



# OAK LEAVES

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**I**t took a long time, but it was worth the wait—Summer weather is here!

As you read the enclosed minutes, you will notice that there are two volunteer projects being discussed for River Oaks:

Landscaping for the cul-de-sacs and a welcome committee.

If you “only regret that you have but one life to give” to your subdivision, participate in both!

If you can only volunteer for one, donate some time to help landscape a cul-de-sac. Remember, there will be “no beautification without Representation!”

## Calendar of Events

- ♦ Thursday, July 4th:  
INDEPENDENCE DAY!
  
- ♦ Thursday, July 25th:  
Next Board Meeting  
(starts at 7:30 pm)

## **Minutes Board of Directors Meeting**

**Date:** June 27, 1996

**Present:** Andy Gorski, Paul Koenig, Joe Lanute, Mark Moore, Bruce Stoller.

**Absent:** Brian Lynch, Marnee Sinnott.

**Guests:** Sandi Gorski

Mark called the meeting to order at 7:40 P.M.

**Secretary Report:** Paul motioned to accept the minutes as printed in the last newsletter. Bruce seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Joe asked Mark to get him dues cards for the next two quarters.

The association currently has \$10,899.30 in the bank. We have one bill for the newsletter (\$9.10) and two Landscaping bills from Brickman (\$860.00 each). Andy motioned to pay these bills, seconded by Bruce. The motioned passed.

**Newsletter:** Andy thanked Mark for his help on the last newsletter. Mark will provide Andy with a copy of our most current directory so that birth-days can be listed in the newsletter.

**City Liaison:** The city misplaced the bill for the old trenching project. Another bill will be submitted and the association will be reimbursed \$600.00.

The majority of the remaining Anden settlement work is on hold due to an illness to city employee, Tom Fox. In his place, Jim Connors will come to our subdivision within the next 10 days to evaluate the sump pump drainage condition.

**Landscaping:** Paul will have the subdivision entrance and a common area entrance area handled, specifically, seeding and fertilizing the common area entrance and weeding the subdivision entrance, both to begin this weekend.

Brickman has been mowing weekly, and they have provided us with a certificate of insurance.

Our insurance company has assured us that the proposed stairway in the common area would not expose us to any increased liability.

Mark was approached by the Friends of the Du-Page River and asked if our association would be interested in adopting a section of the river. Paul's motion to adopt the section of the river that passes by our subdivision was seconded by Bruce. The motion passed.

Paul will have the entrance sign painted, as previously approved.

Our annual budget provides for landscaping in the two cul-de-sacs, but volunteers are needed.

**Entertainment:** Mark and Brian will meet regarding the annual picnic. Plans will be discussed at the next board meeting.

**Old Business:** The river clean-up went very well under Heather Moore's direction.

The annual garage sale was a success for many of our neighbors.

**New Business:** The possibility of a neighborhood welcoming committee was suggested. The purpose of this committee would be to greet new families to River Oaks and provide them with a copy of our directory, bylaws and local necessary info (ie: garbage day, etc.). The committee would also retrieve vitals so that association can update future directories. At least one woman has expressed an interest in bringing fresh baked cookies to the home of a newcomer and carrying out the above tasks.

**Adjournment:** Paul motion to adjourn was seconded by Bruce. The motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

*Respectfully submitted, Bruce  
Stoller, Acting Secretary*

The next Board meeting is scheduled for 7:30 P.M. on Thursday, July 25, at the Koenig home (lot 35: 2S 530 River Oaks Dr.)

## **Parting Is Such Sweet Sorrow...**

We wish to thank everybody for their support and friendship during our stay in Warrentville. And also, we wish you, your family and friends the very best in the years to come. For anybody who is interested, our new address is:

63 Millside Cres. S.W.  
Calgary, Alberta  
T2Y 2P1  
(403) 256-2122

Sincerely,

Donna, Peter, Derek, Kristine & Nicole  
Boivin



## **Welcome To River Oaks...**

We have new neighbors!

Lot 9:  
Rick and Kathy Deist  
Children: Megan, Kirsten, Erin and  
Caitlyn

Lot 62:  
John and Janet Pautler  
Children: Sean and Jessica

**WELCOME!**

## **THE PLEDGE**

**I**—me, an individual, a committee of one.

**Pledge**—dedicate all of my worldly goods to give without self pity.

**Allegiance**—my love and my devotion.

**To the flag**—our Standard; Old Glory. A symbol of freedom. Wherever she waves there's respect, because your loyalty has given her a dignity that shouts freedom is everybody's job.

**United**—that means that we have all come together.

**States**—individual communities that have united into 48 (50) great states. 48 (50) individual communities with pride and dignity and purpose. All divided with imaginary boundaries, yet united to a common purpose: and that's love for country.

**And to the republic**—republic: a state in which sovereign power is invested in representatives chosen by the people to govern. And government is the people. And it's from the people to the leaders, not from the leaders to the people.

**For which it stands**

**One nation**—one nation, meaning, so blessed by God.

**Indivisible**—incapable of being divided.

**With liberty**—which is freedom. The right of power to live one's own life without threats, fear, or some sort of retaliation.

**And justice**—the principle or qualities of dealing fairly with others.

**For all**—for all, which means, boys and girls, it's as much your country as it is mine.

—Red Skelton's explanation of the pledge of allegiance as related to him by one of his schoolteachers

**HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!**