



# THE LINKS NEWSLETTER



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

January 2019

### HOA Board Members:

- Michael Brazil - Acting President  
(985) 653-8895
- Jackie Catalano - Secretary  
(985) 652-8197
- Rickie Johnson - Member at Large  
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- David Sutton - Member at Large  
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- Lois Wilkens - Member at Large  
(504) 616-3064
- Beverly Dorsa - Member at Large  
(985) 651-6258
- Daniel Dumas - Member at Large  
(504)220-2133
- Flo Ronan - Member at Large  
(985) 651-2957
- Mary Truehill - Member at Large  
(504) 722-1642
- David Montegut - Member at Large  
(985) 807-6179
- Joanna Rome - Member at Large  
(504) 458-0275

### Committee Chairpersons:

- Park: John Doiron, David Sutton, Carroll Weichers
- Welcoming: Joanna Rome, Mary Truehill
- Lawn of Month: Flo Ronan



### 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



### 2019 Board of Directors

The election of the 2019 Board of Directors was held on Saturday December 8th. The 2019 board will be comprised of: Michael Brazil, Beverly Dorsa, Jackie Catalano, David Sutton, Rickie Johnson, Mary Truehill, David Montegut, Flo Ronan, Lois Wilkens, and Joanna Rome. Once the 2019 Board positions have been finalized we will let everyone know.

We thank the 2018 Board for their service; those being: Larry Clarke, Michael Brazil, Jackie Catalano, Rickie Johnson, David Sutton, Lois Wilkens, Beverly Dorsa, Daniel Dumas, John Doiron, Flo Ronan, Mary Truehill, David Montegut, and Joanna Rome.

### Annual General Meeting

The General Membership meeting was held on Saturday December 8th. There were a number of topics discussed. A financial report was distributed and discussed. Some of the 2018 accomplishments were shared including: Riverlands Surveying for lot 115 & lot 31 for erosion issue, as well as lots 86 & 87 for placement of fence, totaling \$850. Installment of wrought iron fence along St. Andrews \$6,672.00. The Lakes were sprayed for invasive aquatic vegetation, \$500.00

The Board also laid out some planned projects for 2019: Memorial for Larry Clarke, side gardens in front of subdivision to be refurbished and replanted (Bid from NOLA Landscaping \$2,300. Reuse existing stone, plant sunshine Ligustrum). Will get additional bids. Plant cypress trees at the end of Oakmont along canal to help with erosion. Replace mulch in playground area of park, and add additional dirt in the park in needed areas.

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



### Christmas Decoration Contest

The Links annual "Christmas Decoration Contest" was judged on Saturday December 15th. The results were:

**1st Place - 154 Oakmont**

**2nd Place - 107 Glenn Lakes**

**3rd Place - 143 Oakmont**

**Best Decorated Door - 126 Oakmont**

Thank you to all who participated and took the time to decorate your homes!

### Yard of the Month Winners

**October - Randy & Ann Rebaldo - 101 Oakmont**

Thanks to everyone for all your hard work this year in helping to make our subdivision a beautiful place to live. Yard Of The Month will continue next Spring.

### Landscaping/Lot Maintenance

During these colder winter months, our lawns and gardens are sometimes neglected. While the grass is not growing, there does tend to be a clover issue that needs to be controlled. Leaves falling from trees need to be raked and dead plants in gardens should be removed. While the weather isn't as cooperative as we might like it during this time of year, let's all do our part to keep our little part of the world looking nice during this time period. The LSU AgCenter has several "Horticulture Hints" to help keeping your lawns and gardens looking great. You can visit them at [www.lsuagcenter.com](http://www.lsuagcenter.com). The St. John Parish Ag Center can be contacted at (985) 497-3261.

### Inspirational Quote

"PEACH IS ALWAYS BEAUTIFUL" -

Walt Whitman

"THE ORNAMENT OF A HOUSE IS THE PEOPLE WHO FREQUENT IT" -

Ralph Waldo Emerson

## Have a safe and Happy Mardi Gras!!

### 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.