

# Mansion House Club

Swim ~ Dive ~ Tennis

P.O. Box 30, Mount Vernon, Virginia 22121

## Message from the MHC President

Our preparations for summer 2012 are well underway. We had a successful clean up weekend. Thanks to all members who came out to help with blowing leaves, cleaning the clubhouse, trimming, power washing, painting, and organizing.

As you know, the parking lot repaving and water main replacement have been approved. Please see the Treasurer's report in this newsletter for further details.

Also, please check out our new revamped website, [www.mhswimclub.net](http://www.mhswimclub.net).

We are still adding information for the summer, but the details for the swim, dive, and tennis teams have been added. Please bookmark it in your browser so that you may go there for updates during the season. Finally, if you have not yet paid your dues, please do so as soon as possible. As always, please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns: (703)329-3109 or [jackiecooney2000@yahoo.com](mailto:jackiecooney2000@yahoo.com).

Finally, please consider assisting in managing the Club by volunteering for one of our many committees or helping with events during the season.

I am looking forward to seeing you all on opening day at Mansion House—Saturday, May 26.

Jacqueline Cooney  
President

## Refer-a-Member Initiative

Mansion House currently has a few memberships for sale. While shares last, if you refer someone who purchases a share by July 1, 2012, you will earn a \$50 referral fee. (Prospective member must list you as the referring member on his or her application.)

If you have any questions or know someone who is interested, please call John Graves, Membership Chair, at 703-593-4020.

## 2012 Operating Hours\*

**Pool:** May 26–September 3, 2012  
11:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.

**Tennis Courts:** Daily, year round,  
8:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m.

**Note:** Team events and practices may interrupt schedule. Be sure to check the Club's calendar for scheduled team or club events.

\*Weather permitting.

## No More Mosquitos!

The MHC Board has arranged for a monthly mosquito spray around the club. We hope that this will make our summers hanging out by the pool more pleasant. Mansion House has contracted with Home Paramount to conduct the spraying and other pest control. We are grateful to this company for discounting its services for Mansion House. We highly recommend Home Paramount. If you have pest control needs, please contact Larry Mayman, (703) 475-6555.

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## Pool Opens May 26

- May 28 -Meet the Board lunch
- May 28, 30—Meet the Swim, Dive, and Tennis Coaches
- June 1—Opening Adult Party
- June 15—Swim Team Parent Meeting, Pep Rally, and Pasta Supper
- June 21—Mock Dive Meet and Team Dinner
- June 16—Swim Time Trials
- July 4—Family Celebration
- July TBD—Crab Feast

## Does MHC Have Your e-mail Address?

If you did not receive this newsletter via e-mail, then MHC does not have your current email address. To receive e-mail updates and Club information, please send your email address to the Membership chair at [mansionhousemember-ship@hotmail.com](mailto:mansionhousemember-ship@hotmail.com).

Visit the Club web site at:  
[www.mhswimclub.net](http://www.mhswimclub.net)

# Swim Team

## MHC SWIM REGISTRATION & MEET THE COACHES

--May 28<sup>th</sup> from 3 to 5pm at MHC--

Join us at the clubhouse on Memorial Day to meet the coaches, register for swim team, and purchase your swimsuit, goggles, and fins. Our parent meeting will be held at 4:30 p.m. A separate Little Piranha parent meeting will be held at MHC on Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5 p.m.

## SWIM COACHES

We are pleased to announce the return of Mark Faherty as head coach this season. Many old timers will recognize Mark as he led the Piranhas to successful seasons in 2006-2008. Mark grew up swimming in the Northern Virginia Swim League (NVSL) and has been coaching competitive swim teams since 1994. He was named "2008 Coach of the Year" by the Mount Vernon Region of the NVSL. Mark is currently the head coach of the Curl Burke Swim Club, Bethesda/DC Team.

Joining Mark as our Assistant Head Coach is Katie Brado. Katie swam in the NVSL and has coached summer league teams for many years. She is currently an instructional assistant working with learning and emotionally disabled middle school students at South County Secondary School. She is also an assistant coach with Curl-Burke Swim Club: J & M Swim, Alexandria, VA.

## NVSL NEWS

There were three major NVSL rule changes this season that may affect your swimmer.

- The 8 and under age group will now have butterfly as a sanctioned 25 meter/yard event during dual meets, a.k.a Sat Urday morning A meets.
- The 8 and under age group will now have a medley relay consisting of backstroke, breast stroke, butterfly, and freestyle during Divisional Relay Carnival and All-Star Relay Carnival.

