



SouthWest Sentinel

monthly newsletter of the SouthWest Citizens Advisory Council

SWCAC meetings
2nd Mondays
7:00 p.m.
Carolina Pines
Community Center
2305 Lake Wheeler Rd.
831-6435

Chairperson:
Mary Belle Pate
772-9460

Community Specialist:
Rebecca J. Brown
831-6100
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City Council Office:
890-3050

City Manager's Office:
890-3070

Raleigh Police (District 26)
831-6170

Police Non-Emergency:
831-6311

Crime Prevention:
831-6740

Crime Stoppers:
834-4357

Parks and Recreation
Nicky Brewster
831-6435

Trash Pick-up Troubles
831-6194

Potholes
831-6446

Graffiti Hotline:
831-6001
graffiti@ci.raleigh.nc.us
Gang Tip Hotline
890-3904

Next meeting: Monday, February 12, 2006

**Carolina Pines Community Center
2305 Lake Wheeler Road
7:00 p.m.**

AGENDA

1. Raleigh Police Department report – Captain Mise/Officer Upchurch
2. Parks and Recreation Department report – Nicky Brewster
3. Inspections report and issues – Jerry Mahler
4. Dorothea Dix property – The decision now lies in the hands of the N.C. Legislature; however, not all the plans have been reviewed by the Committee (appointed by the Legislature) nor by N.C. citizens. Concerns have arisen about who will profit most when the property is developed. At our meeting you have the opportunity to learn about this plan that calls for the long-range development of a world-class park and space for the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services as long as they choose to stay there. This land is a part of SW CAC. What ultimately happens there will affect each of us directly. Come to learn more.
5. Nominations for SW CAC Community Appearance Award. Please look around the entire SW CAC area for an individual, group, business that deserves to be recognized for his/her/their contribution to SW Raleigh. We will take nominations at this meeting and vote at the March CAC meeting.
6. Updates:
 - a. A park in the Trailwood/Lineberry area
 - b. The carwash at the corner of Tryon and Trailwood
 - c. A dog park at Caroline Pines Park
 - d. The Bain water plant
 - e. Renaissance Park
7. South Raleigh Library has closed its doors for the **Renovation Expansion Project**, but will reopen in Spring 2007 with a new name, more space, more computers and a story time area. The closest two library branches:

<u>Richard B. Harrison Library</u> 1313 New Bern Avenue Raleigh, NC 27610 (919) 856-5720	<u>Southeast Regional Library</u> 908 Seventh Avenue Garner, NC 27529 (919) 662-2250
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For more information please call Barbara A. Kenon, Branch Manager at (919)856-6691 Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause you, but we truly hope to see you when we return.

Community Services Department

Immanuel Kant's Categorical Imperative

*What kind of world would it be if everyone behaved as I do?
What kind of schools would we have if every parent paid as little attention to them as I do?
What kind of neighborhood would mine be if all my neighbors paid the same attention to it that I pay?*



Raleigh Neighborhood College

The Neighborhood College is a program offered by the City of Raleigh in partnership with Wake County. **Registration has begun for Spring 2007.** It will last 13 weeks with classes starting on Thursday, March 1, 2007. Participants receive information on the services provided by the City of Raleigh as well as County services. Students in the Neighborhood College will interact with City staff, County staff, and other Raleigh residents to learn the things about municipal government and how to use that knowledge to improve your neighborhood. Classes are on Thursdays from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. with a light dinner served each session. Classes meet at various locations throughout the city. Only 25 students are accepted per session. For more details, including brochure or application, contact 831-6100 or e-mail Kevin.smith@ci.raleigh.nc.us.

Neighborhood Association Registry

This program enhances citizen involvement by providing communication and partnering between various neighborhood organizations in the City of Raleigh, its extraterritorial jurisdiction and City government. The City desires to identify and support existing neighborhood organizations, while encouraging and assisting new neighborhood groups. Our ultimate objective is empowerment of neighborhoods. If you are a member of a Raleigh neighborhood organization, (neighborhood association, garden club, homeowners association, community watch program, etc.) we encourage you to contact your neighborhood leaders and have them complete a Neighborhood Association Registry application. For details call 831-6100 or e-mail Kevin.smith@ci.raleigh.nc.us.



Neighborhood Improvement Matching Grants 2006

The Neighborhood Improvement Matching Grants Program awards grants up to \$5,000 to neighborhood-serving or neighborhood-based organizations and individuals to initiate projects designed to benefit your neighborhood. All recipient groups must be enrolled with our *Neighborhood Association Registry*. Projects can be physical or social in nature, but must emphasize neighborhood input and involvement and be able to demonstrate how the project will benefit the neighborhood. Let's do it! For details call 831-6117 or e-mail Kevin.smith@ci.raleigh.nc.us.

Spring 2007 LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE Class to Commence; Sign-up now for the Fall 2007 Session.

The third class of the *Citizens' Participation Leadership Institute* is set to begin on January 25, 2007 and run through April 19, 2007. The Community Services Department is opening its registration for the Fall, 2007 session which is scheduled to begin in early September. You can obtain an application on line at www.raleigh-nc.org or contact Charlene Willard at 831-6095 (Charlene.willard@ci.raleigh.nc.us).



2007 Raleigh Neighborhood Exchange News: Executive Committee formed from Citizen Volunteers throughout Raleigh



The *Neighborhood Exchange Citizens Committee* in partnership with the City of Raleigh's Community Services Department held its first meeting in January, 2007. This committee is taking the lead role in developing and executing plans for the upcoming annual Raleigh Neighborhood

Exchange. Mark your calendars for our **4th Annual Raleigh Neighborhood Exchange on September 14 - 15, 2007 at the North Raleigh Hilton**. For more information, please contact Charlene Willard at 831-6095

(Charlene.willard@ci.raleigh.nc.us) and remember to stay tuned for additional information!