

Lake News

Riverbend Lakes Quarterly Newsletter
Third Quarter 2004 Issue

2004 Homeowner's Association Board
President
Dan Day 763-9207
Out-going Vice President
Juli Jenkins 766-5710
Out-going Treasurer
Ernie Hill 766-5912

Volunteers Needed!

Note to All Residents

Welcome to our newest neighbors. The Board Members are excited that we are quickly approaching a complete build-out of all lots in our area. As we work to serve approximately 220+ homeowners, and the number continues to grow, we find it difficult to keep up with all turnover accurately. Please pardon the inaccuracy of some data if you have not been added to the directory or have not received a welcome package -- please contact a board member ASAP. We will make every attempt to have someone personally contact you about the association and the benefits of our area.

2004 Association Dues

Assessments and operating the budget requires all lot owners per the **Acts & Restrictions of Riverbend Lakes** section 6.1 **to pay \$75. Early payment discount of \$10 for all those who pay in full by March 31st.** This amount was proposed and voted on at the annual meeting November 2003.

2004 payments are **due now or 30 days after you move in for new construction in our area.**

Please make checks payable to:
Riverbend Lakes Homeowner's Association

Mail or drop payments to:
Ernie Hill
5811 Riverbend Lakes
Baton Rouge, LA 70820



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

Block Party/Annual Mtg

Block Party/Annual Mtg will be held Sunday November 14th from 2 – 5PM. Our goal is to exceed last year's attendance of approximately 25% of homeowners joining us for the festivities, food, and fun. There will be spacewalks and the famous jambalya cooked by our very own Rodney Falgoust & Jay Chaisson. Beverages, and deserts will be provided. Door prizes will be awarded only to those in attendance. The Association has accomplished a lot and we are developing a plan for 2005.

We are fortunate to have these active participants. 2004 departing Board members are Ernie Hill, Current Treasurer & Juli Jenkins, current Vice President. Take a moment to recognize and thank those that have volunteered to serve you on the Board whenever you get a chance. We need volunteers to serve on the Board. Please contact Juli Jenkins 766-5710 or Dan Day 763-9207 to discuss interest in actively serving your neighborhood!

Halloween in the Lakes

The tradition continues and we look forward to entertaining more of our neighbors. Please bring the family by for a hotdog and drinks on Sunday, October 31st at 5PM. We will meet on the corner of Westervelt and Riverbend Lakes Drive for some good clean Halloween fun. Come in costume – that goes for the whole family. Start the TRICK or TREATING off right. Make sure to go by the home of Dan Day, current President, for cotton candy. Dan is located on Hope Estates – See you there!

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Note from the Editors:

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Calendar of upcoming events

October –
31st – Halloween Costume Bonfire 5PM

November –
14th – Block Party/Annual Meeting 2-5PM

December –
TBA – Santa on Fire truck in RBL area

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



Board Meetings

The 2004 Riverbend Lakes Homeowner's Association (RLHA) meets monthly to address the concerns presented by our homeowners. We are working toward solutions to these concerns in effort to make the neighborhood a desirable place to live and entertain family and friends. Thank you to all the Board members and their families for their time, assistance, and dedication to our issues. It is appreciated!!!

Please join us - your input is important!
Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday
of every month
They will be held at 7:00PM
Contact a Board Member for location info

Brightside Development

We continue to work closely with a group of folks that monitor and take great interest in smart development along the Brightside corridor. We are constantly monitoring the activities for proposals to rezone any property along Brightside. Pat Culbertson, city Councilman, was on our side when it counted to vote that the development to the right by the railroad tracks at Nicholson intersection be denied street entrance and exit directly onto Brightside. It is proposal that all traffic for that development be routed via Ben Hur road off Nicholson. We will continue to work with groups that have all of our property values in mind as we endeavor to promote smart growth in our area and work to maintain our area and quality of life on the roads we must travel to and from our neighborhood.

Volunteers NEEDED

Board positions open:

Elections to be held on November 14th

Volunteers needed to serve on the board
3 year term

No prior experience necessary

Only a willingness to serve your area
Meetings typically fall the 2nd Wed of each month

Need additional volunteers to serve in positions for members at large given new development in our area and for equal representation

Looking for volunteers to support social activities during the year that can be enjoyed by all our residents.

