



The DRAMTREE

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Sharing the spirit of community since 1912
DATE: September 2004

NOTICE OF MEETING

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

Thursday, 23 September 2004
From 7:00 PM until 8:30 PM.
Sunset Park Baptist Church
231 Central Blvd.

AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

Mr. Wayne Johnson and Ms Becky Pils, from city's Planning and Development Department will present information and ask for input regarding the Carolina Beach Corridor. Information gathered will be presented to City Council for approval. This is a vital issue for Sunset Park, and will affect the future development along Carolina Beach Road from Greenfield Lake to the southern city limits. Our input is needed.

Presidents Message:

Since our last meeting, City Council has approved a 25-MPH speed limit on all residential streets from Greenfield Lake to Shipyard Blvd. Soon we should see "stop bars" painted on the street surface at every stop sign, "Children at Play" signs near our parks, and edge lines along Central Blvd. to help control parking. Many thanks to everyone who attended, participated and helped make this possible.

In June 2003, our neighborhood was the first to host a focus group meeting to help formulate the Future Land Use Plan for Growth and Development for Wilmington. Our voices

were heard, and the basic plan has now been completed and approved by City Council. Our sincere appreciation to the Planning Staff, City Council, all the citizens of Wilmington who participated and especially to you, our own residents who provided the vital input.

Now we are at the point where we must provide input to the city regarding how we want Carolina Beach Road to be developed (or re-developed). Our participation is essential. Please attend this meeting, hear the proposals and provide your views. Soon the Carolina Beach Road Corridor plan (after similar approval) will become a vital part of the Future Land Use Plan.

If your storm debris has not been picked up yet, please be patient. The city waste management office has had to step in due to contract difficulties and lack of federal funds. The pick-up is progressing, and should be completed soon.

Recently, emergency services personnel have had some difficulty in finding buildings because they were not properly numbered. The City Code, Sec. 11-10. "Numbering of buildings." is as follows: "(a) Duty of owner. It shall be the duty of the owner, agent or occupant of any house or building fronting on a street in the city to properly display a number which has been assigned by the addressing coordinator appointed by the city manager. The owner, agent or occupant of such house or building shall place such number in a conspicuous place thereon so that it may be plainly seen and observed from the street." Please make sure your house number is clearly visible.

Please remember that the city has a leash law. Your dogs and cats are not allowed to run free, and you must pick up after your animals. For more information, call Animal Control, phone 341-4197.

Johnnie N. Henagan, President
762-8596

WELCOME CHIEF EVANGELOUS

Sunset Park extends a warm welcome to our new Police Chief, Ralph Evangelous. We anticipate a continuing excellent working relationship with the Department under its new leadership.

We sincerely appreciate all that Interim Chief Bruce Hickman has done for Sunset Park. We wish him a continued successful career with the Department.

The Wilmington Police Dept. will sponsor a Citizen Police Academy from 6:30 until 8:30 PM on Sept. 28 and again on Oct. 28. Deadline for sign-up is Sept. 23. For information call 343-3945.

WANTED

Old cell phones are being collected by the Family Support Group to be recycled to raise funds in support of families of National Guardsmen serving in Iraq. Call Joy Callendar at 343-0668.

Musicians Wanted: For new Beach Music/Oldies band in Wilmington area. Keyboards/Organ, trumpet. Call Ken at 452-5617 or John at 772-2096.

Volunteer band or DJ needed for Greater Sunset Park Fall Festival on Oct. 9. (See related article.) Call Ilse at 762-8596.

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.

**SUNSET PARK FALL FESTIVAL
OCTOBER 9, 2 PM TO 6 PM
2000 BLOCK OF WASHINGTON ST.
(Rain date Oct. 10)**

Mark your calendars for a fun-filled afternoon of camaraderie. The Greater Sunset Park Neighborhood Association is hosting a Fall Fest on Saturday, Oct. 9th. The 2000 block of Washington St. will be closed to traffic from 2 PM until 6 PM. The SPNA will provide free hot dogs and drinks. Children's activities will include arts and crafts, games, cakewalk, etc. Wilmington's "Officer Friendly" (Robo-Cop), Officer McGruff, and others will be on hand to educate and entertain. A chili cook-off is also planned.

We need the following items: Plastic egg cartons, pint and half-milk cartons (empty and washed), small plastic bottles (juice, milk, water, baby juice – empty and washed.) Donated baked goods are needed for cakewalk. Volunteers are needed as follows: to assist with the children's activities (arts, crafts and games, call David Hueholt at 362-8992 or Brenda Humphrey at 772-2096. To help in cooking the hotdogs, call Ilse at 762-8596. If you are interested in the chili cook-off, call Jim Lamonda at 763-2666. To donate baked goods, call Jeanne Fisher at 763-2666. To help with set-up and clean-up or general help, call Ilse at 762-8596. Most important of all, come out and bring the children for a fun-filled afternoon.

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JOIN OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP: Please complete and return with your check for \$10.00 to: SPNA, 2022 Washington St., Wilmington, NC 28401.

Name(s) _____ Address: _____

I am interested in working on a committee.

Please contact me

Phone: _____

Email: _____ Date: _____