



# River Oaks Newsletter

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ATTENTION! THE NEW 1990 RIVER OAKS  
DIRECTORY IS ATTACHED TO THIS NEWSLETTER!

## VACANCY ON RIVER OAKS BOARD

One of our neighbors, Mike Holmes, will be leaving us very soon for a new home and a new wife in Minnesota. Mike has served on the River Oaks Homeowners Association Board of Directors for the past year, and this year has chaired the Board's Groundskeeping Committee. Although Mike is irreplaceable as a friend and neighbor, our bylaws require us to appoint a replacement to take his place on the Board for the remaining two years of his term of office. The new appointee will also take over as chairperson of the Groundskeeping Committee for this year. The Board will take up the task of finding a replacement as the first item of business at the next regular monthly Board meeting, 7:30 PM, Thursday, April 26, at the Christiansens' (2 S 600 River Oaks Dr.). Any homeowners who might be interested in filling the Board vacancy are urged to attend this meeting.

## WHO WANTS THE BUSHES?

If any homeowner would like any of the bushes on the parkway by Lot 66, feel free to dig them up NOW. Bruss & Cox will be planting the front entryway hopefully by Mother's Day, weather permitting, and will haul away any bushes that are left.

... Submitted by Linda Saxton



River Oaks extends congratulations to Skip and Dorothy Nesbit, and a warm welcome to Mark Allen Nesbit, who was born on Tuesday, March 13th, weighing in at 8 lbs, 3 ozs, and stretching 22 inches long.

## GARAGE SALE!

News Flash ...  
For all interested  
River Oaks Folks ...  
Coming in June will be  
a River Oaks Grand  
Garage Sale ...  
Advertising and signs  
will be provided...

More information in next newsletter. So clean out your house, garage, basement, and join in the fun of our Grand Garage Sale!

... Submitted by Toni Oster,  
Entertainment Chairperson

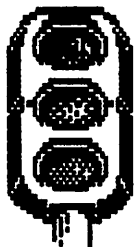


### HAS ANYBODY SEEN....?

We are having a problem in the lower cul-de-sac with big trucks not being able to clear the circle. Once again, a moving van almost took out the bushes on Saturday, April 14. This truck left deep ruts and really tore up the sod. We have the name of the firm and the license number, and are pursuing this matter. Please, homeowners, if you are expecting a delivery in a big truck, make them aware of how small and tight the lower circle is for turning.

Also, late Saturday, April 14th, a car used the easement between lots 51 and 52 as a road. If anyone has any information on this, please call the local police.

### WE SEE THE LIGHT!



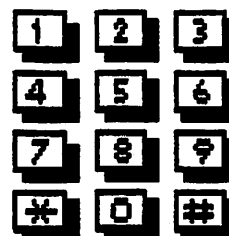
Syed Husain, civil engineer with IDOT, has confirmed that the traffic light at Mack Road will be installed within the next few weeks. The contract

was awarded to Virgil Cook, the lowest bidder, for \$64,172.06. In response to a question frequently asked about the timing of the lights at Batavia and Mack, Husain says that even though the light is being wired with that provision, the distance between the lights is too far for timing. Also, a traffic study has been done, with the result that IDOT does NOT plan to lower the speed limit on Rt. 59 by River Oaks. If you would like to make comments on this issue, feel free to write a letter to Mr. Husain or Mr. James Sliker (district engineer) at: Illinois Dept. of Transportation, Division of Highways/Dist. 1, 201 West Center Court, Schaumburg, IL. 60196-1096.

... Submitted by Leona Gervase,  
newsletter staff

### A DIGGING REMINDER

Spring has almost arrived. Remember if you are digging to call J.U.L.I.E. at 1-800-892-0123. They will mark the underground lines and facilities on your property, so you'll strike nothing but dirt (and rock, and clay, and building debris,...).



### FACTS ON FOURTH



Although the vestiges of winter may still be with us, there's a group of folks here in Warrenville with thoughts of summer on their minds.

Specifically, the Fourth of July Activities Committee. To those of you who are already familiar with past July 4th celebrations, you know that it is THE event in Warrenville to become excited about. Already, plans are being made for the "A Century of Progress — 1890 to 1990" parade and for the traditional games, food, entertainment, and fireworks to take place at Cerny Park. This great day of family fun is not without cost, however. The food, equipment, tents, and even the marching bands must be paid for and that is why everyone in town is being asked to become "Fans of the Fourth" and to help out as they are able. Your tax deductible contributions can be made out to the "Fourth of July Activities Committee", P.O. Box 251. And keep in mind April 27 and 28 at 8 p.m. when the Fans of the Fourth present the musical variety show, "Say It With Music" at the Community Building. Proceeds from this Irving Berlin extravaganza featuring many of your neighbors will go toward the Funds for the Fourth. Tickets are \$5.00. Several of our River Oaks residents are serving on the Fourth of July Activities Committee and with your financial support, we can take pride in participation in this city-wide event. See you on the Fourth!

