



# THE LINKS NEWSLETTER



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

October 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: Floyd Truehill
- Lake: Vacant  
(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.



## Happy Halloween



### 2010 Belle Terre Links Home Owners Association Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Belle Terre Links Home Owners Association will be held November 6, 2010 in the park at 9 a.m. At that time the amendments to the covenants will be presented to the attending home owners for voting. Also ballots will be available for all home owners to vote for the 2011 Board of Directors. The new Board of Directors will be identified at this time.

### 2011 Board of Directors Elections

A nominations form for nominating homeowners to run for the 2011 Board is enclosed. You can nominate any homeowner, including yourself. All those nominated will be contacted to determine their interest prior to being placed on the ballot. No more than 1 individual per household may serve on the Board at the same time. Nomination forms should be returned by October 30, 2010. They can be mailed to the P.O. Box or dropped in the box located on the front porch at 103 Oakmont Drive.

Ballots will be available Saturday November 6, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. in the park to cast your votes. If you have any questions, please contact a Board member.

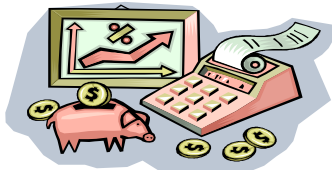
**Please consider this service to your neighborhood.**

### \*\*\* Garden of the Month \*\*\*

Start getting your gardens and yards in tip-top shape as we are starting a "Yard of the Month" program beginning in January 2011. You need not have a gorgeous flower garden, just a well maintained neat yard, however pretty plants would definitely be welcomed .

### IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

- Should you have a mosquito problem or want your area sprayed before an outdoor function. Call Mosquito Control - (985) 536-6530
- If you spot an alligator, call the Sheriff's Office
- For burned out street lights, call Entergy – 800-968-8243



### DUES

**We ask all to please pay quarterly dues timely. Failure to do so causes increased costs to issue reminders and the Board to spend time that could be spent on more productive issues. Thanks to all who pay dues timely.**

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



## New Belle Terre Links Sign

The Board would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved with the new front entrance Belle Terre Links Sign, with a special thanks to Mike and Melanie Brazil for their time and effort to get a great product for a great price. The sign is made of high quality steel and metal that should last a very long time. If you haven't noticed take a minute and give a look to our new sign. Thanks again to all for the hard work.

Belle Terre Links HOA  
Balance Statement  
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07-01-10 to 09-30-10

<u>Bal. Forward</u>	7,216.50
<b>INCOME</b>	
Dues/Late Fees	<u>20,727.37</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Bad Debt	1,681.25
Bank Chrgs.	4.00
Off. Supplies	957.46
Postage	176.00
Gifts	57.64
Acc/Cons/Legal	675.80
Liability Insur.	3,454.50
Grass Cutting	5,315.00
Lake	150.70
Front Ent	2,430.00
Workday	1,038.76
Park	43.37
Welcom.Com.	118.76
Social Funct.	1,897.06
Utilities	1,623.26
Permits and Filings	<u>5.00</u>
<b>TOTAL EXP</b>	<u>19,628.56</u>
<b>BALANCE</b>	<u>8,315.31</u>

## Christmas in the Links

Preparation will soon begin for the third annual celebration. Last year's event was clouded by inclement weather. However, we plan to come back bigger and better this year. We are currently in need of a volunteer to chair the event along with volunteers to assist in making this years celebration a great time for all children and family members. Anyone interested in participating on the committee to plan the event please contact a board member as soon as possible.

## HOLIDAY SEASON

The Board would like to take this opportunity to wish all homeowners a happy and safe holiday season, starting with a Happy Halloween and ending with a fantastic New Year. Speaking of Halloween, the Links is known for plenty of activity with lots of children trick or treating. Please be mindful of this and take care to drive especially careful. Homeowners have been wonderful throughout the years with their offerings of treats for the young ones, and hopefully that generosity will continue. For homeowners who have moved into the Links since last Christmas, there is usually a good number of homeowners who get cheerful and decorate outside their homes and add to the joyous season for all. Let's make this Christmas season one of the brightest and most festive through the decoration of our homes. This would really add to the celebration.

## 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).
- There is a \$200.00 architectural committee fee for new homes.

Existing homes must submit prior to construction:

- Location of improvements drawn on a site plan showing lot line setbacks.
- Materials to be used.
- Fences - 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.
- Any fee incurred will be passed on to the homeowner.