

	Subject:	Madison Park Monthly Association Meeting	
	Date:	Monday, March 09, 2009	
	Time:	7:30 p.m.	
	Location:	Wedgewood Baptist Church Annex	
	Presenters:		
	Meeting Chair: Ken Davis		Attendee Count: 23 residents plus 2 officers and 1 speaker
	Guest Speaker(s): CMPD Animal Control		
http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/charlotte/madisonpk/			
Agenda:			

Welcome

1. Crime Report- given by Officers Hairston

- a. 5200 block of Glenham- larceny from vehicle. 2/14/09 between 12am and 8am the driver's side window was broken. Items stolen from vehicle. Parked in street.
 - b. 520 block of Cooper- damage to property. 2/28/09 between 5:30-6:30 pm, window broken in vehicle
 - c. 720 block of Cooper- damage to property. 3/02/09 window broken in vehicle
 - d. Officer Hairston reminds us to remove all valuable s from our vehicles. Be sure to look out for your neighbors and call 911 with anything suspicious. One good thing- we did not have any homes broken into this past month.
 - e. **SouthPark Crime Watch Incident** – January 25th – Cheryl Furr forwarded an email that came from Officer Pharr of the CMPD, as follows: Some of you have received an email regarding an incident that took place at SouthPark Mall. For those of you that have not received the email yet, I will explain what took place. On Sunday, January 25th around 5:30 PM, a citizen was leaving SouthPark; she was parked on the top level of the Dillard's parking deck. She advised that when she got into her vehicle she locked her doors like she always does. Next thing she knew, two black males were attempting to open her car doors. One was at the driver side door and one was at the passenger side. The citizen advised that she laid on her horn to attract attention and put her vehicle in reverse and got out of there. She located a SouthPark security officer on the next level down and informed him of what happened. The security guard attempted to locate the subjects, but was unable to do so. The citizen did everything right in this incident, with the exception of calling 911 and reporting it. Always make sure that ANY crime-related event gets reported to 911 immediately!
2. Officer Morrell- he has been working in Madison Park recently over traffic concerns. He has been stopping people for speeding in the school zones, along the Tyvola "race way" and on the neighborhood streets. He has also been watching for speeding school buses.
- a. A resident said last week he was driving along a neighborhood road behind the Food Lion. Three adults walked out in the road in front of his vehicle to make him stop and then asked him for cash. Officer Morrell said to call 911 if you see something like this.

- b. Another resident said speeding along Farmbrook seems worse on the weekends. Officer Morrell said the more information you can give to him, the better he can help us.
- c. Officer Morrell said be careful what you wish for- he has no qualms about giving anyone a speeding ticket- even if it is your first time speeding!

3. Speakers:

- a. Officer Salas with CMPD Animal Control
 - If an your pet gets into a fight and animal control is called, you must show the rabies certificate, not just the rabies tag
 - You must keep all shots current- if your pet attacks a person, another dog or cat, the pet can be quarantined for 10 days. If your pet comes in contact with a possibly rabid raccoon, possum or bat and your shots are not up to date, the pet must be quarantined for 6 months (and you will pay at least \$3,000 for the boarding)
 - If your pet has up-to-date shots and is attacked by a possibly rabid animal, you must get a booster rabies shot.
 - Your must license your pets with the city. If the pet is fixed, it cost \$10 a year or \$25 for three years. This is free for seniors. Owners who fail to license their pets are subject to having their pets seized.
 - All dogs must be on a leash, even if they are in the front yard with you. There is no leash law for cats.
 - For barking dogs, animal control must witness the dog barking.
 - CMPD offers free rabies shots the 2nd Saturday of every month. They also offer low-cost spay/ neutering clinics and low-cost microchipping. Go to www.cmpd.org for details.
- b. Matt Magnasco – Traffic Calming Measures on Murrayhill- he has two traffic calming ideas to bring up with the neighborhood to see if we think they will work
 - Instead of a four-way stop at Murrayhill and Wedgewood, would a traffic circle be more effective?
 - Lamont and Longwood- does there need to be a connection over the creek?

