



# The Village Crier

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

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# You're Invited!



## It's time for our annual Halloween Parade and Pizza Dinner!



**When:** Saturday October 27<sup>th</sup>  
**Where:** Clubhouse  
**Time:** Parade to start at 5pm sharp  
**Cost:** \$3 per family to be paid by October 25<sup>th</sup>  
**Payment to be dropped off to 1203 Oakton Trail after 5pm weekdays or week-ends**

*Please note: we are only ordering enough pizza for those who pre-pay. If you have not prepaid there will not be any pizza available for you.*

Don't forget to come dressed in your favorite costume. Dress up your bikes, trikes, strollers etc and join in the parade!

Questions??? please call Joanie at 706 863 2931

### Important Trick-or-Treat Safety Tips:

1. **Have adult supervision.** Accompany your kids if you don't think they're old enough to trick-or-treat on their own. Or if they're old enough to trick-or-treat without an adult, tell your kids to stay in a group.
2. **Stay outside.** Make sure your kids don't go inside someone's house. They can get their candy from the porch.
3. **Remain visible.** Dress your kids in a bright costume so others can see them. If their costume is dark, have your kids wear reflective strips or carry a glow stick or flashlight.
4. **Quality-check treats.** Check your kids' candy before they eat it. Throw out any candy that is not in its original wrapper or looks like it has been tampered with.



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Babysitters  
Listing

If you would like to add  
your name to the list,  
send an email to:  
[newsletter@rivershyre.org](mailto:newsletter@rivershyre.org).

Include your name and  
phone number.

**Baby Sitter / Yard Work List**

<u>Names</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Sitter</u>	<u>Yard Wk</u>
Kristen Beasley	706-993-5865	X	
Sohailla Digsby	706-421-6168	X (day hrs)	
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	706-955-9968	X	X
Wesley Valentin	706-955-9968	X	X
Victoria Valentin	706-955-9968	X	
Catherine Weisz	706-228-7314	X	
Leah Haney	706-868-7429	X	
Christy Shay	706-210-9034	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	
Eleida Tyler	706-228-5730	X	
Mclain Lambert	706-726-6113	X	



~ **Rivershyre Yard of the Month** ~

Rivershyre's ninety-sixth Yard of the Month can be found at **1154 Parkside 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** ~

Boss's Day	Tuesday, October 16 <sup>th</sup>
Rivershyre Halloween Parade & Dinner	Saturday, October 27 <sup>th</sup>
Halloween	Wednesday, October 31 <sup>st</sup>

**HAPPY HALLOWEEN AND BE SAFE!**

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).



**2012 Board of Directors**

**Committee Chairpersons**

Open	President
Open	Vice President
Michael Nehlsen	Secretary
T.M. Weisz	Treasurer
Kathryn and Tim Barrett, Mike Amerson, Ziad Husein, Kay Russo, Jack Bryant, Scott Baggot	Members

Architectural Control	Open
By-Laws & Nominating	Dick Huskin
Finance	T.M. Weisz
Grounds & Lake	Open
Neighborhood Watch & Safety	Kathryn Barrett
Pool	Open
Social & Welcome	Open

**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 8/21/2012**

1102 Rivershyre Drive	\$233,900
1134 Rivershyre Drive	\$185,900
1105 Rivershyre Drive	\$199,900
1189 Newport Trail	\$214,900
1172 Dartmore Trail	\$189,500
1138 Parkside Trail	\$159,900
1156 Oakton Trail	\$209,900
1107 Rivershyre Drive	\$238,900
1162 Oakton Trail	\$199,900
1209 Oakton Trail	\$249,700

**Sold Properties 4/1/2012 – 9/17/2012**

1213 Oakton Trail	\$211,000
1206 Newport Trail	\$194,000
1196 Rivershyre Drive	\$259,900
1087 Severn Drive	\$185,000
1171 Parkside Trail	\$179,900

**Pending Sales as of 9/17/2012**

2015 Rivershyre Drive	\$224,586
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**Average Sales for Previous 6 Months**

Average Home Size	2687 sq/ft
Average Sales Price	\$205,960
Average Dollar per Sq. Ft.	\$76.66
Average Days on the Market	184.4

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 706-854-0229. 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

### Neighborhood Watch & Safety



Fall is officially here! Starting October 1 you will be allowed to burn your excess leaves and yard debris. Please be sure to call **1-877-OK2-BURN** or get your permit on the internet at [www.Gatrees.org](http://www.Gatrees.org). Please remember not to leave your fire unattended and to have it out by dark. Make sure that the coals are out.

