

LINDLEY PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

# Columns



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## SPRING FLING.....

Stephanie Decker, Social Chair

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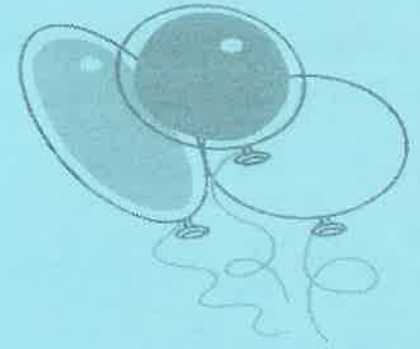
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## General Meeting....

Our next General Meeting will be held at Lindley Recreation Center on **Tuesday June 27**, at 7:00pm.

On the agenda will be the website, development, an update on the neighborhood plan, discussion of a proposed new zoning plan that could be good for Lindley Park (this plan is modeled from other cities in NC and doesn't currently exist in Greensboro but it is worth discussing).



Please Come, Play for the Day  
The Weather will be Grand  
Balloons will lead the Way!

**May 20th 4:30pm In the Park**  
(We will gather at the rock on Willowbrook Street.)

(Stephanie can be reached at 207.0319 or email- scdecker24@hotmail.com.)

We also have some good recommendations from the Ways and Means committee regarding fund raising. You don't want to miss this meeting.

## Inside Issue...

- Yard Sale
- Letters to the Editor
- Neighborhood News

## Ways and Means....

Vicki Foust hit the ground running after her election as Ways and Means Chairperson. Vicki has proposed two fund raising projects. Both involve our neighborhood merchants.

One idea proposed is a **Lindley Locals Card**. This is a merchants discount card that will be given to neighbors who provide a monetary donation of \$15.00 or more to the LPNA

Neighbors would present the **Lindley Locals Card** to participating neighborhood merchants and receive the discount on the card.

We are neighbors helping neighbors and the **Lindley Locals Card** will encourage neighbors to do business in the neighborhood, and reward them for it.

The other idea proposed is a **Local Merchants Sponsorship Opportunity**. Vicki has proposed an electronic directory of local merchants to be placed on our website, when developed. Also, website advertising and possibly an event sponsorship for our neighborhood events such as; the Easter Egg Hunt, Spring Fling, Fall Frolic and the Luminaries.

These are very good ideas. What do you think? Come to the General Meeting on June 27 and give your input.

## Social Committee....

Our Social Chair, Stephanie Decker has also hit the ground running. Stephanie has some fun ideas that she would like to propose. How about a "Bestest" Lindley Park Front Porch competition or best yard or mailbox, and judged by your neighbors. It's going to be a fun year!

Stephanie and all of the neighbors would like to thank the Easter

Bunny helpers, Teresa Byrd and Meg Sisk, for a terrific Easter egg Hunt. Thank you!!!

## Message From Lindley Elementary School

Merrie Conaway, Principal  
2700 Camden Road, Greensboro NC

In order to acquaint rising Kindergarten parents with Lindley, I am conducting tours of our campus every Friday morning at 9:00am. If parents are interested in touring they should call the school at 294-7360.

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## Letters To The Editor.....

Dear Editor:

I don't think we've ever been introduced but I have been meaning to contact you about the Lindley Park newsletter.

I live on Collier Drive with my husband and 2 little girls, one of whom is a kindergartner at Lindley Elementary. We love this neighborhood for its diversity and character, but over the past year or so have noticed that several of our acquaintances who have considered buying homes in the area have been turned off by, of all things, the newsletter. When they picked up copies to get to know a little more about the neighborhood, they have seen the pages and pages of the "incident report" and assumed there was more crime

in Lindley than other neighborhoods that don't advertise their incident reports.

At first I thought that was kind of silly, but when I got the latest issue of *The Columns*, with the story of the dog being shot on the front page and the three pages of "incidents", I understood why those people have chosen to buy elsewhere. I also wonder how much the cost of printing the newsletter would go down if there weren't so many pages devoted to the negatives in the 'hood'. Anyway, I hesitated to say anything, but I love this neighborhood and I would love to see it represented in the most positive ways, especially when the newsletter is read not only by residents, but potential residents of Lindley Park. So there are my 2 cents!

Heather Best Walker  
Collier Drive

Dear Editor:

I've had so many good intentions to send in my check but my good intentions always got swallowed up in the piles of paper on my desk! Tonight when I got the most recent edition of the "*Columns*" I finally decided to send my check ASAP!!

I just wanted to let you know how much I enjoy the newsletter and learning more about our neighborhood. I moved into Lindley Park 3 years ago from Missouri and didn't know much about Greensboro at all. The newsletter has been very helpful and informative to a newcomer like me.

