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What's up with ole Wiley Coyote?

If you happened to see the story about ole Wiley on the local television news you know he is still around. Karen Long, the lady that lives on Elam Ave. has close up knowledge of the coyote. Karen was able to take some really good pictures of ole Wiley stalking her Poodle along the chain link fence that borders her yard. With these pictures she was able to convince animal control to react to this problem. Animal control stated that when we first reported ole Wiley back in the spring they thought we were seeing a large stray dog.

Animal control did set out cage traps that were obviously too small to handle a coyote but big enough to catch a series of raccoons. Animal control officers are not certified or licensed to use leg traps or dart guns. The officer that responded to Karen suggested she (the officer) would try to get NC Wildlife Resources out with a dart gun and get all nine of the county field agents to tramp through the heavy undergrowth and scare ole Wiley out, shoot him with a sedation dart. This is a good turn of events and hopefully something will come of this.

Because the coyote has been seen during the day probably means that it is losing its fear of humans and this could mean that he will become more aggressive towards humans and pets. Add to this the fact that winter is coming and the fruit and vegetables are not as plentiful so, food supplies will more likely be small animals. He is a predator.

A motion was brought to the floor at the October LPNA executive committee meeting. The motion suggested that the neighborhood association pay for a trapper if the county animal control fails to trap the coyote. There was much discussion about the feelings of neighbors that have given money and don't really have a problem with the coyote. Also, there is a liability attached to hiring an outside trapper so the motion was defeated. However several neighbors have pledged money to pay the fee if the coyote can be sedated and

not leg trapped. There is no easy answer but there is one thing most everyone agrees on is that ole Wiley has got to go!

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● Kindergarten Open House for Rising Kindergartners May 29th, 30th, and 31st 10:30-11:30am. Bring your rising kindergartner to visit a classroom and have lunch with our current kindergartners

Neighborhood Trick or Treaters

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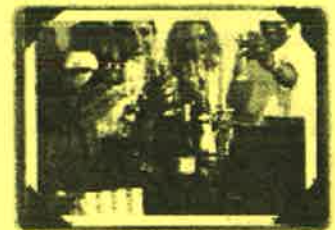
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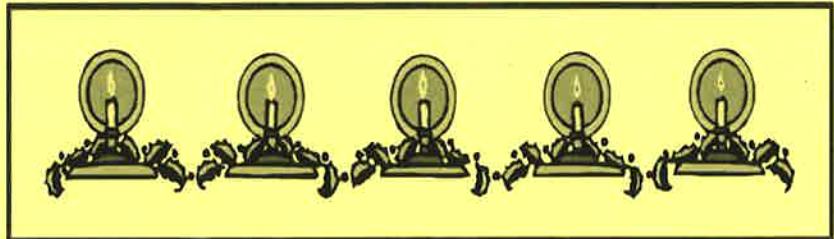
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LINDLEY PARK LUMANARIES DECEMBER 2

by Patti Eckard



Once again, residents of Lindley Park will light up the park with over 1,600 luminaries. Scheduled for **December 2**, beginning at **4pm** to coincide with the Girl Scouts' placement of luminaries in the Arboretum, Lindley Parkers will place luminaries around the borders of the Park. These borders include: S. Lindell, Willowbrook, Park Terrace, west side of Spring Garden, east side of Walker Ave and the entrance to Lindley Park from Holden Rd.

Volunteers of all ages - kids included, are needed to fill bags of sand, put candles in bags, place the luminaries around the park and light the luminaries. So -- bring the kids and bring some hand shovels to make scooping sand easier! And, adults -- if you have a lighter/striker that can be used to light the luminaries, please bring it. **We'll have hot chocolate to keep you warm and Holiday music to get you in the spirit.**

Residents are also encouraged to purchase luminaries to place in front of their house and light up the streets adjacent to the Park. Each year, a friendly competition occurs between the residents of Beechwood, Springwood, Sherwood and Longview to see which street will have the most luminaries. We hope residents of other neighborhood streets will join in on our friendly competition this year add a special glow to their streets.

Packs of **10** candles and bags can be purchased thru the neighborhood association for **\$5.00**. Checks can be made out to: **LPNA - luminaries**. To reserve your order of luminaries contact Patti Eckard by email: Patti.Eckard@gmail.com or by calling 632-1448. **Deadline for reserving luminaries is Nov. 28.** As a reminder --

DATE: SATURDAY, DEC. 2

TIME: 4PM

SETUP LOCATION: LINDLEY RECREATION CENTER PARKING lot

Lindley Park Then

The development of Lindley Park and adjacent neighborhoods of Collogc Park and Highland Park can be traced back to the 1892 opening of the Normal and Industrial School for Girls (*now UNCG*), the NC Railroad and the industrial community of Pomona. The college spurred residential construction in the area. The railroad led to construction of industries such as Pomona Terra Cotta Co., Pomona Cotton Mill, Pomona Nurseries and the Mock, Judson, Voehringer hosiery mill that employed many of the residents of Lindley Park.

