



The Village Crier

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

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Tiger Sharks Division IV Champs!

The Rivershyre Tiger Sharks swim team completed a phenomenal season in late July when they ripped through the competition at the Augusta Aquatic Center's Division IV Championship tournament.

The Tiger Sharks finished the regular season undefeated at 6-0. They proceeded to win the Division IV Dual Meet series by an average score of 342-191. When the Tiger Sharks arrived at the aquatic center, they were over-whelming favorites . . . and they didn't disappoint. The Tiger Sharks exploded for 905 total points, beating second place Stratford by more than 300 points.

Led by Head Coach George Patton, Assistant Head Coach Bill Rutledge, and Assistant Coach Kyle Lunsford, the six-week summer season brought over 65 families together five times a week to train and compete in the Central Savannah

River Area Swim League. Outstanding community support, some great coaching and a terrific effort by the kids combined to make the season a huge success.

Interested in participating in the swim team next year? If so, contact George Patton, Mike Paluba, or Kyle Lunsford by logging on to the Rivershyre website and clicking on the Tiger Sharks link.



From The Editor

I have a correction from last month's newsletter. The days that resident's are allowed to water their lawns was incorrect. Specifically, odd numbered street addresses may water on Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday. Even numbered addresses may water on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday. There is no watering on Mondays. If you spot an inaccuracy in the newsletter, please email me at newsletter@rivershyre.org and we'll correct it next month or on the website.

Recently, several residents have submitted requests for notes to be placed in the newsletter regarding services they provide (e.g., house sitting, baby sitting, etc...). Regretfully, our policy is to not publish these requests. Instead, they can be placed on the list of services available in the updated homeowner's directory that is currently being prepared.

Your input to the newsletter is greatly appreciated. Please send articles and/or events no later than the 20th of each month to: newsletter@rivershyre.org.

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www.rivershyre.org

Website Update

A lot of information on the Rivershyre Tiger Sharks and their just completed season has been added to the Rivershyre website by George Patton recently. You can check it out at:
www.rivershyre.org/swimteam/index.htm.

Thanks to Mike Paluba, we now have links and information available on our website associated with emergency preparedness and crime prevention. To view the new information, visit:
www.rivershyre.org, click on Committees, Neighborhood Watch & Safety.

Scavenger Hunt Information

More Scavenger Hunt Details!!

All youth 10 and up --- the Social and Welcome Committee has an event that you won't want to miss! Mark your calendar for Saturday, September 28th at 6 p.m. The Great Hunt will start and end at the Clubhouse.

The event will be organized into teams with a maximum of 4 persons to a team --- and at least 2 team members must be Rivershyre residents. There will be a \$5.00 entry fee per team. We will have cash prizes - \$\$\$! - for the first, second

Ladies Bunco Night

Our neighborhood Ladies Bunco is back! Please come join us August 22nd at 7:00 pm in the Clubhouse. If you've never played before you should come see how easy and fun it is! It's a chance to win cash prizes, eat great munchies and socialize with your neighbors!

Call Stephany at 863-5988 to RSVP by Sunday August 18th.

Snakes!

With the long, hot summer upon us, you may notice an increase in the number of snakes visiting your cool back yards. There have been several sightings in yards that border wet, shady areas such as the Nature Area and the buffer zone between Edenton Village and Oakton Village. At least one snake was thought to be poisonous. So keep your eyes open and avoid a potentially dangerous situation.

and third place teams. Plus pizza and soda for all while the points for the winning teams are being tallied! No losers will be around on the 28th of September. Everyone will be having a great time!!

Start talking to your friends and getting your team together. Be sure to watch for the September newsletter so you'll know who you need to give your RSVP to!!

Fall Garage Sale

The date for the Fall Garage Sale will be Saturday, September 7th. Start now to organize your stuff because our Fall sale has always been a popular one!

As always, signs will be posted around the neighborhood and advertising will be done in the local papers.

Board of Directors

Randy Stone	President
Martha Kapfhammer	Vice President
Ray Jasniecki	Treasurer
Bill Clark	Secretary
Holly Bullock	Asst. Treasurer
Susan Perfect	Asst. Secretary
Denise McLain	Member
Mike Paluba	Member

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

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	Jeff Butler
By-Laws & Nominating	Bob Lloyd
Finance	Ray Jasniecki
Grounds & Lake	Dan Johnson
Neighborhood Watch & Safety	Joyce Rabb
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.

