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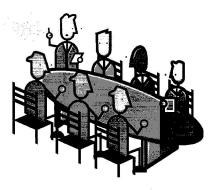
"Letting you know what's good for the neighborhood" August, 2014

A Message from your President

All of us want to live in a great neighborhood. And most of us would agree that a great neighborhood requires caring, respectful and friendly neighbors. Over the summer, I spoke with a number of the members of our community about things that concerned them about the neighborhood. From these discussions I have developed the following list of actions designed to promote a Great neighborhood.

- 1. Introduce yourself. Whether you're new to the community or new residents have just moved in on your block. Say hello, offer a welcoming gift (your famous baked pie or casserole dish) and share or ask about the area. "Where is the nearest Supermarket?" or "The garbage pick-up day is on Wednesdays."
- 2. Keep your yard tidy. Mow your lawn regularly and keep your flowers, trees, and bushes trimmed appropriately.
- **3. Control your barbecue or backyard fire**. Do not barbecue on the front lawn or front porch. Position your grill where the smoke and smell will least likely blow onto your neighbor's property.
- **4. Alert your neighbors to parties**. If you are planning a party. Be sure to inform your neighbors, letting them know when it's going to start and how long you expect it to last. Leave them a number to contact you if they need to ask you to turn it down. Even better, why not invite them?
- **5. Practice good parking etiquette**. Park in your driveway or garage not on the grass. When you have visitors ask them not to block anyone's access or make them have to pull out of a very tight spot.
- **6. Put trash out on the right day**. Put your garbage out on Wednesday or after 7PM on Tuesday. Put bulk items out during the week for bulk pick up. (Usually the third week each month) If you accidentally miss the collection, bring it back onto your property immediately and try to contain it well.
- 7. Slow down. Drive the speed limit or below.
- **8. Control your dog.** Keep your dog on a lease if it has a habit of running rampant on your neighbor's yard and be sure to clean up after it. Even better take them into the woods.
- **9. Communicate with your neighbor.** Touch base with your neighbor regularly. Get to know their lifestyle, what they do for a living and so on.
- **10. Be aware of your surroundings, as well as theirs.** Even though we don't have a "neighborhood watch", keep your eye on anyone you don't know acting suspiciously around your neighborhood. When in doubt call 911.

Keeping our neighborhood beautiful takes everyone! Please join in for monthly neighborhood clean-up activities. Anytime that you see trash, even if you did not throw it down, pick it up.



Join a Neighborhood Association Committee

One of the best ways to help keep our neighborhood viable is to get involved in the things that make neighborhoods great. Join one of the committees where you can give direct input into things that affect us all.

The committees and their chairpersons are as follows:

Hospitality: Mrs. Annie Winfrey

Clean-up: Janet Martin

Public Safety: Jerry Martin

Education: Sarah Finley

Land Use: Janet Martin

NPU-I Representative: Theo Pace

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Please make your committee selection at the August 11th meeting or submit your name at <u>chaletpeyton@homemail.com.</u>

In our thoughts...

Mrs. Lena Longshore, Mrs. Arnel Garner, Mrs. Julia Boyd, Mr. James Burch, Mr. Thomas Hicks, Mrs. Miriam McCrary, Mrs. Sue Potts, Mrs. Mary Grant, Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, Dr. Mary Chestnut and Mr. Charles French

Condolences to the Family of Mrs. Nancy Johnson .



October 26, 2014 Neighborhood Oktoberfest 3:00pm-7:00pm Save the

date...

Next neighborhood association meeting: 7:00 p.m., Monday, August 11th at

Peyton Elementary School