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Message from the Chair

Hello Neighbors!

Springtime in Lindley Park... does it get any better than this? I mean sure, there were a couple of weeks of pollen attacks, but overall, the green scene has been all we could want and more. Of all the reasons to love where we live, this is one of the most important to me. We are SO fortunate to live in an area with such a wonderful green canopy full of all kinds of trees. These are the blessings of our neighborhood namesake, J. Van Lindley. Lindley built his nursery operation to over 900 acres here in the early 1900's and our residents continue to enjoy the benefits of his work today.

It's interesting to think of the variety of ways this green environment affects my everyday life: In my yard, our trees serve as the sturdy arm for a tree swing and much needed shade from the sun. One of my favorite moments is to stare endlessly at the hawks and other birds that fly (and live) amongst the treetops.

Personally, I believe that Mother Nature's work pulled many of us through this pandemic. I remember back to the feeling last May, when our world was shutting down and all we had was the ability to take a walk and enjoy the beauty around us. Those moments of solace were key to my mental health, and I assume the same for many of you as well. I am thankful for our little piece of earth and for the reliable return to a beautiful 'green scene' each year. Now Summer 2021 is here! The pandemic isn't quite over, but we're nearing a return to normal. And Mother Nature is here to remind us of just what "normal" is.

I'd like to invite everyone to "give a little back" to our natural environment here in Lindley Park. If you see a piece of trash, pick it up. If you have a couple of free hours on the weekend, join one of our park clean-up days. If trash collection or pruning aren't your things, invite a neighbor on a walk and enjoy some fresh air together. One way or another, let's keep appreciating the things that make Lindley Park an amazing place to live.

-Josh sherrick

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- historical anecdotes about Lindley Park
- other social/community topics/issues that you think would be of interest to our neighbors

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Thank you!

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indley Park Neighborhood is in District 1 of the Greensboro Police Department's neighborhood areas map. GPD assigns Community Resource Officers (CRO) to work with our LPNA Government Liaison. Bill Eckard, to address any issues that are of concern to Lindley Park residents. Our District 1 Residential Community Resource officer is Officer Phillip Watson and our Commercial Community Resource officer is Officer Larry Roberts. We hope that Officers Watson and Roberts will be able to join us at this year's National Night Out!

In addition to helping Lindley Park build a relationship with our CROs, the Greensboro Police Department also hosts meetings for Community Watch areas that Bill attends. If you have any questions or concerns regarding public safety in Lindley Park, please feel free to contact Bill Eckard at community@ lindleyparknc.com or at 336-681-1339.

If you have non emergency concerns, GPD can be contacts at 336-373-2222, and of course for emergencies, please call 9-1-1.

See also: National Night Out save the date on page 5

Important Phone Numbers

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contributed by Sam "Chip" Cook

f you drive through Winston-Salem or about any corner of Forsyth County, you are bound to pass by a Moravian Church. Just 24 miles or so east, you will find only one in Greensboro, and it is right here in our neighborhood!

From the mid 1700's into the early 1900's, the Moravian Church had established congregations in the Moravian township of Salem (merging with Winston in 1908), and in the surrounding towns and countryside of Forsyth County. But now came the first endeavor in establishing a church in another major city in North Carolina...Greensboro.



Percy Kerner, pictured middle, front (youngest person), in 1890, with the Kernersville Moravian Band. Percy was a founder of the First Moravian Church in Greensboro

By 1906, several Moravians had moved to the Greensboro area to work and live, and they expressed interest in having a Moravian congregation present in the city. Percy Kerner of Kernersville and Henry Snyder of Home Church raised even more interest. These men "walked the streets of Greensboro, evening after evening" to encourage the forming of a congregation. Their efforts bore fruit! The Southern Province of the Moravian Church acquired the former Grace Methodist Church, which was on East Lee Street (now Gate City Boulevard), and on October 5, 1908, the Greensboro Moravian Church was formally organized by Bishop Edward Rondthaler.

In 1918 the congregation started a Sunday school on the former West Lee Street about a mile from the church. A year later, The Wachovia Moravian, the Southern Province's magazine, began to call the congregation the "First Moravian Church of Greensboro." However, bright prospects of growth turned dim when it was realized that the area surrounding First Moravian (nearby downtown) was "overchurched."



First Moravian Church using the former Grace Methodist Church location on Lee Street (Gate City Boulevard)

The congregation stagnated, then began to dwindle. Financial difficulties arose, and there were doubts on First Moravian's future. The congregation needed a true renewal.