... Submitted by Doris Ehret,  
newsletter staff



## BIRTHDAY KIDS!

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MARCH KIDS!**

Matthew Nagode

Matt Gervase

Justin Wierema

Sam West

Tamara Stanley

Mark Nesbit

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY, APRIL KIDS!**

Jessica Carlson

Kathryn McKinley

Russell Recometa

Anke Kleine

Martin Molina

Erin Polsley

Lauren Lally

Bobby Modene

Caitlin Lisa

Tony Lisa



## Announcements



**EAGLE EXPRESS \*\* SPRING SPECIAL**  
**SAVE 20 % TO O'HARE & MIDWAY**  
**TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY - THURSDAY**  
**OFFER EXPIRES 6/15/90**  
**RESERVATIONS 393-6200**



**MATT and BROS.**  
 It's that time of year again when the grass gets long, and I'm here to make the job easier for you, and at a reasonable price, too. Call Matt at 393-4048 to find out about my **SPECIAL COUPON BOOKLETS** that can save you even more money.  
 I am also available for interior and exterior car washing and general yard cleanup.  
**Courteous - Conscientious - Clean**  
**References available**



**Leap into the grass**  
**growing season with**  
**Janie Salver.**  
**Landscaping**  
**services -**  
**dependable,**  
**reasonable rates.**  
**393-7645**  
**References available.**



## KIDS' KORNER

This is a busy time of year for all Scouts of River Oaks, both boys and girls. The annual father-daughter Square Dance for Warrenville Girl Scouts and Brownies will be held on Saturday, April 21, at Bower School. This event is being organized by Chris Carlson (lot 8). Girls, have a great time dancing, and keep those Dads in step!

Warrenville Cub Scouts will be competing at Bower this weekend in their Raingutter Regatta, with the boats they have been making at home. They will also be preparing for the county-wide Scout-O-Rama on May 12. Remember Cubs, first the Raingutter Regatta, then the Chicago to Mackinac race!

... Submitted by Becky Christiansen and Judy Molina, newsletter staff

**KID QUIZ:** Everyone loves pizza, right? Well, OK, most of us. So how about unscrambling the pizza ingredients?

1. SUMOMORH
2. OONIN'
3. RPPEEP
4. ESEHEC
5. OATTMO
6. SSGEAAU
7. PPOENRIEP
8. LOEVI
9. AHM

Good luck!

... Submitted by Mike Oster

## KIDS' NEIGHBORHOOD FACTS HUNT ?



Kids 12 years old and under: How much do you know about your River Oaks neighborhood? If you are very observant and can answer six questions, you could win a prize from the Newsletter Committee! Here are the questions:

1. How many fireplugs are there in River Oaks?
2. What is the name of the river that flows past River Oaks?
3. What is the tallest thing in Warrenville that you can see from the sidewalk in River Oaks?
4. How many houses in River Oaks do NOT have green front doors?
5. How many mailboxes are there with pictures of animals?
6. Which sidewalk is longer - the one on the north side of River Oaks Drive, or the one on the south side?

Just write down your name and your answers on a piece of paper and turn it in to the Christiansens (2 S 600 River Oaks Dr., Lot 19) by Friday, May 4. The Newsletter will award a mystery prize to the child with the best answers. In case of a tie, the Newsletter Committee will randomly select a winner from among the top entries.

(We would like the Kids' Neighborhood Facts Hunt and similar contests to become a recurring feature of the Newsletter. The Newsletter Committee would welcome any ideas or donations of prizes for these contests.)

### ANSWERS:

1. mushroom
2. onion
3. pepper
4. cheese
5. tomato
6. sausage
7. pepperoni
8. olive
9. ham

# COMMITTEE NEWS

**Entertainment:** Saturday, April 7th at 11:15 a.m. was a memorable time for many of our young folks here in River Oaks. At that time the famous "Easter Bunny" made his appearance and greeted all our fine children (Moms and Dads, too). Not only did the Easter Bunny say hello to everyone, but even agreed to have his picture taken with all the boys and girls, and gave a treat in his appreciation. The Easter Bunny then joined all the children for the River Oaks Third Annual Easter Egg Hunt. Everyone filled their baskets with lots of colorful eggs - a great time had by all. My special thanks go to my committee: Ana Vainisi, Jan Berland, Tina English, Gloria Langston, and that famous Easter Bunny. To the Christiansens, the Englishes, and the Gervases, a big thank you for the use of your yards. And thank you to "Bear Feelings" for their donations of the helium balloons that decorated the mail boxes. A special note of appreciation to the Warrenville Digest and the Warrenville Free Press for stopping out to take the pictures for publication. Another very special thank-you to Eagle Express for the delivery of our famous Easter Bunny.

