



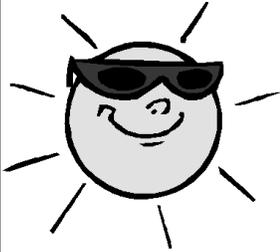
# The Village Crier

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

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## A Message from The Grounds and Lake Committee

The Grounds and Lake Committee held its latest meeting on Monday, June 21<sup>st</sup>. The committee reviewed recent projects, planned future ones, and debated the merits of shifting the days of the monthly meetings and monthly workdays.

Recent workdays have addressed a number of projects. The most difficult task has been the replacement of the footbridge across the creek along the Nature Trail. The new bridge is wider, stronger and sturdier. All that remains is installation of the handrails. Other projects have included pressure-washing and staining the fence and playground structures, and cleaning up the tennis courts.

Tasks for future workdays will include clearing trails and removing some of the damaged trees and limbs that fell across the Nature Trail when access to some areas was impaired by the footbridge being closed.

As mentioned earlier, the committee considered the days of the month that our meetings and neighborhood workdays are held and decided to make some changes. To improve the planning of the workdays, we felt it necessary to hold the monthly meeting prior to that month's workday. Therefore, beginning in July, our monthly meeting will be held the second Monday of the month, followed by the neighborhood workday on the third Saturday of the month. That means our next committee meeting will be on Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup> and the workday will be held on Saturday, July 17<sup>th</sup>. A reminder of the meeting and the workday will be posted on the neighborhood bulletin board as the dates get closer. Whenever such a notice is placed on the board, please lend a hand and join us in helping to take care of our neighborhood. All of these efforts are accomplished with volunteer help and your help is greatly appreciated.

The Committee needs several additional members to enable it to meet its responsibilities. Please consider contributing to our neighborhood by joining the committee and helping to maintain Rivershyre. Please feel free to visit a committee meeting. If you would like to join the committee or simply have questions, please leave a message at (706) 854-0229 or send an e-mail to [rca.gl@rivershyre.com](mailto:rca.gl@rivershyre.com).



### NOTICE TO OWNERS OF BOATS AT HARDY POND

In response to concerns raised by neighbors, the Board of Directors voted to implement several new rules involving the storage and use of boats at Hardy Pond.

Several neighbors have reported seeing young children taking boats into Hardy Pond and some believe the children are not even from our neighborhood. A survey was made in April of the boats at Hardy Pond and of the 14 boats, 5 were not locked or otherwise secured in any manner. For the safety of the children and the security of property of boat owners, the Board passed a resolution at the April meeting implementing the following new rules for the storage and use of boats at Hardy Pond.

- ♥ All boats must be secured by chain & lock to prevent unauthorized use. A chain is currently secured between two trees at the storage area. Owners are to secure their boats to that chain or to the nearby trees.
- ♥ All children under the age of 16 must be accompanied in the boat by a responsible person 16 years or older.
- ♥ All children under the age of 15 must wear a USCG approved flotation device.

These rules took effect on June 1<sup>st</sup>. Follow-up surveys were taken on June 5<sup>th</sup>, then again on June 21<sup>st</sup>. As of the 21<sup>st</sup>, only one of the previously unsecured boats had been locked. The Grounds & Lake Committee has now installed locks and chains on the remaining unsecured boats. Owners of boats at the pond are asked to check their boats and if a lock has been installed by the committee, please follow the directions on the note attached to the lock.

The committee believes some of the unsecured boats may be abandoned by owners that have moved away from the neighborhood. To determine if this is the situation, the committee asks that all owners of boats at the pond either place identification on the boat or contact the committee and identify your boat.

The Grounds & Lake Committee may be contacted by leaving a message at (706) 854-0229 or sending an e-mail to [rca.gl@rivershyre.org](mailto:rca.gl@rivershyre.org).

### The Villages of Rivershyre

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Evans, GA 30809-2194

Rivershyre Association  
& Clubhouse Phone  
(706) 854-0229

Pool Phone  
(706) 854-0283

Our E-Mail Addresses:

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[newsletter@rivershyre.org](mailto:newsletter@rivershyre.org)

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

### ~ Rivershyre Yard of the Month ~

|| Rivershyre's seventieth Yard of the Month can be found at **2040 Edenton Trail**.  
 || 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 ~



Independence Day

Sunday, July 4<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, Bob Petty, Mike Amerson, Ziad Husein, Bill Rutledge, Jack Bryant, Laura Higgins and Horace Carney	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 6/16/2010

1087 Severn Drive	\$239,000
1168 Oakton Trail	\$237,800
1165 Parkside Trail	\$199,900
1109 Rivershyre Drive	\$244,900
1182 Oakton Trail	\$294,900
1180 Oakton Trail	\$219,900

#### Sold Properties 1/16/2010 – 6/16/2010

1212 Oakton Trail	\$245,000
1107 Rivershyre Drive	\$235,000

#### Pending Sales as of 6/16/2010

1135 Rivershyre Drive

#### Average Sales for Previous 6 Months

Average Home Size	3113 sq. ft.
Average Sales Price	\$240,000
Average Dollar per Sq. Ft.	\$77.10
Average Days on the Market	220 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

## Pool Committee

Hello Everyone,

Well, summer is officially here and we are already experiencing the wonderful 100° temperatures – YAY!! However, there is one good thing about the HOT temps, you can come down to Rivershyre’s pool and cool off!!! As of last count, we have 104 members. If you haven’t joined as of yet – please do!! We have one of the best pools in our area – just ask your fellow neighbors.