I hope to one day be able to actually attend an LPNA meeting or function. Between trying to finish my dissertation and working at UNCG in Student Life I seem to have little free time. I advise student government which meets on Tuesday nights at the same time as LPNA. But I'm hoping one day to be able to drop in and meet every one. Maybe the summer meeting, if there is one. Actually, Bruce Michaels, the man that was interviewed in the recent newsletter, is my boss!

I was very excited to read about the soon-to-be-launched neighborhood website. Even though I've been here 3 years I still feel "new" to town. I'd love a website or email listserv to ask folks questions and get recommendations about local services and maintenance issues.

Please accept my contributions to both the neighborhood association and the website fund. I hope this year my schedule allows me to get better acquainted with the LPNA and its activities.

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## Editors Note.....

As the editor of the Columns I appreciate the opinions of the neighbors. The letter to the Editor from Heather Best Walker expressing concerns about the incident report reflecting a negative image of Lindley Park was well taken.

Quite frankly, it never crossed my mind that the incident report would be perceived as a negative. I started reporting on the incidents in conjunction with our active Neighborhood Community Watch Program, thinking that awareness of activity in the neighborhood would be an important issue.

However, Heather is absolutely right. This is a very safe neighborhood and most of the incidents that occur are the usual suspects; Spring Garden, Biting St, Trinity etc. if you remove these areas from the data base there are very few occurrences in the inner core of Lindley Park. I will report these in a summary by streets. If you have any suggestions please let me have them. The *Columns* is a neighborhood adventure and your input is appreciated.

Also, thanks to Checka Leinwall for her letter. We are working hard to get the website up. Matt Russ, chairman of the LPNA, has made this a priority and along with the talent of Adrian Wuur and Vicki Foust we are progressing.

### Incident Summary By Streets....

The following report covers the period March 1 through April 30. By reading this report and seeing all of the suspicious calls answered, it looks like we are doing the right thing calling 911. That is exactly what we need to do. The Police non emergency number is 373-2222

DATE	TIME	STREET	CALL ACTIVITY
03/01/2006	7:25 PM	PARKWOOD DR	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY
03/03/2006	10:00 PM	NORTHRIDGE ST	SUSPICIOUS SUBJECT
03/04/2006	10:31 AM	HOWARD ST	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE
03/04/2006	11:17 AM	S LINDELL RD	ASSAULT
03/06/2006	8:27 A M	SCOTT AV	VANDALISM MALICIOUS DAMAGE
03/06/2006	9:46 AM	SCOTT AV	VANDALISM MALICIOUS DAMAGE
03/06/2006	11:47 AM	SCOTT AV	VANDALISM MALICIOUS DAMAGE
03/06/2006	11:50 AM	SCOTT AV	VANDALISM MALICIOUS DAMAGE
03/06/2006	6:28 PM	SCOTT AV	BURGLARY RESIDENCE
03/15/2006	8:05 PM	NORTHRIDGE ST/WRIGHT	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY
03/17/2006	7:26 PM	SCOTT AV	LARCENY ALL
03/18/2006	6:39 PM	HOWARD ST	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE
03/18/2006	7:31 PM	HOWARD ST	SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR NEED
03/21/2006	12:45 PM	MASONIC DR	BURGLARY RESIDENCE
03/21/2006	2:55 PM	MASONIC DR	SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR NEED
03/24/2006	11:49 PM	WALKER AV/ASHLAND	INTOXICATED SUBJECT
03/27/2006	5:11 PM	ASHLAND DR	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE
03/28/2006	3:43 PM	NORTHRIDGE ST	SUSPICIOUS SUBJECT
03/29/2006	8:22 AM	WALKER AV/SCOTT AV	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY
03/29/2006	10:43 AM	LONGVIEW ST/WALKER AV	AUTO THEFT
03/29/2006	3:31 PM	SPRINGWOOD DR	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE
04/02/2006	12:11 AM	SPRINGWOOD DR	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE
04/02/2006	12:16 AM	WALKER AV	LOUD OR DISTURBING PARTY
04/02/2006	12:17 AM	SHERWOOD ST	SUSPICIOUS SUBJECT
04/02/2006	8:22 PM	S LINDELL RD	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE
04/06/2006	1:27 PM	MASONIC	PUBLIC DISORDER DISTURB
04/06/2006	5:13 PM	WRIGHT AV	LARCENY ALL
04/07/2006	10:58 PM	WALKER AV	ASSAULT
04/07/2006	11:20 PM	WALKER AV	VANDALISM MALICIOUS DAMAGE
04/13/2006	1:13 AM	SCOTT AV	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY
04/18/2006	1:15 AM	WALKER AV	LOUD OR DISTURBING PARTY
04/20/2006	5:52 PM	WILLOWBROOK DR	NARCOTICS LAW VIOLATION
04/21/2006	1:17 PM	WALKER AV	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY
04/21/2006	6:05 PM	PARKWOOD DR	TRESPASSER
04/23/2006	3:02 AM	WALKER AV	PUBLIC DISORDER DIST
04/24/2006	6:01 PM	WALKER AV	VANDALISM MALICIOUS DAMAGE
04/24/2006	8:23 PM	WILLOWBROOK DR	SUSPICIOUS SUBJECT
04/26/2006	7:45 PM	COLLIER DR	TRESPASSER
04/29/2006	1:10 AM	SCOTT AV	TRESPASSER
04/30/2006	2:25 AM	SCOTT AV	LOUD OR DISTURBING PARTY

