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Need \$100.00
 Our Referral program
 is still going on!!!

MAINTENANCE... On a Snow Day...

Don't forget Ice melt is available to members at no charge. If you leave early in the morning, before the sidewalks get shoveled, you can bring a small container to the maintenance shop and get some snow melt to throw out on the slick spots.

Just A Reminder: The first priority is to shovel the driveways; you may need to move your vehicle so the plow can get to those difficult areas. There must be 2 spaces in the front and rear of the plow truck in order to do the parking spaces. Once the vehicles are moved they are able to do the entire lot. The second priority is to shovel the main sidewalks. The last priority is the individual walks and steps.



St. Patrick's Day
 March 17th



January 2011

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

						Carrying Charges Due →	HAPPY NEW YEAR 1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Office Closed							
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
Carrying Charges due by 4:30 pm				New Member Orientation 6pm			
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
MLK Day Office Closed					Attorney Referrals		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
		Board Meeting 6pm Open Session 6:45-7:15 BINGO 11-1 pm					
30	31						



New Year's resolutions

If at first you don't succeed, try, try again...
 To avoid being among the majority when it comes to making New Year's Resolutions. After all, only 46 percent of people who make New Year's resolutions are actually able to keep them six months later, according to www.NewYears-Resolution.net.

New Year's Goals.
 If you're looking for some ideas on how to improve yourself in the new year, consider applying a few of these thoughts as you face day-to-day life:

- Give people more than they expect and do so cheerfully.
- Never laugh at anyone's dreams.
- Talk slowly, but think quickly.
- Don't let a minor dispute injure or derail a great friendship.
- When you realize you've made a mistake, take steps to fix it as soon as possible.
- Open your arms to change, but don't let go of your values.
- Read more; watch TV less.
- Judge your success by what you had to give up to achieve it.
- *Get healthy. The three most popular New Year's resolutions are the most obvious, according to www.NewYearFestival.com. They are losing weight, exercising and quitting smoking.*

WELCOME

Welcome to Our New Members
 • Rodney Lloyd & Rashawn Lloyd (5819)
 • Lana Castro (5818)
 Welcome To River Park
 We're Glad You're Here!

New Year Recipe For Happiness
 Take the fresh month, cleaned of all bitterness and jealousy and divide into 31 parts. Prepare pieces one day at a time. For each, mix generosity, courage and forgiveness. Blend with friendship and hope, and one good deed. Season abundantly with laughter, good spirits, and a sprinkle of fun. Bake with the warmth of love and serve daily with smiles.

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The River Parker
 January-March 2011

The Office & Maintenance Shop will be closed on the following days:
 Monday, January 3rd, (New Years Day)
 Monday, January 17th, (Martin Luther King Day)
 Monday, February 21st, (President's Day)

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Condolences To:

Edgar & Shareda Rollins (6037) & Family at the loss of their precious Angel, Valerie Rollins.

Shirley Crook-Pendiver (5951) at the loss of her Father, Mr. Perry Crooks.

The Albright Family (5910) at the loss of Mr. Albright's Father.

If we've missed someone, we apologize.

We have shared wonderful news, as well as unfortunate sorrow, and we still know we have many blessings for which we are thankful for.



Get Well Wishes

To all our Members who've had recent stays in the hospital or just haven't been feeling their best!

Hopefully everyone is improving and on to *Super SPEEEEEEDY RECOVERIES...!*

Lost & Found

Just a reminder if you've lost something on the property check with the office. We just might have it.

Thanks everyone for the snacks, goodies and Greeting Cards brought to the office for the staff at Christmas time.

It's nice to feel Appreciated!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We wish you and yours the best of Health, Happiness and Success, Today, Tomorrow and the Whole Year Through!

Maintenance Moment



Monthly Maintenance

Here are some monthly jobs that should be done to keep appliances and mechanical parts working properly. Doing so will likely extend the life and performance of each item.

- Clean frost-free refrigerator drain pan.
- Grind ice cubes in garbage disposal.
- Maintain drains with baking soda or hot water, not with chemical drain openers.

