

COVINGTON LAKE CRYER

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Newsletter Committee News



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We hope you are enjoying your quarterly newsletter. Please be sure to read it, as there is a lot of important information included in each edition. Just a reminder that we are also accepting ads for the very reasonable price of \$10.00 per quarter. This will give you a business card size ad that will be seen by all the owners of the Covington Lake community. To include an ad in the next edition,

please contact Bill DeWolfe at 236-9296.

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- 9/05 - Labor Day
- 9/11 - Grandparents Day
- 9/22 - 1st Day of Autumn
- 10/8 - Octoberfest Picnic
- 10/10 - Columbus Day
- 10/15 - Sweetest Day
- 10/22 - Covington Lake Annual Homeowners Meeting

- 10/29 - Clean up Day
- 10/31 - Halloween
- 11/11 - Veterans Day
- 11/24 - Thanksgiving
- 12/10 - Covington Lake Holiday Party



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Clean-up
Saturday
Oct 29,
2005

10:00am

Meet at the Pool

Rain day back up will
be Nov 06, 2005.

Please call Bill DeWolfe at



236-9296 and let us know if you are planning on attending so that we can have ample supplies and coffee & doughnuts for those who are participating. Thanks for your help in keeping our community a place where we can all be proud to say we live in.



"HAPPY HOUR" every Friday at the pool, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. (weather permitting). BYOB and a snack to pass.

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Architectural Review Committee

Members:

Frank Rizzo 241-0731
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The ARC is making great strides unifying the design guidelines and working to ensure that they are being adhered to. Just a friendly reminder of a few covenant rules that you, as a home-



owner need to be aware of:

All lots shall be used for residential purposes exclusively (Article II, Section 6).

It shall be the responsibility of each lot owner to prevent the development of any unclean, unsightly, or unkempt condition of buildings or grounds on such lot (Article II Sec-



tion 7)

Any fence, walk or animal pen sought to be constructed on any lot shall require prior specific written approval (Article III Section 4)



Grounds Committee

Members:

Barbara Bozeman - 903-0846
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Todd & Jean Kramer - 903-0960
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Board Liaison

Working to enhance our entrance with colorful, seasonal flowers and bushes is one of the goals this committee has. They are continually prioritizing different projects to make Covington Lake an attractive community.



Place to Visit

South Carolina Botanical Garden.

The South Carolina Botanical Garden is in Upstate

South Carolina in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Approximately 40 minutes from Greenville, SC and 20 minutes from Anderson, SC. The Botanical Garden is located on the campus of Clemson University.

Admission is free, though there are charges for some events and programs

<http://virtual.clemson.edu/>

NEIGHBORHOOD SPOTLIGHT

John and Elizabeth Wills

of 583 Summerhill Drive come to South Carolina via New Jersey and originally from the UK. 40 years ago they left their homeland and settled in New Jersey for John's work. John worked as a chemical engineer with an interest in computers. He developed technical programs for oil refineries. Both John and Elizabeth have family members remaining in the UK and Elizabeth has a sister in California.

They are the parents of two sons: one in Maryland, who is a PhD in Cell Chemistry and works as a cancer researcher. I think he takes after his father. His brother is an Art Professor at Mississippi State University for Women and runs a local gallery. I think he takes after his mother. Elizabeth and John are expecting their fourth grandchild.

Elizabeth enjoys many of the finer arts. She does face painting as many of you who attended the picnic would know. She also sings and in the past both she and John

have enjoyed amateur theater. She loves being an Avon representative.

Since retirement John has enjoyed his garden and is an avid reader. He consumes two daily papers per day as well as magazines and books.

You'll see Elizabeth and John walking around the neighborhood with their dog Hawley. When you see them say "Hi, I read about you in the Covington Cryer."



SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

Social Committee:

MEMBERS:

Kathy DeLuca	903-1813
Co-Chairperson	
Pat Jones	236-3948
Co-Chairperson	
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Marge DeWolfe	236-9296
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Don't forget to attend "HAPPY HOUR" every Friday at the pool, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. (weather permitting). BYOB and a snack to pass. This is a great chance to get to know your neighbors and have a good time.

The next planned event is the Octoberfest Picnic scheduled for Saturday, October 8th at 5:00 p.m. Please refer to the flyer you received previously. If you

have misplaced that flyer, there is an additional one included in this newsletter.

Also, the Holiday Party will be held on Saturday, December 10th. Save the date!!! Look for an upcoming flyer in your mailbox!

Please contact any of the social committee members with ideas or suggestions for activities. The Social Committee is working hard on future events - stay tuned.

NOTICE



"Just a reminder, Horry County says fireworks cannot be shot off in our subdivision. Legal action can be taken if there is an accident due to illegal fireworks."

History and Customs of Halloween

On Monday, October 31st, you will likely see witches, ghosts, goblins, skeletons, demons, and other evil characters knocking at your door and hollering "trick or treat", and they will expect a treat or you will be tricked. There will be parties where kids (and even adults) bob for apples, tell fortunes, or go through haunted houses. There will be decorations of

jack-o-lanterns, witches on brooms, and black cats. It is the only day of the year when we give free food to strangers and display carved vegetables on our front porches. ...when you really think about it, October 31st is a very strange day. ...Where did we get this celebration called Halloween?

The history of Halloween goes

back more than 2,000 years. The earliest celebrations of Halloween were among the Celtic people who lived in the areas which are now Ireland, Great Britain, and Northern France and they celebrated their new year on November 1st. This day marked the end of summer and the harvest and the beginning of the dark, cold winter.

The American tradition of "trick-or-treating" probably dates back to the early All Souls' Day parades in England. During the festivities, poor citizens would beg for food and families would give them pastries called "soul cakes" in return for their promise to pray for the family's dead relatives.

MYRTLE BEACH AREA FAMILY ADVENTURES

From Myrtle Beach Area Chambers of Commerce Web Site

Sons of Italy 11th Annual Italian Festival.

Saturday, September 10, 2005
10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Broadway at the Beach

(843) 650-3466

Italian food specialties, arts & crafts, vendors, music and entertainment. Free admission



Irish Italian International Festival. Saturday, October 01, 2005 11:00 am - 4 pm

Main Street—North Myrtle Beach, SC (843) 280-5632

North Myrtle Beach will take on the ambience of an Irish Italian International village.

Local restaurants will offer samples of delicacies in \$1.00 coupons.

Taste of the Town Tuesday, October 18, 2005 4 - 8:30 p.m.

Myrtle Beach Convention Center 2101 N. Oak St. Myrtle Beach, SC

(843) 448-6062

Samples of specialty dishes from over 35 of the Grand Strand's finest restaurants. Beer, wine and entertainment.

Please watch the speed signs when passing Carolina Forest Elementary School and remember that our Covington Lake speed signs are 15-20 mph depending on your location in the development.



Pool Committee
Members:
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236-7437
Barbara Bozeman -
903-0846
John Lesnansky -
236-2976
Bill Martin - 903-2914
Mike Ujcich - 236-2339
Board Liaison



Ceiling fans have been installed for your comfort. Also, additional chairs have been purchased and the committee is working on purchasing additional tables. Some pool rules

have changed, so be sure to review all of the rules listed on page 7. Unfortunately, due to vandalism, security cameras had to be installed.



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Contact

Bill DeWolfe

236-9296

Covington Lakes POA Board:

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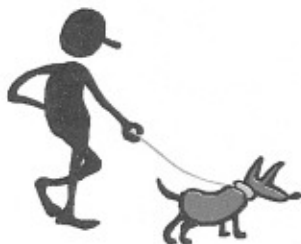
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Message from the P.O.A. Board:

IMPORTANT REMINDER



We have all heard the cliché about the elephant in the room that no one wants to talk about, but now is the time to recognize and talk about the elephant called **cleaning up after your dogs**.

