



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

R.J.Brown@ci.raleigh.nc.us

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
NickyBrewster
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, December 10, 2007

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



AGENDA

1. **Raleigh Police Department report** – Officer Upchurch
2. **Parks and Recreation Department report** – Nicky Brewster
3. Inspections report and issues – Jerry Mahler, City of Raleigh Housing Inspector, (919) 807-5110.
4. **Our new At-Large City Councilor** – Mary-Ann Baldwin
This is a wonderful opportunity to meet our new Councilor, to learn more about her, and to share some of our hopes and concerns for our community.
5. **The PROP** – Probationary Rental Occupancy Permit
Currently the PROP does not address criminal behavior. The Southeast Raleigh Assembly forwarded to the Raleigh City Council a plan to include such behavior. Because of criminal behavior issues in rental properties in the Southwest CAC area, we will look at the SERA recommendation at this meeting and decide if we want to endorse the SERA recommendation.
5. **Infill** – the effect of infill in our communities
This is information we all need to know because infill has come to the Southwest CAC area.
6. **Boards and Commissions** appointed by the City Council
7. **Old and new Business**

Happy Holidays to Everyone! Enjoy family, friends and special events, get as much rest as you possibly can, and resolve to be healthier in the new year, to recycle more, to conserve more water, and to attend all CAC meetings in 2008. Help us make 2008 a truly great year for southwest Raleigh! You count!!!



Community Services Department



Now accepting applications for Spring 2008 Leadership Institute

The Citizens Participation Leadership Institute is a program offered by the City of Raleigh and Shaw University. Classes are free of charge and meet on Thursdays from 6 - 9 p.m. with dinner served each session in the Shaw University cafeteria. The Community Services Department is now accepting applications for the Spring 2008 classes. Contact Kevin Smith at 831-6117 or e-mail Kevin.smith@ci.raleigh.nc.us.



Spring 2008 Registration Opens for Raleigh Neighborhood College

The Neighborhood College is a program offered by the City of Raleigh in partnership with Wake County. The Spring, 2008 session is currently planned to start in March. Classes are free of charge and meet on Thursdays from 6 - 9 p.m. with dinner served each session in the Peace College cafeteria. Only 25 students are accepted per session. For more details, including brochure or application, contact 831-6095 or e-mail Charlene.willard@ci.raleigh.nc.us.



New Neighborhood Improvement Grants 2007

Beginning July 1, 2007, changes have been made to the neighborhood grant program. The revised program now makes available grants of up to \$2500 for the purpose of neighborhood improvement. Grants are only available to registered neighborhood associations within the defined low to moderate income areas. The program seeks to empower and strengthen neighborhoods while fostering an enhanced sense of community within Raleigh neighborhoods. For details call 831-6117 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 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 831-6117 or e-mail Kevin.smith@ci.raleigh.nc.us.



2008 Raleigh Neighborhood Exchange

The 5th Annual Raleigh Neighborhood Exchange is scheduled for September 19 & 20, 2008 at the new Raleigh Convention Center!

The event consists of interactive information sessions addressing neighborhood related issues. Dynamic keynote speakers share neighborhood empowerment successes from other cities. Please join us as we seek to maintain the high quality of life our citizens currently enjoy. We look forward to your attendance at next year's conference!



Citizen Area Liaisons

Citizen Area Liaisons act as a liaison between neighborhood residents and any organization, agency, and resource, including but not limited to the City of Raleigh. Duties include arranging neighborhood meetings (on an as - needed basis), leading neighborhood discussions on issues facing the area, reporting necessary information to appropriate resources and sharing information and ideas with other area leaders. 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 at 831-6099 or e-mail Luis.olivieri-robert@ci.raleigh.nc.us or Sheila Lynch at 831-6136 or e-mail sheila.lynch@ci.raleigh.nc.us.

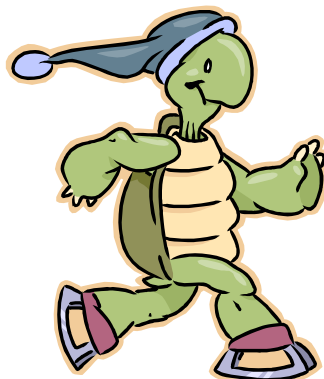
Community Meeting Marsh Creek

SKATE PARK Preliminary Design
Tuesday, December 11th at 7:00 p.m.
Jaycee Park
Module Building
2401 Wade Avenue
Raleigh, NC 27607

This meeting is intended to collect community input on the preliminary design of the new skate park that will be located at Marsh Creek Park on New Hope Road.

Visit www.raleighnc.gov/parkplan under Park and Greenway Planning for more information.

Comments and questions may be sent to:
parkplan@ci.raleigh.nc.us
(please specify Skate Park in the subject line)
or call 890-3285 for more information.



CITY OF RALEIGH
2008 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE
ADOPTED NOVEMBER 20, 2007

DAY/DATE	TYPE OF MEETING	TIME
Tuesday, January 8, 2008	City Council	1:00 7:00
Tuesday, January 22, 2008	City Council Zoning Hearing	1:00 6:30
Tuesday, February 5, 2008	City Council	1:00 7:00
Tuesday, February 19, 2008	City Council	1:00
Tuesday, March 4, 2008	City Council	1:00 7:00
Tuesday, March 18, 2008	City Council	1:00
Tuesday, April 1, 2008	City Council	1:00 7:00
Tuesday, April 15, 2008	City Council Zoning Hearing	1:00 6:30
Tuesday, May 6, 2008	City Council	1:00 7:00
Tuesday, May 20, 2008	City Council	1:00
Tuesday, June 3, 2008	City Council	1:00 7:00
Tuesday, June 17, 2008	City Council	1:00
Tuesday, July 1, 2008	City Council	1:00 7:00
Tuesday, July 15, 2008	City Council Zoning Hearing	1:00 6:30
Tuesday, August 5, 2008	City Council	1:00 7:00
Tuesday, September 2, 2008	City Council	1:00 7:00
Tuesday, September 16, 2008	City Council	1:00
Tuesday, October 7, 2008	City Council	1:00 7:00
Tuesday, October 21, 2008	City Council Zoning Hearing	1:00 6:30
Tuesday, November 4, 2008	City Council	1:00 7:00
Tuesday, November 18, 2008	City Council	1:00
Tuesday, December 2, 2008	City Council	1:00 7:00

March 8-12, 2008 – Congressional City Conference, NLC, Washington, DC – No conflict

October 12-14, 2008 – NCLM, Charlotte, NC – No conflict

November 11-15, 2008 – Congress of Cities and Exposition, NLC, Orlando, FL – No conflict