

The SCORECARD

Jones Creek Owners Association (JCOA)

JAN 2011



NEWS FOR THE JONES CREEK HOMEOWNER



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year to all!! I want to personally thank **Heide Martin** and her team for decorating Jones Creek for this year's Christmas decorations. I also want to thank **Nancy Sickafoose** for her leadership on the recreation committee and her organization of two of our major events of the year, the JCOA's "Breakfast with Santa" with approximately 100 children and adults enjoying the festivities and the annual New Year's Eve party, both at the Clubhouse.

It that time of the year again for the collection of JCOA's annual dues. This is the most difficult and time-consuming task that we undertake each year.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The 2011 dues letters have been sent out and signs have been posted notifying our residents of this event. Please be diligent and get your annual dues in promptly to enjoy the discount that we offer for early payment (see **Trudie Gill-Keenly** article elsewhere in this newsletter for more details).

Also, it is time for the 27th JCOA annual meeting which will be held on Monday evening, **February, 7th**. As we do every year, we have 7 JCOA board positions that will be up for election. If you are interested in one of these 2-year board positions please contact myself or **Jim Pawlak**.

We have posted a security event that occurred at our pool. Please take time to review the 2 videos and see if you can recognize the 2 individuals that are involved in stealing the equipment from the pool. Please call a board member if you can help us solve this crime.

JAN-MAY 2011 REMINDERS

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| Annual Meeting | Feb 7 |
| CCBOE Winter Break | Feb 21-22 |
| CCBOE Spring Break | Apr 4-8 |
| Easter Egg Hunt | Apr 16 |
| Pool Party | May 7 |
| Graduation | May 21 |



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The JCOA Board is committed to providing world class leadership to all Jones Creek residents. Please do not hesitate to promptly bring any neighborhood issues to our attention.



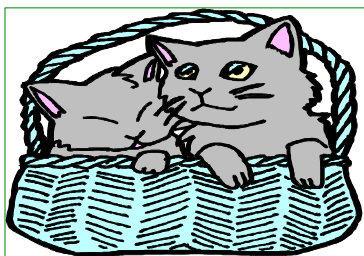
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Babysitters



- Ellie Bissell (18) 863-4475
- Jesslynn Burr (17) 650-8306
- Michelle Henderson (18) 868-1638
- Keely Lawson (15) 860-5819
- Chelsea Leonard (20) 863-6266
- Brittany Pawlak (17) 860-3106
- Haley Powell (16) 854-9298
- Kaitlin Richards (18) 860-9420
- Janine Stephen (18) 650-2125
- Haleigh Tomlin (15) 863-9986
- Molly Wright (17) 650-3032

Petsitters



- Jesslynn Burr (17) 650-8306
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- Chelsea Leonard (20) 863-6266
- Michelle Henderson (18)
- Brittany Pawlak (17) 860-3106
- Leigh Porterfield (15) 855-0394
- Rebecca St. Louis (16) 854-0724
- Haleigh Tomlin (15) 863-9986

To update these lists, please contact **Tonya Lawson** at 860-5819, or e-mail her at, lgordonlawson@yahoo.com.



JCOA BOARD OFFICERS

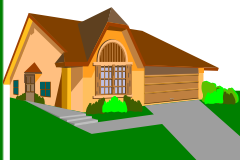
- President** *Kent Gilbreath*
Board oversight, external affairs
- Vice-President** *Jim Pawlak*
Bylaws, covenants, long-range
- Secretary** *Carl Mazzola*
Meeting minutes, Scorecard
- Treasurer** *Trudie Gill-Keenly*
Bills, finances, dues, liens, web

JCOA BOARD

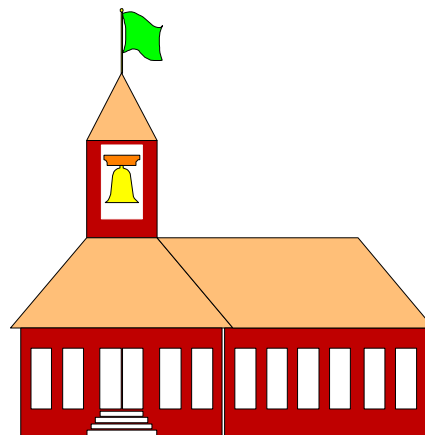


Committee Chairpeople

- Long Range** *Jim Pawlak*
- Landscape** *Earl Williams*
- Pool** *Sandy Terronez*
- Tennis** *Susan Salisbury*
- Welcoming** *Sandy Leonard*
- Recreation** *Nancy Sickafoose*
- Covenants** *Derek Colligan*
- Architectural** *Arch Carter*
- Security** *John McLeod*
- At Large** *Chris Huber*
- At Large** *Heide Martin*
- Magruder** *Tony Amato*
- Willow Lake** *Harry Pund*



CCBOE OVERVIEW



SCHOOL CALENDAR

January 2011

- 4 Second semester
- 7 Report cards
- 17 MLK Day holiday

February 2011

- 3 Progress Report
- 21-22 Winter Break

March 2011

- 10 End 3rd nine weeks
- 17 Report cards

April 2011

- 4-8 Spring break
- 19 Progress reports

May 2011



ARCH'S CORNER

Our covenants are published for the purpose of protecting your property value as well as your neighbors, and for the purpose of enhancing and perfecting the value, desirability and attractiveness of our community. They communicate the established philosophy, practices and objectives followed by the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) in the conduct of their project review responsibilities.