Hope to see you all next year.....Happy Easter.

*Toni Oster, Entertainment Committee*

## RIVER OAKS BOARD OF DIRECTORS 3/22/90 MEETING

**In Attendance:** Karl Berland, John Christiansen, Linda Saxton, Toni Oster, Amy Salyer

**Absent:** Veronica Williams, Bob Modene, Mike Holmes, Gloria Langston

**Visitor:** Fred Gervase

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Linda Saxton, acting president.

The minutes were read and stand as approved.

**Treasurer:** No report

**Beautification:** Linda contacted Bruss & Cox for landscaping appointment for 1st or 2nd week of April. New committee stands as follows: Karl Berland - chairman, Tom Sinnott, Lois Hitchcock, Fred Gervase, Jody Bradley, Tom Saxton. Anyone else who would like to be part of this committee, please contact Karl at 393-1708. New committee meeting to be in a few weeks.

**Entertainment:** A flyer was sent around announcing our Easter egg hunt. A photographer and a surprise will be present. Discussions are under way for the annual summer get-together. New committee stands as follows: Toni Oster - chairman, Tina English, Ana Vainisi, Jan Berland, Gloria Langston. Anyone else who would like to join this committee please call Toni at 393-6200.

**Newsletter:** Everything running smoothly. Any news items to be sent to any of the following: John Christiansen - chairman, Becky Christiansen, Leona Gervase, Judy Molina, Toni Oster, and Doris Ehret.

**City Liaison:** Amy Salyer reported that only one resident reported about cracked sidewalks. Please contact Amy as the city will only take care of known problems and we're sure no one wants to be missed.

**Groundskeeping:** Report given by Fred Gervase, sitting in for Mike Holmes. Moonlighting is not returning this year. Groundskeeping is going to have a meeting to solicit bids from new firms. Fred will write letter using the previous letter as guideline for all of the services we will need this year from a grass-cutting firm. Included in this letter will be estimates for weed and feed.

**Old Business:** Linda will call attorney about retaining wall.

The motion was made by Linda and seconded by Amy to pay Mike Oster for the landscape drawing used at the annual meeting. The motion passed and \$15. was the agreed amount.

Veronica and Gloria need to sign signature cards at the bank.


**New Business:** Due to the transfer of Mike Holmes, there will be an opening on the Board. Presently Mike is the chairman of the Groundskeeping Committee. If any homeowner is interested in this position please come to the next board meeting on April 26th.

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, April 26th, at 7:30 p.m. at John Christiansen's, 2 S 600 River Oaks Dr.

*Here is a recipe from Elaine Modene to delight children of all ages:*

## **CUPCAKE CONES**

**( E A S Y   MICROWAVE RECIPE )**



**1 (8-oz.) box cake mix**  
**8 to 10 flat-bottom ice cream cones**

**Prepare cake mix as directed on package.**

**Place 2 tablespoons cake batter in each ice cream cone. Microwave on HIGH POWER according to cooking chart below.**  
**(When you cook more than 2 cupcakes at a time, arrange cupcake cones in a circle in the microwave.) Makes 8 cupcake cones.**

<b>1: 30 to 45 sec.</b>	<b>2: 45 sec.</b>
<b>3: 1 to 1-1/4 min.</b>	<b>4: 1-1/4 to 1-1/2 min.</b>
<b>5: 1-3/4 to 2 min.</b>	<b>6: 2-1/4 to 2-1/2 min.</b>
<b>7: 2-3/4 to 3 min.</b>	<b>8: 3-1/4 to 3-1/2 min.</b>

**Frost with your favorite frosting.**

**... from Elaine Modene**

Riveroaks Homeowners Association  
Financial Report as of  
March 22, 1990

Balance as of 2-9-1990 \$5,274.35  
(the report of 2-9-90 shows \$5,274.85 there was an  
addition error of \$.50.)

Money collected \$2,196.00

Interest Income for February 18.97

Expenditures -0-

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Total Cash on hand \$7,489.32

Accounts Recivable 9 @ \$36.00 \$324.00  
(1- AR of \$36.00 form 1989)

One account has a credit of \$126.00  
One account has a credit of \$22.00

*[Handwritten signature]*  
3.22.90