And that is exactly what it got under two pastors. First, Pastor Donald Conrad (1929-1934) re-inspired the congregation with a number of new members. Then, Pastor George Higgins (1934-1941) shepherded the congregation to the present site on Elam Avenue. The property was purchased in 1937, and a "sanctuary hut" was built for church services. While the "hut" was supposed to be only a temporary place of worship for the



First Moravian Church's Elam Avenue sanctuary, circa 1949.

congregation, it was more than 10 years before ground was broken for the new sanctuary. Finally on April 3, 1949, First Moravian dedicated its new church sanctuary.

A brick "scouting lodge" was also built by 1949, which later became the church's "Candle Hut." During this building's time as a scouting lodge, scoutmaster Julius Hayworth developed the most well-known scouting program in the southeast, promoting several scouts to Eagle Scout status.

Later, six Sunday school rooms were added in 1951, and the former "sanctuary hut" became the church's fellowship hall. In 1960, a larger education and fellowship building was built, the "New Fellowship Hall" (with the former fellowship hall becoming the "Old Fellowship Hall"). Additionally, a church parsonage was built in 1948 and church office, built in the 1920's as a private residence, donated in 1960. The last major facility improvement came with the sanctuary enlargement by about 100 seats in 1985 (including a balcony).

Since the 1960's, First Moravian has become the primary experience for Moravian Candle Tea in Guilford County and in Greensboro, and this is probably the most recognized event at the church in the surrounding community. This event evolved around the development of the Putz, which is credited to the church's Women's Fellowship and Libby Holder's work in expanding it. Today, First Moravian is also host to the Greensboro New School (which operates independently), as well as to several secular clubs and community groups.

Though it has had periods of struggle, Greensboro's Moravian Church has shown resilience and built its own legacy in our shared neighborhood community.



First Moravian Church's Elam Avenue sanctuary, circa 2021

So, who are the Moravians? Moravian refers to a small group of Germanic Protestants who fled to America in the 1700s to escape religious persecution in what is now the Czech Republic (Moravia region). They first arrived in Pennsylvania but eventually spread to other states, including North Carolina.

It has been said that the Moravian Church is the "closest church to every other Christian church." Worship services are a mixture of what you may experience in a Methodist, Lutheran, Presbyterian, or Episcopal church; simple and informal, yet reverent; liturgical but not ritualistic. Sources:

Moravian Archives, Winston-Salem, North Carolina

Interview, Harvey Veach, Head Usher, First Moravian Church (May 12, 2021)

This article originally appeared in the June 2021 Sunset Hills neighborhood Newsletter under the title "Greensboro Moravians".

Lindley Elementary Home to Latest Lending Library

On Easter Sunday afternoon, a group of neighborhood friends gathered at Lindley Elementary's playground to surprise Mrs. Peggy Culkin with a newly built and installed Community Lending Library. Maggie McIntyre, a senior at Grimsley High School and resident of Lindley Park, built and painted the structure as part of the Creativity, Activity, and Service (CAS) Project- a significant component of the International Baccalaureate Programme at Grimsley. This service project not only fulfilled Maggie's requirement for school in a meaningful and purposeful way but also opened a door for Mrs. Culkins' friends and fans to honor her life's work by contributing funds to cover the cost of the materials as well as donating books.



Maggie McIntyre with Mrs. Culkin. Affixed plaque reads, "In honor of Mrs. Culkin, who always made learning to read fun!"

Mrs. Culkin, after 29 years in education, retired last June. Her career as an educator included teaching at UNCG's Child Care Education program for 8 years. She then moved on to Lindley Elementary and taught there for 21 years (13 years in kindergarten and 8 years in third grade). In fact, Mrs. Culkin taught

my oldest daughter, Rosie, in third grade. I also had the privilege of teaching with her at Lindley for the past 5 years. Therefore, I can speak firsthand as to Mrs. Culkin's dedication to educating our neighborhood children, as she is one of hardest working teachers I have ever met. Her tenacity, perseverance, and devotion to her life's passion of teaching is what drove Maggie McIntyre to dedicate her CAS project to Mrs. Culkin.

The next time you are out for a stroll around the neighborhood, be sure to visit the lending library on the school's playground. If you have some books to donate, do so knowing that you are honoring one of the best teachers that has ever taught at Lindley Elementary.

contributed by Rachel Revell

LPNA DISTRICT 1 & 4 REPRESENTATIVES NEEDED!



The LPNA is in need of a District 1 and District 4 representatives! As district rep your role is to be a liaison between your neighbors and the LPNA. In short: let us know what's going on in your district—any areas of concern, questions, or comments from neighbors.

and Walker Avenue and are interested in volunteering for this role, please contact LPNA Chair Josh Sherrick at chair@ lindleyparknc.com.

