



# THE LINKS NEWSLETTER



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### HOA Board Members:

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### Committee Chairpersons:

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



Happy 4th of July!!

### Hurricane Season

Hurricane season has started. Please help all your neighbors by remembering to secure playground equipment, trampolines, and any other item that can cause damage to a neighbor's home. We also ask that you assist us in keeping the storm drains cleared of any and all debris to help with drainage.

The Robottom Administration encourages residents to plan for hurricane season. You can pick up a copy of the 10 step survival plan and survival supply check list from the Parish Library or go to the Parish Website ([www.SJBParish.com](http://www.SJBParish.com)). The Parish is updating their notification systems to enhance communications with the public. Residents can sign up for E-News updates at [www.SJBParish.com/newsletter.PHP](http://www.SJBParish.com/newsletter.PHP) and first call notifications at [www.alertregistration.com](http://www.alertregistration.com)

### Recycling Station

President Robottom asks that we use the recycling station sensibly. There have been too many items placed inside and outside of the fence (i.e. tires, computers, etc.) that are not supposed to be placed there. President Robottom says there will be cameras and signage placed at the recycling bins to monitor usage. A copy of what to recycle and what not to recycle can be found at: [http://www.sjbparish.com/works\\_general.php?id=253](http://www.sjbparish.com/works_general.php?id=253)

### School is Out! Watch out for the Kids!

Please remember that school is out. Our kids are out and about enjoying there summer. Please be mindful that they are just kids and don't always pay attention to what is going on around them. Please drive cautiously and keep a look out for them.

### Profit and Loss Statements

Some homeowners have requested to review the profit and loss statements for the homeowners association. All homeowners have the right to review these statements. Therefore they will be posted quarterly on the website ([www.belleterrelinkshoa.com](http://www.belleterrelinkshoa.com)). We highly encourage everyone to utilize the website as often as possible.



### IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

- Should you have a mosquito problem or want your area sprayed before an outdoor function. Call Mosquito Control - (985) 536-6530
- If you spot an alligator, call the Sheriff's Office
- For burned out street lights, call Entergy - 800-968-8243



### DUES

We ask all to please pay quarterly dues timely. Failure to do so causes increased costs to issue reminders and the Board to spend time that could be spent on more productive issues. Thanks to all who pay dues timely.

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



Belle Terre Links HOA  
Balance Statement  
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01-01-11 to 06-30-11

Bal. Forward	10,388.16
<b>INCOME</b>	
Dues/Late Fees	13,465.34
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Bad Debt	2,802.00
Off. Supplies	1,215.84
Acc/Cons/Legal	1,140.37
Insurance	2,089.50
Grass Cutting	3,810.00
Common Areas	1,727.81
Welcom.Com.	37.30
Social Funct.	1,997.15
Utilities	1,111.23
<b>TOTAL EXP</b>	<b>15,931.20</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>7,922.30</b>

### Front Wier

The front wier is in need of some needed repairs in order to protect the lakes. This will take place within the next couple of months. The board is in the process of securing bids to perform the work. We would greatly appreciate your patience with these renovations.

### CCRs Reminder

*Letters were recently issued to numerous homeowners referencing CCR violations including street parking, lot maintenance, and properties in need of repair. While oversight does occur occasionally, all homeowners are asked to abide by the CCRs.*

**Sec 4.01 - Off-Street Parking:** *No vehicle may be parked on the street fronting any Lot on a regular basis or for an extended period of time. This restriction includes overnight parking. All boats, trailers and recreational vehicles shall be parked on each Lot behind a fence or in the garage so that they are not apparent from the street, lake, park or golf course.*

An amendment to this section also requires there to be a hard surface on which to park these vehicles. We ask that all abide by the requirements to limit the parking of vehicles in the street and not to park trailers overnight where they can be seen.

**Sec 4.08 - Garbage and Refuse:** *All lots shall be kept in a healthful, sanitary, and attractive condition. All trash, junk, and waste matter shall be kept in adequate containers and screened from public view. No lot shall be used for open storage of any materials or equipment except for normal residential requirements.*

In essence, please take pride in the appearance of your home and surrounding property. If you have trash or other materials that are not pleasing to the eye or are cluttering up your property, please contain it properly, conceal it or remove it.

### Lake News

**Gator:** An alligator has been spotted moving from lake to lake across Glenlakes in the evenings. All homeowners are asked to be careful and are reminded that these animals are wild, can be dangerous and should not be fed.

**Fishing:** Just a reminder that fishing is allowed for homeowners only. But please remember that the fish are to be returned to the lake once they are caught.

## 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).
- There is a \$200.00 architectural committee fee for new homes.

Existing homes must submit prior to construction:

- Location of improvements drawn on a site plan showing lot line setbacks.
- Materials to be used.
- Fences - 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.
- Any fee incurred will be passed on to the homeowner.