



# THE LINKS NEWSLETTER



P. O. Box 681, LaPlace, La. 70069-0681

www.belleterrelinkshoa.com

Apr 2011

**HOA Board Members:**

- Larry Clarke - President  
(504) 559-5476
- Rickie Johnson - Vice President  
(985) 653-7979
- Melanie Brazil - Treasurer  
(985) 653-8895
- Melanie Brazil - Secretary  
(985) 653-8895
- Jackie Catalano - Board Member  
(985) 652-8197
- David Sutton - Board Member  
(985) 652-8166
- Beverly Dorsa - Board Member  
(985) 651-6258

\*\*\*\*\*

**Committee Chairpersons:**

- Park: Vacant
- Lake: Vacant
- Welcoming:
  - Dione Prince (985) 651-9440
  - Beverly Dorsa (985) 651-6258
- Social: Larry Clarke  
(504) 559-5476
- Call any Board Member or Committee Chairperson to volunteer your talents.



*Welcome to Our Neighborhood !!!*

*Debbie Robins—105 Pennbrooke  
Randy and Shanna Sutherland—110 Pennbrooke*

**Annual Spring Easter Festival**

The Spring Easter Festival will be held on April 16 from 12:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. in the park. There will be lots of food, drink and Easter eggs for the little ones. There will also be music, space walks, and a train ride for all. Don't forget to bring your chairs. If anyone would like to volunteer please call a board member. Any and all assistance would be greatly appreciated.

**\*\*\*\*\*Annual Work Day \*\*\*\*\***

A workday was held on March 26th. We would like to thank all homeowners who assisted with making our neighborhood as beautiful as possible. The park, front gardens and lakes received some long over due care. Thanks again to all those who gave some of their valuable time.

**Spring is Here!!!**

It's springtime again. The arrival of warmer weather brings back an old nemesis—the mosquito. We must all do our part in eliminating the breeding ground for these pests including removal of standing water in pots, toys, etc. around our homes. Gutters should be checked to remove fallen leaves that can trap water and provide a habitat for these pests. Spraying around the home is also beneficial. April is the month to weed and feed our lawns. Gardens need our attention at this time of year to remove dead foliage and replace with new plants and flowers to bring our neighborhood to life. Don't forget the nasty green mold on the siding of our homes. It comes right off with a little effort. All are reminded to please not clean lawn equipment over the street drains as all of the materials from these machines ends up in our lakes.

**Important Message from our Councilwoman**

I have been informed that a large number of car burglaries have taken place in our area recently. It is imperative that we become proactive and not reactive in this situation. Please keep car doors locked, house alarms set and doors locked. If you see anyone suspicious, please call 911. The Sheriff's office is diligently patrolling our area in search of any suspects. Please give them all the assistance they need. If we want our neighborhoods safe, please get to know your neighbors and communicate any unusual activity to the sheriff's office.

Cheryl Millet



**DUES**

**Let's all pay our dues on time so that we don't have to send out reminders. Also, please put your lot # on your check. Thanks to all who pay their dues on time or in advance.**

If you have any announcements you would like to include in the newsletter, please contact a Board Member.



Belle Terre Links HOA  
Balance Statement  
\*\*\*\*\*  
01-01-10 to 03-31-10

Bal. Forward	10,388.16
<b><u>INCOME</u></b>	
Dues/Late Fees	7,480.26
<b><u>EXPENSES</u></b>	
Bad Debt	2,802.00
Off. Supplies	983.56
Acc/Cons/Legal	<-158.00>
Insurance	2,089.50
Grass Cutting	1,905.00
Common Areas	455.10
Welcom.Com.	37.30
Social Funct.	224.46
Utilities	577.31
Accounting	389.72
Adjustments	
<b><u>TOTAL EXP</u></b>	<b>9,305.70</b>
<b><u>BALANCE TO-DATE</u></b>	<b>8,562.72</b>

**Get Someone's Accomplishment in the Quarterly Newsletter**

Have a special accomplishment that you wish to recognize? Someone graduated, received a special award, achieved something great? Let a board member know or e-mail the website to get that special accomplishment recognized. Please send as much information as possible to assist us with properly recognizing those accomplishments.

**Yard of the Month**

The inaugural winner of the Belle Terre Links Homeowners Association

"Yard of the Month" is:

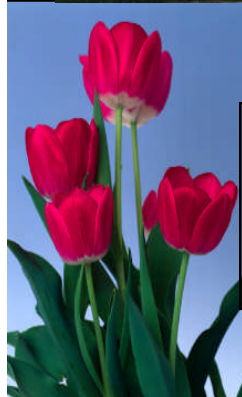
**133 Oakmont Drive—Yvonne Landry**

Congratulations on a well kept lawn and garden!



**Belle Terre Links HOA Website**

The website is now in full swing. Please give us your advice and suggestions in order to make it a more efficient website.



**Important Phone Numbers**

- Mosquito problem or spray request before an outdoor function. Call Mosquito Control (985) 536-6530
- If you spot an alligator, call the Sheriff Dept
- For burned out street lights, call Entergy 800-968-8243
- Tree Limb Removal—St John Parish (985) 652-4815

**Gator:** There have been more alligator citations. All homeowners are asked to be careful and are reminded that these animals are wild, can be dangerous and should not be fed.

**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).

Existing homes must submit prior to construction:

- Location of improvements drawn on a site plan showing lot line setbacks.
- Materials to be used.
- Fences - fence 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.