

The Ricefields Legend

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Santa Comes to Ricefield!

On Sunday, December 2nd, Santa will arrive at our river landing via a Sheriff's patrol boat. His arrival is planned for approximately 1 p.m. Once again we were able to have Santa stop over at Ricefields on his way back to the North Pole after his tour of his Christmas eve route. Please note the signs that will be posted at our entrances for the exact time and in case of inclement weather.

Tree Policy

A copy of our new tree policy has been mailed to all owners. A great deal of time was spent developing a balanced policy for our community. While the new policy was being researched, we were fortunate to have new resident Chad O'Brien, a Landscape Architect and V.P. of Waccamaw Landscape join the A.R.B. His expertise helped us to adopt a reasonable and balanced policy. Please familiarize yourself with it, and if you have any questions or concerns contact any Board member.

Vandalism Report

Back in August, 13 STOP signs were destroyed and an obscenity written on the pool fence. Thanks to the cameras at the pool and excellent work by the Sheriff's office, 2 young adults and one juvenile were charged. The total damage was \$630.

In late October, all three appeared before the Magistrate in Murrells Inlet and pled guilty. One young adult and the juvenile were placed in Pre-Trial Intervention.

P.T.I. is available to first time offenders only and involves, in this case, restitution, and 60 hours of community service. After satisfactory completion of the terms of the P.T.I., the offenders can petition the court to expunge their records.

The other young adult was not eligible for P.T.I. and her case was continued until the others' P.T.I. is completed.

The vandalism that occurred at the front entrance on the next evening was never solved. That incident involved the smashing of the flood lights which caused a fire that was handled by the Midway Fire Dept. The fire destroyed the plants and damaged the sign. Estimated damage \$500.

Halloween Gathering

The traditional Lee Family gathering kicked off the evening as Trick or Treaters, families and friends roamed the streets of the neighborhood. Special thanks to Kathy, Ira and Bell!

Emergency Access Gate

The County has installed a gate at the end of Loblolly Ridge Lane. This will provide emergency vehicles access to the River Oaks/ Waverly area in the event of a wash out of Waverly Rd. Pedestrians and bikes still have ready access through the gate.

Golf Carts

A reminder- The laws of S.C. require carts to be insured and operated by a licensed driver only.

Fireworks

With the approach of the New Year, if you plan on using fireworks please be careful and be a good neighbor. In addition to potentially being a fire hazard, Roman candles go quite a distance and more often than not end up on other people's property.

14th Annual Meeting

Our required Annual Meeting is tentatively set for Thursday, February 28th at Waccamaw H.S. This meeting, in addition to electing Directors, offers State of the Community and Financial reports plus comments and suggestions from members.

Directory Update

The updated Directory is almost ready for the printer. If you have any new phone numbers or additions/deletions to your family please contact Linda McElroy at 235-9509.

Suggestion Box

On our web-site we do have a suggestion box. If you have a concern/suggestion, please leave a contact number so it can be addressed. We do know who "anon" is.

Gangs

Georgetown County has six identified gangs. The Sheriff's Office has developed a Power Point presentation to help all of us understand the definition, and characteristics of gangs.

All of us need to be aware of their activities and recruitment techniques.

If you would be willing to attend a presentation by the Sheriff's office, please contact us through the suggestion box on the website.

This is way too important for any of us to ignore.