

GREENWYCHE CLUB NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I can hardly believe that summer has almost come to a close and it has happened so quickly. I am sad to see it go. I have heard so many people this year talk about how much they enjoyed the pool and how it really does have the "neighborhood" feel, and I could not agree more. I see my son making memories and creating life-lasting relationships through this pool. Sharon and I have developed similar relationships by getting to know people solely through the pool. I am just very thankful to be part of this community.

I am also thankful of the time that I have been able to serve this membership as president; it has been rewarding and gratifying to see the hard work of many people culminate in a smooth operation. Many thanks go to the board members with whom I have served this year and to an outstanding staff of pool managers and lifeguards. It has been my pleasure to be a part of this team.

It has been a good year to be a Greenwyche Gator...again. Our dive team completed the elusive three-peat as city champs and our swim team finished third in one of the closest finishes ever. I believe this is reflective of the leadership and commitment shown by our staff and coaches and I appreciate their efforts.

Our nominating committee has come up with a proposed slate of officers for 2011-2012 and I hope each of you will support them. This will be a good group and will provide much needed continuity. I also hope that some more of you will step up and volunteer to serve. The time commitment is far outweighed by the positive impact of serving.

The proposed officers are as follows:

Brian Kimball - President
Jennifer Johnson/Mark Huber - 1st VP (Personnel)
Mark Salster - 2nd VP (Facilities)
Linda Powell - Treasurer
Terri Douglas - Membership
Lynne Reynolds - Secretary
Kristy Jones - Dive Team
Laurel Shockley/Sara Beth Martinson - Swim Team
Bob Bailey - Ball Field
Mike Manley - Past President
Theresa Taylor - Social (tentative)
Unconfirmed - Tennis

Let's close out 2011 with some fun when we have our end-of-the-year party and annual meeting on September the 5th. I think our Social chair has a really good evening planned with the Looking Back Band and a nice grill-out. It should be a fun time and I hope to see a big crowd there for one last party.

Again, thank you for allowing me to serve this year and I am already looking forward to next pool season.

Mike Manley

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Thank you to all of the new members who have joined Greenwyche this year.

REMINDER: if you are a summer member only and would like to purchase a FULL MEMBERSHIP, please contact Lisa Banks at lbanks74@gmail.com. If you have any membership questions, please contact Lisa Banks at lbanks74@gmail.com

Also, please remember to pick up your Greenwyche directory at the pool office.

- Lisa Banks

PLAYGROUND UPDATE

Dear Greenwyche Club members,

The Greenwyche Pool board wants your help to update the neighborhood park! As you are aware, the park playground equipment located next to the Greenwyche Pool and Tennis Courts on Toney Drive is out dated. The pool board has reached out to the city to see if they would like to donate any funds, and due to the fact that our park is on privately owned land, they are unwilling to help. Therefore, the pool board researched the cost of buying and installing new playground equipment. Several estimates for a new play set and swings have been obtained and they indicate that the cost would be approximately \$20,000.

We are excited about the playground project! We think that young parents, grandparents and other neighbors will love the new area and will want to picnic and celebrate family moments at our revitalized park. In order to accomplish this, we will need your help. We hope that all of us will join together to make this a reality that we can enjoy sooner than later and for generations to come. If each Greenwyche Club family or household contributes fifty dollars (\$50), we can start this wonderful project this winter/spring. If you would like to contribute a donation greater than fifty dollars, we will gladly welcome it and would appreciate any amount that you could donate towards this park project. Corporate sponsorship opportunities are also being explored; maybe a sign at the park or brick pavers with names. We are open to suggestions here, too! These contributions will be earmarked specifically for playground updates and if we do not receive enough donations by June, 2012 to accomplish the goal, those who made donations will have the option to have their money returned to them. Checks may be made payable to **Greenwyche Club with Greenwyche playground in the memo**. Please mail your checks to Laura Keith 2707 Fanelle Circle Huntsville, AL 35801 by **September 30, 2011**. If you have further questions, please contact Lisa Banks or one of the Park Project team members listed below.

Thank you for helping us update our neighborhood park!

Sincerely,

Lisa Banks

Greenwyche Pool Membership & Neighborhood Park Project Coordinator

lbanks74@gmail.com

Neighborhood Park Project Team Members:

Laura Keith

Charles Brinkley

Brad Johnson

Emily Stone

DIVE TEAM NEWS

Our dive team had a great season this year, winning the regular season trophy as well as repeating as City Champions for the 3rd straight year. A big congratulations to all of our divers! Also, many thanks to Clay Fleming, Lauren Smith, and Jordan Bagwell for doing such a wonderful job of coaching the team this year. I look forward to serving as dive rep again next year and truly appreciate all the support from the parents, lifeguards, and pool managers.

Kristy Jones

Social News

Please join us for our Annual Labor Day Dinner and Meeting. It will be held Monday, September 5, 2011. We will provide Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Chips and Drinks for \$3.00 per person. Families with last names A - O bring a side dish and P - Z bring a dessert. The Looking Back Band will play from 5-7 and dinner will be served at 6. You may sign up at the pool or email social@greenwycheigators.com Please be sure to include your family name, number of family members attending and how many hamburgers or hotdogs you would like to be prepared for you. The deadline to sign up is Sept. 5 at noon. See you at the pool!

Theresa Taylor

PERSONNEL NEWS

Summer comes to a close so early these days. Many of our lifeguards have headed off at college. We want to thank them for their enthusiasm and dedication to Greenwyche this summer. We wish you a fabulous year and hope to see you back here next summer. Our Managers, Rob Goss, Portia Waite and Rachel Kimrey did an outstanding job this year keeping our pool safe, clean and a fun place to be! Even though safety is our number one priority, the relationships that the lifeguards form with the members is a very important part of our service to you. It warms our hearts to see the lifeguards interacting with the children. Our High School lifeguards have returned to school as well. This group of students are not only good role models poolside but in their school activities as well. We look forward to many of them returning next summer to continue keeping us safe.

Applications for 2012 summer employment will be posted on the website. We will begin accepting them January 1. Returning guards will need to return their applications by January 31, 2012. All new applicants will need to be turned in by February 28, 2012.

It has been a great summer! We are so proud of this group of lifeguards. Many of you have expressed your appreciation for such a fine staff. We are always open to suggestions for improvement. So if you have any lifeguard questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Jennifer Johnson jenj@comcast.net

Mark Huber mwhuber@knology.net

TREASURER' S REPORT

As of the end of July, Greenwyche Club, Inc. had a balance of \$75,623.39 in its checking account. Our loan balance for the reconstruction of the medium sized pool is \$64,424.39. We hope to make another loan installment payment of \$10,000 to \$20,000 before the end of September with the goal of paying off the loan within the next three years.

I will be turning over the treasurer's reins on October 1, 2011. I appreciate all of you who paid your dues and assessments on time and encourage all members to make a note to pay your 2012 membership dues by April 1, 2012. Let's make our incoming treasurer's life easy!

Please plan to attend the Labor Day Annual Meeting. There I will have available copies of our current year budget and our actual expenses through August 31, 2011 for anyone who might be interested. If you have any questions, please contact me at treasurer@greenwycheigators.com.

P. Lynne D. Reynolds
Home # 883-2703

BALL FIELD NEWS

Even though baseball season has come and gone, the ball field is still available for use for soccer or football practices, birthday parties, or just a good softball game among friends. The use of this great facility is highly encouraged.

- BRIAN KIMBALL