



THE VILLAGE CRIER

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE VILLAGES OF
RIVERSHYRE INCLUDING, BRIGHTON, DARTMORE, NEWPORT
AND EDERTON VILLAGES

<http://www.rivershyre.org/>

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!



MARDI GRAS IS BACK!!!!!!

MARDI GRAS WAS A REAL BLAST LAST YEAR AND WE WANT TO SEE ALL OF YOU THERE AGAIN THIS YEAR! THE DATE WILL BE FEBRUARY 9TH AT 7:30 P.M. THERE WILL BE AN 80 PERSON LIMIT SO CALL IN YOUR R.S.V.P. AS SOON AS YOU READ THIS! THE DEADLINE FOR MAKING AN RSVP IS JANUARY 30TH.

THIS YEAR WE ARE HAVING THE EVENT CATERED AND THE COST WILL BE \$12.00 PER PERSON. WE ARE REQUESTING THAT THE MONEY BE PAID AT THE TIME OF YOUR RESERVATION. BECAUSE WE ARE USING A CATERER WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO GIVE A REFUND FOR CANCELLATIONS, SO BE SURE THAT YOU HAVE EVERYTHING LINED UP.

GOOD FOOD AND DRINKS, GREAT PEOPLE, TRINKETS TO TAKE HOME AND ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IT SHOW UP! MARDI GRAS HAS PROVEN TO BE A REALLY GOOD TIME. CALL MARTHA AT 650-8726 TO RSVP NO LATER THAN JANUARY 30TH.

RIVERSHYRE PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Mark your calendars for January 19th and head on down to the clubhouse for our all-you-care-to-eat pancake breakfast. The cost will be \$3.00 per person and the menu will include:

- Fresh baked pancakes
- Bacon
- Coffee, orange juice and milk

We will need your RSVP by January 16th to Jen, at 860-8726. You may eat at the clubhouse or if you desire to take it home, please bring containers with you.



RIVERSHYRE ACTIVITY SCHEDULE
UPCOMING EVENTS
 Rivershyre Pancake Breakfast Saturday, January 19, 2002
 Mardi Gras Party Saturday, February 9, 7:30 p.m.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

I would like to thank the father/son team who rushed to help my parents on the night of December 5, when my father lost control of his car on Rivershyre Drive. After being lost in Augusta for two hours, a BellSouth operator called me and told me where my parents were. They came to visit for the holidays from Tampa. My mother forgot the address book with my phone number, so they were not able to call me. I was frantic because my husband, Gus, was ill and waiting for me to pick him up at the emergency room at the hospital. While these good samaritans were helping my parents, I rushed to the hospital and some friends took my parents to our house.

We really appreciate what these two wonderful men did, and we thank them from the bottom of our hearts. I believe they live on Parkside Trail, but don't know which house. God bless these people for their good deed!

Celia Velez
1168 Dartmore Trail

Our Rivershyre children wish to thank Santa for visiting with them at the clubhouse last month. Over 30 children had their pictures taken with Santa and feasted on cookies provided by some busy moms. It was a great way to spend a Sunday afternoon. THANKS, SANTA!!!!

GROUNDS AND LAKE COMMITTEE

The Grounds and Lake Committee is seeking to determine if there is anyone residing in Rivershyre who has the experience and knowledge for complete sprinkler repair and is interested in working with the Grounds and Lake Committee. This would be for the Rivershyre area where we have extensive common ground sprinkler system throughout the villages. It would be on a reimbursable basis. Point of contact is Randy Stone 863-9053 or Larry Beran 869-8840.

BOARD MEMBER DIRECTORY

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| Randy Stone | President |
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CLUBHOUSE NEWS



We hope that many of you have been able to see how the refurbishing of the clubhouse is coming along. Much work has been done but the clubhouse can be considered a 'work in progress'

thus we continue to have fund-raising activities such as the Rivershyre Take-Out Nights and the upcoming Pancake Breakfast. We would like to have more rentals in 2002 of our new and improved clubhouse.

