

River Point

A Quarterly Newsletter

July 2010

Website Is Updated

Please visit our website at www.riverpoint-monumentlanding.com. The website has been expanded. We've added five more pages and filled them with more information than ever before. Read the latest on upcoming events happening soon. And check back often, as the website is updated every week or two.

Stranger Danger

If you see any suspicious persons or vehicles roaming our neighborhood, our JSO security officer has suggested you call the police non-emergency number (630-0500). Be sure to give location and detailed description when reporting. By being proactive, our neighborhood will remain safe.

No Soliciting

To deter solicitors, place a "No Soliciting" sign on your door or near your doorbell. It is against the law for a solicitor to contact you if you have a visible sign. Call the police non-emergency number (630-0500) to report solicitors, especially if you feel uncomfortable. You will be doing your neighbors a favor.

Leash Law & Clean Up

The Duval County leash law requires that **ALL** dogs and cats be on a leash when they are off of their owners' property. I would also like to remind all pet owners that they are responsible for cleaning up after their pets. Make it a habit to take a plastic bag with you on your walks and use it to pick up your pets mess.

Trash & Recycle Bins

Trash cans are a lot like underwear, everybody has them but no one wants to see them. With this in mind, insure that your trash and recycle bins are stored out of sight except on trash days. Please put your trash cans out after 5pm Tuesday night but put them away promptly after they have been emptied.

Parking

We ask everyone's cooperation to please refrain from consistently parking vehicles on public roads and right of ways. It becomes a safety issue if emergency vehicles cannot get around the parked vehicles. This is a serious concern as many of our streets are narrow, so we urge everyone to cooperate.

Upcoming Events

Weekend Scrapbooking Event

Friday, July 23rd - Sunday, July 25th

Scrapbook lovers this event is for you! Join other River Point neighbors who share the love of scrapbooking for a weekend-long event. Set up begins Friday, July 23rd at 6pm and scrap through Sunday, July 25th at 3pm at the Watson Conference Room. For those who are not familiar with this type of event, let me explain. You bring in your scrapbooking supplies anytime after 6pm on Friday. Set up a table and begin scrapbooking. You may bring dinner, snacks and drinks. (A microwave and refrigerator will be available.) We will lock up around midnight and return Saturday morning to begin scrapping again. We'll scrap all day and into the night and we'll lock up again around



midnight and return Sunday morning to scrap some more. And Sunday afternoon, you'll pack up with a smile on your face because you'll be proud of all the scrapbooking you finished. It's very inspiring and a lot of fun sharing ideas and getting the creative juices flowing. There are a limited number of tables, so anyone interested must reserve a spot. Contact Shantell Hughes at board@riverpoint-monumentlanding.com to reserve your spot today!

Bunco

Thursday, August 12th @ 6:00pm

If you are interested in a fun social event with some great ladies in the neighborhood while playing a silly, mindless dice game, please contact Shantell for more info at board@riverpoint-monumentlanding.com (See the calendar on the website for monthly scheduled games.)



Next Board Meeting

Thursday, August 19th @ 6:30pm

Location: Watson Conference Room
The Board meets the third Thursday of each month.

Coupon Class

Many people were not able to make the last one and have asked me to host another coupon class. I do not have a date set yet, but I'm working on that. Please watch for an email or letter board notice as to when the next one will be.

Shredding Day

Filing Source has asked if we'd be interested in hosting another Shredding Day. This was a well received event and many people took the opportunity to clean out filing cabinets and old boxes of papers and brought them out to be shredded. Watch for upcoming information on the place, date and time and be sure to take advantage of this opportunity.

Annual Assessments Hurricane Preparedness

It's not too early to plan ahead!

For many of us this past year has been a financial strain. It has become essential for some of us to budget early.

The online payment option through Smartstreet allows you to pay any denomination, once a day. So if you have an extra \$5-\$10, you can prepay your 2011 dues. This will leave a credit on your account and when January rolls around you may only have a



small balance depending on how much you've paid. Smartstreet will also allow you to set up nominal re-occurring monthly payments that can be automatically deducted from your account, if that's more convenient for you. Visit www.smartstreet.com

You may also mail a check, if you prefer. If you have any questions, contact Sharleen Thompson at River City Mgmt.

Yard of the Month - May

CONGRATULATIONS!!!!!!

1818 Rambling Ridge Ln.

Honorable mentions:
1307 Running Brook Ct.
12103 Rush Creek Dr. W.

Yard of the Month - June

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1634 Panther Ridge Ct.

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1548 Panther Ridge Ct.
1733 Swimming Salmon Place N.

The hurricane season is upon us once again and it is important to be prepared.

The Florida Division of Emergency Management has a great website with step by step instructions

allowing you to create your own family disaster plan. Don't put off tomorrow what you can do today! Visit www.floridadisaster.org



Cooling Tips

Staying cool doesn't have to mean cranking up the AC and spending a lot of money. Here are some low- to no-cost energy saving tips:

- * Set your thermostat a few degrees higher when no one is home.
- * Check your system's air filter every month. If it looks dirty, change it. A dirty filter will slow air flow and make the system work harder-wasting energy.
- * Run your ceiling fan to create a cool breeze. Remember that ceiling fans cool you, not the room, so when you leave the room make sure to turn off the fan.
- * Close the curtains and shades before you leave your home to keep the sun's rays from overheating the house.
- * Have your AC system serviced annually to ensure it's running at optimum efficiency.
- * Swap out incandescent bulbs with more energy-efficient lighting choices.
- * Remember to turn up your thermostat to 85 degrees when you leave for short trips (unless you're leaving pets at home). Experts agree that the energy saved from turning your thermostat up while you're away is greater than the energy used to cool your house when you return.

It's Risky To Neglect Home Maintenance

Even though injury or property damage is unintended, you, as the homeowner, may be found legally liable as a result of hazards. To help avoid incidents:

- * On a regular basis inspect and maintain the exterior of your home.
- * Set up exterior lighting. Poorly lit areas invite crime and may increase the likelihood of a trip-and-fall accident.
- * Tend to the yard, landscaping and fencing. Trim low-hanging tree branches and repair uneven walkways.

Exterior Changes???

We are a deed restricted community. Our covenants state that approval must be obtained **prior** to any exterior changes and/or improvements made to any property. You can download an ARC request on our website. If you are interested in painting your home, there are 200 approved colors. The color swatches are available for your review. Contact Shantell Hughes to request a copy.

Board of Directors

Shantell Hughes — President
Danny Shaw — Vice President
David Tacket — Treasurer
Steph Cono — Secretary
Joe Macaluso — Member at Large

The Board would like to hear both the concerns and compliments of our members. Please feel free to contact Shantell Hughes at 928-0760 or send an email to board@riverpoint-monumentlanding.com

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