

LAKE NEWS

Riverbend Lakes Quarterly Newsletter
June 2002 Issue

2002 Homeowners Association Board

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Francisco Gudiel -769-6269

Vice President

Juli Jenkins -766-5710

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Ernie Hill -766-5912

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Words from the Board

We hope everyone is enjoying a safe and warm summer thus far. We are pleased to see so many new comers to the area. There has been a spike in new construction sold in the 3rd & 4th filings and many existing homes sold within the 1st and 2nd filings. Let us extend a formal welcome to all of you in the neighborhood. We hope that you will participate and enjoy living in the lakes area as many of our current residents do. Should you have questions or need information on the Home Owners Association please contact our President, Francisco. Take a moment and read over the Quarterly newsletter distributed for the neighborhood events that may interest you and your family. If anyone has items of interest for the newsletter or web site feel free to share that information with us as well. This process works best with input from others. Welcome again to our newcomers and we look forward to meeting you at a neighborhood gathering soon.

Notes from the Treasurer

Dues collection have fallen way behind for 2002. Quite a few lot owners remain unpaid to date. Our treasurer will be sending out letters to those who may have let this slip by so far. As you may recall 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.** All unmade payments **are now past due.** 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.

4th Filing Update

Hip Hip Hooray - We are pleased to share that Hartley Vey & RBLHA have completed the transfer of 4th filing to the Riverbend Lakes Homeowners Association. Welcome to the Association and the benefits being a part of it represents. Some of these benefits include: neighborhood gatherings, security, enforcement of restrictions, upkeep of common grounds around lakes, newsletters & correspondence on important events that will impact our area. Special note: We would like to continue gathering information from all of you to be included in our directory, flyers, and other email correspondences for the coming year. Please furnish your information to **Juli Jenkins** or **Beth Foust**. See *contact information on back page*.

WELCOME



Go Carts/Off Road Vehicles

The members of the Board continue to field numerous complaints of the many go carts, dirt bikes, and 4-wheelers that are not being properly operated on the streets in our area. Reckless operation and complete disregard for traffic signs will no longer be tolerated. Our patrol man will be writing fines to all those they find "improperly operating" these vehicles. Your neighbors are going to be encouraged to take matters to the Sheriff office's traffic division at 389-5000 since this matter persists. Parents, these young drivers are reaching speeds on these vehicles that could result in a fatal accident if there is a wreck. Odds are increasing that there will be one sooner than later if we do not address this matter quickly. Understand that this is for the safety of both your children and ours.



Note from the Editors:

Feel free to provide your comments, contributions, and suggestions to make our newsletter better via email: julindavid@cox.net or call 766-5710. (no calls after 8PM please - do not want to wake the baby)

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS



June-

6/30 July 4th Red White & Blue Parade

See opposite column for additional information.

September-

9/8 End of Summer/Back to School Party

at Brec Park - (we need volunteers)

We plan to join the ants for a picnic.



October-



TBA - Halloween Bonfire & Food Drive Collection

(at the home of Ernie & Kathy Hill)



November-

TBA - Annual RBLHA Meeting

(on LSU Campus)



December-

TBA - Santa visits RBL by fire truck



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 call Francisco Gudiel, RBL President at 769-6269.

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.

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 & paint color. Specs, prices and place to purchase is available from the Council.

Per Article 4.5-Political Signs In Yard

These types of signs are prohibited in our area.

Please refer to your restrictions for other information.



Patriotic Parade

July 4th is a day to be celebrated and we would like to see our kids join together for our First Red White & Blue Parade. We hope that you and your family will join us for the festivities. Parading & picnicking are all part of the fun.

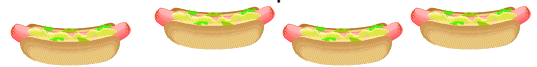
How do you participate?

Have your kids decorate their wagons, tricycles, scooters or other non-motorized vehicles in a red white & blue theme or just ride. **NO GO-CARTS PLEASE.**

When & Where to meet?

