

THE GREYSTONE VILLAGE VOICE

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GV Factoids

Size of Greystone Lake:
27 acres

Length of walking path
around Greystone Lake:
Approximately 1.5 miles

Total number of homes in
Greystone: 834

Number of bridges: 7

Largest fish ever caught in
Greystone: 8 lb bass

Year when the Rec Center
will be paid off: 2008

Baker's Landing and
Baker's Lake are named
after the Baker family, who
still own property within the
neighborhood named after
them.

Baker's Lake pre-dates
Greystone Village and, for
decades before Greystone,
was a well known summer
swimming hole for local
farm kids

Do you have a Greystone
Village factoid to share? Don't
be shy! Send it to:

Greystone Village Voice
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Grounds and Lakes

by Al Lyter—Grounds & Lakes Maintenance Committee

You may wonder who or what is responsible for the maintenance of Greystone's common areas and lakes. This daunting task is ultimately the responsibility of the Greystone Association Board of Directors, but given that maintenance is a highly hands-on endeavor, the Board formed the Grounds & Lakes Maintenance Committee (G&LMC) for this purpose.

At present, the G&LMC is made up of seven members, not all of them board members, who meet on a monthly basis to review the needs of the community in regards to grounds and lakes maintenance. These needs range from ensuring that the grass is cut to inspecting our three dams. We routinely canvas all Greystone neighborhoods to assess needs, whether for increased attention to the length of the grass, the replacement of lights on a community sign or solving a problem with wild critters such as the beaver or geese.

Since we are only seven, we rely on interested community residents to be both observant to their environment and to inform us of problems that may exist. There are several ways that you can express your concerns and wishes:

- Attend G&LMC meetings, held the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30pm, Starbucks in Stonehenge Shopping Center; open to all Greystone community residents
- Call or e-mail our management agent Matoka Snuggs at Charleston Management, 847-3003 or Matoka@charlestonmanagement.com
- Contact any of the committee members: Helen Jones, *Bluffridge*; Ellen Kinsinger, *The Wedges*; Margo Nolstad, *Bluffridge*; Paul Woolverton, *Valley Lakes*; Mike Roach, *Stone Quarter*; Carol Fernstrom, *Baker's Landing*; Al Lyter, *Parliament Pointe*. For contact information, visit the Greystone Village website at www.greystonevillage.org.

The G&LMC works hard to ensure the enjoyment and safety of the common areas. Please help us by not planting or removing common area vegetation, and please don't dump yard waste in the common areas.

We look forward to serving the community in the future and hope that more of you will get involved in making Greystone Village a great and attractive place to live. ■

Recreation

by Chris Quinn, Committee Chair—Recreation Committee



The Swim & Racquet Club remains a special place for children and neighbors to gather and fosters a true sense of family and community. If you're a Greystone homeowner, not already a Swim & Racquet Club member and would like to try us out, you can receive three free passes to the pool by calling 848-8554. Memberships are still available. Call 848-8554 for an application.

The Pool will reopen at 4:00pm on May 20, 2005, and the Club is thrilled to welcome back Steven Brooks as the Pool Manager in 2005.

Tennis Anyone?



Ladies and children's clinics are going strong. Kids are meeting Friday afternoons at the courts. If you'd like to sign up for tennis clinics, contact Tennis Coach Debbie Peek at dmppeek@earthlink.net or check out the Tennis information center at the courts for clinic times. Tennis courts are available year round to all Greystone Homeowners.

More Tennis News:

- Greystone Ladies win 1st place in Ladies of Raleigh Tennis USTA Division 2.5.
- Three Ladies Clinics each meet once per week
- Three Youth Clinics are offered Friday afternoons at 3:00, 4:00 and 5:00 o'clock.

Many thanks are extended to Coach Peek for leading the Greystone Tennis Program.

How About Bunco!

Interested in Bunco? Contact the Club in June to sign up for Ladies Bunco Night.

Go Gators!

Congratulations to the Greystone Gators Swim Team, who were undefeated in 2004. They are the 2004 TSA Division 2 Champions! Sign your Gutsy Gator up for the 2005 season at the Club in May. ■



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Signs and Landscaping

by Helen Jones, Committee Chair, and Margo Nolstad—Signs & Landscaping Committee

On behalf of the Greystone Village Homeowners Association, we applied to the city of Raleigh for a Neighborhood Improvement Matching Grant. We received a grant in the amount of \$2,000.00, which we matched.

The funds were used to make landscaping improvements to some of our signs and entrances. The entrances that were improved were: Vestavia Woods, Windsor Ridge and the large sign at Creedmoor and Sawmill roads.

Due to the severe drought that took place as soon as we did this we lost a couple of plants, but they will be replaced at no charge when weather permits. We will also be planting five holly trees behind the large Creedmoor/Sawmill sign

The irrigation system in Windsor Ridge and Vestavia Woods has been repaired and winter pansies were planted by Helen Jones, Margo Nolstad, Nancy Peplin and Chris Quinn, and Kevin Jones. If you would be interested in planting the flowers or the joining the committee please contact Helen Jones 847-2108.

We will be applying for another grant this spring to make further improvements. We would like to improve a couple of signs per year. ■

Community Watch

by Helen Jones & Margo Nolstad—Community Watch Committee

A meeting was held in November, with 13 homeowners present, to get the Community Watch program underway. D.W.Hicks, Master Officer from the Raleigh Police Dept. District 21 met with us and gave us some tips on how to get our program going. He informed us to call 911 if we see anyone or anything suspicious, this way it goes on record. If you just call the police department there is no record.

Those of you who signed up will be contacted shortly to get your neighborhood involved in the Community Watch

program. All 16 neighborhoods will be in this program.

We will be purchasing Community Watch signs to place throughout Greystone Village and a neighbor will be knocking on your door to fill out a form for your involvement or contact information. With everyone's busy schedule it will be nice to know our neighbors will be watching out for us and keeping our neighborhoods safe.

We are contacting McGruff the Dog to join us at the pool in early spring.

Related News:

- A graffiti report was called in to Progress Energy for the power box at Sawmill Road and Valley Run. We hope to see the graffiti removed soon.
- The City of Raleigh was called to replace a street sign at Bluffridge Drive and Stonehenge Drive that was knocked down by a car in the recent ice storm.
- The District 21 Police Station has moved to 8016 Glenwood Avenue, just west of Lynn Road.

The next meeting of the Community Watch Committee is at 7:00pm, February 16, 2005 at Ammons Pittman Realty, 911 Paverstone Court, across from Greystone Village Shopping Center. ■

The Look of Things

by Nancy Peplin, Committee Chair—Architecture Committee

Planning a new fence, addition, shed, garage or pool? If you are planning on adding any type of permanent structure to or around your home, you need to receive approval from the Architecture Committee *before* you start construction.

Contact Charleston Management for guidelines and the request form. The form is also available as a downloadable PDF file on the Greystone Village Web site (www.greystonevillage.org) by clicking the Publications link.

Be sure to include with the request drawings showing the dimensions and placement of proposed structures, as well as (where applicable) a description of the building style, color scheme and building materials to be used.

Keep Greystone beautiful—be the eyes and ears of the neighborhood. If you notice lights out, damage or any area that needs attention, call Charleston Management at 847-3003. ■

Info Center

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