

River Bend The Link

Riverbend Homeowners' Association
of Baton Rouge, Inc.

NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

This has been a very successful year for your Riverbend Homeowners' Association. We have approximately ten percent (10%) more residents as members than we had last year and membership is at a level that we have not seen for at least five years. Thanks to all of those residents who care enough about their neighborhood to join the Association and make sure that the grass gets cut, the shrubs maintained and security is provided.

The paving job is finally complete. We know that it was a long and for some of us a very inconvenient process; however, kudos to the City/Parish for making sure that the job was first class and no corners were cut. This repaving should last for ten years. If you have any questions or problems with the repaving please call Citizens Service at 389-3090.

There have been several complaints of pets that are running around the neighborhood, attacking and in some cases killing other pets. It is just a matter of time before an attack occurs on one of our children. We ask residents to call Animal Control and report any pet that is roaming the neighborhood. Pets must be kept in a fenced yard or on a leash.

The Homeowner's Association would also like to take this opportunity to remind every resident that as per our subdivision restrictions repeatedly parking vehicles on the street or leaving vehicles parked on the street for an extended period of time is not allowed. This is a rare occurrence, but when it does occur it detracts from the appearance of the entire street.

We are looking into replacing and/or enhancing the landscaping in front of the brick wall along Brightside Drive. Volunteers to draw up plans or help with the work would be most appreciated. If you would like to help, call Phil Jones at 769-7118. In addition, we are still seeking cost estimates to light the oak trees on the median of Riverbend Blvd. If any resident has any special expertise with regard to this type of work and would like to help on this project call Phil Jones at 769-7118.

Unfortunately, we had to cancel this years New Year's Eve party due to a lack of volunteers. Monies that were allocated toward the party will be reserved for the party at the end of this year. Hopefully, the volunteer situation will improve and we will have the best gathering in our history.

We are working on a new Directory and would like to ask every resident that has moved into the subdivision or has had any change in their family status to call Adrienne Bowser at 769-9562 or e-mail thelink@riverbendsub.org. If you are uncertain if you have been added to the directory, please go to <http://www.riverbendsub.org>. Since the publication of the last Directory, there have been several new residents, as well as residents that have moved. The Directory has proven to be an invaluable tool for keeping in touch with your neighbors and we would like to make it as complete and accurate as possible.

The Riverbend Directory is in the process of being updated for printing. If you are a new resident, please call Adrienne Bowser at 769-9562 or thelink@riverbendsub.org with your updated information. If you are uncertain if you have been added to directory, please go to <http://www.riverbendsub.org> and find your name (*all kids names have been excluded from the web version*). You must have a user name and password for access. If you are in need of a user name and password, please e-mail the webmaster at webmaster@riverbendsub.org.

Also, if you are interested or know of someone who is interested in advertising in *The Link* or the Riverbend Directory, please contact Adrienne Bowser at 769-9562 or e-mail

Spring 2005

Board of Directors

Robert Schneckenburger, President
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WHAT'S NEW @ RIVERBENDSUB.ORG

<http://www.riverbendsub.org>

The Riverbend directory is updated regularly on-line. Please e-mail the webmaster for a user name and password.

Sign up to receive notification of things happening in Riverbend or surrounding areas via e-mail.

Remember this is your website,

Please Attend

the Semi-Annual meeting on
April 17th at 2:00 p.m.

Several issues to be discussed/decided:

1. Board members needed
2. Brightside construction update
3. Security update
4. Maintenance update



A special thanks goes to **Sal Ghandour** for all his efforts in continuing to plant and maintain the entry way flowers.

Social Events

The Semi-Annual Meeting of the Riverbend Homeowners' Association will be held on Sunday, April 17, 2005 at the Catholic Center for the Deaf on Brightside. The business meeting will begin at 2:00 p.m. The Crawfish Boil will begin at 3:00 p.m. Hotdogs, a spacewalk and a climbing wall will be provided for the children. In order to ensure that all who attend the Crawfish Boil get served, **no takeouts will be allowed**. As in the past, it would be nice if everyone brought a small dessert item (cupcakes, cookies, etc.) . If you are planning to attend, please RSVP to Adrienne Bowser at 769-9562 or email her at socialevents@riverbendsub.org. You must be current on your dues or plan to pay them at the Annual Meeting in order to participate. Guests are welcome at a of cost is \$10.00 per adult and \$5.00 per child. Please respond no later than **April 11, 2005**.

