severn

The Civic Association of Palisades (CAP) is a voluntary non-profit organization whose primary purpose is to foster a heightened sense of community and manage commonly-held properties in the communities of Palisades Park, Palisades on the Severn, and Severn Landing I and II.

Civic Association of Palisades

www.PalisadesontheSevern.com PalisadesontheSevern@gmail.com

2027 Membership Application

The Civic Association of Palisades (CAP) is open to homeowners or tenants of Palisades on the Severn, Palisades Park, Severn Landing I and II. The annual dues include all persons residing in the household. If there are two distinct households residing in the property (i.e., the owner and a long-term renter), each household must join separately.

Check if you are a: ☐ New Member ☐ Full Member ☐ Associate Member

Please see the CAP Bylaws, published on www.palisadesonthesevern.com, for the definitions of 'full' and 'associate' membership.

Information is retained in a database. If you do not wish an item to appear in the directory, mark the check box preceding that item. If you wish to be excluded entirely from directory – check here ☐

Name(s): _____

_____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Add'l Phone: _____

Add'l Phone: _____ Add'l Phone: _____

*E-Mail Address: _____

*E-Mail Address: _____

In Case of Emergency – Contact Information

Name: _____ Phone: _____

* Please provide Email address for newsletter distribution & boat ramp information & Login to palisadesonthesevern.com

Volunteer / Donation Opportunities

☐ **Check if you can help.**
With the exception of grass cutting at the community beach, volunteers do all the work. Please look at the CAP website to find out where you can help and let us know via email.

☐ **Check if you would like to be part of the CAP Project Committee (email required above).**

Fees	USD	Paid
CAP Membership	$95.00	
Boat Ramp Access	$55.00	
Kayak Rack - $25 per Kayak	____ X $25	
Donation		
Total		

ALL APPLICATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPROVAL

Please make check payable to CAP and mail application to:

Civic Association of Palisades, P.O. Box 301, Crownsville, MD 21032

If you are paying for use of the boat ramp please provide the following:

Boat make and registration # : _____Trailer License Plate #: _____

❑ I have read the CAP Boat Ramp Use Agreement (see guidelines published on blog post and in News at palisadesonthesevern.com for the full agreement) and I agree to its terms.

Signature:_____Date:_____

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The Election for Community Association of Palisades

Please vote for the 2027 Officers and Board of Governors so they can help our community to continue to move forward and provide benefits to our neighborhoods

Election Overview

- Each year the Community Association of Palisades (CAP) holds elections for the Board of Governors, which manages the affairs, business, and property of the Association.
- The Board consists of 11 members: President, Vice President, and nine Governors. The President and Vice President are elected to serve one-year terms, while the Governors serve 3-year terms. A secretary and treasurer, and Committee chairs, are appointed from the elected Board members.
- There are 5 Board members returning to serve their terms in 2027: Rachael Acevedo John Groeger, Joni Laycook, Stephanie Mazur, and Scott Phillips. The remaining positions are open for election.

Open positions and candidates for 2027 (see ballot on other side)

- The ballot lists the candidates for 2027: Paul White is running for President (which is currently holds), there is currently no candidate for Vice President, and there are two candidates for Board of Governors: Riffat Chaudhry (who is running for re-election) and Helen Kotulas
- Additional candidates can be nominated at the Election meeting on Nov 19

In addition to the open positions, the ballot has two questions for the community to vote on concerning the election Bylaws:

- **Question 1** would reduce the size of the Board from 11 to nine members. The 9 members would include 4 officers and additional 5 Board members. The five Board members would be expected to assume leadership roles for each the major committee: property maintenance, membership, communications, social, and external affairs. This would help align the size of the Board with the major functions it needs to carry out. The Committees would also be looking for volunteers to help with selected functions.
- **Question 2** proposes to make the Vice President an appointed position instead of an elected one. The Vice President would be appointed by the Board, using the process similar to how the Secretary and Treasurer are selected

How you can vote

- Attend the General meeting in person on: November 19, 7pm at the Pavilion in Palisades
- If you can't attend, please provide an absentee ballot (on back of this newsletter) by Nov 18 to Scott Phillips 526 Anne Arundel Blvd, or any Board member.
- You can also fill out a proxy ballot and have it presented at the Nov 19th election
- You need to be a CAP member to vote, which means you have paid your 2026 dues. If you are not a member, you can join CAP for 2027 and pay those dues before the election. Membership forms are on the CAP website and at the sign board near the pavilion.

See the CAP Website for more information: https://www.palisadesonthesevern.com/

Civic Association of Palisades (CAP) Absentee Ballot: 2027

An absentee ballot is a vote cast by a CAP member who is unable to attend a CAP General Meeting. You may vote on predetermined issues as they exist prior to a General Meeting. If an issue summarized on this form is altered during discussion in any way from its full published explanation, then the vote on this ballot is nullified. A completed absentee ballot will not be considered when determining whether a quorum is in attendance at the General Meeting. An absentee ballot should only be used as a last resort if a member of the CAP household cannot make the meeting and a suitable proxy cannot be found. Please complete and return this form to a member of the CAP Board of Governors. Completed form must be received one week prior to the General Meeting. For more information on Absentee voting, please see https://www.palisadesonthesevern.com/absentee-and-proxy-voting or the CAP By-Laws, also available on the CAP website.

Date of Meeting: ___Thursday Nov 19 2026_____ **BOG Secretary: ___Rachael Acevedo _____**

Print Your Name: _____ Address: _____.

Signature: _____ Date: _____.

(To be filled by BOG member) Received by: _____ Date: _____.

Please circle "yes", "no", or "abstain" to cast your vote for each item on the agenda. Any item that is left unmarked will be treated as 'abstain'. Information regarding candidates and issues can be found at *https://www.palisadesonthesevern.com* or in the latest newsletter.

Issue: Election of President, VP, and *Board of Governors		**Voting Directions**		
1	**President - Paul White**	**Yes**	**No**	**Abstain**
2	**Vice President - No candidate**	**Yes**	**No**	**Abstain**
3	**Gov 6- Riffat Chaundry**	**Yes**	**No**	**Abstain**
4	**Gov 7 - Helen Kotulas**	**Yes**	**No**	**Abstain**
5	**Gov 8: Nomination needed (unless size reduced, see Q 1**	**Yes**	**No**	**Abstain**
6	**Gov 9: Nomination needed**	**Yes**	**No**	**Abstain**
Issue: Update of Bylaws for Election				
Q 1	**The Board will have 9 members (a reduction from 11)**	**Yes**	**No**	**Abstain**
Q2	**The Vice President will be an appointed position (as are the Secretary and the Treasurer)**	**Yes**	**No**	**Abstain**

*** There are 5 Board of Governors continuing their terms in 2027**