

LAKE NEWS

Riverbend Lakes Quarterly Newsletter
January 2003 Issue

2003 Homeowners Association Board

President	
Dan Day	763-9207
Vice President	
Juli Jenkins	766-5710
Treasurer	
Ernie Hill	766-5912
Secretary	
John Pardue	761-1916

Annual Meeting

The 2002 Riverbend Lakes Homeowners Association (RLHA) annual meeting was held on **Sunday, November 3, 2002** at the **Catholic Deaf Center on Brightside Drive**. We had a small turn out but got a lot accomplished. The business meeting included a review of 2002, summary of budget information, dues and outlook for 2003, and new board members elections were held.

Brightside Development

Developers are approaching the Metro Council and requesting the area before the railroad tracks to the left be re-zoned for HIGH Density Residences. They wish to build another apartment complex at that intersection. Members of our board will follow this matter closely and keep you posted. Please get involved.

Notes from the Treasurer

Dues collection begins for 2003. Our treasurer will be sending out letters to all current lot & home owners. Assessments and operating the budget requires all lot owners in 1st, 2nd & 4th filing per the **Acts & Restrictions of Riverbend Lakes** section 6.1 to pay \$75. The amount was proposed and agreed upon at the Annual meeting held in November.

All 2003 payments **are due January 31, 2003.**

Please make checks payable to:
Riverbend Lakes Homeowners Association

Send/drop payments to:
Ernie Hill
5811 Riverbend Lakes
Baton Rouge, LA 70820

Please see last page for invoice slip to submit with dues payment.



Message from the Board

There were many positions on the board that needed to be filled at the November meeting. Delightfully, we can say all positions have been filled and we have a large and very active board that has committed to meeting at least once month to address the concerns of our residents. Ultimately, we hope to continue to make this a great and desirable place to live and raise a family. Residents are welcome to attend these meetings. Feel free to contact any board member to voice your concerns or share your ideas. We look forward to working together as we start the new year.

Please know that we are still looking for volunteers to assist with social event planning and coordination. If you are interested, please call Juli Jenkins at 766-5710. This can be a great way to meet your new neighbors. The more the merrier.

The Board also wants to both recognize and say thank you to Francisco Gudiel & Arlene Coreil for serving on the board for three years in various positions. We look forward to passing the torch and moving forward with our newly elected members. Thanks again to you both for your contributions.



For your Info

Many of us have been wondering what will be going on the property adjacent to the fire station at our entrance of Riverbend. LSU has cleared the property, but they have done so with no defined purpose for the land, say sources at LSU. Therefore, it was merely cleared to aid with the additional drainage system installed recently. Other than that nothing has been determined, budgeted or planned to go on that property in the near future. Thought those of you who were curious like me might like to know.

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Calendar of upcoming events

February-

2/12 - Board Mtg 7:30 pm (Jenkins Home)

March-

3/12 - Board Mtg 7:30 pm (Jenkins Home)

April-

4/ 9 - Board Mtg 7:30 pm (Jenkins Home)
TBA - Easter in the Park

May-

5/14 - Board Mtg 7:30 pm (Jenkins Home)



Mark your calendars and we look forward to seeing you there.

Halloween Thank You's

Special thanks to the Mire, Falgoust & Hill families for planning & rescheduling the Halloween Festivities. I think it was our best turn out yet. Feedback suggests that having it on Halloween night may be the way to go in the years to come. Thanks for feeding our kids more than just candy.

We appreciate you making it work!

Board Meeting Topics for February 12, 2003

- Complete Review of 2002 Dues
- Status of 2003 Invoices for Dues Payment
- Negotiations with Hartley Vey on Common Area
- Needed road repairs - 12 Oaks
- Construction trash in our area
- Street signs in our areas (leaning)
- Cul-de sac maintenance in 4th filing
- Cell phone signal availability
- Cable availability in 4th filing
- Newcomer package feedback

Please join us - your input is important!

Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of every month

They will be held at 7:30PM

at Jenkins residence: 6041 Hope Estate Drive



Need-a-Stork?

New addition arrived? Let us share the news with the neighbors. Our adorable stork is available. Please contact Troy & Cathy Sicard at 769-8774. They will deliver the stork to your yard.

Need Volunteers - Easter

Those who enjoyed Easter in the Park with us last year, I am requesting your help. We have a job to do by making this years activities even better. I need a committee to assist me with the many things that will need to take place to make this a successful day for all who join us. We want to make memories and I am confident that I have some neighbors with great ideas. I need you to share them with me through volunteering to help this year.

Peter Cottontail???

Easter is quickly approaching and we all need to pull out those Easter baskets soon. We are working to give our kids one more chance to use them. We hope that you and your family will join us in the BREC park for an early Spring picnic & Easter Egg Hunt.

Peter Cottontail and his volunteers are planning to drop eggs for kids of all ages. Please plan to join us in the park. Peter is looking for volunteers to get eggs ready and to assist in hiding prior to the hunt. Please contact Dan Day ASAP to volunteer your services. This is not a job Peter can do alone and he realizes that. Our goal is to make this fun for our kids and the adults as well. We are open to ideas. Feel free to share those you have seen that work in other organizations. Your input is greatly appreciated. Happy Easter and welcome spring time.



Streetlight Repairs

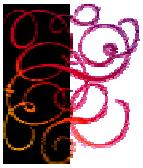
If you have a streetlight in need of repair or bulb replacement please contact

PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.

CITY SOUTH MAINTENANCE

389-3246

STACY FORESTER is the contact. Tell her the address / location of the streetlight in need of attention.