Since the condition of the clubhouse has been greatly improved for our renters, effective January 1, 2002 the rental fee will be \$50.00. All other conditions for the clubhouse rental will remain the same and you may view all documents concerning clubhouse rentals at our website www.rivershyre.org. We encourage all Rivershyre homeowners to view our 'new and improved' clubhouse and if you have any questions concerning rentals you may call Ruth Lloyd at 860-3803 or Martha Kapfhammer at 650-8766.

MONTHLY EVENTS

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| Architecture | 4th Monday, 7 p.m. |
| Board of Directors | 1st Thursday, 7:30 p.m. |
| By-Laws | Not Scheduled |
| Finance | 2nd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. |
| Grounds and Lake | 3rd Monday, 7 p.m. |
| Pool | 3rd Wednesday 7 p.m. |
| Neighborhood Watch | 4th Thursday, 7 p.m. |
| Social & Welcome | 2nd Tuesday, 10 a.m. |

COMMITTEE CHAIRPEOPLE

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| Architecture Control | Jeff Butler |
| By-Laws | Bob Lloyd |
| Finance | Bob Lloyd |
| Grounds and Lake | Randy Stone |
| Neighborhood Watch | Joyce Rabb |
| Pool | Mike Plankey |
| Social & Welcome | Martha Kapfhammer |

FROM OUR PRESIDENT RANDY STONE - 1121 RIVERSHYRE DR.



Happy Holidays everyone. Rivershyre looks very festive this year. I would like to commend all who took the time and effort to decorate their homes for the holidays. The neighborhood looks great.

The Board has reviewed and approved the Playground Project for installation near the clubhouse. This is the 1st phase of the clubhouse area master plan. The playground equipment (a wooden swing set and climbing fort/slide) will be installed in a 30' x 70' box filled with cedar mulch. It will be located between the tennis court and pool, but offset back behind the pool area fence line. Funding for the site work was authorized earlier this year as a part of the 2002 budget. The Social and Welcome Committee has accumulated enough from fund-raisers held during the last couple years to pay for the playground equipment. The detailed plans for the playground area have been submitted to the county to obtain a building permit. We are excited about finally getting this project off the ground and are hoping to get the playground completed in January or February. Mike Amerson has agreed to donate his time and equipment to do the site work, but we will need to get several neighborhood volunteers to help out with the equipment assembly and installation. If you are interested in helping, please call Martha Kapfhammer at 650-8766.

The entrance fence that was damaged in a car accident has been repaired. We are looking into having the fence stained so the new boards will match. The Grounds and Lake Committee has previously researched fence coatings and has recommended a light gray stain that compliments the stonework columns and front entrance sign.

The split rail fence along Hardy McManus road will be taken down in the near future. Funds have been approved for replacing that split rail fence later this year. However, a suggestion has been made to remove the split rail fence and leave it down since all of the homeowners along Hardy McManus have installed privacy fences. Another suggestion was to plant some type of low maintenance shrubbery in lieu of a fence. The existing fence is severely deteriorated so we have decided to go ahead and remove the fence because it is an eyesore. This also gives us an opportunity to see what the entrance lawn area looks like without the fence and also consider various shrubbery options. We will be talking to the county extension agent and other plant experts to see if we can find suitable low maintenance plants that will provide an appealing continuity to our property line. In a few months, the board will decide whether or not to replace the split rail fence along Hary McManus. However, we would like to consider comments from the residents on this issue. Please call me at 863-9053 or email at randalstone@knology.net or email our webmaster at our community website <http://www.rivershyre.org/> to submit your comments.

We are not going to have a tree deposit area at the clubhouse this year. Last year we lucked out when Empire Tree Service agreed to grind up the trees for free. We were very grateful because they initially quoted \$350 to do that work. There are numerous places to recycle Christmas trees in our area: Rivershyre Middle School, County Government Complex, Home Depot, Kroger, and others have accepted trees in the past. Please take your trees to one of the authorized recycling areas so the community can avoid the cost of having to deal with it. Anyone "dumping" a tree at the clubhouse will be subject to the county fines if they are caught. I encourage anyone to call the Sheriffs Office at 541-2800 if they witness someone dumping their tree at the Clubhouse.

Please remember to submit all articles by the 20th of the month to insure inclusion in the next month's issue of our newsletter. Donna Hanner - 1190 Newport Trail - Phone 868-5925 or e-mail Dhann62@aol.com.