



# Ashborough Happenings

ASHBOROUGH CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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## Items of Interest:

- **Next Board Meeting:**  
04/14/2009 7:00 PM
- HELP Line: 875-5841
- Website:  
[www.Ashborough.org](http://www.Ashborough.org)
- ACN:  
Join the Ashborough Community Network to receive neighborhood communications via email. Email Brent Stewart at: [Brent.Stewart@citadel.edu](mailto:Brent.Stewart@citadel.edu)

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## Noteworthy Happenings

### Welcome!

If you see them, say "Hi" to our newest neighbors:

Scott and Stacey Jackson  
227 Fort Street

Mike and Lori Pangburn  
406 Mayfield Street

Aaron and Frances Small  
209 Hampton Drive

Brad and Nancy Ellis  
103 Mayfield Street

Rodney & Sabrina Bazzle  
413 Lakeview Drive

If you are new to Ashborough and haven't been contacted by the hospitality committee, please call **Michelle Nesbitt** at 367-7849 or **Kitty Lonergan** at

875-9970 or email them at: [hospitality@ashborough.org](mailto:hospitality@ashborough.org).

### 2009 Swim Season:

The 2009 Ashborough Alligator Swim Team is preparing for the upcoming summer league season. All residents are encouraged to register prior to the Open Registration on April 19th & 20th. If your swimmers are ages 5-18 and can swim the length of the pool (any stroke including doggy paddle), we welcome you to join us for a season of fun. Please contact **Brian Kamperman** at 906-8214.

### Clean Out That Attic!

The Women's Club will sponsor our semi-annual Community Garage Sale on **Saturday, May 2nd at 8 AM – 12 PM**. To participate, place your sale items

in your driveway. We will place an ad in the newspaper and put signs at the entrances to advertise our sale. If you have questions call 871-5333. After the sale, consider donating unsold household goods to the Habitat Home Store.

### Pool Closed:

The pool is closed until further notice while a protective cover is fitted on the drain.

### Summer Kick Off:

Plans are in the works for the Summer Kick-Off Party at the Ashborough Pool. Contact **Kitty**, 875-9970 or **Michelle**, 367-7849, if you can help.

**Neighborhood Volunteer Day: 03/28/2009.** See Page 5.



## Dear Ashborough Homeowners:

Hello again! Since last month's newsletter, there have been some exciting happenings. The Playground Committee had its first meeting for 2009, and plans for an improved Ashborough Playground are beginning to take shape. Also, the Facilities Maintenance team has been hard at work taking care of maintenance issues. Thank you **Steve Jolly**, **Al Saracina**, and your team for your hard work.

Recently, we have had an increase in door to door solicitations. As a result, "No Solicitation" signs have been added to all entrances, as recommended by the police, in an attempt to

deter unwanted solicitations. Homeowners are encouraged to be careful when answering their door to strangers.

We have a new tennis chairperson, **Brian Owens**, who is taking over for Bob Schauwecker. Welcome Brian! Thanks, Bob, for your service to Ashborough!

With the warm weather comes a lot of activity in the neighborhood: yards raked and prepared for spring growth, neighbors and families out walking and exercising their dogs, homes being cleaned, and, inevitably, the need to perform repairs. Please remember, if there are changes to be made on the outside of your

home, the ARB must be consulted and any needed permits posted clearly near the front door prior to beginning any work. Also, if you are out walking your dog, please remember that Dorchester County requires dogs to be restrained at all times.

With March, comes the task of charging late fees for those who have not yet paid their annual assessments. If you have not yet paid, please make it a priority to get your assessment in.

Thank you for your time!

Ed Coggins  
President ACA



## Association News

### Next Board Meeting:

Tuesday, April 14th  
7:00 PM  
Civic Building

*All homeowners are encouraged to attend.*

Board Members for 2009 are:

Ed Coggins	875-7865
Angela McMicking	851-2102
Amy Myers	871-7213
Tonya Mantooth	851-3584
Hal Verona	873-3652
Rick Krouse	851-7155

For more information about each Board Member's specific role on the Board as well as information about new committee chairs, please visit our website at [www.Ashborough.org](http://www.Ashborough.org).

### Board Position Open:

**David Lonergan** has stepped down as a Board Member for the Civic Association as other priorities have arisen which require more of his time. Thank you,

David, for giving so much of your time for the betterment of Ashborough!

The Board is now in search of a candidate to fill the open Board Member position for the remainder of the term — ending in December 2009. Interested candidates should contact a Board Member as soon as possible so that the position can be filled.

