



Newsletter

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NNO Recap: Great Tuesday night in the park!

A terrific evening for 36th Annual National Night Out 2019, as 60–80 neighbors, parks & rec staff, first responders & city/county officials swarmed in after the mid-day cloudburst for fine weather, giant yard games, crafts, hot dogs & watermelon in the park. Kids played mega-jenga or connect four, made noodle art, or played with the bullhorn & siren of a sheriff's vehicle; while adults mingled over lemonade and corn on the cob, donated school supplies, and spoke to first responder visitors.

Families chose story & coloring books for children from nonprofit Book Harvest of Durham, while many dog walkers stopped by for water, pet treats, and canine meet-and-greet. In attendance were SEVEN past presidents of Northgate Park Association, THREE Northgate-resident former Facilitators/Officers of our PAC (Partners Against Crime) District 2, and many NPNA board members. By evening's end, we had a record THREE full bins of donations for the nonprofit Crayons 2 Calculators school supply drive!

We're fortunate to have such an engaged & caring community in Northgate Park. (If you missed it, still time to make donations online to C2C / Book Harvest at www.crayons2calculators.org or www.bookharvest.org). Thanks to organizer & current NPNA president Mike Shiflett, grill guys Line Dempsey/Tom Melby, and our DPR team. Join us Tuesday Aug 4, 2020 for a super time at NNO



Upcoming Neighborhood Events

- Sept. 14- Northgate Park Clean Up, NGP 8 a.m.
- Sept 19 - NPNA meeting, Civitan Center, 7 p.m.
- Sept 26 - Food Truck Rodeo, NGP 5 – 8:00 p.m.
w/ CHALK WALK IX!
- Oct 17 - NPNA meeting, Civitan Center, 7 p.m.
- Oct 24 - Food Truck Rodeo FINALE, NGP
5 – 8:00 p.m. w/Craft Fun & N'gate Jams!
- Oct 31 – Elgin St. Halloween Block Party,
5:30 – 8 p.m.
- Nov 21 - NPNA meeting, Civitan Center, 7 p.m.
- Dec. 14- Northgate Park Clean Up, NGP 8 a.m.

Join us for Fun Fall Finale Rodeo Oct. 24

Come along Oct 24 (5-7:30pm) for a rodeo-finale fall-festival with a harvest-season mini-gourd/pumpkin decorating take-home activity, carving (adult supervision) for Lavender 'ruins' jack-o-lanterns, and live music including seasonal & kid's songs with the Northgate Jams (Mall) band. Watch our NPNA Facebook page (like/follow!) for truck vendor roster, weather & other updates! See you for finale fun!

(Also: check for our September 26 rodeo with CHALK WALK #9 sidewalk art extravaganza!)

President's corner

What a great sense of community and pride we all have in living in and around Northgate Park. In the close to twenty years Cheryl and I have called this neighborhood our home, we're constantly reminded of how fortunate we are to live with such a wide variety of individuals, ethnicities, cultural backgrounds and political thought processes. We recognize that each of us has a calling with a need to treat each other with dignity and mutual respect. With this in mind, I have the humblest emotion in writing this, my first President's corner article after being elected in May at the Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting and picnic. Thank you!

I wanted to let the neighborhood know that I've included into our meeting time an opportunity for anyone of you to come and voice your thoughts. It's a chance to tell us what you think the neighborhood is doing right and what we can collectively do to make it better.

Given the success of the past many years with our Night of Lights, Food Truck Rodeos, Spring time Egg Hunt, Neighborhood Garage and Yard Sales, Park Clean ups, Elgin Street celebration and National Night Out events I wanted my year as President to be one where we, as a board, listen to what you the community want us to focus on. Please share with us the decision you made to want to live here or bring a memory you want to share with others, if you've lived here longer than the rest of us. Please find the schedule of events/meetings/happenings in this newsletter for meeting dates and times.

The board looks forward to meeting and listening to you.

-- Michael 'Mike' Shiflett

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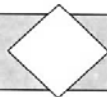
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Grant to Improve Trails of Rock Quarry Park

Hello Northgate Park Neighbors. My name is Chris Huggins. I have lived on Farthing Street with my family for the last ten years or so. For those of you that aren't aware, there is a short trail loop in the woods behind Edison Johnson Aquatic Center that is a part of Rock Quarry Park. This approximately 800 meter trail is used by walkers, trail runners, dog walkers, and mountain bikers from all over Durham. Recently on a run I noticed that the trails had fallen into disrepair with a couple of sections suffering from severe erosion.

One section of the trail was even being swallowed up by the small creek that parallels the bike path and feeds into Ellerbee Creek. I knew that there was a deadline coming up to apply for NIS (Neighborhood Improvement Services) Grants through the city. These grants fund citizen lead projects all over Durham and can fund up to \$2500 worth of improvements.