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

August 3, 2021



SAVE THE DATE! Hosted annually at the Lindley Recreation Center, NNO will feature FREE pool access, an ice cream social... and hopefully some fire trucks and sirens!

Responsibilities include:

- Working with the appropriate
 Working Groups to identify any
 issues and next steps impacting the
 district.
- Providing a summary report of the current status of the district in accordance to the written policies and procedures established by the Executive Committee.

If you live within the borders of **District**1: W Market Street, Walker Avenue, and Wendover or **District 4:** S Lindell Road, W Market Street, Elam Avenue,



What Does it Mean to be in a Sellers' Market?

There's no doubt that 2021 is the year of the seller when it comes to the housing market. If you are a homeowner thinking of moving to better suit your changing needs, now is the perfect time to do so! Low mortgage rates are in your favor when you are ready to purchase your dream home, downsize, or relocate. High buyer demand may give you the leverage you need to negotiate the best contract terms on the sale of your home. Here's a look a what's driving this sellers' market and why there's so much opportunity for homeowners who are ready to move.

- 1. Historically low inventory. Even with a slight rise in homes for sale this spring, inventory remains at an all-time low. Strong home buyer interest is creating a major imbalance between supply and demand, but sellers are beginning to reenter the market. Act now to take advantage of buyer demand and get the most money for your house. As inventory of homes grows later this year, options will increase, lowering demand.
- 2. Frequent bidding wars. As a result of the supply and demand imbalance, home buyers are entering bidding wars at an accelerating

rate. The National Association of Realtors reports that 4.8 is the average number of bids on the most recently closed sales. As buyers face increasingly tough competition while searching for a home, they are more likely to be flexible and generous in their negotiations. This allows the seller to chose the best buyer for their needs and be selective about things like repairs, time to find a new home, appraisal contingencies, and more. Working with your trusted agent is the best way to determine how to navigate the negotiation process when selling your house.

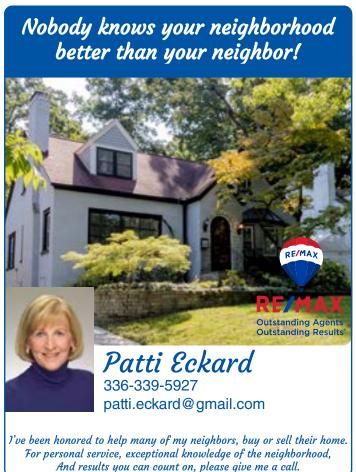
3. Days on the market. In today's market, sellers are not waiting long to find a buyer for their home. If you are looking for a fast closing there has never been a guicker market. According to Triad Multiple Listing

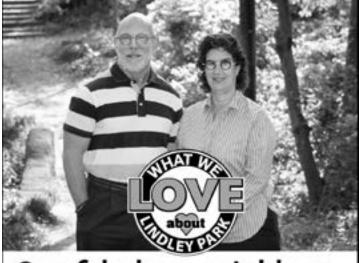
Service, Lindley Park averaged eight days on the market in April. In my opinion, the sales for April would have been higher had there been more inventory. Days on the market are swift, multiple offers are prevalent, and buyer confidence is rising.

The bottom line: If you have ever given even a casual thought to selling your house, now is the time! We are in the ultimate seller's market. Selling your house can be daunting, especially in a fast-paced market. However, the fact that we're in such a strong sellers' market clearly eliminates many common concerns.

contributed by Leslie Stainback







Our fabulous neighbors.

We see you on the sidewalks, at the Corner Market, walking your pup, stopping for coffee or a chat. You're next door and down the block. You make Lindley Park special.

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Growing Into Gardening



why) I decided to grow strawberries. My parents gave me a patch of garden right near the front door. I looked after the berries - fertilized and watered them, watched them flower. and delighted in watching the fruit grow. I didn't actually manage to eat many myself because a bluetongue skink ate most of them instead. I remember quite vividly leaving water for the skink and watching it eat the strawberries. Another memory is of growing sweet corn and having extended family coming over to pick and eat it raw, warmed by the sun. I also remember Ladyfinger grapevines spilling over an arbour, and harvesting bags and bags of

It doesn't matter how you start something... It's the doing that's important.

mandarins and grapes and giving them to friends and family who delighted in them... the house with a huge lychee tree... and my mum planting a passion fruit vine and me eating the fresh fruit after school.

My earliest memories of being outside and gardening are joyful. But not all the time. I also remember many hot days

North American skink

when the idea of being outside weeding or watering things was clearly not any fun. I've since learnt a lot about the chores required to maintain a gardenthe weeding and the mowing - and that's why I dislike grass. There's so much required and it's seems like such a thankless chore. Whereas other plants that have flowers or fruit or perfume seem much more joy-filled.

