

	Subject:	Madison Park Monthly Association Meeting	
	Date:	Monday, May 11th, 2009	
	Time:	7:30 p.m.	
	Location:	Wedgewood Baptist Church Annex	
	Presenters:		
	Meeting Chair: Ken Davis		Attendee Count:
	Guest Speaker: Marty Garges, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Senior Center @ Marion Diehle	24	
http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/charlotte/madisonpk/			
Agenda:			

Welcome

1. Crime Report- given by Officers Hairston, Lim & Morrell

- a. 4/10/09- 4800 block of Murrayhill. Theft of motor vehicle
- b. 4/14/09- 4900 block of Baylor- larceny from vehicle. Wallet stolen
- c. 4/14/09- 5000 block of Baylor- theft of mountain bike from porch
- d. 4/14/09- 5300 block of Furman- Residential breaking and entering. Numerous items stolen including TV's, guns, cameras.
- e. 4/14/09- 5100 block of Milford- vehicle stereo stolen
- f. 4/25/09- 4800 block of Murrayhill- vandalism- mailbox damaged
- g. 4/29/09- 5200 block of Murryhill- larceny from vehicle
- h. 5/02/09- 5200 block of Glenham- theft from motor vehicle
- i. 5/04/09- 5300 block of Baker- shed breaking and entering- lawn tools stolen
- j. 5/09/09- 900 block of Stanfield- bikes stolen from front porch with the locks cut

There have been reports of several people running scams in our neighborhood recently. At least a couple of people have been knocking on doors asking for donations (for raising money to study at Oxford or selling magazines to raise money). They have been claiming to have ties to Madison Park neighborhood. They are scams. Do not give people money that are going door-to-door. The police remind us to call 911 if we see anyone suspicious.

Officer Lim had another update on the vandalism that occurred last year. He met with a suspect, received a confession and then met with the DA. They were able to seize the BB gun that was used in the vandalism. The prosecution is moving forward. Officer Lim believes he was able to scare the juvenile (and the parents of the juvenile) that was also involved.

2. Speaker:

Marty Garges, Center Director at the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Senior Center @ Marion Diehle.

<http://www.cmseniorcenters.org/>

The Senior Center offers computer classes, crafts, exercise classes, dance, support groups, seminars, games, gym equipment, daily hot lunches, cooking classes, and much more. Membership costs \$45/ year or \$80/ year for a couple. Some items that are offered do not require a membership. For a listing of scheduled events, visit the website listed above.

6/13/09- they are having an Arts and Crafts Sale and Yard Sale at Marion Diehle.

3. Neighborhood Updates

a. Meeting @ Queens University

- i. Marty Doss and Ken Davis met with the staff of the Queens University Sports Complex in April to begin developing a relationship with the complex and the neighborhood. Queens was

very gracious and has assured us that they want to do everything that they possibly can to make sure that the facility is a good neighbor for us. Please walk or drive through the complex, if you have not done so in a while – there are many changes in the last month. Construction on the field house and the soccer pitch behind the field house are almost completed.

b. Update on All-Stops in the neighborhood

- i. The list of proposed all-stops has been on the website for a month now, and there has been little to no discussion or emails as a result. The posting will remain open until the end of May to give residents the opportunity to comment pro or con for 'all stop' intersections on the proposed streets. If no further discussion exists, the Madison Park and Montclair Neighborhood Associations will officially approach the City of Charlotte to conduct traffic studies, if necessary, and notify residents of the proposed changes. Due to the number of streets and intersections affected, we will likely hold a special meeting for residents to voice any concerns or show support. If anyone has specific objections to all stops at the following streets, or wants intersections (only in Madison Park) added to the list, please contact Ken Davis via the madisonparkhoa@hotmail.com email address, stating your name, address, and the reasons for your objection or addition request.

