



# THE VILLAGE CRIER

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE VILLAGES OF  
RIVERSHYRE INCLUDING BRIGGTON BARTWELL NEWPORT  
AND EBERTON VILLAGES

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

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## BACK TO SCHOOL!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



### COMMUNITY INFORMATION

As Director of Columbia County's Emergency Services Division and a proud Rivershyre resident for the past eight years, I wanted to let you know the "Emergency Evacuation Plan for Dam Failure & Flooding" is now available on-line. The Web site address is <http://www.co.columbia.ga.us/>. Just go to the Departments, then Emergency Management and click on "Evacuation Plan". The site can also be accessed through the Rivershyre Web site by clicking on the Columbia County logo on the home page.

A June 20th article in the Augusta Chronicle, called "If The Dam Breaks", listed Rivershyre as one of the several subdivisions that would be affected in the event of a dam failure at Thurmond, Russell, or Hartwell Lakes. This prompted several of our residents, as well as residents of other subdivisions, to request copies of the Plan or ask questions about the Plan.

To put this all into perspective, I want to let you know that the probability of the failure of any of these dams is extremely remote. There are sixteen different types of "hazards" that we plan for in Columbia County, based on hazard analysis data. The most likely types of disasters in our County include natural disasters (such as floods, thunderstorms, tornadoes, tropical storms, and hurricanes) and highway or railway transportation accidents involving hazardous materials.

Dam failure is number 15 on the probability list and nuclear power plant emergency is last on the list, at number 16. Sadly, terrorism and school violence are now also a major part of our disaster planning. Disaster planning has to include all of the hazards that "could" occur. The fact that the Savannah River dams exists requires our having a viable plan in place. However, by using historical occurrence information and other probability and mitigation factors, we are able to place emphasis on those disasters that are most likely to occur.

I hope that by disseminating this information throughout Columbia County, citizens will not worry, but feel comforted in knowing what to expect and what to do should a dam failure occur.

If anyone has any questions, please call me at work at 868-3303 or e-mail [ptucker@co.columbia.ga.us](mailto:ptucker@co.columbia.ga.us). I don't even mind you calling me at home at \_\_\_\_\_ After all, you're my neighbors!

Pam Tucker

## **RIVERSHYRE COMMUNITY CHINESE AUCTION**

**Please Write Down the Date If you Haven't Already!!!**

**Chinese Auction  
Saturday, August 18th  
Open Door 1-7 p.m.  
Party at 8 p.m.  
At the Clubhouse**



**Any question call Jen Shimalla at 860-8726**

**We are in DIRE need of shoeboxes to hold the tickets for the items. if you have any at all, call Jen and she will come and pick them up at your home.**

**Thanks so much, we need your participation!!!**

**Keep your eyes peeled for our flyer about the big day!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

### **GOLF CART SAFETY**

Several residents have expressed concerns for children driving golf carts. Parents, please make sure your children know the rules of the road. They should obey all traffic signs and be aware of other cars. We would not want a tragedy to occur, or have residents alert the deputy, and start receiving traffic violations!!



**THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU**

A special thank you to Charlie and Kathryn Toburen for donating the lamp for our clubhouse, and to Trish and David Waller for donating the Corian counter-top for the concession stand at the pool. We thank you so much for helping our clubhouse and pool!!!!!!!!!!!!

## HI DE HO NEIGHBOR

Please add these new neighbors to your directory:



## RECYCLE YOUR NEWSPAPERS AND CARDBOARD AT RIVERSIDE ELEMENTARY

**LOOK FOR THE BINS!!  
THE SCHOOL GETS \$ FOR IT!!!**

If you are new to our neighborhood or you know of someone who is, please call Martha at 850-8766. The Social and Welcome Committee would like to welcome our neighbors and make sure they have a copy of our directory.

**HEY, NEWCOMERS TO RIVERSHIRE -- YOU'LL WANT TO WRITE DOWN THESE DATES:**

**SEPT. 27 - LADIES' BUNCO**

**OCT. 9 - RIVERSHIRE TAKE-OUT NIGHT**

**NOV. 13 - RIVERSHIRE TAKE-OUT NIGHT**

**LADIES' BUNCO IS HELD AT THE CLUBHOUSE AND IS AN EASY GAME TO LEARN IF YOU DON'T ALREADY KNOW HOW TO PLAY. IF YOU CAN ROLL 3 DICE AND COUNT TO 21, THEN THIS IS THE GAME FOR YOU!!**

**OUR RIVERSHIRE TAKE-OUT NIGHT DINNER IS COOKED AT THE CLUBHOUSE BY MEMBERS OF THE SOCIAL AND WELCOME COMMITTEE. YOU SUPPLY YOUR OWN CONTAINERS AND COME TO THE CLUBHOUSE TO PICK UP YOUR FOOD. THE PRICE IS USUALLY BETWEEN \$10-15 FOR 4 SERVINGS. WE'RE THINKING ITALIAN FOR THE DATE IN OCTOBER. WATCH THE OCTOBER NEWSLETTER SO YOU WILL KNOW WHO TO CALL WITH YOUR RSVP!!!**

# COMMITTEE UPDATES



Our Rivershyre Playgroup meets every Wed. from 10-11:30 a.m. at the clubhouse. Parents and child caretakers are invited to join us for fun and socializing. For more information call Karney Hawk at 863-0948.

