



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

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City Council Office:
996-3050

City Manager's Office:
996-3070

Raleigh Police (District 26)
996-6167

Police Non-Emergency:
829-1911

Crime Prevention:
996-3335

Crime Stoppers:
834-4357

Parks and Recreation
Nicky Brewster
831-6435

Trash Pick-up Troubles
996-6890

Potholes
996-6446

Graffiti Hotline:
996-6001
graffiti@ci.raleigh.nc.us

Gang Tip Hotline
996-4264

SouthWest Sentinel

Monthly newsletter of the SouthWest Citizens Advisory Council

February 08, 2010
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1. **Police report** - Officer Upchurch
2. **Parks & Recreation Updates** – Nicky Brewster
3. Introduction to our Planning Department liaison – Stan Wingo, who will share the latest Planning Department information that affects our portion of Raleigh
4. **Bus routes in southwest Raleigh** - David Eatman, Transit Administrator, will give us information about bus routes along South Wilmington St. and address some of our concerns:

The overcrowded bus stop at the corner of S.Wilmington St. and Pecan Road, the length of time to get to Downtown.

The fact that there are no marked crosswalks on S. Wilmington and S. Saunders Streets between I-440 and Tryon Road, in order to safely board a bus to get downtown people must get on the outbound bus and ride the entire loop into Garner - making the trip over an hour instead of 10-15 minutes.

5. **Grants to improve our neighborhoods**
6. **Old and new business**
7. **Adjournment no later than 8:50** (Carolina Pines Community Center closes at 9:00 p.m.)

Did you know...?

The 2030 Comprehensive Plan for the City of Raleigh has been approved. Now the Planning Department is working on the UDC (Uniform Development Code).

To learn more.... go to the City of Raleigh web site, www.raleigh-nc.org then click on Departments Planning for more information.

VERY IMPORTANT STREET INFORMATION

The City of Raleigh Street Maintenance Staff is responsible for resurfacing most of the streets throughout the city. The city staff reviews the condition of the streets periodically to identify those in need of repair. Meanwhile, the NCDOT is responsible for maintaining approximately (200) miles of city streets. Those streets maintained by NCDOT are resurfaced more frequently than the streets maintain by the city. The state's access to stimulus funds is the primary reason for this discrepancy in street maintenance.

Also, it is important to remember not all streets in Raleigh are up to code with curbing and gutters. If streets are not up to code, repaving occurs only when homeowners along the street agree to pay for the repaving. After receiving a commitment for homeowners for the initial repaving, the city automatically agrees to pay for any future repaving projects. Carolina Pines Avenue is a prime example of a City street that is not up to code. Homeowners agreed to pay for the initial repaving project to bring the street up to code.

Youth Baseball and Softball Registration

Raleigh Parks and Recreation offers Youth Baseball and Softball leagues. Baseball is offered for youth ages 5-18 and Softball is offered for ages 6-16. Registration is February 15th through February 26th and will be held at all community centers. The cost is \$30 for city residents and \$42 for non-city residents. For information regarding youth baseball and softball leagues, please visit our website at Parks.raleighnc.gov (look under athletics) or call 831-6836.

Neighborhood Services News & Announcements

NEIGHBORHOOD REGISTRY



The Registry is the City's official list of neighborhood-based organizations. Being on the Registry helps improve communication between neighborhood groups and the City. Organizations on the Registry may apply for Neighborhood Improvement Matching Grants.

Contact: Charlene Willard (919) 996-5718 or charlene.willard@ci.raleigh.nc.us

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT MATCHING GRANTS

Neighborhood-based organizations are eligible for grants of up to \$5,000 for projects that strengthen and improve neighborhoods and enhance a sense of community. The grants help pay for projects designed by residents themselves for the betterment of their neighborhoods.

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CITIZEN AREA LIAISONS

Citizen Area Liaisons are neighborhood volunteers who serve as the link to various organizations, agencies and resources, including the City. Liaisons help to identify and solve problems in their neighborhood. They get to know their neighbors, conduct neighborhood assessments, arrange meetings and share information and ideas.

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CITIZEN EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES

NEIGHBORHOOD COLLEGE



The College provides a free series of informative and fun classes on how the City works and what keeps it running. Sessions in Fall & Spring.

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CITIZENS LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Build your civic leadership skills by attending this free educational program. Learn how to become a strong leader in your neighborhood. Class Location: Glen Eden Pilot Park, 1500 Glen Eden Drive. Dinner included. Sessions in Fall & Spring

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