



The Village Crier

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

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Safety Reminders

On Tuesday, August 3rd the school buses will be rolling again and our children will be back in school. Wow, what a short summer. Please be very careful in the mornings and in the afternoons when our children are waiting for the buses to pick them up or when they've just been dropped off. If you have a teenager who is driving, perhaps to school for the very first time, please caution them to watch for smaller children playing or walking along the streets of Rivershyre. Let's prevent a tragedy before it happens.

Along that same line, please observe posted the posted speed limit of 25 mph in Rivershyre. If you must park your vehicle in the street, please be aware of your surroundings. Don't park across from someone's driveway and don't park in a curve where you will cause a traffic bottleneck.

Residents are also reminded that Georgia State Law requires that drivers of golf carts be 16 years old or older and possess a valid driver's license. Do not allow underage children to drive your golf cart to or from the pool. This is against the law.



Newsletter Editor Needed

We are still looking for a volunteer to pick up the task of editing this newsletter each month. Your current editor is moving on and we need someone who can spare a couple of hours each month to help out. It only takes a few minutes to ask each of the committee chairs for input on articles each month, edit what you get along with the boilerplate information and then email the final version to Meybohm on or around the 24th of each month. You don't have to write articles (unless you really want to) and you don't need any special software other than a word processor (like MS Word) and an email account. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Martha Kapfhammer at marthak@rivershyre.org or at 650-8766. If we don't get any volunteers, we will likely have to suspend publication of the newsletter.

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~ Rivershyre Yard of the Month ~

Rivershyre's seventh Yard of the Month can be found at **1093 Rivershyre Drive**. This competition is sponsored by Philip and Sharon Jones of Meybohm Realtors (833-HOME). 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. The competition will continue to heat up now that summer is here so keep working on that yard so that you too can be rated "Best in Rivershyre".

Annual Homeowner's Meeting

The Annual Homeowner's Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 21st, 2004 at 7:00 pm at the Clubhouse. In the next couple of weeks you will receive in the mail an agenda and a 2005 Association budget to review prior to the meeting. Any proposed changes to neighborhood documents such as our By-Laws, Covenants, and Restrictions will also be included. All homeowners in good standing are invited and encouraged to attend.

This meeting gives you the opportunity to hear what is going on in your community and to ask questions. One of the most important aspects of the meeting is the election of our leaders for the next year. There will be several vacancies on the Board of Directors and volunteers will be solicited prior to the meeting. If you would like to volunteer to be on the Board of Directors in 2005, please send an email to nomination@rivershyre.org. If you have any questions about being a Board member, please feel free to contact any of the existing members (see page 3).

Watch for additional information about this important event in the September newsletter plus look for the notice in your mailbox in mid-August.

Committees Need Your Help

As frequently happens this time of year, many of our committees are struggling to maintain their membership. The Neighborhood Watch & Safety Committee is not operational at this time. The Architectural Control Committee is down to three active members and one of those will be leaving soon. The Grounds & Lake Committee has around four active members but that committee does an awful lot of work to oversee the grounds of Rivershyre so even it can use a couple of extra hands.

At the annual meeting this year (see note above), you will have the opportunity to sign up for one or more of the committees. We desperately need some new blood on these committees and we strongly encourage ALL residents to become active in at least one. Help us continue to be one of the finest neighborhoods in Columbia County and to maintain our high level of participation in the management of our homeowner's association.

Newsletter articles are due by the 20th of each month.

Drop them by 2032 Edenton Trail or email them to: newsletter@rivershyre.org.

2004 Board of Directors

Martha Kapfhammer	President
Bill Ferguson	Vice President
Bill Clark	Secretary
Holly Bullock	Treasurer
Phil Manos	Asst. Treasurer
Becky Brogan	Member
Shiron Thomas	Member
Tim Williford	Member

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

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".

*** Calendar of Events ***

First Day of School	Tuesday, August 3 rd
Labor Day	Monday, September 6 th
Annual Homeowners Meeting	Tuesday, September 21 st
First Day of Autumn	Wednesday, September 22 nd
Columbus Day	Monday, October 11 th
Halloween	Sunday, October 31 st
Day Light Savings Time Ends	Sunday, October 31 st

Committee Chairpersons

Architectural Control	Vacant
By-Laws & Nominating	Vacant
Finance	Holly Bullock
Grounds & Lake	Dan Johnson
Neighborhood Watch & Safety	Becky Brogan
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 Thursday, 7:30 pm
By-Laws & Nominating	No Regularly Scheduled Meetings
Finance	4 th Tuesday, 7:00 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, 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.

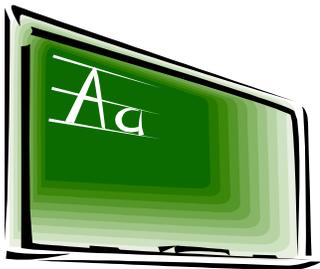
Mailbox Rules

The Architectural Control Committee wants all residents to take a look at their mailbox this month. Is the black paint peeling off? Is the box number in three inch high reflective lettering? Is the unpainted wooden post in good condition? Is the mailbox leaning significantly? If the answer to any of these questions was yes, you need to make repairs to your mailbox. The ACC will be doing a survey of the neighborhood in the next month and will be sending notices to residents whose mailbox does not conform to the stated norms. This is a simple way to keep our neighborhood looking neat and upscale and we ask your assistance in making sure your mailbox looks good.

Outdoor Watering Restrictions

Columbia County continues under Phase I of its watering restrictions. Specifically, if your address ends in an even number, you can water outdoors on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. If your address ends in an odd number, you can water outdoors on Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday. No outdoor watering is allowed on Mondays.

Our subdivision and common areas are considered even addresses so our sprinklers should be on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. If you see a problem with one of our sprinkler systems, contact Larry Beran (larryb@rivershyre.org) at 869-8840 or Dan Johnson (danj@rivershyre.org) to report the problem.



Rivershyre Home Sales Update

This monthly newsletter item will include 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 Meybohm Realtors. If you have any questions about this information, please contact Philip or Sharon at 833-HOME.

Active Listings as of 7/20/04

1210 Oakton Trail	\$177,630
2032 Edenton Trail	\$239,900
2002 Rivershyre Drive	\$203,900

Pending Sales as of 7/20/04

1135 Rivershyre Drive
1215 Oakton Trail
1158 Parkside Trail
1155 Parkside Trail
1203 Oakton Trail

Sold Properties 4/15/03 – 7/20/04

1185 Oakton Trail	\$195,150
1171 Claridge Trail	\$179,900
1209 Oakton Trail	\$203,900

Sales in Last Six Months

Average Size Home	2633 sq.ft.
Average Sales Price	\$194,778
Average Dollars per sq.ft.	\$73.97
Average Days on Market	46 days

Columbia County Customer Service

Need Columbia County's help on something? Don't know where to find a county office or service? Call their Customer Service number – **868-3375**. It is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. You can also visit their website at: http://www.columbia.ga.us/Emergency_Services/Customer_Service/citizeninfo.html. There is an online form to submit questions or requests there as well.