But 20 years earlier, the roots of Lindley Park began with an enterprising area resident name Lindley. In 1877 John Van Lindley became the sole proprietor of his family's business, Pomona Nursery. He expanded and renamed the business J. Van Lindley Nursery. In the early 1900s, the business had 900 acres devoted to trees, young plants and 11 greenhouses and stretched from the railroad tracks on the east to what is now W. Market St. Lindley proposed a way to connect the college and the Pomona area, encouraging development. In the early 1900s, he ceded land to Greensboro Electric Co. for the construction of an amusement park with the understanding the company would run a streetcar line to the park from Greensboro. Lindley Park opened July 4, 1902. and featured a pavilion, an artificial lake, a bathhouse (*still standing behind a Masonic Dr. house*), a casino and bowling alleys. It was connected to the city by a streetcar running along Spring Garden St. The three mile trip

from downtown took 1 1/2 hrs. The company agreed to run the line to the amusement park for 15 yrs. When the agreement expired in 1918, the line was retained to serve a growing population. Lindley Amusement Park was closed and sold, soon to reappear as a subdivision and neighborhood park.

Shortly before his death in 1918, Lindley gave Greensboro 40 acres of land west of the former amusement park and east of Buffalo Creek for a civic park. He asked the city to hire the best landscape architect to create the most beautiful park in the South. Charlotte landscape architect Earle Sumner Draper was hired to draw plans for the park and adjoining subdivision - Lindley Park. The neighborhood was given gently curving streets centered around the old amusement park, which was retained as parkland between Lindell and Willow brook streets. Also kept were the stone and cast-iron gate posts of the amusement park (*located and intersection of S. Lindell and Spring Garden St*).

In 1923, Lindley Park was annexed by the City. By the late 1920s, development between College Park and Lindley Park left no clear line to divide the communities except for the midpoint of S. Elam Ave.

Houses built in Lindley Park in the 1920s and 1930s were generally Tudor Revival or Colonial Revival, with foursquare, and bungalows adding to the architectural array. Houses on Scott, Beechwood, Northridge, Walker, Longview, Willow brook and Spring Garden are featured in *Greensboro: An Architectural Record by Marvin A. Brown.*

Because of its location between Pomona, downtown Greensboro and the railroad, Lindley Park was never exclusively residential. Schools, stores, factories, and churches were built within its boundaries.

In 1905, with the support of Lindley, a frame school was built at the southeast corner of Bruce and Spring Garden streets, to replace an earlier building. In 1920, it was replaced by Pomona High School. The large brick structure listed on the National Register was renamed for Lindley and was one of the first large consolidated schools built in the city. Today the building is home to UNC-G students. *Excerpts for this article were taken from Greensboro: An Architectural Record by Marvin A. Brown, and compiled by Patti Eckard.*

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Lindley Park Now

Rain and wind gusts over 30 mph caused a quick decision to postpone our Fall Fest by one day. Turned out, that was a great decision. Sunday afternoon was a terrific day. As you can tell by the pictures below the neighborhood turned out to enjoy the music and the food.

Long before sunrise at the park, Tim Brown, fired up the cooker and began cooking the pig. Tim also built the music shelter, provided the generator for sound and placed the pic-nic tables. Bernie Sisk, as usual, supplied the side items and Stephanie McGovern, Social Chair, helped co-ordinate and set up.

This event was especially fun. The food was terrific and went fast. The music fit the occasion and was truly enjoyed.

LPNA thinks Tim should do all the production for our events!! What a good job! The neighborhood thanks Tim, Bernie Stephanie, Susan Taffe (Susan coordinated the signs) and all of the rest of the crew for such a great event.



An Invitation to Peace

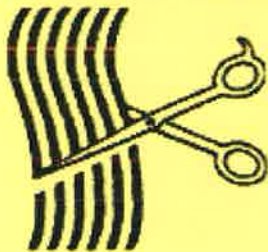
(Peace Church, that is!)

On Thursday November 16, at 7:00 pm Peace United Church Of Christ will sponsor "Will play for food" an informance by Wendy Washington-Hunt. An "Informance"???? This is an informative and inspirational sharing of piano music and stories about the music. Admission to the Informance is a can of food (or a bag of canned food) for the Urban Ministry.