The difference between Monty's early experience and my own serves as a clear example that it doesn't matter how you start something, you can still end up in a similar place. It's the doing that's important, and being outside alone or with family is a critical part of growing.

The idea of being outside and doing has become more relevant to me as a grandfather who is trying to figure out how to encourage his grandchildren to take joy from growing things; watching things; listening to things. Watching the birds, spiders, and (much smaller than Australian!) skinks. Especially as a counter to the larger than life online world that can consume so much of our lives.

My wish for my grandchildren is for them to take joy and delight in watching and being part of the world around them outside of four walls... to take delight in having an animal eat your carefully tended strawberries.

Editor's note: While Australian skinks may look terrifying, Stephen assures me they are "as gentle as pussy cats". ©



Australian skink

U.K.. He has a relaxed, friendly style of gardening, and clearly gets a lot of joy (and sustenance) from getting his hands dirty. What was most interesting to me is that he described his first foray into gardening at age eight or nine as the result of having to do chores. Chores such as mowing, weeding, clipping, and deadheading for a substantial five-acre garden—the day-to-day, week to week, maintenance of so many gardens. He noted that for years he did not enjoy this work, that it was simply what was required of him as a member of his family. It wasn't until he was about 18 that he started to find the joy in growing things.

was recently listening to an interview

with Monty Don about how he came

to gardening. For those of you who

internationally known gardener from the

haven't heard the name, Monty is an

I thought of his experience in contrast with my own. My parents did not require me to do outside chores, just household chores like cleaning the house and cleaning my bedroom. The garden, however, that was where my mother in particular, and occasionally my dad, would spend time mowing and doing all the other minor tasks required to keep a garden (with lots of grass) in Australia.

My first clear memory of growing plants was when I was about seven or eight years old. For some reason (not sure

You can help The Corner Farmers Market ensure that all of outneighbors have enough food to eat.

or the past nine years the Corner Farmers Market has been popping up every Saturday morning, rain or shine, 51 weeks a year at "The Corner" of S. Elam and Walker Avenue. Farms and local food producers fill the parking lot of Sticks and Stones each week with freshly picked fruit and veggies, just out the oven baked goods, fresh farm eggs, meat and more. We have a pretty good time and it's a great connection point for neighborsparticularly this year when most of us have been rather isolated—it's been nice to

As the market manager I'm in a unique position to connect with about 30 local farms and food entrepreneurs each week. I've learned how excessive rain, drought, or a late season freeze can affect what comes to market. Together we've experienced the impact of entire farms going into quarantine because a member of a worker's household tested positive for COVID.

have an outdoor venue to safely purchase food and

see some friendly faces.

This past year has been a challenge to us all, but you've shown up to support us and I'm proud that we've been able to provide a consistent, reliable and safe source of food for the community. We even established an order ahead and drive through pick up service. (www.sourcewhatsgood.com)

Spring is always a dynamic time at the market, and this year the hopeful energy is especially high. We're at the peak of strawberry season, we're helping you plan your own gardens and filling your homes with the foods and flowers of spring.

A big part of my job is also connecting with customers and helping meet their needs. About a year ago when folks were scrambling to find toilet paper or bleach, there was also a shortage of meat available in grocery stores. Big meat processing facilities were shuttered with COVID

outbreaks and cross country slipping times were longer than usual. Our small farms were able to step up and provide the chicken or beef or pork our community couldn't find elsewhere.



I was in a Piedmont Triad Regional Food Council meeting recently where they stated that one in three people in the area are food insecure. That heartbreaking statistic hits particularly hard because I know that isn't because there isn't food available, it's because people simply can't afford to feed their families.

At the Corner Market I've seen this sad reality up close in our community and experienced its growth during COVID. I'm glad we have a program in place that helps connect these families with fresh nutritive foods. Established in 2018, our Green for Greens fund doubles the weekly food budgets of customers who qualify for USDA SNAP benefits. (SNAP stands for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, and was formerly called "food stamps.")

How does the Green for Greens program work?

It's genius. Customers receiving SNAP benefits can double up to \$50 of those benefits each week at the market. So, for instance, by doubling \$50 of SNAP dollars they receive vouchers for \$100 in food from our market. With the average individual SNAP benefits. only amounting to only \$126 monthly, the supplement from the Green for Greens program truly makes it possible for some of our neighbors to have

enough food to get through the month.

Who uses SNAP?

A crisis like the pandemic brings to light just how many of us are "living on the edge", often people with good jobs and children for whom even a minor disruption (or a major one, like we are seeing now: public schools closing, extended layoffs, or illness) can have a devastating effect.

Most of our customers who qualify for SNAP have an acute need -many for the first time -due to the unexpected crises resulting from the pandemic. Seventy percent of SNAP participants in NC are families with children and one third have a disabled or elderly family member in the home. Most folks don't go on SNAP benefits. for long periods but our program helps stretch those benefits.so they don't fall into long term crises like eviction. Our program helps people who are struggling connect with nutritive foods in their home community and develop long term relationships with healthy eating.

We aren't just feeding people (which would be a worthy outcome in itself), but the program encourages people to spend federal SNAP dollars with our local farms and bakers and makers. And every dollar in the Green for Green fund is paired with that federal SNAP funding to feed a family, fund local food producers and ultimately support food security for our community.

Who funds the Green for Greens program?

It's locally funded primarily by the support of neighbors and local grants. Luckily last vear we were awarded some extra COVID emergency funding from places like the United Way Relief Fund and the CARES act, but those funds have run out. So we are turning to our community with a plea to help us keep the program going.

We know some of our neighbors are currently making really hard choices, or have little or no choice at all when it comes to taking care of their families. We are producing food locally that can feed our neighbors, our goal is to make sure everyone can access it and make sure our local producers remain viable long term.

The Corner Market has doubled SNAP benefits since 2018, providing food for families and support for local farms. We need your help to keep the Green for Greens program strong.

So far in 2021 we've been able to double 258 weekly food budgets-the equivalent of just over \$5,000 in SNAP benefits doubled. In the first quarter of last year - the pre-pandemic days of 2020 - the demand was less than half that. We are still seeing so many new families come to our market to get assistance through the SNAP doubling program -- In addition to new families qualifying for SNAP benefits, the USDA and NC Department of Health and Human Services have pregualified all families who qualify for free and reduced lunches in NC public schools (including 54% of the students at Lindley Elementary) to receive a SNAP stipend to help feed children who are not able to rely on nutritional support while so many schools are still not fully open. This program, known as P-EBT, issues a debit type card, like the SNAP/EBT card, to these families to help them cover the cost of feeding children doing their school work remotely.

The USDA announced this week that the P-EBT program will support families at least through this summer. Since the benefits fall under the SNAP program, we are including them in the Green for Greens program. Recently this program has been extended to college students who qualify based on their FAFSA. The proximity of our market to local universities and colleges makes it likely that we will see those students soon as well.

So what's next for Green for Greens?

While the USDA clearly recognizes the dire situations that many Americans continue to face, local COVID emergency grants are drying up. We project that our current resources will carry the program to about the Fourth of July. With the goal of funding the program through the end of 2021 and entering 2022 in a strong position, we are mounting a fundraising program now with the goal of raising \$20,000.

As some of us are looking forward to Fourth of July picnics and beach vacations after a year of quarantine, many others are still facing significant challenges triggered by the pandemic. Helping them out couldn't be easier: you can make a tax deductible donation online at green4greens.org, or if you prefer to donate by check, make it out to Neighborhood Markets, Inc. and mail it to 712 S Elam Avenue Greensboro 27403, or better yet, drop it off when you come to the market on Saturday - you can find me in the vellow and white tent at the Walker Avenue entrance.

We are dedicated to keeping this important program up and running, so if you have SNAP benefits, come see us, and know that your community has your back. If you have questions, visit our websites: cornermarketgso.com and green4greens.org or email me at Kathy@cornermarketgso.com.





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- 1 cup Jasmine rice
- 2 zucchini, shaved
- 1.5lbs fresh shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 4 TBS butter
- salt & pepper to taste

In kettle or microwave, boil 3/4 cup water.

In pan over medium-high heat, melt 1 TBS butter and add scallion whites. Cook until tender. Season with salt and stir in rice. When water is boiling, carefully pour boiling water into pot with rice, covering immediately. Reduce heat to low and cook for 15-20 minutes.

Meanwhile, zest and juice lemons and set aside. Using vegetable peeler, shave zucchini into strips lengthwise, stop once you reach the core.

Toss zucchini with basil olive oil, half of lemon zest and juice. Season with salt and pepper and set aside.

Pat shrimp dry. Heat 1 TBS olive oil and 1 TBS butter in pan over medium high heat. Add shrimp in one layer, taking care to not crowd the pan. Flip as shrimp begins to pinken; remove once fully cooked. Repeat until all shrimp is cooked.

Melt 2 TBS butter in microwave and stir in remaining lemon juice.

Divide rice between bowls and top with shrimp. Drizzle with lemon butter and garnish with scallion greens and remaining lemon zest.

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