



# The Village Crier

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

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## A New Year's Message from the Association President

Happy New Year Rivershyre Community!

I hope everyone had an enjoyable holiday season.

There is no better way to kick off a new year than to cleanse the body and refresh the spirit. An easy way to accomplish this is by joining us for our 3rd Annual Polar Bear Plunge on Saturday 8 January, 10:00 am at the Clubhouse and Pool. Each year this event has grown. Even if you don't feel like getting wet come on down and cheer on those brave individuals that will take the icy plunge. All are invited!

As you might have seen on the bulletin board last month, the neighborhood referendum was not approved by the neighborhood vote. This means business will continue as usual and we will continue to put out the call for volunteers in order to keep neighborhood costs down, maintain our amenities, and do our best to keep the values of your homes from decreasing. However, when we need to accomplish tasks in the neighborhood and don't have volunteers, we will contract the work out.

Unfortunately, the cost of this work will be placed upon neighborhood. We did receive some positive & negative comments as well as some helpful suggestions during this vote, and we appreciate the feedback. We also received a number of replies indicating that some residents would be willing to volunteer. For those who are willing to assist, please contact me. All our neighborhood committees are in need of support, and whether you are 15 or 75, you can contribute to your neighborhood by joining one such committee. Most of these committees don't require a strong back or countless hours in order to assist - just one or two hours of your time a month.

Thank you to the hearty souls who braved the cold and wet weather on 18 December to assist with our monthly work day - Lynne and Gary Golovan, Al Russo, Dick Huskin, and Michael Nehlsen. These folks removed a large downed tree at the nature trail parking lot and replaced and repaired split rail fencing throughout the neighborhood. For this month's workday, we will be looking on a Sunday afternoon to accomplish some tasks.

Speaking of fencing, if not already complete, the fence along the front of the neighborhood and entrance to the villages is being replaced. This is the first phase

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Rivershyre**

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We're on the Web!

See us at:

[www.rivershyre.org](http://www.rivershyre.org)

**Babysitters  
Listing**

If you would like to add  
your name to the list,  
send an email to:  
[babysitter@rivershyre.org](mailto:babysitter@rivershyre.org).

Include your name and  
phone number.

**President ...**

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of our plan to update the appearance of the front of the neighborhood. In the Spring, we will also do some landscaping with the bushes and shrubs as well as install lights for the stone columns - which I have been told once existed. Once complete, this will create an attractive entrance to our neighborhood.

We still have a few remaining rouge cats who have been roaming throughout the neighborhood. Previously we told you that you could call the Columbia County Animal Control (706-541-4077) to try and catch and remove these animals. Another option is to contact Mr. Michael Weeks, who traps and removes cats. You can reach him at 706-364-4363 or on his cell phone, at 706-550-2140.

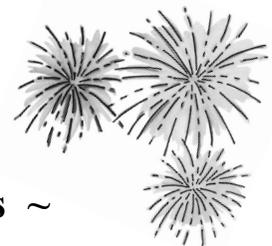
With all this in mind, we hope you have a wonderful and safe start to the New Year.

Thanks as always,

T.M. Weisz  
RCA President

**~ Rivershyre Yard of the Month ~**

Rivershyre's seventy-sixth Yard of the Month can be found at **1082 Rivershyre Court**. This competition is sponsored by Philip Jones of Re/Max True Advantage. (706-833-4663). The monthly winners will have a very nice sign placed in their yard signifying that they have been selected as having the nicest yard in Rivershyre.



**~ Calendar of Events ~**

New Year's Day	Saturday, January 1 <sup>st</sup>
Columbia County Schools – return to school	Tuesday, January 4 <sup>th</sup>
Rivershyre Polar Bear Plunge	Saturday, January 8 <sup>th</sup>
Martin Luther King Day	Monday, January 17 <sup>th</sup>

*Newsletter articles are due by the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. Drop them by 1116 Rivershyre Drive or email them to: [newsletter@rivershyre.org](mailto:newsletter@rivershyre.org).*

## 2010 Board of Directors

T.M. Weisz	President
Dick Huskin	Vice President
Michael Nehlsen	Secretary
Holly Bullock	Treasurer
Kathryn and Tim Barrett, Renee Nehlsen, Mike Amerson, Ziad Husein, Laura Higgins, Horace Carney and Kay Russo	Members

### Rivershyre Home Sales Update

This monthly newsletter item includes information on the homes in Rivershyre that are either currently on the market or have recently closed. This information is provided courtesy of Philip Jones of Re/Max True Advantage. If you have any questions about this information, please contact Philip at 833-4663.

