



The Village Crier

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

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The Rivershyre Easter Egg Hunt is Here Again!

Calling all Rivershyre kids -- our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Saturday, April 15th at 11:00 a.m. on the Clubhouse grounds. A flyer with all of the details and an attached reservation form has been placed on all the mailboxes here in Rivershyre.

All of the egg hunters and their families are invited to join us for a hot dog lunch immediately after the Easter Egg Hunt. The deadline to RSVP is April 11th so be sure to find the reservation form and return it to the basket at 1145 Oakton Trail.



We're hoping to see lots of eager egg hunters and great weather!



Ladies May Day Bunco

Monday, May 1st is May Day so the Social & Welcome Committee decided that would be a great day to have a Ladies Bunco! The dice will start to roll at 7 p.m. at the Clubhouse. The cost is \$5.00 per person and we'll have snacks and drinks for everyone. All you have to do is come and have fun! We will have cash prizes at the end of the night.

You'll need to RSVP to Joannie at 863-2931 by April 26th. And if you don't have a clue how to play bunco -- don't worry! If you can roll 3 dice and count to 21, you'll be a 'natural' at this game. Bring a neighbor; meet some new friends. Come have fun at the Ladies Bunco!



Neighborhood Clean Up

Many thanks to those who participated in our neighborhood clean up. If you see any of these neighbors, please thank them for helping make Rivershyre beautiful!

Dan Johnson
Larry Beran
Mike Amerson

Dick Huskin
Bill Rutledge

Stephen Ferguson
Mitchell Amerson

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If it's Masters Week, it must be Spring time!!

And Spring time means Spring cleaning!! We had our annual Rivershyre clean up day on March 11th, and we had a handful of volunteers come out and spend the morning fixing up the nature trail bridges, removing some trees, and doing some work at Hardy Lake.

I want to thank those who spent some of their time helping our neighborhood. I just wish we had more neighbors like you to help out!

Speaking of Spring cleaning; as you clean up your yard, I would like to remind you to NOT dump your yard waste in our common areas, behind your fence, or in the Nature Trail. Besides being unsightly, it is also causing drainage problems around Hardy Lake and backing the water up into some neighbor's yards during heavy rains.

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Clubhouse Rentals

If you are interested in renting the clubhouse, please contact Stephany Ricker at 863-5988 or Kathy Armstrong at 863-4154. The fee is only \$60.00 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".

~ Rivershyre Yard of the Month ~

Rivershyre's twenty-second Yard of the Month can be found at **1168 Dartmore Trail**. This competition is sponsored by Philip and Sharon Jones of ReMax Realtors (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.

**Babysitters
Listing**

If you would like to add your name to the list, send an email to:

babysitter@rivershyre.org.

Include your name, address, phone number, age, rate, and age range of children you will sit.

***** Calendar of Events *****

April Fool's Day	Saturday, April 1 st
Daylight Savings Time Begins	Sunday, April 2 nd
Good Friday	Friday, April 14 th
Tax Day	Saturday, April 15 th
Neighborhood Easter Egg Hunt	Saturday, April 15 th
Easter	Sunday, April 16 th
Ladies Bunco	Monday, May 1 st

Newsletter articles are due by the 20th of each month. Drop them by 1116 Rivershyre Drive or email them to: newsletter@rivershyre.org.

2006 Board of Directors

Bill Ferguson	President
Grady Taylor	Vice President
Craig Trout	Secretary
Martha Kaphhammer	Treasurer
Chuck Faulkner, Dick Huskin, Lisa McLendon, Darrell Speight	Members

The Board of Directors meets on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30pm at the Clubhouse.

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 and Sharon Jones of ReMax Augusta Realtors. If you have any questions about this information, please contact Philip or Sharon at 833-4663.