**Neighborhood Watch and Safety** will be giving out glow sticks at various homes in the neighborhood on **Halloween Night**. Please make sure that your children are carrying flashlights or have reflective clothing. We want to make sure that they are visible while they are trick-or-treating. If you have a dog, please make sure that they are inside your house or in a fenced yard.

For children with food allergies, there is a **FOOD FREE HALLOWEEN EVENT** on October 31 from 3:00 to 5:30 pm at GHSU Health Sciences Building, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> floors. There will be goodies of non food items for the kids who can't eat sweets due to dietary restrictions. Call **GHSU College of Nursing at 706-721-2451**. There is also a website you might want to go to [www.augusta.food.allergy.org](http://www.augusta.food.allergy.org) for more information.

We have had complaints about dogs running loose in the neighborhood again. One of them actually entered a garage and tore open a bag of fertilizer and scattered it everywhere. If you see a dog unaccompanied by its owner, please call **Animal Control at 706-541-4077**. They want to know about it, even if occurs when they are closed. They will talk with the owner of the dog. We have had several reported in the past. Some of the dogs had not had their rabies shots.

If you are walking in the **Nature Area**, please wear orange and take your cell phone. We had several

people who thought they could go deer hunting there and on Columbia County property last year. No one has permission from the **Columbia County Commissioners Office**, the **Water Department**, **Greenspace** or **Rivershyre** to hunt. These people are poaching.

If you see anyone hunting or hear gun shots, please report it to the **Sherriff's Department at 706-541-2800** or to report a poacher call **1-800-241-4113 for the Department of Natural Resource's hotline**.

We are again experiencing people attempting to use the **Nature Area** and **Hardy Lake** when they don't live here. They give the usual "my friend or relative lives here and says I can come down here anytime." They can, but only if that resident they are referring to accompanies them while they are using the areas we all pay for. Otherwise, they are trespassing.

There are a lot of kids riding skateboards in the neighborhood that are not wearing any safety equipment. They should have on a helmet, elbow pads and knee pads. I have seen several fall in the street as well as fly down the hill in the Nature Area. They jump off of the skateboard when they get to the gravel parking lot. Then they go flying over the boulders. Please encourage them to wear the safety gear.

Neighborhood Watch and Safety, as well as other committees are still in need of volunteers. If you are interested in helping, we meet the fourth Thursday of each month at 7 pm. We will not be meeting in November or December due to the holiday dates.

If you are new to the neighborhood or your contact information has changed, please email me at [kbarrett29@comcast.net](mailto:kbarrett29@comcast.net).



## Lawn and Gardening Calendar October

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### **Ornamentals:**

- Spray shrubbery to control tea scale with systemic insecticide.
- Collect leaves for mulch.
- Plant shrubbery and trees.
- Soil test every 2 to 3 years.

### **Turf:**

- Plant rye grass as over-seeding for existing lawns.
- Soil test every 2 to 3 years and lime if required.
- Apply pre-emergence herbicide from winter weed control in early October if not applied in September.

### **Flowers:**

- Divide and transplant day lilies and liriopse.
- Cut back faded annual flowers.
- Plant fall bulbs in late October.
- Dig caladium tubers before frost.
- Plant pansies, violas, ornamental cabbage & kale, mid to late October.

