

July 2010



Citizens Advisory Council Newsletter

Southeast CAC

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July 8th, 2010 7:00 P.M.

**Barwell Road Community Center
3935 Barwell Road, Raleigh, NC 27610
(919) 329-5994**

Agenda

- 1. Welcome & Introductions**
- 2. Parks & Recreation Report - Tori Voska, Director, Barwell Road Community Center**
- 3. Planning Report - James Brantley, Planning Department**
- 4. Police Report - Officer Kyle Kratzer**
- 5. Gang Awareness Presentation - Detective T.J. Howard**
- 6. Discussion on allocation of funds to promote the Southeast CAC**
- 7. Old Business - follow up on any old business not on current agenda**
- 8. New Business - hear any new business**
- 9. Adjournment**



The **Southeast CAC** is one of 18 Citizens Advisory Councils sponsored by the City of Raleigh and serviced by the City's Community Services Department. The CACs are the only advisory body to the Raleigh City Council whose members are not appointed by the Council and where membership is strictly voluntary. The CACs provide the means for citizens to be involved in planning for the future of their community and in turn, gives the City a method of communication with its citizens. Please support your local CAC. If you have any questions or concerns you may contact your community specialist, Jonathan Edwards at (919) 996-5712 or email him at:

jonathan.edwards@raleighnc.gov

Please contact him to be placed on the mailing list to receive this free newsletter by postal mail or by email.

Please forward this newsletter to your neighbors so our mailing list can grow by your participation!

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996-6001

Animal Control
831-6311/831-6005

Inspections
516-2495

Public Utilities
857-4540

Public Works
996-3030

Potholes
996-6446

Water/Sewer Emergency Hotline
250-2737 (weekdays)
829-1930 (afterhours, weekends and holidays)

Solid Waste Services
996-6890

Community Services
996-6100

Barwell Road Community Center
3935 Barwell Rd.
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Worthdale Community Center
1001 Cooper Rd.
250-2730

CAT Bus information
485-7433

Southeast CAC Meeting Minutes
June 10, 2010 Worthdale Community Center

Bill Lynn called the meeting to order. Tim Sit and Lori Landman were in attendance for the board and Ara Torrez attended in Jonathan Edwards' place.

Officer Ladd introduced the new District Commander A.B. Lull (919-996-1275 phone and 919-278-6333 cell). Captain Lull provided information about his police experience. Officer Kratzer reported on the car jacking at Food Lion off Rock Quarry describing it as a "crime of opportunity". Both vehicles have been recovered and there were no injuries. Officer Ladd provided information about a drug bust in the Worthdale area 2 weeks after the last meeting. There was also discussion regarding children in the Worthdale area throwing rocks at vehicles and street signs. Officer Ladd reminded residents to contact 911. Officer Ladd advised there have been increased vice stings in our district. Meeting attendees requested the crime statistics map include the street level breakdown on the back of the handout again.

Whit Wheeler, Public Utilities provided an update on the work being done in the Worthdale area specifically Little John and Beverly streets and their paving. Whit reported there were soil condition issues which caused some of the issues with the patches however a solution has been found. Whit reported that the whole street would be paved.

Kevin Campbell with Habitat for Humanity, reported on a new program called Brush with Kindness. This program will help with exterior repairs to your house if you qualify (for specific guidelines please contact Habitat for Humanity). This program does have different rules than the homes program. For more information, you can contact Kevin at 919-833-1999 ext 235 or Veronica Bitting at 919-833-1999 ext 245.

George Adler with Community Development reported on a new program called Long Acres Neighborhood Stabilization Plan which partners with Habitat for Humanity. This program uses federal stimulus money to purchase foreclosed homes that are abandoned or vacant. Free hot dogs and chips along with information about this program will be provided on June 19th 2010 at 520 Parnell Dr, Raleigh 11:30am-1:30pm.

