

River Station News

A River Station Community Association Publication

President's Note (Mark Fee)

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As you can see, we have a newly titled newsletter. This is just one of the exciting changes that has taken place with the Swim and Tennis Club. The name and purpose of the club has been changed to River Station Community Association, Inc. Our thoughts are to have all residents of River Station be fully aware and share responsibility of events and issues of River Station. Currently, specific committees have been formed to rewrite the By-Laws and protective covenants of the community. If you would like to become involved please see the new River Station web site (www.riverstation.net) and click on the link to "Email the Entire Board".

The new RCSA (River Station Community Association) will have a lot to offer all residents of the neighborhood. By joining the RCSA we will be able to provide discounts on certain utilities each resident uses everyday. We have already spoken to a natural gas company and a waste disposal company. Substantial savings can be given to residents who are members of the RCSA as long as we maintain 75% of participants. Matt McGahren (River Station resident,) of McGahren & Chiu, LLC. (mcgahren@mcattorney.com) provided legal services for the RCSA effort. Thanks Matt!

We mention the website often in this newsletter because it is the best way to communicate to everyone. Please notice all general information and phone numbers along with updated pictures of social events and important news of what's going on in our neighborhood.

Welcome New Residents!

We are pleased to welcome all of the new River Station residents and their families to our neighborhood. Here are some of the newcomers.

Duncan & Carla McLaughen	Andrew & Penelope Collins
Richard & Emma Dougherty	Libby & Kenneth Fakier
Ryan & Linsley Michaels	Chris & Brad Denslow
Paul & Roxanne Gaigelas	Ty & Jennifer Dealy
Dan & Barbara Hovendick	Mark & Sherry Harrell
Matthew & Michele Keown	Michael & Lella Comtois
Joe & Cindy Lombardo	Erin & Mark Scalese
Mike & Christine Randolfi	

Note: If you are new to River Station or the club and not on this list, please accept our sincere apologies and send an email to tracy_s_brown@hotmail.com. Thanks!

Winter 2004

Upcoming Events

12/12/04	Holiday Party—Polar Express!
2/19/05	Neighborhood Dinner
3/26/05	Easter Party
May 2005	Pool Opening Party
May 2005	Neighborhood Garage Sale
Summer	Teen Pool Party

2004 RCSA Board Members

PRESIDENT	Mark Fee
VICE PRESIDENT/Grounds	Matt Doroff
TREASURER	Gena Spears
SECRETARY	Lynn Yost
PLANNING/DEVELOPMENT	Doug Fisher
MEMBERSHIP	Mark Harrell
SOCIAL EVENTS	Mike MacManus

Special Thanks

To all of you who work so hard to keep our neighborhood looking great. Because of your efforts, we are making great strides. We had a good turnout at the September work day and much was accomplished. Thanks!

Notes from the Board

Treasury (Gena Spears) treasurer@riverstation.net

This section is written with the intent of providing a brief summary of the financial status of the club, front entrance and swim team including income and expenses. All numbers are based on the mid-year balance as the fiscal year runs from 4/1 thru 3/31. Numbers shown below are the mid-year balance from 4/1/04 thru 9/30/04.

Bank Balance	RSCA	Home Owners	Swim Team	Total
(4/1/04)	8,048.46	8,681.37	2639.90	19,369.73
Income: Dues & Initiation	54,449.00	4,230.00	5168.50	
Directory Ads	500.00			
Tennis	335.00			
Expenses:Pool	20,237.54		5037.42	
Tennis	1,689.87			
Social	717.70			
Grounds	2,070.00	6,260.83		
Insurance	4,298.88			
GA. Power	4,303.52 (All Electric – Pool, Tennis & Front Entrance)			
Trash Removal	261.90			
Water	1,033.60 (All Water – Pool & Front Entrance)			
Phone	294.29			
Misc. (Taxes/Clerical)	1,599.19			
Initiation Refunds	2,000.00			
Totals: (9/30/04)	24,825.97	6,227.13	2,770.98	33,824.08

Tennis Committee (Lynn Yost) tennis@riverstation.net

If you haven't been to the tennis courts lately, you might want to stop by and see the new River Station wind-screens. The fence posts have been reinforced to support the wind screens. There is a new tennis committee headed by Lynn Yost.

