

Merry Oaks

Neighborhood Newsletter

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Renew your membership for 2007!

Membership form on back
\$10 per household, \$5 if on a fixed income.



Bulky Trash pickup: 311

October 18, Thursday, 7-9 PM

Merry Oaks Neighborhood Association General Meeting

Merry Oaks School Media Center (enter off Draper)

Tentative agenda items: Community police report, code enforcement, tree banding, Central @ Briar Creek update, candidates, Board reports.

Dates to remember

Oct. 13 East Charlotte Community Forum/Economic development - page 7

Oct. 15 PTA Merry Oaks School 5:45 – 6:30 - See page 10

Oct 18 MONA General Meeting. School Media Center 7 – 9



Oct. 20 Potluck and cookout



2301 Arnold Dr. - 6 – 9 PM - See page 4

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Oct .31 Deadline to reserve tree seedlings - See page 6

Nov. 6 Election Day - See page 7

Stay in touch! Join the Merry Oaks Google Group!

<http://groups.google.com/group/merry-oaks>

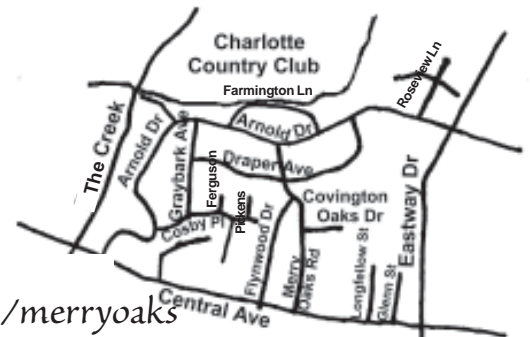
Stay in touch again!

Visit <http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/charlotte/merryoaks>



A Central City Neighborhood

The purpose of the Merry Oaks Neighborhood Association is to preserve and improve the quality of life and property values in our residential neighborhood and to enhance the economic vitality of our business corridor.



Visit us at: <http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/charlotte/merryoaks>

Neighborhood Infrastructure & Updates

Public Safety And Code Enforcement

Public safety

Eastway Division Community Crime Response Team officer Kevin Weaver wants neighbors to answer: "What are your biggest concerns concerning safety in the neighborhood?" He would like to put together an event in the spring to address the issues which concern us the most. Let him know kweaver@cmpd.org or leave a message at the Division, 336-8535.

Officer Weaver also reports that auto theft is way up. There have been approximately 220 since January in our area, including Merry Oaks, Briar Creek, Commonwealth, Morningside, Plaza Midwood and Pecan. Many victims have left valuables in their cars, in one case \$1200 in cash. Street parking does NOT appear to be associated with an increase in theft. Thefts typically occur when cars are parked in dark places where the thieves can hide. Install motion-detector lights, which are neither expensive nor difficult to install.

Officer Weaver has hangers which can be placed inside cars stating "NO VALUABLES IN HERE". You can pick them up at the Eastway Station or at the October 18 general meeting.

New code enforcement officer

Mark Fowler is our new Neighborhood Code Enforcement Officer, replacing Rafael Gonzales.

He will be at the October 18 general meeting to introduce himself and to answer questions. If you have specific, repeat code enforcement issues, please come prepared to provide him with a street address and description of the problem. In the meantime, call 311 to report problems. This includes cars on lawns, bulky items on the curb not picked up, zoning code violations or violations of the sign ordinance.

Central @ Briar Creek developments

The Vyne (former Plummer property)

"We are closing on the land on 10/31. Having met the pre-sale goals, we plan to begin site work immediately. We are very excited and ready to get this project underway! You should see a big change on site by the end of the year. Most of the pre-sales have been to young professionals who value being close to uptown. Some are investors but most of the sold units will be owner-occupied. We will try to have someone at your October 18 neighborhood meeting to tell you more about the project and answer questions. Otherwise feel free to call me with questions!"

