



For the Glen Isle community.

# Glen Isle Newsletter

August, 2023

## FIREWORKS!

Ever wonder how the Glen Isle area has a show in our backyard?

Each year Glen Islers see the 4th of July holiday on calendars and start asking neighbors if they've heard about fireworks yet. They call around, ask on social media, or just venture down to the beach at dusk on July 4th to see if anything happens. Nothing is "official" - ever.

And, for 17 years, we've all had the good fortune of enjoying great local displays, over the beautiful South River. It's so close, so convenient, and saves a lot of trouble getting to downtown Annapolis or caught on busy roads to the Bay. Some would say the fireworks show gets better every year. And, this year, the person handling the show would probably agree with you.

We followed some leads on how it all happens and who tackles that



pyrotechnical wizardry. And that is how we meet Shawn Bernard, who lives on Pinecrest. A Glen Isle resident for a very long time, Shawn recalls many, many Independence Day holidays spent down at the beach area with a neighbor who always brought along a big trash bag full of fireworks. "Boy, that fun stuff really inspired me to want to learn how to do that kind of thing," said Bernard, age 44. "I guess I'm just living my childhood fantasy and

– **Fireworks** continued on Pg. 6

## GI Beach projects continue

The renovation of B-Pier last fall got everyone talking as it turned out so well. It looks sturdy, modern, and appealing. Now, thoughts turn to other assets at the beach as future projects and ongoing maintenance of things is explored regularly by the Glen Isle Improvement Association, GIIA, Board of Directors.

The board has recently planned the purchase of several new nets for the swim beach next season and improving systems regarding that beach feature.

GIIA is also in the permit process for a solution to help minimize the shore erosion at the first beach area (nearest the parking lot). One proposed solution includes two wooden groins in the water that will help to calm waves from eating up the sand that remains while allowing more sand to build up. One of these groins would be an extension to the existing ramp wall. Measures would also involve quantities of sand.

The future of A-Pier is a current topic as it also requires ongoing maintenance and eventual re-decking, as well as some electrical and plumbing updates. Details will be shared at the September community meeting.

If you have ideas about the beach areas, or any community assets, you are welcome to a monthly meeting, or send email to [glenislestates@gmail.com](mailto:glenislestates@gmail.com).

**All members of the Glen Isle Improvement Association are reminded of the Annual Community Meeting set for Wednesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm**

## Water testing offers guidance

On Thursday mornings, from Memorial Day through Labor Day, the Arundel Rivers Federation team of helpful volunteers goes out to community areas on the South River to collect water samples for bacteria testing. Results are provided by Friday of the same week.

The testing allows residents to know what the conditions are in the South River and other areas. Monitoring results can be tracked at [The Swim Guide](#), which includes the health of waters monitored by Arundel Rivers as well as other organizations around the world.

Results are also posted locally on the [Arundel Rivers Federation website](#).

## Meet the current GIIA Board

The Glen Isle Improvement Association has a Board of Directors with 6 officers and 9 directors. The board meets monthly to address issues of relevance to the people and properties of GIIA, Inc.

These meetings are now held on 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays at 8:00 pm in the Community Clubhouse, 2724 Pinecrest Dr. All members of GIIA are welcome to attend.

The annual community meeting is held in September, and all GIIA members are urged to attend this as votes are often held on larger matters and expenses. The by-laws of GIIA, Inc. mandate a minimum attendance of 19 members in good standing. In past years, we have surprisingly had trouble meeting that quorum, even with nearly 160 homes in Glen Isle Estates. So, watch your mail in August each year for the date, time, and agenda for the September meeting.

All property owners are encouraged to participate in any way they are able for the betterment of the community. We are always in need of volunteers to help with matters - just reach out to ask any board member how you can help.

### CURRENT GIIA BOARD

#### **Officers**

President:	John Szkotnicki
Vice-President:	Matthew Clifford
Corresponding Secretary:	Sam Liff
Recording Secretary:	Christina Feindt
Treasurer:	Yvonne Myers
Asst. Treasurer:	Stephanie McShane

#### **Directors**

Dan Dillon, Josh Howard, Angelica Gutierrez, Brendan McGrath, John Morgan, Rick Nines, Brandon Sands, David Springer, Jack Thibodeau

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*Look for a few  
Glen Isle focused  
groups & pages  
on Facebook also.*

## Who to Call...

### **Pier Chairperson:**

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**Everyone listed above  
is a volunteer.**

**Nobody is paid to  
answer emails or calls.**

**Please be patient and  
appreciative of their time.**

# Briefs for Glen Islers

## Pet Waste

All pet waste should be picked up and taken to your own trash container for disposal. A recent situation caused a bit of tension on the topic and everyone is reminded that with all of the Ring® cameras and such these days, you are often literally on camera when you do not clean up after your pets. NEVER leave waste, bagged or un-bagged, on someone else's private property. Not even in their garbage can as that is yet another area of complaint.