The tennis committee will be invoicing team captains to collect funds from non-members that are on River Station teams. This will be started in the Winter '04 season. All team captains are required to have team rosters, practice schedules and Alta schedules to the tennis committee chairperson immediately upon receipt from Alta. For tennis questions see the tennis link at riverstation.net. The courts will be open for family play at least 1-2 nights per week. Also, the Board has agreed to pay for custom made signs for any team winning their division or better.

Congratulations go out to:

- The Junior girls 14 and under for making playoffs.
- A-5 Spring Men made city finalists and moved to A-3 and made Fall playoffs
- B-5 Fall Sunday Women made city finals.



Membership (Mark Harrell)

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We had a great membership drive this year! Our RSST members are up to 107. That's an increase of over 10 from last year. It is exciting that nearly 100% of the new residents from the last year and half have joined the club! We need a good membership committee to help keep the board informed of new residents moving in and welcoming them into the neighborhood.

Planning and Development (Doug Fisher)

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The RSCA By-Laws are under final review and will be completed shortly. These By-Laws will change the purpose of the current RSST Association from a social organization, to one whose purpose is the general well being of the subdivision. Paralleling this is ongoing preparation of the River Station Protective Covenants. Richard Dougherty is spearheading this committee and we look forward to receiving this information. This is key to the continued prosperity of our community as a whole, and will assure us of having a beautifully maintained and well managed neighborhood which we will all enjoy.

Notes from the Board

Social Events (*Mike MacManus*) social@riverstation.net

Are you ready for the **Polar Express**? Coming down the streets of our neighborhood will be our own Christmas Train as we celebrate the Holiday season. Mark your calendars for **December 12th from 6:00 – 8:00 pm**. River Station will have a large bon fire at the Club, complete with cocoa, marshmallows, cookies, cider, and caroling. The Polar Express train will be giving kids rides up and down Outerbank Drive. We hope you can join us. This will be a great way to end an eventful year. In addition, Santa Claus will be arriving to hand out a special gift to all children. All residents are welcome! In case you missed some of the activities, let us recap:

April: We held the great **Spring Festival** and Easter egg hunt. It was a big hit as usual with lots of games and fun.

May: We kicked off the summer pool

season with our **Club Opening** party. Plenty of food and socializing was enjoyed by all. Movie night was a first time event and a big hit with 6 movies shown throughout the summer.

September: We wrapped up the summer with Chastain Night. It was a wonderful night with live entertainment, great food and outstanding attendance.

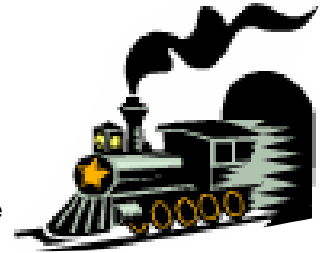
October brought our best **Halloween Party** to date. Thanks go out to all those who dressed up, especially our "Gandolf", Bruce Brenizer. The Haunted House at the Browns was a tremendous addition. Special thanks to Tammy Beatty and her family (Jerry and Darlene Crow) for providing the hay ride.

If you would like to see pictures from the events above, find them on our web-site.

What about 2005?

We will be kicking off the year with a neighborhood dinner party. We will be spreading the evening over a number of homes. This will be scheduled in the first two weeks of February. We look forward to this first time event and hope you can plan to be there.

Thanks to the members of the social committee for all the wonderful events in 2004. Members include Marti Kenworthy, Jennifer Dealy, Mandy Crock and Tracy Brown.



Front Entrance (*Sharon Williamson*)

The front entrance is totally dependent on donations from all residents of River Station. This collection is to be an annual collection. In August we asked for a donation of \$65 per resident and to date we have received less than 50%. On average, expenses (mowing, water, lighting and seasonal plantings) are approximately \$4,000. In order for us to bring the front entrance project to completion we need everyone's participation and donation. If you forgot, this is your reminder. Please help in some way.