Our pool is one of the nicest because of great people who live in the neighborhood that volunteer their time and their talents. Some of the perks of being a member is our great pool attendants that help keep our pool clean and looking nice, our concession stand, our Rivershyre Tiger Sharks Swim Team and last but not least our Friday Night Float Movie Night. We have had great success for our first 3 movie showings. We had to cancel on Friday, the 22<sup>nd</sup> due to the weather; however, we moved it to Saturday night and still had a large crowd.

We are open to suggestions as to what improvements you would like to see down at the pool – big or small or better yet, please join us at our Pool Committee Meetings every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month. We would love to have you join our committee and help keep our pool as one of Rivershyre’s great assets.

## Architectural Control Committee

The Architectural Control Committee would like to take this opportunity to discuss an issue of a recurring nature.

The ACC has, on a number of occasions, raised the issue of parking trailers, commercial trucks and other non-conventional vehicles in the streets of our neighborhood. Regardless of these

reminders, this unsafe and unsightly practice continues. Residents are reminded that conventional vehicles (i.e., automobiles and privately owned pickup trucks) should be parked in driveways as often as possible and only at the curb when absolutely necessary. However, commercial trucks and other non-conventional vehicles including trailers and recreational vehicles may **NOT** be parked at the curb or on the property except that recreational vehicles may be parked on the property **IF** stored out-of-sight in a garage or behind an approved privacy screen. Parking of such vehicles at the curb is not just a nuisance; it’s a violation of county ordinances if left there more than several hours. This restriction does not apply to commercial vehicles in use by vendors doing business at the residence provided they are there only long enough to complete business and do not present a traffic hazard.

The Architectural Control Committee meets monthly on the 4th Monday at 7:00pm at the Clubhouse to review PARs and discuss potential covenant violations. All residents are welcome to attend any regularly scheduled meeting. The committee also welcomes new members so if you think you might like to join the committee, please send an e-mail to [rca.acc@rivershyre.org](mailto:rca.acc@rivershyre.org) or simply come to our next meeting. The ACC is charged with the sometimes unpleasant task of applying the covenants of the neighborhood that we all committed to complying with when we purchased property in Rivershyre. Compliance with these covenants will help maintain the property values, desirability, and beauty that makes Rivershyre one of the most sought after communities in Evans.



# Other Committee/Activity Updates

## Neighborhood Watch & Safety



Hope everyone is enjoying their summer! Everyone seems to be enjoying all of the amenities of the neighborhood. A lot of you are using the pool, fishing at Hardy Lake and the nature area, hiking on the trails as well as canoeing, kayaking and boating on the river. What a great neighborhood we live in!

Just thought I would give you some reminders for the summer months. When you are around Hardy Lake, the Nature Area and your own back yard, please keep an eye out for snakes. We have quite a variety of them here. Please make your children aware of them. Some of them are poisonous and some are not. When in doubt, don't touch them! Get an adult. If you get bitten, call **911**.

We are also having problems with wasps especially on the long bridge in the Nature Area. Several people have tried to get rid of them but it is very hard to find the nest. If you get stung, put something like calamine lotion on it. If you are allergic, Benadryl is great to have on hand. If you are extremely allergic, go to the emergency room or call **911**. Chigger bites can also be a problem. Clear fingernail polish works great on them.

We are having trouble with our jumpers getting up on the railroad trestle again. Recently we caught 12 kids on two separate days jumping off of the trestle. I am sad to let you know, some of them lived here! Please talk to your kids, this is very dangerous! We already had one drown 12 years ago. We don't want to see another one. It is against the law to be on the railroad tracks. CSX Railroad does prosecute people for being on the tracks. The trains are going at a very fast speed and can not stop. It could also cause a derailment which could be very hazardous. Please call the **Sherriff's Department at 706-541-2800 or 911** if you see anyone on the trestle. We have also had problems with people firing guns on the river and in the woods. This is very dangerous since there are a lot of people around.

When you are walking at night, please wear reflective clothing or carry a flash light. Always walk facing traffic. We are still having problems with dogs running loose. Remember you the owner are responsible for your dog's behavior. There are a lot of children playing outside. We don't want anyone to be injured or your dog or child to be hit by a car.

Call the **Sherriff's Department** to put your house on **HOUSE WATCH at 706-541-2800** when you go out of town.

We had no incidents again this month on the Sherriff's Crime Report!!!

If you have changed your phone number, email address or are new to the neighborhood, please email [kbarrett29@comcast.net](mailto:kbarrett29@comcast.net) so you can be added to our Emergency Contact List. Have a great and safe summer!!!

## 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	