Ever thought about giving someone a goat for Christmas? How about a sheep, pig, a flock of chickens or even a water buffalo? On December 3 from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm Peace Church will have a Living Gifts Market. Instead of a trinket for your child's teacher consider a gift of a flock of chickens to HEIFER INTERNATIONAL. This would start a flock for a family that would have eggs to eat, share or sell. A gift of honeybees instead of another tie for you father-in-law would provide income family and would require little space or expense to maintain. For your gift to HEIFER INTERNATIONAL you receive a card that you can send to whomever telling them that you have honored them with this living gift. What a way to share our abundance with impoverished families all over the world.

You are cordially invited to join us at PEACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, 2714 West Market Street (across from our neighborhood Lindley School) at any time but especially on November 16 and December 3.

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Winter Bike Safety

SAFE Guilford and Safe Kids Guilford County want to remind children and adults to pay extra attention to safety, now that the days are getting shorter.

- Always wear a well-fitting bicycle helmet and wear it correctly. It is a NC law that children under age 16 wear a helmet. Adults also should wear helmets for their own safety and as role models for children. A helmet should fit snugly on the head and the chinstrap should always be snugly buckled. The helmet should sit level on your head, not tilted back or forward. This enables the helmet to protect the forehead of the rider.
- Ride a bicycle that is the correct size for you. A bike that is too big or too small is hard to control. Adjust the seat and the

handlebars, especially if you are still growing. A knowledgeable bicycle salesperson can offer helpful advice.

- If you are going to ride at dawn, dusk or in the evening, add a headlight to your bicycle and wear light-colored clothing.
- Use reflective tape or other types of reflectors on your body or your bicycle. This will make you more visible to motorists approaching you from behind.
- Consider adding a side mirror to your handlebars. This will allow you to be more aware of what may be coming up behind you.
- Always follow the rules of the road. Ride in single file, with traffic, not against it. Stay to the right. Obey all traffic signals and signs. When in doubt, let the automobile traffic go first.
- Always stop and look before

entering a road from a driveway or side street. Do not ride out between two stopped or parked cars. Watch for people who may suddenly open the door of a parked car.

- Use hand signals. Let automobile traffic know where you are going, so they can watch out for you.
- Parents, make sure your children know and practice safe riding skills. Work with them and ride with them until you are sure they can ride safely. Children should bike only on sidewalks and paths until age 10.

Bicycle riding is a great physical activity for the whole family. Following these tips will ensure a safe ride for everyone.

For more questions about bicycle safety, contact SAFE Guilford at 832-3939 or online at www.safeguiford.org.


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Toy Safety

By: Leigha Shepler, SAFE Guilford

As the holiday season gets under way, parents are jamming toy store aisles in search of the perfect gifts for their youngsters. But not all toys - no matter how popular they are - are safe choices. Here are some safety tips from SAFE Guilford for buying gifts for children.

Nearly any toy can become dangerous if misused or given to a child who is too young to play with it. In 2004, 16 children 14 years old and younger died from toy-related injuries in the United States. The same year, more than 150,000 children in that same age group were treated in hospital emergency rooms for toy-related injuries. Most often, those injuries were caused by falls or choking. Latex balloons are the biggest choking hazard.

Riding toys (including bicycles and unpowered scooters) cause more injuries than any other toy group - an estimated 71,100 in 2004. The injuries usually occur when the child is hit by a car or truck or drowns when riding the toy into a pool, pond or even a drainage ditch. Most injuries related to riding toys happen when children fall from the toys.

Consider these risk factors:

- Children age 4 and younger account for nearly half of toy-related injuries and almost 90 percent of deaths.
- Children age 3 and younger are at greater risk of choking than older children because they tend to put things in their mouths and have smaller airways.

Tips to protect your family

- Select appropriate toys - Look for quality design and construction and follow age and safety recommendations on labels. Keep younger children away from toys designed for their older siblings.
- Supervision - Many toys approved for use by young children require adult supervision. Getting involved in your child's play, rather than supervising from a distance, provides the opportunity for you to watch more closely.
- Storage - Teach children to put toys away after playing. This prevents falls and other injuries.
- Inspect toys regularly for damage and hazards such as sharp edges. Make necessary repairs immediately or throw broken toys away.
- Buy a small parts tester to determine whether small toys are a choking hazard to children younger than 3. Testers can be purchased at toy or baby specialty stores. An alternative is to use a cardboard toilet paper roll. If the toy or toy part can fit into the toilet paper roll, it is too small for children younger than 3.
- Use gifts of bicycles, inline skates, scooters and skateboards as opportunities to teach your children about safety. Buy the appropriate safety gear (helmets, reflective clothing or stickers, horns and bells, elbow pads, wrist guards and knee pads) as part of your gift.
- Toys are frequently recalled for safety reasons. Check the SAFE KIDS Web site for updates and information on recent toy recalls at www.safekids.org or the Consumer Product Safety Commission's Web site for recalls at www.recalls.gov.

