



The Village Crier

Monthly Newsletter for the Villages of Rivershyre, Dartmore, Brighton, Newport, and Edenton

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Happy New Year!

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Light Up Rivershyre a Big Success

The Rivershyre neighborhood was a beautiful sight this holiday season. Lights of every color and decorations of all sizes! We hope that all of you had an opportunity to ride through the neighborhood and see all of the wonderful displays.

We told you about our Christmas Decorating Contest in the last newsletter and we wanted to let you know about our winner. The house at 1180 Oakton Trail owned by Daryl and Susan Perfect was chosen as the winner on the night of December 15th and a new \$50 bill was presented to them that evening. Congratulations!!!

There were so many homes looking festive that we would like to list the Honorable Mentions. These homes made awarding a first place prize a very difficult job indeed.

Thank you to everyone for the effort made to beautify the place we call "home" – Rivershyre!

Honorable Mention

1170 Oakton Trail
1095 Rivershyre Drive
1121 Rivershyre Drive
1123 Midford Court
1125 Midford Court
1128 Midford Court
1134 Rivershyre Drive
1145 Hartford Trail
1146 Parkside Trail
1168 Claridge Trail
1154 Parkside Trail
1173 Dartmore Court
1175 Dartmore Court
1183 Oakton Trail
1168 Dartmore Trail
1166 Dartmore Trail
1213 Oakton Trail
1186 Rivershyre Drive
2032 Edenton Trail
1092 Severn Drive
1086 Rivershyre Court

Thank You!

We have reserved this space each month to thank residents who have made a significant contribution to the neighborhood. If you know someone who deserves to be thanked, please let us know. Send their name and a short summary of their contribution to: thanks@rivershyre.org.

Please help us say thanks this month to **Mr. Randy Stone**. Randy has served our community as President of our homeowner's association for the past two years. Under Randy's leadership, we have a new playground, a long-term savings plan, and financial stability in our homeowner's association. Randy has given many hours of personal time over the past two years to our community and certainly deserves a very big THANK YOU!

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Rivershyre

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See us at:

www.rivershyre.org

Mardi Gras

Lots of questions have been asked about whether we will have a Mardi Gras party this year. Well, the answer is YES!

All of the planning is not complete but you can mark your calendars for Saturday, March 1st. Watch for the February edition of The Village Crier for all of the details. And get ready to party on March 1st!

Second Annual Rivershyre Pancake Breakfast

Mark your calendars because you won't want to miss this event! On Saturday, January 11th, 2003 from 8:30 until 10:00am, the food will be cooking for our all-you-care-to-eat Pancake Breakfast. The cost is \$3.00 per person and the menu will include: Pancakes, eggs, bacon, coffee, orange juice, and milk.

You must RSVP to Stephany at 863-5988 by January 8th to be included. You may eat at the Clubhouse or if you wish

to take the food home, please bring containers with you.

The proceeds from this breakfast will be used to help purchase a new floor for the Clubhouse kitchen. The walls in the kitchen have been freshly re-done with new paint and wallpaper but the floor is in not-too-great shape. So our renovations continue! Please come to the Pancake Breakfast – you'll have a great breakfast with your neighbors and will be helping to support our clubhouse.

Rivershyre Take-Out Night is Back!

We would like to have these dinners on a continuing basis – not every month, perhaps, but a few times during the year. But we do need your support. We have taken all of your comments into consideration and are planning to make a few changes. So do give us a try – we are trying to please you, our neighbors!!

For our first Take-Out Night of 2003, we will be serving “very meaty” chili with cornbread and a sweet desert treat. The date will be Monday, February 3rd and the pick-up time will be from 5:30 until 7:00pm at the Clubhouse. The cost will be \$10.00 for four servings. Again, we ask that you bring your containers from

home for the food.

RSVP's must be received by Donna at 868-5925 no later than Monday, January 27th in order for us to know how much food to prepare. The proceeds from this dinner will be used to help purchase a new floor for the kitchen at the Clubhouse.

The Social and Welcome Committee will be doing the cooking on February 3rd so you won't have to – and you will be helping to support our Clubhouse renovations. Hope to see lots of you that night!

? Couples Wine & Cheese Bunco Night ?

On Valentine's Day, Friday, February 14th, the Clubhouse will be the scene for a Couples Wine & Cheese Bunco Night. We've played Couples Bunco before and we've had a wine and cheese party too but this time we are going to combine them and add a Valentine's Day theme! This will be an evening you won't want to miss!

The party starts at 8:00pm. The cost will be \$5.00 per couple plus you will need to bring a bottle of wine (\$10.00 limit). There will be cash prizes for the winners of bunco at the end of the night. The crackers, cheese, and paper products will be provided by the Social & Welcome Committee. When you RSVP, you will be told what type of wine to bring with you.

Make your reservations early because space is limited for playing bunco. Call Jeanna at 868-7169 by February 7th to make a reservation for you and your Valentine.

