

RIVER READER

RIVER OAKS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

April 2024 NEWSLETTER

Fellow Homeowners, Neighbors, and Friends,

The weather is getting warmer each passing day. There are many things that we can do to protect ourselves, our family and our pets.

1. We need to be aware that this is the time of year when snakes will come out of hibernation and start seeking food and to begin to mate. Be alert wherever you go. Snakes, especially venomous ones, can and will attack if threatened or startled.

2. Ensure you or someone check out your yard before allowing small children to go into the yard. Snakes will hide everywhere, even in garages, and especially in bushes.

3. Ensure water is available for your pets and don't leave them outside for too long without a source of water being available.

4. Make sure you are hydrated when running or working in the sun for an extended period of time. Take breaks often.

Watch and protect yourself and your family as more and more people will be driving on our highways as the weather becomes warmer. Always watch out for the other driver. Be alert for individuals who may "run" that red light even when yours is green.

Finally, be alert to your area or neighborhood. Watch out for your neighbor and always have someone who lives near you to watch over your home when you leave. Community watch helps protect you and your neighbors.

Best regards.

Isaac Moore President, River Oaks Homeowners Association

Happy Mother's Day

With respect, recognition, honor, memories, and love - Happy Mother's Day!



Congratulations to all our Graduates!

We want to take this opportunity to congratulate all members of the class of 2024!

Great job!



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2024 Budget (Approved)

Income		Budgeted
Starting Balance		\$38,700.00
Deposit		\$75,800.00
	Total	\$114,500.00
Expenses		Budgeted
Admin / Office Expenses / Corp Fee		\$400.00
Bank Charges		\$50.00
Community Improvements		\$6,000.00
Community Outreach / Special Events		\$4,000.00
Electrician		\$1,500.00
Facility use		\$400.00
General Maintenance / Repairs		\$2,500.00
HOA Management Fees		\$13,000.00
Insurance		\$9,000.00
Landscape Updating Removal		\$10,000.00
Landscaping		\$42,000.00
Legal		\$3,000.00
Mulch/Pine Straw		\$5,000.00
Newsletter Printing / Distributing		\$700.00
PO Box Fee		\$250.00
Pond Maintenance (required)		\$2,000.00
Postage / Bulk Mail Permit		\$750.00
Property Taxes		\$500.00
Storage Unit		\$250.00
Street Lighting		\$12,500.00
Tax Preparation		\$300.00
Website		\$400.00
	Total	\$114,500.00

Open Balances

Unpaid dues		
As of April 2024, there are a total of 51		
unique homeowners who owe a total		
of 6432.92 for unpaid dues for 2023.		
Paying your HOA dues is crucial for		
maintaining our community's		
well-being. These funds support		
essential services, upkeep, and		
improvements that ensure our		
neighborhood remains safe,		
beautiful, and an enjoyable place to		
live for all residents.		
To confirm if your account with the		
HOA is in good standing, and to avoid		
fees and liens, contact the HOA		
Management Co. at		
HOA1@dorchestersold.net, or the		
HOA Treasurer at		
<u>Treasurer.ROHA@gmail.com</u> .		
Late fees began on March 31st.		

Dorchester County Mosquito Spraying program - Ground spraying will take place between the hours of 9:00 PM - 5:00 AM, Monday-Friday, excluding holidays. Residents of ROHA are all in Zone 48 and can review the bi-weekly <u>spray schedule</u> (schedule is updated every two weeks while spraying is ongoing). Residents may also request ground spraying via the <u>online request form</u>.

- There is additional information on the website to keep your apiaries and beehives safe.
- Random visual inspections during the height of mosquito season will be conducted.