Active Listings as of 3/16/2006

1081 Severn Hill Circle	\$191,500
1166 Claridge Trail	\$186,900
1122 Village Court	\$246,900
1151 Parkside Trail	\$233,500

Sold Properties 1/17/2006 – 3/16/2006

1080 Rivershyre Drive	\$210,000
1159 Claridge Trail	\$187,900
1211 Oakton Trail	\$225,900
1150 Parkside Trail	\$196,900
1214 Oakton Trail	\$246,500
2039 Edenton Trail	\$241,000
1180 Branchwood	\$195,000

Pending Sales as of 3/16/2006

1089 Severn Drive	1140 Parkside Trail
1192 Rivershyre Drive	

Average Sales for Previous 6 Months

Average Home Size	2574 sq. ft.
Average Sales Price	\$207,275.00
Average Dollar Per Sq. Ft.	\$81.12
Average Days on the Market	22 days

Committee Chairpersons

Architectural Control	Chuck Faulkner
By-Laws & Nominating	Dick Huskin
Finance	Martha Kapfhammer
Grounds & Lake	Dan Johnson
Neighborhood Watch & Safety	Darrell Speight
Pool	Bill Giddings
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.

Committee Meetings

Architectural Control	4 th Monday, 7:00 pm
Board of Directors	1 st Tuesday, 7:30 pm
By-Laws & Nominating	No Regularly Scheduled Meetings
Finance	As needed
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, 7:30 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.

New to Rivershyre?

We'd like to include your family in our next Rivershyre directory. Call Martha Kapfhammer at 650-8766 and she will deliver a copy of our current directory to you. She'll also get your information to update our computer database. If you have a new phone number or a new family addition, call with information too. We want to have as complete and up-to-date directory as we can.

Committee Updates & Notes

Recent Activities of the Architectural Control Committee

The Architectural Control Committee held its regularly scheduled February meeting on Monday, February 27th.

Several residents attended to discuss or present their Property Alteration Requests (PARs). The PARs covered such activities as installation of a pool, construction of sheds, major landscaping changes and construction of a new house on one of the few remaining vacant lots in Rivershyre.

Other business included the following:

- The committee finalized plans for its periodic review of the condition of mailboxes and posts throughout the neighborhood. In light of the number of mailboxes and posts noted to be in need of repair, the committee wants to make one last appeal to all residents to inspect your box & post and promptly make any needed repairs. After the review is completed, residents with mailboxes or posts in need of repair will be notified to make the needed repairs or face fines levied by the association.
- The committee authorized mailing of letters to several residents for various violations of the neighborhood covenants. The conditions and activities in question dealt with unacceptable conditions on premises and restrictions on activities such as parking of recreational vehicles in visible location.

The committee meets on the 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Rivershyre Clubhouse. Please feel free to visit at any meeting. If you have any questions about the committee or its activities, please contact any member or send an e-mail to the committee at acc@rivershyre.org.

Rivershyre Tigersharks Update

Spring is here and summer fast approaching as we begin organizing for our neighborhood summer swim team. We will keep the fees and practice times similar to last year and hope to get the same coaches. We will again be covering the pool with heating blankets to get the water warm to start practice in early May.

Registration for the Rivershyre Tigersharks will be held on Saturday April 15th from 2 pm until 4pm at the Rivershyre club house. A second registration will be held Tuesday April 25th from 6:30 pm until 8:30 pm at the club house as well. Practice times, volunteer signups, coaches, and meet dates will be available at registration time. This season promises to be action packed! So please join us for family fun.

The CSRA Swim League has decided to organize the swim league into 3 divisions instead of 4. We remain in Divison 1 but will swim teams primarily in Evans/Martinez area. The league has also decided on a new format for division championships. This year, Division Championships will be all teams competing but different times for different age groups. Similar to All-stars except all 20 teams will swim. This will eliminate the need for all-stars. Confused? Don't worry, its all good and kids will have fun as we work out the kinks.

A new swim team policy for 2006 requires anyone who joins the swim team must also be a pool member. If there are any questions or concerns, please email me at gpatton1@comcast.net and please note swim team as the subject.

Look forwarding to seeing you all again

Go Tigersharks.
Rivershyre Swim Team Committee

Committee Updates Cont'd & More

If It's Masters Week *Cont. from page 2*

And if you are going to burn, please remember to get a burning permit!!

A couple of reminders: Please no motorized vehicles on the nature trails. Not yours, not your friends from outside the neighborhood. We bumped into a couple of gentlemen who were riding their four wheelers on our trails (which tears them up) and on the railroad tracks. Ironically, a Sheriff's deputy caught them on the tracks and could have arrested them for trespassing. They got away with a warning – they were lucky!