Caroline Comer, Citiline Resortline Companies

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Duo@ Central/Briar Creek (former Renfrow property)

Upon routine review of Tuscan Development's site plan for Duo, the Charlotte Department of Transportation (CDOT) is requiring Tuscan to extend Briar Creek Road into the property to provide for eventual public vehicular connectivity to Cosby (at the Ferguson and Pickens Court cul-de-sacs). This is consistent with the City's subdivision connectivity policy. The road would only be pushed through to Cosby if the privately-owned property (currently a single family home) between Duo@CBC and Cosby were to be developed in the future.

Tuscan's original site plan called for 58 duplex condos and a private road circling the development. The Merry Oaks Board sent a letter to the City supporting this site plan and a ped/bike connection, but no vehicular connection to Cosby.

Now, due to CDOT insistence on a public road, Tuscan is having to consider other options which include: a different concept for the property, selling the property, or holding the property undeveloped. Tuscan's Rip Faris said that they remain optimistic

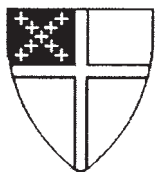
about this area and the property's potential. He promises to keep us informed.

Bridge Art

Last issue we reported that the Central Avenue bridge over Briar Creek would be re-configured for safety and to accommodate artwork. Basically, the sidewalk will be cantilevered out over the creek and the rail will be raised. Update: Bidding process ends in mid-November and work begins depending on the contractor's schedule, should take 70-80 days. The artwork is finished and will be installed once the bridge is finished.



When you are finished with your newsletter please place it at restaurants, dentists offices and so on to help spread the word about Merry Oaks!



St. Andrew's Episcopal Church
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Sunday Worship:

8:00 AM No music, short encouraging guilt-free sermon and Holy Communion

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM: Music, another incredibly dynamic guilt-free sermon followed by Holy Communion.

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Youth Group: Ages 11 and older meets 5-7 PM Sunday

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Neighbors' Corner

Merry Oaks annual potluck/cookout for everyone to welcome new neighbors

October 20 from 6–9 PM in Cate Martin's backyard at 2301 Arnold Drive (near where Merry Oaks Rd joins Arnold).

Bring a potluck dish to share and a beverage if you want something other than soft drinks or water. MONA or MONA Board members will also provide burgers and hot dogs.

This is for everyone but it's especially to meet and greet new neighbors. Chill out, then warm your hands at the fire pit!



For Dads and Kids

Y-Guides is a YMCA sponsored organization that started in 1926 for Dads and their kids (both boys and girls) to spend time together. I am the chief of the Tuscarora Princesses Tribe, which has 11 fathers and daughters (7-8 years old). We typically have one meeting and one outing per month. Our tribe meetings are somewhat formal, with a ritual opening and closing ceremony, a craft or activity, a prayer, a snack and a story. The outings have included overnight camping trips (longhouses), rock climbing, watching hockey games, swimming. We also try to teach the girls about the community by volunteering at soup kitchens, making lunches for Room in the Inn guests, packing shoe boxes for operation Christmas child, and so on.

We are currently sponsoring a new start-up Braves tribe (boys 5-6 years old). We have 8 families so far, but we definitely have room if others want to join. It's a bunch



of fun plus it helps the kids learn more about the various neighborhoods and schools. In just our small tribe 6 different elementary schools are represented. If you need more information, you can always visit www.yguides.org or give me a call AT 704 345 7064.

Michael Entreklin, Farmington Lane

Donate For Battered Women

Hello MONA! I am a member of Paul Drayton Masonic Lodge No 7 Please help us collect items for the United Family Services Battered Women's Shelter. Saturdays in November from 9–2 PM, Masonic Lodge 1908 East 7th St. Needed: Household, baby/child, office, beauty/feminine products, cleaning products, clothing, nonperishable food items. ALL donations are tax deductible. A specific list will be available at the October 18 general meeting.