## Dumpster at the beach

The garbage dumpster at the beach has had a lot of misunderstanding over the years. It is provided only during the spring/summer season to offer a place to put trash that would otherwise litter the beachfront and the river.

The dumpster is NOT intended to host anyone's random large items such as winter boat wrap material, or any construction waste products. And the areas around the dumpster are not to be used for yard waste and similar items.

The dumpster is contracted for a weekly pick-up between late April to late October. Pick up day is currently set for Thursdays. When the dumpster receives excess usage, a volunteer has to first discover the issue, and then request, schedule, and arrange payment for an extra pick-up.

All residents are asked to use this dumpster and the beach trash containers only as needed and to utilize your home waste containers for all things not beach related. Thank you.

## Parking at Clubhouse & Beach

Residents are asked to NOT park at the Community Clubhouse on Pinecrest unless they have either rented the Clubhouse at the time, or communicated with the Clubhouse Chairperson, or a GIIA Board member prior to parking. There have been several situations with vehicles causing problems for events at the Clubhouse. There is a sign stating that vehicles can be towed without notice.

Beach parking is also limited, and you are asked to get a parking sticker and/or hanging permit so that

all GIIA members have access to the beach. If you are having guests with you, you are asked to try and have guest vehicles parked at your residence. If this is not possible, please reach out to the Beach Chairperson, or a GIIA Board member for options. A guest can also use one of the red hanging passes. Towing is possible at the beach for cars without parking passes.

## School is starting again

Area public schools open very soon. Some students start on Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup> and the remainder will begin Tuesday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. Even the tiniest kindergartners will be climbing those large steps throughout that first week.

ALL residents are asked to please use care and caution on the small roads inside your neighborhood. New kids on new schedules may not always know to look around or understand traffic flow. Please watch for them mornings and afternoons. Stay at 25 mph or under on ALL neighborhood roads. It's very important.

## Port-A-Potty - a seasonal asset



The weekly service date for the port-a-potty is set for Thursdays according to the contract agreement. A recent and unfortunately timed service interruption was taken care of and you will be pleased to know the service provider adjusted the payment schedule to make up for the error.

There is recent talk of improving the areas around this facility to make it a bit "nicer."

Residents are asked to try and dissuade any passing boaters from disembarking just to use our convenient toilet. It's been reported that this is increasing in recent months.

## Recent board topics

- A-Pier re-decking
- Pickle Ball at the beach area
- Clubhouse area improvements (*in & out*)
- A new Membership Committee Chair position
- Lights on the basketball court
- Poison ivy at the playground
- Volunteer work parties
- Swim platform repairs (*any volunteers?*)



<b>Clubhouse Rental Rates:</b> Weekend Rentals .....\$150.00/per rental (Friday, Saturday, Sunday) Weekday Rentals..... \$150.00/per rental Children's Party ..... \$50.00/per rental \$50 refundable deposit is required for all rentals.		<b>Rent the Clubhouse!</b> Fill out the <a href="#">online request form</a> and someone will be in touch. Or <a href="#">email the Clubhouse Chair</a>
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# The GIIA distribution list needs email addresses

The GIIA email distribution list was recently reviewed. The surprising result is that it is missing the email addresses for nearly 35 real property owners! A handful of those are longtime owners who don't seem to utilize email, but most are new to the neighborhood in the past few years. If you are new, welcome to the area! If you can send along your contact details, it would definitely help.

The GIIA Board does have all current property owner names and addresses. That information is

vital to HOA billing and yearly mail. However, the Board of Directors would like to send notifications digitally as it helps to make communication more timely.

If you know someone new, or someone who did not get this newsletter by email, perhaps you can help them. They can send an email to: [glenislestates@gmail.com](mailto:glenislestates@gmail.com) with subject line "Distribution List" and they will be added to the list. Phone numbers would also be appreciated.