Our tennis court is for tennis only! Parents, we have found children climbing the fence or crawling under. They are causing damage to the fence, and there is a danger of someone getting seriously hurt. If you need a key for the tennis courts to play tennis, please contact me and for \$3, I can get you a key to the courts.

Signage: As you drive up and down Hardy-McManus road, you no doubt notice a plethora of real estate signs crowding the entries to other neighborhoods. It's clutter! We have asked the realtors not to post their signs out front and they are only allowed to promote open houses, with the sign going up before and coming down after the event. So far so good.

What we need help is from our neighbors who have events at home or at the clubhouse and have signs or balloons on our street signs. That is not a problem, but we are asking that you remove the signs or balloons after your event.

By the way, you probably could not notice because you are watching for traffic, but our stone sign at the entrance has been cleaned and repaired. Insects and the weather has taken its toll on it. Many thanks to Grounds & Lakes to helping to fix our sign.

Speaking of Grounds & Lakes, our committee chair, Dan Johnson has decided to step down after 5 years

of service. Dan has been a major influence in our neighborhood and we can thank him for helping enhance our home values and for a great looking community. Dan will be missed.

Anyone care to step into his shoes?? Anyone? Please? Just an hour or two a month is all we are asking!

Some of our neighbors have been having some drainage problems around Hardy Lake. It has been going on for sometime and we've had conversations with the Corps of Engineers and with the county. While there has been a lot of talk and some shuffling of papers, we are still having problems.

The board is going to try a full court press with the county and attempt to get some of the "rain" tax dollars to fix our problems. If you would like to help out, please contact Chuck Faulkner. Chuck will be leading the charge! (CAF814@aol.com)

Many thanks to those who have been submitting PARs to the Architectural Control Committee (ACC). Submitting PARs makes the ACC's job a lot easier and keeps our neighborhood looking beautiful! If you plan any major work this Spring, even something as simple as cutting down some trees, please fill out a PAR and pass it along to the ACC.

Lastly, if you have not done so, we need your money for Home Owner's dues. Like you, we have bills to pay and our check book is filled by the yearly dues paid by you and your neighbors.

As always, if you are looking to volunteer to help our neighborhood, we'd love to take a bit of your time. We'll all appreciate your efforts!!

Bill Ferguson
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Committee Updates Cont'd & More

Barking Dogs!

We have heard a number of complaints of barking dogs around the neighborhood! Please understand that dogs do bark. It is the incessant barking or the late night – early morning barking that is causing concern amongst your neighbors.



Please, be a good neighbor and make sure your pet does not annoy your neighbors!



Paid your Homeowner's bill yet? Many of you have, but we still have a few stragglers. Please grab your checkbook and send us your money! Remember, we are volunteers who don't want to pester you for your dues and we have bills to pay!!

Daylight Savings Time

At 2 a.m. on April 2, groggy Americans will turn their clocks forward one hour, marking the beginning of Daylight Saving Time (DST).

The federal law that established "daylight time" in this country does not require any area to observe daylight saving time. But if a state chooses to observe DST, it must follow the starting and ending dates set by the law. From 1986 to 2006 this has been the first Sunday in April to the last Sunday in October, but starting in 2007, it will be observed from the second Sunday in March to the first Sunday in November, adding about a month to daylight saving time.

Want to advertise your business to your neighbors in Rivershyre? We are now offering advertising opportunities on our Rivershyre website (www.rivershyre.org). The cost is \$150 per year. For a contract or more information, please contact a Rivershyre board member!

Board of Directors April Meeting

The April monthly meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on the 2nd Tuesday (4/11/06) instead of the regularly scheduled date due to the 1st Tuesday falling during Master's Week. As always, the meeting will be held at the Clubhouse at 7:30 p.m.

Rivershyre Pool Committee

If you're interested, it's that time of year to join the pool.

This year the 2006 membership dues for residents who have previously paid the initiation fee of (\$400.00) are \$285.00. This includes a \$10.00 concession card, which is non-refundable.

For all other residents (including renters) applying for membership, the initiation fee (\$400.00) will be spread over a four year period. Thus dues are \$285.00 plus \$100.00 for 2005.

The pool applications for residents and non-residents is included with this month's newsletter.