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# A Picture is Worth 1000 Words....

Easter egg hunt - 2006. Around 45 wonderful kids, plenty of chocolate, good weather and great neighbors!!!



## CALENDER

**Saturday - May 20, 4:30pm**  
Spring Fling ( by the Big Rock  
on Willowbrook St.)

**Saturday - May 26,** (deadline  
for registering for yard sale. So  
your sale can be included on the  
list)

**Saturday-June 3, Yard Sale**  
(8am - until)

**Tuesday - June 27, General  
Meeting.** (Lindley Recreation  
Center 7:00 pm)

**Tuesday - July 4th** (Be Safe)



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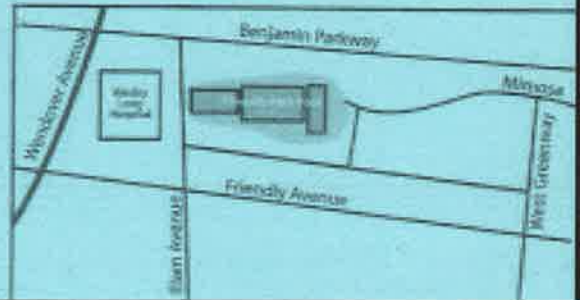
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## Summer Friendly Friday Melodies....

Just bring a lawn chair or blanket to spread out and enjoy the Friendly Friday Melodies at Friendly Shopping Center. This is a free event, June through August, from 6:00 to 8:30pm every Friday evening.

**June 2** - Burt Massengale's Big Band, under the direction of Keith Lydick. (Dance Demonstrations featuring Carolyn and Rodney Williams).

**June 9** - Sounds of Swing (Swing and Big Band Favorites).

**June 16** - Steetfeet (Contemporary Country, Rock and Roll, Beach).

**June 23** - Rob Massengale Band (Dance Demonstration featuring Carolyn and Rodney Williams).

**June 30** - Scott Adair Dance Band (Standards, Swing and Oldies. Sponsored by the Carolina Dynamo. Come out and meet the players).

**July 7** - Rob Massengale presents Lisa Dames, Nashville Recording Artist ( Dance Demonstrations featuring Carolyn and Rodney Williams).

**July 14** - Brice Street (Classic Dance Tunes from the 70's and 80's).

**July 21** - Old South Dixieland Band (New Orleans Style Jazz).

**July 28** - Vision Band (Mix of Beach, Oldies, Jazz, Rock, Country, Disco).

**August 4** - Swing On (Lush, Sophisticated, Big Band Swing).

**August 11**- Steetfeet (Contemporary Country, Rock and Roll, Beach).

**August 18** - Wally West Little Big Band (Big Band, Ballroom, and Swing)

**August 25** - Burt Massengale's Big Band, under the direction of Keith Lydick. ( Dance Demonstrations featuring Carolyn and Rodney Williams).



## Lindley Park Neighborhood Yard Sale Sat. June 3 8am - until

### Do you need to clean out the attic, garage, or basement and get rid of stuff?

Here's your chance! Join in the neighborhood yard sale! All you have to do is set up your sale table in front of your house - and sell your stuff! If you don't have enough to sell - get a neighbor to join in with you. And, if you make a profit, we hope you'll consider making a donation to the neighborhood association.

The yard sale is being sponsored by your neighbor, Patti Eckard, of Prudential Carolina Realty. The ad in the paper, directional signs, maybe even balloons will all be provided. Flyers listing all of the locations will also be provided. To date **16 households** plan to join in. This is a great way to get rid of your "stuff," make a little money and help out the LPNA. **Deadline for entry into the Neighborhood Yard Sale is May 26th.** Contact Patti Eckard- 632-1448 (h) or PattiEckard09@aol.com



# Don't Make Me Live in Adams Farm

By Dyan Arkin

A new house was recently built on Walker Avenue. It's not hard to pick out-it's the only house in Lindley Park with an attached garage. Two more new houses just like it are being built on Walker. How lucky the new owners are, to buy into a beautiful old neighborhood like ours and still have all the conveniences of living in a modern-day subdivision. Wait a minute! Subdivision? If I wanted to live in a subdivision, I would have bought a house in Adams Farm.

