

Coomer Creek News



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A voluntary association of neighbors
CC is bounded by Beltline Rd,
Glen Canyon north to Brand to
NRS and on the east by Crist Rd.

All are welcome ~

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

**Oct. 6 Tuesday 6PM-8PM
HELP FIGHT CRIME!**

**WE WILL MEET IN COOMER
PARK UNDER THE TREES NEAR
THE PARK BLD. ON APOLLO**

**MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS, AND
VISIT WITH CITY OFFICIALS,
STAFF AND OUR POLICE AND
FIRE.**

**BRING YOUR COLD DRINKS
AND SNACKS!**

Hello Coomer Creeker

Enjoy the guest column by Stephanie Boles

Working on the speed hump project has been a very rewarding experience for me. There were several steps to be taken, from working with the city to talking to my neighbors. I just took each step slowly.

I first started with writing a letter to the transportation department formally requesting the hump, the proposed location and why the hump was needed. The transportation department then sent me a package of information outlining their very specific guidelines and the cost of the hump (which is \$700.00). Once the City accepts they perform a drainage study. The outcome of the city's studies ultimately determined the exact location of the hump.

The next few steps were: 1. Obtaining approval from the four homes where the hump was to be installed. 2. Getting as many homeowners per the city's designated area (40 homes) to execute their survey /petition and indicate whether they were approving or against the hump. Once the signatures were collected, I then submitted the survey/petition to the transportation department for them to review and approve.

Upon the transportation departments approval I was able to proceed to the 3rd and hardest step which was raising the \$700 required for the cost of the hump. To keep things official, I opened a separate bank account for the donations. I then started going door to door with flyers and also passed out flyers every couple of weeks. To help raise money we also had a yard sale with several items being sold specifically to raise money for the hump- along with a jar for donations. A couple of neighbors also brought items over to sell with the proceeds going into the "Hump Fund". Between the items sold and the donation jar we raised \$50 towards the cost. It took about 2 months to raise all the money.

Finally the best and last step was sending 1 check (per their guidelines) for payment to the transportation department. If it sounds like a lot of work... it is! This has truly been a labor of love, but the best thing is it gave me an opportunity to meet most of my wonderful neighbors.

The speed hump was installed at the end of June. Since the installation, I, along with several neighbors have noticed a decrease in traffic on our little street and cars are driving slower. It gives me great pride knowing that we've done something beneficial for our street and neighborhood. I'd be more than happy to assist anyone contemplating this for your street.

Coomer Creek neighbors provided meals to Fire Stations 7 and 11 on Sept. 12. A SUV full of yummy casseroles, pasta and sauce, homemade roles, many desserts, fruit, drinks, Starbucks, and 2 boxes of sirloin patties 40 patties ea. box was donated by David's Meat Market on Jupiter - food for 3 shifts at ea. station! It was positively a feast. Many thanks to all who contributed. This is the 8th year Coomer Creek neighbors have made the commitment to thank our first responders in honor of 9-11 and for their service to us.