Also, remember that gift wrapping can be very attractive to children, but it poses its own choking risks. Put away paper, bags, ribbons and bows as soon as your child opens the gift.

The holidays should be a safe and happy time for your children. For more information on toy safety, visit www.toysafety.net.

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Community Watch

The incident report above covers the month of October and reflects an active neighborhood community watch. When you see the suspicious activity and suspicious subject calls being made and answered means our neighbors are reacting to situations and calling the police. That is exactly what the police want us to do. Good job!

There will be a community meeting with the Greensboro Police Department regarding the search for a new Police Chief. The city is looking for involvement in the recruiting process. The meeting will be held on Monday November 13, 2006 from 6pm to 7pm at Lindley Recreation Center. Sorry for the short notice.

At the neighborhood's General Meeting in September, neighbors that live in the proximity of Offshore Lounge shared their experience with and concerns about the noise from Offshore Lounge's outside patio and deck. The city's noise ordinance is weak at the very best and almost non enforceable. Cold weather will probably solve the problem temporarily however, the neighborhood needs to negotiate a solution. The *Corner* (Elam and Walker) is an integral part of Lindley Park and as reported in the *News and Record* , the *corner* is known across America. The bars that have been there forever have always been respectful of our neighborhood. LPNA hopes that this arrangement continues.

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Adian Wurr reported at the LPNA executive committee meeting that our web site has been built and that the launch date is near.

This is very exciting news. The website has been talked about forever and to finally get it up and running will be a valuable tool for the LPNA.

You will be able to access the Columns, get neighborhood information and post information. The website will be a hot topic and fully discussed at our January General Meeting.

Be sure to attend!!

Smell - A - Smell...

Just a reminder - if you smell chemical odors that cause ill feelings or bothers you in other ways you should call 911. Explain that the call is not an emergency, but that you smell a chemical odor in the air and that it bothers you. Describe the odor you smell (e.g., sweet, strong, like paint or thinner, ect.) You might want to notify your Environmental Issues Chair to alert them to the problem as well. (Environmental Chair - Adrian Wurr 856.8673)

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CALENDAR DATES

Nov. 13 - Community Meeting with the Police Dept., 6-7pm at Lindley Rec. Ctr. *See article for more details.*

Nov. 16 - Peace United Church of Christ - "Will Play For Food." *See article for more details.*

Nov. 28 - Deadline for ordering your luminaries. *See article for details.*

Dec. 2 - Lindley Park Luminaries - 4pm, Lindley Rec. Ctr. parking lot. *See article for more details.*

Dec. 3 - Living Gifts Market - Peace United Church, 5:30pm-8pm. *See article for more info.*

Dec. 6 - Leaf collection begins

Jan. 23 - Neighborhood General Mtg - ELECTION OF OFFICERS. Lindley Rec. Ctr., 7pm. All residents encouraged to attend.

Editors Note....

The new markings on Spring Garden St. have certainly slowed traffic, mainly because you can't move! Where does all of the traffic come from? I have requested a traffic count by the GDOT just to see how many cars travel this corridor. I'll let you know.

There are now four new houses on Howard St. Three are being built and one is about 2 years old. There was quite a bit of conversation about the two houses on the north side. Some neighbors had been told that these were duplexes separated by a courtyard. Joe wood, our Zoning Committee chairperson, contacted the city's zoning and inspections departments to check this out. Turns out that these houses are single family and all permits are in order.

The two infills on Walker have been sold and we should have new neighbors soon. As you look at the houses, the infill on the left had some drainage problems and work has been done to correct it.

Fentress has begun the commercial project on Spring Garden St. I have heard (rumor only) that a Star Bucks might be locating there. Pretty cool!

This is really a great neighborhood, so good in fact that two families that have looked outside of Lindley Park for larger houses have decided to stay and build up on there existing homes. Our neighborhood has trees, sidewalks, good schools and good neighbors that are involved in Lindley Park.

Lastly, our outrageously hip entrepreneur proprietor of Just Be, Chistina Brown, is moving her business to the corner of S Elm and McGee St. She needs more space! See her ad on page three regarding the Grand Opening.

Email me other entrepreneurs in the neighborhood and we'll mention them in the Columns. bill@billeckard.com

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