



The Village Crier

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

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A Message from the Association President

Hi everyone,

School is finally back in session! But as we all begin to resume our busy schedules, I'd like to take the time to share with you some of the events that have occurred in the neighborhood this past month, and to also pass on a few reminders concerning those events that are approaching fast.

Recently, you should have received notification of the upcoming Annual Neighborhood Association Meeting. This important event will occur at 7:00pm on Tuesday the 21st of September. A number of important issues will be discussed at this meeting including a review of this year's budget, the selection of the 2011 neighborhood budget, nominations of new board members, discussions by committee members, and a presentation and discussion of possible options for volunteering or paying additional homeowner dues. Please, if your calendar permits the opportunity, we would like to see you and hear your opinions at this meeting.

We still have a few boats down at Hardy Lake that have not been properly secured or claimed by neighbors. We can only assume after a few months of attempting to locate the owners of these vessels that they are abandoned property. If you own a canoe or boat down at the lake and have not secured it with a locking device, we ask that you do so as soon as possible. Unfortunately, if this is not done, the property will be disposed of – either removed or possibly auctioned off.

Just a reminder to our homeowners: boats, jet skies, trailers, etc, are allowed to be parked in driveways for 48 hours for the purpose of loading, unloading, cleaning, and other similar activities. After this period of time, the item(s) need to be parked behind a fence, in the garage, or somewhere outside of the neighborhood.

I would like to thank Kathryn Barrett for her efforts in updating the Neighborhood Directory. It has been three years since the last edition and there has been a number of families join our community and/or move out of the neighborhood.

A big thanks to this year's pool committee and the folks who volunteered their time down at the pool. Compared to recent years, we have had a notable increase in membership this summer. From Friday Night Movies, to parties and swim

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meets, positive comments were received throughout the season from this year's swimmers. And while right now it may be a few months off (and the last thing that crosses your mind while it is 90+degrees outside), the 3rd Annual Polar Bear Plunge will happen sometime in early January.

During last month's Saturday work day, we had several volunteers donate their time throughout the neighborhood; repainting the metal railings for the nature trail bridge, installing some new pieces to the playground, and cutting back brush along parts of the nature area. In turn, each of these efforts enhance the appearance and functionality of our neighborhood and ultimately save our homeowners \$\$\$\$\$. If you should see Al Russo, Bill Rutledge, Mike Amerson and Dick Huskin, please take the time to thank them for volunteering their time and hard work.

Thanks again to everyone who continues to make Rivershyre a special place to live.

T.M. Weisz
RCA President

October 30th will be our annual Halloween parade and pizza party! There will be prizes for best costume in each age category. Look for more info in October's newsletter. Please RSVP to Joanie Bryant at 706-863-2931 by October 26th. (We have to know how many pizzas to buy)

Babysitters Listing

If you would like to add your name to the list, send an email to: babysitter@rivershyre.org.

Include your name and phone number.

~ Rivershyre Yard of the Month ~

Rivershyre's seventy-second Yard of the Month can be found at **1148 Oakton 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 ~

Labor Day

Monday, September 6th

Newsletter articles are due by the 20th of each month. Drop them by 1116 Rivershyre Drive or email them to: 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 8/16/2010

1081 Rivershyre Court	\$210,000
1087 Severn Drive	\$239,000
1165 Parkside Trail	\$189,900
1182 Oakton Trail	\$262,395
1192 Newport Trail	\$277,900
1189 Rivershyre Drive	\$230,000
1134 Rivershyre Drive	\$185,900

Sold Properties 3/16/2010 – 8/16/2010

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

Pending Sales as of 8/16/2010

1180 Oakton Trail

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 th Monday, 7:30 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, 7:30 pm
Pool	3 rd Thursday, 7:30 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.

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!!!

It's hard to believe that school has started, the month of August is over, College Football is about to begin (YAY – SEC!!) and the Pool Season is about to end. Labor Day, September 6th, will be the last day you will be able to enjoy Rivershyre's great pool. During Labor Day weekend, everyone that is a resident of Rivershyre may enjoy the pool. So come on down and see what you've been missing!! Also, don't forget to use up your concession stand cards. They expire on September 6th and there will be no credits or refunds.

