

News & Views

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of River Oaks

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## OAKER'S NEEDED

The River Oaks' ANNUAL MEETING will be held on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28th at the Warrenville City Hall.

There are THREE openings for the River Oaks Board of Directors. We have TWO nominees. MORE ARE NEEDED!!

Serving on the Board is an easy and convenient way to participate in your community and meet your neighbors. Besides, it looks good on your resume!

The vibrancy of our neighborhood is due in no small measure to the efforts of the Board in promoting and enchancing our sub-division.

Serving on the Board does NOT require a lot of time. The Board generally meets once a month. Board members participate in their area of interest. If you want to participate in River Oaks, serving on the Board is a convenient and effective means of getting involved.

It is quite likely that River Oaks will have a dues increase next year. Your best venue to help determine the amount of increase is to serve on the Board.



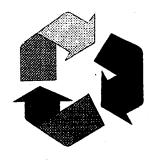
### Calendar of Events

Thursday, Feb. 16
Board of Directors
7:30PM
at the Koenig's

▼ Monday, Feb. 14Valentine's Day

RIVER OAKS
ANNUAL MEETING
7:30 PM
Tuesday, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>
AT CITY HALL

{reserve your sitter EARLY!}



THIS SPRING
TELEPHONE POLES
WILL BE RECYCLED
IN RIVER OAKS !!!!

Thanks to some outstanding persistence on the part of Mark Moore, the owner of the non-functional telephone poles along the Southern border of River Oaks has been discovered. IT'S US!!

Residents have been curious about the poles and their associated hardware for quite some time. Well over a year ago, Mark embarked on a long voyage of discovery to determine who owned the poles. Finally Mark succeeded in locating the cognizant engineer within COM ED, who informed him that the poles belong to River Oaks. They were installed to run power to the house which used to sit in the middle of what was to become River Oaks. Apparently Anden, our beloved developer, elected to leave the poles (along with some hardware and wire) as a present for the new residents.

It just so happens that River Oakers have a PLAN for using the poles.

With a little cooperation from Jones Intercable (who has strung a short length on cable on OUR poles), enterprising River Oakers lead by the intrepid Landscaping Committee plan this Spring to relocate the poles as part of our terrace stabilizing effort along the river banks at the outflow from the upper common area!

Another legacy of Anden falls to the native creativity and perseverance of River Oaks!



HIVER OAKS IS IN NEED OF SPARE PLYWOOD AND WOODEN PLANKS!

If you have any spare plywood or planks, please call Mark Moore (393-6473) or Tom Sinnott (393-2808).

Your contribution will help us accomplish some additional projects around the subdivision.

THANKS!!

THE TENSION IS MOUNTING! THE MAGIC MOMENT CREEPS EVER CLOSER. WHO WILL BE THE LUCKY ONE? WHO WILL WIN THE PRIZE? WHOSE LIFE COULD BE CHANGED FOREVER? IT COULD BE YOU! BUT IT WON'T BE IF YOU DON'T ENTER. THE SPRING SURPRISE CONTEST REMAINS UNSOLVED. TO ASSIST YOU ON YOUR QUEST, HERE IS THIS MONTH'S CLUE:

580 is one key
To what you'll see
when you look at me.
530 names the other ray
going to you along the way.

Remember to send (or bring) your entry to Tom Sinnott at 571 River Oaks Drive. Be sure to include your name or lot number.

### CANDIDATES NEEDED!

We are STILL in need of candidates for the River Oaks Improvement Association's 1995 Board of Directors. Folks, it is important that a couple of residents come forward to serve on the Board.

Our Board of Directors consists of 7 River Oaks residents who serve 2 year terms. Board members also serve on the committee of their choice. Standing committees are: Landscaping; Newsletter and Entertainment. Officers are: President; Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

In an effort to offer a little more flexibility and to bring the size of the Board more into line with the size of River Oaks, both the size of the Board and length of terms were reduced when the By-Laws were amended two years ago.

If you're interested, please contact any Board member.

Did you know that Bruce Boxleitner, Ray Bradbury and Walt Disney are all from the Chicago area?