Kamil Waters (Not a Merry Oaks resident)

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- Nettie and Lefty House donated plants for the park community garden.
- The Stenhouses, in spite of drought and other obstacles, cared for the circle at the greenway.
- The O'Briens returned a lab to its' owner.
- J. Fadel offered to plant at park community garden.
- Thanks to Meredith Hebden for her help in identifying trees, and for her walk-through during construction of the garden area.
- And especially—to all those people who deliver the newsletter on time! Thank you.

Justice for all

The Citizens Council for Equal Opportunity of North Carolina (CCEO) recently held a special meeting at the St. Andrews Episcopal Church with Kenneth Schorr of Legal Services of Southern Piedmont (LSSP) regarding establishing a partnership to better assist the community. Representation in a civil matter is a human right. The Citizens Council for Equal Opportunity of North Carolina is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated and committed to equality and justice for all. If you would like additional information please visit our web site at www.home.earthlink.net/~cceo. We hope you'll join us in the struggle for equal access to justice.

Howard J. McClure, Jr., Central Avenue

ToyTime!

Greetings, neighbors! As the Museum Shop Manager, Web site Manager and Volunteer Coordinator for The Charlotte Museum of History, I would like to invite you to come visit one of your neighbors! Located just down the street at 3500 Shamrock Drive, the Museum is an active member of the East Charlotte Community. Currently, we have a great exhibit called ToyTime which runs through December 30, 2007. This hands-on, larger-than-life exhibit of folk toys is geared for children and adults (I think I've had more fun than some of the kids!). Recently, Merry Oaks Elementary School was chosen as the recipient of a sponsorship from Darling Creative Group in which 250 students will get to visit the Museum for free, with lunch and transportation provided...they even get a toy to bring home with them!

If you would like to visit The Charlotte Museum of History, our hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 10am-5pm and Sundays from 1-5 pm. If you are not a museum member, admission is \$6 for adults, \$5 for senior adults and students, \$3 for children ages 6-12. Children under 6 may come for free and every Sunday is free to the public. I hope to see you there,


Meredith Olan, Arnold Drive

River Docs

Hi neighbors. I hope you will all go see the exhibit **River Docs** which opens November 15 at The Light Factory, in Spirit Square downtown at 345 N. College St. This is a multimedia exhibition highlighting the Catawba River. It features the work of five artists, including me. The River has been ignored for too long—it's time we claim it as our own and protect it from pollution and overdevelopment. Call for details 704 333 9755. lightfactory.org

Nancy Pierce, Flynnwood Drive

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Help Merry Oaks Be Eco-friendly

Tree banding

MONA is planning to have a vendor with tree banding information and supplies for sale at the general meeting. As with last year, this is a frantic but important effort to get all the neighborhood cankerworm host trees banded before the first frost. Please stay tuned to the google group so you can participate.

Get “almost free” tree seedlings on Sat., Jan. 26
9:00 AM - Noon, Hal Marshall Building, 700 N. Tryon.

Mecklenburg Soil and Water Conservation District sells seedlings on a first-come, first-served basis until they run out. Hardwood seedlings such as Maples, Oaks, Dogwoods and Redbuds are just \$1 each, loblolly pines are \$5 for 10. Also offered this year: Sweet Bay Magnolias for \$2, Waxmyrtle for \$1.

You can place an order and guarantee your choice by sending in a form by October 31. Forms will be available at the October 18 general meeting.*

Get rain barrels to water your shrubs even in drought

Order your rain barrel by January 14 and pick it up January 26 at the tree seedling sale. These cost \$85 (60 gallon) or \$100 (80-gallon). Rain barrel forms will also be available at the general meeting.*

You can recover $\frac{3}{4}$ of this cost from Urban Cost Share (see below).

Install eco-friendly stuff and get paid back!