## *In Memory*



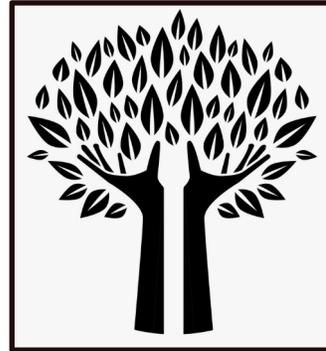
### **Hazel Liff**

Longtime Glen Isle resident Hazel Liff passed away December 7, 2022. Hazel was the beloved wife of Sam Liff and was so greatly appreciated and much admired by many in the Glen Isle community. Born March 6, 1937, she was the 7<sup>th</sup> of 14 children. She was the mother of five children, the grandmother of 13, and the great-grandmother of 14.

Hazel and Sam were married in 1969 and were the very model of a close and loving couple. Glen Isle was fortunate to have them here together for over 20 years. The couple were known for their daily treks through the neighborhood (*long before there was a sidewalk*), with their much-loved dogs alongside. They would pick up litter constantly, and regularly stopped to chat with other neighbors out and about. Hazel was well regarded as a volunteer in the area and will always be remembered as a kind-hearted, hard-working, and graciously caring woman.

### **George Bergmann**

Neighbor George Bergmann passed away on June 11, 2023 at the age of 78. George was well regarded in Glen Isle as a very pleasant neighbor, always ready with a smile and a greeting. He wasn't one for large groups, but loved thoughtful conversations with those he was close with. He had lost his wife Laura, and is survived by a brother, two daughters, and two granddaughters. His obituary asks for any memorial donations be made to the [Annapolis SPCA](#) as George was a great animal lover. George will be dearly missed by his many neighbors and friends.



*"The best time to plant a tree is twenty years ago. The second best time is now."*

## We all need more trees!

*Do you have any trees on your property? Would you like help getting some?* It can be a bit of work deciding which type is best and then finding a place to purchase at the right time and cost, and then having to plant them and tend to them properly.

Fortunately, we have an individual willing to help all Glen Islers with tree planting. Resident Michael Wagener is a Tree Trooper with the Watershed Stewards Academy RePlant Anne Arundel effort. And he would be thrilled to help you get some trees on your land. He can offer advice on types of trees and help locate best planting areas. And he can help you find deals and actually get it all done!

From 2013 to 2017, Anne Arundel County lost over 2,500 acres of forests, the highest rate of forest loss in any urbanized county in Maryland. In response to this loss, WSA, in partnership with Anne Arundel County and with support from the Helena Foundation, has created RePlant Anne Arundel.

Since 2020, RePlant Anne Arundel has planted over 13,000 trees and engaged over 1,200 residents. Throughout 2023, Replant Anne Arundel will continue to engage residents in designing and installing tree planting projects.

Several Glen Isle residents have already taken part in this effort and the neighborhood is on the online map showing its willingness to go green. Visit the map and [find more info at this link](#). Or call Michael Wagener at: (410) 353-3544.

# Exploring Community Assets



## The Glen Isle Piers

Our little neighborhood is a hidden gem. Many don't realize all that it has to offer, and many longtime residents would love to keep it that way. But for those who are here already, here's a brief summary of just one community asset - the GIIA piers on the South River. In future newsletters, we will look at other facilities owned and operated by all real property owners within the association.

### The Piers -

There are two large piers - **A Pier** to the south and the larger **B Pier** to the north that together offer mooring to more than 35 boats. Each pier hosts small finger piers to allow boat access.

The **boat ramp** allows anyone to put their boat in the water easily. This access is far more rare than you might realize in this county, so it's pretty great to have (*and impacts every home resale value*). All GIIA members can purchase a boat ramp key for access for \$50. Members who only want occasional use can pay the single-use fee of \$15 per launch. Boat ramp keys are exchanged annually for new keys, look for signs and posts about "Key Exchange" events and bring along your old key. This usually happens in late spring/early summer.

**Boat slip rentals** run April 1-March 31 and all GIIA members in good standing can apply to have a slip assigned after filling out required forms and paying the proper fees of \$18 per foot of length of the craft to be stored in the slip. Applications are due by March 15 and can be found [on the website](#), usually after March 1st. Preferences for slips are first given to previous holders, but nothing is guaranteed in this process handled by the Pier Chair and overseen by the Board of Directors.

