

SUMMER 2008 NEWSLETTER

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Officers Re-Elected

CANA's current roster of officers was re-elected for 2009 at the July 24 monthly meeting.

No August CANA Meeting

The next CANA meeting is September 25. See you then! (CANA doesn't meet in Aug., Nov., and Dec.)

NEW ENVIRONMENTAL COURT OPENS

The new environmental court serving the Ridgeway and Mt. Moriah Police Precincts and presided over by Judge Larry Potter finally opened in May amid much fanfare. Numerous neighborhood association leaders and volunteers, as well as city and county officials, were in attendance.

Judge Potter now holds court at the new Ridgeway Police Precinct on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. He hears approximately 25 to 30 cases each session.

Procedural changes have made it easier to prosecute chronic code violators. In the past, citations could only be issued by code enforcement officers, but now a number of police officers from the Mt. Moriah and Ridgeway Stations have received training in code enforcement. They have issued a number of citations for overgrown yards, parking in the grass, loud stereos, as well as to dog owners who allowed their pets to run loose. Officers can only issue summonses for occupied homes; vacant property complaints should be phoned to the Mayor's Citywide Call Center at 576-6500. Even when the Judge issues only a warning instead of a fine, the approximate \$75.00 court cost is serving as a deterrent.

Our intent is to work for a clean, safe Colonial Acres, not "nitpick" our neighbors. Please continue to report code violations to PACA (Police and Citizens' Alliance) located in the Mt. Moriah Precinct, 795-3131, or through canacodes@bellsouth.net.

GREATER MEMPHIS GREENLINE

Bob Schreiber, President of GMG, provided an informative presentation on the "Greenline" at the June 26 CANA meeting.

The GMG is an effort to convert the old 13.1 mile CSX rail line from Midtown Memphis to Cordova into a recreational trail. More information and photos of the rail removal are online at greatermemphisgreenline.org.

CANA MISSION STATEMENT

- To maintain and improve the dignity and integrity of the homes in the Colonial Acres neighborhood
- To preserve the residential quality of the area
- To ensure orderly and compatible land use
- To encourage homeowners living in the area to improve their homes
- To encourage real estate investors with property in the area to improve their holdings
- To work together on problems and issues of common concern



CRIME TRACKER REPORT JUN – AUG 2008 FOR THE 38117 ZIP CODE

Number of Crime Incidents

- Theft from Motor Vehicle- 38
- Shoplifting/Misdemeanor- 28
- Vandalism/Misdemeanor- 19
 - Burglary/Residential- 14
- OtherTheft/Non-Specific- 19

Most Frequent Streets

- Park Ave- 13
 - Colonial- 8
- Quince- 7
- S. White Station- 6

Source:

The Commericial Appeal memphiscrimetracker.com

CONTACT INFORMATION

Email <u>canasafety@gmail.com</u> and <u>canacodes@bellsouth.net</u> Phone 438-1761 Web Site and Discussion Forum <u>neighborhoodlink.com/memphis/colonialacres</u>



COLONIAL ACRES WEB SITE - A GOOD WAY TO STAY INFORMED

There's lots of good information about Colonial Acres online at http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/memphis/colonialacres. There's an ongoing conversation about our neighborhood in the Discussion Forums section. Current topics include problem properties, pest control, suspicious activities, and neighborhood association meeting information.

CANA OFFICERS

Wanda Tabor – President Kelley Stennis – Secretary David Dwiggins – Treasurer Ron Buck – Newsletter

CANA MEETINGS HELD MONTHLY

- The fourth Thursday of every month (except August, November, December.)
- Colonial Baptist Church
- Fellowship Hall, 1503 Colonial @ Quince
- ☞ 7:00 PM

PLEASE	RENEW	Your	CANA	MEMBERS	HIP

CANA annual dues are only \$10 per household – the lowest in Memphis! Members get all mailed out newsletters such as this one! Please mail dues to:

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