We hope that as many residents as possible attend the Business Meeting. This is the forum where residents can discuss their issues and concerns regarding Riverbend. Of course, any resident is welcome to attend the monthly Board Meetings as well. These meetings are held on the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. The location varies. To determine the location of a particular meeting, please call any Board Member.



River Bend

Semi-Annual Meeting and Crawfish Boil

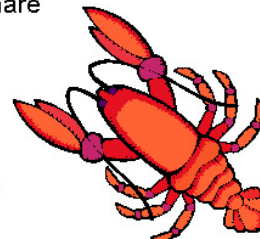
Date: Sunday, April 17, 2005
Place: Catholic Deaf Center
 2885 Brightside Drive
Time: 2:00 p.m. Association Meeting
 3:00 p.m. Crawfish Boil

**You must be current on your dues to attend
 the crawfish boil
 Dues can be paid at the Meeting**

Dues for April 2005 - April 2006
 \$120.00 - Maintenance and Social
 \$70.00 - Maintenance Only

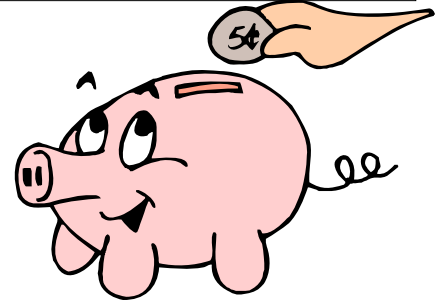
Hotdogs, climbing wall and spacewalk will be provided for the children
 Bring your favorite dessert to share

RSVP by April 11, 2005
 Adrienne Bowser at 769-9562
 or e-mail
socialevents@riverbendsub.org



Notes from the Treasurer

Your dues allow us to keep the neighborhood looking good and secure! The Riverbend Homeowner Association Financial Statement for 2004 is provided below for your information.



**Riverbend Homeowners' Association
2004 Income Statement
Fiscal Year is April 1, 2004 - March 31, 2005**

Maintenance Dues Income: \$22,525.66
Interest Income: 79.50

Social Dues Income: \$9,241.00
Interest Income: 0.00

Total Income: \$22,605.16

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Expenses:

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Bank Charges 15.00
Insurance 0.00
Mardi Gras Parade 258.35
Miscellaneous 33.75
Postage 266.40
Printing 218.04
Sign Maintenance 500.00
Utilities 738.57
Landscape Maint. 9,990.00
Patrols/Security 3,888.00
Supplies 0.00
Taxes 6.00
Website 505.40

Spring Picnic 2004 \$3,107.59
Fall Picnic 2004 2,078.38
Christmas Party 0.00

Total Expenses \$16,419.51

Total Social Club \$5,185.97

2004/2005 Revenues \$6,185.65
over expenses

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over expenses

If you have any questions or have not paid your dues, please forward your contributions to Karen Hubicz. Karen's address is 5212 Belle Fontaine Court, Baton Rouge, LA 70820. Dues are \$120/year for both the social club and the maintenance/security and is due every April at our Spring Semi-Annual Homeowners' Meeting.

2005 Dues are currently due — please forward payment to:

Karen Hubicz
5212 Belle Fontaine Court
Baton Rouge, LA 70820
769-7363

2005 Riverbend Homeowners Association

Dues Notice

Maintenance - \$70.00 Social - \$50.00 Total = \$120.00

Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone#: _____

Names and Birth Year of Minor Children Needed To Be Added to Directory:

Please help your neighborhood to be the best it can be by paying your dues!