Upcoming Events

Ladies Bunco Night	Thursday, August 22 nd , 7:00 pm
Neighborhood Fall Garage Sale	Saturday, September 7 th , 8:00am until
Tex-Mex Party	Saturday, September 14 th
Annual Homeowner's Meeting	Tuesday, September 17 th , 7:30 pm, Clubhouse
10 & Up Scavenger Hunt	Saturday, September 28 th

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.

The President's Corner

The Board is preparing for the 2002 Annual Homeowners Association meeting. As per the bylaws, we will be mailing out announcements prior to the meeting that will be held at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, September 17th at the Clubhouse. The meeting will include presentation of the 2003 Budget, a financial statement, committee reports and election of new board members. I am happy to say that all current board members whose terms are expiring this year would like to continue serving on the board. I hope all of the incumbents do get re-elected because we have a good crew right now. **We would also like to add a couple new board members to bring in some fresh new ideas and talents.**

It is very satisfying to me that we are retaining board membership. I believe that the other board members share my feeling that we are accomplishing something worthwhile. I enjoy being able to participate in a creative group effort whose goal is to make the association run better and make our community even a better place to live. Believe me we still have a long way to go to get the association running smooth like a successful business. However, I believe we are headed in the right direction and are making some definite progress, especially since the Board and Committee members all work strictly on a voluntary basis.

This year's budget includes a small allocation for compensating some neighborhood volunteers that would provide services to our community that we might otherwise have difficulty obtaining on a voluntary basis. The three positions being considered will be handled as service contracts. A written agreement will define the scope of the job, expectations and limitations for these compensated positions.

One such position is the **Clubhouse Coordinator** who will not only serve as the contact and coordinator for the 40 to 50 rentals each year, but will also perform the pre-rental briefings and post-rental inspections. The Clubhouse Coordinator will be expected to arrange to have cleaning services performed whenever necessary, but will not be obligated to do any of the cleaning. The coordinator will act as our caretaker for the clubhouse and ensure that routine maintenance is taken care of. The Clubhouse Coordinator will work closely with the Social & Welcome Committee Chairman to see that any repairs or improvement expenditures for the clubhouse are kept within budget limitations or receive prior approval by the Board.

Another contract position is **Legal Consultant**. During the year, the board runs into various issues that require legal advice and/or consultation. We have talked to a resident lawyer who is willing to contribute a limited amount of time at a very reasonable rate to provide legal consultation and some minor non-litigatory tasks for the Board. Our agreement will define the legal relationship, limitation of services and also include some obligation to provide reasonable access and relatively prompt responses.

The last service contract that we are soliciting help on is a new position: **Grounds Overseer**. That person will act as our neighborhood contact and coordinator to get Common Area maintenance issues resolved. If a resident observes a problem in one of the common areas (such as broken sprinklers, a ruptured pipe, a fence in need of repairs, lawn service and tree issues, utility problems, etc.) then the resident will know that he or she can call the Grounds Overseer to report the problem. The Grounds Overseer will not be expected to actually perform the repairs or maintenance, but will work under the jurisdiction of the Grounds and Lake Committee to make arrangements to get the repairs done (e.g., call the sprinkler repairman or plumber, call in for a utility repair, etc). The Overseer will work closely with the G&L Chairman to ensure that costs for repairs are within committee budget limitations or receives the required board approvals prior to authorization.

We have already talked to some individuals that are willing to serve our community in these positions. The service contract agreements and compensation amounts have not been formalized yet. Initially, we are considering annual payments that are on par with the association dues amount. That amount of compensation is in no way a fair wage for the services these individuals will be performing. If you consider the many hours of work involved in these tasks, they will still be performing these community services essentially for free. The minimal compensation does however, show that we appreciate their efforts and hope that they will continue to perform these voluntary services for the community. These individuals have served in these roles in the past strictly as unpaid volunteers. We hope to retain them. **I'd like to thank Ruth Lloyd, Dan Hamilton & Larry Beran for sticking with us for another year.**

One last thing: **Some of our committees are in dire need of help.** Architectural Control needs 3 or 4 new members; Grounds & Lake needs 2 or 3 new members; Bylaws needs 1 or 2 new members; Neighborhood Watch needs some people (preferably one from each village). If you can spare a few hours a month, please help out on one of these committees. It's a worthwhile cause. If interested, please send an email to webmaster@rivershyre.org or call me at 863-9053.

Randy Stone
