

# COLUMNS

**THE LINDLEY PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER**  
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## From the Chair

Lauren Smith

How do you know Spring is here? Is it a day on the calendar, the first time the grass is cut, or the day the cover comes off the grill? Is it March Madness, or the first baseball game of the season? Or is it daylight savings time, flip flops, or an unusually warm day? For me it's blooming daffodils, tulips, and red bud trees. The spent pear blossoms look like small piles of fresh white snow on the ground, a visual reminder of the season we just left behind. In Lindley Park, we are re-connecting with neighbors we may not have seen since the winter hibernation! Every day, more people are out walking, jogging, riding bikes or skateboards. And the patios at all our great local restaurants are beginning to buzz with activity. Want to meet more of your neighbors? Next big Lindley Park event: Spring Fling in May (May 7) So throw off those woolies and get out! Spring IS here!

The Easter Egg Hunt was fun for all! Thanks to the many neighbors who helped stuff and hide eggs, and Theresa Byrd who created the beautiful prize baskets for the golden egg finders!



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The Yard Sale is sponsored by Patti Eckard of REMAX REALTY CONSULTANTS. An ad in the paper will run Friday and Saturday morning of the Yard Sale. Directional signs and flyers listing all of the locations will be provided to you. This is a great way to get rid of your stuff, make a little money, contribute to the neighborhood association, and meet some of your neighbors. For now, all I need is your name, address, telephone # and/or email address.

Deadline to reserve your spot is Tues. May 10th.  
Contact Patti Eckard, Patti.Eckard@gmail.com  
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## Thanks to Our Supporters

Listed on page 12 of the Columns are members of the LPNA that made a financial contribution to our Association. With that support we were able to sponsor the Easter Egg Hunt, Spring Fling, Fall Fest and Luminaries as well as support our web site. Thank you! Also, thanks to the advertisers in the Columns we were able to continue publishing.

## FYI

**"FRIEND"**  
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If you're a Facebook fan, join the 780 others who have "friended" the neighborhood through the page, "Lindley Park—Greensboro, NC." It's a quick and easy way to post a note, ask a question, and share photos.

**SPRING FLING**  
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May 7th	Spring Fling	October 10th	Newsletter Deadline for Articles and Information	December 10th	Newsletter Deadline for Articles and Information
May 10th	Deadline to sign up for the Neighborhood Yard Sale	October 25th	Exec. Committee Meeting	Dec. 25th	Christmas Day
May 14th	Neighborhood Yard Sale	October 30th	Newsletter Distribution	Dec. 27th	Exec. Committee Meeting
May 31st	General Meeting	October TBA	Fall Fest	Dec. 30th	Newsletter Distribution
		October 31st	Halloween	Dec. TBA	Luminaries
June 10th	Newsletter Deadline for Articles and Information	November 24th	Thanksgiving Day		
June 28th	Exec. Committee Meeting	Nov. 29th -	Exec. Committee Meeting		
June 30th	Newsletter Distribution				
July 26th	Exec. Committee Meeting				
August 10th	Newsletter Deadline for Articles and Information				
August 2nd	National Night Out				
August 30th	Newsletter Distribution				
August 30th	Exec. Committee Meeting				
September (date TBA)	Neighborhood House & Garden Tour - Tentative				
Sept. 27th	General Meeting				

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**Pay Attention!** An initial evaluation of 2010 US Census population counts conducted by City of Greensboro staff found that the variance in population between city council districts does not require redistricting under the 14th Amendment, which ensures that council districts have equal populations.

US Supreme Court decisions suggest that if the variance between district populations - when comparing the lowest populated district with the highest - is 10 percent or less, redistricting is not necessary. Greensboro's rate is 9.2 percent, with the greatest variance existing between Districts 4 and 5. Greensboro City Council can still elect to redistrict if it decides to reduce the existing variance and create more balance between districts.

On April 19, the Council voted 4-3 to accept a redistricting plan submitted by Councilmember Mary Rakestraw. City Council is expected to reconsider its vote and look at other plans. City Council is expected to reconsider its vote and look at other plans, the latest being Plan D and E.

At the April LPNA Executive Meeting the following official position was unanimously approved:

LPNA Executive Committee firmly believes redistricting should not take place at this time. If City Council chooses to redistrict, LPNA requests to keep the 2 precincts G48 & G15 in the same district in order to keep our neighborhood intact.

**Be Informed!** Read about redistricting in Greensboro and view the plans under consideration on the city website <http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/citygovernment/council/Redistricting/> and follow the conversations in the local blogs and media by doing a keyword search at <http://www.greensboro101.com/>.

