



# THE LINKS NEWSLETTER

P. O. Box 681, LaPlace, La. 70069-0681

Apr 2010

### HOA Board Members:

- Larry Clarke - President  
(985) 651-4070
- JJ Milioto - Vice President  
(985) 652-1827
- Robert Figuero - Treasurer  
(985) 359-2185
- Melanie Brazil - Secretary  
(985) 653-8895
- Jackie Catalano - Board Member  
(985) 652-8197
- Floyd Truehill - Board Member  
(985) 653-9842
- Beverly Dorsa - Board Member  
(985) 651-6258

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### Committee Chairpersons:

- Park: Vacant
- Lake: Barry Mader  
(985) 651-8597
- Welcoming:
  - Dione Prince (985) 651-9440
  - Beverly Dorsa (985) 651-6258
- Social: Larry Clarke  
(985) 651-4070
- Call any Board Member or Committee Chairperson to volunteer your talents.



*Welcome to Our Neighborhood !!!*

*Mr & Mrs. Simmon—106 Pennebrook*

### Annual Spring Easter Festival

The Spring Easter Festival was held on Saturday, March 27, and attendance, like the weather, was fantastic. There was lots of food, drink and Easter eggs for the little ones. There was also music, space walks, and a train ride for all. Special thanks to Larry Clarke, Melanie Brazil, Sean Roussel, Gaile Larive, and the rest of the homeowners who chipped in and assisted with putting on a great event.

### \*\*\*\*\*Neighborhood Spring Workday\*\*\*\*\*

A workday has been scheduled for Saturday, April 17. Much assistance is needed for a variety of projects in the neighborhood. If interested, please contact Melanie Brazil at 653-8895 to allow for plans to be made based on the expected turnout. Please consider coming out to aid your neighborhood, and don't forget your tools!

### Spring is Here!!!

It's springtime again. The arrival of warmer weather brings back an old nemesis—the mosquito. We must all do our part in eliminating the breeding ground for these pests including removal of standing water in pots, toys, etc. around our homes. Gutters should be checked to remove fallen leaves that can trap water and provide a habitat for these pests. Spraying around the home is also beneficial. April is the month to weed and feed our lawns. Gardens need our attention at this time of year to remove dead foliage and replace with new plants and flowers to bring our neighborhood to life. All are reminded to please not clean lawn equipment over the street drains as all of the materials from these machines ends up in our lakes.



### DUES

Let's all pay our dues on time so that we don't have to send out reminders. Also, please put your lot # on your check. Thanks to all who pay their dues on time or in advance.

A volunteer is needed to chair the park committee. If you think you may be interested in lending your talents to the subdivision or would like information about the position, contact any Board Member. Please consider this service to your neighborhood.



### Special Thanks!!!

Belle Terre Links Home Owners Association, especially the Board Members, would like to say THANKS to Walter Prince for his devoted time and efforts over the last five years. Walter was a mainstay on the board and contributed more time and effort than anyone could have asked for. He is a big reason the Belle Terre Links neighborhood has maintained its beauty and integrity through out the years. Again we say THANK YOU Walter for your time, effort and dedication.

If you have any announcements you would like to include in the newsletter, please contact a Board Member.



**Congratulations!!!**  
 We would like to recognize one our own, Mona Roussel; she has been named the recipient of the National Catholic Educators Association's 2009—2010 Distinguished Graduate Award for St. Joan of Arc School. Congratulations Mona.

**CCRs Reminder**

**Sec 4.01 - Off-Street Parking:** No vehicle may be parked on the street fronting any Lot on a regular basis or for an extended period of time. This restriction includes overnight parking. All boats, trailers and recreational vehicles shall be parked on each Lot behind a fence or in the garage so that they are not apparent from the street, lake, park or golf course.

An amendment to this section also requires there to be a hard surface on which to park these vehicles. We ask that all abide by the requirements to limit the parking of vehicles in the street and not to park trailers overnight where they can be seen.

**Sec 4.08 - Garbage and Refuse:** All lots shall be kept in a healthful, sanitary, and attractive condition. All trash, junk, and waste matter shall be kept in adequate containers and screened from public view. No lot shall be used for open storage of any materials or equipment except for normal residential requirements.

In essence, please take pride in the appearance of your home and surrounding property. If you have trash or other materials that are not pleasing to the eye or are cluttering up your property, please contain it properly, conceal it or remove it.

Belle Terre Links HOA  
 Balance Statement  
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 01-01-10 to 03-31-10

Bal. Forward	8,003.14
<b><u>INCOME</u></b>	
Dues/Late Fees	6,487.30
<b><u>EXPENSES</u></b>	
Off. Supplies	603.16
Postage	132.00
Acc/Cons/Legal	115.80
Liability Insur.	2,089.50
Grass Cutting	1,605.00
Welcom.Com.	79.53
Social Funct.	1,478.85
Utilities	570.60
License/Permit Filings	5.00
<b>TOTAL EXP</b>	<b>6,679.44</b>
<b>BALANCE TO-DATE</b>	<b>7,811.00</b>



**Belle Terre Links HOA Website**  
 We now have an operating website, located at [www.belleterrelinkshoa.com](http://www.belleterrelinkshoa.com). The website is in its infancy, therefore will require lots of input and suggestions. The intent is for the website to continue to evolve into a very useful tool for everyone.

**Important Phone Numbers**

- Mosquito problem or spray request before an outdoor function. Call Mosquito Control (985) 536-6530
- If you spot an alligator, call the Sheriff Dept
- For burned out street lights, call Entergy 800-968-8243

**Gator:** There have been more alligator citations. All homeowners are asked to be careful and are reminded that these animals are wild, can be dangerous and should not be fed.

**ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW REQUIREMENTS**

Please submit all plans for new construction or improvements to the Architectural Control Committee in care of:

Mike Brazil  
 126 Oakmont  
 LaPlace, La. 70068  
 (985) 653-8895

For your convenience you can also submit this to any board member and we will see that it gets to Mr. Brazil

Also, please note that you have an obligation to St. John the Baptist Parish to obtain a building permit for any new construction or improvements to your existing property. For more information concerning the parish ordinances you can call (985) 652-9569.

New construction plans should include:

- House elevations showing front, rear & both sides of the structure. The elevations should show exterior wall materials, roof pitch from all angles & slab elevation in relation to street.
- Floor plans with living area & under roof area calculated on plans.
- Site plan showing lot dimensions, location & width of driveways & sidewalks, setback distances from the lot lines for the house, garage, patio, drive, sidewalk & any other ground improvements.
- Name, address, lot number & phone number of homeowner & the builder (if different).

Existing homes must submit prior to construction:

- Location of improvements drawn on a site plan showing lot line setbacks.
- Materials to be used.
- Fences - fence materials, height & type.
- Bulkheads - materials, height & type.
- Additions - plans showing elevations, roof pitch & exterior wall materials.
- Above-Ground Improvements exceeding 3' height - precise dimensions & location on lot.
- Swimming Pools - type of pool & fencing.
- Name, address, lot number & phone number of homeowner.