



# The DRAMTREE

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**Sharing the spirit of community since 1912**  
**DATE: December 2004**

## NOTICE OF MEETING

**A meeting of the Greater Sunset Park  
Neighborhood Association, Inc. will be  
held:**

**Tuesday December 7, 2004  
From 7:00 PM until 8:30 PM.  
Sunset Park Baptist Church  
231 Central Blvd.**

## AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

**Plans for the annual Luminaries and election  
of officers for the coming year will highlight  
this meeting. Please note that this meeting is  
on a TUESDAY.**

### Presidents Message:

I wish to extend a sincere Thank You to everyone who participated in our Sunset Fall Fest. The hard work and dedication of the following individuals made it possible: David, Therese, William and Daniel Hueholt; Jeanne and Laura Fisher; Jim Lamonda; John and Brenda Humphrey; Pete Katris; Katherine and Larry Nissen; Pat and Penny Wetzel; Vivian Croom; Lori Lagarde; Fred Johnson; Jim Johnson, and Ilse Henagan.

Our sincere appreciation to Officers Linda Rawley, Verna Atwood and Craig Melville of the Police Dept.; Capt. Wolf and his group from the Wilmington Fire Dept.; Cpl. Sigmon and Sgt. Lockamy from the New Hanover Sheriff Dept.; and Jim Flechtner and his Streets Dept.

Thanks to the Sunset Park Baptist Church, St. Peter the Fisherman, Seashore Drugs, the Star-News, and Adelaide Books Acoustics

Show.

A special note of thanks goes to all our Newsletter Distributors: Claire Flowers, Jennie Brown, Larry Nissen, Sandy Pentecost, Debbie Cermak, Joy Callender, Deanne Plocki, Diocles Wells, Christine Larrick, Sam White, Fred and Catherine Johnson, and Ilse Henagan. You are very much appreciated.

My personal thanks to the many volunteers who make our Neighborhood Assn. work. Thanks to our board of directors: Dave Hueholt (VP), Jeanne Fisher (Treas./Garden Club), Amy Derck (Sec.), Ilse Henagan (Social/Newsletter Chair).

**Johnnie N. Henagan, President**  
**762-8596**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

On our regular meeting, January 27, 2005, we have the pleasure of having Wilmington Police Chief Ralph Evangelous as our guest speaker.

On Friday, Dec. 10, at 6:00 PM, the Lighting of the World's Largest Christmas Tree will be held in front of the Sweeney Water Plant.

The Historic Downtown Wilmington Holiday Parade will be Saturday, December 11, at 6:00 PM.

## SENIOR CARE HEALTH BENEFITS

The State of North Carolina has made available a "Senior Care Program" which includes an excellent prescription drug benefit for those over 65 with income less than \$21,275 (single, divorced or widowed) or \$31,225 or less if married. Your application must be processed by December 31, 2004. Unused benefits will be carried over into the next year. Information is available at pharmacies, at [www.ncseniorcare.com](http://www.ncseniorcare.com) and toll free at (877) 646-5307 or (866) 226-1388.

### **SECURITY INFORMATION**

To call police: **762-5228** or **762-5229**. Use these numbers to report any suspicious activity to police. You do not have to identify yourself, and use 911 for emergencies only.

Please keep your porch lights on all night every night. If going away, please tell your neighbor, stop newspapers and mail, and use timers on inside lights to give the appearance that someone is home. If you advise the police, they will observe your house when they patrol the area.

### **SPEED LIMIT**

The speed limit on every residential street south of Greenfield Lake is now 25 miles per hour. We still see people speeding in the neighborhood. Please slow down, and thanks to everyone who is observing the speed limit.

### **LITTERING**

Littering is illegal. This includes cigarette butts, Ad Pak's, paper, bottles, etc. Please help keep our neighborhood, city and state clean. Don't litter, and report those who do. 762-5228.

### **LUMINARIES**

Volunteers are needed to assist with assembly, placement and lighting of the luminaries. On Saturday, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, starting at 11:00 AM, we will assemble and distribute the luminaries. Assembly will be at 2026 Washington St. Then, on Sunday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>, we will light them.

Please volunteer to help assemble, distribute, and to be responsible for lighting at least one plaza. Ilse is coordinator. Please call her at 762-8596 to volunteer.

Fall clean-up crew (volunteer) to help in a neighborhood-wide clean up of litter (plazas and entrances.) Call Ilse at 762-8596 for details.

### **OUR ENTRANCE SIGN**

The city has finally approved our entrance sign design and released the funds. We are now

seeking bids on the project. If you know of a sign company, or a brick mason who may be interested in bidding as a contractor, please let me know at 762-8596 or [spna@aol.com](mailto:spna@aol.com)

### **SEWAGE PROBLEMS**

We are experiencing an increase in sewage problems, overflow from manholes in the street and back up in the street plaza clean out. If you spot a sewage problem, please report it immediately to the city at 341-7884. This is a 24-hour emergency number. Please help us to keep raw sewage from running into the streets and into the storm drains.

### **HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

We wish everyone a Safe and Happy Holiday Season, and best wishes for the New Year. Please take a moment to remember our military personnel, their families, our neighbors, our shut-ins and those who need our prayers and thoughts during this season.

### **KIDS VOTING**

The "Kids Voting" program was a success in Precinct 19 due to the efforts of the following volunteers: Jan Harrington, Pete Katris, Collette Tan, Merideth Merrell, Deanna and Gary Plocki, Catherine Johnson, Ed and Shirley Whieldon, and Johnnie Henagan.

### **JOIN OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP**

Dues are \$10.00 per household per year. Please make your check payable to SPNA, and mail to SPNA, 2022 Washington St., Wilmington, NC, 28401. Include your email address, and your home and work phone numbers. Also, please indicate your willingness to serve on the Board of Directors or work on one or more committees. Your dues support this newsletter and all our beautification projects. Thanks.