The County will pay you $\frac{3}{4}$ of the cost up to \$3000 for installing a rain barrel, critical area planting, nutrient management, invasive species removal, riparian buffers, rain garden, grassed waterway, cisterns and

much more. Application deadlines are January 1, 2008 and April 1, 2008 — then the funds will be gone, so apply now! Application forms will be available at the general meeting.*

*OR go to www.mecklenburgconservation.com

Learn more about having an eco-friendly yard

Visit a rain garden and see a rain barrel work. Saturday October 20 10-11:30 AM. Register by calling 704 336-2455 or e-mail mary.stauble@mecklenburgcountync.gov

Recycling

Recycle: glass, paper, cans, junk mail, cardboard, telephone books, newspapers, plastic bottles,

Do not recycle: clothing, waxed cartons, pizza boxes, lids/bottle tops, small appliances or Styrofoam.

The red recycle bins are FREE. Pick one up at **Methodist Home Recreation Center, 3200 Shamrock Dr.** 704-568-3363 or other locations at <http://www.charmeck.org/Departments/Solid+Waste/CurbIt/Recycling/Home.htm>

Watch out for Bushkiller

A new invasive plant has been identified near our neighborhood. The berries are rapidly spread by birds and it kills shrubs and bushes. Here is a verbal description: Look for a NON-woody vine that climbs over other vegetation. There should be 5 leaflets per leaf, with each leaf having its own individual stalk, but ONE stalk is longer than the other four. If you see one, remove the berries immediately, then kill it. You can e-mail Jim Matthews or describe the location and he will check it out. Jim Matthews harp@alltel.net



Voting And The Issues

Vote!

Tuesday, November 6, 6:30am-7:30pm is the 2007 General Election. If you are a new voter or have a change of address, Friday, Oct. 12 is the deadline for voter registration. Your local voting place is at Merry Oaks Elementary School, Precinct 29. We need a strong turnout as politicians naturally listen more to areas with many active voters.

<http://www.meckboe.org/>

Very, very part-time job available

Precinct 29 (Merry Oaks) needs a Chief Judge for the polling place. This is a paid position. He or she must be available for a couple hours the day before each election to setup and then all day 6am-9pm on election days. Please call Jennie Crismore, Board of Election, if you are interested. 704-336-2133

East Charlotte Community Forum with At-Large City Councilman Anthony Foxx

Topic: Economic Development

Saturday October 13 11 AM

Eastland Mall Community Activity Room

Candidates Forum

WHAT: East Charlotte Forum, our opportunity to hear what at-large City Council and mayoral candidates say about issues directly affecting our neighborhoods.

WHEN: Tuesday, Oct. 23, 7-9 pm.

WHERE: Amity Presbyterian Church, 2831 North Sharon Amity Road, between Independence Boulevard and Albemarle Road.

The Coventry Wood Neighborhood Association is paying for the space and doing the work. Merry Oaks is a co-sponsor. This is a way to keep the concerns of Merry Oaks and all of east Charlotte in front of elected officials.

Transit Tax Repeal Referendum

The Nov 6 ballot will include a referendum to repeal the existing .05% Mecklenburg County sales tax for transit. It is very important to be clear on what a "YES" or a "NO" vote says:

NO = Do NOT repeal the tax. (ie proceed with light rail, keep and expand bus service)

YES = DO repeal the tax. (ie halt light rail plans and reduce current bus service)

Neighbors' opinions on the transit tax repeal (solicited via Merry Oaks Google Group e-mail)

Reasons why I will vote **YES! DO REPEAL THE TRANSIT TAX**: A spurious UNC-Charlotte study, deceptions from uptown about costs overruns, maintenance and operation, project creep, will not alleviate congestion and the lie that bus service, which has had a 235 percent increase in operating costs since the tax was passed, will be harmed. There is gross mismanagement and serious inefficiencies in the current system, a "yes" to repeal will force leaders to confront these issues.

Lee Hutchison, Arnold Drive

I used MARTA light rail in Atlanta and loved it!. Saved time, gas, parking fees and felt perfectly safe. I'll vote **NO! DO NOT REPEAL THE TRANSIT**

TAX. Developing more mass transit would cut down on Charlottes' horrific air pollution. Looking forward to a Central Avenue trolley someday to bring economic development to NE Charlotte.