2003 Board of Directors

Randy Stone	Past President
Becky Brogan	Member
Holly Bullock	Member
Rick Clabaugh	Member
Bill Clark	Member
Bill Ferguson	Member
Ray Jasniecki	Member
Martha Kapfhammer	Member
Denise McLain	Member
Mike Paluba	Member

The Board of Directors meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30pm at the Clubhouse. This month, the meeting will be held on Thursday, January 9th.

The 2003 Board of Directors will elect officers at its January meeting.

Committee Meetings

Architectural Control	4 th Monday, 7:00 pm
Board of Directors	1 st Thursday, 7:30 pm
By-Laws & Nominating	No Regularly Scheduled Meetings
Finance	2 nd Wednesday, 7:30 pm
Grounds & Lake	3 rd Monday, 7:00 pm
Pool	3 rd Wednesday, 7:00 pm
Neighborhood Watch & Safety	4 th Thursday, 7:00 pm
Social & Welcome	2 nd Tuesday, 10:00 am

All committee meetings are held at the Rivershyre Clubhouse unless otherwise noted. All committee meetings are open to homeowners. Please join a committee and help our neighborhood continue to be a wonderful place to live.

Committee Chairpersons

Architectural Control	Jim McLain
By-Laws & Nominating	Vacant
Finance	Ray Jasniecki
Grounds & Lake	Dan Johnson
Neighborhood Watch & Safety	Mike Paluba
Pool	Mike Plankey
Social & Welcome	Martha Kapfhammer

If you are interested in joining one of our committees, please visit at our next meeting. If you have a concern or issue that falls under the purview of one of the above committees, please contact the committee chairperson or any member of that committee.

Clubhouse Rentals

If you are interested in renting the clubhouse, please contact Ruth Lloyd at 860-3803 or Martha Kapfhammer at 650-8766. The fee is only \$50.00 plus a \$150.00 security deposit. The Clubhouse accommodates 80 people.

The Clubhouse phone number is 854-0283.

The rental agreement, clubhouse rules, and check-in/out checklist can be found on our website at: www.rivershyre.org/clubhouse.

*** Calendar of Events ***

Ladies Visit "Artsy Me"	Monday, January 6 th , 6:00 – 9:00pm
2 nd Annual Pancake Breakfast	Saturday, January 11 th , 8:30 – 10:00am, Clubhouse
Rivershyre Take-out Night	Monday, February 3 rd , 5:30 – 7:00pm, Clubhouse
Couples Bunco Night	Friday, February 14 th , 8:00pm, Clubhouse
Mardi Gras Party	Saturday, March 1 st , Time TBA, Clubhouse

Grounds and Lake Committee Update

Clubhouse Water Leak

I'd like to say a big THANK-YOU to **Mike Amerson** and **his son** as well as **Randy Stone** for helping to fix water leaks at the Clubhouse all day on Saturday, November 23! We started looking for what we hoped was a small leak to repair on a 1" line to the pool area. We ended up with two different water leaks, three 6 foot deep holes, two repair blow outs and three trips to Lowes, before we got the line fixed, just in time for a birthday party at the Clubhouse. These volunteers helped save the neighborhood at least \$2,000 with their time and efforts.

Once again THANK-YOU.

Dan Johnson, Chairman, Grounds and Lakes Committee

Newsletter articles are due by the 20th of each month. Drop them by 2032 Edenton Trail or email them to: newsletter@rivershyre.org.

Playground Improvements

I'm sure everyone using the new playground has noticed a soggy area in the middle of the side next to the pool. To alleviate this problem, the Grounds and Lake Committee has approved the installation of a drainage system and retaining wall which should take care of the problem. The new drains are expected to be in place by New Years, so please check out the improved playground in the new year.

Rivershyre Common Areas

Please note that the common areas are NOT dumping grounds for yard wastes. We continue to have some yard waste, like hedge trimmings, being dumped (barely) in the wooded area next to the clubhouse parking lot. Also a homeowner has been dumping dead shrubs in the mulched areas along Rivershyre Drive. And a homeowner has been dumping dog poop over the fence into a common area.

Please help keep Rivershyre a great place to live!

Points of Contact (Updated)

- Safety or Security Issues – Columbia County Sheriff's Office Dispatch 541-2800
 - Columbia County Sheriff's Office website – www.columbiacountyso.org
- Animal Control – 541-4077
- Lost & Found Pets Online – http://www.co.columbia.ga.us/Emergency_Services/Animal_Control/lost_found_pets.html
- Burned Out Street Lights – Georgia Power 1-888-891-0938
- Water & Sewer Problems – 863-6928
- Roads & Bridges – Street Repairs, Signs, Traffic Signals 541-1143
- Board of Education – 541-0650
- Check School Bus Status – 541-0657
- Columbia County Emergency Services Department – 868-3303
- Power Outages – Georgia Power 1-888-660-5890
- Cable Problems – Comcast 733-7712 or Knology 364-1000
- Columbia County Information/Customer Services – 868-3375

