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Success...

Both ammendments, the Neighborhood Conservation Overlay and Spring Garden Street Pedestrian Scale Overlay were approved and adopted by the Greensboro City Council in the past 30 days.

Lindley Park and the City developed a strategic Neighborhood Plan that was approved in 2003. The two amendments recently passed will enhance our plan. The Neighborhood Conservation Overlay (NCO) is a City wide ordinance with a simple purpose of "establishing regulations to enhance natural, economic, and architectural resources unique to specific areas of the city while protecting neighborhoods from incompatible development." For example: When the Hamilton Lakes land use restrictions on the Walker Avenue property between Holden and W. Market St. expires in July 2007 and the management company that bought or is buying all of the houses on Walker, if they choose to commercially develop this land then Lindley Park will be involved with zoning and planning using the NCO.

The Spring Garden Street Pedestrian Scale Overlay creates an overlay district and design manual that promotes quality and compatible redevelopment through flexible and clear design standards. An important goal of the design manual is to help property owners, developers, architects, engineers, and planners meet the vision of the Spring Garden Street corridor as stated in the Lindley Park Neighborhood Plan. The concepts included in the manual are based on fundamental principles of good site, architectural, and urban design. The manual is also intended to go beyond the role of a regulatory document and be used as an educational tool.

The Shoppes at Lindley, the proposed development next to Peppers Den and the proposed "Condos for Sale" between Elam and Scott all reflect the design and quality that will enhance Spring Garden Street. The developers of these properties have sought input and support from Lindley Park.

The Lindley Park Neighborhood Plan, the Spring Garden Pedestrian Scale Overlay and the Neighborhood Conservation Overlay can be viewed at www.greensboro-nc.gov. Click on departments then click on Planning and follow prompts. You can also reach Mary Sertell at 373.2144. Mary can answer your questions.

Inside Issue...

- Yard Sale
- Spring Fling Pictures
- Neighborhood News

Message From The Chair

Dear Lindley Park Neighbors,

UNCG updated its Master Plan for growth this year, a process they go through every few years to make sure they can satisfy anticipated needs of the university. Planners held two public meetings and made their findings and proposals for long-range growth available online in the form of a slideshow viewable at:

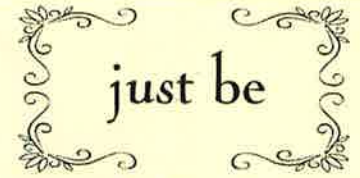
http://projects.sasaki.com/uncgreensboro/Documents/UNCG_WORKSESSION3_4_18_07.pdf. Of great relevance to our neighborhood is the proposed athletic center with practice soccer fields, tennis courts, and indoor pool, along with UNCG-owned student housing and parking lots on the land bordered by Spring Garden Street and Oakland Avenue between the existing UNCG warehouses on Northridge Street and McManus Street. The area is mapped, and its uses described, on page 80 of the 82 pages on the website above.

This area of our neighborhood is included in the new Spring Garden Street Pedestrian Scale Overlay District, a designation that directs all new development to support neighborhood walkability and compatibility through design guidelines. The Spring Garden Street Pedestrian Scale Overlay District, which was adopted by the City Council on May 1st, 2007, is a significant result of the three-year collaboration between City staff and Lindley Park industrial property owners, developers, and residents, whereby a vision for the neighborhood's future was defined.

The Lindley Park Neighborhood Association's upcoming general meeting, on May 29th, will focus on the future of this area of the neighborhood. Representatives from UNCG will present the updated Plan and ask for feedback from the community. Representatives from the Greensboro Planning Department will also be present to provide insight into the plan's possible impact on the neighborhood and the Spring Garden corridor. I hope that you will come to this meeting, ask questions, and share your thoughts.

The meeting begins at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, May 29th, at the Lindley Recreation Center at 2970 Springwood Drive.

Thank you,
Susan Taaffe, LPNA Chair



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Neighborhood Boy wins "Most Original" in Regional Pinewood derby

On April 21st, Ryan Smith represented Pack 160 Tiger Cubs in the Regional Pinewood Derby competition that was held at Crown Honda on Wendover Ave. The category that he competed against other winners of their packs in the Greensboro area was for "Most Original". Ryan's pinewood derby car's design was the shape of an alligator with an alligator skin and yellow eyes, see photo. We want to congratulate him for representing and winning for Pack 160 in the Regional competition, job well done! Good luck next year!