It is important that architectural changes, exterior color and landscaping blend and harmonize with the existing architecture and style of the home and neighborhood. The intent of the covenants is to encourage individuality and to ensure relatively consistent and harmonious architectural styles and a valuable, aesthetically-appealing, high-quality neighborhood for the collective benefit of all homeowners.

Additions or alterations to your home or property including landscaping are required. I will use the rest of my column to answer some recent questions to the ACC committee:

Garage Conversions: No automobile garage shall be permanently enclosed or converted to their use without the substitution of another automobile garage.

ARCH'S CORNER

TV Satellite Dishes or Other

Antennas: Installation of antennas and small satellite dishes (i.e., no larger than 24 inches diameter) for television or radio reception shall be located within the property. For guidance in placement of a satellite dish, and in accordance with the Telecommunications Act of 1996 review the following prioritized list:

- 1) Place the dish near ground level in an area with a clear unobstructed "view" toward the signal source satellite;
- 2) Place the dish in a side yard on a free-standing support at an elevation below the top of adjacent fencing or screening shrubs so it is not visible from neighboring homes or street; and,
- 3) Place the dish on the wall of the home at an elevation below the fence line or screening shrubs so it is not visible from neighboring homes or street.

No dish shall be above the roof eave line. The small size of these devices and their flexibility of placement by the installer make this objective achievable without precluding the reception of an acceptable quality signal.

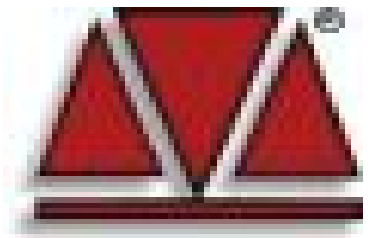
Landscaping: Landscaping plans shall be submitted for review and approval prior to the start of work. Landscaping shall be installed, and cared for in a manner consistent with the standards of design and quality comparable to first class residential areas.

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The JCOA Scorecard will be published again in May 2011.

To contribute an article of interest, please e-mail it to Carl Mazzola (carl.mazzola@shawgrp.com), or drop in mailbox at 4014 Hammonds Ferry Road.

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SUSAN'S COURT

"Love Means Nothing"



As the Tennis Committee Chairperson, **Susan Salisbury** is excited about energizing tennis in our lovely neighborhood. This past summer we organized group lessons and "round robin doubles play" on Tuesday mornings. In 2011, Mixed Doubles USTA League Team with registration beginning in **March**. The season runs from **April to July**. We need suggestions for team name.

Our tennis courts are over 20 years old and have been painted a couple of times; the last maintenance was in 2006. **Arch Carter**, an old pavement engineer, says the courts have thermal cracking and the asphalt binder is oxidizing. He recommends reconstructing the courts by building a concrete 6-inch curb around the perimeter, building up the courts with four inches of crushed stone to act as a "slip layer", and then a two inch asphalt with a tennis court painting. North Augusta took a similar approach 5 years ago and the courts are holding up very well. I will report back to you in more detail at the annual meeting.

JCOA WELCOMING COMMITTEE

The JCOA Welcoming Committee wishes to welcome:



- Faisal and Luzviminda A Kahn**
701 Magruder Landing
- Chungang Guo and Zhenrong Zhang**
752 Bradberry Creek
- Emmanuel and Vida Welbeck**
4212 Park Chase Court
- John and Wilma Tsopanarias**
4211 Park Chase Court

Please call **Sandy Leonard** for your free license plate, directory, and welcome basket.

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We also like to gather other information that will include you in the next neighborhood directory and add you to the "calling post" list. Additional license plates are available at the clubhouse, at \$10.

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

*By John McLeod,
Security Chairman*

John McLeod is the JCOA Board member that is charge of security, which includes our very important Neighborhood Watch program. This month, John would like to provide meaningful tips to everyone on The installation of home alarms

If you were locked out of your house, would you still be able to get in? Maybe you keep an unlocked window in the back, or a hidden key in your mailbox or on top of a window ledge? You may think this is a good idea, but guess what? If you can break in, so can a burglar!