ROHA Information



The following information is provided as a public service for all residents of River Oaks HOA. Our neighbors in Marsh Side are in the city of North Charleston so information regarding North Charleston is also provided. Additionally, we update the https://www.riveroaksnorthcharleston.com/resources.html page on the RIver Oaks website to include the most up-to-date information. <u>SCVotes.org</u> is a complete guide to:

- Voter Registration
- Check my Voter Registration
- Get My Sample Ballot
- Find My Polling place (all residents of River Oaks HOA normally vote at the Ashley River voting Precinct located at River Oaks Middle School, 8642 River Oaks Drive, North Charleston SC, 29420. Early voting can occur elsewhere so it's always best to confirm)
- Get my Absentee Ballot
- Voter Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for the 2024 Presidential Election

Disposing of E-Waste

The following items may be disposed of at the <u>Hwy 61 - Sprucewood Convenience Site</u> and/or the <u>St.</u> <u>George Convenience Site</u>:

- Televisions Christmas Lights Telephones Stereos Printers Earbuds Vacuum Cleaners
- Computers Gaming Consoles Answering Machines Alarm Clocks Remotes Small Appliances

Open Mon, Tue, Thu and Fri 7:00 to 6:00 Closed Wednesdays and Sundays Sat - 9:00 to 5:00



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ROHA Social Media

River Oaks HOA information can be found on the following social media.

Facebook - the official River Oaks HOA page. We strive to provide relevant, accurate information for Dorchester County and city of North Charleston information.

Instagram - RiverOaksHOANorthCharlestonSC. This is new! So please watch for new informative and relevant content.

<u>Next Door</u> - the President of the HOA board will occasionally provide updates through Next Door. Please note that ND admins for River Oaks will close discussions for expired posts (e.g. pets found), profanity, and discussions that do not meet the ND guidelines.

Wellness Wire

Mental Health Benefits of Activity

The next time you're feeling down, try getting active! Physical activity provides a variety of mental health benefits which include:

- Reduced levels of stress and anxiety
- Reduced feelings of depression
- Improved sleep quality
- Increased energy levels

How can I stay active?

- Yoga
- Golf
- Stretching
- Take a walk
- Ride a bike
- Rake leaves
- Park at the farthest spot in the lot



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ROHA Resident Guide

Emergency Contacts

911 N. Chs Fire Dept, EMS, Dorchester Co. Sheriff 843-873-5111 Dorchester Co. Sheriff (non-emergency) 843-740-2812 N. Chs Police Central Bureau 2500 City Hall Lane, North Charleston, SC 843-207-0666 N. Chs Police North Bureau 7272 Cross County Rd (not always occupied) 800-222-1212 Poison Control 888-333-4465 Dominion Energy (outage reporting) 843-832-0070 Public Works (street signs, roads & ditch) 800-657-0330 Dept. of Transportation (medians & road conditions of Dorchester Rd) 843-832-0015 Dorchester Co. Animal Control 843-744-8021 Red Cross 800-848-5678 Nat'l Center for Missing & Exploited Children 800-621-4000 National Runaway Safeline 800-422-4453 National Child Abuse Hotline 211 United Way Crisis Services Locator Management Co.

Dorchester Real Estate Services

When to contact: HOA violations, C&R, and dues information.

- 843.563.5005
- <u>HOA1@dorchestersold.net</u>
- PO Box 116, St. George, SC 29477

Pothole Reporting

- 843-745-1026 N. Charleston
- 843-832-0070 Dorchester Co.

Street Light Outage

- 800-251-7234
- Provide pole number

Calling All Community Champions: Volunteers Needed to Make a Difference!

We are always looking for the participation of our residents to ensure success at protecting and representing the interests of our residents! Help make the voice of your neighborhood heard by joining the board, or use your skills and talents and make a difference in your community by joining a committee (board position not required).

For more information on the work performed by each committee, visit <u>www.riveroaksnorthcharleston.com/committees</u>. Once you find a committee that interests you, reach out to the committee chair or attend the next HOA meeting!





Meetings are open to the public, and are held on the second Monday of each month at 7pm at Christ Community Lutheran Church, located at 8315 Dorchester Road. All are invited!

Reach out to us on <u>our contact page</u> if you would like to speak and be added to the agenda.

Next Board Meeting: 13 May 2024 and 10 June 2024 Next General Meeting: TBD

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- Architectural Review Board: riveroakshoa@aol.com
- Community Advocacy Committee: Isaac Moore
- Communications Committee: Dakari Anderson
- Maintenance Committee: Paul Amarendran
- Community Outreach Committee: Isaac Moore
- Executive Committee: Isaac Moore
- Auditing Committee: Kristina Carter

- President: Isaac Moore
- Vice President: Paul Amarendran
- Secretary: Adam Wade
- Treasurer: Kristina Carter

Volunteers needed! <u>Contact us</u> to learn how you can help.

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