Future Plans:

Our future plans include the expansion of the front entrance landscaping to prepare grading, water sprinkler extension and plantings going toward Linfield. A good looking entrance to River Station reflects on every aspect of our neighborhood.

Special thanks to the following for the upkeep, electrical, sprinkler repair and seasonal plantings: Barry Adams, Christine Robinson, Katie Fisher, Richard Lehman, Janet Rosenthal, Sue Smith, Barbara Foster, Gene Blair, Tom Shipman, Dick Ottman, Don Smith and Doug Fisher.

Grounds (*Matt Doroff*)

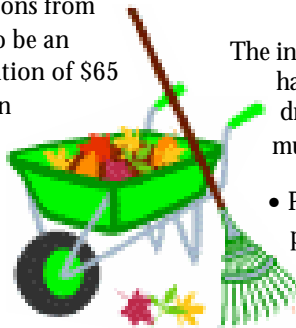
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The installation of a drainage system for the tennis courts has been completed. It appears at this time that the drainage is working very well as the courts are drying much more quickly than in the past.

- Pine straw has been spread around tennis court and pool areas.

- The front entrance winter plantings have been completed.

- Repairs have been made to the bleachers and tables have been rebuilt.
- Electrical circuits have been installed by the bleachers.
- Play set has been stained and additional wood chips will be added this winter.
- Additional clearing has been done at the front entrance toward Linfield.
- Large area along the creek at the club has been cleared for future picnic area use



Check out the community web site:
www.riverstation.net

There have been many exciting events which taken place over the past 11 months. A lot of which will be posted to the River Station website. If you haven't visited the site, please take the opportunity to do so and let us know if you have anything worthy of posting to the site. It is for the benefit of all River Station residents. A good website is a well maintained, active and informative website. Information about community events such as garage sales, personal sale items, great achievements, etc. are great additions — please let us know if there is something you would like to have listed.

Please get involved and send any noteworthy information to the web developer at the link provided on the website:
www.riverstation.net

Pool News - Some important changes have been made at the pool. We have a new pool management company. Sweetwater Pools has taken over pool maintenance and providing life guards. New gazebos, tables and umbrellas have been added for shade and appeal. Swim team had another successful season under the guidance of Amy Plummer and Patty Gaddis. Great Thanks to Sean Lennox and Kayla Swart for their great coaching, leadership and patience! We look forward to another fun filled summer next year! GO RAPIDS! See you at the pool!

We Need a Few Good Board Members!

River Station Community Association is looking for new board members. Being a board member is completely voluntary and members deal with issues of managing the community.

Board members obligations consist of a board meeting each month and occasionally when issues arise, some footwork may be asked to resolve the issues. Board members at this time must be members of Swim/Tennis club, however that is about to change as soon as new By-Laws are reviewed and accepted by the board. This means that neighbors who are members of the RSCA and not full members of the Swim/Tennis club will be allowed to participate in board activity. Please let it be

known that all board meetings may be attended by any resident of River Station. All meetings and meeting minutes are posted on the RiverStation.net website. This will help other residents know what's going on in our community.

A handful of board members have run the operations of River Station for years. We are hopeful more residences will consider becoming more involved in our community. If you can donate even a little of your time it would make a considerable difference! A little bit of effort to help goes a long way! Please use the "Email the Entire Board" link on the riverstation.net website to become involved.

Neighborhood Directory

New River Station directories will be available by years end. Directories will be available to all residents who have donated to the annual front entrance fund. They will be distributed by your block captain. Extra copies can be obtained for \$5.00 each.

To order a directory, please use the "Email the Entire Board" link on riverstation.net website.



New Committee

A Sunshine/welcome committee is being formed to welcome new residents and help residents in times of need. If you or a resident you know would like to be involved with this committee please contact Wendy Fee @ (770)300-0947 or email feesters@bellsouth.net for more info.

Quarterly Newsletter

Please send all suggestions, comments, ideas, etc. for the next newsletter to:

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(or call 770-416-7802).

The next issue is scheduled to be in early March 2005.