



River Oaks Newsletter

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River Oaks extends congratulations to the following families, and a "welcome" to their new additions:

DORAN

We welcome a new member of our family, our daughter, Kelsey Marie Doran. Born March 22, 1989, she was 8 pounds 6 oz. and 20 1/2 inches long. She has a brother Timmy, age 3, and Mom and Dad, Bill and Tina Doran.

MODENE

It's a Boy!! Bob and Elaine Modene are so very proud to announce the birth of their first child, Robert Douglas Modene, Junior, on April 2, 1989.

COMMITTEE NEWS

BEAUTIFICATION: Alas, River Oaks will be identified for all passersby. Our entrance sign is scheduled for installation the first week in May... And thanks to all who helped move the tree from the entrance to the Common Area. It was a cold and nasty day

but the job was done and the tree is doing fine. Also thanks to Linda Saxton for picking up the debris from the entrance and upper circle... Watch your mailbox flags for information about a "Clean Up River Oaks Day"!

The sidewalk between lots 51 and 52 should be started in the next two weeks. Bob Nelson Co. will be doing the work for under \$1800, which is a very reasonable price. A 50% downpayment will be sent, with the remainder paid upon completion. On Saturday, May 6, work is supposed to start on the stairs between lots 31 and 32 going up to the common area.

GROUNDSKEEPING: The first weed and feed application in the Common Area should go down on the first weekend in May.

ENTERTAINMENT: The response to our questionnaire was limited. However a few homeowners expressed an interest in bowling. If any one is interested in a Bowling Night or forming a River Oaks League, please contact any member of the entertainment committee... We are still planning to hold our 2nd Annual Block Party. More details will be coming.

REGISTER TREES!

The City of Warrenville, Tree City U.S.A., has as its goal to register 3,500 trees by the Spring of 1990. Help the city reach this goal, and register any trees you plant on your property! It's easy to do. Just call the City at 393-9427, or write them at 28 W 630 Stafford Pl., Warrenville, IL. 60555. All they need to know is the type of tree, and your name and address, and they will send you a certificate of registration. Over 2,000 trees have been registered with the city in the past two years! A reminder - there is a city ordinance that prohibits planting of trees in the parkways.



COMMON AREA

 It's Spring and we're happy to see the Common Area full of kites flying and children playing. Although the Common Area is for the enjoyment of all residents, some rules are necessary to protect it from abuse. The Board has placed the development of a full set of rules and regulations on the agenda for their next regular meeting, on May 18. Here is a brief summary of some of the present rules which appear in the Declaration of Easements, Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, Article 5:

- * The Common Area may not be used for storage of any materials or vehicles, for dumping of any material, or for disposal of garbage or rubbish.
- * Board approval is required for removal of any tree or shrub

from the Common Area. New plantings in the Common Area or elsewhere within River Oaks must not interfere with use of neighboring lots or present a visual safety hazard.

- * No structures of any kind may be constructed on the Common Area without Board approval. Also, the Board must approve any alterations in the topography or drainage of the Common Area.
- * No drainage ditch or other facility to carry natural water may be constructed on a lot without Board approval.
- * The grade of a lot may not be altered without Board approval.
- * Any animal nuisance in the Common Area or elsewhere within River Oaks, as determined by the Board, must be removed upon three days' written notice to the owner from the Board.

PET OWNERS!



In answer to questions from some residents of River Oaks about City of Warrenville regulations about pets, you can get the city code concerning pets at the city municipal building. Yes, there is a leash law for dogs, which must also have valid rabies tags and be registered with the city. Cats need valid rabies tags if they are on the street. Any animal nuisances are illegal, including noise, odor and other obnoxious factors determined by the animal control officer.

KIDS' KORNER

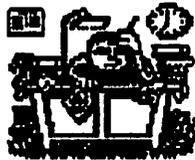
Kudos to Kristine Recometa and Brian Oster for their piano performances in the recital presented by Leona Gervase at Hope Presbyterian Church on Saturday, April 29th. Kristine played "Argentina" by Gillock, and Brian played "Tarantella" by Spindler. We're proud of you kids. Keep up the fine work!

