



SouthWest Sentinel

monthly newsletter of the SouthWest Citizens Advisory Council

Next meeting: Monday, NOVEMBER 13, 2006

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

Agenda

1. District 26 Police Report – Officer Upchurch
2. Parks and Recreation Report – Nickey Brewster
3. Transit issues – Learn more about the CAT bus routes that run through our Neighborhoods - schedules, ridership generated at each stop, speed of buses, street width requirements, future needs, impact on neighborhoods.
4. Inspection issues – new and old
5. Renaissance Park – homes sales have begun. Learn about the variety of neighborhoods being developed, including style, size and price.
6. Update on Raleigh Oaks Shopping Center – If you are having any difficulties with shopping there, please email me - southralcap@aol.com if you have concerns/problems.
7. Fairway Acres – could this neighborhood be listed in the National Register Of Historic Places in the future?

Notes from the October meeting

Inspector Jerry Mahler did a great job explaining his responsibilities as well as what we can do to help him keep our communities safe and attractive. We appreciated his staying for the entire meeting. By doing so, he learned more about concerns beyond our immediate neighborhoods. Raleigh Oaks property managers Tim Norton, who came up from Charleston, SC, and Stephanie Killian, local management, shared observations, listened to our issues and took many notes. We stressed the need for a restaurant. The small size of the SC causes some restrictions. Food Lion manager Shane Barnes and the FL Regional Manager told what they are doing to make the store more successful. Mr. Barnes told us that we are very diverse shoppers, that sales are up and that he has trained his staff to be totally responsive to shoppers – especially those of us who are older. Discussion included “wayward” shopping carts and how to keep them in the SC parking lot. All four gave us insights into issues they face here. [In the next few months we hope to see improvements. As they occur or if they do not occur, we will resume our dialogue. If you have problems or complements for the Food Lion manager and staff, please contact them immediately. They want our input, both good and bad, and our support.



SWCAC meetings
2nd Mondays
7:00 p.m.
Carolina Pines
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831-6435

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890-3070

Raleigh Police (District 26)
831-6170

Police Non-Emergency:
831-6311

Crime Prevention:
831-6740

Crime Stoppers:
834-4357

Parks and Recreation
NickyBrewster
831-6435

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

City of Raleigh 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?

ALL ABOARD, RALEIGH CITIZENS ! COME ONE, COME ALLLAST CALL FOR LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE APPLICATIONS



Registration Deadline is November 30, 2006

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The *Citizens' Participation Leadership Institute* has been accepting applications for the upcoming 2007 session, which will commence on January 18, 2007 and run through April 26, 2007. 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). Don't be left behind this time!

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! Call 831-6100 for details. For details call 831-6100 or e-mail Kevin.smith@ci.raleigh.nc.us.

Raleigh Neighborhood College

The Neighborhood College is a program offered by the City of Raleigh in partnership with Wake County. **The Fall 2006 session is currently underway and registration has begun for Spring 2007.** It will last 13 weeks with classes that provide information on several different kinds of City services, as well as County services. Students in the Neighborhood College will have a chance to meet and interact with City staff, County staff, and other Raleigh residents to learn the things about government you always wanted to know, but didn't know who to ask! Classes are on Thursdays from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at various City locations. Only 25 students are accepted per session. For more details, including brochure or application, contact us at 831-6100.



Raleigh Neighborhood Exchange: "Many Neighborhoods . . . One Raleigh!"



The Neighborhood Exchange Citizens Committee in partnership with the City of Raleigh's Community Services Department held its third successful Raleigh Neighborhood Exchange on September 8-9 at the Raleigh Sheraton Downtown. Dynamic presentations by citizens and City of Raleigh staff provided useful and timely information. This annual event will convene annually every September as it has been proclaimed Neighborhoods Month in the City of Raleigh. Mark

your calendars for the 4th Annual Raleigh Neighborhood Exchange in September 2007. Stay tuned for additional information! For details about previous and upcoming Neighborhood Exchanges call 831-6100.