Nancy Krewson, Arnold Drive

In the near future, no city will be able to attract young people or active retirees and good businesses without the choice of light rail. The transit-oriented development along South Boulevard is vibrant, eco-friendly, and economically thriving! Personally, I would like to ditch my car and use only the train, bus and my bicycle. I will vote **NO! DO NOT REPEAL THE TRANSIT TAX**.

Nancy Pierce, Flynnwood Drive

Real Estate Update

How to get the biggest bang for your buck

So, you're in the Home Depot and you're wondering what you can do to help get your house ready for the market. Number 1 - consult a Realtor. There are a lot of simple things you can do to get a lot of bang for your buck. What I've learned from selling houses is that buyers are always looking for a reason NOT to buy your home. So your chore is to eliminate the negatives. Consulting a Realtor will really help you in that regard. I always enjoy advising clients how to get their houses market ready. One of the most cost-effective fixes is new paint! And not white! People respond to color and there are plenty of good colors out there that are neutral and will be appealing to almost everyone. Need help? Look at a Pottery Barn catalog or Crate and Barrel and you'll quickly pick up on the trends.

Redoing a bathroom? Take a trip to Marshall's or the linen department of any store and see what colors the shower curtains and towels are. Pick your paint

colors accordingly. De-cluttering your home is the most simple fix. Put away pictures of grandma and the babies. Help buyers picture themselves living in your home. Bathrooms and kitchens are key areas to focus on and you can do those rooms without spending a lot of money. But if you do want to spend, then, by all means don't go the lowest of the low end. Buyers in Merry Oaks want the latest. Get granite countertops, stainless steel appliances and redo the hardwoods. Replacement windows are always a positive, as well as new roofs, new heating and air, and new hot water heaters.

Merry Oaks is a hot neighborhood and as Realtors we always enjoy showing the neighborhood. So many people are out walking and enjoying their neighbors. It's a great place to live and I have a hunch that's why there have been so few home sales here recently. While we do have cute cottages, my crystal ball tells me that the next wave in Merry Oaks will be add-ons! Drive through Chantilly or Plaza Midwood and you'll see the trend. If you are a homeowner here, pat yourself on the back. You have invested wisely! But if you are leaving and want to get the most for your house, be sure to take the time to get it ready so that it sells in the least amount of time for the most amount of money.

Austin Seagrave, Realtor



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Merry Oaks beats out Myers Park

It is hard to believe that a neighborhood on Charlotte's "east side" could come out on top of the cities' most established hood. But the statistics don't lie. Merry Oaks homes have appreciated over 10% more than those houses in Myers Park in the last 4 years. *

I think this is a fun statistic to tell your friends at a dinner party! But I think it means a little more than that. Merry Oaks has been gaining rapid popularity due to its location and the accessibility of the price point. While other neighborhoods have pushed prices out of range of first time buyers, Merry Oaks is still affordable to most. The curving streets, the cute cottages and the friendly neighbors all move it to the top of home buyers' list once they take a tour.

I will admit I have several buyers that are looking for a home in Merry Oaks and we haven't been able to find one that they can afford. If you look at the chart, you will see that despite the fact that the number

of sales increased in the years since 2003, Merry Oaks hasn't had an increase this year. Ten sales for a neighborhood this size really isn't much. For comparison, Midwood currently has over 100 houses on the market. Merry Oaks has two.

Having a strong neighborhood association has also contributed to your home values. Buyers today are looking on the internet and doing searches specific to neighborhoods. They are reading your comments about the neighborhood and taking all that into consideration when picking their new digs. Continuing to emphasize the positives on your blogs and bulletin boards will always pay off in the end.

Of course the steady improvement in the streetscape and homes doesn't hurt either. So the next time you are standing in Home Depot wondering if that next home improvement project is worth it... don't think twice! After all, Merry Oaks is way better than that stuffy Myers Park.