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Good Neighbors

We all know the expression 'good fences make good neighbors', but there are other ways you can be a good neighbor. For instance:

Pick up the poop- Pick up after your pet not only on walks and in the park, but also in your own backyard. Your backyard neighbors will appreciate the fresh air.

Sweep your sidewalks- If you have sidewalks, please keep them free of debris and vegetation. Also be sure to trim back trees and bushes that may get in the way of walkers. If you have broken sidewalks, report them to the City of Greensboro by calling 373-CITY.

Drive slowly- Please obey the speed limit and ask others to do the same. There are pedestrians, children at play, bicyclists, pets and wildlife that will appreciate it.

Save the birds- If you have outdoor cats, please put collars with bells on them. Many of our neighbors have birdfeeders to enjoy the wildlife; however, cats are also attracted to kill the wildlife. It's also hard to tell if a cat without a collar is a stray or is owned by someone.

These are simple ways we can all be good neighbors. Do you have any good neighbor tips to share? If so, email your suggestions to the editor.

Running with the Pack....

To all parents who are interested in getting your son (ages 7-11) into a worthwhile organization with strong neighborhood involvement and support, I am talking about Cub Scouts (Pack 160). We have many parents and kids from Lindley Park that are strongly involved in Pack 160 activities and lots of fun doing them. **To name just a few activities;** Scouting for Food, Fall & Spring Camp outs, visiting fire stations, visiting TV stations, a weekend of snow skiing, hiking, Going to the Library and let's not forget Boat Regatta and Pinewood Derby!

It is a great experience for your son to get to meet other kids from the neighborhood as well as the parents. It is a time-honored organization that your child will have many wonderful memories of. Enrollment starts in the end of the summer for the '07-'08 year (Honestly, anytime is good). So, if you are interested please contact Pack Leader Alex Hurin at (336) 279-1027 or you can contact me (Ronnie Smith) at (336) 854-8054.

Hope to see you next fall!!!



Easter Egg Freeze...

WOW! Do you remember April 7? 26 degrees at 10:00am - Well, with a hearty and warm thank you to Meg Sisk and Theresa Byrd, the 45+ kids were able to hunt for Easter Eggs.

The egg hunt started at 10:00 and by the time the editor of the Columns got down to the park at 10:25 to take pictures all of the eggs as well as the kids were gone!

Meg Sisk stated that the kids got it done quickly and went home to their warm houses.

Again , thanks to Meg and Theresa!!

Walking Tour of Lindley Park

Preservation Greensboro Inc. held a walking tour of our neighborhood on Wednesday, May 11.

A group of about 30 went along with tour guide Benjamin Briggs as they explored the varying architecture of Lindley Park. Benjamin (executive director of Preservation Greensboro) said he learned as much as he taught and really enjoyed the tour. They plan to hold a tour again next year.

Shoppes at Lindley

Stop in and welcome our new neighbors located in *The Shops at Lindley*. Friendly Bike, Scissor Talk and Dollar King + are now open for business.

Rumors are that a Japanese Restaurant and possibly a Coffee Shop are also coming to this location. Lets support all of our neighborhood business.



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Beautiful Day...Great Folks...Good Food... Fun Tunes...and a Clown

This year we shared our Spring Fling with Preservation Greensboro Inc. Actually, they sponsored this year's event and boy do they know how to do it. PGI calls the event "*Dinner on the Lawn*" and each year they select a neighborhood, this was our year.

The Lindley Park neighbors supplied the desert and PGI provided the hot dogs and hamburgers. They couldn't cook fast enough! There were 150+ neighbors and friends all hungry at the same time!

The music was unique and fun. Our neighbor, Bruce Piephoff, of Scott Ave. performed. Bruce is a well known performer and usually plays with a group. On Saturday he was solo. This allowed him to improvise and interact with the kids. They loved it! Bruce did a great job and we thank him.

The balloon clown was also a big hit. His puppy dogs and teddy bears made from balloons were grabbed up as soon as they were finished. He didn't sit down the whole time he was there. He deserves a big thank you.

Special thanks the Preservation Greensboro folks for all of their work -- Benjamin Briggs, Exec. Director, Ashley Poteat, Blandwood Curator, Judie Kastner, Exec. Assistant, Hostess Julie Curry and of course the cooks -- Jennie and David Hoggard.

PGI staff said they were impressed with the turn out and how much fun everyone seemed to be having. What can you say - it's **Lindley Park**



LPNA Bylaw Revision

Recently the LPNA Executive Board has encountered situations that need action prior to the regularly scheduled Executive Board meeting and there was not enough notice to establish a meeting time that a significant number of Board members could attend. This has usually been related to a zoning request or other time critical matter on the city calendar. In order to effectively deal with such situations a revision to the bylaws is proposed as follows:

In Article VII Executive Board, Section 4. Special Meetings, retain the existing wording and designate as item "A" as follows;

A. Special meetings of the board may be called by the chairman, and shall be called by him at the written request of seven members of the board. No business other than that for which a special meeting is called shall be transacted except by unanimous consent.

and then create an additional section "B" as follows

B. On occasion a decision on a specific topic may be required from the Executive Board prior to its next scheduled meeting. In lieu of calling a special meeting the chair may notify the board members by email of the need for a timely decision. The subject line should read: "LPNA Exec Board vote needed". The body of the email should include background information, an explanation of the issue and a request for a response for or against the proposal by return email. Any action must have 10 votes in support (a simple majority of the 18 positions on the Executive Board) and the Chair must post the vote tally by email prior to carrying out the decision. The chair must also provide a report of the results at the next board meeting so they may be officially recorded in the minutes.

A discussion and vote on this change will be part of the business at the May 29th General Meeting.

Charles Cameron, Parliamentarian.



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**Lindley Park Neighborhood Association
Minutes for Executive Committee Meeting**

April 24, 2007

Officers Present: Susan Taafe, Michael Searce, Leigha Shepler, Meredith Tyson, Jesse Day, Bill Eckard, Charlie Cameron and Neb Rodgers

Before commencing the meeting President Susan Taafe suggested discussion on the Campus West Master Plan:

- > Existing facilities exist approaching 8 acres on this separate campus.
- > Plans for additional land to be purchased in pieces and bits with the draft goal of opening a recreation center
- > Issue: Parking on the existing campus is not feasible for the UNCG administrative and market pressure
- > Timeline: Plan completed in September
- > Action Item (1): Discuss UNCG Master Plan at LPNA General Meeting.
- > Action Item (2): Bill Eckard suggest-

ed compiling a list of suggested neighborhood recommendations for the Master Plan and a would be Draft Environment Impact Statements (EIS) in the future.

- a. Re-Open Oakland Avenue to connect with Chapman St. and Holden Road;
- b. Consider recommendation of traffic calming called for in the LPNA Master Plan (esp. Lindell, Northridge and Scott) for cut through traffic;
- c. Consider controlled access onto Spring Garden Street;
- d. Buffer any interim parking lot usage with landscaping;
- e. Encourage bicycling, carpooling and ride share programs in the neighborhood paid by UNCG
- f. Encourage preservation of commercial nodes that exist;
- g. Study the traffic patterns;
- h. Encourage public green space with the construction of controlled recreation areas;
- i. Pedestrian overlay district (if adopted by City Council);
- j. Noise and light pollution considerations;

- > Action Item (3): Talk with Ben Woody about coalescing list of recommendations.
- > Action Item (4): Send a postcard about upcoming Public Meeting (who's responsible?)

Official Meeting Commences

President Report

1. City Council accepted the Neighborhood Conservation Overlay District (NCOD) (April 18th?) - requirements can be found on the City website
 - a. Planning board has rejected any specific applications for the NCOD in the past.
2. Spring Garden Street Pedestrian Overlay
 - a. City Council meeting May 1st @ 5:30pm - currently 14th on the agenda. Please come around 6:30? in order to be able to speak.

Committee Reports

- Website Report**
1. Neither website is working
 2. Adrian needs another month!
 3. Craig is able to update the old website

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The yard sale is being sponsored by your neighbors, Patti Eckard and Michael Scarce of **REMAX Realty Consultants**. The ad in the paper, directional signs and flyers listing all the locations will be provided. This is a great way to get rid of your unwanted "stuff", make a little money and help out the Lindley Park Neighborhood Association. **Deadline for entry into the Neighborhood Yard Sale is June 19th.**

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Proposed Changes To The Greensboro Noise Ordinance

The Greensboro Neighborhood Congress has been working with the City to strengthen the noise ordinance so that it is finally enforceable. The draft of the ordinance was completed May 14, 2007 and will go before the City Council for adoption in the near future. The LPNA Executive committee will be notified and will represent the neighborhood.

This is important for Lindley Park residents because we share the neighborhood with commercial properties. Although the 'Corner' (Elam and Walker) are generally good neighbors there was a situation with partying on the deck at the Blue Marlin last Summer. The existing noise ordinance is barely enforceable and has no teeth. Below a portion of the draft. If you want a full copy email bill@billeckard.com and a copy will be forwarded to you.

DRAFT - Greensboro Noise Ordinance May 14, 2007

ARTICLE IV. OFFENSES OF UNREASONABLE OR DISTURBING SOUND

Sec. 18-47. Preamble.

The provisions hereinafter contained are enacted for the purpose of preventing noise disturbances or unreasonably loud noise, and are enacted pursuant to the authority granted in N.C.G.S. § 160A-184. Above certain levels or durations and during specific times of day unreasonably loud noise, or noise disturbance, is detrimental to health, safety and welfare of the citizenry and the individual's right to peaceful and quiet enjoyment. It is the policy of the City to prohibit noise disturbances or unreasonably loud noise from all sources, subject to its police power, in order to secure and promote the public health, comfort, convenience, safety, welfare, and prosperity of the citizens of Greensboro. Nothing in this Article is intended to deter individuals from lawfully exercising the individual right of freedom of speech or any other freedom guaranteed under the Constitutions of the United States of America or of the State of North Carolina.

Sec. 18-54. Enforcement responsibility for control of excessive noise.

- (a) Primary enforcement responsibility. The Chief of Police of the City, or his Departmental designee, shall have primary enforcement responsibility for noise and sound control pursuant to this Code.
- (b) Powers of arrest or citation. Any police officer shall issue a citation for any violation under this article, except they may arrest for instances when:
- (1) The alleged violator refuses to provide the officer with such person's, or owner's, name and address and any proof thereof as may be reasonably available to the alleged violator; or
 - (2) The alleged violator refuses to cease such illegal activity after being issued a citation; or
 - (3) Any person interfering with the enforcement activities of the Officer.

Sec. 18-55. Noise Enforcement Officer.

Sec. 18-57. Penalties

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June 15 - **Soul Central** (Soul, Rhythm and Blues)

June 22 - **Swing On!** (Big Band Swing) *Location: Gathering Area, The Shops at Friendly Center*

June 29 - **Streetfeet** (Contemporary Country, Rock & Roll)

July 6 - **Old South Dixieland Band** (New Orleans Style Jazz)

July 13 - **Lisa Dames** (Nasville recording artist) *Location: Gathering Area - The Shops at Friendly Center*

July 20 - **Rob Massengale Band** (Dancing thru the Decades - 1950s)

July 27 - **WonderWall Band** (Dancing thru the Decades - 1960s)

August 3 - **Dallas Reese Band** (Dancing thru the Decades - 1970s)

August 10 - **Vision Band** (Dancing thru the Decades - 1980s)

August 17 - **Wally West Little Big Band** (Dancing thru the Decades - 1990s)

August 24 - **Burt Massengale's Big Band** (Dancing thru the Decades -2000s)

DOLLAR KING+OPENS NEW VARIETY STORE IN LINDLEY PARK SHOPPES

Dollar King Stores, owned by Charles & Delores Turner, recently relocated their family owned business from a West Market St. location to the Lindley Park Shoppes at 2823 Spring Garden St.

Drawn to Lindley Park dues to its history, stability and special regard for residents and small businesses, Dollar King offers an array of school and office supplies, housewares, hardware, health and beauty care products, party supplies, snacks and light apparel.