Why do I choose to live in Lindley Park instead of Adams Farm? There are the obvious reasons: it's close to where my husband and I work; the trees are amazing; it's safe; and the people are nice... But there are less obvious reasons as well...

## I know my neighbors well.

In the morning, they pull out of their drives and wave. In the evening, they pull back in, get out and chat for a minute. They watch our house when we're out of town. They give our cats a pat on the head when they wander by. We all know our neighbors well because we don't have closed in garages; because we walk on our sidewalks and sit on our porches; because our houses are built very close together. It's not for everybody, but it's definitely for me.

## My house is different from the one next door.

I live on Scott. You know the big stone house? Nope, not ours, but I live right next door. My house is a Cape Cod cottage with a big high roofline. On the other side of us a single dad and his sons and dogs live in a great Craftsman bungalow from the 20s. Across the street is a tall stately Victorian and kitty-corner is a mail order house from Sears and Roebuck. Let's see Adams Farm beat that for variety!

## There's room for everyone.

My street is only three blocks long, yet it has condos, apartments, duplexes and single-family homes with two, three, four, and five bedrooms. There are young families with babies or toddlers or elementary school kids; there are other families with teenagers and grown-up children who only come home on weekends. There are single parents, both moms and dads. Grad students and young professionals live in the condos on one end and the apartments on the other. Some folks are long past retirement; some are headed that way soon. If every house was the same size, the same floor plan, the same number of bedrooms, who would have to move?

The Lindley Park Neighborhood Plan calls this area an established, desirable and durable neighborhood. Those of us who live here know we have a style all our own, built over time and built to last. There aren't many empty lots in Lindley Park, maybe 50 between Lindell and Spring Garden, but each of those lots could become an opportunity for another family, another senior, another college student to experience living in a traditional urban neighborhood. As developers move into our 100-year-old neighborhood, encourage them to help us preserve the character of our neighborhood by building houses and apartments that look like they have been here all along.

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## New Housing Construction in Lindley Park

*From The Lindley Park Neighborhood Plan*

The neighborhood has experienced a substantial increase in rezoning requests for multifamily housing projects. Infill development and home expansion projects have increased and residents would like to ensure that these projects fit with the character of the neighborhood. Plan recommendations include:

- \* Identify areas for appropriate single-family infill development in the core area of the neighborhood plan.
- \* Actively promote neighborhood development design standards as new developments are proposed to encourage consistency with the neighborhood vision.
- \* Utilize the Spring Garden Corridor Plan and the Future Land Use Map to influence the location of mixed-use residential housing along the Spring Garden Corridor and other targeted areas.

The Lindley Park Neighborhood Plan can be viewed on line at <http://www.greensboronc.gov/Departments/hcd/planning/neighborplan/Lindley.htm>. If you would like a printed copy, please contact any LPNA officer with your request.



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## In The Neighborhood....

by Bill Eckard

Have you noticed the changes on the corner of Elam and Walker? There is a lot going on. The Lindley Park Coffee Shop closed its doors and a wine bar, OffShore Lounge, is going to take its place. I stopped in to speak with Tom, the owner, but

unfortunately he wasn't there. I did speak with the construction crew and they indicated that they are working as fast as they can to get it open. The interior looks excellent.

Across the street, Neal Reitzel, the proprietor of Fish Bones, is planning a Pizza and Organic restaurant in the old Wild Magnolia building. Neal, who

grew up in Greensboro and who everyone knows said this is going to be a non smoking, healthy, family oriented restaurant. The inside will have tile, stone and hand painted muriel's. There will also be outside dining on the patio. When asked when he plans to open he stated "when it's ready". Sounds reasonable to me. Neal also said this will be a neighborhood Pizza restaurant and not a standard 'pizza in the box' type of place. This will be a great addition to the *Corner* and to Lindley Park.

The infill houses on Walker are progressing. Both will be two story with attached garages. The house at 2605 Walker is approximately 1330 SF and is listed at \$185,000. The one next door at 2607 Walker Ave. is listed at \$194,000 and is approximately 1425 SF. WOW! Due to the low laying lots, it remains to be seen how these properties and the surrounding houses will drain after a heavy rain.

There is discussion regarding the white apartments that now exist on Spring Garden St. (corner of Elam and Spring Garden). A developer is considering a Student Housing project on this property. Is this what we want and does it fit the neighborhood plan?

Fentress has broken ground on his proposed project. He is building a small shopping area on Spring Garden.



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