

RIVER READER



RIVER OAKS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

October 2024 NEWSLETTER

Hello Friends,

Summertime has passed and fall has begun. For many of us, this is a time when we begin raking leaves and preparing for winter. As you take on this task, be sure to secure your leaf bags to prevent them from tilting over into the street. For me, the best way to prevent this is to staple the top of the bags.

As I travel throughout our neighborhood by bicycle, I continue to notice how fast some of us are driving. Please note that the speed limits in all areas are less than 30 mph. On Park Forrest Parkway, the speed limit is 25 mph. On Appian Way, it is 20 mph. Please slow down and please yield to walkers waiting to cross at a crosswalk.

If you have not reviewed your covenants and restrictions (C&R's) for your area in the past 5 years or more, please do so. As we address certain discrepancies, we notice that many of our residents are not aware of some of the C&Rs in their area. There are 11 different sub-divisions in our River Oaks community. General requirements like cutting and trimming your yard are standard in all areas. However, some areas have stricter requirements than other areas. Therefore, you may notice that what is acceptable in one area may not be acceptable in your area. So, re-check what is allowed and not allowed in your area. See the [ROHA Website](#) for additional information.

Overall, you can take pride in knowing that you are not only making your home better but the entire community. Thanks!

Kindest regards.

Isaac Moore

President, River Oaks Homeowners Association

Neighborhood Volunteers

We want to take this opportunity to thank all those neighbors who see a need and fill it. From decorating the neighborhood, to picking up trash along their walks, to helping out a neighbor with lawn care, we appreciate you and acknowledge your efforts! **And huge kudos to the volunteers that cleared out Park Forest Parkway after Helene!!!**



Speed Bumps/Humps/Traffic Calming Devices

A neighbor has come forward and is willing to be our point person to review all that is needed for this project! We'll keep you informed as he works through all the requirements. Additional information can be found on our [ROHA WebPage](#).

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	\$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

HOA Budget

Open Balances

As of September 2024, there are a total of **68 out of 611** unique homeowners who owe a total of **73,297.87** for unpaid dues.

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 Treasurer.ROHA@gmail.com.

ROHA Fall Yard Sale

Saturday,
October 5th 8-1



Check out [What Now Charleston](#) to get a hint of new eateries and businesses coming soon to our area! Chatty Magpie Café on Ashley Phosphate and Nola's Creole and Soul @ 9980 Dorchester Road are just a couple. Personally, we're hoping for an IKEA in Festival Center!



Check out the [Dorchester Road project](#) website for Dorchester Road improvements planned from Michaux Parkway (the road to the airport) to the Dorchester County Line. It won't happen anytime soon, but it is on the drawing board.

ROHA Information

VOTING INFORMATION

For the most up-to-date information regarding your polling places, your voting status, and other information, please go to <https://scvotes.org/>. Important information to remember:

- You must be registered at least 30 days prior to any election in order to vote in that election. Registration by mail applications must be postmarked at least 30 days prior to that particular election to be eligible. If the deadline falls on a Sunday or U.S. Postal Service holiday, the postmark deadline is extended to the next day that is not a Sunday or holiday.
- The General Election is Tuesday, November 5, 2024.
- Early voting is Monday, October 21 – Saturday, November 2. (*Closed Sunday October 27.*) Early voting centers are open 8:30 a.m.- 6:00 p.m. during the early voting period.
- Early voting locations for River Oaks can be found on the <https://scvotes.gov/voters/early-voting/> site, but the two closest to our neighborhood are Wescott Park - 9006 Dorchester Rd, North Charleston, SC 29420 and Christ Community Lutheran Church - 8315 Dorchester Rd North Charleston.
- Polling location on voting day is River Oaks Middle School, 8642 River Oaks Dr.



ROHA Covenants and Restrictions

VRBO and Airbnb businesses, and all other businesses, are prohibited in all River Oaks Neighborhoods.

The River Oaks Neighborhoods are all governed by the ROHA Bylaws and each individual neighborhoods Covenants and Restrictions (C&Rs). C&R's can be found on the <https://www.riveroaksnorthcharleston.com/covenants--restrictions.html> website.

- Article II – Ansley Pointe, Appian Landing I, II, III, Palmetto Plantation, and River Chase.
- See Section A for Woodington I and II and III.
- See Article VII for Marsh Hall and Marsh Side.

If you have any questions or concerns about what is or is not allowed in your neighborhood, please contact our ROHA Property Manager at HOA1@dorchestersold.net

ROHA Information

News you can use!

Get a Cheaper Ride! Did you know that if your 55+, you are eligible to use CARTA OnDemand? CARTA OnDemand is a partnership with Uber and Lyft that serves seniors. Trips can cost as little as \$4.00 each way and rides can be scheduled with as little as one-hour notice. Check out <https://www.ridecarta.com/services/ondemand/> for additional information!

Check out the <https://www.dorchesterlibrarysc.org/events/> website for different classes for all ages! The price is great – **free** – and the library is a wonderful resource for our community.
8620 Patriot Boulevard



Check out the activities available for everyone at the new **Ashley River Park** – from crafts to skull identification to fossil hunting – check out the programs available.
<https://dcprd.recdesk.com/Community/Program>

Dorchester County Launches Free Recording Fraud Alert Service

Dorchester County Register of Deeds is now offering a free Recording Fraud Alert service to help property owners safeguard their property records. The service notifies users via email whenever a document is filed with their name, enabling quick action against potential fraud or unauthorized activity.

To sign up, visit [Dorchester County Recording Alert](#).

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 for our MarshSide neighbors.

[Instagram](#) - RiverOaksHOANorthCharlestonSC. We are still working on this! So please watch for new informative and relevant content.

[Next Door](#) - 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.

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
- HOA1@dorchestersold.net
- 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 www.riveroaksnorthcharleston.com/committees. Once you find a committee that interests you, reach out to the committee chair or attend the next HOA meeting!



Monthly Board Meetings

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 [our contact page](#) if you would like to speak and be added to the agenda.

Next Board Meeting: 14 October 2024

Next General Meeting: TBD



Board Members

Subdivision	Name	Email
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Ansley Pointe	Vacant	
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Appian Landing I	Vacant	
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Marshside	Vacant	
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Woodington II	Vacant	
Woodington III	Cheryl Cannon	ckcannon50@yahoo.com
Woodington III	Vacant	

- Architectural Reviw 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! [Contact us](#) to learn how you can help.