



The SCORECARD

Jones Creek Owners Association (JCOA)

May 2016

NEWS FOR JONES CREEK HOMEOWNERS

President's Message (Kent Gilbreath)

Summer Time and the livin' is easy! The wet weather continued well into early Spring and our yards took a beating over the odd weather. We have finally returned to more seasonal temperatures and Jones Creek is looking very green. I want to remind all our neighbors to mow their yards and keep up with the trimming of their landscaping. Our covenants chairperson, **Derek Colligan** and I have been extremely busy this spring contacting neighbors plus putting fluorescent flyers on homes that need attention. We shouldn't need to do this. If you are a JCOA homeowner it is your responsibility to keep your yards and your homes in acceptable condition.

Kim Houston, our pool chairperson, has worked extremely hard this winter and spring to get our pools back in tip-top shape. We completely resurfaced the entire pool sides and bottom, fixed a structural issue on one of the deep end walls, replaced all the skimmer basket locations, replaced all the tile in both pools, replaced the coping on the big pool, replaced four ladders along with some concrete, replaced the saline system with a new model, replaced the gate and gate access system, and finally replace the sand filters. A tremendous amount of work was done to upgrade the pool all under Kim's leadership. Please tell her thanks for a job well down when you see her around. The pool has been opened since **May 1st** and our new pool manager, **Ms. Peighton Bolt**, has been staffing the pool in the afternoon for registration. Please go by and see her and get your new access code. The pool schedule is online at our website jcoanews.com. Our opening day pool party will be held on **May 14th** and we hope to have a **mid-summer** "adults only" party featuring a corn-hole tournament, with a disc jockey or band and food. Look for more on this on our website later in the year.

Unfortunately, we still have 13 JCOA residents that have either made a partial dues payment or not paid any of their 2016 dues. They have all been contacted with a notice that they are in the 30-day lien filing period per our covenants and we will proceed to file these liens on **June 1, 2016**. Until the dues are paid, the rights to access our common area properties, such as the pool and tennis courts are forfeited. If they do access common area property, they will be considered trespassers and be asked to leave. It is a shame that we have to go to these extremes. We have a great neighborhood that some folks just don't appreciate.

Please feel free to call me or any other board member if you have questions or concerns about Jones Creek. See you around the hood.

Vice-President's Message (Gene Murdock)

It is my privilege to serve our Jones Creek Community as your new Vice-President. Not surprisingly, I was assigned three tasks that are approximately 90% completed. 1) Interfacing with Georgia Power regarding street light outages; 2) Being the liaison regarding issue resolution between Golf Course and JCOA residents; and, 3) Contacting individuals with delinquent dues payments.

Two of the three street lights that have been malfunctioning for months have been fixed and Georgia Power assured me that the third will be operational by **May 10**.

Please remember that we enjoy the added benefit of increased and sustained home prices by being a golf course community. With that said let's all be good neighbors to the Golf Course and fellow residents by respecting their property lines. This includes not dumping lawn and shrub debris on the course. If there is ever the occasion that you may wish to landscape, cut or trim anything that "may possibly" be on Golf Course property simply call The Pro Shop (**706 860-4228**) and ask for **Greg Hemann**. He has told me that he will be more than happy to discuss, in person, at the property in question to be landscaped, to determine where the property line is and if Golf Course property is involved. **Remember The Golf Course property is private property and not Community Property.**

The Golf Course owners wish to be good neighbors and would appreciate that all of us respect their investment as we would wish them or other resident neighbors to respect our property and investment. If there are any issues that any resident may wish for me to address, please feel free to contact me.

Treasurer's Report (Scott Adkins)

Annual dues letters were mailed out **January 11, 2016** and most homeowners paid them by **February 29, 2016**. The following table shows the dues schedule for residents who have elected to not yet pay their dues.

Remaining 2016 JCOA Annual Dues Schedule

May 1 - May 31, 2016: Amount due is \$555 per lot. This is the 31-day waiting period before a lien is filed.

