



The Village Crier

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

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Committee Volunteer Status

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As we noted in last month's newsletter, we need some volunteers to help out on our committees. As of the writing of this newsletter, we have four new volunteers for the Architectural Control Committee, one for the Neighborhood Watch & Safety Committee, and one for the Social & Welcome Committee. Thanks to all of you that expressed interest in supporting the neighborhood by volunteering. But we need more help. Our Association is very strong and we have been an all volunteer organization since it began almost ten years ago. We'd like to keep that going. But if we don't get volunteers to help on our committees, the Board will have to begin looking into hiring a Property Manager for Rivershyre. And the money to pay for this will have to come from each homeowner as **an increase in homeowner's dues of up to \$125** above our current level.

The committees that need help and the number of volunteers that are needed to bring the committee up to a functioning level are shown below:

Architectural Control 1-2 volunteers
(Bill Clark, 860-5192)

Finance 2-3 volunteers
(Holly Bullock, 855-8122)

Grounds & Lake 2-3 volunteers
(Dan Johnson, 651-1603)

Social & Welcome 2-3 volunteers
(Martha Kapfhammer, 650-8766)

Neighborhood Watch & Safety 4-5 volunteers
(Mike Paluba, 651-8779)

Please see if your schedule will permit you to give an hour or so per month to join one of these committees. Call one of the chairpersons noted above to let them know you want to attend their next meeting. The meeting days and times for each committee can be found on page 3 of this newsletter. We'll be letting you know how our volunteer search is going between now and the end of the year. Don't wait for your neighbor to volunteer – call today and volunteer to join a committee.

Thank You!

This month we'd like to say a big THANK YOU to Mr. Mike Plankey. Mike was until recently the long-time Chairman of the Pool Committee. Through Mike's hard work, dedication, and leadership, Rivershyre has one of the best pools of any community in the area. Mike had a lot of help in getting the pool to where it is today but he was the catalyst for making it happen. When you see Mike in the neighborhood, be sure to tell him thanks for all he has done for Rivershyre.

Do you know someone who is making a contribution to our neighborhood that should be recognized? If so, send an email to thankyou@rivershyre.org with a description of this person's contribution and we'll try to put it in the newsletter.

**The Villages of
Rivershyre**

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month.*

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them to: [newsletter@
rivershyre.org](mailto:newsletter@rivershyre.org).*

It'll Be Christmas Before You Know It

Christmas is coming next month and the Social & Welcome Committee is planning lots of fun activities for Rivershyre!

Santa will be visiting Rivershyre again this year! Be sure to mark your calendar for Sunday, December 7th to come to the Clubhouse. Santa will be there from 3:00 pm until 5:00 pm to share cookies and milk and to listen to the little one's Christmas wishes.

There is a \$3.00 fee for each child and each will receive a treat from Santa plus his/her own individual picture. And don't forget --- cookies, cocoa and milk for the whole family!

Reservations will be required so contact Martha at 650-8766 before December 4th. Please call early because the time to talk with Santa fills up pretty quickly.

Ladies Christmas Party

The next fun party is the annual Ladies Christmas Party. This year we will have a Holiday Foods & Gift Exchange. The fun begins at 7:00 pm on Thursday, December 11th at the Clubhouse.

Since this time of the year can be so hectic, the Social & Welcome Committee wants to make life a little easier for the ladies in Rivershyre. We will provide all kinds of goodies for us to eat -- holiday appetizers, desserts and beverages -- and all you have to do is bring a gift for the gift exchange (\$10.00 limit). Just come prepared to have a great time!

RSVP to Kathy @ 863-4154 by December 6th. This has always been an evening of fun and surprises -- you won't want to miss it.

Light Up Rivershyre

Also, returning again this year is our Light Up Rivershyre decorating contest. Our neighborhood looked fantastic in 2002 and choosing the winner was difficult. Start thinking of your decorating ideas now and let's make the judges' job in 2003 even harder! Full details will be printed in the December newsletter.

Social & Welcome Meeting Change

The November meeting of the Social & Welcome Committee will be held in the evening. We are trying to allow residents who work in the daytime to attend our meeting and to help us with ideas. The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 11th at 7:00 pm. The meeting should last about an hour and everyone is welcome to attend!

2003 Board of Directors

Martha Kapfhammer	President
Mike Paluba	Vice President
Bill Clark	Secretary
Ray Jasniecki	Treasurer
Becky Brogan	Asst. Secretary
Holly Bullock	Asst. Treasurer
Bill Ferguson	Member
Randy Stone	Past President

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	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, 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	Bill Clark (Acting)
By-Laws & Nominating	Randy Stone
Finance	Holly Bullock
Grounds & Lake	Dan Johnson
Neighborhood Watch & Safety	Mike Paluba
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.

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 \$50.00 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 at: www.rivershyre.org/clubhouse.

*** Calendar of Events ***

Veteran's Day	Tuesday, November 11 th
Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 27 th
Cookies with Santa	Sunday, December 7 th , 3:00 to 5:00 pm at the Clubhouse
Ladies Christmas Party	Thursday, December 11 th , 7:00 pm at the Clubhouse
Light Up Rivershyre	December (Date for Judging TBA)

Road Repairs

You may have noticed that the **potholes** (some might say craters) on Severn Drive were recently repaired. There are a few more places on our streets that need the county's attention. If you know of a street problem that needs repair, please take a minute to call to report these problems. Contact the Columbia County Customer Service and Information Center at 863-3375 or better yet call the Roads and Bridges Department directly at 541-1143.

Calling All Old Files

Over the years, many of our residents have been involved in the management of our neighborhood either by serving on the Board of Directors or by working with a committee. If you have some old files from your past involvement with the Board or a committee, please let us know. We are collecting and filing these historical documents. If you have any, please call Bill Clark at 860-5192 or Martha Kapfhammer at 650-8766 and we'll take them off your hands.

Watch Out for Deer

Its fall and the deer are out. Many have been seen running through Rivershyre early in the morning and late in the evening. Please use caution not only in Rivershyre but also on local roads as a good number of deer have also been seen on Hardy-McManus Road and Fury's Ferry Road.

Help Us Keep the New Directory Up To Date

In an effort to keep our neighborhood directory current, we are asking for all Rivershyre residents' help. If you are new to the neighborhood or if you have a new neighbor, please call either Jeanna (868-7169) or Martha (650-8766). They will get the correct information and be sure it is updated in our computer database. Have a new phone number or a new baby -- they want that info too!

Committee Meeting Schedules

Please note that with the holidays coming up some Rivershyre committees may reschedule their monthly meetings. If you wish to join a committee, please contact the chairperson for that committee to verify when their next meeting will be.

Report Suspicious Activities

If you see something suspicious going on in Rivershyre, please report it. You can contact the Columbia County Sheriff's Office Dispatcher at 541-2800 for non-emergencies.

New to the Area?

Contact Ruth Pearl (650-1400), hospitality chairwoman of the Augusta Newcomers Club. The purpose of the club is to offer friendship and to help acclimate residents new to the community. A monthly coffee is held on the first Tuesday of each month as well as a monthly luncheon with special programs held every third Thursday of the month. Contact Ruth for more information.

Honor Our Veterans

Tuesday, November 11 is Veteran's Day. Please take time to thank our veterans and active military for the sacrifices they have made to defend our freedom and way of life.