SWCAC meetings
2<sup>nd</sup> Mondays
7:00 p.m.
Carolina Pines
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## Southwest Sentinel

Monthly newsletter of the Southwest Citizens Advisory Council

November 8, 2010 Carolina Pines Community Center 2305 Lake Wheeler Road 7:00 p.m.

### **Agenda**

- 1) <u>Welcome</u> Introductions & meet your neighbor. (5 minutes)
- 2) <u>Parks Report</u> Nicki Brewster will inform us about activities happening at Carolina Pines Park and other events from Raleigh Parks & Recreations. (5 minutes)
- 3) <u>Police Report</u> Officer Upchurch will provide updates on police calls for the last month and address questions from attendees. (10 minutes)
- 4) Neighborhood Recognition Award The SWCAC will present our Neighborhood Recognition Award to Bill Dumont, who was honored at the awards ceremony on October 20, 2010. (5 minutes)
- 5) <u>City of Raleigh Roadway Landscape Project</u> David Brown, Senior Project Manager from JDAVIS Architects, will present on landscape improvements for Tryon Road, Section "B" which is from Lake Wheeler Road to Gorman Street. (15 minutes)
- **6)** Adult Development Laboratory Tara Queen will present on NC State's Adult Development Lab and opportunities to participate as volunteers. (15 minutes)
- 7) <u>Wake County SPCA</u> Vanessa Budnick, Humane Educator, SPCA of Wake County will provide an update on what's happening at the SPCA, volunteer opportunities, and events happening over the new few weeks. (15 minutes)
- 8) Announcements & Neighborhood Updates (10 minutes)
  - Announcements & events from attendees
  - Open discussion on new business
  - Next meeting: December 13, 2010 at 7pm



# RCAC Neighborhood Recognition Awards

I had the pleasure of attending and presenting at the Neighborhood Recognition Awards held at the McKimmon Center last night (October 20, 2010). The awards recipients are selected by each of Raleigh's Citizens Advisory Councils (CAC). The officers of the 18 Citizens Advisory Councils make up Raleigh Citizens Advisory Council (RCAC).

Each CAC nominates individuals, groups, nonprofits, grassroots organizations, and businesses for the Neighborhood Recognition Awards. Last night was a chance to recognize those individuals, groups, and businesses.



The SouthWest CAC recognized Bill Dumont, a landlord working closely with the Caraleigh community. Mildred Flynn helped me present the award to Bill. He talked about doing the right thing and loving the historical value and character of the homes in Caraleigh. He's been buying up homes in the Caraleigh community, upgrading these starter homes, and renting them out. At the same time, he's been supportive of the cities PROP ordinance and made sure he's got the pulse of the community. He spoke highly of downtown Raleigh and how Caraleigh was the first neighborhood outside of downtown along the South Saunders corridor. "It's the first neighborhood on the left after leaving downtown," Dumont said.



At the end of the evening, I was able to present a very special award. The Citizens Service Award was given to Mary Belle Pate for her 30 years of service to Raleigh. I talked about my experience in working with her for over 8 years. Bill Padgett, Co-Chair of the Wade CAC also offered some kind words for Mary Belle.

Bill focused on a few key aspects of his interactions with Mary Belle over the years. He talked about teaching and passion. Two key attributes that Mary Belle has exhibited in her quest to make Raleigh a better place to live.

I'll add one more thing about Mary Belle—it's really hard to surprise her. She is usually in the know on most things. But last night, Mary Belle had no idea this was coming. She was completely caught off guard and was very thankful. I've mentioned before that Mary Belle isn't the type of person that gloats for public recognition, but last night was well-deserved.

#### Here are all the 2010 award-winners and the CACs that nominated them:

- Kermit Bailey (Central CAC) for developing informational publications on the culture of the South Park East Raleigh community, one of the oldest African-American neighborhoods in the country
- Ronneil Robinson (East CAC) for working through his nonprofit Give Back Organization to initiate and plan the East Raleigh Community Day Festival that was held in August.
- Julia and Robert Mackintosh (Glenwood CAC) for maintaining the Margaret Reid Garden, noted got its native plant theme.
- **Betsy Kane** (Hillsborough CAC) for ensuring that neighborhood residents understand the implications of zoning cases and other development issues.
- **Don't Railroad Historic Five Points** (Five Points CAC) for informing the public and influencing opinion on the impact of high-speed rail on Five Points.
- **Guy Caprioli** (Mordecai CAC) for developing the Music on the Porch community event held weekly at Seaboard Station.
- Cheryl Batchelor of Olde Province Homeowners Association (North CAC) for a multi-year upgrade of the Olde Province townhouse community.
- Home Depot (North Central CAC) for funding assistance and providing volunteers for construction of the Lane Street playground.
- **Wendy's at 4750 Capital Blvd**. (Northeast CAC) for enhancing the visual environment of the Capital boulevard corridor by upgrading its landscaping and building.
- Leadership of the Yorkshire Downs Neighborhood Association (Six Forks CAC) for taking steps to improve the quality of life in the area.
- **Vivian A. Lee** (South CAC) for organizing weekly breakfasts and an annual Christmas gathering for residents of Southeast Raleigh.
- **Tim Sit** (Southeast CAC) for funding a Community Watch program and for working to raise awareness and participation in the Southeast CAC.
- **Bill Dumont** (Southwest CAC) for serving as a model community-friendly landlord.
- Live It Up on Hillsborough Street Festival (Wade CAC) for bringing positive attention and renewed interest in the Hillsborough Street community.
- **J.T. Locke Resource Center** (West CAC) for contributing to the community through tutoring after-school and summer programs and assistance with career planning.

**Article by: Jason Hibbets** 

Read the article at:

## Southwest Announcements

# Capital Boulevard Corridor Study Mark your calendar and participate in this Public Design Workshop.

October 30, 2010 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. The Stockroom at 230

In the historic former Carolina Trust Bank Building, recently adapted for reuse 230 Fayetteville Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

Capital Boulevard is a prominent and important transportation corridor in Raleigh. It serves as the primary gateway to the city's heart and offers unique opportunities for redevelopment, open space creation, water quality improvement, and transit.

**To register:** www.raleighnc.gov/planning Click on 'Capital Blvd Corridor Study.' For more information: Trisha Hasch at 919-807-8480, trisha.hasch@ralighnc.gov

#### Hosted by the City of Raleigh

- October 30 on-site registration and check in begins at 8:00 a.m.
- Light refreshments will be provided throughout the day.
- Lunch will be available at the many venues located in Downtown Raleigh.

### Leaf Season is Coming Soon

The Loose Leaf Curbside Collection Program for the 2010-11 leaf season will be under way in a few weeks. Collections will be made in each area of the city once by Christmas and a second time after the New Year January 3, 2011.



Weekly announcements on Cable Channel 22 will notify citizens when their area will be serviced. Citizens may also call the Leaf Line at 996-3720 or visit our website at <a href="www.raleighnc.gov">www.raleighnc.gov</a> and search for Leaf Collection for a daily update.

As a reminder, all citizens of Raleigh that receive the loose leaf curbside service can also have their leaves removed *BEFORE*, *DURING AND AFTER* the Loose Leaf Program if the leaves are put/placed in *CLEAR PLASTIC BAGS*, *PAPER BAGS AND/OR PERMANENT CONTAINERS*. This service is available year-round on their scheduled yard waste collection day.

30-50 percent of the municipal solid waste stream is organic.