### Annual Dues:

The Annual Assessment for 2009 (\$335) was due **March 1, 2009**. To date, the assessments for approximately 50 homes (approximately \$18,000 in fees) have yet to be received; and late fees are now in effect. Assessment payments are payable to the **Ashborough Civic Association** and can be mailed to:

Ashborough Civic Association  
c/o Dorchester Real Estate Services  
P.O. Box 116  
St. George, SC 29477

### Hospitality Committee:

If you have any baskets you do not need, please consider donating them to the Hospitality Committee for use as Welcome Baskets. To donate, email **Michelle Nesbitt** or **Kitty Lonergan** at: [hospitality@ashborough.org](mailto:hospitality@ashborough.org).

### Newsletter via Email Only?:

We are considering offering residents the option to receive the newsletter via email only. It is unclear if the email only option will reduce costs since the postage rate increases when we do not mail to everyone in the neighborhood using our bulk mail permit - this may or may not be offset by any savings in printing costs. Therefore, we need to determine the level of interest in the neighborhood for an email only option. If you are interested, please email **Angela McMicking** at [teammcmicking@gmail.com](mailto:teammcmicking@gmail.com) and let us know! Thanks!

**Did you know? Our Covenants state: "Garbage cans, equipment, heating and air conditioning systems, and storage piles shall be walled in or shrubbery planted to conceal them from the view of neighboring lots or street." Please be considerate of your neighbors and screen these items from view.**



## Applying for ARB Approval

Our neighborhood has Covenants to help our Civic Association work to maintain property values for all homeowners. Therefore, our Covenants require that all improvements or changes which significantly affect the exterior appearance of your home or lot be approved by the Architectural Review Board (ARB) prior to beginning work. To apply, homeowners must fill out and submit the "Request for ARB Approval of Construction" Form and submit it to the ARB Chairman. Our current ARB Chairman is **Chris Bedson** (112 Greene Lane, 875-9421).

You can get the construction approval form via our website at [www.ashborough.org/CivicAssociation/architecturalreviewboard.html](http://www.ashborough.org/CivicAssociation/architecturalreviewboard.html) or by con-

tacting Chris Bedson or any Board Member for a copy of the form.

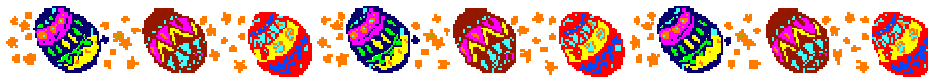
Depending on the scope of the project, homeowners may be required to get a Dorchester County Construction Permit before applying for ARB approval. Information about Dorchester County Permits can be found at [www.dorchestercounty.net/Planning\\_and\\_Codes.html](http://www.dorchestercounty.net/Planning_and_Codes.html) or by calling them at 832-0020.

Tree removal may need ARB approval depending on the size of the tree to be removed. Dorchester County requires permits for removal of specific sizes of trees. Our ARB rules follow the Dorchester County guidelines: if you need a County Permit, then you will need ARB

permission to remove the tree. More information is available on the county website mentioned above.

The ARB form for tree removal is available on our website at [www.ashborough.org/CivicAssociation/architecturalreviewboard.html](http://www.ashborough.org/CivicAssociation/architecturalreviewboard.html) or by contacting Chris Bedson or any Board Member for a copy of the form.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Chris Bedson or any Board Member for help.



## Easter Egg Hunt and Family Picnic

Saturday, April 4, 2009

Bring your children age 12 and younger to Mayfield Park to hunt for eggs. Also, bring a picnic for your whole family and a blanket to dine on after the hunt.

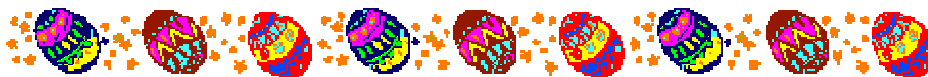
We will meet at 10:30, the eggs will be hidden by 11:00 and the hunt will begin.

Please provide a dozen, filled eggs per participant.  
Make sure each child has a basket or bag to collect the eggs.

The picnic will begin around 11:30

Please refer to [www.ashborough.org](http://www.ashborough.org) in the event that the weather does not cooperate.

Any questions? Contact **Kitty Lonergan** at 875-9970.