There is also storage available for **kayaks and canoes** on the shoreline near A Pier. If you want to rent one of these spots, you also fill out a boat slip registration form each spring and pay the \$25 fee. Again, these forms can be found at [glenislestates.com](http://glenislestates.com) and are emailed out to slipholders each February/March.

The GIIA Board names a **Pier Chairperson** to handle slip rentals, repair matters, and various logistics of maintenance and seasonal services. The current Pier Chair is Glen Isle resident Brendan McGrath who has served on the GIIA Board of Directors since 2019.

This committee position can be fairly hectic when boating season rolls around each spring. March and April are times of service start-up, new slip applications, communications with renters, and the many seasonal repairs that winter leaves behind. Weather changes require ongoing watchfulness and the end of season services must also be attended to with diligence with water system servicing and shutdown, and other miscellaneous things happening.

Brendan reports to the board on issues like ice bubblers needing replacement (they prevent damage from freezing water), or the need for new pilings, or electrical issues on the piers. There are many things to tend to every season.

You can read the complete Pier & Boat Ramp Rules online [at this link](#) if you are interested.

We salute Brendan (*and family*) for taking on the big job that makes it all work so well for the rest of us. Thank you for all that you do.

## Fireworks - continued from page 1

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doing something I love." It's noted that neighbors seem to appreciate it also.

That wasn't always the case, as just 8-10 years ago there was one July 4th with stronger winds than normal, Shawn recalls. That caused some embers to fly and ended in some damage to a nearby boat. The GIIA Board heard from several nervous residents about it. And after some discussion, it was decided that the GIIA community property should not be used for the show, given the liability concerns. Bernard says he completely understood at the time and planned to stop the popular shows he'd been doing since 2006.

Fortunately, the property owner on the northernmost point of Glen Isle reached out and asked to host the display on their own property adjacent to the area. The show has continued there since that time, and the location allows those all over the area to also enjoy the impressive display.

The 2023 show was one of the best yet. "One of the biggest displays I've ever done, with the largest finale for certain," Shawn says. "And the cost was the biggest also, as that show cost somewhere near \$4,500 for all supplies." And this even though Shawn claims he doesn't purchase the "biggest stuff out there" as safety is the main concern.

Each year, Shawn travels to northern Pennsylvania to shop at a wholesaler for the best prices, "a real mom & pop kind of place," he says. "You need to shop around April or so to get the best deal on that volume of product." Then, it all has to be safely stored.

As the date approaches, Bernard reports that he has to do prep work, including loading, moving, and setting up for a few solid days to have it ready in time.

Given the work and costs, he was asked how everything gets handled. "Not very well this year," he replied. "With the higher cost and the fact that I've been out of work for a while since an injury, I had hoped donations from neighbors

might be enough to cover it all." But they definitely were not, and Bernard adds that even though there's usually a regular handful of donors, he did not get as much help this year for whatever reason. He seemed a bit disappointed by the imbalance between how many people enjoy the show and the shortage of donations.

When asked if he would still accept contributions, he replies, "Well, of course, I'd love to get more help for the shows. That would be great as I'm not sure how to do even one more year if something doesn't change."

Shawn went on to say that there's an individual in West Virginia who has sought him out with an offer of paying for him to come and put on a show there, with the supplies all paid for and actual money to be made.

What would that mean for the South River display? Shawn asserts that he would love to keep doing a local show, but needs some kind of assistance. So, for next year's show to happen, he needs to cover current costs and to later locate donations

towards next year so he can be confident it will be financially possible. He seems surprised at the suggestion that it is likely many locals would offer assistance if they just knew how to give. "That would be great," he says.

Shawn adds that folks without funds to donate are also certainly welcome to help him lift, load, and pack up show materials before the holiday. He offered his email if people would like to connect: [shawnbsthename@yahoo.com](mailto:shawnbsthename@yahoo.com).

Shawn's skills are certainly appreciated, as is his childhood interest in fireworks, and his willingness to share it with everyone. People in the area are fortunate to enjoy the patriotic show.

### How to Donate

Mr. Bernard agreed to collections on his behalf. If you are able to help, contact friend Jennie Melvin (2733 Crestview, (443) 223-2771), or Christina Feindt (2791 Cedar) Cash is preferred, but Venmo may be made available.