- The eligibility of a swimmer to compete in a particular age group shall be determined by the swimmer's age on **JUNE 1st**. Your child's age on June 1st will now be their age for the entire season, regardless if they "age-up" during the swim season.

## MEETS

The Piranhas kick off our 2012 season with Time Trials on Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 9am. This meet lasts about two hours and gives swimmers an opportunity to get times in each of the competitive strokes—freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke, and butterfly.

MHC will compete in Division 5 of the NVSL this season. Our opponents for our five competitive Saturday meets are Langley, Sully Station, Cardinal Hill, Hunter Mill, and Waynewood. Sully Station will host Division Relays and

Cardinal Hill will host the Division Individual Championship. NVSL All-Star Relays will be at Lincolnia Park Pool and NVSL Individual All-Stars will be at Waynewood.

We have also scheduled 5 Monday night Developmental Meets, "B meets", against Fort Hunt area teams including Riverside Gardens, Hollin Meadows, Hayfield Farm, Mount Vernon Park, and Waynewood. Other local qualifying meets include the IM Invitational at Little Hunting Park and the Fort Hunt Sportsmen's Relays at Stratford Landing. Come out to cheer your swimmer and see friends from local pools.

## PRACTICE TIMES

**After School practice** begins Tuesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> with 13-18 year-olds practicing from 4:00-5:00p.m., 8 & unders from 5:00-5:45 p.m., and 9-12 year-olds from 5:45-6:30 p.m. **Morning practice begins Monday, June 18th as Fairfax County has adjusted their year-end dismissal date.** On Monday,

## Swim Team E-mail List?

Are you new to MHC or thinking about becoming a Piranha? Please email us at

[Mansionhouseswimnews@gmail.com](mailto:Mansionhouseswimnews@gmail.com)

Wednesday, and Thursdays, it will be 8:00-9:00 a.m. for 13-18 year-olds; 8:45-10:00 a.m. for 9-12 year olds; and 9:45-10:45 a.m. for 8 & unders. On Tuesday and Fridays, 11-18 year-olds will practice from 9:00-10:00 a.m. and 10 & unders will practice from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Little Piranhas **will not** have practices on Tuesdays.

## LITTLE PIRANHAS PROGRAM

This is a developmental swim program we have for children ages 5 to 8 years old. There will be a Little Piranhas parent meeting on Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00 p.m. We will provide an overview of the program and answer any questions you may have. Swim assessments will be scheduled with the coaches between June 5<sup>th</sup> and June 8<sup>th</sup>. Little Piranhas practice will start on Monday, June 11 at 5:00 p.m.

## MHC SWIM TEAM HANDBOOK

A copy of this helpful guide will be emailed to each swim team family by the start of the season. It has helpful information for new and veteran Piranha Parents.

## SPIRIT WEAR

Personalized MHC sweatshirts, performance tees and shirts, shorts, knapsacks, pinneys, and hats are being offered this season. Look for the new MHC magnets! Orders will be accepted through June 4<sup>th</sup> with delivery by Time Trials. Look for order forms in your email Inbox.

## QUESTIONS?

E-mail the MHC swim team reps, Sarah Revers and Terri Hood, at [mansionhouseswimnews@gmail.com](mailto:mansionhouseswimnews@gmail.com).

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# Dive Team

## 2011 Dive Season Highlights

The Mansion House Dive Team had another exciting season last summer! We competed in Division 1 for the first time, finished the season with a 3-2 record, and came in 2nd place. **CONGRATULATIONS DIVERS & COACHES!**

We couldn't have accomplished all that we did without our fabulous coaches, Tim Fisher, Mitchell Ortiz, Sarah Roethel, and Jack Joyce. They did a great job coaching our 42 divers, many of whom were brand new to the sport this year. Over half of our team is made up of the Freshman divers, the 10& Under age group. It's wonderful to have so many young divers to ensure the health and strength of our team in the future. We had to bid a fond farewell to Mitchell Ortiz, our graduating senior. Mitchell is diving for Old Dominion University's Dive Team this year. The good news is he will be returning this summer for his third year as assistant coach to Tim Fisher.

We were also able to accomplish our success last season through the hard work and dedication of our divers plus their devoted parents. Thank you divers and parents for all you did for the dive team last summer!