Dollar King is a post retirement family business for the Turners who relocated to the Triad after 40 years living in Connecticut. Charles was an Area Development Director for the College Fund UNCF. Delores was a Property Manager for the New Haven Housing Authority. Their daughter Amy, a graduate of Bennett College and NC A&T, is Director of Student Support Services at A&T. Their son, Charles, a Journalism graduate of NC A&T, is currently pursuing a graduate degree.

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May 29, 2007

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Treasurer's Report

1. Cash Balance: \$4,893.98; Balance of Grant to Spend \$2,317.20

Parliamentarian Report

1. Emergency e-mail voting procedure considered. This will be included in the newsletter and discussed at the general meeting for full ratification.
 > Motion to Approve by Leigha Shepler and 2nd by Michael Scearce.
 > Adopted unanimously

Social Report

1. May 16th 7-9pm Lindley Park Historical Walking Tour (sponsored by Preservation Greensboro)
 2. May 19th 6pm-8pm (Springwood Dr. & S. Lindell Road).
 a. Bill went over a list of needs and said he'll cover it with volunteers before May 19th
 b. Debate over the uselessness of having two Lindley Parks in the same City so close to each other.

Newsletter Report

1. Will be out after Spring Fling
 2. Deadline for articles May 11th

Environmental Issues Report

1. Welcome to Meredith Tysor who would like to be the chair of this committee and may take over for Adrian

District Reports

D1 - Neb discussed historic preservation of the day school off of Freeman Mill Road.
D2 - No Report
D3 - New family in the neighborhood. The noise ordinance will be discussed at the Neighborhood Congress Meeting

D4 - No Report

No Committee Reports for Parks & Rec, Public Works, Public Safety, Ways & Means, Zoning

High Point/Lee Street Corridor Update

1. Jesse attended 2 steering committee meetings
 2. The Planning team is seeking input on vacant or re-usable properties along High Point Rd/Lee St. from I-40 to Eugene Street. More info on the plan is available at:
http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/Departments/Planning/compplan/highpointrd_wleest.htm
 3. The meeting next month will be the third Tuesday of the month and the consultants will be holding their first meeting.

Old Business

Graffiti on the Rock - no good solution to clean. Talk to Greensboro Beautiful for their solution to taking care of graffiti there.

NEXT MEETING - GENERAL MEETING MAY 29th

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 Henry & Susan Knott
 Mike & Faye Manheim
 Nancy Pederson
 Dr. Brooke Schwabenton
 Cliff & Leigha Shepler
 Theodosia Swain

CALENDER

May 29
LPNA General Meeting
7:00 pm Lindley
Recreation Center

June 23
Lindley Park Yard Sale
8am - until

July 4
Have a Happy & Safe
and Fun 4th!

Neighbors...

Welcome new neighbors Dustin and Michelle Keene along with 5 year old Dominique and their 12 week old baby girl to Scott Ave. Also, welcome to Sean Sindlar, his daughter and their cat to Beechwood St.

A long time friend and neighbor, Owen Lewis of Springwood St passed away in May. Owen had a generous soul and was not only involved with Lindley Park he was very much involved in the total community. He will be missed. Our condolences go out to his family .

NEIGHBORHOOD GENERAL MEETING

MAY 29, 2007
7:00 pm

Lindley Recreation Center

**All Lindley Park residents are
 invited and encouraged to
 attend the meeting.**

2007 LPNA CONTRIBUTION FORM

Now's a good time to make a contribution to your neighborhood association. Please fill out the form and mail it with your check to the address listed below. If you'd like to be involved with any of the committees, or activities, please check your preference. **Note: New committees added: Website, Ways & Means (FUN-raising activities), Neighborhood Long-Range Plan.**

Name(s) _____ Address: _____

Email: _____ Home Phone: _____

Please check your interest(s): Environmental Issues FUN-raising Park preservation/improvements Website
 Public Safety/Public Works (speeding, burglary, sidewalks, etc) Zoning Issues Neighborhood Long-Range Plan
 Social activities (spring, fall events & Christmas luminaries) Newsletter volunteer -- help distribute in your area

\$\$ household contribution enclosed (\$15 suggested) \$ _____ Date: _____
 Please make checks payable to LPNA and mail to: LPNA c/o Leigha Shepler, 614 Northridge St. Greensboro NC 27403