Let Our Crew Do the Fixing

In the interest of preventative maintenance, please notify the office the day you notice a problem so that we can quickly assess the situation. Whether the project is big or small, home repair is not easy. And sometimes, if you try to do the repairs yourself, you can make the problem worse. One of the wonderful aspects to cooperative living is that you don't have to fix it-that's the job of our highly trained maintenance crew. Give us a call and let us take care of those repairs-no matter how small. Thanks.

Garbage Disposals

To keep your garbage disposal unclogged, pour a cup of salt water and a cup of baking soda down the drain, followed by a pot of boiling water. Never put stringy foods into the disposal. If your disposal does not immediately turn on, shut off the switch and press the reset button found on the outside bottom of the disposal. Never put your hand into the disposal without first disconnecting the electricity.

Heat Efficiently

Setting your thermostat at a comfortable temperature and leaving it alone will help your furnace work more efficiently this winter and keep your electric bill to a minimum. If you're going to be gone for any length of time, it's better to turn your thermostat down to 60 degrees than to shut it off, as this will keep pipes from freezing.

Fires and YOU

As you may know there have been several fires in the news, almost daily. Let's use this news as learning tools for refreshing our minds about fires.

Personal property insurance does not cost much. You can get a policy for less than \$15 a month. A major fire will cost you much, much more than that. Also, realize that if the fire was deemed caused by yourself or someone in your household, you could be responsible for the deductible for our structural insurance policy.

Our lives are so busy, we sometimes forget about the pot on the stove, putting out that candle or putting your lighters out the reach of children. Take a few extra moments to make sure things are taken care of.

We highly encourage you to get personal property insurance, renters policy, condo insurance or some kind to cover your needs. When disaster strikes, that insurance company is on the spot shortly and gets your needs taken care of immediately. If you currently don't have insurance coverage, if a disaster strikes you will wish you did have it. Just don't go on without it. It only takes one disaster to knock you down.



Happy birthday river park members

JANUARY

FEBRUARY

MARCH

Ruqaiyah H.	1	Donna D.	2	Mattie D.	1
Cameron G.	2	Bryonna C.	2	Helen A.	1
Breann D.	2	D'Juan M.	2	Shirley P.	2
Meya A.	3	Adrian C.	3	Renna G.	3
Freddie B.	4	Rose W.	3	Leadrewis H.	3
Shakiya L.	4	Betty D.	4	David M.	4
Dominique S.	4	Gwendolyn C.	5	Callie O.	6
Andrea S.	5	Yasmin K.	5	Valesta R.	8
Vicki M.	5	Michael S.	8	Marcus L.	8
Kayla J.	5	Briana B.	8	Latisha A.	9
Ida C.	7	Dreyon H.	9	Frederick B.	12
Kevion R.	7	Andrea P.	10	Charlotte F.	13
Aleah W.	8	Hale T.	10	Helen G.	13
Barbara C.	9	Sidney P.	12	Tanica W.	13
Donyae P.	12	Phillip K.	13	Wardaye W.	14
England W.	13	Yhani A.	13	Mary W.	15
Crystal H.	15	Rakesha H.	15	Jackson W.	15
Steven B.	16	Raneisha H.	15	Latoya W.	15
Yvonne D.	18	Latonia H.	17	Rick H.	15
Charles H.	20	Dayanna L.	17	Ayanna H.	16
Vincent F.	23	Eric R.	18	Tamika M.	16
Gwendolyn C.	23	Cheryl S.	20	Clarence B.	17
Joyce B.	24	Louis R.	22	Cashunda T.	17
Audery E.	25	Charlotte E.	24	Brian C.	19
Arletha F.	25	Lillian W.	25	Lela S.	21
Gary G.	27	Cheyenne A.	27	Marie W.	21
Vincent L.	27	Darrion H.	27	Carmen F.	22
Marlean D.	27			Janet B.	23
Takeitha C.	27			Clinique O.	24
Rodney C.	31			Jade M.	24
				Patricia B.	25
				Tammie P.	27
				Betty B.	30
				Carol W.	30