#### Active Listings as of 12/15/2010

1081 Rivershyre Court	\$204,900
1087 Severn Drive	\$219,000
1182 Oakton Trail	\$259,500
1192 Newport Trail	\$277,900
1134 Rivershyre Drive	\$185,900
1182 Branchwood Trail	\$186,900

#### Sold Properties 7/1/2010 – 12/15/2010

1180 Oakton Trail	\$215,999
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#### Pending Sales as of 12/15/2010

none

#### Average Sales for Previous 6 Months

Average Home Size	2500 sq. ft.
Average Sales Price	\$215,999
Average Dollar per Sq. Ft.	\$86.00
Average Days on the Market	77 days

## Committee Chairpersons

Architectural Control	Open
By-Laws & Nominating	Dick Huskin
Finance	Holly Bullock
Grounds & Lake	Open
Neighborhood Watch & Safety	Kathryn Barrett
Pool	Kim Norland
Social & Welcome	Renee Nehlsen

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.

## Committee Meetings

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

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.

## Clubhouse Rentals

If you are interested in renting the clubhouse, please contact Debbie Weisz at 706-228-7314. The fee is only \$75.00 plus a \$150.00 security deposit. The Clubhouse accommodates up to 80 people. Clubhouse rental does not include use of the pool.

The Clubhouse phone number is 854-0229. The rental agreement, clubhouse rules, and check in/out checklist can be found on our website by clicking on "Clubhouse" or "Documents".

# Committee Updates & Notes

## Neighborhood Watch & Safety



Hope you all had a safe and merry Christmas and New Year! I know the kids enjoyed the snow!

Our committee will be working on some new programs for this year.

We really need your input for topics that you think would be interesting for adults as well as for the kids. Our first meeting will be on Thursday, January 27 at 7 pm at the Club House. If you are not able to come and have some suggestions, please email [kbarrett29@comcast.net](mailto:kbarrett29@comcast.net).

I am happy to report for the seventh month in a row, we had no incidents reported to the Sherriff's Department. That doesn't mean that we didn't have problems. We did have some one vandalize decorations at one home in the neighborhood. There also were some kids who live in Rivershyre and Maple Ridge that cut through yards in our neighborhood and caused damage to someone else's property in Maple Ridge on two occasions. The police did catch them and talked with their

parents.

We had a few more problems with dogs loose in the neighborhood. One person was bitten. They did notify Animal Control. That situation has been taken care of. If you see any dogs running loose in the neighborhood, please notify **Animal Control at 706-541-4077**.

There were two home fires this month. Please as a reminder, check your batteries in your fire alarms! If you have an alarm service such as ADT, make sure your emergency contact numbers are up to date.

If you have had a change of address, email or phone number, please email me your updates. I can send you a copy of the directory via email if you would like or you can pick one up at the Club House at the next Neighborhood Watch and Safety Meeting. We do need volunteers to serve on our committee. Hope to see you there!

## Baby Sitter / Yard Work List

<u>Names</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Sitter</u>	<u>Yard Wk</u>
Kristen Beasley	706-869-0223	X	
Sohailla Digsby	706-421-6168	X (day hrs)	
Ashlie Morrow	706-550-0178	X	
Nadia & Bianca Franz	706-364-4433	X	
Jason Brickey	706-863-7039		X
Tori Williams	706-854-9569	X	
Becky Sanger	706-364-7562	X	
Oscar Valentin	706-364-4082	X	X
Wesley Valentin	706-364-4082	X	X
Catherine Weisz	706-228-7314	X	
Leah Haney	706-868-7429	X	
Christy Shay	706-210-9034	X	
Paige Jarrard	706-868-7169	X	
Sarine Husein	706-650-7771	X	
Caitlen Taylor	706-855-6638	X	
Tori Williams	706-854-9569	X	
David & Sam Reid	706-993-1786		X
Helen Reid	706-993-1786	X	
Felecia Kasim	706-364-3130	X	
Autumn Higgins	706-364-3130	X	



**Are you new to the Neighborhood???**

**Please let us know...We have a gift for you!**

**Please call Carolyn Julien @ 706-496-2189.**