# • Glen Isle Ladies Auxiliary •

## GILA invites you to help make a stronger neighborhood

Hello again! A special welcome to all of the newer families in Glen Isle. Many of you have come out for some of the events that GILA has hosted throughout the last year. It's a great way to meet your neighbors and help build a stronger community.

GILA has always worked to improve our great little neighborhood by offering events and assistance to neighbors in need. We hope you like what is created. You can see a summary of some past projects below.

The current membership of GILA would like to expand the

group numbers and are seeking others to take on some work. The group needs willing members who help as needed throughout the year.

After an extended pause in operations, GILA would like to resume meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month beginning in September, on Wed., Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm at the Clubhouse. As sports schedules and school events can often interfere with plans, just drop an email to the address below if you are unable to attend, but want to get involved.

There will be some snacks and some beverages (BYOB),

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**Season start-up event**  
**Wednesday, Sept. 13**  
**7-9 pm**  
**at The Clubhouse**

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and the goal is to just meet and chat at this season opener.

We would like to invite all women in Glen Isle to join in whatever capacity you are able. Just come say hello and see what you think.

If you have any questions, please send an email: [glenisleladiesaux@gmail.com](mailto:glenisleladiesaux@gmail.com).

## Past & Future Events - GILA

Listed chronologically for the calendar year.

### **Jan/Feb. - Chili Cook-off**

A fun way to spend a day getting to know neighbors somewhere warm & cozy. We try to pick non-football frenzied weekends. Chefs compete for bragging rights. This year's winner was Bonnie Gardner with a chicken chili that everyone loved.

### **April - Easter Egg Hunt & Party**

Usually the Saturday before Easter, GILA has hosted this many times, just not since Covid (and the move of the former chairperson). Kids love it and it's a nice springtime thing to do.

### **April/May - Community Yard Sale**

Get the whole neighborhood to have sales to make it easy to market and increase buyers. Plus, it helps with spring cleaning. GILA used to open up the clubhouse and sell hotdogs & chili for lunch, along with donated baked goods. Indoor sales were also held there. Maybe folks would like to see it return that way.

### **June - Ice Cream Social**

The tradition continues. Last bus rolls in on the final day of school, all Glen Isle kids should know to make their way to the Clubhouse for an ice cream party with ALL the toppings. Servers and clean up help is always needed.

### **June/July - Community Beach Party**

Often held mid-week at the swim beach area of Glen Isle's waterfront, this is a community cook-out with the members of GILA providing the main entrees of hotdogs & hamburgers, and asking residents to bring along the

rest of the food and goodies. GILA provides water, and paper goods. Come meet neighbors while kids play. The event was "delayed" due to air pollution this year.

### **July 4<sup>th</sup> - Holiday events**

How about a neighborhood kids Bike Parade? And/or a cardboard boat regatta? It's all happened in the past, we just need someone to coordinate it.

### **September - Season Kick Off**

The members of GILA are often just getting back on schedule (*and back from vacations*) when the start of school rolls around. That's why this is the "start" of a new year of planning and welcoming new members. \$5 dues make you a member.

### **October - Halloween Party**

This is a big one around here! Everyone is urged to dress-up and enjoy the food people bring! More than sweets, this event usually offers crafts for kids, some games, a costume parade, and a hayride around Glen Isle. **Already on the calendar for Saturday, October 28, 2023.**

### **November - Craft/Vendor Fair**

This one hasn't happened in many years now, but it could return or use the month for a community event someone thinks of doing.

### **December - Pancakes & Presents**

A wonderful brunch event at the Clubhouse for all Glen Isle families. GILA members make pancakes and other breakfast foods. Holiday crafts for kids, music, cookies, and maybe a visit from the man himself for kids to meet.

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# Boat lifts are back in the neighborhood again

If you spend time at the beach and pier area, you've probably noticed the new boat lifts installed at some slips since the spring of this year. The construction of the first group to install is now complete and the job permit should be closed on it all very soon, if not already.

The boat lifts were a much discussed issue that a group of residents brought to the GIIA Board. Most were unaware of how much history the topic had with some members of the community. The group was given a green light to offer new information, studies, forms, and arguments both for and against the idea of boat lifts.

With the help of project leader and GIIA Board member Rick Nines, they did an excellent job of researching options and providing solutions to concerns. The lengthy Q&A sessions fully explored many possible situations.

In the end, the motion to allow installations was passed with many safeguards in place to protect GIIA, Inc and its members from all concerns and costs. Only A-Pier was deemed eligible to handle the installations



at this time and all costs for lifts (and removals) are passed to the slip holder of record.