Last summer's season consisted of five NVSL-Dive Dual Meets, two were home meets, three away meets, and numerous championship meets. We had 6 divers compete in the Cracker Jack Invitational and 3 divers went to the Wally Martin (3 meter) Championship. We sent 15 divers to Divisionals, Miah Fisher, Shaela Jakim, Catherine Fidd,

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Garrett Janiak, Nathan Holt, Jacob Fisher, Jonathan Bender, Hailey Fisher, Julianne Joyce, Jenna Pearson, Maggie Pionzio, Ian Thompson, Elizabeth Schaefermeier, Jack Joyce, and Mitchell Ortiz. Seven of those divers qualified to go to All Stars. Miah Fisher placed 9th for Freshman Girls, Garrett Janiak 5th, Jacob Fisher 19th, and Nathan Holt 21st place for Freshman Boys. Hailey Fisher took 1st place for Junior Girls, Maggie Pionzio 5th place for Intermediate Girls, and Mitchell Ortiz placed 6th for Senior Boys.

All the divers were awarded a trophy and a coveted "Paper Plate Award" at the end-of-the-season banquet. Diver of the Year was Hailey Fisher. The Most Outstanding divers for their age groups were: Catherine Fidd, Jonathan Bender, Julianne Joyce, Luke Cochran, Isabelle Norton, Ian Thompson, Elizabeth Schaefermeier, and Mitchell Ortiz. Miah Fisher and Jonah Carter won Most Improved. Claudia Berman and Jacob Fisher won the Coaches' Awards. Elena Berman and Garrett Janiak won the Rookie of the Year Award, and Maggie Pionzio and Nathan Holt won the MVP Awards for 2011. **Congratulations winners!**

## 2012 Dive Season Information

The Piranhas Dive Team is looking forward to another exciting season of diving. We are very happy to have Tim Fisher returning as our Head Coach and both Mitchell Ortiz and Jack Joyce will also be returning as our Assistant Coaches. This year our team will be competing for our second year in Division 1 of the Northern Virginia Swim League (NVSL), the nation's largest summer swimming and diving league. Practices will be in the afternoons from 4:00-6:00pm, M-F, with Meets on Tuesday evenings at 6pm. We will have two home meets against Arlington Forest and Dunn Loring. We have three away meets with Walden Glen, Sideburn Run, and Truro.

The Piranhas Dive Team always welcomes new members, so please join what we believe is one of the best summer dive programs in

Northern Virginia. Our dive team philosophy is to become the best divers we can, to demonstrate good sportsmanship and team spirit, and to have a fun and safe summer.

### New to diving? Not quite sure?

If you are new to diving, and don't yet know if your child will like it, or commit to it, please come try it out! Everyone is offered the chance to try it for a week. If it's not right for your child, your check will be returned to you at the end of the first week of practice. We do need your registration form and check in hand, however, to comply with our insurance regulations. So, come on May 29th, ask questions, learn more about diving, fill out a registration form, write the check, and then come to practice for a week. We promise you'll be hooked! We've had children as young as four on the team, so don't let age be an issue. The younger they start, the better! After you've tried it for a week, you'll know if it's right for your child, and if not, we'll return your check, and hope you'll try it again another year.

### Dive Registration

Dive registration is open. For information on how to register please contact April Bender at [mhdiveteam@gmail.com](mailto:mhdiveteam@gmail.com)

### Officials Clinics

Do you enjoy having the best seat in the house? Do you like being part of the action? Then dive table working and judging are perfect for you! Table workers help run the meet by writing the scores and degrees of difficulty on the sheets after each dive, and then they tabulate the diver's score. Judges sit by the side of the pool and rate each dive on a scale of one to ten. In order to learn how to do these very important roles, there are clinics that will teach you everything you need to know. **The MHC dive team needs more parents, especially those of younger children, to learn how to referee, judge, announce, and work the table.** To do so, you'll need to attend one of the clinics listed on the **DIVE TEAM CAL-NDAR** below. Please email [mhdiveteam@gmail.com](mailto:mhdiveteam@gmail.com) for more information about the clinics. Page 3

### Volunteer Schedule

The schedule for volunteers to sign up will be on-line this year. In addition to Officials we need parents to

# Tennis Team

The Mansion House Tennis Program is all-new for 2012!

**Tennis for Juniors (7-16)** - For children and beginners, there are terrific opportunities to learn the fundamentals from experienced coaches and have fun while gaining valuable exposure to this life-long sport.