By Lexie Longstreet, Realtor, Savvy + Company

Myers Park — Historical Data since 2003 Average price per square foot

2003	\$199.69	197 total sales
2004	\$212.16	226 total sales
2005	\$235.48	234 total sales
2006	\$267.24	225 total sales
2007	\$279.40	149 total sales

28.53% appreciation

Merry Oaks — Historical Data since 2003 Average price per square foot

2003	\$89.79	9 total sales
2004	\$91.21	19 total sales
2005	\$111.05	12 total sales
2006	\$123.09	17 total sales
2007	\$147.75	10 total sales

39.23% appreciation

* Statistics based on homes recorded in Carolina MLS.

Help me continue working for Merry Oaks

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Please vote for me November 6th



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Merry Oaks School News

Boy and Girls Scout Troops in the area

On September 11, both Boy and Girl Scout representatives held an informational/recruiting meeting at Merry Oaks School. Quite a few kids and parents attended to either join existing troops or form new ones. Adult volunteers are needed, either as leaders or to attend one-time meetings to share any special skills you may have such as photography, crafts, etc. Girl Scouts: Hornets Nest Council on Idlewild Road, 704-731-6500 or Ms. Susan Avery at averysusan2@aol.com. Boy Scouts: 1410 E. 7th St, 704-333-5471 or Greg Fussell, gfussell@carolina.rr.com. Boy Scouts meet at Memorial United Methodist Church, 4012 Central Ave. on Monday evenings.

Merry Oaks School

If your child attends Merry Oaks elementary school, don't miss the PTA meeting at the school on October 15, 5:45 - 6:30 p.m. Miss Brumley, an assistant teacher, has organized a new PTA which is off to a

great start. Merry Oaks residents interested in volunteering are welcome to attend and introduce themselves to new principal, Mr. Steffes. PTA parent conferences will be held October 26-30. On October 11, there is a school leadership meeting from 2:15-3:15.

It is hoped that the community garden will be both a pleasant walking place for residents and a teaching tool for the school. Emphasis is on native plants and areas showing different types of plants such as evergreens, butterflies, bird food, etc.

The community garden which is reached via the Merry Oaks walking trail, was developed by the Charlotte Park and Recreation Department. This area was constructed in response to the neighborhoods request of a couple of years ago when Park and Rec asked what the neighborhood would like to see in a park. It is up to the neighborhood to continue development of the community garden. The drought has been a considerable setback but some planting has been done and donations of either plants or time are very welcome. We will have maps available at the general meeting showing areas that you personally can take care of or 'adopt' to plant.

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Merry Oaks Neighborhood Association Financial Statement

through Sept. 27, 2007

Income

Newsletter Advertising	8,147.50
1999 Membership dues	445.00
2000 Membership dues	275.00
2001 Membership dues	240.00
2002 Membership dues	245.00
2003 Membership dues	175.00
2004 Membership Dues	300.00
2005 Membership Dues	484.00
2006 Membership Dues	467.00
2007 Membership Dues	130.00
Contributions Income	
Restricted	560.00
Unrestricted	1,185.00
Total Income	13,291.00

Expenses

Office supplies	478.41
Postage and Delivery	336.94
Printing/reproduction	7,607.07
Supplies	297.13
Program expense	234.00
Contributions	61.45
Dues & Subscriptions	75.00
Bank Fees	70.00
Bank Service Charges	66.00
Neighborhood Improvement Proj.	842.50
Total Expense	10,131.50

NET INCOME \$3,159.50

(does not include current newsletter or expenses)

Join the Merry Oaks Neighborhood Association

Name(s):

Address:

Phone: E-mail address:.....

Area of interest/concern:



Dues are \$10 per household per year. Make checks payable to MONA.

MAIL WITH YOUR CHECK TO:

Donna Howard-Peters

P.O. Box 18131

Charlotte, NC 28218-0131

Please send in your dues! We need \$\$\$ to continue our work on your behalf.