RIVER OAKS INVADED BY CUB SCOUTS! Yes, its true, there is a cub scout den in River Oaks. Wolf Den 8 of Bower School's Pack 68 meets Thursday afternoons at the Christiansens'. The seven 7- and 8-year-old members are Eric Ray, Joey Vainisi, Russell Recometa, Brandon Carlson, Justin Wierema, Russell Christiansen, and Dan Williams (of Winchester Square). Susan Ray is den leader and her assistants are Frank Vainisi and Becky Christiansen. Thanks, guys, for helping to clean the Common Area in April!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

by Bob Modene

I have been in contact with I.D.O.T. about trying to reduce the speed limit along Rt. 59, and I will endeavor to explain how the state responded. The state takes a traffic count and also a speed count to determine the validity of the existing speed limit. If 85% of the traffic is doing the speed limit the state sees no reason to reduce the limit. This policy seems a little backwards to me, because it does not take into consideration new construction of



commercial property or residential property. Also, if everybody is speeding, or more than 15% of the existing traffic is speeding, the state maintains that it is up to the local police department to enforce the limit to reduce the percentage of speeders to under 15%. So, in other words, if 20% of the cars are speeding, the state sees no reason to reduce the limit. Like I said, a little backwards. [Latest count shows 43% above speed limit.]

The one advantage that we have is the traffic signal that hopefully will be installed next year at Mack Rd. This will force everybody to slow down because they will not have the long straightaway from Batavia Rd. to Joliet Rd. to gather speed.

I am waiting for further data from the chief of police of Warrenville and the state D.O.T. so I can write the state D.O.T., our state representatives, Jim Edgar, and DuPage Highway Dept. Other items associated with this letter will be requests for "T" signs for Ridge Rd., a right hand deceleration lane and a left hand turn lane coming into the subdivision.

We have the complete support of the Police Department and Mayor Lund in this matter and hopefully soon, we will be able to have the speed limit reduced.

BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the Board of Directors of the River Oaks Homeowners Association will be on Thursday, May 18, 1989 at 7:30 PM at the Englishes' (Lot 17). Remember that all homeowners have the right to attend if they so desire.



Announcements

Bob, wishing you the very best of luck on your new venture into the small business world!

EAGLE ERRAND SERVICE

- *Running errands for you.* Love, Toni, Michael, and Brian Oster

Piano & Violin Lessons
- Right here in River Oaks! Leona Gervase has created several openings in her teaching schedule for beginning or intermediate students. Solid foundational training is given in theory, repertoire, technique, and performance. Call 393-4045 for more information.



Congratulations to Marty Molina on placing sixth in the nation at the Division I National Wrestling Tournament in Oklahoma City, OK, March 18th. Placing sixth also qualifies him as an "All-American". Marty is a Senior at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston, IL.



CALLING ALL WRITERS! Did you know that River Oaks has its own band of professional fiction writers? If you find yourself spending too many hours alone with your

word processor, and would enjoy sharing with other freelancers, consider joining our writers' group. Call 393-4946 for more info.

The River Oaks Bunko Club was formed last October. This Club meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM. We collect \$2 per person. Prizes are bought by the Hostess each month and awarded for 1st, 2nd, and Boobie. We meet from Oct to May, with an outing in the Summer. We are looking for more women for our sub list, so if interested please call Judy Molina, 393-2113. This is a fun night out for the ladies and is easy to learn. No experience needed!



The Molinas happily announce the engagement of their daughter Michele to Ken Ellenghausen of Lombard. The wedding is set for May 19, 1990.



The River Oaks Pinochle Club was formed two years ago this September. We have 6 couples who play at 8 PM on the third Saturday of each month, Sept.-June. We collect \$2 from each couple and award 1st, 2nd, and Boobie Prizes at the end of the night, so competition is keen?! Anyone interested in being a sub for this Club please call Linda Saxton, 393-2206. We almost always need a sub and if there is enough interest, another table can be added. So don't hesitate, call now!



Newsletter Input Sheet

WE NEED YOUR NEWS! Won't you help us with the next edition of the River Oaks **NEWSLETTER**? The **NEWSLETTER** is for, by, and about the residents of River Oaks. We will gladly print any **announcements, classifieds, craft ideas, kids' stuff, recipes, etc.** If you have a scoop for us, please fill out this form and drop it off at the Christiansens', 2 S 600 River Oaks Dr. (Lot 19), by **Friday, May 26** (dropoff in the mailbox is OK).

NAME AND ADDRESS:

NEWSLETTER ITEM: