

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

Chairperson:  
Mary Belle Pate  
772-9460  
[southralcap@aol.com](mailto:southralcap@aol.com)

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Tyrone Lindsey  
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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  
831-6890

Potholes  
831-6446

Graffiti Hotline:  
831-6001  
[graffiti@ci.raleigh.nc.us](mailto:graffiti@ci.raleigh.nc.us)

Gang Tip Hotline  
890-3904



*Monthly newsletter of the SouthWest Citizens Advisory Council*

## ***NO MEETING IN SEPTEMBER***

*Our next meeting will be October 13, 2008*

**Because we will not meet in September, please choose one or more of the following activities/events to serve as your September involvement in our SouthWest community:**

\*Raleigh Wide Open events on September 5-6 as the awesome New Raleigh Convention Center opens to the public. Read [The News & Observer](#) for details of all events scheduled for this special weekend.

\*The Raleigh Citizens Advisory Council Recognition Awards event takes place the evening of September 17 at the New Raleigh Convention Center. If you are interested in going to this event and did not receive an invitation, please contact SW CAC Chair person Pate for details.

\*Raleigh Neighborhood Exchange takes place September 19-20 at the New Raleigh Convention Center. Contact Kevin Smith at 831-6117 or [Kevin.smith@ci.raleigh.nc.us](mailto:Kevin.smith@ci.raleigh.nc.us).

\*Take quality cat and/or dog food to the SPCA of Wake County Curtis Dail Pet Adoption Center, 200 Petfinder Lane, Raleigh, for the newly formed "Pet Pantry." This Pantry has been established so pet owners who are facing financial hardships can keep and feed their beloved animals rather than give them up. Those of us who have pets know what important family members our pets become.

\*Contact The Healing Place of Wake County at 838-9300 and ask what you can do to help. The Healing Place of Wake County is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit rescue, recovery and rehabilitation facility for homeless men and women with drug and alcohol addiction. Approximately half the funding for The Healing Place are donations from individuals, businesses, and foundations. The Men's Facility opened in 2001 on the edge of the Dix campus and the Women's Facility opened in 2006 in northwest Raleigh. Veterans comprise about 20% of those served in the Men's Facility. Daily they provide food and shelter to approximately 200 men and women as they offer a concrete alternative for the homeless addict. Over 70% of the clients who complete the program continue to be sober one year after graduation.

## One last note for everyone...

*As we continue to read in the newspaper and see on the TV news information about gangs, break-ins, etc., we must take pro-active steps to protect ourselves and our neighborhoods. An excellent program is CPTED – Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design. In other words, the condition of your home and yards are not maintained tell those people who would do us harm that no one cares, so come on in and rob and hurt or kill us. Please for the sake of all of us in southwest Raleigh keep your grass cut, weeds out of your flower beds, don't let shrubbery grow too high under your windows or near your exterior doors, and do routine home maintenance to keep your personal castle looking its very best. And if your neighborhood does not have a Community Watch, maybe you and your neighbors might want to contact the Raleigh Police Department and ask them to help you get one started. As Margaret Mead said, "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."*



## Learn A New Language With Raleigh Parks and Recreation

### German for Beginners

This course will offer an easy and gradual way to learn the basic concepts of the German language. Students will be able to learn and use basic German expressions and phrases, such as introducing yourself, telling time, and having short conversations. This class is for ages 12 years and up and cost \$45. Classes are held every Wednesday from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. at the Pullen Community Center. Classes begin September 3 and end October 8.

### French for Beginners

Want to learn French? Raleigh Parks and Recreation offers a course that is designed for those who are complete beginners and wish to study for a short period of time and learn enough practical language to be able to communicate in simple situations when going abroad. The students that complete this course will also be able to acquire basic concepts to communicate with French speakers. This class is for 18 years and up and class cost is \$45. Classes are offered at Jaycee Community Center on Saturday from September 6 through October 11 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

### Spanish Introduction

This course is an introduction to basic conversational Spanish with an emphasis on listening and speaking. Participants 18 years and older will learn topics such as time, days, months, colors, dialogues, and present tense of verbs are covered. Class fee is \$50 and held at Millbrook Exchange Community Center on Wednesdays September 3 through October 8 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. and Method Road Community Center on Tuesdays September 2 through October 7 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

### For More Information Contact:

Parks and Recreation Department  
2401 Wade Avenue  
Raleigh, NC 27607  
919-831-6640

# NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



## RALEIGH NEIGHBORHOOD COLLEGE

**A great experience for Raleigh citizens**  
Come learn how your tax dollars help make Raleigh's quality of life truly exceptional!

The Raleigh Neighborhood College is a series of 12 classes, offering an informative overview of Raleigh's city government operations and activities. The City of Raleigh, in partnership with Peace College offers this program to Raleigh citizens.

**Fall session begins September 11, 2008**

**Cost:** no charge (dinner included)

**Class meets** Thursdays from 6 - 9 p.m. at Peace College.

**For an application,** contact Kevin Smith at 831-6117 • [kevin.smith@ci.raleigh.nc.us](mailto:kevin.smith@ci.raleigh.nc.us)

## WANT TO STRENGTHEN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD'S QUALITY OF LIFE?

### Become a Citizen Area Liaison

and serve as a link between your neighborhood residents and any organization, agency, and resource, including, but not limited to, the City of Raleigh. See your neighborhood improve and thrive over a period of time and gain satisfaction and pride by knowing that you helped to bring about those changes. **For more information,** contact Luis Olivieri-Robert

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Sheila Lynch

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## RALEIGH NEIGHBORHOOD EXCHANGE

**September 19 - 20, 2008**  
*at the New Raleigh Convention Center!*

Join other Raleigh residents and citizens for interactive information sessions addressing community issues. Dynamic keynote speakers share neighborhood empowerment successes from other cities.

### Does Raleigh's quality of life and other critical issues matter to you?

If so, we look forward to your attendance at this year's conference!

Contact Kevin Smith  
831-6117 • [kevin.smith@ci.raleigh.nc.us](mailto:kevin.smith@ci.raleigh.nc.us)

### Sessions

#### General Sessions:

- Non-Law Enforcement
- Senior Community Involvement
- Organizing your Community
- Parks & Recreation
- Community Gardens for Organizing Communities

#### Spanish Sessions:

- Multicultural Neighbors: Live, Learn & Build Relationships
- Health education & prevention: Healthy Neighbors, Healthy Communities
- Community Organizing: Who, Why & How

#### Youth Sessions:

- College Prep
- Upside and Downside of Cyberspace
- Character and Self-Esteem



## 2008 LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE SESSIONS

### Now Accepting Applications

Do you want to enhance your leadership potential and grow stronger in your civic engagement with Raleigh's municipal government? If so, the *Citizens Participation Leadership Institute (CPLI)* is for you. Offered by the City of Raleigh & Shaw University, CPLI consists of 10 classes.

**Fall session begins September 18, 2008**

**Cost:** no charge (dinner included)

**Class meets** Thursdays from 6 - 8 p.m., Estey Hall, Shaw University.

**For an application,** contact Charlene Willard 831-6095 • [charlene.willard@ci.raleigh.nc.us](mailto:charlene.willard@ci.raleigh.nc.us)



## NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION REGISTRY

To identify and support existing neighborhood organizations, Community Services offers a registry program for many different types of neighborhood groups and associations, such as a 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. It's **FREE** to register.

**To Register,** contact Charlene Willard 831-6095 • [charlene.willard@ci.raleigh.nc.us](mailto:charlene.willard@ci.raleigh.nc.us)

## GOOD NEIGHBORS MAKE HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

CITY OF RALEIGH • COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT • NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES DIVISION

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