Westminster residents, Art and Vickie Riley share a passion for serving children. They have been married for 45 years and have devoted themselves to enhancing the quality of life in their community and around the globe.

Art began his term as vice president of Kiwanis International in October 2018. He was elected to the Kiwanis International Board in 2014 and has served as board counselor to numerous districts in the US, Europe, and the Philippines. He is the Chair of the Board of Directors of the Kiwanis Youth Programs Inc., and is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Kiwanis Children's Fund. Through Kiwanis, Art has participated as liaison to the Aktion Club, a service club for adults with disabilities. In 2018, Target Community & Educational Services presented Art and Vickie with the Laurence J. Adams Community Service Award.

The Kiwanis Club of Westminster is engaged in enhancing the lives of children in the community. The Club supports Key Clubs in five Carroll County High Schools. All monies raised through fundraisers are donated back to the community through scholarships and other projects selected to serve the youth of Westminster. The Club has purchased children's books for CCPL and is a sponsor of Battle of the Books. Each year the Club sponsors the Human Services Programs, Inc. (HSP) Christmas Party and gives each child a book.

Art began his service with Kiwanis in 1956 when he traveled with this father to the Kiwanis International Convention in San Francisco. He has been a member of the Kiwanis Club of Westminster for 38 years.

Art practiced pharmacology for 48 years. He is a graduate of the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy and received a Master of Science in Hospital Pharmacy Administration from The Johns Hopkins School of Medicine. He served as director of the University of Maryland Hospital Pharmacy for eight years before building Washington Heights Pharmacy in Westminster, a business he operated for 25 years. He completed his career overseeing pharmacy operations at Fairhaven. Art was chair of the steering committee that established the Partnership for a Healthier Carroll County. He is a member and leader of Calvary United Methodist Church, and recently authored a book on lay speaking, At the Foot of the Cross.

Vickie Riley graduated from Towson University and has a Master’s Degree in Education. She worked for Carroll County Public Schools for 40 years as a classroom teacher and in other capacities. She has served as the president of the Junior Woman's Club of Westminster and president of the Kiwanis Club of Westminster. Vickie is a lifelong member of Calvary United Methodist Church, where she has held many leadership roles.

The Riley's have three children and three grandchildren. Art's maternal grandfather started the Beacon Steel Products Company in Westminster. His father, Ray Riley served on the Westminster City Council.

Art and Vickie also share a passion for history and are longstanding members of the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation. They enjoy traveling as much as possible and have journeyed throughout the world.

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Drawing heavily from the diaries of Lewis and Clark, Ambrose provides an unforgettable look at the journey of the Corps of Discovery.

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