## Minutes Board of Directors Meeting

**Date:** January 26, 1995

Present: Mark Moore, Joe Lanute, Tom Sinnott, Chuck Hulse, Paul Koenig, Becky Christiansen

Absent: None: Guests: None

Mark called the meeting to order at 7:40 P.M. **Motion:** Joe made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Tom seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Joe reported that there is currently a balance of \$9,639.37 in the ROIA checking account. He will be purchasing Quicken accounting software and stamps for the next dues mailing. A Davey bill for December maintenance has been received, while clearly there has been no Davey work done in December. Joe will review the invoices. The last quarter dues will be mailed soon. Joe will make arrangements with an accountant for the bi-annual financial review. This will be done after the end of the fiscal year in February. The review will be attached to the following Newsletter.

**Motion:** Chuck moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Tom seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Newsletter:** The Board thanked Tom for the last issue of the Newsletter. The next issue should be out mid-February and will include information about the Annual Meeting.

Entertainment: No report.

City Liaison: Chuck reported that the City of Warrenville has not settled with the contractor for the driveway aprons and repairs, so no updated figures for City expenditures from the Anden settlement fund were available. There is still \$1544.09 in the landscaping funds available from the \$13,000.00 for landscaping in the settlement.

Landscaping: Mark reported that Commonwealth Edison has checked the records and has found that the four semi-abandoned telephone poles along the south border of the subdivision belong to River Oaks. The poles carry a line from Jones Intercable. Jones has

been contacted to remove and reroute that cable before the poles are taken down. This will be a spring project for the committee, who would like to use the poles on the river bank for terraces to prevent erosion. It was suggested that this be coordinated with the drainage ditch work, so that the overburden could be taken to the river bank to fill in the terraces.

Nominating: Several persons were contacted but no takers have been found yet. More suggestions of nominees were made. The Board heard from one homeowner who suggested that the dues be increased and that the homeowner's association be turned over to a management company.

#### Old Business:

1995 Budget: There has been no budget feedback to the Board from the homeowners. The Board will assume that there were no disagreements with the budget.

**Motion:** Tom made a motion to adopt the budget as proposed. Joe seconded the motion. The motion passed.

#### New Business:

Manning Street Park Donations: Tom suggested that ROIA contact the City to offer a donation of trees from the River Oaks nursery to this City project. The Board was in agreement with Tom's suggestion.

River Oaks Historian: Mark has spoken with Kelly Kreminski about the possibility of her becoming the River Oaks historian. Kelly has done this kind of work before and was interested in the plan.

Annual Meeting: The Board would like to schedule the Annual Meeting for the fourth week in February. Preferences are Thursday, February 23 or Wednesday, February 22. Becky will check with the fire station to see if their meeting room is available for those dates. The meeting time is 7:30 P.M.

Aerial Photograph: Mark suggested that the Board look into the costs of an aerial photograph of the subdivision. He knows of others in Warrenville with whom we might be able to combine to get a good rate. The Board suggested that Mark investigate this issue.

**Motion:** Paul made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted. Becky Christiansen. Secretary

The next Board meeting is scheduled for 7:30 P.M. on Thursday, February 16, at the Koenigs', 2S. 530 River Oaks Dr.



THAT'S RIGHT, GANG! Another year is over!! And that means its time for our ANNUAL MEETING.

Remember some of the goings on in River Oaks in 1994?

- The new Board was elected, and it looked A LOT like the old Board.
- The Anden suit was FINALLY settled!
- The sleet and rain of last April and May when River Oakers planted all those beautiful and heavy trees.
- All the hidden treasures of the River Oaks Easter Egg Hunt? {and we'll have even MORE in 1995 thanks to Paul Koenig}
- The fabulous TASTE OF RIVER OAKS with the pig, straw bales, games for the kids, loads of door prizes and fellowship for all. {thanks again, Amy, Paul, Tom and all the other helpers}.
- The NEW TREES in the Common Area and along the River?
- The mini flood in the lower cul-de-sac?
- The new sidewalks, the modified new sidewalks and the new driveway aprons?
- The unexplained patterns in the grass revealed after Lake of the Oakers subsided?

The ANNUAL MEETING is your chance to visit with your neighbors, reminisce about the year past, *elect* the new Board members, *sign* up for the committee of your choice, and *discuss* your concerns and ideas for River Oaks in 1995. The Annual Meeting is IMPORTANT - your offical meeting notification and information packets will be mailed shortly. Read them carefully, and set aside a couple of hours on Tuesday, the 28<sup>th</sup> to attend the River Oaks Annual Meeting.

BE SURE TO COME - WE'LL BE LOOKING FOR YOU!