This issue is a great example of how a group of volunteers can work together on a large scale project, despite differing opinions and some challenges, and make something come to life.

## Annual General Member Meeting Sept. 20th

The Glen Isle Annual Meeting will be held **September 20th, 7:30 pm** at the Clubhouse.

The annual meeting allows a chance for the Board of Directors and the real property owners of Glen Isle to share news on topics of interest. A brief overview of recent projects is provided, as well as information about upcoming projects or community needs.

A quorum is required in order to pass the annual budget for 2024, so all real property owners are encouraged to attend.

Elections are also held each year. A ballot, a budget, an agenda, and a letter will be mailed to you in mid-August. Please mark your ballot and either mail it inside the envelope provided, or bring it to the meeting.

This is a great time to find out what's going on in Glen Isle and who to go to for questions. Mark your calendar so you can attend.

### Current Fees Glen Isles Improvement Assoc.

Covenant Fee.....	\$375.00/per year <i>(For Real Property Owners - Due March 31)</i>
Associate Member Fee .....	\$150.00/per year <i>(For non-owner occupant - Due March 1)</i> <i>Must be paid to use community facilities.</i> <i>Property owner must also be in good standing.</i>
<b>Clubhouse Rentals:</b>	
Weekend Rentals .....	\$150.00/per rental <i>(Friday, Saturday, Sunday)</i>
Weekday Rentals.....	\$150.00/per rental
Children's Party .....	\$50.00/per rental <i>\$50 refundable deposit is required for all rentals.</i>
<b>Beach Fees:</b>	
Beach Gate Card Fee.....	\$20.00
Beach Parking Sticker (required) .....	No fee
<b>Boat Fees:</b>	
Boat Slip Rentals .....	\$18.00/per foot
Ramp Fee.....	\$50.00/per year <i>For Real Property Owners/Associate Members</i>
Single Use Ramp Fee.....	\$15.00/per launch
Guest Ramp Fee .....	\$15.00/per launch <i>(with resident)</i>
New Ramp Key.....	\$10.00
Canoe Rack Storage.....	\$25.00/per year
<i>Refer to Pier and Boat Ramp Rules for details on use of slips/ramp.</i>	

# AA County hosts water focused River Days Festival

Registration, free boat ride tickets for Sept. 23rd event available soon

Over the summer, County Executive Stuart Pittman announced the River Days Festival dates held throughout the county. The August 27<sup>th</sup> festival at Quiet Waters is sold out, however there is one more event in September.

"When we envisioned River Days, we wanted to create an opportunity for residents from all across our county to get out on the water, celebrate our local rivers, and learn about how to protect them," said Pittman. "This is our first year hosting these festivals, and I hope that they will continue to grow. I encourage everyone to join us for our next two River Days."

River Days are focused on providing water access opportunities for county residents through fun recreational and educational events on county rivers. The last remaining event of the summer is:

• **Saturday, September 23rd 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

Fort Smallwood Park - 9500 Fort Smallwood Rd, Pasadena

**Registration opens September 7th at 10 AM** at [aacounty.org/riverdays](http://aacounty.org/riverdays)

**Fun family activities include:**

Boat Rides with Watermark Charters, Anne Arundel

County Fire Department's Fireboat, Kayak & Paddle Board Rentals, Crafts, Food Trucks, Face Painting, Games, Live Music, County Agencies, Storytime with Anne Arundel County Public Library, and more.



For questions and special accommodations, the public can email [riverdays@aacounty.org](mailto:riverdays@aacounty.org).

For information on River Days and to register for free admission, visit [aacounty.org/riverdays](http://aacounty.org/riverdays).

## Household Hazardous Waste drop-off close to home 9/16

Drop-off hazardous chemicals that are not ordinarily accepted at the curb or at recycling centers or landfill. This program is for AA County residents ONLY. Commercially registered vehicles, including rentals, and commercial waste are not accepted.

Future dates are September 16<sup>th</sup> and October 14<sup>th</sup> at Heritage Office Complex (2662 Riva Road; Annapolis, MD 21401). Get all the details and find a brochure [online at this link](#).

## AA County Fair, Sept. 13-17

The County Fair is nearly here. Head to Crownsville with the whole family to enjoy all of the fun at this great annual event. Carnival rides, contests, incredible exhibits and displays, food, demonstrations, livestock, and live music concerts will all be there.