### Ashborough Advertisements

#### **Babysitting Services:**

**Hannah Williams**, a certified babysitter and longtime *Ashborough* resident, is available on weekends and evenings to provide care for infants to 10 year olds. Experienced in diaper changing. Please call for availability. **Tel: (843) 871-0612**

#### **Home Cleaning Services:**

**Ashborough Mom** looking to clean your home. Highly professional with references available upon request. Available Mondays, Fridays and some weekends if necessary. Please contact **Michele Marsar** if services are needed. **Tel: (843) 486-3631**

#### **Lawn Care Services:**

**A Boy and His Mower** — providing mowing, lawn aeration, and leaf raking services. Please call **Kyle Ball**, owner and *Ashborough* resident. **Tel: (843) 609-7492 or (843) 821-7771** Email: [smschamp@knology.net](mailto:smschamp@knology.net)

#### **Waste Removal Services:**

**Suburban Disposal Services, Inc.** - Suburban Disposal Services donates their services to the benefit of *Ashborough* by picking up trash from our recreation area *free of charge*. If you are considering a disposal service, consider Suburban Disposal Services, Inc. **Tel: (843) 873-4810**

#### **Retail:**

**WS Branton Lumber Company** - The WS Branton Lumber Company on Dorchester Road has long supported *Ashborough*, by delivering and donating sand for our Christmas Luminaria display. The next time you are in need of lumber or other building supplies, consider Branton Lumber at 10650 Dorchester Road in Summerville. **Tel: (843) 871-3420**

#### **Free Plants:**

**Free** Gladiolas available to good home. Contact Jody **Wilhelm** at 821-2150.

We currently do not accept paid advertisements; however, the WS Branton Lumber Company and Suburban Disposal Services have donated their services for the betterment of *Ashborough*, and thus, we felt it fitting to say "Thanks" by acknowledging their businesses here. Do you live in *Ashborough* and want to place an ad in our newsletter? Email **Amy Quinton** at [aquinton1@sc.rr.com](mailto:aquinton1@sc.rr.com).



## Miscellaneous

### Ashborough Dance

#### **Classes:**

Dance Classes are ongoing at the Civic Building on Fridays at 7pm. Currently, we are learning Shag/Swing. Jump in anytime, with or without a partner. \$5 per person per class. 18 years old and up.

### Dorchester School District 2:

Spring Break: 04/06 - 04/13  
 New Student Registration (K thru 1st grade): 03/31 - 04/02  
[www.dorchester2.k12.sc.us](http://www.dorchester2.k12.sc.us)

### Artists' Studio Tour for Charity:

Saturday, April 18  
 11 AM — 5 PM

Art Central Ltd's Member Artists are opening their studios for tour to raise money for Meals on Wheels. Tickets are \$10 and available at **Art Central Ltd**, 130 Central Avenue, 871-0297 or by contacting **Vicki Ellis** (111 Fort Street, 875-7500). 100% of ticket sales will be donated to Meals on Wheels. 8 studios are open for touring — all in the Summerville area!

#### **Every Friday**

Ballroom Dance Lessons  
 7 PM: Civic Building

#### **04/04**

Easter Egg Hunt and Picnic  
 Mayfield Park: See Page 3 or

[www.ashborough.org](http://www.ashborough.org)

#### **04/04**

Cooper River Bridge Run  
 8 AM: 10K Race

[www.bridgerun.com](http://www.bridgerun.com)

#### **04/03 - 04/05**

Summerville Flowertown Festival: Azalea Park: Crafts and Food, Rides for the kids

[www.summervillemca.org](http://www.summervillemca.org)

#### **04/05**

Lowcountry Cajun Festival  
 James Island County Park

[www.ccprc.com](http://www.ccprc.com)

#### **04/11 - 04/19**

Family Circle Cup  
 Daniel Island Tennis Stadium

[www.familycirclecup.com](http://www.familycirclecup.com)

#### **04/23**

Women's Club Lunch  
 12 PM RSVP Barbara Chapman, 873-2627, by April 21st.

#### **04/17 - 04/19**

East Coast Canoe and Kayak Festival: James Island County Park

[www.ccprc.com](http://www.ccprc.com)

#### **04/17 - 04/19**


World Grits Festival: St. George:

[www.worldgritsfestival.com](http://www.worldgritsfestival.com)

#### **04/18**

Art Central Studio: Tour artists' studios: See article above.

