



THE LINKS NEWSLETTER



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July 2012

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Committee Chairpersons:

- Park: Vacant
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- Welcoming:
Beverly Dorsa (985) 651-6258
- Social: Larry Clarke
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- Call any Board Member or Committee Chairperson to volunteer your talents.



Happy 4th of July!!

Potential Increase in Dues

There was a meeting held on June 5, 2012 regarding the potential increase in homeowner dues. Several great points were brought up by many homeowners. The Board is currently analyzing all the information as well as speaking with the HOA attorney. At this time no decision has been made. Any further information will be sent out via mail as well as on the website. If you have any questions please contact any board member.

Hurricane Season

Hurricane season has started. Please help all your neighbors by remembering to secure playground equipment, trampolines, and any other item that can cause damage to a neighbor's home. We also ask that you assist us in keeping the storm drains cleared of any and all debris to help with drainage.

The Robottom Administration encourages residents to plan for hurricane season. You can pick up a copy of the 10 step survival plan and survival supply check list from the Parish Library or go to the Parish Website (www.SJBParish.com). The Parish is updating their notification systems to enhance communications with the public. Residents can sign up for E-News updates at www.SJBParish.com/newsletter.PHP and first call notifications at www.alertregistration.com

School is Out! Watch out for the Kids!

Please remember that school is out. Our kids are out and about enjoying there summer. Please be mindful that they are just kids and don't always pay attention to what is going on around them. Please drive cautiously and keep a look out for them.

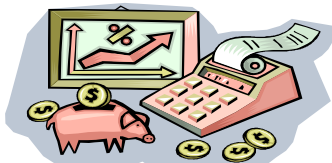
Yard of the Month

Thanks to all of our past Yard Of The Month recipients. All of your hard work helps to make our neighborhood a beautiful place to live.



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.



Belle Terre Links HOA
Balance Statement

01-01-12 to 06-30-12

<u>Bal. Forward</u>	6,428.24
<u>INCOME</u>	
Dues/Late Fees	14,142.46
<u>EXPENSES</u>	
Insurance	2,115.75
Office Supplies	662.37
Postage & Delivery	193.00
Printing & Reproduction	44.26
Prof. Fees (Acct / Legal)	1,999.27
Repairs & Maintenance	6,000.92
Socials	1,331.28
Taxes	9.00
Utilities	1,409.60
Welcome Com.	64.75
<u>TOTAL EXP</u>	13,830.20
<u>BALANCE TO-DATE</u>	6,740.50

Summer Time Projects are Here

We all know summer is the time for those special projects. Before doing any outside improvements, please check your CCR's booklet for any restrictions. Contact any board member if you have questions. CCR's can also be located on the website: www.belleterrelinkshoa.com.

CCRs Reminder

Letters were recently issued to numerous homeowners referencing CCR violations including street parking, lot maintenance, and properties in need of repair. While oversight does occur occasionally, all homeowners are asked to abide by the CCRs.

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.

Lake News

Fishing: Just a reminder that fishing is allowed for homeowners only. But please remember that the fish are to be returned to the lake once they are caught.

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.