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# Minutes from April LPNA Executive Meeting

April 26, 2011

## Officers in Attendance:

Lauren Smith, Bill Eckard, Virginia Driscoll, Bill Schneider, Elizabeth Link, Gertrude Beal, Diane Gackenbach, Jeremy Sarine, Carrie Little ; special guest Susan Taffe, Greensboro Neighborhood Congress Rep

Meeting called to order 7:06 pm

## Old Business

- no updates on the protest petition reported

## New Business

- City Council redistricting discussion; precinct G48 could be directly affected; LPNA encourages voters to come to the 5/3/11 5:30pm forum to speak; Bill Eckard stated resignation from LPNA position due to political closeness to this particular issue; motion was made and passed to present the following statement to City Council: "LPNA Executive Committee firmly believes redistricting should not take place at this time. If City Council chooses to redistrict, LPNA requests to keep the 2 precincts G48 & G15 in the same district in order to keep our neighborhood intact."

-May General meeting will be held 5/31 at 7:00pm; may have LP Rec center director or Donna Newton from GSO Neighborhood Congress for possible speakers

## Committee Reports:

Treasury - balance \$2222, possibly \$400 more in non-included ad revenue

Social - April 17 Egghunt was a great success! Spring Fling will be on 5/7 from 4-8:00pm; grills will be available for BYO meat, other dishes are potluck; games & music for all, BYO chairs/blankets; set-up volunteers are always welcome, please arrive in the park around 2pm if you can help.

Newsletter/Advertising - scheduled to go the printer this Friday; ads are strong; Donna Newton submitted an article re: redistricting

Susan Taafe reported on a current bill in the House that will make RUCO (Rental Unit Certificate of Occupancy) illegal

## District Reports:

District 4- reports a house on Berkshire needs mowing/general yard work completed

District 3 - discussion of noise/activity disruptions at 800 Englewood; suggested concerned homeowners contact the landlord directly and/or police if issues are not resolved

May 31 - next General Meeting  
Meeting adjourned 8:22 pm



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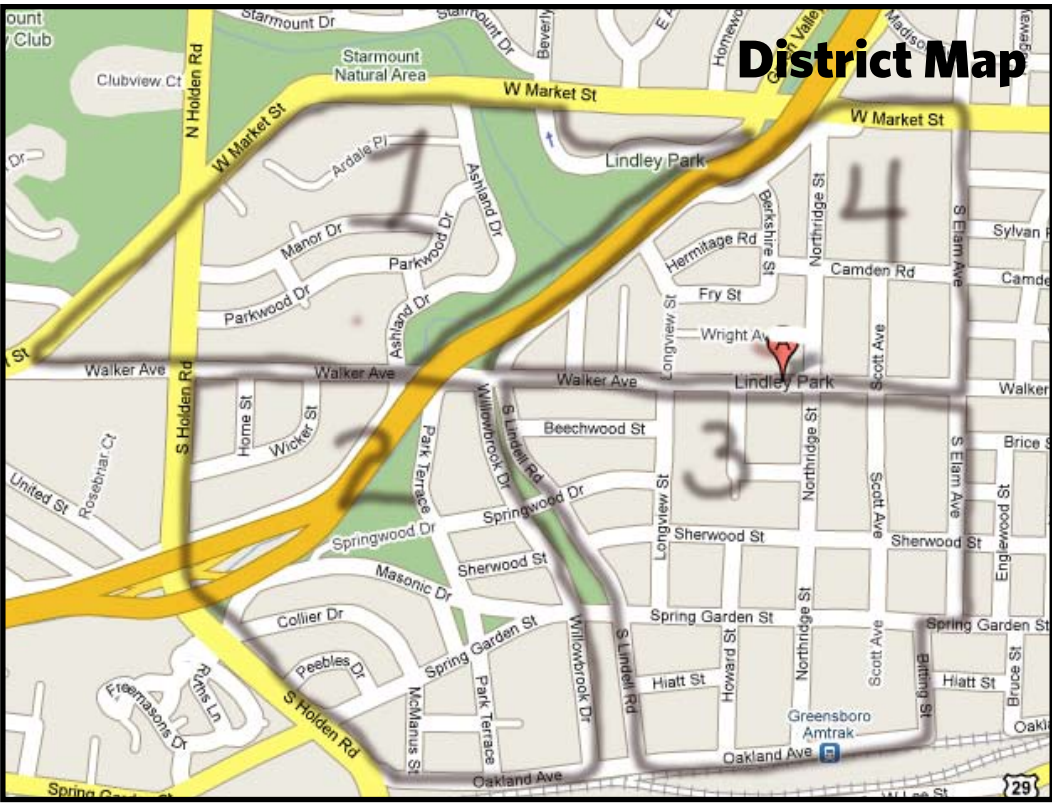
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11:00 am - 10:00 pm, Sunday - Wednesday  
11:00 am - 3:00 am, Thursday - Saturday

Saturday breakfast  
coming soon!

# CALENDAR EVENTS

- MAY 7**  
Spring Fling
- MAY 10**  
Deadline to sign up  
for the Neighborhood  
Yard Sale
- MAY 14**  
Neighborhood  
Yard Sale
- MAY 31**  
General Meeting



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