Block Chairperson

Welcome **Sallie Davis** as new Block Chairperson of Rene Beaugard, **Karen Hubicz** of Belle Fontaine Court and **Reneé Boutté Myer** of block one of Destrehan Drive . Sallie replaces Jean Kneilling, Karen replaces Liz Melancon, and Reneé replaces Mollee Vicknair who have all been Block Chairpersons for awhile and wanted to give someone else a chance. **Thanks to all Block Chairpersons for a fantastic job.**

Below are vacant block chairperson positions. If you are interested, please e-mail thelink@riverbendsub.org.

BLOCK CHAIRPERSON
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PHONE

BLOCK

6132-6235 Belle Grove
Belle Helene Court
3222-3252 Valcour Aime
6124-6339 Riverbend Blvd.
Durande Drive
Covington
Belle Cherie Avenue

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The Link

This is a way to keep up with what is going on in and around our neighborhood. If there is something you would like to have published in the **The Link**, or if interested in contributing to **The Link**, please call Adrienne Bowser at 769-9562 or e-mail her at thelink@riverbendsub.org.



You will notice we have added a new section **“What’s going on in Riverbend”**. This is a section in **The Link** based on information gathered from the Block Chairpersons in the subdivision.

Vacation Form

If you know that you are going to be out of town for more than a few days, you may turn in this vacation form or the handwritten information below. To **Craig McClain (3035 Twelve Oaks Avenue 769-1953)** in advance. He will pass along the information to our security patrols. The patrols (off duty deputies) will keep the form and make specific checks (i.e. pull into your driveway) while you are gone. At a minimum, this information needs to be furnished to make the security checks feasible for the patrols.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ **Emergency Phone number (ie. cell phone)** _____


Dates you will be gone: _____

Make, Model and License Plates of Vehicles that should be there: _____

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 Lesa Kelley 225-413-1330
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Mothers and Kids

MAKs - May 10th will be the last meeting before summer break. The Mothers and Kids social club will resume regular meeting in September, on the second Tuesday of every month at 9:30 a.m. Meeting locations are posted on the bulletin board at the front of the entrance. All mothers and children are invited to attend all the events. Information can be viewed on the Riverbend Website or call any of the officers.

Meeting Presiders:

Betsy Raetzsh 819-8956
 Sallie Davis 757-8533

Social Coordinator:

Rebecca Nelson 768-7178

Treasurer:

Korie Cangelosi 761-7375

Secretary:

Gretchen Campesi 766-8892

Charity Coordinator

Tania Olive 757-9709

Riverbend Homeowners Association
5212 Belle Fontaine Court
Baton Rouge, LA 70820

Riverbendsub.org E-mail addresses

Robert Schneckenburger	President	president@riverbendsub.org
Adrienne Bowser	The Link (Riverbend Homeowners' newsletter)	thelink@riverbendsub.org
Karen Hubicz	Treasurer	treasurer@riverbendsub.org
Craig McClain	Security	security@riverbendsub.org
Adrienne Bowser	Webmaster	webmaster@riverbendsub.org
Phil Jones	Special Projects	specialprojects@riverbendsub.org
Mindy Riso	Mothers and Kids	maks@riverbendsub.org

What's going on in Riverbend



New Births

Ann & Tyler Williamson 6060 Belle Grove Avenue	Kate & Emily	September 6, 2004
Nikki & Joel Charlson 2913 Calanne St.	Owen	November 3, 2004
Korie & Randy Cangelosi 3349 Tezcucco Drive	Patrick	December 16, 2004

New Neighbors

Chris Garrett
6051 Belle Grove Avenue
Virginia & Michael McAnelly
5957 Riverbend Blvd.
Joy & John Balance
3036 Valcour Aime
Karen Boyter & Bill Doerrler
2935 Belle Cherie Avenue

Angie & Mike Frugé
6124 Destrehan Drive
Julie & John Fourrier
6255 Destrehan Drive
Katherine & Ray Castle
3286 Westervelt Avenue
Guo, Shegmin & hisi Juan Xing
2851 Ormond Avenue