**Hours:**

WEDNESDAY: 5PM – 10PM

THURSDAY: 5PM – 10PM

FRIDAY: 5PM – 11PM

SATURDAY: 9AM – 11PM

SUNDAY: 9AM – 8PM

**Admission Prices:**

AGE 10 & OVER \$10.00

AGE 9 & UNDER FREE!

Note, admission includes entrance into the fair, but does NOT include carnival rides or games.

For ALL of the details with schedules and more, [visit this link](#).

## County Fairground events

[www.aacountyfair.org](http://www.aacountyfair.org)

Fair Week Tractor Pull

September 16

Antique Tractor Pull

October 7

Flea Market

October 7

Jousting Tournament

October 7

Halloween Happening

October 14 - 29

Christmas Lights

Nov 24—Dec 17

## Hot Air Balloon, Laser Show this weekend

The Balloon Glow & Laser Show is coming August 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> to the Anne Arundel County Fairgrounds!

Get the whole family out for a great time! See incredible Hot Air Balloons. Tethered rides will be available for purchase during the event for \$25 per person. While supplies last and weather dependent. Announcements on rides will be made at the event.

Kids Zone, with games, rides, trains, bounce house's, rock and much more! Craft & retail vendors, food vendors with festival style food for sale.

Each night after dusk, balloons light up with crowd "Count Downs." This show incorporates music and coordinated burns by the hot air balloons & lasers.

Bring blankets, chairs and umbrellas and set up your own viewing spot. [Tickets are limited, click here](#).

Parking is FREE, handicapped parking is available. No coolers allowed. Gates open at 5 pm.

## Back to School Events For Glen Isle families

These are the events that invite parents of students at the school to attend in order to visit their student's classes and meet teachers and administration.

You can see the list of AACPS school event schedules [online at this link](#).

### South River High

Wednesday, September 27, 2023

6:00 PM

### Central Middle

Wednesday, August 23, 2023

6:30 PM – 6th Grade

OR

Thursday, August 24, 2023

6:30 PM – 7th & 8th Grades

### Davidsonville Elementary

Thursday, September 14, 2023

6:30 PM

### CAT South

Wednesday, October 4, 2023

6:00-8:00 PM

### Central Special

Wednesday, August 30, 2023

5:00-7:00 PM



## 2023/24 Bus Schedules:

### South River High School

**Bus: 480**

BUS STOPS:

7:50 3423 Riva Rd;

7:51 3409 Riva Rd;

7:53 RIVA RD. @ AISQUITH FARM RD.;

7:56 POPLAR DR. @ SOUTHVIEW DR.;

7:58 SOUTHVIEW DR. @ PINECREST DR.;

7:59 CEDAR DR. @ LAUREL RD.;

8:01 GLEN ISLE RD. @ BROAD STREAM RD.;

8:03 \*ALONG GLEN ISLE RD.;

8:03 RIVA RD. @ INDIAN POINT CT;

8:04 3386 Riva Rd;

### Central Middle

**Bus: 306**

BUS STOPS:

8:31 RIVA RD @ WOODSIDE RD;

8:33 PERCH DR @ SHAD PL;

8:35 PERCH DR @ MARLIN DR;

8:36 PIKE DR @ TAPRPON RD;

8:41 SOUTHVIEW DR. @ PINE CREST DR.;

8:43 CEDAR DR. @ LAUREL RD.;

8:45 \*ALONG GLEN ISLE RD;

8:45 GLEN ISLE RD. @ RIVERVIEW DR.;

8:46 2820 Glen Isle Rd;

8:48 GLEN ISLE RD. @ BROAD STREAM Ln;

### Davidsonville Elementary

**Bus: 632**

BUS STOPS:

7:14 3659 RIVA RD.;

7:20 HAMBLETON RD. @ GRANVILLE RD.;

7:25 SOUTHVIEW DR. @ POPLAR DR.;

7:25 SOUTHVIEW DR. @ PINECREST DR.;

7:27 CEDAR DR. @ LAUREL RD.;

7:27 2808 Glen Isle Road;

7:29 2840 GLEN ISLE RD;

7:29 GLEN ISLE RD. @ BROAD STREAM LN.;

7:30 RIVA RD. @ INDIAN POINT CT.;

7:34 478 W. Central Avenue;

7:35 512 W Central Avenue;