Remember, if you have ideas for improvements, this is your opportunity to get involved!

All residents are welcome to volunteer – no tenure necessary!

Contact a Board Member to Inquire about volunteering. Nominees and Volunteers will have to be voted on by the homeowners at the Block/Annual party on November 14th!



Need-a-Stork?

New addition arrived? Let us share the news with the neighbors. Our adorable stork is available. Please contact Kelli & Pete Bush at 767-3875. They will deliver the stork to your yard.



MAKS – Moms & Kids Social

New to the area? Another commonly asked question is how do I find other kids the same age as mine? How can I meet new people and learn more about the area? Consider the MAKS. Mommy And Kids Social group is a fun way to socialize with people in our area that have kids like you. Please contact Gretchen Campesi at 766-8892 for more information about the group's activities and schedule of events. I would encourage you to make the call for you and your family. You will not regret it!



Riverbend Lakes

Web site News

Our web site address is:

<http://www.riverbendlakes.org>

Look for current updates online.

A 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: rbl

password: resident

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.

Please email your information to the Riverbend Lakes webmaster contact on the web site or drop a note to the Jenkins' home at 6041 Hope Estate Dr.

What's new Online

Within the Directory Section:

It shows the residence annual dues status by lot owner as of the date indicated on the web page. We encourage you to review the list and if you have any questions please contact our Treasurer, Ernie Hill.

The colored map of our area with the current development has been revised and posted as well. The number of undeveloped lots in our area decreases on a weekly basis. This is a desirable place to live and has enjoyed healthy development over the past year.

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

Security Update

As holidays draw near and many have plans to be out of town, be reminded that you can contact Todd at 761-1641 to have the patrolman pay close attention to your home while you are away. Call Todd prior to your departure and give him basic information such as the dates you will be gone and your address. This will allow you to enjoy your vacation with a little more peace of mind. In addition, we hope you and your family have seen our patrolman going through the area. At the annual meeting the homeowners voted to increase security patrol in our area. We know this is an area of importance to all us. This is another example of your dues at work!



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, RBLHA President, to discuss questions or concerns you may have.

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 nor 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.

Special Note: For Architectural Control matters please contact Franciso Gudiel. The committee meets only once per month and all items for review need to be submitted by the 1st Wednesday of the month or they will be reviewed the following month.



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Note from the Editors:

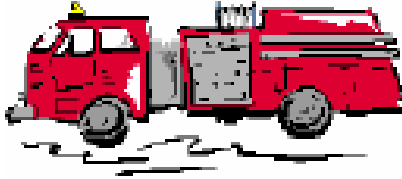
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Riverbend Lakes

Santa will be coming

Santa will be making his return trip to Riverbend Lakes on his big red fire truck in early December. We will have more information to come on that or check the website for map of his route as it gets closer. We will keep you posted.



Wanted – Newsletter Writer

Some of you enjoy the quarterly newsletter brought to you by your homeowners association board members and dues. It is a way to keep up with what is going on in and around your neighborhood. If anyone has interest in writing the newsletter for the coming year please contact Juli Jenkins, 766-5710 for more information.

New to the Neighborhood?

If you are new to the area and need a copy of the welcome package from your Homeowner's Association, please contact Kay Callander at 767-7087 or visit our web site for more information. Valuable information and coupons inside!



BOARD REFERENCE

All Board Members and others are volunteers for the Association. When you contact these residents, please remember they are volunteering their time to serve Riverbend Lakes residents.

2004 Homeowners Association Board:

President	Dan Day	763-9207
Vice President	Juli Jenkins	766-5710
Treasurer	Ernie Hill	766-5912
Other Members	Robert Bond	761-2836
	Kay Callander	767-7087
	David Heroman	768-7860

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	Kelli Bush	767-3875
•MAKS	Gretchen Campesi	766-8892

Block Chairpersons:

	Kelli Day	763-9207
<i>New</i>	Meredith Moe	761-4064
<i>positions to</i>	David Vice	766-8670
<i>welcome our</i>	Patrick Goldsmith	766-0330
<i>newcomers</i>	Kay Callander	767-7087
	Patty Glenn	763-9291

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



2004 Riverbend Lakes Homeowners Dues Invoice

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Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____ Lot Number: _____

Email Address: _____

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