Kevin Sanders provided the Worthdale Parks and Recreation report. There are lots of summer programs like Music & Movement, Soap & Candle Making, and Friday Morning Book Club. Kevin advised the summer program for kids' fee has been reduced to \$20 and Wake County Schools will be providing lunches. The outside shelters can also be rented see a Worthdale Parks and Rec employee for more information.

Ms. Viola Bullock requested SE CAC funds to provide entertainment for the Worthdale Community Fun Day on September 11, 2010. The request was for \$375.00 to provide a face painting clown and magician. SE CAC will be given credit and listed. Kelvin Leeks motioned for a vote and Ms. Helen Jenkins seconded the motion. 15 "yes" votes and 0 "no" votes. Motion was carried and Ara will take it for review. Members also agreed to research the cost for signs to put up when there are future meetings.

Ms. Viola Bullock mentioned the Raleigh Neighborhood Exchange Program conference for youths and adults. This group is looking for sponsors to purchase ads for the September program. More information to come—www.raleighnc.gov/communityservices.

Next Meeting July 8, 2010 Barwell Community Center



Community Services News

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Volunteers step up to assist Raleigh Police Department

Raleigh Police volunteers Doug Donald and Bruce Carper peered through a window of a locked garage. A toddler played in a car inside, unaware of his predicament.

"The baby was having a good time," Carper recalled later. The two volunteers were the first to respond to a call about the child, who had locked himself in the garage. Fortunately, the child was not in immediate danger, so Donald and Bruce kept watch and comforted the child's mother until his father arrived with a garage-door opener.

Donald and Carper told the story recently as the police volunteer program celebrated its first anniversary. Police volunteers perform administrative duties, patrol parks and greenways, aid motorists in trouble and help at special events, among other jobs – such as coming to the aid of mischievous toddlers.

Some police volunteers are members of the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, which is administered by the Community Services Department. Donald is among the RSVP volunteers.

Another RSVP volunteer, retired home builder Ken Bluestone, takes reports from burglary victims and has helped find leads that way. Bluestone volunteers eight to 12 hours a week – more than the minimum 15 hours a month that the department requests.

Police Chief Harry Dolan values the volunteers' assistance. "We think it is a wonderful opportunity for our police department to benefit, the community to benefit and the volunteers to benefit," he said.

If you are 55 or older and want to join the RSVP program as a police volunteer, contact Jennifer Robinson-Hartle in the Community Services Department at 996-5727 or jennifer.robinson-hartle@raleighnc.gov. For more information about the police volunteer program, contact Bruce Embry at 996-1118 or rpdvolunteer@raleighnc.gov.

Upcoming Raleigh Neighborhood Exchange offers opportunity to network

Mark your calendar for the Raleigh Neighborhood Exchange, a one-day neighborhood networking and educational event Sept. 18 at N.C. State University's McKimmon Center.

A citizens committee is helping to plan the Exchange, which will offer Raleigh residents the chance to learn from experts and each other about how to help neighborhoods flourish. Registration fee will be \$10.

We'll be sharing more details as they become available. In the meantime, many thanks to these committee members for their work on this event:

- Tsegga Medhin (Northwest CAC), chair
- Viola Bullock (Southeast CAC), vice chair
- Avis Christian (Northeast CAC)
- Arlene Sanders (North Central CAC)
- Jacqueline Tavararez (South CAC)
- Charles Upchurch (South CAC)
- Gary Wiggins (Five Points CAC)
- Jackielyanne Tavararez, teen representative

To learn more about the Exchange, contact Charlene Willard at 996-5718 or charlene.willard@raleighnc.gov.

July community dialogue to focus on aging

You are invited to take part in a discussion about how the City of Raleigh should engage people of Baby Boomer age and older.

A community dialogue sponsored by the Human Relations Commission will explore the question "Is Older Better?" from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, July 24, at the Barwell Road Community Center, 3935 Barwell Road.

This is one in a series of dialogues the Commission is holding on how to ensure access and opportunity for everyone.

To find out more, contact Marionna Poke-Stewart at 996-5726 or mariona.poke-stewart@raleighnc.gov.