**Adult Tennis** — For more experienced players, our professional coaches will help you take your game to the next level. Adults can choose classes of different level classes. For those who have the basics tennis swings down, cardio tennis is available.

## **Women's League Tennis Competitive Play**

Mansion House women's tennis is joining the Mt. Vernon Community Tennis, a competitive group with other local pools. It's only \$25 to join for the season. Matches take place Friday mornings mid June to late July. (Evening matches can be arranged.) Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced levels are available. Deadline to sign up ins May 10.

Forms can be found on the Mansion House website under Tennis.

**New this season!** - To see a list of all youth and adult classes and to print out the necessary forms, go to our website: [mhswimclub.net](http://mhswimclub.net) and select tennis. **All classes will be held at the Mansion House tennis courts.** Finally, we still offer our social tennis on weekday nights.

## **WOMEN'S LEAGUE TENNIS COMPETITIVE PLAY**

Mansion House women's tennis is trying to join in the Mount Vernon Community Tennis, a competitive group with other local pools. It's only \$25 to join for the season. Matches take place Friday mornings mid June until late July. (Evening matches can be arranged if necessary.) Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced levels are available. Deadline to sign up for the team is May 10. Do not delay, sign up today! Forms can be found on the Mansion House Website under the Tennis Team.



**COACHES** -- We are pleased to announce that **Tim Bainton**, Director of the Mount Vernon Athletic Club Tennis and a USTA coach of the year, will head up our tennis

program. He will be joined by **Patrick Escalambre**, Senior Tennis Pro at Mount Vernon Athletic Club and the USTA's Tournament Director of the Year, and **Jake Smith**, a tennis assistant from the Mount Vernon Athletic club and college tennis player next year. They will provide excellent instruction while in a relaxed pool setting.

**REGISTRATION** -- Sign ups for all classes are now open through Memorial Day. A direct link to the forms is on the website. Once you sign up for a class, practice times (and match time, dates and details if applicable) will be E-mailed to you.

## **QUESTIONS?**

Contact Margaret Clare at [margaretclare@verizon.net](mailto:margaretclare@verizon.net) / 703-704-5196.

## **2012 TENNIS CALENDAR**

Now until the end of May -- Registration for tennis programs open Memorial Day, May 30 -- 3:00-5:00 Meet the Coaches on the courts  
Tuesdays through Labor Day -- Men's Open play starting at 7:00pm  
Wednesdays through Labor Day -- Women's Open play starting at 7:00pm  
Thursdays through Labor Day -- Mixed doubles starting at 7:00pm  
Thursday, June 21 -- All Mansion House tennis classes begin  
Wednesday, July 25 -- End of the Season Tennis Party for youth of all ages at the

Mansion House Courts and Pool (tentative date and time)  
Thursday, July 26 -- Raindate for party in the evening (tentative date and time)

Thursday, July 26 -- All Mansion House tennis classes end

### **Intermediate & Advanced Juniors**

### **Mount Vernon Community Tennis League**

Friday, June 22 -- Kick-off/Round Robin party at the Mount Vernon Athletic Club

3:30-4:45pm--ages 13+; 4:45-6:00pm--ages 12 and under

Sunday, June 24 -- 5:00pm Riverside Gardens vs. Mansion House (away)

Wednesday, June 27 -- 8:30am MANSION HOUSE vs. WAYNEWOOD (home)

Sunday, July 1 -- 5:00pm Little Hunting Park vs. Mansion House (away)

Sunday, July 8 -- 5:00pm Hollin Meadows vs. Mansion House (away)

Wednesday, July 11 -- 8:30am MANSION HOUSE vs. MOUNT VERNON PARK

Sunday, July 15 -- 5:00pm MANSION HOUSE vs. STATFORD (home)

Wednesday, July 18 -- Mansion House (bye)

Sunday, July 22 -- 5:00pm Rain makeup date

Thursday, July 22 -- Awards Lunch/Round Robin for the Mount Vernon Athletic Club

11:30am-1:00pm--ages 12 and under; 12:30-2:00--ages 13+

**Mansion House Club**  
**2012 Swim Team Calendar**

May 28 – Registration, Parent Meeting, and Meet the Coaches

May 29 - Afternoon practice begins

June 3 – Little Piranhas parent meeting

June 5-8 – Little Piranhas Assessments by appointment

June 11 – Little Piranhas practice begins

June 15- Pasta Supper/Pep Rally

June 16 – MHC Time Trials

June 18 - Morning practice begins, MHC at Riverside Gardens (6pm)