For a small amount of time and money you can make your home more secure and reduce your chances of being a victim. "Consider an Alarm"

Alarms can be a good investment, especially if you have many valuables in your home, or live in an isolated area or one with a history of break-ins.

Burglars do more than steal! Burglars can commit rapes, robberies, and assaults if they are surprised by someone coming home or pick a home that is occupied.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH



.....If something looks questionable - a slit screen, a broken window or an open door - don't go in. Call the sheriff from a cell, neighbor's house or a public phone.

.....At night, if you think you hear someone breaking in, leave safely if you can, then call police. If you can't leave, lock yourself in a room with a phone and call police. If an intruder is in your room, pretend you are asleep.

.....Guns are responsible for many accidental deaths in the home every year. Think carefully before buying a gun. If you do own one, learn how to store it and use it safely.

Many burglars will spend no longer than 60 seconds to try breaking into a home. Good locks, good neighbors who watch out for each other, and burglar alarms, can be big deterrents to burglars. Feel free to call **John McLeod** at **(706) 650 7687** his cell **(706) 799 6526**.

MCKINNES' BRANCH NEWS

By Nancy Sickafosse

Happy New Year! Wow, the recent snowfalls; the first one occurred the day after Christmas and second snowfall last week were dramatic! Beautiful snow scenes and treacherous icy road conditions are past us. However, after the Martin Luther King Holiday, our daily routines begin again. I personally enjoyed the extra days off!

Thank you again for supporting the Spooky to be Hungry Food Drive in October. McKinnes' Branch neighbor **Arlene Schler** helped **Trish Andrews** organize the Jones Creek neighborhood collections to the tune of \$2,178. 1,509 pounds of food were collected for the Harvest Food Bank! There was a great Jones Creek community spirit of giving; not only for McKinnes' Branch but for all JCOA families.

Thank you McKinnes' Branch **Lovelace** family who volunteered to organize the Annual Jones Creek Children's Halloween Party! Many children and parents enjoyed the festivities. Children and adult costumes are always creative and fun to watch!

Thank you McKinnes' Branch neighbors **Bonnie and Steve Cox** and **Bethany** for hosting the delightful neighborhood Holiday Party on **December 20..**

Wonderful spread of food! It is a McKinnes' Branch neighborhood tradition of visiting with our neighbors for the Holidays.

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**WILLOW LAKE II
PROGRESS REPORT**

By Harry Pund



Much progress continues in the development of Willow Lake, Phase II.

A total of 31 of the 43 available Phase II lots have been sold which is tremendous progress in the teeth of the 3-year economic downturn and even longer ailing housing market.



In addition, thirteen families are living in their newly completed homes in the area.

Two additional completed homes are for sale while three houses are presently under construction.

**UPCOMING EVENTS
AT JONES CREEK**

The members of the Recreation Committee of the JCOA Board are planning several events for all Jones Creek residents. It is our goal to bring enjoyable events to the residents of Jones Creek throughout the year.

If you would like to have the JCOA Board consider sponsoring a new special event, please contact JCOA President **Kent Gilbreath**.

In addition, always feel free to contact **Nancy Sickafoose**, the JCOA Recreation Committee Chairperson, for additional information on planned events, and to discuss new and/or special events that you may want the Board to explore.

**JCOA EVENT
CALENDAR**

**February 7, 2011
27th Annual
Homeowners Meeting**

**April 16, 2011
Easter Egg Hunt**

**May 7, 2011
Pool Opening Party**

MOMS IN TOUCH

***Are you concerned
about your child's
welfare in school??***

...then join mothers, grand mothers, and other concerned women who gather for an hour weekly to pray for their children and schools.



All Columbia County public schools and most of its private schools have a group.

Moms In Touch International is mothers, grandmothers, and other concerned women who meet to pray for their children and schools. For the Lakeside HS group contact **Beth Hedden** at (706) 650-9915. For the Augusta Prep group contact **Mimi Frazier** (706) 650-8316. For other local schools and for additional information visit the following page, www.MomsInTouch.org.



Remember, we are Moms On Mission Seeking God's Will for our children and making a difference "one prayer" at a time.

EARL'S LANDSCAPE REPORT

*By Earl Williams,
Landscaping Chairman*

Earl Williams, the JCOA Board member who manages the massive landscaping needs of our subdivision, which includes both Jones Creek entrances, the four interior islands, and the entrances to Magruder Landing, McKinnes Branch, the Cloisters, Park Chase, and Willow Lake, reports that things are quiet during the cold winter season, but before we know it, Master's beautification will be taking place.



The Landscape Committee has selected a new contractor for a three-year contract starting on **January 1, 2011**. The new contractor will be performing the work for a lower price which will help out our budget situation for the next three years.

Since landscaping costs are by far the largest line item in our JCOA budget, the Committee has worked diligently to ensure that the JCOA homeowners will get the best value from this contract.

I would like to thank each member of this Subcommittee.