We had a great time and great turnout with the Friday Night Float Movie Nights. August 27th, was our last movie for the season entertaining us with "Diary of a Wimpy Kid". We will certainly continue movie nights during the 2011 Pool Season. Any movie suggestions or any other ideas of how we can improve our neighborhood pool would be greatly appreciated.

During the 2010 pool season, the Pool Committee made much needed improvements and many more need to be done. Some of the improvements were the lights on the top of the veranda, new gas grills, lounge chairs were repaired and cleaned, blinds in the pool house windows and this is just a few – there are too many to list. Most of these improvements were done by the Pool Committee and other volunteers from our neighborhood. Please take the time to give the following people a BIG thank you: Jeanna and Scott Baggott, Tracey Hogue, Tom Mulherin, Holly Bullock, Laura Higgins, T.M. Weisz, Dick Huskin, and Tim Taylor. Without these people, our pool would not be one of the best, if not THE best in this area. Also, worth mentioning is that Dick Huskin and Tim Taylor give up a lot of their time and talents to keep our pool running and in good repair throughout the year – yes, even during the Winter months. Many thanks go to our Pool Attendants

too!! Please give a big hand to our attendants: Bryan Armstrong, Emily Weisz, Tyler Jarrad, Larry Hogue, Jen Norland, Amy Penton, Rick Mersereau and Brandon Shay. They did a great job!!!

Last but not least, "THANK YOU" to all the families that joined our pool during the 2010 season. We ended up with 109 pool memberships!! We hope you enjoyed the pool and will return next year. Oh yeah.....don't forget the Polar Bear Plunge!! This will happen after the New Year and each year we have more and more people come down. Either they are one of the brave ones jumping in the frigid water or one of the bystanders watching all you crazy "polar bears" that do jump in!!

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	

Other Committee/Activity Updates

Neighborhood Watch & Safety



In August we were invited to attend **Columbia County Sherriff's Department's National Night Out** program for Neighborhood Watch program leaders. We met employees from various sections of the Sherriff's Department. The speakers were from the 911 Emergency Call Center, Criminal Investigations, Special Operations Division which included the Traffic Unit, Motorcycle and Bicycle Patrol, as well as the K-9 Division. It was very interesting finding out what was going on in other neighborhoods.

Rivershyre has been very fortunate with the Lock it or Loose It Program. A lot of the other neighborhoods continue to have problems with people entering unlocked vehicles and stealing various items. We have not had an incident since last fall. Thank you all for keeping your vehicles locked!!! We have had only one since that time. It was a locked commercial truck where power tools were taken. We were also the only ones that had an emergency contact phone and email list. I bragged on the assistance that we have received from Phil Alexander and his employees with the **Calling Post**. It really paid off when we had the burglars running loose in the neighborhood several months ago!

We are very lucky to have the speed humps. It is getting to be very difficult for the other neighborhoods to get them. Thank you, Bill and Joyce Rabb for getting that done while you were over the Neighborhood Watch and Safety Committee.

I will have several brochures at the Neighborhood Annual Meeting covering numerous topics that you may find of interest.

This past month school started back. I need to

remind everyone to look out for the children as they are getting on and off of the school buses. Several dogs have been running loose in the neighborhood throughout the day and night. Dog owners, please remember they are supposed to be confined to your yard unless you are walking them on a leash. You are responsible to maintain them under your control. Walkers and bicycle riders, please make sure that you can be seen by wearing reflective clothing or having a flash light.

This month we have had a few incidents to report. Someone kicked in a door to an outside storage room and stole power tools. We also had someone banging on a door around 4 AM. When the family looked out, they saw the person looking into their car windows. When they yelled out to him, he claimed that he saw someone run into their home. They did call the Sherriff's Department. They were not able to catch him. Hopefully this is an isolated incident.

Remember if you see any suspicious people in the neighborhood, day or night call the Sherriff's Department at 706-541-2800. If you feel it's an emergency, call 911! We can stay safe by watching out for each other. That is what Neighborhood Watch and Safety is all about!

We are always looking for volunteers. Ideally, we should have one person on each street as a member. If you are interested, please email me at kbarrett29@comcast.net. We meet the fourth Thursday of each month at the Club House at 7 PM.

New to the neighborhood or have a new phone number or email address? Please be sure to email me your information at kbarrett29@comcast.net.