June 22 - Pep Rally

June 23 - Langley at MHC

June 25 - MHC at Hollin Meadows

June 26 – MHC Swim Team Picture Day, Team Breakfast 9am

June 27 - Ft Hunt Sportsmen Relays at Stratford Landing

June 29 - Pep Rally

June 30- Sully Station I at MHC

July 2- Hayfield Farm at MHC

July 6 - Pep Rally

July 7- MHC at Cardinal Hill

July 9- Mount Vernon Park at MHC

July 11-Division Relay Carnival at Sully Station I

July 13 - Pep Rally

July 14- Hunter Mill at MHC

July 16 -MHC at Waynewood

July 18-All-Star Relay Carnival at Lincolnia Park

July 20 - Pep Rally

July 21- MHC at Waynewood

July 23 -Individual Medley (IM) Invitational

July 28 -Division Championship meet at Cardinal Hill

**Mansion House Club**  
**2012 Dive Team Calendar**

<b>Tuesday, May 29</b>	<b>4-6 pm</b>	<b>Afternoon Dive practice begins</b>
Saturday, June 9, 10am Coaches Clinic @ Arlington Forest		
Sunday, June 10, 9:45 am Judges & Table Officials Clinic @ Sideburn		
Tuesday, June 12, 6:30 pm		Referees Clinic @ Mantua
Tuesday, June 19, 6:30 pm		Judges Clinic @ Sleepy Hollow Rec (SHR)
Thursday, June 21, 6:30 pm		Referees Clinic @ Truro
<b>Thursday, June 21, 6 pm</b>		<b>B-Meet @ Stratford Landing (practice 5:00pm)</b>
<b>Tuesday, June 26, 6 pm</b>		<b>Dive Meet Arlington Forest @ MHC (practice 4:00-5:00pm)</b>
<b>Wednesday, June 27, 8-10 am</b>		<b>Fun Day &amp; Breakfast Club</b>
Wednesday, June 27, 6:30 pm		Judges Clinic @ Annandale
<b>Monday, July 2, 8-10 am</b>		<b>Dive Practice</b>
Tuesday, July 3, 6 pm (practice 5:00pm)		DIVE MEET @ Walden Glen
<b>Wednesday, July 4— Happy 4th</b>		<b>of July—NO Practice</b>
<b>Thursday, July 5, 8-10 am</b>		<b>FUN DAY &amp; Breakfast Club</b>
<b>Monday, July 9, 8-10 am</b>		<b>Dive Practice</b>
<b>Tuesday, July 1, 6 pm</b>		<b>Meet Dunn Loring @ MHC (practice 4:00-5:00pm)</b>
<b>Wednesday, July 11, 8-10 am</b>		<b>FUN DAY &amp; Breakfast Club</b>
Sunday, July 15, TBD		Wally Martin Memorial 3-Meter Dive Meet
<b>Monday, July 16, 8-10 am</b>		<b>Dive Practice</b>
Tuesday, July 17, 6 pm Run (practice 5:00pm)		DIVE MEET @ Sideburn
<b>Wednesday, July 18, 8-10 am</b>		<b>FUN DAY &amp; Breakfast Club</b>
Sunday, July 22, TBD		Cracker Jack Meet Invitational @ Cardinal Hill
Tuesday, July 24, 6 pm (practice 5:00pm)		DIVE MEET @ Truro
<b>Wednesday, July 25, 8-10 am</b>		<b>FUN DAY &amp; Breakfast Club</b>
July 26 - August 4, TBD		Practice for those going to Divisionals & All Stars
Sunday, July 29, 8am		DIVISIONALS MEET @ TBD
Sunday, August 5, 8 am		ALL-STAR MEET @ Fairfax
<b>Tuesday, August 7, 6 pm</b>		<b>END OF SEASON PARTY</b>

Coaches, Referees, Judges, & Officials Clinics are in Green. Clinics and are for new and returning coaches and volunteers.

Participants must qualify for the Wally Martin Memorial 3-Meter, Cracker Jack, Divisionals, and All Stars Meets.

Practices may be rescheduled to morning practice the following day if we have thunderstorms, or the pool is closed during any of our scheduled practices.

When a morning practice is scheduled, it will be from 8-10 am (ages 10 and under 8-9 am, ages 11 and over 9-10 am).