## SOCIAL AND WELCOME COMMITTEE



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 \$40.00 plus a \$150.00 security deposit. The clubhouse accommodates 80 people. The clubhouse phone is 854-0283.

## BOARD MEMBER DIRECTORY

















Randy Stone	President
Martha Kapfhammer	Vice President
Mat Merriman	Treasurer
Denise McLain	Secretary
Jennifer Shimalla	Member
Bob Lloyd	Member
Bill Clark	Member
Ray Jaaniecki	Member

## MONTHLY EVENTS






Architecture	4th Monday, 7 p.m.
Board of Directors	1st Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
By-Laws	Not Scheduled
Finance	2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
Grounds and Lake	3rd Monday, 7 p.m.
Playgroup	Wednesday 10-11:30 a.m.
Pool	Wednesday 7 p.m.
Neighborhood Watch	4th Thursday, 7 p.m.
Social & Welcome	2nd Tuesday, 10 a.m.

## COMMITTEE CHAIRPEOPLE

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

































**RIVERSHYRE ACTIVITY SCHEDULE**  
**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Rivershyre Chinese Auction ..... Saturday, August 18, 1 - 7:30 p.m.

Homeowners Meeting ..... Tuesday, September 18, 7:00 p.m.

## FROM OUR PRESIDENT RANDY STONE - 1121 RIVERSHYRE DR.



I would like to extend a thank you to Larry Beran and Kevin Roof for repairing the split rail fences again. Larry made the arrangements and obtained the materials. Kevin did the fence repairs that included installing a couple new sections out along Hardy-McManus Road and making numerous repairs to the fences along Rivershyre Drive and at the nature trail. Next year we intend to start replacing the common area fencing, some of which is almost 10 years old. Many of the posts are severely rotted and some fence sections are about to fall over. We intend to start by replacing the split rail fencing out at the front entrance. We planned and budgeted this project based on replacement of the same type of fence material. However, the Grounds and Lake Committee is currently reviewing alternative fence materials and will have a recommendation to present to the Board by the end of this year.

Larry has also been working with Dan Johnson to get the common area sprinkler system repaired. Earlier this year we fixed a leak in the sprinkler piping near the clubhouse. Lately, you may have noticed a couple of holes near the big oak trees on Rivershyre Drive. Larry dug up some areas where the sprinkler pipe was broken and Dan has been fixing the pipe. Last year we replaced the sprinkler control box at the Newport entrance and now we are trying to get those sprinklers working. That part of our common area sprinkler system (along Rivershyre Drive up past the big oak trees) had not been in service for many years. Earlier this year I went around and got most of the other control stations set up and running for the new lawn maintenance contractor who is responsible to run the sprinkler system. If you notice any problems with the sprinklers, please contact Larry Beran or myself so we can fix the problem or get Rick's Lawn Service to make the proper adjustments. You can call Larry at 869-8840 or me at 863-9053 ( or 208-0550 during work hours).

Someone left balls of old fishing line with hooks in them laying around Hardy Lake shoreline. The resident that mentioned this to me picked it up and put it in the trash, but asked me to mention this in the newsletter because some other fisherman or small children playing in the park area could have become snagged in the line and gotten hooked. Please be considerate when your fishing and dispose of the old balls of line, bait containers and broken tackle in one of the 2 trash cans located in the park area. If you have young fishermen in your family please mention this caution to them. In general, if you see some unsafe condition in the park, or any of the other common areas, please take care of it if you can and/or call me so we can take appropriate action to keep our community a safe place to live.

The Annual Homeowners Meeting will be held September 18 at 7:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse. If you have an interest in becoming a board member, please let me or any of the board members know so we can add your name to the list of nominees. We need to pick up 3 new board members this year so if you are willing to share some of your own special talents to help keep our community a beautiful and fun place to live, please let one of us know. Also, if you are interested in joining a committee or helping a committee with some volunteer work, we will have sign up sheets at the meeting. Please mark your calendar and plan on attending.

Thank you,

Randy Stone  
(randalstone@knology.net)

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.