

LEE OAKS HAPPENINGS

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS AND VIEWS ASSOCIATION PROJECTS!

The **ADOPT-A-SCHOOL** Project is a new and exciting venture for our Association. This year we chose Highland Avenue Elementary School. Our Project becomes more important as we hear news of budget cuts, layoffs and lack of school supplies for our children.

Highland Avenue has a total of 389 students in K through 6th Grade. The majority of children are in 3rd grade, 4th grade and 6th grade.

The school furnished a list of school supplies for the 2009-2010 school year. Our supplies will be used for the upcoming school year but the lists should remain about the same. We will have a few extra copies of the supply lists available at our **April 18, 2010 meeting**. The lists are also posted on a new neighborhood website we found www.neighborhoodlink.com. This website is an excellent way of communicating with each other as well as with other neighborhoods in the city.

If you are unable to help with supplies, consider volunteering your time at the school. For more information on volunteer opportunities, you should contact the Principal, Patricia Kornegay, at 269-3690.

We are also undertaking a project which will be fun and “fattening” for us. It’s a **COMMUNITY COOKBOOK!** Recipes should be submitted by May 5, 2010. Categories will be based on the recipes received. The cookbook “Lee Oaks Family Favorite Recipes” will be used as a fund raiser for our Association. Recipes should be sent to either Kathy Draper or Sheila Jackson. Several residents have already submitted their favorite recipes.

For the **BONDS QUILT PROJECT**, each neighborhood may submit one piece for the quilt that represents their neighborhood. Each piece will be a square 9x9 inches; the actual work surface will be a square 8x8 inches. The completed quilt will be displayed in the BONDS office. Deadline for submission is May 5, 2010. Bring your ideas to the April meeting.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Lee Oaks Neighborhood Association will meet the third Sunday in each month beginning at 2:30 pm—Unitarian Universalist Church

Gathering of Neighborhoods will meet April 20 from noon until 1 pm at the Huff Building (across from First Baptist Church on Perry Street). This meeting includes people from neighborhoods from all over the city.

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

Association Projects:

- ◆ Adopt-a-School
- ◆ Community Cookbook
- ◆ BONDS Quilt Project

Meeting Dates

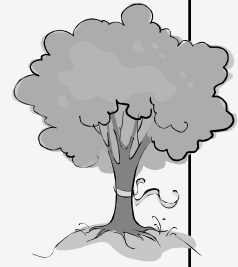
Neighborhood Watch Tips

“Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success.”

Henry Ford

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES / EVENTS

- ◆ Thursday, April 22, 2010—11 am until 1 pm Rain Barrel Workshop at Old Alabama Town—301 Columbus Street
- ◆ Saturday, April 24, 2010—9:00 am until noon—Plant It Montgomery in Oak Park, exhibits and free plants in honor of earth day/City of Montgomery and Clean City.

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- Order and closely review copies of your credit reports from each national credit reporting agency once a year.
- Empty your wallet of extra credit cards and ID's. Close all unused credit card or bank accounts
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- Ensure that your PIN numbers can not be observed by anyone while you're utilizing an ATM or public telephone.
- Never leave receipts at bank machines, bank counters, trash receptacles or unattended gasoline pumps.
- Memorize your social security number and all passwords. Do not record them on any cards or on anything in your wallet or purse
- Promptly remove mail from your mailbox after delivery.
- Deposit outgoing mail in post collection boxes or at your local post office.
- Contact your creditor or service provider if expected bills don't arrive.
- Never put your credit card or any other financial account number on a postcard or on the outside of an envelope.
- Beware of promotional solicitations through the mail or telephone that offer instant prizes or awards and seek to obtain your personal information or credit card numbers.

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