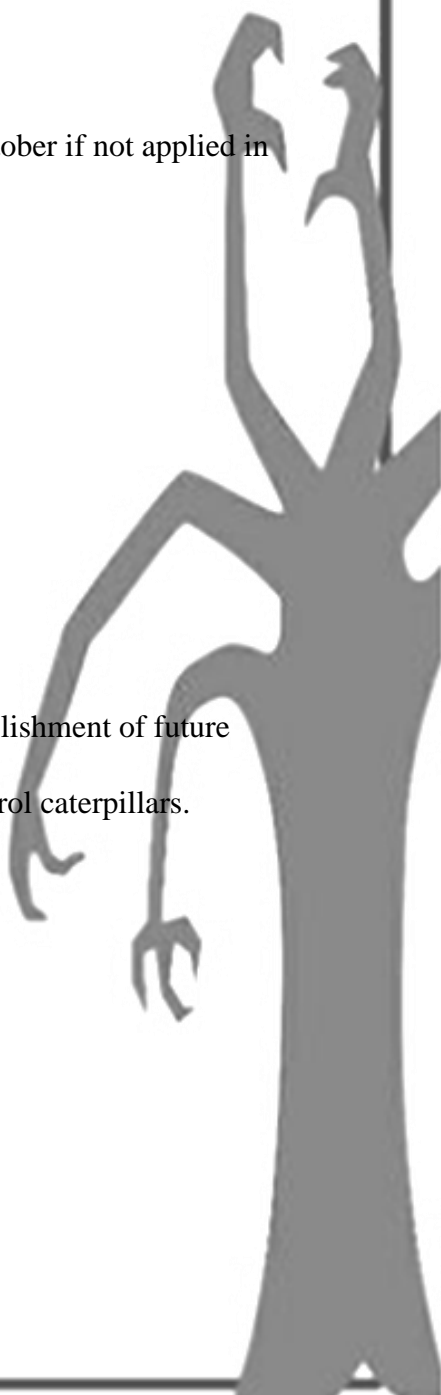
### **Houseplants:**

- Fertilize monthly.

### **Vegetables:**

- Soil test every 2 to 3 years and lime if necessary.
- Destroy old crops as soon as harvest is completed to help reduce establishment of future diseases, insect, and weed problems.
- Spray cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower & collards with thuricide to control caterpillars.
- Begin making compost pile.

### **Fruits and Nuts:**

- Apply lime to fruit trees if needed.
  - DO NOT prune peach and plum trees.
  - Soil test every 2 to 3 years.
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## Daylight Saving Time

On Sunday, November 4 (the first Sunday in November) at 2 a.m., Daylight Saving Time ends in the United States. We "fall back" at 2 a.m. on the first Sunday in November by setting our clock back one hour and thus returning to standard time.

And don't forget to change the batteries in your smoke detectors!

## Last Minute / Easy Gift Ideas

### Bat Costume

#### Materials Needed:

- Black Sweat suit (with hood)
- Black Umbrella
- Black Felt
- Safety Pins or Needle and Thread



#### Instructions:

- Start out by Removing the handle from the umbrella and then cutting the umbrella in half. This will be your bat wings. You will probably have to use some tools or even a saw to disassemble the umbrella.
- Sew or use safety pins to attach the cut edge of the umbrella to the back of the arms of a black sweatshirt. Make sure that there are no sharp edges.
- Cut ears out of black felt and use needle and thread or safety pins to attach the ears to the hood of the sweatshirt.
- If you do not have an umbrella, you can cut mini wings out of felt and pin them in place.

### Bag of Jelly Beans

#### Materials Needed:

- Small colored balloons
- Clear, cellophane wrap
- Colored ribbon



#### Instructions:

- Wear white tights and body suit. Blow up balloons, keeping them small enough that they look like jelly beans. Make a loose bag around your body out of the cellophane. Place the balloons "in the bag" around your body.
- Tie with ribbon loosely around neck (under arms for children or if neck is uncomfortable). Make a sign using cardboard or fabric that says "Jelly Belly the Gourmet Jelly bean" or something similar. Tape or glue sign onto front of "bag".
- **Other idea:** Use a clear garbage bag instead of the cellophane and self-stick letters to spell out jelly beans on the front of the bag.
- **Another idea:** I would suggest actually attaching the balloons to your outfit using safety pins. This would help ensure they stay where you want them!