June 1, 2016: A lien is filed in the amount of \$555 plus interest and administrative fees per lot and will not be lifted until all dues and fees are paid.

January 1, 2017: Property owners still delinquent for 2016 and prior years will incur fines in addition to liens filed against that property for each lot.

Please send your dues payment to: JCOA, PO Box 1418, Evans, Georgia 30809-1418.

The postmark date of your payment is your payment date. Checks returned NSF are considered not paid and a bank charge will be added to the amount due. All homeowners and lot owners, who are owners of record as of **January 1, 2016**, are responsible for paying annual dues.

It is the responsibility of the owner of record to negotiate the pro-rating of dues with the buyer, if the homeowner sells their home or lot during 2016.

Welcoming (Susan Salisbury)

Since **January**, we welcomed 7 new families to the JCOA.

1. **Monica Jones** **4211 Blue Heron Lane**
2. **Ken/Tammy Gregory** **881 Willow Lake**
3. **Reagan/Mandy Williams** **699 Fosters Court**
4. **Kinza/Naseem Kashif** **606 Cloisters Way**
5. **Richard/Vicki Smith** **4170 Barhams Ridge**
6. **Michael/Janice Creasy** **4173 Barhams Ridge**
7. **David/Sondra Luther** **808 Shackelford Place**

The annual newcomer's dinner will be scheduled for **early November**.

Please join us at Ladies Bunco or Playgroup. Contact susansalisbury@comcast.net for more information.

Swimming Pool (Kim Houston)

Our pool renovations were completed in **April** after many months of hard work between Pete Alewine's and me. I trust that all of you are pleased with the brand new plaster, new tile on the baby pool and big pool and the new coping on the big pool. After replacing the 3 sand filters and new pumping in the pump room, hiring a new manager and interviewing many applicants for our life guards, we are ready to start this summer with a clean slate.

Our opening pool party will be **Saturday, May 14**, from **noon to 2 pm**. Please bring a salad or dessert to share and we will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, and soft drinks. Join us for an afternoon of fun and get to meet your new neighbors.

Tennis (Yolanda Leahy)

New tennis nets were installed last winter and all of the courts are in excellent playing condition. Feel free to contact me at **(706) 627-5567** if you need the court security code and/or want any information on CSRA tennis leagues or junior tennis.

Communications (Paul Dainer)

The "Contact Us" icon is available for all homeowners to post reasonable questions that the Board will answer in a few days. However, before using this communication tool, please search jcoanews.com which covers all aspects of our neighborhood organization, dues, covenants, pool, tennis courts, events, grounds, and architectural control.

For non-emergency circumstances outside of JCOA Board purview, dial **3-1-1** for Columbia County assistance.

Landscaping (Earl Williams)

Jack Blue is currently replanting all flower beds on the JCOA islands and entrances, and **Keith Anderson** is doing a great job of keeping all common areas clean and neat. A reminder to all residents: watch out for snakes, especially copperheads. Have a great summer.

Neighborhood Watch (John McLeod)

GETTING READY FOR VACATION? Are you concerned about leaving your home unattended? If you are, register your home with the Columbia County Sheriff's Office House Watch Program. This service, devised and implemented by Sheriff Clay Whittle, calls for a Deputy Sheriff to check your home several times daily while you're away. Call **706 541-2800** and inform the Sheriff's Dispatcher you would like to place your home on the **House Watch Program** and then answer 7 simple questions pertaining to your home.

Have the following information on hand when you call:

1. When you are leaving and returning;
2. Your address and phone number;
3. Out of town number where you can be reached;
4. Number of a contact person in town;
5. Will there be any lights left on in the house?
6. Make, color, and model of vehicles at the residence (include the ones in the garage); and,
7. Who will be stopping by to get the mail, feed the pets, yard service, maid service, etc?

Now you can enjoy your time away with peace of mind.

Upcoming Events (Regena Williamson)

The pool opening party is scheduled for **May 14, 2016** from **12:00 noon to 2:00 pm**. Check the website for information on our planned **mid-summer** "adults only" pool party.