As always, the practice schedule is flexible to accommodate swim & tennis practice overlaps. So please come when you can during the two hours of practice, even if it's not your age group. -Stars Meet at Waynewood

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## 2011 Summer Social Events

- May 28— Meet the Board lunch—12:00 p.m. — 1:00 p.m. Hot dogs, chips, and drinks provided for \$2.00 per person.
- June 1 - Opening Party (adults only) 6:00 p.m.- 11:00 p.m. Friday Evening Happy Hour. Band is Rhythm Pigs--one of top Southern Rock groups in the country! Admission only \$20/person which includes unlimited beer, wine, tacos, and pizza.
- July 4 - 12:00-4:00 p.m. Fourth of July Family Party! We are looking for parents of young children to coordinate games for the kids.
- Crab Feast—TBD—one Saturday in July!

The Club needs volunteers to work the events. If you want to sponsor another event, contact Chris White at [chris.white@longandfoster.com](mailto:chris.white@longandfoster.com) or 703.283.9028.

## MHC Private Party Fees 2012

Mansion House rules allow for rental of the covered pavilion for private parties. The party must be sponsored by a Mansion House Club member and must be held during operating hours, 11am-9pm.

At least one additional lifeguard will be provided by the pool management company through MHC for the duration of the party. Such lifeguard/chaperone may assist the sponsor with party setup, clean up and general party oversight, as well as perform regular lifeguard duties required due to the increased number of guests during the party. To schedule a private party, please email Dillon Lee at : [dillon74@verizon.net](mailto:dillon74@verizon.net).

### **Fees (for nonmember guests):**

\$4 per guest (or 1 guest pass). This fee is waived if guests are members of MHC. *\*More than 10 guests is considered a party and the sponsor is required to pay fees with the fee schedule below.*

### **Fees (for all parties):**

Facilities/lifeguard/chaperone fees: \$35 per hour to be paid to "Mansion House Club." Additional lifeguard fee: If more than one lifeguard/chaperone is required to attend

## MHC Financial Summary

In the special membership meeting in April 2012, club members approved a one-time \$50 special assessment fee for all applicable members.

The \$50 assessment fee notice will be sent around June 1 with a payment due date of July 31, 2012.

In the fall of 2011, a new sewer line was installed for the club which corrected a long standing issue we were experiencing with the drains at Mansion House Club.

Please send in your payment at anytime prior to the July 31st date. In thinking about the \$50, it is important to take into account the numerous recent improvements to the club.

Now, prior to the pool opening, the club will have a new main water line as well as a completely new parking lot. These projects were all large by themselves and total expenditure by Mansion House on these projects exceeded \$225,000.

However, through careful financial planning, the impact to membership has been kept to a minimum with the one-time \$50 charge. Keep this in mind on your first day at Mansion House for the 2012 season where you will see the results of these projects. Payments can be sent to MHC, PO BOX 30, Mount Vernon, VA 22121. If you have any questions on these projects or on the Special Assessment, contact Mansion House Treasurer, Mike Hooper at 703-615-3271 or [mike\\_hooper@hotmail.com](mailto:mike_hooper@hotmail.com).

—Mike Hooper, Treasurer

## Help Beautify Mansion House

If you love to garden and would like to help add some color and beauty to the Mansion House grounds, please contact Katie Clare, (703)780-1387. Katie has generously agreed to spear-head the MHC gardening club, but she needs your help with potting and planting flowers. In addition, Katie would like donations of your recyclables (cans and plastic bottles) to put in the bottom of oversize flowerpots for the Club. If you would like to donate, there will be recycling bins in front of the clubhouse. Please stop by and deposit your recyclables to help cut down on the cost of potting soil.

## Dive Prep

Interested in lessons to get ready for the summer dive season? Nervous about those new dives you might be required to perform this year? Our Head Dive Coach Tim Fisher is offering a "Tune-up" session for MHC divers at ADC ( Alexandria Dive Club ) located at Lee District Pool. Coach Fisher has everything to help you get past those fears, with belts and ropes to assist dives, trampoline to practice dive moments, camera that records your dives for review, and of course his many years of coaching experience to get you ready for a fun summer of diving!

- Four 90 minute classes starting the week of 4/23/12 - 5/26/12. Classes on Tuesdays & Thursdays 7:30-9pm, or Saturdays at 10:30 or 11:30 am
- Cost is \$ 75.00 plus a \$14 membership w/ AAU is required
- or just drop-in Tues., Thurs., or Sat. for \$25 a session ( AAU membership also required ).

For additional information or questions about this special offer please contact Tim Fisher at:  
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