Sunday, June 30th 4:45PM at corner of Bon Sejour and Riverbend Lakes we will line up for our parade. We will parade up Riverbend Lakes to the entrance of the park. Once we arrive there we will enjoy our picnic of hotdogs, drinks, and desserts from approximately 5:15PM - 7PM.

The Board is looking for other volunteers to assist in coordinating this event. Please contact Juli Jenkins ASAP to volunteer any services. Home # 766-5710 or email to: julindavid@cox.net Have a safe holiday if you can not join us and we will look for you at our next event in September.



Board Elections Coming

We have many spots that need to be filled on the Homeowners Association Board in November.

Please give thought to volunteering to represent your area. We will need lake lot representation and 4th filing members as well to appropriately represent all parties interest on the board.

This is a 3 year term.

**Please call Francisco
769-6269
to place your name on
the ballot for November
Annual Meeting.**



Riverbend Lakes

WEB SITE NEWS

Our web site address is:

<http://www.riverbendlakes.org>

Look for current updates online.



Web Site Technical Difficulties

The limited directory is available on-line through the web site address 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 currently experiencing problems with accessing this section and have a trouble ticket logged with our host. We are working to have it restored promptly.

Swimming Pool Safety

This is a special column dedicated to those homeowners who have a swimming pool. Please protect your children and others by following a few safety tips:

- Learn to perform CPR
- Never leave young children unattended by pool. If any child is missing, check the pool first.
- Enclose the pool area with a fence that has self-closing, self-locking gate.
- Establish rules that neighboring children should not swim in the pool when homeowners are not at home.
- Make sure interior doors leading to the pool are locked at all times.
- Keep toys away from the pool when not in use.
- Keep basic life saving equipment near the pool.
- Never swim with threatening weather in the area.

Better to be safe than sorry - I think we all would agree.

Enjoy your pool and your children this summer.



What you will see online

Home Owners Info

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

Association

- Board Members
- Annual Home Owners Meeting
- Board Meeting Minutes
- Treasury report
- By Laws

Information Center

- Links you may enjoy exploring

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

Annual Meeting Agenda (thus far)

- Board Member Elections
- Activities Update
- Beavers (maintenance expense - Riverbrook area)
- Fountains to be considered in the lakes (maintenance, interest, costs, etc)
- Annual Budget
- Vote on annual events to be sponsored by Board

Please join us - your input is important to us!

Need-a-Stork?

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

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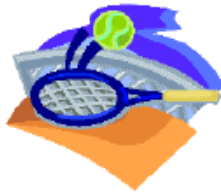
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BREC Park News

Hip Hip Hooray - We are pleased to share that BREC has put our neighborhood park on the maintenance list to have the tennis courts repainted. Attention parents, there have been some recent incidents with children attempting to start fires on the tennis courts in our park area. Please make sure your children are aware of the dangers that represents to both themselves and all of us in the neighborhood should something go wrong. We appreciate your immediate attention in this matter and we look forward to a great summer on the courts. Hope to see you in the park.



DIRECTORY Welcome to RBL

If you are new to the area and need a copy of the neighborhood directory and a welcome package from your Home Owners Association, please contact Beth Foust at 767-3043 or visit our website for more information.

<http://www.riverbendlakes.org>

Word of THANKS



Big Thanks to Kay Calendar & Donna for giving the landscaping at our entrance gates of the Lakes the TLC it needed. We can read the sign again thanks to these ladies. Thanks for your hard work. We appreciate your initiative and truly benefit from your hard work every time we drive through those gates to our homes.



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 own time to serve Riverbend Lakes residents.

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Treasurer	Ernie Hill	766-5912
Secretary	Arlene Coreil	767-8014
Other Members	Jeff Mire	767-5640
	Seth Dawson	757-1948

Committees:

Directory Info	Beth Foust	767-3043
Web Site	David Jenkins	766-5710
Newsletter	Juli Jenkins	766-5710
Need-A-Stork	Troy Sicard	769-8774



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

2002 RIVERBEND LAKES HOME OWNERS DUES INVOICE

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Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____ Lot Number: _____

Email Address: _____

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