TREASURER'S REPORT

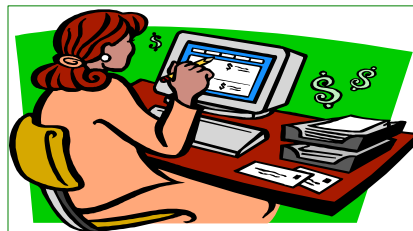
*By Trudie Gill-Keenly,
Treasurer*

The annual dues letters was mailed to each homeowner and lot owner on **January 4, 2011**. **As always, payment of \$250.00 is due by February 28, 2011.**

Checks should be made out to Jones Creek Owners Association or JCOA and mailed to P. O. Box 1418, Evans, Georgia 30809.

For the 6th consecutive year, our annual dues will remain at \$250. Even with the economy as it is, we've been able to contain our costs and minimize our projects.

Remember - this is the only letter



you will receive. Dues reminders are as follows: 1) signs will be posted at both entrances, 2) a Calling Post call will be made to each homeowner and lot owner (assuming we have your telephone number and you have not blocked this feature, and 3) the January, 2011 Scorecard newsletter.

2011 JCOA Dues Schedule

February 28, 2011

Due date for annual dues

March 1 - March 31, 2011

Amount due is an additional \$100.00 per lot

April 1 - April 30, 2011

Amount due is **another** additional \$100.00 per lot

TREASURER'S REPORT

May 1 - May 31, 2011

The 30 day waiting period before the JCOA files a lien on the property or properties. Amount due will include all late payments and late fees.

June 1, 2011

The JCOA will file a lien against the delinquent owner's property. The JCOA Covenants allow for the collection of interest and administrative fees incurred from the collection of late payments.

January 1, 2012

Property owners still delinquent for 2011, including prior years, will incur fines in addition to the liens filed against that property owner for each lot.

If mailed, the postmark date of your payment will be 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 owner of record as of **January 1, 2011** are responsible for paying the annual fee. It is the responsibility of the owner of record to negotiate the prorating of the fee with the buyer if the homeowner sells their home or lot during the year. Please make every effort to pay your 2011 dues by **February 28, 2011**.

The 2011 Budget will be available at the annual meeting on **February 7, 2011**

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

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The Jones Creek Golf Club continues to do well despite these trying economic times. The clubhouse is open to all for lunch every day and has “Pasta” night every **Tuesday** evening.

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

ARCH’S CORNER

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Landscaping shall consist of a harmonious mix of trees, shrubs, lawn and ground cover. Gravel, stone or bark ground cover will not be approved. All weeds, diseased or dead lawns, trees, shrubs or ground covers shall be removed and replaced. All lawn areas shall be neatly mowed and trees and shrubs shall be neatly trimmed. If an owner fails to perform maintenance and/or repair, the JCOA Board will take action in accordance with its covenants.

Pools/Spas: Aboveground pools are not permitted. All pools and spas shall have plans submitted for review and approval. Associated equipment shall be enclosed.

I hope that these responses will be helpful to all of our JCOA homeowners. Check our web site for more detail and the PAR form.

Remember, obtain permission from our ACC Committee before you start a project. Contact us at jcoaacc@comcast.net.

MCKINNES’ BRANCH NEWS
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Thank you **Kari Baker** for helping **Bonnie** distribute the flyers.

At our next JCOA board meeting, I will hopefully be presenting to the Board, a proposal of installing some dog waste removal stations through out our neighborhood. Hopefully, one pet waste station per McKinnes’ Branch Island could be installed.

This proposal would also include a weekly waste pickup. This proposal could help decrease our growing dog waste issue. I will keep you posted on future information.

I encourage McKinnes Branch residents to come to the Annual Meeting, on **February 7, 2011** at **7:00 pm**.

Welcome new McKinnes Branch neighbors! Best Wishes for a Safe and Happy New Year!



COLUMBIA COUNTY
BROADBAND UTILITY

As many of you know. Our county was awarded a stimulus grant to fund 75% of an \$18,000,000 countywide broadband infrastructure project. On **December 13, 2010**, a groundbreaking ceremony was held to begin the first of 5 phases of installation of over 220 miles of fiber optic cable. The project also involves the construction of 7 wireless towers that will enhance the work of the Columbia County sheriff.

There are plans to connect fiber optic cable to all County schools, most County buildings, traffic signals, water and sewer facilities, as well as 9-1-1. This new broadband infrastructure will provide significant benefits to small businesses in the County and will be an engine for future economic growth.

When the project is completed there will be free Wi-Fi hotspots in several public locations to expand broadband internet access for all residents, and this broadband will support new computer laboratories in libraries, senior centers, and community centers in the County.

It is estimated that this will create 95 direct jobs, 30 indirect jobs and 70 induced jobs. We all look forward to the completion of the project.

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