# April 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Every Friday Ballroom Dancing 7 PM Civic Bldg			1 Dorchester School: Regi- stration for new students: K thru 1st	2 Dorchester School: Regi- stration for new students: K thru 1st	3 Flowertown Festival Starts	4 Easter Hunt & Family Picnic Mayfield Park  Bridge Run
5 Cajun Festival Jl County Park	6 Dorchester Schools — Spring Holi- days Begin through 04/13	7	8	9	10	11 Family Circle Cup Begins
12 Happy Easter 	13	14 Board Mtg 7 PM Civic Bldg	15	16	17 Canoe & Kayak Festival  World Grits Festival	18 Artist Studio Tour to Benefit Meals on Wheels
19 Ashborough Alligators Open Swim Registration: See page 1	20 Ashborough Alligators Open Swim Registration: See page 1	21	22 Cirque Du Soleil Starts @ N. Chas Coliseum	23 Women's Club Lunch 12 PM	24	25
26 Cirque Du Soleil Ends	27	28	29 School Early Dismissal Elementary: 11 AM; Mid- dle: 12:30 PM	30 Taylor Swift in concert— N. Chas Coli- seum		



## Neighborhood Work Days

Ashborough needs YOU to help improve the appearance and maintain the property values within our neighborhood. Money is tight everywhere, including our Civic Association, but we can make a big difference by making some simple, inexpensive improvements ourselves. Please consider lending a hand with the following:

- Install New Signs. We have new signs ordered to replace some of the dented signs in common areas throughout the neighborhood. We need to clean up/paint the sign posts, paint plywood backing and install the new signs.
- Pressure wash the Civic Building.
- Clean and repaint street signs throughout the neighborhood
- Repair benches in front of the tennis courts. They are worn and rusty. We need to flip the boards over and paint the poles.
- Remove or paint over the graffiti on the playground picnic table and underside of the shelter.
- Repair or remove fencing lying on the ground between White Church and our playground on Ashborough Avenue.
- Replace flood lights on the picnic shelter by the pool.
- Repaint the picnic shelter.
- Replace and paint broken wood on the columns of the picnic shelter.
- Replace and paint the wood covering for the kiosk in front of the tennis courts.

We are going to schedule organized work days for neighbors to pitch in and help out with these repairs. The first work day will be Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at the civic building with coffee and doughnuts/biscuits provided.

We will meet at the civic building at 8:00 AM and finish up before noon. Coffee and doughnuts or biscuits will be provided for our volunteers. We determine what projects to work on once we have a head count. Please contact **Steve Jolly** [sjolly@coastalmortgage.net](mailto:sjolly@coastalmortgage.net) or **Al Saracina** [saracina@bellsouth.net](mailto:saracina@bellsouth.net) to volunteer and/or suggest other improvements for future Work Days.

Thanks!  
Steve Jolly

**We would like to remind Homeowners that there is no swimming allowed in the Ashborough Lake.**

**Alligators are quite common and do live in our lake.**

**For the safety of your families, please do not allow children to swim in the lake.**



## Ashborough Leisure Trails

This is a repeat of an article we wrote in November 2008. We are still in need of used materials to help build up our leisure trails — Read on:

Last winter, Ashborough residents began cleaning up the leisure trails located on the property behind Mayfield Park. Currently, there are two trails, the Blue trail and the Orange trail, totaling approximately 4 miles. When combined, these trails link the berms beside the canals on either side of the property and run along the Ashley River at the back of the property. The trailhead for the Orange trail begins alongside the canal to the left as you are heading to Mayfield park and ends where it joins with the Blue trail.

The Blue trail can be accessed behind the basketball court or at the berm next to the canal to the right of the tennis court.

These trails need traffic! Please come out and enjoy these trails and the beautiful nature property we have right outside our doors.

Even with all of the work completed thus far, there is still a lot left to do. We need to raise or bridge portions of the trail that are frequently wet and very nearly impassable after rain and at high tide. We would appreciate material donations to assist us to that end. Specifically, we need used concrete, bricks, treated lumber, railroad ties, etc.

Also, if you have a tractor ATV, or truck; we could use your help to remove heavy material at the trail heads. If you can help with material donations or want to volunteer your time, please e-mail **Steve Jolly** at [sjolly@coastalmortgage.net](mailto:sjolly@coastalmortgage.net) or **Al Saracina** at [saracina@bellsouth.net](mailto:saracina@bellsouth.net).

A map of the trails can be found on our website at: <http://www.ashborough.org/WelcomelInfo/welamenities.html>

*Spring is Here!*

**Ashborough Civic Association**

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Summerville, SC 29485-0043

HELP Line: 875-5841

**We're on the web!**  
[www.Ashborough.org](http://www.Ashborough.org)

**Ashborough Civic Association  
c/o Dorchester Real Estate  
Services**

P.O. Box 116  
St. George, SC 29477

Tel: 563-5005 or 563-4875

This is the official newsletter of the Ashborough Civic Association. Any resident of Ashborough may make submissions to this newsletter by emailing the editor, Amy Quinton, at [aquinton1@sc.rr.com](mailto:aquinton1@sc.rr.com).

All submissions are due by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of a month to be included in that month's newsletter.

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