The Board, as well as our management firm has received numerous complaints about folks not making the effort to pick

up the "business". We can't imagine anyone being happy about looking at their lawns and seeing "Fido's" calling cards. Not only is dog waste unsightly, but is a threat to health, degrades property, and transmits disease.

Please treat everyone's property, as you would like yours to be treated.

It's a very simple thing to bring a plastic bag, or some other device, take about 30 seconds and do the right thing. Everyone will appreciate it!!

Wal-Mart carries a product in the pet department called: **GRAB-BAGS** for dog waste pickup. There are 40 small plastic bags with tie handles in the package.

COVINGTON LAKE WEB SITE

Great News! We now have a live web site. Important information such as the covenants, ARC and the newsletter will be posted. Please be sure to visit and let us know what you think. The website is:
www.covingtonlakepoa.com.





Oktoberfest at Covington Lake 10/08/2005

HISTORY OF OKTOBERFEST

Oktoberfest is a two-week festival held each year in Munich (München), Germany, during late September and early October. It is one of the most famous events in the city and the world's largest fair, with some 6 million people attending in recent years.

Other cities across the world also hold fairs, modeled after the Munich event, called Oktoberfest.

The first Oktoberfest, held from October 12-October 17, 1810 in Munich, was a horse race on the occasion of the wedding of Prince Ludwig I of Bavaria and Princess Therese of Sachsen-Hildburghausen. Because of its success, it was repeated annually, later also with an agricultural fair, dance, music and amusement rides. Horse races ended in 1960.

The largest Oktoberfest outside Germany is held in Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario, around the time of Canadian Thanksgiving; the twin cities have a large ethnic German population.

Another large event is in Cincinnati, Ohio; over 500,000 people visited during the 2003 Oktoberfest-Zinzinnati.

The psuedo-Bavarian village of Leavenworth, WA holds Oktoberfest during the first two weeks in October yearly.

Due to a joke on The Simpsons there is now a Scottish version called Scotchoberfest.



September 5th Labor Day Facts



Labor Day is a national legal holiday that is over 100 years old. Over the years, it has evolved from a purely labor union celebration into a general "last fling of summer" festival.

It grew out of a celebration and parade in honor of the working class by the Knights of Labor in 1882 in New York. In 1884, the Knights held a large parade in New York City celebrating the working class. The parade was held on the first Monday in September. The Knights passed a resolution to hold all future parades on the same day, designated by them as Labor Day.

In the late 1880's, labor organizations began to lobby various state legislatures for recognition of Labor Day as an official state holiday. The first states to declare it a state holiday in, 1887, were Oregon, Colorado, New York, Massachusetts, and New Jersey. Then in 1894, Congress passed a law recognizing Labor Day as an official national holiday.

Today, Labor Day is observed in the U.S. also in Canada, and in other industrialized nations.



Labor Day Word Search



FIND THESE WORDS

BAND

PICNIC

COOKOUT

SCHOOL

LABOR

TRIP

MONDAY

WEEKEND

PARADE

COVINGTON LAKE POOL RULES

THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS ARE REQUIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL.

- (1) There should be no solo swimming.
- (2) There should be no running, boisterous or rough play.
- (3) No person under the influence of alcohol or drugs should use the pool.
- (4) There should be no spitting or blowing nose in pool.
- (5) Persons with communicable disease should not enter pool.
- (6) Persons with skin, eye, or nasal infections should not enter pool.
- (7) No animals or pets allowed in pool.
- (8) No glass allowed in the pool or on the deck.
- (9) No children should be in the pool without supervision.
- (10) You should take a shower before entering pool.
- (11) The pool is open from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- (12) The maximum number of swimmers allowed in the pool is 55, deck limit is 90.
- (13) A first aid kit is located on the pool house wall.
- (14) An emergency phone (or other notification device) is located on the pool house wall.