I applied for the grant with a project goal of building a small wooden bridge over a rooty and muddy section of the trail as well as rerouting two sections of trail that are suffering from erosion. The overall goal is to improve the quality of the Rock Quarry Park Trails and build a coalition of neighbors and friends that are interested in helping to build and maintain a better trail system. We should find out by early September if we've received the grant. ChristopherSHuggins@gmail.com

Celebrating the life of neighbor Jeanine Tregay, 1939–2019

Many neighbors, family and friends gathered at Civitan Center on July 13 to celebrate the life of much loved Northgate resident Jeanine Tregay and to share memories. Jeanine moved to the neighborhood in 2010 and was very active in the community, as a regular participant in association meetings & events, and host to Northgate Garden Club and local ladies' night gatherings. Many reflected on the gentle but present way she contributed to the life of the neighborhood and those around her.

"She was a gracious and frequent host for our garden club potlucks over the ten or more years since they began." "That amazing rose garden, a highlight of club meetings at her home!" (Garden club members)

"She did so much for Northgate Park Neighborhood." "A regular resident attendee at monthly NPNA board meetings for many years, giving valuable contributions & feedback." (association board member, past president)

"Wonderful host with a welcoming home for some high-energy get-togethers – so much laughter!" (Ladies/Women's night member)

"Always had a smile & warmth for others, grateful to have had her for a friend." (nearby neighbor)

"Dedicated fan of NPNA T-shirts! Had several in all colors for herself and her grandson. She loved Northgate Park - and wore it on her 'sleeves'!" (coordinator of NGP T-shirt initiative)

Turning Clutter into Cash – Club Boulevard Elementary Sidewalk Sale

Who doesn't love a good yard sale, where you can find hidden treasures and deals on new and/or gently used goods? Club Boulevard Elementary is hosting a Club Community Sidewalk Sale on Saturday September 21st from 8am-10:30am (rain date 9.28) on the sidewalk and in the parking lot of the school, located at 400 W Club Boulevard. School families will donate items in an effort to raise funds for new classroom furniture. There will be traditional yard sale items including: furniture, clothes, jewelry, tools, toys, household goods, books, games, DVDs, and food vendors. We invite the Northgate Park Neighborhood to come out and SHOP for a great cause! Don't have time to shop, but want to make a donation? Monetary donations are tax-deductible and can be made using PayPal via the email address clubblvdpta@gmail.com.

Update on Washington, Colgate and Glendale Traffic Circle

On June 21, 2019, Cheryl and Mike Shifflet worked with volunteers to prep the ground for a June 24th planting of foundation shrubbery at the Glendale, Washington, Colgate Traffic Circle. Basic foundation plants such as Korean Boxwood and Grasses Shenandoah were planted. Red Rubin Basil was planted in the newest bed to provide a fill-in that mimics the Old fashion Red Cannas and Spiderwort in the center of the other two beds. Additional perennials were added to the beds. In the fall, the plan is to add spring/summer blooming bulbs for more year-round interest. Watch for a posting of the date for planting.

As promised volunteers who worked had their name placed a raffle in a drawing for a picnic package. Susan Brooks won. Congratulations to Susan and a major THANK YOU to all who volunteered.

A special thanks goes out to Ms. Holmes for the use of her water faucet. If you'd like to be part of the watering cycle, please contact Debra Hawkins or Cheryl Shifflett.



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Elgin Street Halloween Festival celebrates its 12th year

The Elgin Street Halloween Festival started in 2007. We skipped one year so that would make this the 12th one. If you're new to the neighborhood, the 2700 block of Elgin St has hosted 11 festivals thusfar. We set up games for the kiddos in our front yards, give out candy and trinkets, host the official food truck of our festival --Only Burger and normally have some form of entertainment around 7 pm. The event runs from 5:30 to 8:30 (with the street being closed from 5 to 9 to allow for setup and breakdown.)

We need volunteers from the neighborhood to help run the games and donate candy, trinkets, and/or money. An announcement will be made on the listserv when the Signup Genius is ready for this year with a link to click and pick your job. Our entertainment is still open as last year's wonderful aerialists aren't available due to pregnancy, so if there's anyone or several in



the neighborhood that would like a place to show off their talents, have we got a deal for you. There's even some money for compensation if that helps.

So make plans to attend now and have a safe environment for your children to enjoy trick-or-treating. If you have questions or need additional information, feel free to contact me at donaldclary@yahoo.com or by calling Donald at 919.220.3439.

P.S. Our festival is always on October 31 or we'd call it something else!



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