Streets under consideration for all stops are as follows:

Madison Park Intersections	Montclair Intersections
Farmbrook & Chedworth	Farmbrook & Wensley
Farmbrook & Valley Forge	Farmbrook & Tamworth (School)
Farmbrook & Fairbanks	Emerywood & Farmbrook
Wedgewood & Valley Forge	Wensley & Boxwood
Murrayhill & Wedgewood	Wensley & Rose Valley
Stanfield & Seacroft	Brookhaven at Stonewood
	Rose Valley at Collingsdale
	Chedworth at Wedgewood
	Montpelier at Archdale

On this same topic, Marty was able to finally work through the issue with the traffic calming funds held in escrow by the City of Charlotte, that was given by the developer of the Magnolia apartment complex on Park Road when it was being built. We have \$13,000 remaining in that account – those funds can only be used for traffic calming measures. Marty Doss and Jane Chidry, who is running for City Council, District 6, will be meeting with the City of Charlotte on Thursday to review the school zone for Smith Language Academy, and try and determine why that part of Tyvola Road is handled differently from other school zones in the City that have stoplights and crosswalks.

c. Reminder – Lunch in the Park with Madison Park

- i. Just a reminder that our annual Spring event, Lunch in the Park with Madison Park, will take place this Saturday, May 16th at Park Road Park, in Shelter #1, from noon until 2pm. Please join us; the HOA will be providing hamburgers & hot dogs, chips and drinks. If you would like to bring a dessert to share, please feel free to do so. We also have a few raffle items that we will give away. Several members of our association have volunteered to help set up, prepare food, and cook, and Dee McCandlish & Debra Campbell have been working on raffle prizes.

d. National Night Out

- i. Debra Campbell and Dee McCandlish went to the stores at Park Road Shopping Center and the surrounding business to work on sponsors for National Night Out. Due to the current economy, we have not received the levels of support that we've seen in the past. We have a fair amount of money in the bank to put towards this event, but it will significantly deplete our reserves, so if you or your business would like to pick up a sponsorship, please let Ken,

Deborah or Dee know ASAP! We have varying levels of sponsorship available, and will feature our sponsors in our newsletter and online, as a way of thanks for their support.

e. Tyvola Road Street Cleanup

- i. A number of Madison Park residents participated in our Spring clean-up for Adopt-A-Street along Tyvola Road on Saturday, April 18th. The City had recently done some work out there, so it wasn't too bad – we had about 4 full bags of trash that was collected, along with some large items that were hauled away for disposal. Special thanks to Vic & Jackie Kirkman, April & Matt Mays, Debra Campbell, Lynn Todd, Richard Akers, and John Oslakovsky for helping out!! Marty & April recently picked up some trash grabbers, gloves and additional vests which helped out greatly.

f. June Meeting Location

- i. Andrew Blair's restaurant over on Montford has offered to host a social event or a meeting for us in their meeting room. I am working with the owners to get additional information, but would be interested to know if members would be interested in holding our June meeting at their facility. More details to follow.

4. Old Business

- a. Still have an opening for the Board of Directors secretary position. We really need to get this filled and take the workload off of April and Cheryl. Please speak to your friends and neighbors and see if anyone is interested. If they are, please have them contact me. **It is critical that we get this position filled.** April Mays is expecting a baby this summer and will not be able to cover the secretary position.

5. New Business

- a. Treasurer's Report. We currently have \$1,243.64 in our account with all bills paid, with 43 paid members. If you have not already done so, please pay your 2009 dues – they are due each year, in January, but are accepted throughout the current year, renewing in January. Membership forms are available on the community resource table located at the back of the meeting room at each meeting, as well as online at <http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/charlotte/madisonpk/>. You may complete an application at your convenience and mail it and your check to Madison Park HOA, PO Box 242432, Charlotte, NC 28244.

6. Open Discussion:

- a. A resident inquired as to the status of the Pinewood School facility on Seneca Place, and what future plans are for this facility since it has been closed. The space was designated as "swing space" to be used when another area school is closed for renovations, but has not seen any use in recent months. Ted Peters volunteered to contact Guy Chamberlain with CMS to obtain an update.

New Members/First Time Attendees:

Adjournment: Time: 8:32pm