Riverbend Lakes

WEB SITE NEWS

Our web site address is:

<http://www.riverbendlakes.org>

Look for current updates online.



Map Included

The colored map clearly shows the breakdown of the filings within our neighborhood. On the opposite side is a current list of Board Members. These members will be happy to voice any concerns or ideas you may have and would like the Board to consider. I hope the map helps you to better understand issues that may be discussed in upcoming issues of your newsletter. Therefore, you may wish to retain it as reference material. We are still working to have the 3rd Filing join the Association and feel confident that it will happen this year. We will keep you posted on the status of that transition.

RLHA Web Site Update

The limited directory is available on-line, but it is password protected and should be used by our residents only. The site will allow you to sort the information by one of the following: lot number, street name, or last name. The information includes your last name, first names of you and your spouse if applicable, phone number, lot number, street address and email address.

username: *

password: *

This is required to access this section of the web site.

We are always working to keep this updated and your help is greatly appreciated. There are many new residents and we would like your information to be included in our directory.

Restriction Highlights

Our goal is an aesthetically pleasing neighborhood with property values being retained by all who live here. This means that we need to revisit and insure that we all adhere to our subdivision restrictions. If you have an issue or need a copy of the restrictions please visit our web site. Call Dan Day, RLHA President, to discuss questions or concerns you may have. Dan's # is 763-9207.

Per Article 3.12- Fences

All fencing material must be wood, brick, stucco, or wrought iron, unless otherwise approved by the Council. This article includes materials used to construct fences for dogs or other pets. Fencing using any other materials will require board approval prior to installation.

Per Article 3.2- Improvements

No resident, building, fence, wall, or structure shall be erected nor changed or altered in any kind until the plans and specs reflecting the kind, shape, height, materials, floor plan, elevations, exterior color schemes, etc. . . have been submitted and approved in writing by a majority vote of the Council.

Per Article 3.22- Mailboxes

All mailboxes must be of the same design, material, and paint color. See contact information on back page of this newsletter.

What you will see online

Home Owners Info

- Calendar of Events
- Resident Directory
- Helpful Contacts
- Newsletters
- Filing maps
- Acts of Restrictions

Information Center

Links you may enjoy exploring

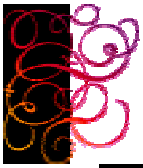
Please remember this site has been designed for personal use of the residents of Riverbend Lakes.



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Riverbend Lakes

Pampered Chef Fans

Our neighbor, Lori Harvey, can help you. To request a current catalog or place an order call 769-8912.

SPECIAL OFFER for Riverbend Lakes Residents: 10% off your first order

Lori is also available to assist you in hosting a friendly get together. Enjoy lots of fun, good food and gadgets at the same time.

Pampered Chef Representative
Lori Harvey, 769-8912
6341 Riverbend Lakes Drive
loriharvey305491@aol.com

HEY MOMS

Are your photos in boxes?

It's time to get your photos out of that box and into an album. There are ways to create simple pages and complete albums in a reasonable time frame. A Creative Memories contact is in your area to help you. Dedicate one Friday night per month from 6 to 11 and see what we can accomplish together. If you would like to join the group or get more information, contact Juli at 766-5710.

BOARD REFERENCE

All Board Members and others are volunteers, not paid employees of the Association. When you contact these residents, please remember they are volunteering their time to serve Riverbend Lakes residents.

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President	Dan Day	763-9207
Vice President	Juli Jenkins	766-5710
Treasurer	Ernie Hill	766-5912
Secretary	John Pardue	761-1916
Other Members	Robert Bond	761-2836
	Kay Callander	767-7087
	Steve Farho	819-8989

Committees:

Arch Control	Francisco Gudiel	769-6269
Security	Todd Scioneaux	761-1641
Security Back up	Joey Nolan	769-2460
Web Site	David Jenkins	766-5710
Newsletter	Juli Jenkins	766-5710
Need-A-Stork	Troy Sicard	769-8774

Block Chairpersons:

	Kelli Day	763-9207
<i>New</i>	Meredith Moe	761-4064
<i>positions to</i>	Debbie Scott	763-6290
<i>welcome our</i>	Patrick Goldsmith	766-0330
<i>newcomers</i>	Kay Callander	767-7087



New to the Neighborhood?

If you are new to the area and need a copy of the welcome package from your Home Owners Association, please contact Meredith Moe at 761-4064 or visit our web site for more information. Some valuable information & coupons inside.

Call Today!



OTHER NUMBERS

Local contacts you may find useful:

Fire, Rescue	911 Emergency
Police	389-3831
Animal Control	774-7700
Poison Control	1-800-256-9822
Call before you Dig	1-800-272-3020
Entergy	1-800-368-3749
BellSouth	1-557-6111 residential
Waste Management	389-3254
Parish Water	925-2011
Cox Cable	1-800-794-2635
Streetlight Repairs	389-3246
Integrity Mailboxes	763-9400

2003 RIVERBEND LAKES HOME OWNERS DUES INVOICE

Annual dues for 2003 assessments and operating budget requires all lot owners in 1st, 2nd& 4th filing per the **Acts & Restrictions of Riverbend Lakes** section 6.1 **to pay \$75**. All payments **are due by Jan 31st**. If you have paid your dues we thank you and others are encouraged to do so promptly. Please make checks payable to: **Riverbend Lakes Home Owners Association**

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____ Lot Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Send/drop payments to: **Ernie Hill 5811 Riverbend Lakes Baton Rouge, LA 70820**

