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The Columns also can be found at Bestway, Gene's Barber Shop, Lindley Rec Center, Spring Garden Bakery, the Corner Farmers Market and Common Grounds.

### **GOTIDEAS?**

Of course you do! We want to hear from everyone! Send stories, ideas, photos, history or questions to Kate Silton at newsletter@lindleyparknc.com

WANTED - Volunteer AD COORDINATOR for The Columns.

#### **Duties involve**

- Serving as primary contact with local businesses wanting to place ads in The Columns.
- Providing information to prospective advertisers on size of ads, rates and distribution process.
- Coordinating with the Editor about placement of ads in the Columns
- Distributing copies to several neighborhood businesses, and the Rec Center for residents to pick up an extra copy.
- Billing businesses for the ads.
- Turning over ad money to Treasurer.
- Six issues are produced yearly
- Most of duties can be handled via email.

This is a great way to learn more about local, neighborhood businesses while helping the neighborhood association. The ads not only pay most of the costs of the newsletter, but also help provide funding for many of the neighborhood activities like the Easter Egg Hunt, Spring Fling, Fall Fest and Holiday Luminaries. For more information – contact Patti Eckard, <a href="mailto:patti-eckard@gmail.com">patti-eckard@gmail.com</a>.

## **UPCOMINGEVENTS 3**

### Neighborhood Events:

**December 12**: Lindley Elementary Night at

Kiosco

**December 15:** Running of the Balls (Sunset

Hills)

January 30: LPNA General Meeting, 7pm at

Lindley Rec Center

February 2: Oyster Roast, (details on page 7)



Photo by Joshua Dickens

#### Leaf Collection

The City of Greensboro's annual loose leaf collection began on November 13. The first round of collection runs until December 22 and the second from December 27-January 25.

Here are some tips for leaf removal success:

- Rake leaves to the edge of your yard behind the curb (not in the street or on the sidewalk).
- Remove sticks, rocks, and other debris that may damage City equipment.
- Do not park vehicles in front of, or near, leaves.

You may purchase the compost created from the leaf collection program at the White Street Landfill.

For more information, visit the City of Greensboro website: https://www.greensboro-nc.gov/departments/field-operations/leaves

#### Calling all gently used children's books!

Are you cleaning out your home libraries to get ready for the holiday season? Do you want to purge for the New Year? Donate to us! Lindley Elementary is getting ready to create a book closet and we need your help in filling it up. Similar to a coat closet or food pantry, children that do not have access to books at home will be identified and given the opportunity to "shop" for their very own books to keep. Our goal is for every child to have books to read! Books for children of all ages and reading levels are welcome. We will be collecting books all year-the more the merrier! If you have books to donate or questions, please contact Thea DeLoreto at theaparkdeloreto@gmail.com.



#### **LPNA Founder Jack Almon Dies**

by Patti Eckard

Long time Lindley Park resident, and founder of the neighborhood association, Jesse Moza "Jack" Almon, passed away on November 23, 2018. Born and raised in Greensboro, Jack was a graduate of Greensboro High School, now known as Grimsley High School. He served in the US Navy as an electronics technician and was retired from the Greensboro Police Department after



a career of 25 years. He received the prestigious Life Saving Medal for saving a child's life. He was instrumental in the creation of Safety Town of Greensboro which educates young children about safety in all facets of their lives and was named director of Safety Town for North Carolina.

For more than 50 years, Jack and his wife, Nita lived in the Lindley Park neighborhood. Early on, Jack and Nita along with other neighbors saw the need to create an organization that could advocate on behalf of the neighborhood regarding school assignments, zoning and park preservation. Their work and dedication resulted in the neighborhood's reassignment back to the Lindley Elementary, Kiser, and Grimsley School District. Nita's interest in the flowers, plants, trees of the neighborhood encouraged the City to follow the original landscaping model first used by J Van Lindley Nursery when the neighborhood was created.

With growing interest in Lindley Park, the neighborhood faced challenges from developers wanting to change zoning from single family residential to multifamily to accommodate the growing need of nearby UNCG. With Jack's leadership, committees were formed to focus on zoning, and park preservation. The neighborhood was



Frank Dorrity, Ben Ma, Jim Nelson, Bill Young, John Ma divided into four districts and representatives were elected to make sure all areas of the neighborhood were represented. These representatives along with committee members were instrumental in getting the Neighborhood Plan approved by the Greensboro City Council, Spring Garden Overlay, bike lanes, needed stop signs on Walker Ave, and a partnership with the City of Greensboro Planning Department regarding environmental, safety and zoning issues.

In 2014, the Lindley Park Neighborhood Association celebrated 20 years of service. The City Council presented a resolution honoring the occasion. The neighborhood celebrated with a party at the Lindley Park Recreation Center. Jack and Nita Almon were special guests and received a Certificate of Appreciation thanking them for their many contributions to the neighborhood. The LPNA plans to honor the Almons with a memorial. Due to Jack's leadership, his time and efforts made Lindley Park the vibrant, special place it is today.

# CARBON MONOXIDE: A DEADLY DANGER 5

submitted by Patti Eckard, content sourced from Pillar to Post Home Inspectors

With winter coming, now is a good time to address a potential hazard that comes with increased use of fuel-burning appliances such as furnaces, water heaters and stoves. Carbon monoxide, "CO" is an odorless, colorless gas produced by the combustion of fuels such as natural gas, oil and propane. These items are normally designed to vent the CO to the outside, but harmful interior levels of CO can result from incomplete combustion of fuel, improper installation, blockages, leaks or cracks in the venting system. Very high levels of CO can lead to death, with victims never aware they were being poisoned by the CO.

Homeowners can take action against potential carbon monoxide poisoning by taking the following steps.

- Never use gas stoves or ovens to heat your home, even for a short time.
- Have all fuel-burning appliances professionally inspected annually, preferably before the start of cold weather when heaters and furnaces are first used. These appliances include gas stoves and ovens, furnaces and heaters, water heaters and gas clothes dryers. All should be properly installed and vented to the outside.
- If repairs are necessary, be sure they are performed by a qualified technician.
- Always use the proper fuel specified for the device.
- Have flues and chimneys for gas fireplaces inspected regularly for cracks, leaks, and blockages that may allow a buildup of CO to occur.
- Do not start a vehicle in a close garage or idle the engine in the garage even when the garage door is open. Gasoline-powered generators and charcoal grills must never be used indoors.
- Purchase a CO detector (either battery operated, hard wired or plug-in) and follow manufacturer's
  instructions for proper location and installation. Installation of working CO detectors in residential
  properties is now required in most states.



Learn what to do if the CO alarm activates. If anyone in the home experiences symptoms of fatigue, dizziness, blurred vision, nausea or confusion, everyone should leave immediately and seek medical attention. If no symptoms are felt, open doors and windows immediately and shut off all fuel-burning devices that may be potential sources of CO.

### Nobody knows your neighborhood Better than your neighbor



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# **6 PREVENTIVE HOME RENOVATIONS**

by Leslie Steinbeck

From full-scale room remodels to lighting fixture upgrades – maintaining your home is no small task. It requires an investment of time and money. Thankfully, though, even if you don't have the budget or time to take on a major renovation right away, you can make some headway by consolidating and tackling those preventative projects on your list – including those seemingly minor jobs and regular maintenance tasks that help you avoid major issues down the line.

**Moisture Management** One critical component of preventative maintenance is keeping moisture away from your home. Consider enlisting a professional to check your roof for things like leaks, loose shingles and broken tiles. It's also important to have your drainage systems and gutters inspected and cleared as they protect the foundation of your home from water damage.

**Annual Checkups** There are several projects that professionals recommend checking every year that oftentimes go overlooked ... until a major issue occurs. Avoid the drama by consolidating several tasks into a single maintenance project. (Think: inspecting and servicing HVAC units, fireplaces, etc...)

**Get 'Smart'** If your home doesn't currently include many 'smart' features, it may be advantageous to invest in them. Maximize your time and money by simultaneously upgrading several home features to smart technology. While there are many options to choose from, focus first on the features that make your home more efficient and secure, like automated light switches and bulbs, smart home sensors and smoke detectors and electronic doorbells and locks.

Large or small – be sure to fully research the renovation and consider at least three bids before you begin. While focusing on preventive upgrades may not seem as significant as a large-scale renovation, tackling these projects now will save you time and money and will add value to your home down the line.





The LPNA social committee is hosting a fundraiser for the neighborhood coffers. This will be a ticketed event and you will be REQUIRED to buy your ticket in advance. We don't know what the response on this will be so we will only be ordering the oysters in accord with the number of tickets we sell. Tickets will be \$20 per person and kids 12 and under will be free. The Oyster Roast is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, February 2 from 4-7pm and will take place at the corner of S. Lindell and Springwood.

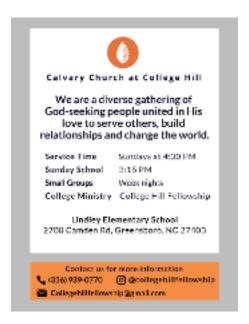
Money for the tickets can be mailed to the LPNA Treasurer, Blake Sagar, at: 4125-D Walker Ave Greensboro, NC 27407

Alternatively, they can be purchased through our website at: <a href="http://lindleyparknc.com/support/">http://lindleyparknc.com/support/</a>

Select "other" on the contribution and change the quantity to the number of tickets you need. Include your name and the phrase Oyster Roast when making payment online.

The association will provide the oysters and some other weather appropriate food to pair with them. Attendees would be responsible for their own beverages.

We are still working out the kinks and trying to nail down all the specifics. If you are interested in helping, please email me at <a href="mailto:bsagar@cfmccpa.com">bsagar@cfmccpa.com</a>



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# 8 2018 CHILI COOK OFF

In its 11th year, the Lindley Park Chili Cook Off was once again threatened by rain. While the weather cleared up by the afternoon of October 27, the park was muddy. Our organizers adapted quickly, setting up on Springwood in between Willowbrook and South Lindell.





As usual, we had a number of delicious chilis to sample. But only one can win in each category. The following neighbors emerged victorious: Todd Zimmer and Jenny Marienau with October Surprise (defending champions in the traditional category from last year), Scott Saunders with Texican Enchilada Chili (vegetarian), and Blake Sagar with Ghost Piggy (nontraditional). The prizes were gift cards to local businesses and, of course, bragging rights.



Pictures courtesy of Patti Eckard.



### DECEMBER COOKING CLASSES 9

Children and adults of all ages are getting hands-on this winter with cooking classes at the Greensboro Children's Museum (GCM). Launching Tuesday, December 4, more than two dozen interactive cooking classes for kids, teens and adults will be offered through February. Each class features fresh, seasonal ingredients from the Museum's half-acre garden – The Edible Schoolyard. Chefs of all skill levels are welcome.

The Edible Schoolyard at GCM is working to reconnect the community with food and the earth. The Cooking School is a great way to incorporate wellness and healthy living into Museum programming. Each class is led by professionally trained instructors. Class sizes are limited. Registration is now open at <a href="mailto:gcmuseum.com">gcmuseum.com</a>. Prices vary, starting as low as \$15. Classes take place at the Edible Schoolyard Kitchen, located in the Greensboro Children's Museum.

#### **December Cooking Classes**

adult cooking: gifts from the kitchen (21+)

Tuesday, December 4 | 6p - 8p | gcm members \$40 • nonmembers \$45 adult cooking: celebration cocktails (21+)

Thursday, December 6 | 6p - 8p | gcm members \$50 • nonmembers \$55 adult cooking: healthy appetizers for entertaining (21+)

Monday, December 10 | 6p - 8p | gcm members \$35 • nonmembers \$40 adult cooking: holiday tarts made easy (21+)

Thursday, December 12 | 6p - 8p | gcm members \$45 • nonmembers \$50 kids cooking: cookie swap (ages 8-11)

Friday, December 14 | 5p - 7p | gcm members \$30 • nonmembers \$35

Tween cooking: holiday cookies (ages 11-14)

Saturday, December 15 | 11a - 1p | gcm members \$30 • nonmembers \$35







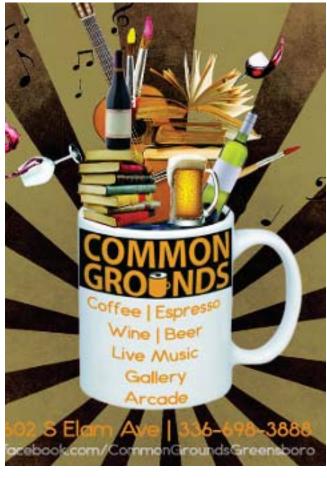


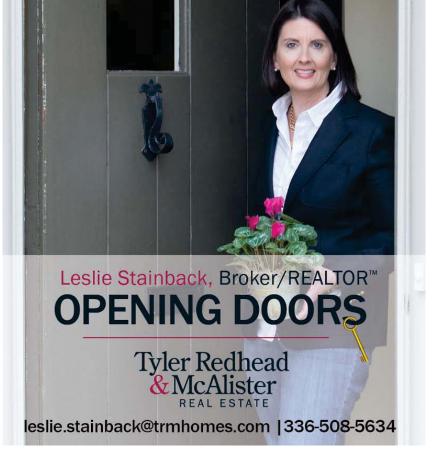




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Lindley Park Baptist Church





### **GIFT WRAP ALTERNATIVES 11**

by Laine Roberts, Recycling Education Specialist, City of Greensboro

With just 3 weeks until the presents under your tree are opened, and Hanukkah's gift-giving already underway, you may be wondering what to do with all the leftover gift wrap. Here are some of the frequently asked questions we get about holiday recycling:

- 1. Decorations, gift wrap, bags, tissue paper, bows, and ribbons cannot be recycled. Instead, they should go into your trash can! Why? Gift wrap can contain layers of plastic, foil, or other items that contaminate the paper recycling processes, so please do not recycle them. You can also use butcher paper, old maps or blueprints, and other kinds of paper that can be recycled. Bows and ribbons can become tanglers! Be extra careful not to recycle them. Tissue paper fibers are too low quality to be made into new things.
- 2. If you have gently used decorations, bows, bags, etc. that you no longer want, consider donating them to a reuse store. 3. Have lots of extra cardboard? If you want it to be recycled, break it down and put it in your recycling cart. Don't leave it beside your carts or it will be picked up as bulk material and go to the landfill forever. If you have too much cardboard to fit in your recycling cart, you can drop it off at one of our 20 free recycling drop-off locations: www.greensboro-nc.gov/recycle

And to help make sure that you don't have so much leftover gift wrap, try these creative reuse ideas...

- -See what containers you already have around the house, like random boxes to hide gifts. I might open a box of soap, but is it really soap? It might be, we love to give practical gifts, but it could also be something else. Check the recycling, you might find the perfect container to wrap a gift.
- -Give reusable drawstring gift bags. It's the gift that keeps on giving, because they can be used over and over again. Extra bonus it makes for an easy cleanup!
- -Use tins and mason jars. Not only are they waste free but you can re-decorate them for any occasion! -Wrap your gifts in scrap fabric and tie it in a nice bow. With a quick internet search, you can find local fabric supply stores, or check out Reconsidered Goods for loads of scrap fabric. This is a great way to go waste free this year and it's a space saver!
- -This year, I've decided to give experiences to family and friends, so no wrap needed. Instead, I'll be part of the experiences, which will be a gift in itself!

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# HOLIDAY SHOPPING AT THE MARKET 13

Give art with utility this holiday!

We've got beautifully functional handcrafted gifts like pottery mugs and bowls, knitted hats and washcloths, wooden serving utensils and cutting boards and more!

Also, natural soaps, body products and home cleaners make a useful and thoughtful gift.

Another practical gift is canned items. Choose from sweet: lemon curd, elderberry syrup, jams, and jellies. Or savory: pickled ginger, pesto, dried herbs, sultry spice blends and more.

If you are stumped for a gift idea, ask our market manager, Kathy, to help you find the perfect gift for everyone on your list!





A sampling of gifts from the market. Above: utensils by Phillip Fuentes, woodworker. Top right: pottery by Lisa Doe Kenny. Bottom right: teas by LiteraTea.



# 14 LPNA MINUTES

11/27/18 @ 7 pm Common Grounds

#### Jack Almond's Death and Memorial

- Recognizing his contributions to LPNA in Newsletter
- -Solicit donations for Park Bench in his memory

#### **Luminaries:**

- Meeting at Rec Center on December 1st at 4pm - subject to change or cancellation depending on the weather (note: was cancelled due to weather).

#### **Spring Garden Overlay:**

- No new news

#### **Memorial Cherry Trees:**

- The replacement tree has been planted.

#### **Oyster Roast and LPNA Fundraiser**

- February 2, 2019 in the park (stay tuned). Tickets \$20 (subject to change)
- Goal is to raise money for the Neighborhood Association

#### **Next Meetings:**

General Meeting on January 29, 2019 at 7pm at Rec Center

### WELLNESS WEDNESDAYS

Now University Animal Hospital is offering Wellness Wednesdays. Schedule your pet for a wellness visit either by appointment or using our convenient drop off service and receive a 10% discount off of their nose-to-tail annual exam, vaccines, age appropriate blood work and internal parasite check. Early disease detection and vaccinations against infectious diseases will keep your furry loved one healthy.

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lason Anderson and Marshall Nelson

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