4. Neighborhood Updates

- a. **Zoning:** Update on zoning from Kirk Young – there has been an overall drop in zoning cases in the neighborhood, in most categories. One area that has risen is around bulky items being placed at the curb without calls being placed for pickup. Kirk is monitoring these and is time in the neighborhood as much as he can. If there are any areas that need improvement, please let him know directly (his contact info is on the website, or you can call 311).
 - i. **Montclair/Madison Park Pine Needle Sale – Fundraiser Update:** We raised \$33.50 (at \$0.25 per bale, which equates to 134 bales – not bad! Thank you to everyone who purchased pine needles through this sale.
- b. **Updated Maddie’s List – March, 2009 –** two new referrals home improvement services.

- c. **Updated Madison Park HOA calendar** - Hard copies of the 2009 Calendar of Events for MPHOA are now available; these will be kept current and on the information table at the back of the room. They are also available online for download at the Madison Park HOA website.
- d. **Tyvola Road Street Cleanup** - Tentative schedule for our next trash pickup along Tyvola Road is Saturday, April 18th. Volunteers are needed for this; we will start at 8AM; with six to eight people, this task takes only about an hour to work from Park Road back to Marion Diehl.
- e. **Lunch in the Park** – Saturday, May 16th from Noon until 3PM. Volunteers needed to work on sponsorships for raffle prizes; volunteers will also be needed to help set up the event, cook and clean up afterwards.
- f. **National Night Out** – Actively looking for volunteers to go ahead and begin working on getting guests, entertainment and activities lined up for National Night Out, which is Tuesday, August 4th. Event will be held on Fairbanks Road again this year, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. We have had good attendance over the past several years, and want to make this years' event a success. We will also need setup/takedown volunteers for the actual event, as well as people to work the food/drink/refreshments stations.
- g. **Monthly Speaker Topics**
 - i. If you have a suggested topic and speaker for our monthly meetings, please get in touch with Ken Davis at MadisonParkHOA@hotmail.com; we're always looking for community interest topics.
- h. **Norfolk-Southern Railroad Crossing – Again!**
 - i. Please help us get this crossing fixed, permanently; there have been at least four calls (3 from Ken, 1 from another resident) have been placed in the past two months. The pothole between the tracks on the eastbound lanes gets patched and within a week, is back. Contact Norfolk-Southern Piedmont Track Maintenance at 1-864-255-4251. The Crossing Reference number is 736174G.

5. Old Business

- a. Still have an opening for the Board of Directors secretary position. We really need to get this filled and take the workload off of April and Cheryl. Please speak to your friends and neighbors and see if anyone is interested. If they are, please have them contact me. **It is critical that we get this position filled.** April Mays is expecting a baby this summer and will not be able to cover the secretary position.

6. New Business

- a. Treasurer's Report. We currently have \$1,090.14 in our account with all bills paid. Please pay your 2009 dues – they are due each year, in January. We now have a post office box at Starmount Post Office; you can send a check to Madison Park HOA, PO Box 242432, Charlotte, NC 28244.

7. Open Discussion:

- a. Marty Doss and April Mays attended an appreciation breakfast given by the Adopt a Street Keep Charlotte Beautiful on Saturday March 7. We were able to pick up some new supplies (trash pickup grabbers, safety vests and gloves. They are making some changes to the program- as long as we continue to clean our adopted streets, our contract will be effective indefinitely (we don't have to re-register every two years)
- b. One resident suggested removing all valuable items from your vehicle before having the car cleaned at Autobell. She had a book of stamps taken from the car.
- c. One resident (new attendee), who lives on Seacroft, said his tires had been slashed twice in the past two months and his neighbor's Jeep top had been cut.

New Members/First Time Attendees: Two new attendees; welcome to all

Adjournment: Time: 8:25pm