IN ADDITION TO ADHERING TO THE ABOVE REGULATIONS, IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ALL COVINGTON LAKE PROPERTY OWNERS TO ENFORCE THE FOLLOWING RULES. IF YOU ENCOUNTER SOMEONE NOT FOLLOWING THE POOL RULES, YOU'RE ENCOURAGED TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE AND IF NECESSARY CONTACT THE APPROPRIATE AUTHORITY .

- (1) Pool will be open for use from April 1 until weather warrants end of swimming season.
- (2) The swimming pool facilities are for exclusive use of Covington Lake residents and invited house guests only. A Covington Lake resident must accompany their guests at all times. Those not in compliance will be asked to leave.
- (3) All residents and guests are cautioned that they use the swimming pool at their own risk.
- (4) All posted signs are to be obeyed.
- (5) Proper swim attire must be worn. Swimmer's diapers are required for children not toilet trained.
- (6) No rafts, inner tubes, beach or basket balls, or body boards in pool.
- (7) Children age 18 and under must be accompanied at all times by an adult parent or legal guardian.
- (8) Transistor radios are permitted on the pool deck area provided the volume does not disturb others and they are not a safety hazard.
- (9) No skateboards, roller skates, bikes etc., are permitted in the pool/cabana area.
- (10) Pool furniture shall remain in the pool area, on the pool deck.

The first six months of 2005 have been a very busy and productive time for your Covington Lake Board of Directors. We have faced many challenges, prioritized numerous issues and undertook projects that were important to everyone in Covington Lake. A few examples were the formation of committees, reviewed existing procedures and policies, and establish an outline of development for our future growth.

Covington Lake is **YOUR** community and as everyone agrees, to make a community a success, it takes involvement and communication. In the past, our October annual meeting was one of the few times questions and concerns would be raised and addressed. We hope that during this first six months, if there were concerns or questions, our Board members or our managing agent, Craig Newman from Chicora, has responded in a timely manner. Most certainly, during our first 6 months, we have experienced some growing pains. However, you can be assured that our mission, as volunteers, is to represent you and your needs as well as opportunities that will benefit **YOUR** community.

Outlined below is a brief highlight from each of our 5 working committees. Please feel free to contact any of our Board members with questions or suggestions as they represent you in our community. The Board would like to congratulate and thank each member of the committees for the hard work and hours spent in making Covington Lake a great place to live.

Grounds:

This committee has been concentrating on the maintenance of common areas, replanting and reworking of existing landscaping and the overall appearance of our common areas. The upkeep of the lakes is currently being reviewed. Initial treatments of the lakes have been completed, and we are now proceeding with additional applications.

Newsletter:

With this issue, this committee has produced 3 quarterly newsletters this year. They contain a wealth of information about our growing community. Please help increase communication among your neighbors by reading each issue of The Covington Cryer.

Pool:

With the number of occupied new homes increasing, the swimming pool has been used a great deal more than in previous years. A few improvements that will make your visit more comfortable and enjoyable include new pool furniture and ceiling fans. Please be sure to review the pool rules as there have been changes made (i.e. age of attendees).

ARC (Architectural Control Committee):

This committee has reviewed and reestablished the building requirement standards for our community. In addition to new construction, this committee has also been reviewing all existing compliances to our Covenants and ARC. Their mission statement is to uphold the standards of community that we all appreciate and may take for granted.

Social:

Activities that support all ages of our community have already been held this year or are planned. A few of the successes were the community garage sale, Easter egg hunt, a Pelican baseball game and dinner, and a great summer Hawaiian Luau. Stay tuned for Oktoberfest and a holiday dinner in December.

Working together, volunteering, caring, and having pride will continue to make Covington Lake a wonderful place to live.

Respectfully,

Michael Ujcich	Al DeLuca	Butch Raynes	Bill DeWolfe	Mike Domingoes
President	Vice-President	Secretary	Treasurer	Director