



*Alliance of Reston Clusters and Homeowners
Supporting Homeowner Groups In All of Reston's Neighborhoods*

**ARCH MEMBER AND COMMUNITY FORUM ON THE RA GOVERNING DOCUMENTS
Wednesday, August 24, 2005**

Dear Neighbor:

I am writing to remind you to **please block this date on your calendar** and plan to attend this very important Member Meeting dealing exclusively with the proposed changes to the RA Governing Documents, with emphasis on those issues that will directly affect Clusters, Condos and neighborhood associations. If you cannot attend it is imperative that you ask an alternate to represent your association and participate in the dialogue on behalf of your members.

**THE FORUM WILL BEGIN AT 7 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24
IN THE JO ANN ROSE GALLERY AT THE RCC FACILITY IN LAKE ANNE CENTER
PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN ARCH MEMBER SOCIAL AT 6:30 P.M.**

The format on the 24th will be similar to the format we used for the RA candidates forum ARCH sponsored in March. An ARCH member will serve as moderator and manage the interactive discussion, with allowance for direct Q&A between the audience and the RA officials in attendance. ARCH's objective is to help raise awareness and understanding on the complicated issues the RA Board has been wrestling with, and help you and your neighbors make an informed decision in the upcoming referendum.

The ARCH Issues Committee and Board have undertaken an exhaustive review of the documents, dividing the task into three components:

1. Financial and RA/Member Governance Issues;
2. Cluster Governance and Services;
3. DRB and Covenants Committee.

In the final weeks leading up to the forum ARCH's Issues Committee will be documenting and assessing the key changes to the documents that affect the ARCH membership, and our findings will be the basis of questions posed by the moderator to the RA delegates, Jenn Blackwell, President; Milton Matthews, Executive Vice President; and Bob Diamond, the lawyer RA has retained to assist in creating the new documents. Since the issues involved are very important to all Restonians the meeting is open to the community. However, ARCH Member questions and comments will receive priority in the questions and comments segments.

It is important to note, the proposed changes by RA are not finalized. ARCH has not and will not take a position until RA has an opportunity to consider member feedback from this and other meetings, and finalize their proposed documents. Our Member input will help the ARCH Board determine what approach ARCH should take with regard to the ongoing debate and the upcoming referendum.

As the ARCH Member Representative for your association there are several things you can do:

1. Please attend the Forum and encourage your members, friends and neighbors to join us;
2. Consider how to convey the facts and information available from ARCH, RA and other sources to your members to help them make their decision;
3. Remind and motivate your members to vote in the referendum, as they see fit;
4. Please RSVP by e-mail (archpres@restonarch.org) or call me at 703-620-9695.

Sincerely yours,

Frank Pfeilmeier
President, Alliance of Reston Clusters and Homeowners